

TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

NOVEMBER 20, 2024

A meeting of the Transportation Advisory Committee was held on Wednesday, November 20, 2024, at 5:31 pm, in the Business Center Boardroom, 2nd floor, City Hall, and by electronic means.

PRESENT:	Marlene Chow, Chair Jamie Banks Zachary Bennett Caryn Duncan Anthony Floyd Jen Lindenberg Stephanie Mak Jessie Rehwald Jennifer Siddon
ABSENT:	Jarred Anderson, Vice Chair Luke Bailey (Leave of Absence) Mike Feaver
ALSO PRESENT:	Chris Darwent, Associate Director, Transportation Design Insp. Ken Athans, Vancouver Police Department Liaison Ted Townsend, Alternate Member
CITY CLERK'S OFFICE:	David Yim, Meeting Coordinator

Welcome

The Chair acknowledged we are on the unceded territories of the Musqueam, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh Nations.

Leave of Absence Requests

MOVED by Zachary Bennett SECONDED by Jamie Banks

THAT the Transportation Advisory Committee approve a Leave of Absence for Luke Bailey for this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Approval of Minutes

MOVED by Caryn Duncan SECONDED by Jamie Banks

THAT the Transportation Advisory Committee approve the Minutes from the meeting of September 18, 2024, as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1. Healthy City Strategy Inquiry Session

Staff from Arts, Culture, and Community Services provided a brief presentation and responded to questions.

2. Civic District Long-Range Plan Inquiry Session - WITHDRAWN

3. Working Session Updates (October 16, 2024)

Committee Members provided updates from the working session held on October 16, 2024.

4. Liaison Updates

Liaisons provided updates and responded to questions.

5. Subcommittee Updates

Subcommittee members provided updates and responded to questions.

MOVED by Zachary Bennett SECONDED by Jamie Banks

WHEREAS

- 1. The City of Vancouver is proposing an update to the Broadway Plan Public Realm;
- 2. There have been many proposals for new developments submitted to the City within the Broadway Plan area which, if built, will significantly increase the population as Broadway becomes the city's "second downtown";
- 3. The Broadway Plan was approved by Council and took effect in 2022 and includes direction to enhance Broadway as a "Great Street", provide and support healthy transportation options, and create and enhance parks and public spaces as guiding principles for transportation;

- 4. Transportation 2040 includes a goal of eliminating all traffic-related fatalities and serious injuries and has a target that at least two-thirds of all trips be made by foot bike or transit;
- 5. Council's Climate Emergency Action Plan Big Move 2 is that by 2030, two thirds of trips in Vancouver will be by active transportation and transit; and
- 6. Council unanimously approved the motion "Taking Urgent Action to Boost Street Capacity and Speed up Transit Service for Vancouverites" on July 24, 2024, including Granville Street, Main Street/Kingsway, Broadway, and West 4th Avenue, portions of which are within the Broadway Plan area.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Transportation Advisory Committee recommend that Council support the Broadway Plan Public Realm, including:

- i. Support and prioritize the rapid completion of the proposed car-free/car-lite network in the Broadway Plan area inclusive of city direction to re-allocate at least 11% of road space to non-car users;
- Ensure that car-free/car-lite options provide convenient and easily understood active travel connections to community destinations, such as schools, childcare, community centres, cultural venues, commercial/retail businesses, and SkyTrain stations, including connections to Broadway to reinforce its vision as a 'Great Street';
- iii. Strongly prioritize quick-build options to complete the car-free/car-lite network quickly and at low cost, including seeking out grants or other cost share funding, and avoid piecemeal construction of this network;
- iv. Leverage new development to achieve well-designed and high-quality permanent cycling and micromobility infrastructure in addition to rapidly building out the car-free/car-lite network;
- v. Direct staff to review and minimize the volume of personal, commercial and shared vehicles on the car-free/car-lite network through site, building and street design, such as the careful placement of loading zones, driveways, parking and parking access;
- vi. Provide high-quality sidewalks, curb cuts, and other walking infrastructure and connections on all streets, including the car-free/car-lite network;
- vii. Provide consistent, clear and legible wayfinding and signage supporting active transportation users;
- viii. Seek opportunities to co-locate and co-fund the car-free/car-lite network in conjunction with other City priorities, such as creation of parks, community facilities, and blue-green rainwater facilities similar to the St. George rainway; and

ix. Ensure that sufficient space is retained on Broadway for the future addition of bike lanes or similar cycling and micromobility infrastructure at such time as Council or staff may deem appropriate.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. New Business

The Committee provided comments on the motion workshop held November 14, 2024, and on the staff engagement process.

The Committee also acknowledged contributions from departing Committee members and discussed Vice Chair selection for the new term.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Zachary Bennett SECONDED by Jamie Banks

THAT this meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Next Meeting: January 15, 2025 at 5:30 pm

The Committee adjourned at 7:16 pm.

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