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June 2, 2010

City Council  
City of Greater Sudbury  
200 Brady Street  
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Dear Members of City Council:

**Re: Letter of support for the City of Greater Sudbury (CGS)  
Sustainable Mobility Plan**

On behalf of the Sudbury & District Health Unit (SDHU), please accept this letter in support of the CGS Sustainable Mobility Plan. The Plan is an initiative of the City of Greater Sudbury's Healthy Community Cabinet and was funded, in part, by the Ontario Ministry of Health Promotion.

A healthy community model that incorporates the concept of sustainable mobility, embraces a broad vision of health. Our natural environment, economic prosperity, social and physical well being all depend on transportation systems. Effective and affordable transportation networks ensure equitable access to employment, education, and health services, and enable opportunities for social and economic participation.

Altering transportation trends is not an easy task and requires the cooperation of all stakeholders. As a health sector member of the Healthy Community Cabinet, the Sudbury & District Health Unit supports the creation of healthy environments based on guiding principles of accessibility, equity, health and well-being, environmental sustainability, personal and community safety, and community cohesion and vitality.

The Sudbury & District Health Unit is pleased to endorse the City of Greater Sudbury's Healthy Community Cabinet Sustainable Mobility Plan as it will contribute to the foundations of a healthy community.

Yours in support,

P. Sutcliffe, MD, MHSc, FRCPC  
Medical Officer of Health and Chief Executive Officer

c: Sandra Laclé, Director, Health Promotion Division, SDHU  
Carol Craig, Public Health Nurse, Health Promotion Division, SDHU  
Deb McIntosh, Executive Director, Rainbow ROUTES Association

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**Frank J. Elsner**  
Chief of Police  
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City of Greater Sudbury

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As the Chief of Police for the Greater City of Sudbury, it is my duty to protect the safety and lives of our citizens. Our Police Service's goal is to enhance the lives of our citizenry by working in conjunction with our numerous community partners.

One such partner is the Rainbow Routes Association. As you know, the Rainbow Routes Association is the lead agency in the development of a Sustainable Mobility plan for the City of Greater Sudbury. They are committed to providing equal consideration to the needs of cyclists in the Transportation section of the City's Official Plan.

As an avid cyclist in the city, as well as having officers deployed on bicycles, I know how careful one must be while navigating our streets through traffic. Designated bicycle lanes and pathways would greatly enhance the safety of cyclists in our community. Furthermore, it would help in alleviating some of the traffic congestion in the heavy vehicle use areas while benefiting our lifestyle and environment.

The Greater Sudbury Police Service fully supports the creation and further expansion of new and existing designated cycling lanes or paths in our community. We look forward to working with our community partners to achieve an even more vibrant and inviting City.

If I can be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at (705) 675-9171, extension 2287.

Sincerely,

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Frank J. Elsner  
Chief of Police

June 7, 2010

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**Re: Letter of Support for the Endorsement of the Sustainable Mobility Plan**

On behalf of the EarthCare Sudbury Advisory Panel, please accept this letter in support of the Sustainable Mobility Plan, an initiative of the City of Greater Sudbury Healthy Community Cabinet, funded in part by the Ontario Ministry of Health Promotion.

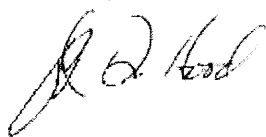
The EarthCare Sudbury Advisory Panel is comprised of representatives of local businesses, organizations and institutions who have joined together to champion sustainability in Greater Sudbury. It is our view that a community designed to support walking and cycling is more liveable, attractive and sustainable. It is a community that promotes healthy living, contributes to a cleaner environment, supports social cohesion of its citizens and fosters a greater sense of local pride.

According to the City's 2005 Transportation Study, about two-thirds of Sudburians primarily travel by single occupant vehicle. Implementing this Sustainable Mobility Plan will help Sudburians shift towards using more low impact and low carbon methods of transport, which will have environmental, social, economic and health-related benefits for the community.

The Sustainable Mobility Plan is in line with the priorities of the Partners for Climate Protection Program, which the City of Greater Sudbury has participated in for over 10 years. It also encompasses the transportation goals and objectives of the 2010 EarthCare Action Plan, which was endorsed by City Council in March, 2010. With a Sustainable Mobility Plan in place, Greater Sudbury will be better prepared to make significant progress on improving infrastructure for active and non-motorized transport, increasing transit ridership, and reducing transportation-related greenhouse gas emissions, all of which are central to becoming a more sustainable community.

The EarthCare Sudbury Advisory Panel is pleased to support the endorsement of the Sustainable Mobility Plan as it will contribute to Greater Sudbury's future as a greener, cleaner, healthier and more sustainable place to live, work and play.

Sincerely,



John Hood,  
EarthCare Sudbury Co-chair



Linda Meret,  
EarthCare Sudbury Co-chair

City Council  
City of Greater Sudbury  
200 Brady Street  
Sudbury, ON  
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May 13, 2010

**Re: Letter of Support for the City of Greater Sudbury Sustainable Mobility Plan**

On behalf of Rainbow ROUTES Association please accept this letter in support of the Sustainable Mobility Plan, an initiative of the City of Greater Sudbury Healthy Community Cabinet, funded in part by the Ontario Ministry of Health Promotion.

Rainbow ROUTES Association is committed to the promotion and development of non-motorized routes and initiatives in the City of Greater Sudbury. The Sustainable Mobility Plan reflects a vision for a more sustainable City which will see the increased need for non-motorized routes for active transportation.

The Sustainable Mobility Plan recognizes that developing a sustainable transportation system means building a city where people choose to walk, along with cycling and public transit, as the preferred means to move from place to place. A community that is designed to support walking and cycling is more liveable, attractive and sustainable. It is a community that promotes healthy living, contributes to a cleaner environment, supports social cohesion of its citizens and fosters a greater sense of local pride.

It is imperative that the needs of pedestrians, cyclists and transit users be given equal consideration when decisions regarding transportation are made in Greater Sudbury. Active methods of transportation need to be made safe, accessible, efficient and pleasant in order for the mobility of marginalized individuals to be improved. It will also enable individuals to choose to use sustainable transportation and leave the car at home.

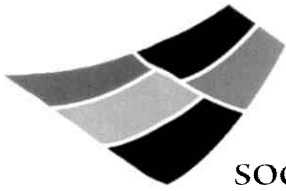
We are pleased to support the Sustainable Mobility Plan as it will contribute to an improved quality of life for the citizens of Greater Sudbury.

Yours in support,



Judy Courtemanche  
President

cc. Rainbow ROUTES Association Board of Directors



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of Sudbury

conseil de planification sociale  
de Sudbury

May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2010

**Re: Letter of Support for the Endorsement of the Sustainable Mobility Plan**

To: City Council

On behalf of the Social Planning Council please accept this letter in support of the Sustainable Mobility Plan, an initiative of the City of Greater Sudbury Healthy Community Cabinet, funded in part by the Ontario Ministry of Health Promotion.

The Sustainable Mobility Plan recognizes that developing a sustainable transportation system means building a city where people choose to walk, along with cycling and public transit, as the preferred means to move from place to place. A community that is designed to support walking and cycling is more livable, attractive and sustainable. It is a community that promotes healthy living, contributes to a cleaner environment, supports social cohesion of its citizens and fosters a greater sense of local pride.

In Greater Sudbury, approximately 13% of the population are considered low income (before taxes), with the median income (before tax) being \$27,476.00 (Statistics Canada Greater Sudbury Community Profile Census 2006). The needs of pedestrians, cyclists and transit users, many of whom are people living on low incomes, need to be elevated to a state of balance with automobile use.

As well, according to the 2007-2008 Canadian Community Health Strategy, approximately 63% of residents (aged 18 or older) in the Sudbury District are overweight or obese. Making walking and cycling safe, accessible, efficient and pleasant in the City of Greater Sudbury will help people become more active.

At the same time the Sustainable Mobility Plan, once implemented, will also increase the number of low cost and no cost transportation options – lessening the financial and logistical burdens of living without a vehicle faced by so many in our communities.

We are pleased to support the endorsement of the Sustainable Mobility Plan and look forward to its implementation.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sandra Lacle".

Sandra Lacle  
President



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REGIONAL HOSPITAL

May 11, 2010

City Council  
City of Greater Sudbury  
200 Brady St.  
Sudbury, ON P3A 5P3

**Re: Letter of Support for the City of Greater Sudbury  
Sustainable Mobility Plan**

On behalf of the Hôpital Régional de Sudbury Regional Hospital please accept this letter in support of the Sustainable Mobility Plan, an initiative of the City of Greater Sudbury Healthy Community Cabinet, funded in part by the Ontario Ministry of Health Promotion.

The Sustainable Mobility Plan encompasses all four priorities of the Healthy Community Charter in Greater Sudbury. It recognizes that developing a sustainable transportation system means building a city where people choose to walk, along with cycling and public transit, as the preferred means to move from place to place.

Additionally, a community that is designed to support walking and cycling is more livable, attractive and sustainable. It promotes healthy living, contributes to a cleaner environment, supports social cohesion of its citizens and fosters a greater sense of local pride.

We are pleased to support the endorsement of the Sustainable Mobility Plan as it will contribute to the well-being and safety of all citizens in Greater Sudbury.

Sincerely,

Joe Pilon  
Senior Vice President  
Hôpital Régional de Sudbury Regional Hospital



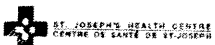
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YMCA

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June 3, 2010

**Re: Letter of Support for the Endorsement of the Sustainable Mobility Plan**

Please accept this letter from YMCA Sudbury in support of the Sustainable Mobility Plan, an initiative of the City of Greater Sudbury Healthy Community Cabinet.

YMCA Sudbury builds strong kids, strong families, strong communities. Part of being a healthy community is being active in all we do, and supporting and promoting that healthy activity wherever it occurs. The Sustainable Mobility Plan recognizes that developing a sustainable transportation system means building, transforming and maintaining a city where people choose to walk, cycle and use public transit to move from place to place. A community that is designed to support walking and cycling is more liveable, healthier, attractive and sustainable. It is a community that promotes healthy living, contributes to a cleaner environment, supports social cohesion of its citizens and fosters a greater sense of local pride.

YMCA Sudbury believes that Greater Sudbury needs to facilitate a paradigm shift where the needs of pedestrians, cyclists and transit users will be elevated to a state of balance with automobile use. YMCA Sudbury believes that the social, mental and physical health of the City will improve through the promotion of active transportation. Approximately 63% of residents (aged 18 or older) in the Sudbury District are overweight or obese and the annual economic burden of physical inactivity in Canada is \$5.3 billion (\$1.6 billion in direct costs and \$3.7 billion in indirect costs).

YMCA Sudbury endorses and supports the Sustainable Mobility Plan which encompasses all 4 priorities of the Healthy Community Charter in Greater Sudbury. YMCA Sudbury is pleased to support the Sustainable Mobility Plan as it will contribute to the enhancement of the lives of all Greater Sudbury residents.

Sincerely,

John Schmitt  
Chief Executive Officer

**YMCA Sudbury**

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June 4, 2010

Mayor John Rodriguez and City Councillors  
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CLEAN AIR

**Re: Sustainable Mobility Plan**

Mayor Rodriguez and City Councillors:

On behalf of Clean Air Sudbury, please accept this letter in support of the Sustainable Mobility Plan that will be presented to City Council on June 16, 2010.

Clean Air Sudbury is a non-profit organization focused on community air quality in Greater Sudbury. One of our mandates is to provide opportunities for the public to get involved in air quality improvements. The Sustainable Mobility Plan provides such an opportunity. It will empower residents to make healthy transportation choices and reduce their personal contributions to air pollution and climate change.

Transportation has been identified by Clean Air Sudbury to be a major contributor to community air quality, especially at street level. Based on Environment Canada emission estimates summarized in our latest Air Quality Trends in Greater Sudbury report, local transportation sources account for a substantial portion of air pollutant emissions (71% of nitrogen dioxide emissions, 64% of carbon monoxide emissions, 32% of volatile organic compound emissions, 8% of fine particulate emissions). Furthermore, motor vehicles are a major source of greenhouse gas emissions.

The Sustainable Mobility Plan will work towards improving the network of sidewalks and bicycle pathways in the City to make it more convenient, accessible, safe and enjoyable to walk or cycle, rather than driving. The net benefit of these forms of alternative transportation will be an improvement in local air quality and a reduction in greenhouse gas emissions.

Sincerely,

Laura Mucklow  
Coordinator, Clean Air Sudbury

Graeme Spiers  
Co-Chair, Clean Air Sudbury



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CLERK'S

Mayor and Council  
City of Greater Sudbury  
P.O. Box 5000  
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June 10<sup>th</sup> 2010

**Re:** Older Adult and Senior's Perspective on Bicycle use in Greater Sudbury.

Seniors have two specific concerns with respect to the use of bicycles in Greater Sudbury.

**First:** Cycling is a recognized healthy activity that can contribute to the quality of life for older adults and seniors who often have more leisure time to enjoy this worthwhile endeavor. However, Sudbury is not a bicycle friendly city with few bike routes on or off road.

**Second:** Due to the absence of bike lanes on city streets and few off road paths many bicycle riders use the sidewalks with little regard for pedestrians including seniors who often feel threatened by speeding cyclists on the sidewalks, especially in high traffic areas.

**Friendly to Seniors** supports the development and implementation of a comprehensive plan that would address these two concerns.

Sincerely,

John Lindsay  
Chair  
Friendly to Seniors – Sudbury  
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City of Greater Sudbury City Council  
P.O. Box 5000, Station A  
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June 11, 2010

**Re: Sustainable Mobility Plan**

On behalf of the Coalition for a Liveable Sudbury, please accept this letter of support for the Sustainable Mobility Plan that will be presented to Council by Rainbow Routes, June 16, 2010.

Throughout this year, we have seen overwhelming support for good pedestrian and cycling infrastructure in Greater Sudbury. Existing conditions are often unsafe and unappealing, and we have heard many times the account of keen walkers and cyclists who have given up walking and biking because of close calls or collisions with motorists. Residents hope and wish for improvements in sidewalks, crosswalks, and bikeways.

These improvements are crucial in meeting Council's objective for Greater Sudbury to become the most pedestrian friendly city in Ontario by 2015, as well as the objectives of the Healthy Community Strategy, and the Local Action Plan.

Making active transportation a safe, convenient, and attractive option for residents enables the active lifestyle we all know is so important for our health and well-being. It allows children to walk to school, and ride around the neighbourhood with their friends. It allows families to walk and bike together, for their daily needs, and for pleasure. It allows seniors to maintain their independence after they can no longer drive. It also improves air quality, reduces green house gas emissions, and brings other environmental benefits.

One third of the population does not drive. We all know that transportation is a necessity: to get to work, daycare, school, daily needs, and friends and family. Without safe and well maintained infrastructure for walking, rolling, cycling, and transit, these citizens are at a very big disadvantage. As our population ages, more and more of our citizens will rely on this infrastructure for their independence and safety.

Now is the time to implement the measures needed for a walkable, sustainable community.

Sincerely,

Naomi Grant  
Chair, Coalition for a Liveable Sudbury

June 10, 2010

**Re: Letter of Support for the Endorsement of the Sustainable Mobility Plan**

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To Mayor and Council,

On behalf of the Mayor and Council's Roundtable on Children and Youth please accept this letter in support of the Sustainable Mobility Plan, an initiative of the City of Greater Sudbury Healthy Community Cabinet, funded in part by the Ontario Ministry of Health Promotion.

The Sustainable Mobility Plan recognizes that developing a sustainable transportation system means building a city where people choose to walk, along with cycling and public transit, as the preferred means to move from place to place. A community that is designed to support walking and cycling is more liveable, attractive and sustainable. It is a community that promotes healthy living, contributes to a cleaner environment, supports social cohesion of its citizens and fosters a greater sense of local pride.

The Mayor and Council's Roundtable on Children and Youth has identified land use and transportation planning that takes the needs of children and youth into account as a key priority in its work. The Roundtable has been working with the Child and Youth-Friendly Land-Use and Transport Planning Guidelines for Ontario, developed by the Centre for Sustainable Transportation at the University of Winnipeg. This report provides guidelines and recommendations to Municipalities to enhance their ability to plan for the needs of Children and Youth.

We are very pleased to report that strategies to meet a majority of the 21 guidelines contained in the report are included in the Sustainable Mobility Plan (SMP). The Roundtable has worked closely with the SMP team to incorporate the specific needs of children and youth into the recommendations included in the Plan.

As the Centre for Sustainable Transportation states in their report: "Use of the [Child and Youth Friendly] guidelines could result in communities that are not only more child- and youth-friendly but are more agreeable for persons of all ages, and—through their emphasis on active transport—more sustainable".

The Roundtable will be coming to Council in Fall 2010 to speak specifically about the Child and Youth Friendly Planning Guidelines. The endorsement of the Sustainable Mobility Plan and the recommendations contained within it will ensure that the City will be well on its way to having a policy framework that

meets the high standards set out in the Child and Youth Friendly Planning Guidelines.

We are pleased to support the endorsement of the Sustainable Mobility Plan as it will contribute to creating a healthy, vibrant and accessible City for children and youth and all residents.

The Roundtable looks forward to working with the Healthy Community Cabinet and with Council to ensure that we are continuing to build and develop a City that meets the needs of children, youth and their families.

We would be pleased to provide any additional information about our work and how it relates to the work of the Healthy Community Cabinet and the Sustainability Plan.

Sincerely,

Martha Musicco



Chair, Child and Youth Friendly Planning Guidelines Working Group  
of the Mayor and Council's Roundtable on Children and Youth

**Mayor and Council's Roundtable on Children and Youth  
Members and Associate Members**

Janet Gasparini	Chair, Children First Roundtable
Lyse Lamothe	Community Representative
Martha Musicco	Community Representative
Tara Leary	Community Representative
Louise D'Amour	Directrice de l'éducation, CSPGNO,
Jean Hanson	Director of Education, RDSB
Catherine McCullough	Director of Education, SDCSB
Lyseanne Papineau	Directrice de l'éducation, CSCNO
Lois Mahon	Executive Director, Child Care Resources
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Marlene Gorman	Executive Director, Sudbury YWCA
Jane Bauer	Executive Director, Children's Community Network
Sandra Lacle	Manager of Health Promotion, SDHU
Colette Prevost	Executive Director CASDSM
Ken Wallenius	Acting Executive Director, SACY



Sudbury, le 14 juin, 2010

Deb McIntosh  
Directrice  
Rainbow Routes  
200, rue Brady  
Sudbury, ON P3A 5P3

Objet: Lettre d'appui pour le Plan de transport durable

Aux membres du Conseil municipal,

De la part du Centre de santé communautaire du Grand Sudbury, veuillez accepter cette lettre d'appui pour le Plan de transport durable, une initiative du Cabinet des Communautés en santé de la Ville du Grand Sudbury, appuyée en partie par le Ministère de Promotion de la santé de l'Ontario.

Le Plan de transport durable permettra le développement d'un système de transport qui permet aux citoyen-ne-s de choisir des méthodes de transport actif pour se déplacer au quotidien. Une communauté conçue en fonction de la promotion de la marche et du cyclisme est une communauté qui assure un style de vie plus sain, un environnement plus propre, et un milieu qui encourage la cohésion sociale.

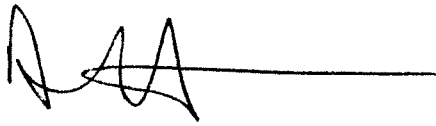
Selon la Stratégie canadienne de santé communautaire, environ 63% des résidents âgés de 18 ans et plus du Grand Sudbury font de l'embonpoint ou sont obèses. Ceci, en comparaison avec le 52% de la population à l'échelle provinciale. De plus, au Grand Sudbury, environ 13% de la population est considérée à faible revenu, avec un revenu brut moyen de \$27,476.00 (Recensement 2006 pour le Grand Sudbury, Statistiques Canada). Pour ces derniers, le transport par automobile n'est souvent pas une option, et il est important pour eux d'avoir accès à un système de transport collectif accessible et qui encourage une vie active.

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Nous tenons à féliciter la Ville du Grand Sudbury pour sa vision quant au transport durable, et Rainbow Routes pour leur excellent travail sur ce dossier. Il nous fait plaisir d'offrir notre appui au Plan de transport durable, qui va contribuer énormément à l'amélioration de la santé de notre communauté.

Veuillez recevoir, Madame McIntosh, nos remerciements les plus sincères.

Le Directeur général,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a stylized 'D' followed by a series of loops and a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Denis Constantineau



## MYTHS AND MIRRORS COMMUNITY ARTS

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June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2010

### **Re: Letter of Support for the Endorsement of the Sustainable Mobility Plan**

[To: Mayor John Rodriguez  
Members of City Council

On behalf of Myths and Mirrors Community Arts, please accept this letter in support of the Sustainable Mobility Plan, an initiative of the City of Greater Sudbury Healthy Community Cabinet, funded in part by the Ontario Ministry of Health Promotion.

The Sustainable Mobility Plan recognizes that developing a sustainable transportation system means building a city where people choose to walk, along with cycling and public transit, as the preferred means to move from place to place. A community that is designed to support walking and cycling, and in which people's hopes and dreams are reflected in community art, is more liveable, attractive and sustainable. It is a community that promotes healthy living, contributes to a cleaner environment, supports social cohesion of its citizens and fosters a greater sense of local pride.

In Greater Sudbury, approximately 13% of the population are considered low income (before taxes), with the median income (before tax) being \$27,476.00 (Statistics Canada Greater Sudbury Community Profile Census 2006). These people should not be punished because automobile transportation is not a possibility for them. On the contrary, they should be supported as they are the members of the community whose lifestyle most contributes to a cleaner environment and increased physical activity.

Myths and Mirrors Community Arts is an organization that likes to dream and envision hopes and possibilities. So we ask all of you to envision our northern city as a park, where sustainable, active transportation, travelling through vital downtowns and neighborhoods that are alive with the art of children, teenagers, and seniors, is not only a viable alternative but a reality within our reach--if we dare to dream.

We would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the City of Greater Sudbury for its vision on this issue, and Rainbow Routes for their boundless energy and commitment to ensuring the voices of low income people were heard.

On behalf of the board of directors of Myths and Mirrors Community Arts,

Monique Beaudoin  
Administrative Coordinator