

TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

SPECIAL MINUTES

OCTOBER 28, 2020

A special meeting of the Transportation Advisory Committee was held on Wednesday, October 28, 2020, at 5:33 pm, via electronic means.

PRESENT: Molly Millar, Chair

Colin Brander Eugene Chin Lisa Corriveau Michael Feaver Karen Fung Isabel Garcia

Brad Griffin, Vice-Chair Mahdi Hassan Nayebi

Angela Jarvis Darius Maze Jimin Park Bridgitte Taylor

ABSENT: Joan Andersen (Leave of Absence)

ALSO PRESENT: David Rawsthorne, Civil Engineer, Transportation Design

Branch, Staff Liaison

Jordan McAuley, Planner, Park Board

Geoffrey Keyworth, Senior Transportation Planning Engineer, Transportation Planning Branch

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Kathy Bengston, Committee Clerk

WELCOME

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

Leave of Absence Requests

MOVED by Bridgitte Taylor SECONDED by Colin Brander

THAT the Transportation Advisory committee approve a leave of absence for Joan Anderson for today's meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1. Motion – Climate Emergency Response Report

MOVED by Darius Maze SECONDED by Bridgitte Taylor

WHEREAS

- 1. The City of Vancouver has declared that we are in a global state of climate emergency and has adopted a number of targets related to greenhouse gas emissions in response to the emergency;
- 2. The disruption of stable environmental patterns across the region as a result of climate change will disproportionately impact those who are already disadvantaged within our communities, as those with fewer resources will have less to draw upon in order to cope with the most negative aspects of failing or otherwise destabilized systems;
- 3. In April 2019, City Council accelerated the existing sustainable transportation target by 10 years, so that by 2030, two thirds of trips in Vancouver will be by active transportation and transit, and directed staff to report back by Fall 2020 with a strategy and budget to achieve the target ("Big Move #2"), including a plan to work toward cheaper or free transit for lower income people; and additionally adopted the target that by 2030, 50 percent of the kilometers driven on Vancouver's roads will be by zero emissions vehicles, and directed staff to report back by Fall 2020 with a strategy and budget to achieve the target ("Big Move #3");
- City of Vancouver staff are also leading a city-wide land use planning process, and coordinating land use and transportation have continually proven key to encouraging reductions in GHG emissions by shifting trips to active and sustainable modes;
- 5. City staff are also coordinating actions related to active transportation as part of mobility recovery to support new patterns of activity respecting safety and public health measures as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- A. THAT the Transportation Advisory Committee supports the City in adopting the entire package of actions as presented in the Climate Action Plan, specifically the Game Changer Actions presented in Big Moves #2 (transport mobility pricing) and #3 (residential parking permit surcharges).
- B. THAT the Transportation Advisory Committee supports actions on land use that reduce the need for longer trips resulting in human scale, complete communities, where residents can meet daily needs and access local amenities through walking and rolling trips.
- C. THAT the Transportation Advisory Committee supports the City in directing staff to build on the work of the Climate and Equity Working Group convened as part of the Climate Emergency Action Plan engagement in support of the plan's implementation, and in ensuring any recommended actions minimize negative impacts to those already experiencing multiple forms of oppression or those who are already disproportionately impacted.
- D. THAT the Transportation Advisory Committee encourages the Pedestrian Action Plan and Transit Action Plan to incorporate considerations around regional micromobility and its role in helping bridge the last and first mile for transit trips, and possibly in replacing some short-distance transit trips as part of longer-term COVID-19 recovery.
- E. THAT the Transportation Advisory Committee supports the City in directing staff to coordinate implementation of Climate Emergency Action Plan (CEAP) with upcoming related work on the Urban Freight strategy.
- F. THAT the Transportation Advisory Committee supports the City to direct staff to ensure that messaging with stakeholders and the public on transport pricing emphasizes how the City will address concerns around equity-related impacts and incorporate this with equity-related actions around pandemic recovery.
- G. THAT the Transportation Advisory Committee supports the City in actions for working from home, while evaluates how increased working from home will affect travel patterns and access to services.
- H. THAT the Transportation Advisory Committee encourages the City to enable the use of parks and public spaces in residential neighbourhoods throughout the year.
- I. FURTHER THAT the Transportation Advisory Committee supports the City to identify how building owners might repurpose commercial parking space as a result of reductions in parking demand related to increased working from home.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Colin Brander SECONDED by Karen Fung

THAT this meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Next Regular Meeting:

DATE: Wednesday, November 18, 2020

TIME: 5:30 pm VebEx Online

The Committee adjourned at 6:16 pm.

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