

Transportation Study Report Project Update

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Presentation Outline

- What is this project about?
- Study overview
- What we have heard from the public
- Policy development:
 - Complete Streets
 - Road classifications
 - Rural to urban road conversions
 - Sidewalk priority policy
- 2031 recommended road network
- Recommended active transportation network





What is This Project About?

- Prepare Sustainable Transportation Network for the year 2031:
 - Identify road investments
 - Prepare active transportation plan
 - Develop supporting policies
- Principles:
 - Healthy Communities
 - Sustainability
 - Economic Vitality





Study Overview

- Project commenced in the fall of 2011
- First Public Information Centre held in January 2012
- Analyzed alternative future scenarios
- Developed draft recommended road and active transportation networks
- Prepared supporting policies
- Second Public Information Centre to be held June 19th
- Gather feedback, prepare draft report, and present to Council
- After Council adoption:
 - Conduct Environmental Assessments of road projects
 - Conduct design feasibility studies of active transportation projects





What We Have Heard from the Public

- Meetings with the public, SMAP and trucking industry
- 500+ responses to online survey
- Themes:
 - Alternatives to the automobile: more transit, bike facilities and sidewalks
 - Safe and efficient truck movement







Complete Streets

- Designed, constructed operated and maintained for all modes of transportation and all types of users
- Can be safer for all users
- Support livable communities
- Positive impacts on public health
- Economic benefits people want to be there







Updates to Road Classifications

Road Class	Transit Provision	Cycling Provision	Pedestrian Provision	
Primary Arterial				
Secondary Arterial				
Tertiary Arterial	Provisions recommended for each class of road and each mode of transportation			
Collector	each mode of transportation			
Local				





Rural to Urban Cross Section Conversion

- Defined criteria and thresholds to identify high priority road links for conversion
- Criteria include:
 - Proximity to schools, hospitals and recreation centres
 - Proximity to existing bus routes, sidewalks and curbed road segments
 - Pavement condition and traffic volumes
 - Existence of sanitary sewers







Sidewalk Priority Policy

- Adapted from the City of Victoria's "Pedestrian Master Plan" and the City of Peterborough's "Sidewalk Strategic Plan"
- Points are awarded based on specified criteria for each area:
 - Highest priority is given to those areas with the highest total score

Criteria	Description	Points Given
Road Type	Arterial Collector Local	10 5 1
Pedestrian Generators	Within 500 m of hospital, library, place of work, arena, etc.	7
Commercial Land Use	Downtown Commercial Area	10 7
Transit	Along Transit Route	5
School Proximity	< 0.5 km 0.5 km to 1.4 km 1.5 km to 2.0 km	6 3 1
Road Width	Number of lanes	1 - 6
Existing Pathways	None Informal Path Trail (within 500 m)	10 7 5
Public Concerns	Number of formal requests received	1 - 7













Thank you for your attention.

Questions and Answers.

