

Subject: FW: Notice of Motion for Same Day Consideration: Safety on Multi-Use Trails

Background:

In recent years, there has been a noticeable increase in documented accidents and rising public concern regarding the safety of multi-use trails within the Capital Region, particularly due to the speed of cyclists using e-bikes. These incidents have highlighted the urgent need for a comprehensive study to identify actionable measures to mitigate risks and enhance the safety of all trail users.

Motion:

that the Capital Region Board directs staff to undertake a comprehensive study on the safety of multi-use trails, with a particular focus on the risks associated with cyclist speed and the use of e-bikes;

1. Review of Recent Accidents: A detailed review of recent documented accidents involving e-bikes and other trail users.
2. Risk Assessment: An assessment of current risks and contributing factors to accidents on multi-use trails.
3. Public Consultation: Engagement with the public to gather feedback and concerns regarding trail safety.
4. Best Practices: Identification of best practices from other jurisdictions in managing e-bike speeds and trail safety.
5. Actionable Recommendations: Development of actionable recommendations to mitigate identified risks and enhance the safety of all trail users.
6. that staff report back to the Capital Region Board with their findings and recommendations as soon as practical so that prompt and effective measures can be implemented to address these safety concerns.

Motivation:

the safety of residents and visitors utilizing multi-use trails within the Capital Region is of paramount importance;

there has been a documented increase in accidents on these trails, notably involving cyclists using e-bikes;

public concern over the speed and behavior of cyclists on e-bikes has significantly risen;

it is the responsibility of the Capital Region Board to ensure the safety and well-being of all trail users;

that the Capital Region Board directs staff to undertake a comprehensive study on the safety of multi-use trails, with a particular focus on the risks associated with cyclist speed and the use of e-bikes;

This motion aims to promptly address the safety issues on multi-use trails, ensuring a thorough study is conducted and actionable measures are proposed to mitigate risks associated with the increasing use of e-bikes.

Thank you,

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