

Meeting Minutes  
 February 17, 2026 | 5:30-8:00pm  
 Virtual

**Invited Attendees**

**Committee Members:** Jess Smith (Co-Chair), Saniya Ghalehdar (Co-Chair), Alison Bailie, Areezah Jiwa, Cherie Tellier-Klassen, Echo Keizer, Erika Eamer, Jaycee Meneen, Laurence Jayawardane, Noor Al-Henedy, Rhiannon Duval, Sarah Dharshi, Stella Igweamaka, Toqa Abdelwahab, Trena MacGillivray

**Council Advisor:** Councillor Thu Parmar

**City Admin:** Britt Frandsen

**Presenters:** Meilai Ha, Aaron Budnick, Cassandra Lakusta

**Regrets:** Jasmine Virk

1.0 Introductions and Welcome		Speaker
1.1 Call to Order	5:30pm	J. Smith S. Ghalehdar
1.2 Land Acknowledgement		S. Ghalehdar
1.3 Roll Call		J. Smith S. Ghalehdar

2.0 Review	Speaker	Time
2.1 Agenda Review  <b>Motion:</b> To approve the February 17, 2026, WAVE meeting agenda. Moved by: L. Jayawardane Second: S. Igweamaka In favour: 10 Opposed: 2 Abstaining: 0 <b>Carried</b>		J. Smith S. Ghalehdar
2.3 Approval of meeting minutes - <a href="#">January 20, 2026, meeting minutes</a>  <b>Motion:</b> To approve the January 20, 2026, meeting minutes with amendments. Moved by: R. Duval Second: A. Jiwa <b>Carried</b>		J. Smith S. Ghalehdar

3.0 Presentation	Speaker	Time
3.1 Governance Framework Updates  <b>Motion:</b> To bring the meeting into a private session subject to Section 22 of the Access to Information Act. Moved by: J. Smith		M. Ha

<p>Second: C. Klassen <b>Carried</b></p> <p>M. Ha provided an update on the governance framework and answered questions from committee members.</p> <p><b>Motion:</b> Move to bring the meeting back to the public livestream. Moved by: J. Smith Second: S. Dharsi <b>Carried</b></p>	
<p>3.2 YEG Bike</p> <p>Aaron Budnick and Cassandra Lakusta presented the YEG Bike Coalition and answered questions from committee members.</p> <p><a href="https://bikeology.ca/">https://bikeology.ca/</a></p>	<p>A. Budnick C. Lakusta</p>

4.0 Updates	Speaker	Time
<p>4.1 Chair Updates</p> <p>Co-Chairs provided overview of feedback survey</p>		<p>J. Smith S. Ghalehdar</p>
<p>4.2 Social Media Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Storytelling pieces ongoing</li> <li>- Working with A. Jiwa on the Pathways to Equity project</li> <li>- J. Meneen volunteered to join social media team</li> </ul>		<p>L. Jayawardane S. Ghalehdar</p>
<p>4.3 Councillor Update</p> <p>Councillor Parmar provided an update from Council and answered questions from committee members</p>		<p>Cllr. Parmar</p>
<p>4.4 Admin Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Reviewed feedback from working together document</li> <li>- Media training opportunity open to committee members</li> </ul>		<p>B. Frandsen</p>

5.0 Projects	Speaker	Time
<p>5.1 Policy Subcommittee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- S. Dharsi has been elected Co-Chair of the Policy Subcommittee</li> <li>- Letter regarding zoning amendments was sent to Council</li> <li>- J. Meneen and E. Keizer volunteered to join the Policy Subcommittee</li> </ul>		<p>C. Klassen S. Dharsi</p>
<p>5.2 Active Citizen Series</p> <p>Project has been renamed to "Your City Your Voice" series</p>		<p>S. Igweamaka</p>
<p>5.3 <a href="#">Pathways to Equity</a></p>		<p>A. Jiwa</p>

<p>A. Jiwa introduced the Pathways to Equity project and asked for volunteers to join the project. Will bring timelines to the next meeting.</p> <p>E. Keizer volunteered to support</p> <p><b>Motion:</b> To approve the Pathways to Equity project  Moved by: C. Tellier-Klassen  Second: S. Igweamaka  <b>Carried</b></p>	
<p>5.4 Equity in Motion: The Podcast</p> <p>Project is finished and can be removed from agenda going forward</p>	<p>E. Keizer</p>

<b>6.0 Adjournment</b>		
Meeting Adjourned	8:01pm	J. Smith S. Ghalehdar

<b>Next Meetings</b>		
Date	Time	Location
March 17, 2026	5:30-8:00pm	Edmonton Tower