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Subject: Response to Council question on Ebikes and curbside electrical funding

Dear Mayor and Council,

During a recent staff presentation to Council regarding the mid-capital plan update as well as at a Council meeting on September 15, 2020, a question was raised with respect to potential funding for an e-bike sharing pilot program. Specifically, the question was regarding how funding for such a program, if approved, would be deployed.

The \$2.5M funding proposed to support an e-bike sharing pilot program and curbside electrical program expansion is part of the \$12M climate emergency funding request (which includes several other high-priority initiatives such as advancing building retrofits and active transportation programs). The aim of the \$2.5M funding is to enable the launch of an e-bike share pilot program at a sufficient scale to be both beneficial to users and to meaningfully reduce carbon emissions in the City while also enabling other Climate Emergency goals around reducing reliance on generators for food trucks, film, special events and other curbside uses. The funds would be utilized for the electrical connections required to power the system. The pilot would be deployed in such a way that it could be scaled up over time and capital work will be coordinated with the Curbside Electrical Program to maximize the funding benefit. The funds could be used for electrical infrastructure upgrades, or other assets as deemed appropriate by the City to enable a successful pilot.

If the Climate Emergency funding is approved staff will bring back further information on the e-bike share pilot program prior to implementation. In the meantime, if you have further questions please feel free to Lon LaClaire at lon.laclaire@vancouver.ca

Best,
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