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Subject: Memo - Burrard Peninsula Area Transport Plan Elected Officials Forum

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Dear Mayor and Council,

Please see the attached Council Memo from Lon LaClaire regarding Burrard Peninsula Area Transport Plan Elected Officials Forum. A short summary of the memo is as follows:

- TransLink began the BP ATP process last year with city staff participating at both the staff and Director levels.
- TransLink will be hosting an elected officials forum on the objectives and strategies for the BP ATP on Thursday, June 13 from 2-3 pm.
- City staff provided TransLink with a comprehensive list of potential transit and active transportation improvements for consideration within Vancouver. This memo outlines highlights of these potential improvements for Mayor and Council's awareness.

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

Best,
Paul

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The City of Vancouver acknowledges that it is situated on the unceded traditional territories of the x m k y m (Musqueam), S wxwú7mesh (Squamish), and s lilw ta (Tsleil-Waututh) Nations.

MEMORANDUM

June 4, 2024

TO: Mayor and Council

CC: Paul Mochrie, City Manager
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FROM: Lon LaClaire
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SUBJECT: Burrard Peninsula Area Transport Plan Elected Officials Forum

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Last year, 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 (see **Appendix A**). City staff have been involved in reviewing and providing feedback on key documents and analyses and participating in the Technical Advisory Committee (staff level) and Senior Advisory Committee (Director level).

The Council Memo sent on January 10, 2024, provided an overview of the project and plans for an elected officials' forum. By now you should have received an invitation to the online forum to be held on Thursday, June 13 from 2-3 pm.

During Phase 1 of the plan, City staff provided a comprehensive list of potential improvements to the transit network and service design, such as routing, service levels, operational considerations, and new connections. City staff also provided feedback regarding active transportation aimed to complete key gaps along the regional Major Bike Network and Vancouver's Active Mobility Plan. Examples of key gaps include Kent Ave from Heather St to Boundary Rd, the East Side Crosscut, Skeena St from the Central Valley Greenway to Adanac St, and Portside from Carroll St to Boundary Rd.

Highlights of the transit network improvements that staff identified to review as part of the process are:

- Reprioritize Hastings St over the 41st/49th Ave corridor for the next study of higher order transit in Vancouver;
- Consider transit service on portions of 12th Ave, such as retaining the temporary #17 routing along W 12th Ave due to Broadway Subway construction to provide better access to Vancouver General Hospital;
- Develop a strategy to realign bus service with the Broadway Subway opening;
- Consider improved services to Señákw, the new St Paul's Hospital, Rupert and Renfrew Station Area Plan and integration with Broadway Subway stations and future integration with the Jericho Lands;
- Provide new transit service along Burrard St between 4th and Broadway, which could be achieved by re-routing some routes from Granville Bridge to Burrard Bridge. This could also contribute towards serving Señákw;
- Consider how transit services could be redesigned and integrated with the street network changes around Gastown, such as along Water St, Cordova St, Pender St, and Hastings St;
- Provide new transit routes to and within Stanley Park, possibly through an extension of #23 west to Second Beach or further west, and other new routes;
- Consider new overlay services such as an express / limited stop or short-turn service on route #49 on the busiest portions of the route, with consideration for future RapidBus;
- Improve bus service to the River District through better north-south services and a RapidBus service along SE Marine Drive;
- Provide new bus service along E 1st Ave;
- Provide new bus service along 54th/57th Ave;
- Plan for off-street bus layover and terminus expansion needs at key locations, particularly in Downtown Vancouver;
- Reconsider network and service levels of NightBus services for greater network coverage, and consider services that mirror SkyTrain services;
- Consider pavement upgrade programs for streets required to handle heavier battery electric bus services; and
- Increase frequency and service levels on routes experiencing overcrowding, and expand coverage of the Frequent Transit Network.

We anticipate TransLink will seek feedback on priority strategies at the elected officials' forum and hope the input provided by City staff during the Phase 1 engagement will be helpful. Please contact me directly should you have any questions.



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APPENDIX A – Burrard Peninsula Area Transport Plan Study Area

