

2023 – 2026 Work Plan

Transportation Advisory Committee

Mandate

The mandate of the Transportation Advisory Committee is to advise City Council on strategic priorities relating to walking, cycling and all active transportation modes, as well as public transit and congestion management, in Vancouver.

Objectives

Objective 1: Advocate for new measures to assist the City achieve its Climate Emergency Action Plan/Active and Transportation goals.

TRAC supports the Climate Emergency Action Plan (CEAP) and Council’s adoption of addressing climate change as a key Strategic Objective. An integral component of the Climate Emergency Plan is promoting a transition to greater use of active transportation modes to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. TRAC will review and comment upon existing and proposed policy and initiatives and advocate for new measures to assist the City to achieve its active transportation goals, including: 2/3 of trips in Vancouver will be by active transportation and transit, 50% of kilometers driven on Vancouver roads will be by zero emission vehicles and 90% of residents live within an easy walk and roll to meet their local needs by 2030.

This objective is related to Council Strategic Priority #6, “Climate emergency.”

Objective 2: Support measures enhancing accessibility in active and public transportation in the context of urban densification.

As the City of Vancouver increases urban densification with planned projects and in accordance with recent provincial mandates, TRAC will consider the impacts of increased densification on transportation systems and will continue to advocate for enhancing active and public transportation including:

- The completion of the Broadway Subway, along with planning for a subway extension to UBC and the implementation of the Broadway Area Plan, which will have major impacts on transportation within the heart of the city and beyond.
- Proposed high density projects such as Jericho Lands, Oakridge, West End, Señákw and Quantum Park
- Densification of low-density neighborhoods

TRAC will also consider measures to support, enhance and promote accessibility of active and public transportation for seniors and individuals with disabilities.

This objective is related to Council Strategic Priority #4, “City Services and infrastructure.”



Objective 3: Recommend ways to address gaps and underserved parts of the cycling network and of the supporting infrastructure.

TRAC views the City of Vancouver’s bike lane network as a vital transportation project. A primary TRAC focus will be to recommend measures to improve and enhance the network, ultimately encouraging more people to cycle around the city. This will include a specific focus on addressing gaps in underserved areas of the city such as Portside Greenway, Eastside Crosscut Greenway, Kent Avenue and others. TRAC will also advocate for increased and enhanced infrastructure such as secure bicycle parking and bicycle sharing.

This objective is related to Council Strategic Priority #4, “City Services and infrastructure.”

Objective 4: Advocate for new measures to improve transportation network safety.

TRAC supports Council’s strategic objective to enhance the safety of our transportation network. The committee will review existing and proposed policy and initiatives and advocate for measures to improve transportation safety. This will include supporting the integration of a zero traffic-related fatalities goal into all transportation planning/projects. In particular, TRAC will support and advocate for policies and programs to address safe integration of the rapidly-expanding array of e-bikes, e-scooters, e-skateboards and other personal rolling devices within the transportation network with special consideration to pedestrian safety. TRAC embraces accessibility and peaceful coexistence for all users as a primary goal for safety enhancement.

This objective is related to Council Strategic Priority #5, “Safety and security.”

Objective 5: Advocate for measures to enhance the City’s data collection to support transportation planning.

Council’s Strategic Objectives support a data-driven approach to make decisions. TRAC supports this goal and will seek to use data analysis when reviewing and commenting upon transportation policy and projects and when advocating for new transportation measures. The committee will also advocate for measures to enhance the City’s data collection to ensure data used in decision-making is comprehensive, current, and is applied with rigorous standards.

This objective is related to Council Strategic Priority #4, “City Services and infrastructure.”

Action Plan

Action Items	Timeline	Committee Resources	Expected Outcomes	Partners/Stakeholders
<p>Identify specific action items integral to the stated objective (add or delete objectives or rows as needed).</p> <p>Review climate emergency plan & process to date</p> <p>Meet with Climate Emergency Plan team</p> <p>Obtain council liaison feedback on key priorities</p>	<p>Identify estimated timeline and/or end date for action items.</p>	<p>Identify working groups, subcommittees, and/or committee member(s) responsible for leading the objective, as appropriate.</p> <p>References:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Climate Emergency Action Plan Summary 2020-2025 (vancouver.ca) • Climate Emergency Annual Report presentation - 2021 (vancouver.ca) • Report, Climate Emergency Action Plan – Additional and Accelerated Climate Measures, June 14, 2023 (vancouver.ca) <p>TRAC Committee member(s)</p>	<p>Outline expected achievements and deliverables from each action item. Ideally, these are measurable indicators of success which can be included in annual reports.</p> <p>Advocate for new measures to assist the City achieve its Climate Emergency Action Plan/Active and Transportation goals</p> <p>Key Council CEAP priorities identified</p>	<p>Identify opportunities to collaborate with groups / organizations within or outside of the City (e.g. City staff).</p> <p>Climate Emergency Team at City of Vancouver</p> <p>Councillor Adrienne Carr (Chair Metrovan Climate Action Committee)</p> <p>Lisa Dominator (TRAC and Chair Metrovan Climate Action Committee)</p> <p>Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability Department</p>
<p>Identify where TRAC can be most helpful in the plan's implementation, including going to Council</p>				<p>Other committees</p>
<p>Identify opportunities to advance the goals of Climate Emergency Plan</p>			<p>Opportunities for TRAC to advance the goals of CEAP identified. Action plans identified and implemented.</p>	
<p>As appropriate, draft motions and recommendations to Council</p>				
<p>Support measures enhancing accessibility in active and public transportation in the context of urban densification</p>				

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<p>Identify developments and community plans and provincial legislative changes that will have significant transportation and other impacts to Vancouver.</p>		<p>References</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transportation 2050 Transportation Strategy • Regional Transportation Strategy Executive Summary • Transport 2050: 10-Year Priorities (2022-2031) • Transport 2050: 10 Year Priorities Executive Summary • June 2021 CoV Transport Update • City of Vancouver 2040 Transportation Plan • 2021 Survey • 5-Year Transit Plan (Pages 93-102) • Motion - Reallocation of Road Space to Support Shared Use During Pandemic: 2020 May 12 (vancouver.ca) • British Columbia Complete Communities Guide (gov.bc.ca) • Planning a liveable, sustainable city City of Vancouver 	<p>Developments, most current plans and documents identified.</p>	<p>Office of the Seniors' Advocate</p> <p>United Way</p> <p>City of Vancouver Advisory Committees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Older Persons and Elders Advisory Committee • Persons with Disabilities Committee • Children, Youth and Families Advisory Committee • Racial and Ethno-Cultural Equity Advisory Committee
<p>Obtain council liaison feedback on key priorities with respect to developments and impacts on transportation. Consider "Making Streets for People Program" and how this is integrated or</p>		<p>TRAC Committee members</p>	<p>Key land development priorities identified with impacts on transportation and other areas.</p>	<p>City of Vancouver Planning department</p>

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considered in major developments.				
Identify gaps in transportation and other areas related to major developments.			Gaps in transportation plans and other areas identified.	
Identify where TRAC can be most helpful in land development and advancement of transportation plans.			Opportunities for TRAC to advance transportation plans supportive of major land developments and to provide comments/suggestions to advance “Making Streets for People”.	
Obtain council liaison feedback on priority gaps and issues.		Council Liaison	Draft recommendations on improvements to mitigate transportation gaps and other areas.	
Draft motion(s) to council to resolve identified gaps.				
Recommend ways to address gaps and underserved parts of the cycling network and of the supporting infrastructure				
Identify the gaps in the bike network and supporting infrastructure including bike parking and shared bike programs.		Advisory group members	Gaps identified	HUB (ungap the map) City of Vancouver Engineering department
Prioritize the gaps (safety, security, existing projects, east and south Vancouver, funding, etc.)			Gaps prioritized	Youth advisory group Neighbourhood advisory groups HUB (ungap the map) Engineering department City of Vancouver Parks Board City of Vancouver Staff
Obtain council liaison feedback on priority gaps			Provide recommendations on improvements to resolve identified gaps	
Draft motion(s) to council to resolve identified gaps			Motion(s) be approved by council	

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Advocate for new measures to improve transportation network safety				
Obtain safety and security related data and statistics (vehicle, bicycle, pedestrian incidents, fatalities, injuries etc.). Consider personal rolling devices such as electric kick scooters.		References: Moving Towards Zero Council Presentation December 2016 (vancouver.ca) Transportation safety Our action plan City of Vancouver E-mobility pilot project gets green light BC Gov News (2021 pilot) City of Vancouver Staff Related research undertaken at UBC, SFU, etc. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cities, Health and Active Transportation Research (CHATR) Lab • Research on Active Transportation (REACT) lab 	Statistics available for review	
Review data. Consider improvements to eliminate fatalities, reduce injuries.				City of Vancouver Engineering Department
Obtain council liaison feedback on priorities			Provide recommendations on improvements to resolve identified gaps	
Draft motion(s) to council to resolve identified gap			Motion(s) be approved by council	
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