

## **ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION POLICY COUNCIL**

#### MINUTES

## **APRIL 4, 2018**

A meeting of the Active Transportation Policy Council was held on Wednesday, April 4, 2018, at 5:35 pm, in the Business Centre Meeting Room, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Vancouver City Hall.

PRESENT: Tanya Paz, Chair

Joan Andersen Benjamin Bolliger Brian Cade

Gene Chin
Paul Dragan
Michelle Lee-Hunt
Molly Millar, Vice-Chair

Lisa Slakov Benjamin Wells\*

**ABSENT:** Lisa Corriveau (Leave of Absence)

Andy Hong (Leave of Absence) Shan Parmar (Leave of Absence)

Gabrielle Peters

**ALSO PRESENT:** Councillor Heather Deal (Council Liaison)

Lynn Guilbault, Project Manager, Stakeholder and Community Relations, Transportation Planning Branch (Staff Liaison) Paul Storer, Manager, Transportation Design Branch (Staff

Liaison)

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Lori Isfeld, Meeting Coordinator

# **Acknowledgement of Traditional Indigenous Territory**

The Chair, acknowledged that we are on the unceded traditional territory of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh First Nations, and we give thanks for their generosity and hospitality on these lands.

### **Leave of Absence Requests**

MOVED by Lisa Slakov SECONDED by Molly Millar

THAT the Active Transportation Policy Council approves leaves of absence for Lisa Corriveau, Andy Hong and Shan Parmar for this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Benjamin Wells absent for the vote)

<sup>\*</sup> Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

# **Approval of Minutes**

MOVED by Lisa Slakov SECONDED by Joan Andersen

THAT the Active Transportation Policy Council approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on February 7, 2018.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Benjamin Wells absent for the vote)

# 1. Chair and Subcommittee Updates

(a) Chair Update

The Chair provided updates on a number of active transportation-related matters.

- (b) Policy Subcommittee
- i. Improving Access to Bike Share for Disabled People

The Chair introduced a motion entitled "Improving Access to Bike Share for Disabled People".

MOVED by Ben Bolliger SECONDED by Gene Chin

#### **WHEREAS**

- Disabled people currently constitute approximately 14.8% of the population of British Columbia (Stats Can 2012). Although disability occurs in all age groups, the occurrence of disability rises with age and, as our population is rapidly aging, the overall percentage of disabled people will increase, likely substantially;
- 2. Accessibility is a requirement for an active lifestyle;
- 3. Disabled people are over-represented in the segment living below the poverty line and adapted bikes and wheelchair add-ons are extremely expensive and financially out of reach for most;
- 4. The City of Vancouver's Transportation 2040 Plan states: "In the next 30 years the number of residents aged 60 and over will more than double. An aging population means changes in travel patterns and more people with physical challenges getting around our city. By building streets and public spaces with accessibility in mind, and providing transportation options that work for all people, we can ensure a future that allows everyone to meet their daily needs and participate in public life";
- 5. Active Transportation should be encouraged as participation is tied to improved health, a sustainable environment and connection to community;

- 6. Achieving the goals as established in the Greenest City plan are contingent on increasing the mode share of Active Transportation in Vancouver;
- 7. Mobi Bike Share is the official City of Vancouver bike share program, providing residents with increased transportation choice; and
- 8. Mobi Bike Share does not include any range of adapted bikes that would allow people with different disabilities to utilize this public bike sharing program.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Active Transportation Policy Council recommends to City Council that the City of Vancouver pursue ways of making Mobi Bike Share more accessible to people with disabilities.

### CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ii. Other Topics and Next Meeting

Not discussed.

- (c) Projects Subcommittee
- i. Bike Share Stations

ATPC members reviewed and discussed a motion entitled "Public Bike Share Stations on Private Property".

MOVED by Gene Chin SECONDED by Michelle Lee-Hunt

#### WHEREAS

- 1. The City's public bike share program, Mobi by Shaw Go, was launched in the summer 2016;
- 2. By the fall 2017, there were 125 Mobi stations, and over 1,200 bikes in the system operating exclusively in the downtown peninsula, bounded by Arbutus Street, 16th Avenue and Main Street, with plans to expand the system east to Victoria Drive in the summer of 2018. On average, there are 10 stations per square km;
- 3. To date, over 750,000 Mobi trips have been taken, covering over 2 million kms;
- 4. The public bike share system has increased overall mobility and transportation choice in the city. Members indicated that 17% of their trips would otherwise not have been made had they not had access to public bike share:

- 5. 15% of the current stations are located on private property; and
- 6. Under the City's zoning by-law, public bike share stations are considered a retail use, which is not permitted within all CD-1 (Comprehensive Development) zones where many of the stations on private property would be located.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Active Transportation Policy Council supports the City in updating and amending the Zoning & Development By-law and Official Development Plans to ensure that public bike share is an allowed use on private land throughout the city.

### CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Members further discussed public bike share, zoning, traffic and parking. It was agreed to invite Scott Edwards, Manager, Public Bike Share, to one of the upcoming ATPC meetings to present on these matters

## ii. Other Topics and Next Meeting

It was idenfied that 41<sup>st</sup> Avenue B-Line Bus Service, Cambie Bridge – East Walking/Cycling Pathway, and Arbutus Greenway will be reviewed at the April 18, 2018 Projects Subcommittee meeting.

# 3. Council Liaison and Staff Liaison Updates

Roundtable discussions and announcements took place on various topics including the bike rack contest, upcoming session regarding 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue construction work, upcoming Cambie Corridor report to Council, Kits Point update, completion of South False creek construction, benches on Burrard Bridge, Granville loops to be replaced with streets, parking in Yaletown, changes to Maple Tree Square and Alexander Street.

## 5. New Business

None.

## **Adjournment**

MOVED by Ben Bolliger SECONDED by Joan Andersen

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

# **Next Regular Meeting**

DATE: Wednesday, June 13, 2018

TIME: 5:30 pm

PLACE: Business Centre Meeting Room, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Vancouver City Hall

The Council adjourned at 7:19 pm.

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