



Location:	Committee Room C-11, Tom Davies Square
Commencement:	5:30 PM
Adjournment:	6:25 PM

Minutes

**For the 5th Transit Committee Meeting held
Wednesday, November 30, 2011**

COUNCILLOR BARBEAU, IN THE CHAIR

Councillors

Councillor Berthiaume, Cimino, Kilgour

Staff

Greg Clausen, General Manager of Infrastructure Services; Roger Sauvé, Director of Transit Services; Robert Gauthier, Manager of Transit Operations; Brent Fleury, Senior Budget Analyst; Brigitte Sobush, Deputy City Clerk; Liz Collin, Planning Committee Secretary

Guest

Robert Jancev, Consat

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof

None Declared.

Media

Sudbury Star

Presentations

- 1 . Councillor Barbeau explained the funds were made available when reviewing possible changes to the Walden Route were being considered to help the local high school students participate in extracurricular activities at the school. He stated through meetings with the students and holding an open bus forum, the needs of the students were met by changing the existing route which did not require the use of funds. The funds are available for other route changes.

The Director of Transit Services stated the Chelmsford route extension would be funded through the ridership gas tax and reserves which remains unused. The budget option was prepared to show the costs of the route change to include a stop at St. Gabriel's Villa. A stop by stop route analysis was completed and it was concluded there are not any portions of the route that can be eliminated to support the extension without changing the times of the route. The cost of extending the route is approximately \$93,000.00. He explained changes were made to the Walden route without affecting the time points and went from a low ridership to higher ridership numbers. He does not recommend extending the Chelmsford route but suggested adding St. Gabriel's Villa to the Transcab service.

The Senior Budget Analyst stated if the option is eliminated from the 2012 Budget there will be no impact on the tax levy.

Councillor Berthiaume stated the route change only needs to occur three times per day. He requested service to St. Gabriel's Villa be included on the 8:30 a.m.; 11:15 a.m.; and 4:15 p.m. routes.

The Director of Transit stated making sporadic changes to the route are difficult as these changes add 15 minutes to the route and would make it continually late. He suggested the route be tested the same as others, begin with adding Transcab from Bonaventure Mall. After six months an evaluation of ridership and any changes required in the route could be evaluated. He stated these changes would not require the \$93,000.00 that extending the route would require. The Transcab service to St. Gabriel's Villa could be added immediately.

With concurrence of the Committee, they will request the removal of the Budget Option to extend the Chelmsford route to St. Gabriel's Villa from the 2012 Budget at the Finance meeting Monday, December 5, 2011.

OTHER BUSINESS

Direct Route to Canada Revenue Agency from Onaping, Levac, Chelmsford, Azilda

Councillor Berthiaume asked the status of the request to have the service change for a direct route to Canada Revenue Agency and possibly to New Sudbury.

The Director of Transit Services explained that when the Sunday Service was extended to include the needs of the call centre employees, Transit met with the employees to determine what their needs were. He suggested they meet with the employees of the Canada Revenue Agency to determine their needs and times of shifts and look at the travel patterns of the employees; review possible changes to the route and report back to the Committee.

Rules of Procedure

The Committee unanimously agreed to suspend with the Rules of Procedure, Section 3.02 to hear the following delegation which is not on the Agenda.

COMMUNITY DELEGATION

Robert Jancev, Consat, gave an electronic presentation of the data provided by the Automatic Vehicle Locator program. He gave a demonstration of the tools available to analyze the performance of service by each individual bus and the current status of the fleet. He explained the information can be broken down into the individual routes and data can be collected on a stop by stop basis, including the time points. The program continually knows where each bus is and any issues the bus may have including: being late or early; the average drive time between stops; and stop time for passenger loading and unloading. He stated the fare collection system tracks the passenger boarding counts at each stop.

ADJOURNMENT

2011-11 Kilgour/Cimino: That we do now adjourn. Time: 6:25 p.m.

CARRIED

BRIGITTE SOBUSH, DEPUTY CITY CLERK

COUNCILLOR JACQUES BARBEAU, CHAIR