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Subject: ENG - Memo - Update - E Broadway Bus Lanes

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Dear Mayor and Council,

Please see the attached Memo from Lon LaClaire regarding Update - E Broadway Bus Lanes. A short summary of the memo is as follows:

- In January 2025, the afternoon peak (3-7pm, Mon-Fri) was added to the westbound bus lanes on E Broadway to improve bus travel time and reliability.
- Parking was adjusted on several side streets in response to business feedback about reduced parking on weekday afternoons.
- Feedback from transit riders has been positive, with many requests to extend the bus lanes to 7am-7pm, 7 days a week.

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

Best,

Paul

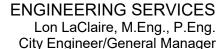
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MEMORANDUM

April 29, 2025

TO: Mayor and Council

CC: Paul Mochrie, City Manager

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FROM: Lon LaClaire

General Manager, Engineering Services

SUBJECT: Update - E Broadway Bus Lanes

RTS #: N/A

This memo provides an update on the recent changes to bus lanes and parking on the north side of E Broadway between Commercial Dr and Prince Edward St, as a follow-up to the Memo to Mayor and Council dated January 9, 2025 (**Appendix A**).

The bus lane was previously in effect during weekday mornings (7-10am); the afternoon peak period (3-7pm) was added in January 2025. Overall project feedback received has generally been supportive. In particular, many transit riders were pleased about faster and more reliable travel times on Routes 9 and 99 on weekday afternoons and many have requested the bus lanes be extended to 7am-7pm, 7 days a week.

Several businesses have expressed concern about the loss of customer parking directly on Broadway during the weekday afternoon peak period. Staff have worked with the affected businesses and the Mount Pleasant Business Improvement Association to understand the issues and adjust parking regulations in the area. On several of the side streets, unregulated parking has been changed to time-limited parking to support customer parking/loading by encouraging more parking turnover, including approximately 16 time-limited spaces:

- Carolina St new 15-min and 1-hour parking zones north of Broadway
- Prince Albert St new 15-min and 1-hour parking zones, north and south of Broadway
- Commercial Dr new loading zone on the west side, south of Broadway



Staff will continue to monitor feedback and adjust parking regulations where possible. Further information is available on the City's webpage (vancouver.ca/improve-bus) and members of the public, businesses, and stakeholders can also contact project staff via email (buspriority@vancouver.ca).

If you have any questions about this bus-priority project, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Appendix A - ENG - Memo - E Broadyway - Extended Bus Lane Hours



ENGINEERING SERVICES

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MEMORANDUM

January 9, 2025

TO: Mayor and Council

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FROM: Lon LaClaire

General Manager, Engineering Services

SUBJECT: E Broadway - Extended Bus Lane Hours

RTS #: N/A

This memo is to inform Council of upcoming bus-priority improvements on E Broadway between Prince Edward Street and Commercial Drive, in support of the Council Members' Motion approved on July 24, 2024, <u>Taking Urgent Action to Boost Street Capacity and Speed up Transit Service for Vancouverites</u>.

An average of 47,500 transit riders take bus routes 9 and 99 each weekday on Broadway, based on 2023 TransLink ridership data. To improve bus travel times and reliability, the buspriority lanes are being extended for more hours of the day. In the westbound direction on E Broadway from Commercial Drive to Prince Edward Street, the bus lanes currently operate during 7am to 10am on weekdays. These bus lanes will be extended to also operate during 3pm to 7pm on weekdays, and curbside parking and loading will be restricted during these hours, as shown in **Appendix A**. No changes are proposed to the hours of the eastbound bus lanes or parking and loading on the south side of the street.

The new curbside regulations are planned to be installed in late January 2025, and are funded by TransLink's Bus Speed and Reliability cost-sharing program. Staff have notified the Mount Pleasant Business Improvement Association, Commercial Drive Business Society and key



stakeholders. In January, affected businesses and residents are being informed by hand-delivered notification letters and mail, due to the Canada Post labour disruption.

Further information is available on the City's webpage (<u>vancouver.ca/improve-bus</u>) and members of the public, businesses, and stakeholders can also contact project staff via email (<u>buspriority@vancouver.ca</u>).

If you have any questions about this bus-priority project and the implementation in the coming weeks, please do not hesitate to contact me directly.

Lon LaClaire, M.Eng., P.Eng.

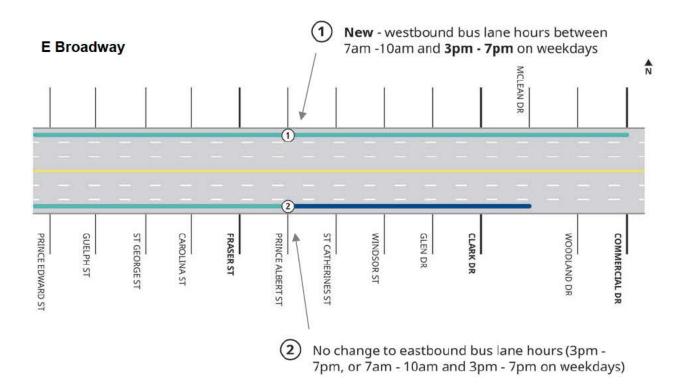
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Appendix A

Map of the updated bus-priority lane and parking restriction hours on E Broadway.

The westbound bus-priority lane on E Broadway from Commercial Dr to Prince Edward St, is being added on weekdays from 3pm to 7pm.



Legend

Bus lane hours between 7am - 10am and 3pm - 7pm on weekdays

Bus lane hours between 3pm - 7pm on weekdays