



The Corporation of the Town of LaSalle

To: Mayor and Members of Council

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Department: Public Works

Date of Report: November 27, 2020

Report Number: PW-32-20

Subject: Active Transportation Policy Statement Plan of Action for Town
Constructed Facilities - 2020

Recommendation

That the report of the Manager of Engineering for the Town of LaSalle dated November 27, 2020 (PW-32-20) regarding the updated Active Transportation Facility Policy Statement and Plan of Action for Town Constructed Facilities BE RECEIVED and that the Active Transportation Facility Policy Statement and Plan of Action for Town Constructed Facilities policy BE APPROVED.

That Council AUTHORIZE administration to begin engineering and planning for projects outlined in the policy beginning in 2021, pending 2021 budget approval.

That Council AUTHROIZE administration to continue to use this policy within new developments.

Report

This report has been prepared in follow up to a Council request on December 18, 2019 during 2020 budget deliberations to update the 1999 "Pedestrian and Bicycle Facility Policy Statement and Plan of Action.

The 1999 Policy provided Council with a comprehensive policy direction, and series of action items that addressed, at that time, the pedestrian and cycling deficiencies in LaSalle. This policy was the beginning of the development of pedestrian routes that link neighbourhoods with parks, commercial areas, schools, and other active transportation facilities. As well, set the criteria for identifying future facility requirements and their priority.

As a result of this policy, many pathways, trails, sidewalks, and bicycle lanes have been built. The policy had been updated in 2012, and again in 2015. The updates were completed to review what had been built, and to review and update the priority and costs for future active transportation (AT) facilities.

Since the last 2015 update, the Town has completed a Town-wide Active Transportation Master Plan (2018). This new master plan and has been incorporated into this updated policy.

The policy, **which is enclosed in this report**, has been updated and is now referred to as the “Active Transportation Facility Policy Statement and Plan of Action for Town Constructed Facilities”.

The policy includes background information on Town practices and policies, the importance of Active Transportation (AT) within the Town, updated criteria for implementation, updated priority lists for recommended projects, the coordination of AT construction with other infrastructure needs, how new developments will comply, and the financial implications of the projects.

It is important to note that the construction of these facilities are within the public right-of-way and on Town owned land and may result in the disruption of driveways, lawns, landscaping, sprinkler systems, etc. that are along the proposed routes.

This policy is provided for the betterment of the entire Town of LaSalle.

Notable Requests:

Council and Administration are familiar with formal or informal requests for sidewalks or paths that come forward for roads such as, but not limited to; Stuart, Disputed, and Bouffard. These roads are predominately residential but were not developed with our current standard of constructing storm sewers, sanitary sewers, curb and gutter, sidewalk or trails. As such, to install sidewalks or pathways on these streets, other infrastructure would be required. These streets have been categorized as per the criteria in the policy.

Consultations

This report was prepared jointly by the Public Works, Development and Strategic Initiatives, and Finance Department. Reference documents included:

- Pedestrian and Bicycle Facility Policy Statement and Plan of Action (1999), Town of LaSalle

- 2015 Up-date to the 1999 Council Adopted Pedestrian and Bicycle Facility Policy Statement and Plan of Action, Town of LaSalle
- Active Transportation and Transportation Master Plan for the Town of LaSalle (2018), WSP and RC Spencer Associates
- Town of LaSalle Roads Needs Study (2016), Dillon Consulting

Financial Implications

Within the policy, there are cost estimates for AT facilities as well as other infrastructure needs for the respective segments.

The totality of the Group A projects is expected to be completed within the next 5 to 6 years, given the current annual allocation funding model of an annual capital contribution to pedestrian safety of \$500,000.

Projects outside of Group A are larger in scope, and funding options would have to be reviewed on a case by case basis.

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Link to Strategic Goals

yes	Enhancing organizational excellence
yes	Sustain strong public services and infrastructure
	Strengthen the community's engagement with the Town
	Grow and diversify the local economy
yes	Build on our high-quality of life

Communications

yes	Not applicable
	Website
	Social Media
	News Release
	Local Newspaper
	Bids & Tenders
	Notification pursuant to the Planning Act

Notifications

Name	Address	Email

Report Approval Details

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Attachments:	- Active Transportation Facility Policy Statement and Plan of Action for Town Constructed Facilities.pdf
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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:



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