
Mississauga School Traffic Safety Action Committee

Date: May 29, 2024
Time: 5:02 PM
Location: Online Video Conference

Members Present

Councillor Chris Fonseca	Ward 3
Councillor John Kovac	Ward 4
Councillor Brad Butt	Ward 11
Trustee Brea Corbet	Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board
Aamira Alvi	Citizen Member
Faiz Ahmed	Citizen Member
Irene Chu	Citizen Member
Junaid Shah	Citizen Member
Kathy Leff	Citizen Member
Louise Goegan	Citizen Member
Miles Roque	Citizen Member (Chair)
Peter Westbrook	Citizen Member
Sandra Thomson	Citizen Member
Tammy Coulson	Citizen Member (Vice-Chair)
TJ Cieciura	Citizen Member
Vibha Sequeira	Citizen Member

Members Absent

Councillor Dipika Damerla	Ward 7
Councillor Sue McFadden	Ward 10
Trustee Jill Promoli	Peel District School Board

Staff Present

Sheelagh Duffin, Supervisor, Crossing Guards
Laura Zeglen, Active Transportation Coordinator
Alex Beard, Active Transportation Coordinator
Catherine Nguyen-Pham, Communications Advisor
David Marcotte, Assistant Preventative Maintenance Supervisor, Peel District School Board
Rebecca Rozario, Transportation Safety Officer – STOPR
Megan Piercey, Legislative Coordinator
Angie Melo, Legislative Coordinator

1. CALL TO ORDER

Miles Roque, Chair called the meeting to order at 5:02 PM

2. INDIGENOUS LAND STATEMENT

Miles Roque, Chair recited the Indigenous Land Statement.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Approved (P. Westbrook)

4. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST - Nil

5. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

5.1 Mississauga School Traffic Safety Action Committee Minutes - April 24, 2024

Approved (L. Goegan)

6. DEPUTATIONS

6.1 Items 9.1, 9.2, 11.1 and 12.1 - Athina Tagidou, Resident

Athina Tagidou, Resident, expressed concerns with respect to the No Stopping prohibitions as recommended for Items 9.1. and 9.2. and provided an overview of school start and dismissal times and the challenges parents have with dropping off and picking up their children with no place to stop or park. Ms. Tagidou enquired whether school principals and staff are advised of site inspection recommendations.

Ms. Tagidou further expressed concerns with the recommendation MSTSAC-0022-2024 as listed on the Transportation and Works Action Items List (Item 12.1) that it does not specify the intersection.

In response to Ms. Tagidou's enquiry regarding the intersection pertaining to MSTSAC-0022-2024, Councillor Fonseca noted the intersection is Runningbrook Drive and Tomken Road.

Miles Roque, Chair explained the communication between the Mississauga School Traffic Safety Action Committee and school principals and staff regarding scheduled site inspections and the recommendations emanating from the site inspection.

RECOMMENDATION MSTSAC-0032-2024

Moved By Councillor C. Fonseca

That the deputation from Athina Tagidou, Resident, with respect to sites inspections conducted at St. Thomas More Catholic Elementary School, Dixie Public School be received.

Received7. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD - 15 Minute Limit - Nil8. CONSENT AGENDA - Nil9. MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED9.1 Site Inspection Report - St. Thomas More Catholic Elementary School (Ward 3)

Site inspection report for the site inspection conducted on April 23, 2024 at the intersection of Tomken Road and Flagship Drive for the students attending St. Thomas More Catholic Elementary School.

Councillor Fonseca thanked staff and Committee Members for attending the site inspection and noted that the site inspection was scheduled as a result of requests from the school and parents.

RECOMMENDATION MSTSAC-0033-2024

Moved By Councillor C. Fonseca

1. That the warrants have not been met for the placement of a school crossing guard at Tomken Road and Flagship Drive for the students attending St. Thomas More Catholic Elementary School.
2. That Transportation and Works be requested to install "No Stopping" corner prohibitions on the east leg of Tomken Road on Flagship Drive and the west side of Tomken Road.

Approved9.2 Site Inspection Report - Dixie Public School and Tomken Road Middle School (Ward 3)

Site inspection report for the site inspection conducted on April 23, 2024 at the intersection of Tomken Road and Flagship Drive for the students attending Dixie Public School.

See Item 9.1 comments

RECOMMENDATION PDC-0034-2024

Moved By Councillor C. Fonseca

1. That the warrants have not been met for the placement of a school crossing guard for the students attending Dixie Public School at the intersection Tomken Road and Flagship Drive.
2. That Transportation and Works be requested to review the signage on Flagship Drive.
3. That Transportation and Works be requested to install "no stopping" corner prohibitions on the east leg of Tomken Road on Flagship Drive and the west side of Tomken Road.
4. That once the signage is in place, the principal of Tomken Road Middle School be requested to advise the parents and students of the new "No Stopping" corner restriction on Flagship Drive east and west of Tomken Road.

Approved

9.3 *Site Inspection Report - St. Gerard Catholic Elementary School and Springfield Public School (Ward 6)

Site inspection report for the site inspection conducted on May 14, 2024 at the intersection of the Credit Woodlands and McBride Avenue, southwest side for the students attending St. Gerard Catholic Elementary School and Springfield Public School.

No discussion took place regarding this item.

RECOMMENDATION MSTSAC-0042-2024

Moved By Councillor B. Butt

1. That Transportation and Works be requested to:
 - a. Review the signage on McBride Avenue in front of St. Gerard Catholic Elementary School and replace faded and broken signage.
 - b. Install "please cross at marked crosswalks" signage at plaza driveway on McBride Avenue and on boulevard on south side of McBride Avenue opposite plaza.
2. That Transportation Projects be requested to share their revised vision of the former traffic circle on the Credit Woodlands and McBride Avenue with Mississauga School Traffic Safety Action Committee.
3. That the principal of St. Gerard Catholic Elementary School be requested to remind students and parents to cross McBride Avenue at marked crosswalk.

Approved

9.4 Councillor S. McFadden regarding Stephen Lewis Secondary School road safety on Thomas Street (Verbal)

In the absence of Councillor S. McFadden, this matter was deferred to the Mississauga School Traffic Safety Action Committee meeting on June 26, 2024.

9.5 2024 Traffic Calming Program (Ward 4)

This matter was considered and adopted by Council on May 8, 2024 and was referred to Mississauga School Traffic Safety Action Committee for information only.

No discussion took place regarding this item.

RECOMMENDATION MSTSAC-0035-2024

Moved By T. Coulson

That the 2024 Traffic Calming Program (Ward 4) dopted by Council on May 8, 2024 and referred to the Mississauga School Traffic Safety Action for information only be received.

Received

9.6 Site Inspection Report - Fairwind Senior Public School (Ward 5)

Site inspection report for the site inspection conducted on May 9, 2024 in front of the school and at the intersection of Fairwind Drive and Wendron Crescent for the students attending Fairwind Senior Public School.

Sheelagh Duffin, Supervisor, Crossing Guards provided an overview and explained the rationale for the request to add an additional recommendation that Transportation and Works review the feasibility of implementing a crossover at the south intersection of Fairwind Drive and Wendron Crescent.

Ms. Duffin, Supervisor, Crossing Guards responded to Citizen Member, TJ Cieciora's enquiry regarding the type of crossover being proposed.

RECOMMENDATION MSTSAC-0036-2024

Moved By T. Cieciora

1. That Transportation and Works be requested to:

- a. Install additional "no stopping" prohibitions on Fairwind Drive at Fairwind Senior Public School entrance and exit driveways.
- b. Install "no stopping" corner prohibitions on Fairwind Senior Public School.
- c. Install additional "No U-Turn" signs in the school area at Fairwind Senior Public School.
- d. Relocate the 30km/hr school zone sign to the post with the WC1 school zone sign.

- e. review the feasibility of implementing a crossover at the south intersection of Fairwind Drive and Wendron Crescent for the students of Fairwind Senior Public School
2. That Peel Regional Police be requested to attend Fairwind Senior Public School to enforce the "No U-Turns" once Transportation and Works has completed recommendation 1c) above, between the hours of 8:05 - 8:25 AM and 2:10 - 2:35 PM.

Approved

9.7 Site Inspection Report - St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Elementary School (Ward 9)

Site inspection report for the site inspection conducted on May 16, 2024 at the intersection of Barrisdale Drive and Montevideo Road for the students attending St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Elementary School.

Trustee Brea Corbet, Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board, expressed thanks to the Committee for the quick response in scheduling the site inspection.

RECOMMENDATION PDC-0037-2024

Moved By Trustee B. Corbet

1. That the warrants have not been met for the placement of a school crossing guard at the intersection of Barrisdale Drive and Montevideo Road for the students attending St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Elementary School.
2. That Transportation and Works be requested to review the signage on Montevideo Road in front of St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Elementary School and near Barrisdale Drive.
3. That the principal of St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Elementary School be requested to:
 - a. Advise the parents to use the kiss and ride to drop off students.
 - b. Remind students and parents to cross Montevideo Road at the crossover in front of the school or with the crossing guard at Montevideo Road and Aquitaine Avenue instead of midblock at Barrisdale Drive.

Approved

9.8 Site Inspection Report - Allan A. Martin Senior Public School (Ward 1)

Site inspection report for the site inspection conducted on May 23, 2024 in front of 1390 Ogden Avenue and on school property for the students attending Allan A. Martin Senior Public School.

No discussion took place regarding this item.

RECOMMENDATION MSTSAC-0041-2024

Moved By J. Shah

1. That Transportation and Works be requested to:
 - a. Review the signage on Ogden Avenue in the school zone.
 - b. Install "no stopping" corner prohibitions on Ogden Avenue at the school entrance and exit driveways.
 - c. Do minor trimming of trees in the school zone that are blocking signage.
2. That the Peel District School Board be requested to either re-paint the pedestrian walkway on the north side of the south parking lot or install a physical barrier preventing vehicles from parking in the walkway.

Approved9.9 Site Inspection Statistics Report - May 2024

No discussion took place regarding this item.

RECOMMENDATION MSTSAC-0038-2024

Moved By I. Chu

That the Site Inspection Statistics Report for May 2024 be received for information.

Received10. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS - Nil11. PARKING ENFORCEMENT REPORT11.1 Parking Enforcement in School Zone Report - April 2024

Louise Goegan, Citizen Member, noted that it appears that no parking tickets or warnings are being issued at the schools being patrolled, and suggested other schools be added to the list for enforcement.

Councillor Butt expressed concerns that perhaps that rather than parking violation tickets being issued, warnings are be given instead, and suggested a more aggressive enforcement approach be taken and would be willing to table a Motion at Council to that effect.

TJ Cieciura, Citizen Member enquired whether the presence of Parking Enforcement in school zones is preventing parking violations, and how are tags and tows measured.

Sheelagh Duffin, Supervisor, Crossing Guards, noted an observation during a site inspection, that parking enforcement staff have attended a school well after the dismissal

time, where most students have already been picked up and suggested parking enforcement attend shortly before school start times and at school dismissal time.

Rebecca Rozario, Transportation Safety Officer – STOPR, spoke to the challenges the school bus drivers experience during drop off and pickup times and spoke in support of more parking enforcement during those times.

Sheelagh Duffin, Supervisor, Crossing Guards, suggested that the Committee provide to Parking Enforcement staff a list of specific schools to attend and the start and dismissal times for each of the schools.

Angie Melo, Legislative Coordinator suggested that she reach out to Parking Enforcement staff to relay the concerns of the Committee and ask that they attend the next meeting to discuss the concerns raised and provide details of their enforcement actions at the schools listed on the Parking Enforcement School Zone report.

Peter Westbrook, Citizen Member enquired whether Parking Enforcement staff have the most current start and dismissal times for all schools in Mississauga and suggested that Parking Enforcement staff be requested to attend a specific school at specific times. Mr. Westbrook enquired whether there are violations that may or may not be under the jurisdiction of Parking Enforcement but rather Peel Regional Police.

RECOMMENDATION MSTSAC-0039-2024

Moved By L. Goegan

That the Parking Enforcement in School Zone Report for April 2024 be received for information.

Received

12. TRANSPORTATION AND WORKS ACTION ITEMS

12.1 Transportation and Works Action Items List - April 2024

In response to Louise Goegan's enquiry regarding the recommendation with respect to the installation of no stopping corner prohibitions as recommended at item 9.1. and 9.2, Sheelagh Duffin, Supervisor, Crossing Guards, clarified that there are already no stopping/parking corner restrictions in effect, and that the recommendation to request Transportation and Works to install signage is to provide visual signage for those who are not aware of existing corner no stopping/parking restrictions.

Councillor Fonseca, spoke to the unsafe conditions of parked vehicles along Flagship Drive right up the intersection with Tomken Road and emphasized that the priority is student safety and perhaps suggested that advance pedestrian crossing signals be implemented at all school zones.

RECOMMENDATION MSTSAC-0040-2024

Moved By Councillor B. Butt

That the Transportation and Works Action Items List for April 2024 be received for information.

Received13. OTHER BUSINESS

Councillor Butt raised a concern regarding higher volume of traffic within schools that have combined French immersion or similar programs and suggested that the MSTSAC reach out to the school boards to discuss the impact on the neighbouring community and how best to approach traffic congestion.

Peter Westbook, Citizen Member provided background on a similar situation that occurred years prior and that Sheelagh Duffin, Supervisor, Crossing Guards can provide more details on the matter.

14. DATE OF NEXT MEETING - June 26, 202415. ADJOURNMENT - 6:06 PM (I. Chu)