



Governance and Priorities Committee Report

For the Meeting of October 8, 2015.

To: Governance and Priorities Committee **Date:** September 29th 2015
From: Katie Hamilton, Director Citizen Engagement and Strategic Planning
Subject: Bicycle Network and Priority Corridors Project Update

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive this report for information.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

On September 9, 2015, the City of Victoria announced the retention of local engineering and planning firm, Urban Systems in partnership with leading international cycling organizations Gehl Architects, 8 80 Cities, and Alta Planning + Design to help bring new cycle corridors to life in Victoria. The purpose of this report is to provide an update to Council on the work completed to date to the review of the bicycle network and priority corridors and highlight the deliverables for the October 22 Governance and Priorities meeting.

Following the project kick-off meeting on September 9 which included an overview to the project, bike tour of Victoria, and preliminary review and assessment of the bicycle network, the following tasks have occurred:

- Develop project management tools and interdisciplinary governance structure
- Refine communication and engagement strategy and approach
- Consultancy team has formed a Technical Advisory Committee
- Consultant-led, and staff supported, research and analysis of bicycle network, and engagement planning

To ensure that Council is informed through the project timeline and the direction of the project is supported, the Governance and Priorities meeting on October 22, will outline work to date, and seek direction from Council to proceed with public engagement. The report will outline the following:

- A summary of the research and technical analysis that has informed the assessment and enhancement of the bicycle network and priority corridors
- The recommended priority corridors
- The approach and activities planned as part of a #Biketoria Communications and Engagement Strategy, to seek community feedback on the proposed network, priority corridors, and design concepts for the proposed priority corridors.

Respectfully submitted,



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Report accepted and recommended by the City Manager:



Date:

Sept. 30, 2016