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Dear Mayor and Council,

Please see the attached memo from Jerry Dobrovolny regarding *three significant international transportation events in Vancouver this Fall*. A short summary of the memo is as follows:

- ☐ Rail~Volution Conference: City staff are helping to host this event, taking place September 8-11, that will bring together more than 1,200 practitioners with a focus on building livable communities with transit.
- ☐ C40 – Zero-Emission Freight Academy: In partnership with C40, the City will host this event on September 24–26, which will bring together industry and municipal governments to inform the transition to zero-emission freight and commercial vehicles, and support the implementation of zero-emission areas.
- ☐ 20-20 Cities – Urban Mobility Meeting: This event for delegates of 20-20 Cities on November 12–13 will showcase innovative case studies and best practices in sustainable urban development.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Jerry Dobrovolny at 604-873-7331 or [jerry.dobrovolny@vancouver.ca](mailto:jerry.dobrovolny@vancouver.ca).

Best,  
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## MEMORANDUM

September 5, 2019

TO: Mayor and Council

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FROM: Jerry Dobrovoly, General Manager, Engineering Services

SUBJECT: Upcoming Transportation Events

The purpose of this memo is to inform Council about three significant international transportation events that City of Vancouver staff are involved in hosting or coordinating this fall.

### **Rail~Volution Conference**

TransLink and the IBI Group will co-host Rail~Volution, North America's leading transit and community development conference, and the City of Vancouver is the host city to the event. The conference will take place September 8–11 at the Hyatt Regency Vancouver.

The annual Rail~Volution conference focuses on building livable communities with transit. More than 1,200 practitioners, leaders and advocates from communities across the United States and Canada will be attending the event, where best practices, real-world solutions and innovative approaches to the challenges that face cities and regions of every size will be shared. There will also be 28 mobile workshops held throughout Metro Vancouver, eight of which will be led by the City. Twenty-five City staff are involved in organizing or promoting the event, or leading mobile workshops. More information can be found at [www.railvolution.org/conference](http://www.railvolution.org/conference).



## **C40 – Zero-Emission Freight Academy**

In partnership with C40, the City of Vancouver will host a Zero-Emission Freight Academy on September 24–26. This event will bring together representatives from leading *Green and Healthy Streets Declaration* signatory cities and industry experts to inform cities' transition to zero-emission freight and commercial vehicles, and support the implementation of zero-emission areas (ZEAs) by 2030. Key objectives for city officials attending the Freight Academy include:

- Share best practices, challenges and solutions for accelerating the uptake of zero-emission commercial vehicles and the roll out of charging infrastructure;
- Create individual action plans for addressing freight as part of Vancouver's ZEA; and
- Explore opportunities for partnering with others (e.g. leading organizations, operators, manufacturers) for making the transition to zero-emission freight possible.

The insight gained by City staff from various departments during the Freight Academy will be immediately incorporated into the urgent work necessary to further develop the Climate Emergency Response effort and help tackle our six Big Moves.

## **20-20 Cities – Urban Mobility Meeting**

On November 12 and 13, delegates of 20-20 Cities will travel to Vancouver for an Urban Mobility meeting. In this high-level meeting, heads of transport and mobility will engage and exchange knowledge with international cities and other stakeholders in sustainable urban development.

20-20 Cities is a club of cities worldwide that are committed to finding solutions to the challenges of sustainable urban development through peer-to-peer meetings. The club provides a global platform to increase knowledge sharing among cities and to create new models for collaboration. Through open dialogues at the meeting, a maximum of twenty Deputy Mayors, CIOs/CTOs, or senior decision makers from participating cities will showcase innovative case studies and discuss best practices to learn from each other's approach. The discussion will be joined by key stakeholders from the private sector and civil society. For more information about 20-20 Cities, please visit <http://2020cities.com/>.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at [jerry.dobrovolny@vancouver.ca](mailto:jerry.dobrovolny@vancouver.ca) or 604-873-7331.



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