

Minutes – Standing Policy Committee on Public Works – June 10, 2026

REPORTS

Item No. 9 Semi-Annual Report – Active Transportation Advisory Committee

STANDING COMMITTEE DECISION:

The Standing Policy Committee on Public Works concurred in the recommendation of the Winnipeg Public Service and approved the following:

1. That this report be received as information.

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

Moved by Councillor Eadie,

That the recommendation of the Winnipeg Public Service be concurred in.

Carried

David Grant submitted a communication in opposition to the matter.

STANDING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On November 29, 2022, the Standing Policy Committee on Public Works approved the following:

2. That the going forward, the Winnipeg Public Service be directed to provide semi-annual written reports instead of quarterly written reports on the activities of the Active Transportation Advisory Committee.

On November 5, 2021, the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works directed the Winnipeg Public Service to provide quarterly written reports to the Standing Committee beginning in March, 2022, on the activities of the Active Transportation Advisory Committee.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Title: Semi-Annual Report on the Active Transportation Advisory Committee - November 2025 to April 2026

Critical Path: Standing Policy Committee on Public Works

AUTHORIZATION

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Active Transportation Advisory Committee (ATAC) was created by Council on April 25, 2007. It can advise the Director and make recommendations on active transportation issues.

This report shares the main ATAC highlights from November 2025 to April 2026. ATAC met in December 2025 and March 2026. Additional meetings are scheduled in June, September, and December 2026.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That this report be received as information.

REASON FOR THE REPORT

On November 5, 2021, the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works directed the Winnipeg Public Service to provide quarterly written reports to the Standing Committee, beginning in March 2022, on the activities of the Active Transportation Advisory Committee.

On November 29, 2022, the Standing Policy Committee on Public Works directed the Winnipeg Public Service that semi-annual written reports on the activities of the Active Transportation Advisory Committee be provided going forward instead of quarterly reports.

IMPLICATIONS OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS

As this report is for information only, there are no implications.

HISTORY/DISCUSSION

Background Information

The Active Transportation Advisory Committee (ATAC) was established by Council on April 25, 2007, when Council adopted the Active Transportation Study Implementation Plan. The mandate of the ATAC is:

- to provide advice and recommendations on active transportation policies, programs, priorities, facilities, and standards to the Director of Public Works;
- inform the public about active transportation and, where possible and appropriate, provide opportunities for public input; and
- to provide a forum in which active transportation issues can be discussed among the various stakeholder groups with the intent of reaching consensus on these issues.

The role of the ATAC is both strategic and responsive. It advises the Director of Public Works on the strategic direction of the Pedestrian and Cycling Program as well as making recommendations on active transportation issues as needed.

The ATAC operates in an advisory role to the Director of Public Works via support from staff in the Transportation Division. The ATAC meets, at a minimum, quarterly every year. Additional meetings may be scheduled at the request of members of the ATAC or department staff to discuss time-sensitive projects. Generally, meetings are informal, decisions are made by consensus, and meeting minutes include actions that are reported on in subsequent meetings.

The Committee is currently comprised of six individuals representing the following organizations or groups:

- Bike Winnipeg
- Winnipeg Trails Association
- Green Action Centre
- Downtown BIZ
- Winnipeg Regional Health Authority
- Urban Development Institute

Recent Activities (November 2025 – April 2026)

The ATAC met twice over the six-month period from November 2025 to April 2026. These meetings comprised the fourth ATAC meeting of 2025 and the first meeting in 2026. Three additional meetings are scheduled in June, September, and December of 2026.

At the December 2025 meeting, Transportation Division staff reported back to the ATAC on action items from the previous September 2025 meeting, as well as provided project updates on all ongoing Pedestrian and Cycling Program projects including ongoing studies, pilot projects, and construction projects. Discussion points and recommendations from the ATAC to Public Works included:

- A review and discussion about the 2025 ParticipACTION Report Card on Physical Activity for Adults. The report card is the most comprehensive assessment of adult physical activity in Canada. The 2025 report card highlights that adult physical activity

levels have remained stagnant for years. The report card includes tools and resources for municipalities to help drive change by introducing policies and practices to encourage physical activity.

- A discussion about the scope for the upcoming Rapid Transit (Downtown Corridors) Preliminary Design Study.
- Members asked about upcoming road renewal projects in 2026 and what scope of active transportation improvements would be included in them.

At the March 2026 ATAC meeting, Transportation Division staff reported back to the ATAC on action items from the previous December meeting, as well as provided project updates on all ongoing Pedestrian and Cycling Program projects. Discussion points and recommendations from the ATAC to Public Works included:

- A question regarding upcoming road renewals and how future rapid transit plans would be considered in those renewals.
- Discussion regarding the change from implementing the interim bike lane solution on Wellington Crescent to conducting a Walk Bike Study to determine a permanent design solution for construction in 2026.
- As this was the first meeting of 2026, a significant portion of the meeting was devoted to reviewing the upcoming project list. ATAC members provided advice on additional bicycle infrastructure connections to consider in several projects, and traffic control ideas to improve draft designs.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Financial Impact Statement Date: April 17, 2026

Project Name:

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COMMENTS:

As this report is for information purposes, there are no financial impacts.

J. Ruby, 2026-04-17

J. Ruby CPA, CA

Manager of Finance & Administration

CONSULTATION

This Report has been prepared in consultation with: n/a

OURWINNIPEG POLICY ALIGNMENT

01-1 City Building – Connect and Expand our Sustainable Transportation and Infrastructure Networks. Ensuring mobility for people of all ages and abilities with active transportation options.

01-2 The recommendation of this report is also aligned with the Transportation Master Plan's key strategic goal #3: To provide a safe, efficient and equitable transportation system for people, goods and services.

WINNIPEG CLIMATE ACTION PLAN ALIGNMENT

Strategic Opportunity #3 Advancing Sustainable Transportation 3.4 Increase Active Transportation Rates

Strategic Opportunity #3 Advancing Sustainable Transportation 3.5 Reduce Traffic Congestion

WINNIPEG POVERTY REDUCTION STRATEGY ALIGNMENT

Action #1 Adopt a poverty reduction approach to service delivery

Action #2 Use poverty data to inform decision making

SUBMITTED BY

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Division: Transportation

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Date: April 20, 2026