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To: "Direct to Mayor and Council - DL"
CC: "City Manager's Correspondence Group - DL"
Date: 6/24/2020 12:42:58 PM
Subject: RE: Information Request: bus only lanes

Greetings Mayor and Council

I am writing in response to a question from a Councillor. In the retail areas of South Granville, new public spaces for business recovery (such as widened sidewalks and bulges at bus stops, space to queue, public seating, and patios) are being created by converting the existing curb lane, which is used for parking during off-peak hours and are vehicle lanes during peak hours. The tactical measures on Granville Street are in development, and are subject to TransLink approval as Granville is on the Major Road Network.

Staff are working with both the SGBIA and TransLink to balance the needs for business recovery, while mitigating the potential negative impacts on transit riders. In order to address Council direction to urgently implement bus priority measures, staff are exploring converting the peak-period vehicle lanes south of 16th Avenue into peak-period bus-only lanes. At this point we are not considering bus-only lanes north of 16th.

Best,
Sadhu

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From: Bligh, Rebecca
Sent: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 10:08 AM
To: Johnston, Sadhu
Cc: Councillors - DL; Zaenker, Anita
Subject: RE: Information Request: bus only lanes

Thanks Sadhu.

Curious if you can clarify if there are any changes planned for Granville St parking restrictions up to West 16th ?

Noting your email states West 16th to 33rd, bus only lanes - we have heard from the ED at the SGBIA expressing concerns there are plans to remove parking on the lower portion of Granville St with the intent to create bus only lanes.

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From: De Genova, Melissa

Sent: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 10:02 AM

To: Johnston, Sadhu

Cc: Dominato, Lisa; Councillors - DL; Zaenker, Anita

Subject: Re: Information Request: bus only lanes

Thanks Sadhu, this is helpful information. Happy to hear that this is moving forward and I appreciate the information on the timeline and funds available.

Also please pass on my thanks and appreciation to staff for all their work with Translink. It's great to hear about the work to advance and implement transit priority measures.

Many thanks,

Melissa

Melissa De Genova

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On Jun 23, 2020, at 8:20 AM, Johnston, Sadhu <Sadhu.Johnston@vancouver.ca> wrote:

Hi Lisa,

Over the past three weeks, staff have been working closely with TransLink, as well as businesses and BIAs to advance transit priority measures alongside public space and business recovery improvements. Sections of

Main Street (Kingsway to National) and Granville Street (16th to 33rd Ave) are currently being considered for bus lanes, alongside more public space and patio-focused interventions on other sections of these streets.

Additionally, staff have also begun to identify opportunities for additional transit priority measures in other parts of the City, not directly related to other public space recovery efforts. Sections of Broadway, Hastings St and 49th Ave are being considered.

Staff intend to make use of the TransLink funding opportunity and applications will be submitted to TransLink by their deadline of July 3rd.

Thanks ☺ please let us know if you have any questions.

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From: Dominato, Lisa
Sent: Wednesday, June 17, 2020 10:57 AM
To: Johnston, Sadhu
Cc: Councillors - DL; Zaenker, Anita
Subject: Information Request: bus only lanes

Good morning Sadhu,

Would it be possible to get an update on street reallocation efforts with respect to bus only lanes on various city arterials. I understand Translink has \$500K set aside to support municipal efforts and is ready to deploy some of these funds.

Thanks.

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“The two skills of the warrior are compassion and insight. Compassion is easy - it arises spontaneously from an open heart. Insight or discernment requires more skill. We have to choose our battles.”

— Margaret J. Wheatley