# AGENDA

# ADVISORY TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING January 18, 2012 at 10:00 am at City Hall in the Committee Room

ENT:
DELEGATIONS
REVIEW PREVIOUS MINUTES
UNFINISHED BUSINESS
NEW BUSINESS
An email was received from Darren Homan, Principal of John Howitt Elementary School, regarding vehicles speeding through the school crossing at Bishop Street. (See attached email.)
An email was received from Phil Atkinson, Manager of Port Alberni Transit. A concern was raised at their last Safety Committee meeting regarding pedestrian safety at the new crosswalk at Gertrude Street and Southgate Road. (See attached email.)

## **DISCUSSION**

#### THE NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS

April 18, 2012 July 18, 2012 October 17, 2012

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11/29/2011 04:41 PM

### Hello Darren,

Thank you for the message. We have looked at this area in the past but we would like to review it with you on site. Would it be alright to meet early in January?

Regards, Guy

Guy Cicon, P.Eng. City of Port Alberni City Engineer ph: (250)-720-2838

From:

Veronica Irg/CPA/ca

To:

Guy Cicon/CPA/ca@CPA

Date:

11/29/2011 02:09 PM

Subject:

Fw: Bishop Street crossing

---- Forwarded by Veronica Irg/CPA/ca on 11/29/2011 02:09 PM -----

From:

Darren Homan < dhoman@sd70.bc.ca>

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"veronica\_irg@portalberni.ca" <veronica\_irg@portalberni.ca>

Cc:

Darren Homan <dhoman@sd70.bc.ca>

Date:

11/29/2011 02:01 PM

Subject:

Bishop Street crossing

### Hi Veronica

My name is Darren Homan and I am the Principal of John Howitt Elementary School.

I was given your name by Rodney Rogers our school trustee responsible for traffic safety. We have had some concern regarding the entrance to our school from Bishop Street. It is an area where children are dropped off and also an area where children cross when walking to and from school. We have had a few near misses with cars speeding by and were wondering if something could be done to alert motorists that this is an area used as a crossing for children.

I am not sure if anything can be done but wanted to inquire about lights, crosswalk, signage..... Any advice you could provide would be appreciated.

01/05/2012 11:30 AM

Thanks Phil,

We will put it on the next agenda. It is a good point to raise.

Guy

Guy Cicon, P.Eng. City of Port Alberni City Engineer ph: (250)-720-2838

From:

Phil Atkinson < phil@patransit.pwt.ca>

To:

"Guy\_Cicon@portalberni.ca" <Guy\_Cicon@portalberni.ca>

Cc:

"Randy\_Fraser@portalberni.ca" <Randy\_Fraser@portalberni.ca>

Date:

01/05/2012 10:16 AM

Subject:

Gertrude & Southgate.

#### Good Morning Guy,

At our recent Safety Committee Meeting a concern was raised regarding the new crosswalk at Gertrude and Southgate. Some of our passengers, once leaving the bus (facing Southbound) will try and cross Gertrude at the new crosswalk. If the buses and sometimes there are there for several minutes waiting for their departure time, are sitting there the buses possibly are becoming billboards in the sense that the southbound traffic may not see the person or persons step off of the sidewalk unto the Crosswalk. In fact the person may be out several feet before they are in view of the oncoming traffic. So far there have been no incidents but the possibility is certainly there. One of our drivers said that he often tell the passengers to please watch the oncoming traffic as they may not see the them.

The Safety Committee suggested asking the City for flashing pedestrian activated lights be installed. However I suggested that we would raise this for the next Traffic Advisory Meeting. So Guy can we raise this point at the next Meeting?

Thanks,

Phil

Phil Atkinson, Manager

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