



TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 30, 2020

A meeting of the Transportation Advisory Committee was held on Wednesday, September 30, 2020, at 5:38 pm, by electronic means.

PRESENT: Brad Griffin, Vice-Chair
Colin Brander
Eugene Chin
Karen Fung
Michael Feaver
Isabel Garcia
Mahdi Hassan Nayebi
Angela Jarvis
Darius Maze
Molly Millar, Chair
Jimin Park

ABSENT: Joan Andersen (Leave of Absence)
Lisa Corriveau
Bridgitte Taylor

ALSO PRESENT: David Rawsthorne, Civil Engineer, Transportation Design Branch, Staff Liaison
Jordan McAuley, Planner, Parks and Recreation, Staff Liaison
Paul Storer, Director, Transportation Design Branch, Staff Liaison
Geoffrey Keyworth, Civil Engineer, Transportation Planning Branch, Staff Liaison
Commissioner John Irwin, Vancouver Park Board Liaison
Trustee Lois Chan-Pedley, Vancouver School Board Liaison

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Terri Burke, Meeting Coordinator

WELCOME

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

Approval of Minutes - June 17, 2020

MOVED by Molly Millar
SECONDED by Angela Jarvis

THAT the Transportation Advisory Committee approve the Minutes from the meeting of June 17, 2020, as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1. Leave of Absence Requests

MOVED by Eugene Chin
SECONDED by Colin Brander

THAT the Transportation Advisory Committee approve a leave of absence for Joan Andersen for this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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At this point in the proceedings, the Committee agreed to vary the agenda to deal with Item 6 – “Liaison Updates” next, in order to allow one liaison to give their update immediately. For clarity, the minutes are recorded in numerical order.

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2. Presentation - Bus Stop Balancing Pilot

Fay Kramer, Government Relations Team, and Denis Agar, Planning Team, both from TransLink, provided a presentation on the Bus Stop Balancing Pilot, including:

- The need to find balance when bus stops are too close together;
- The cost of stationary stops;
- Addressing crowding issues;
- Benefits, including reduced travel time, reliability, and less destruction to the traffic flow;
- Ensuring accessibility a key factor in the pilot;
- Bus route #2 is the first bus in the pilot;
- Engagement approach; and
- Timeline for the pilot, evaluation and final changes.

The presenters also responded to questions.

3. Granville Bridge Connector and Drake Street Improvements

Paul Storer, Director, Transportation Design Branch, Staff Liaison, provided a verbal update on the Granville Bridge Connector and Drake Street Improvements, including:

- Comfort and Accessibility challenges of Granville Bridge;
- Granville Bridge today and long term vision;
- Initial projected costs and new projected costs;
- Challenges such as uncomfortable ramp crossings; steps impeding accessibility, narrow sidewalks, confusing connections and no bike lanes;
- Engagement summary;
- Project goals;
- Timelines with an end goal of 2023 as the completion date;
- Recommended long-term design;
- Prevention fencing;
- Future work of improving nearby connections; and
- Drake street engagement and summary; design concept and protected bike lanes.

Mr. Storer also responded to questions.

4. Motion - Climate Emergency Action Plan

The Chair informed the Committee that the staff report on the Climate Emergency Action Plan will be considered by Council in November 2020. She noted staff would be reviewing the report at this meeting and the Committee would hold a Special Meeting in October to approve a motion on this matter before the report goes to Council.

Geoffrey Keyworth, Civil Engineer, Transportation, Planning Branch, Staff Liaison, reviewed portions of the upcoming report that were relevant to the Committee, and responded to questions.

Several Committee members agreed to lead a working group to draft a motion for the Committee to approve. It was agreed the draft motion would be circulated to members before the Special meeting.

5. Subcommittee Updates

None.

6. Liaison Updates

Commissioner John Irwin, Vancouver Park Board Liaison, provided an update and responded to questions on Stanley Park reopening to traffic, and the West End Waterfront Parks and Beach Avenue Master Plan. Commissioner Irwin also noted the City is seeking additional public feedback regarding the temporary road reallocation changes on Beach Avenue, and informed there is a survey for people to share their thoughts until October 14, 2020.

Trustee Lois Chan-Pedley, Vancouver School Board Liaison, noted a number of schools received traffic calming speed bumps, and that Bike to Work Week is September 28 to October 4, 2020.

Jordan McAuley, Planner, Parks and Recreation, Staff Liaison, noted at the Policy and Strategic Priorities meeting on October 7, 2020, that Council will consider the report entitled "Contract

Award for RFP PS20200058 - Consulting Services for West End Waterfront Parks and Beach Avenue Master Plan”.

Geoffrey Keyworth, Staff Liaison, noted the traffic and management group is rolling out a 2020 fall survey. He also noted an update will be coming soon regarding the Mobility Recovery Program.

David Rawsthorne, Civil Engineer, Transportation Design Branch, Staff Liaison, noted Council approved an extension to the patio program through the winter in 2020, and that was being looked at through a transportation lens.

7. New Business

None.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Jimin Park
SECONDED by Isabel Garcia

THAT this meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Next Meeting:

DATE: November 18, 2020
TIME: 5:30 pm
PLACE: WebEx Online

The Committee adjourned at 7:29 pm.

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