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Dear Mayor and Council,

Pending your approval, the City will be issuing the below news release on Tuesday, February 8, regarding the new quadricycle tour licensing.

As you will hear from staff, this licensing would allow four-wheeled pedal-powered quadricycles to transport groups of passengers on pre-approved routes to businesses like breweries and other areas of interest in the city. Tour operators would be required to obtain both a valid vehicles-for-hire business licence and street-use approval prior to operating. Licence applications would be expected to open later this spring and will go through a single, user-friendly web page.

Best,  
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**City of Vancouver**  
**News Release**  
**February 8, 2022**  
***Pending Council Approval***

## **Quadricycle pedal tours approved in Vancouver**

Prepare to see a new set of wheels in Vancouver this summer. As part of the City's continued efforts to support Vancouver businesses through post-pandemic economic recovery, Council has approved business licensing for quadricycle tours.

The four-wheeled pedal-powered cycles will transport groups of passengers on pre-approved routes to businesses like breweries and other areas of interests in the city. Tour operators will be required to obtain both a valid vehicles-for-hire business licence and street-use approval prior to operating.

"With this new licensing, residents and visitors will experience a new way to travel in groups between local destinations and businesses," said Sarah Hicks, Chief Licence Inspector. "We know the last two years have been challenging, and this is an opportunity that will help businesses with their economic recovery, keep a few more cars off the road, and bring some fun and enjoyment to the city."

Quadricycles will be permitted on streets during the following times:

- Monday to Saturday: 7am - 10pm

- Sundays and holidays: 10am – 10pm

Licence applications will open to tour operators later this spring. Interested operators are encouraged to [learn more about what will be required](#).

“The introduction of quadricycles is a new, fun way for locals and visitors to explore Vancouver and aligns with our climate emergency goals of reducing carbon pollution from how we move on our streets,” said Paul Storer, Transportation Director. “We will work with tour companies to ensure quadricycles operate safely so they don’t impact the movement of other road users.”

### **Safety and Street Use**

To help maintain safety on the streets for other vehicles, bikes and pedestrians, tour operators will need to submit proposed tour routes for approval prior to using the quadricycles on any road.

- Quadricycles will generally be restricted to minor streets and laneways, and will be prohibited in protected bike lanes
- Organizers of quadricycle tours are encouraged to arrange private parking. If private parking cannot be arranged, parking is permitted at any legal parking space provided any parking fees for that space are paid.

Per Provincial regulations consumption of liquor and/or cannabis is prohibited while operating or on a quadricycle.

For more information, visit our [Quadricycle Tours webpage](#).

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