#### **AGENDA**

and Schedule "A"
to the minutes of the
Windsor Bicycling Committee meeting held
Wednesday, February 6, 2013
at 5:00 o'clock p.m.
Room 407, 400 City Hall Square East



## 1. CALL TO ORDER

#### 2. DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT

## 3. MINUTES

Adoption of the minutes of the meeting held October 17, 2012 – (previously distributed)

## 4. <u>BUSINESS ITEMS</u>

#### 4.1 2013 Windsor Trail Map

Discussion regarding the placement of an ad in the 2013 Windsor Trail Map (\$500 for a 2 3/4" x 3 3/4" ad, \$1000 for a 2 3/4 x 8" ad.

## 4.2 <u>Discussion regarding the purchase of WBC Promotional Items</u>

Promotional items may include bells, lights, fluorescent elastic arms bands, safety products.

## 4.3 Update on the St. Angela School Initiative

Bike Smart (Kingsville) has agreed to loan bicycles for the St. Angela School initiative.

#### 4.4 Bike the Bridge 2013 Event

The Bike the Bridge Event will be held on June 9, 2013.

#### 4.5 CAN-BIKE Program

The Children's Safety Village will be offering a CAN-BIKE Program.

#### 4.6 Bike to Work

Discussion to determine the logistics of the Bike to Work Event.

#### 5. COMMUNICATION

Windsor Star Editorial article authored by Councillor Halberstadt dated January 25, 2013 entitled "More bike lanes badly needed" – *attached*.

#### 6. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

To be determined.

#### 7. ADJOURNMENT

# More bike lanes badly needed

Re: Enforce the city bylaws, by Edward W. Murphy, Jan. 10.

Letter writer Edward W. Murphy makes some telling comments in his letter of the day about city bylaws not being enforced. I was especially interested in his complaints regarding bicyclists with "don't-give-a-damn attitudes who feel it is all right to ride down the streets on the side, opposing the flow of traffic."

I wholeheartedly agree with Mr. Murphy's views about lax enforcement. That is why I can't fathom his remark that I would give Mayor Eddie Francis "static" for insisting that those who should be enforcing the traffic bylaws do so.

As the council representative on the Windsor Bicycling Committee, I have pushed for years to have police ticket, or at least, warn cyclists who ride streets against the flow, run red lights or illegally ride on sidewalks instead of in the bike lanes on the road.

Our police have expressed a reluctance to be vigilant with cyclists on sidewalks, rightly noting cyclists' fear for their safety due to the lack of dedicated bike lanes on the majority of city roads.

Our police have also expressed a distaste for issuing tickets in excess of \$100 to people with limited means.

The bike committee has been waiting for well over a year for administration to act on its recommendation to amend the city's sidewalk bylaw and lower the price of tickets administered to cyclists to \$25, as is the case in other jurisdictions.

If that ever happens, combined with a budget commitment from city council to greatly increase the number of dedicated bike lanes on and off our roads, perhaps Mr. Murphy will get his wish.

ALAN HALBERSTADT, Ward 4 city councillor, Windsor