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To: **"Direct to Mayor and Council - DL"**

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Subject: Memo - Burrard Peninsula Area Transport Plan January 2024 Update

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Dear Mayor and Council,

Please see the attached Memo from Lon LaClaire regarding **Burrard Peninsula Area Transport Plan January 2024 Update**. A short summary of the memo is as follows:

- The BP ATP is a medium-term (15 year) TransLink plan that focusses on the cities of Vancouver, Burnaby and New Westminster as well as the University Endowment Lands, UBC and Musqueam and Squamish reserve lands and provide an opportunity to advance the objectives of regional plans like Transport 2050 and Access for Everyone (i.e. Transport 2050 Ten Year Priorities).
- TransLink's memo provides an update on the first phase of engagement for the BP ATP which included in person (36 events resulting in more than 1800 in person interactions) and online opportunities (over 4000 completed surveys and 1100 geo-located comments).
- The next phase of BP ATP work will draft actions and recommendations and will include an elected officials forum in late February to learn about the public feedback in phase 1 and provide input for the next phase of work.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Lon LaClaire at 604-873-7336 or lon.laclaire@vancouver.ca

Best,
Paul

Paul Mochrie (he/him)
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City of Vancouver



The City of Vancouver acknowledges that it is situated on the unceded traditional territories of the xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam), Sḵwx̱w̱ám̓ (Squamish), and səilwətał (Tsleil-Waututh) Nations.

MEMORANDUM

January 10, 2024

TO: Mayor and Council

CC: Paul Mochrie, City Manager
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FROM: Lon LaClaire
General Manager, Engineering Services

SUBJECT: Burrard Peninsula Area Transport Plan January 2024 Update

RTS #: N/A

In 2023, TransLink began the Burrard Peninsula Area Transport Plan (BP ATP) for Vancouver, Burnaby, New Westminster, University Endowment Lands, UBC and Musqueam and Squamish reserve lands. City staff have been working with TransLink on this project as part of their Technical Advisory Committee (staff level) and Senior Advisory Committee (management level). The BP ATP is a key commitment by TransLink identified in the Broadway Subway Supportive Policies Agreement.

An Area Transport Plan is a medium-term (15 year) TransLink plan that focusses on a subarea of Metro Vancouver. These multi-modal plans are an opportunity to advance the objectives of regional plans within the subarea (e.g. Transport 2050, Access for Everyone).

TransLink has recently provided staff with a memo providing an update on the project (Appendix A). This memo includes details on the first round of public engagement and outlines the next steps in the process. It also includes preliminary details on an upcoming elected officials' forum to be held virtually in late February. Details on the forum will be provided to you via City staff in the near future.

Please contact me directly should you have any questions.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Lon LaClaire', with a horizontal line extending to the right.

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Appendix A - Translink Memo

TO: Mayor and Council

FROM: Matt Craig, Director, System Planning, TransLink

DATE: December 20, 2023

SUBJECT: Burrard Peninsula Area Transport Plan – Project Update and Next Steps

PURPOSE

As the first phase of the Burrard Peninsula Area Transport Plan (BP ATP) process comes to a close, TransLink is providing an update on the planning process to date, including a summary of the first round of public engagement and an outline of next steps in the ATP planning process – including an elected officials forum being planned for early 2024.

BACKGROUND: An opportunity to understand and prioritize transportation investments

The purpose of the BP ATP planning process is to identify and prioritize actions focused primarily on the local transit network, including transit priority infrastructure. The ATP also considers active and safe streets as they relate to walking, cycling, and micro-mobility. The plan will also include recommendations around the Major Road Network and regional goods movement.

Out of scope are detailed implementation decisions about transportation operations (e.g., scheduling) and matters of regional significance (e.g., funding sources, transit fares), including parallel planning processes relating to specific rapid transit projects such as UBCx.

The BP ATP is an opportunity to advance the goals and objectives of Transport 2050 and Access for Everyone at the sub-regional level (i.e., the local governments within the study area). Compared to those regional documents, the ATP will provide more local detail and specific strategies and actions on how the objectives would be achieved (e.g., service improvements at the route level).

When completed, the Burrard Peninsula ATP will be a primary input to the development of future Investment Plans, guiding the prioritization of future investments in transit and the regional transportation network over the next 15 years.

The BP ATP planning process, which began in Spring 2023, is expected to take approximately two years to complete, with the adoption of the final plan expected in early 2025.

ENGAGEMENT: First phase wrapping up

The first round of BP ATP public engagement was launched in October 2023, comprised of an online survey and extensive community and stakeholder engagement. Engagement results are still being compiled and assessed, and will be ready to be shared in a couple of months.

The approach to outreach was focused on reaching equity-deserving groups including older adults, low-income individuals, persons with disabilities, new Canadians, students, and urban Indigenous. To do this we “met people where they were” via pop ups, community events, and providing opportunities online for those unable to attend in-person. This also included several ‘focused’ sessions with equity-deserving groups, such as Women Transforming Cities and Metro Vancouver Indigenous Services Society. In total we completed 36 engagement events, having more than 1,800 in-person interactions.

With regards to the online survey, there were more than 22,000 visits to the BP ATP survey website, and over 4,000 completed surveys submitted. The online survey also included map-based questions where respondents left more than 1,100 geo-located comments. The detailed survey results are currently being compiled and will be shared at an elected official’s forum, which is further described below.

Specific to engagement with First Nations, the ATP study area includes the traditional and unceded territories of several Indigenous Nations including q̓wɑ:n̓ ɛn' (Kwantlen First Nation), kwikwə́ləm (Kwikwetlem First Nation), xwməθkwəyəm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish Nation), sə́ilwətaʔt (Tsleil-Waututh Nation), and qiqéyt (Qayqayt First Nation). ATP engagement to date has occurred both through Nation staff (as part of ongoing conversations with TransLink’s First Nation’s Transportation program) and directly with Chiefs and Councils (with support from TransLink’s Indigenous Relations team).

NEXT STEPS: Completing engagement and developing recommendations

Occurring throughout 2024, Phase 2 of the planning process will focus on the development of BP ATP actions and recommendations that will help to advance Transport 2050 and Access for Everyone goals and objectives as they relate to the transportation network within Burrard Peninsula. The development of BP ATP strategies and actions will be informed by what we’ve learned through Phase 1 stakeholder and public engagement, our network analysis, and previous customer feedback.

Phase 2 will include continued collaboration with municipal staff through the BP ATP Technical and Senior Advisory Committees, ongoing engagement with First Nations, and another round of engagement with interested parties and the public (occurring approximately Q3 in 2024).

Phase 2 will also include further engagement with elected officials in each of the municipalities within the BP ATP study area. Subject to further conversation with municipal BP ATP advisory committee members, the expectation is that there will be at least two opportunities in 2024 for elected officials to meet with the BP ATP project team.

The first of these meetings will be a TransLink-hosted forum early in the New Year where elected officials from each of the BP ATP jurisdictions would have an opportunity to (1) review and discuss the results of Phase 1 public engagement and (2) provide early input on key transportation priorities in each of their respective municipalities. The forum will be held virtually towards the end of February.

A second meeting – occurring later in 2024 – would be focused on the draft ATP strategies and actions, and it would be an opportunity for elected officials to provide feedback directly to the BP ATP team on the draft strategies. The timing and format of this second meeting is to be determined (e.g., a Council workshop).

In addition to these two planned engagement touchpoints in 2024, BP ATP staff will continue to work with municipal staff to identify other opportunities to engage with elected officials. This could be through an additional presentation to a transportation sub-committee and or joining other upcoming TransLink presentations to Council. In the meantime, BP ATP staff, with the support of TransLink’s Government Relations team, will continue to plan for an elected officials’ forum towards the end of February.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A: Burrard Peninsula ATP Study Area

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