

Transportation Advisory Committee

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MEMORANDUM

October 21, 2022

TO: Mayor and Council

CC Paul Mochrie, City Manager

Rosemary Hagiwara, Acting City Clerk

Tina Penney, Director, Legislative Operations

Kevin Burris, Manager, Civic Agencies

FROM: Transportation Advisory Committee

SUBJECT: Transportation Advisory Committee Report of Activities, 2021–2022

PURPOSE

To provide Vancouver City Council with a report on the activities of the Transportation Advisory Committee for the period of May 18, 2021 to November 6, 2022.

BACKGROUND

The Transportation Advisory Committee was established by Council to advise Council on strategic priorities relating to walking, cycling and all active transportation modes, as well as public transit and congestion management, in Vancouver.

DISCUSSION

1. Significant Activities

Committee Priorities:

- 1. Resolving gaps in the bike network
- 2. Bus Improvements
- 3. Climate Emergency Plan

Top 3 2021–2022 Accomplishments:

1. Resolving Gaps in the Bike Network

As per our mandate to provide feedback on transportation projects, by identifying and prioritizing gaps in our bike network, TRAC is looking at the City of Vancouver's bike lane network as an entire transportation project and recommending the best ways to improve upon the network, ultimately encouraging more people to cycle around the city.

Outcome:

After meeting with several key stakeholder groups, including HUB, City of Vancouver, City of Burnaby and others, we drafted a motion recommending the key bike routes to be completed to maximize existing pathways and meet the growing population needs in key parts of the city. The Southeast Bike Lane Motion was passed on September 14, 2022.

2. Bus Improvements

As per our mandate to provide feedback on transportation projects, we will identify and prioritize bus improvements that are important to our community and to the overall functioning of the bus network in Vancouver.

Outcome:

The Committee took several different looks and had several different conversations around bus improvements. We passed a motion on <u>September 14, 2022</u> around Bus Stop Signage Accessibility.

3. Climate Emergency

An integral part of the Climate Emergency Plan is how the plan deals with transportation. As per our mandate to provide feedback on transportation projects, we will be reviewing the Climate Emergency Plan through that lens and providing feedback on sections of the plan, as well as identifying future opportunities to advance the transportation goals in the Climate Emergency Plan.

Outcome:

We looked at opportunities to address climate emergency in all work that we undertook during our term and one clear example of this was our support of the Broadway Plan project with the exception of not including any bike lanes as a part of this project. Our several motions on this plan stated our disappointment with the short-sightedness of the plan as was presented to the Committee and we also spoke at council. A Broadway Plan motion was passed March 30, 2022.

CONCLUSION

The foregoing information is presented to Vancouver City Council for information.

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