



PUBLIC MEETING AGENDA

Version: February 18, 2022

February 24, 9:00AM to 10:00AM

Via Videoconference (live streamed to [Mayors' Council YouTube Channel](#))

Chair: Mayor Jonathan X. Coté

Vice-Chair: Mayor Jack Froese

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8:50AM	Technology Test: Members, please connect to the meeting early, by 8:50AM, to provide time to trouble-shoot any connection problems.	
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	• Ridership update	
	• Update on Senior Government Relief Funding	
10:00AM	4. OTHER BUSINESS	
	4.1. Next Meeting (via videoconference) – March 31, 2022	
10:00AM	5. ADJOURN to closed session	

Note that Mayors' Council members and Public Delegates will be participating via Zoom videoconferencing. Zoom connection information sent separately via e-mail.

MEETING OF THE MAYORS' COUNCIL ON REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION DRAFT PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

Minutes of the Public Meeting of the Mayors' Council on Regional Transportation (Mayors' Council) held Friday, December 3, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. via videoconference.

PRESENT:

Mayor Jonathan Coté, New Westminster, Chair
Mayor Jack Froese, Langley Township,
Vice-Chair
Chief Ken Baird, Tsawwassen First Nation
Mayor Malcolm Brodie, Richmond
Mayor Linda Buchanan, North Vancouver City
Councillor Craig Cameron, West Vancouver
Mayor Bill Dingwall, Pitt Meadows
Mayor George Harvie, Delta
Mayor Mike Hurley, Burnaby
Mayor Mike Little, North Vancouver District
Mayor Doug McCallum, Surrey

Director Jen McCutcheon, Electoral Area A
Mayor John McEwen, Anmore
Mayor Ron McLaughlin, Lions Bay
Mayor Mike Morden, Maple Ridge
Councillor Alison Morse, Bowen Island
Mayor Jamie Ross, Belcarra
Mayor Kennedy Stewart, Vancouver
Mayor Richard Stewart, Coquitlam
Mayor Rob Vagramov, Port Moody
Mayor Val van den Broek, Langley City
Mayor Darryl Walker, White Rock
Mayor Brad West, Port Coquitlam

ALSO PRESENT:

Michael Buda, Executive Director, Mayors' Council on Regional Transportation Secretariat
Geoff Cross, Vice-President, Vice-President, Transportation and Planning, TransLink
Kevin Quinn, Chief Executive Officer, TransLink
Sarah Ross, Director, System Planning, TransLink

PREPARATION OF MINUTES:

Carol Lee, Recording Secretary, Mosaic Writing Group

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Jonathan Coté declared that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

Chair Coté acknowledged that the meeting is taking place on the traditional and unceded territories of the Halq'eméylem, Semiahmoo and Skwxwú7mesh speaking people. These refer to the language groups that more widely encompass the Indigenous people of many nations who use and continue to use the land on whose territories TransLink works, operates and serves. As a council, we recognize the importance of doing our best to build respectful relationships that contribute to stewarding the land and waters in the community with integrity and consideration for future generations.

Chair Coté acknowledged the contributions of TransLink Board members and staff who will be departing in the near future:

- Tony Gugliotta, Board Chair
- Larry Beasley, Board Director
- Geoff Cross, Vice-President, Vice-President, Transportation and Planning.

1. PRELIMINARY MATTERS

1.1. Adoption of the Agenda

Draft agenda for the December 3, 2021 Public Meeting of the Mayors' Council on Regional Transportation, version dated November 26, 2021, was provided with the agenda material.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the agenda of the December 3, 2021 Public Meeting of the Mayors' Council on Regional Transportation be adopted, as presented.

CARRIED

1.2. Approval of Minutes (October 22, 2021)

Draft minutes of the October 22, 2021 Public Meeting of the Mayors' Council on Regional Transportation was provided with the agenda material.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the minutes of the October 22, 2021 Public Meeting of the Mayors' Council on Regional Transportation be adopted, as presented.

CARRIED

2. ELECTION OF 2022 CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR OF THE MAYORS' COUNCIL

Report titled "Item 2 – Election of the 2022 Chair and Vice-Chair of the Mayors Council", dated November 17, 2021, was provided with the agenda material.

2.1. Election for Office of Chair

Carol Lee, Recording Secretary, called for nominations for the office of Chair.

Mayor Jonathan Coté was nominated for the office of Chair for the Mayors' Council. Mayor Coté consented to the nomination.

Ms. Lee called a second and final time for nominations for the office of Chair.

There being no further nominations, Ms. Lee called for a motion to close nominations.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That nominations for the office of Chair for the Mayors' Council on Regional Transportation be now closed.

CARRIED

Ms. Lee declared Mayor Jonathan Coté elected to the Office of Chair by acclamation.

2.2. Election for Office of Vice-Chair

Chair Coté called for nominations for the office of Vice-Chair.

Mayor Jack Froese was nominated for the office of Vice-Chair of the Mayors' Council. Mayor Froese consented to the nomination.

Chair Coté called a second and final time for nominations for the office of Vice-Chair.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That Mayor Jack Froese be elected to the Office of Vice-Chair by acclamation.

CARRIED

3. PUBLIC DELEGATIONS

Report titled “Item 2 – Public Delegate Presentations”, dated November 17, 2021, was provided with the agenda material.

3.1. Mark Beeching

Mr. Beeching encouraged the Mayors’ Council to expedite the electrification of the HandyDART fleet and the construction of permanent vehicle charging infrastructure.

3.2. Nathan Davidowicz

Mr. Davidowicz offered suggestions to return transit ridership to pre-COVID-19 levels.

4. REPORT OF TRANSLINK MANAGEMENT

Kevin Quinn, Chief Executive Officer, led the review of a presentation titled “TransLink Management Report” and highlighted:

- The reduction of emissions from the transportation sector is essential to respond to the climate emergency which has had severe impacts on southern BC during 2021
- Ridership:
 - Ridership has increased every month since May 2021
 - October 2021 system-wide boardings were 60% of the pre-COVID-19 level
- Projected 2022 budget deficit of \$46.9 million:
 - Advocacy with senior governments to extend safe restart funding until the pandemic is over
- Winter bus service changes that will be implemented in January 2022.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Mayors’ Council on Regional Transportation receive this report.

CARRIED

5. REPORT OF THE FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

5.1. Broadway Subway Supportive Policies Agreement 2020 Annual Report

Report titled “Item 5.1 – Broadway Subway Supportive Policies Agreement – 2020 Annual Report”, dated November 17, 2021, was provided with the agenda material.

Sarah Ross, Director, System Planning, TransLink, reviewed the report provided with the agenda material and highlighted:

- Purpose of Supportive Policies Agreements
- Vancouver commitments and actual changes with respect to population, housing and employment in the Broadway Subway corridor.

During discussion, staff advised that Supportive Policies Agreements that will be developed in

accordance with the framework will evolve over time.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Mayors' Council on Regional Transportation receive this report.

CARRIED

5.2. 2022 Mayors' Council Budget and Workplan

Report titled "Item 5.2 – 2022 Mayors' Council Work Plan and Budget", dated November 17, 2021, was provided with the agenda material.

Michael Buda, Executive Director, Mayors' Council on Regional Transportation Secretariat, reviewed the report provided with the agenda material.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Mayors' Council on Regional Transportation (Mayors' Council) Finance and Governance Committee recommend that the Mayors' Council:

1. Approve the 2022 Work Plan;
2. Allocate \$1,143,562 towards projected 2022 expenditures, out of an estimated total 2022 budget envelope of \$1.175 million, leaving \$31,738 unallocated until or unless otherwise directed;
3. Direct the Chair and Vice-Chair to oversee the 2022 Mayors' Council budget, and report back on plans and results as needed to the Finance and Governance Committee, and the Mayors' Council;
4. Determines that all costs and expenses approved by the Mayors' Council Executive Director, Chair or Vice-Chair are necessary for the Mayors' Council on Regional Transportation to perform its duties under the *South Coast British Columbia Transportation Authority Act*; and
5. Receive this report.

CARRIED

6 OTHER BUSINESS

6.1. Next Meeting

The next Public Meeting of the Mayors' Council will be held jointly with the TransLink Board of Directors at the Metro Vancouver Boardroom and via videoconference on January 27, 2022.

7. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the December 3, 2021 Public Meeting of the Mayors' Council on Regional Transportation was adjourned to a Closed Session at 9:52 a.m.

Certified Correct:

Mayor Jonathan X. Coté, Chair

Carol Lee, Recording Secretary
Mosaic Writing Group

**JOINT MEETING OF THE MAYORS' COUNCIL ON REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION
AND TRANSLINK BOARD OF DIRECTORS
DRAFT PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES**

Minutes of the Joint Public Meeting of the Mayors' Council on Regional Transportation (Mayors' Council) and TransLink Board of Directors (Board) held Thursday, January 27, 2022, via videoconference.

PRESENT:

Mayors' Council on Regional Transportation

Mayor Jonathan Coté, New Westminster, Chair
Mayor Jack Froese, Langley Township,
Vice-Chair
Chief Ken Baird, Tsawwassen First Nation
Mayor Malcolm Brodie, Richmond
Mayor Linda Buchanan, North Vancouver City
Councillor Craig Cameron, West Vancouver
Mayor Bill Dingwall, Pitt Meadows
Mayor Mike Hurley, Burnaby
Councillor Dylan Kruger, Delta (alternate)
Mayor Mike Little, North Vancouver District
Mayor Doug McCallum, Surrey

Director Jen McCutcheon, Electoral Area A
Mayor John McEwen, Anmore
Mayor Ron McLaughlin, Lions Bay
Mayor Mike Morden, Maple Ridge
Councillor Alison Morse, Bowen Island
Mayor Jamie Ross, Belcarra
Mayor Kennedy Stewart, Vancouver
Mayor Richard Stewart, Coquitlam
Mayor Rob Vagramov, Port Moody
Mayor Val van den Broek, Langley City
Mayor Darryl Walker, White Rock
Mayor Brad West, Port Coquitlam

TransLink Board of Directors

Lorraine Cunningham, Board Chair
Jennifer Chan
Sarah Clark
Jonathan Coté
Harj Dhaliwal
Jack Froese

Karen Horcher
Andrea Reimer
Andy Ross
Harpinder Sandhu
Marcella Szel

ALSO PRESENT:

Mike Buda, Executive Director, Mayors' Council on Regional Transportation Secretariat
Caitlin Cooper, Lead Planner, Transport 2050 Implementation, TransLink
Andrew McCurran, Director, Strategic Planning and Policy, TransLink
Ralf Nielsen, Director, Enterprise Sustainability, TransLink
Kevin Quinn, Chief Executive Officer, TransLink
Sarah Ross, Acting Vice-President, Transportation Planning and Policy, TransLink

PREPARATION OF MINUTES:

Carol Lee, Recording Secretary, Mosaic Writing Group

1. PRELIMINARY MATTERS

1.1 Call to Order

Co-Chair Jonathan Coté called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m. Due notice having been given and a quorum being present, the meeting was properly constituted.

Co-Chair Coté acknowledged that the meeting is taking place on the traditional and unceded territories of the Halq'éméylem, Semiahmoo and Skwxwú7mesh speaking people. These refer to the language groups that more widely encompass the Indigenous people of many nations who use and continue to use the land on whose territories TransLink works, operates and serves. As a council, we recognize the importance of doing our best to build respectful relationships that contribute to stewarding the land and waters in the community with integrity and consideration for future generations.

1.2 Adoption of Agenda

Draft agenda for the January 27, 2022 Joint Public Meeting of the TransLink Board of Directors and Mayors' Council on Regional Transportation, version dated January 21, 2022, was provided with the agenda material

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the agenda for the January 27, 2022 Joint Public meeting of the Mayors' Council on Regional Transportation and the TransLink Board of Directors be adopted, as presented.

CARRIED

2. REPORT OF TRANSLINK MANAGEMENT

2.1 Approval of Transport 2050 (T2050)

Report titled "Item 2.1 – Approval of Transport 2050", dated January 21, 2022, was provided with the agenda material.

Kevin Quinn, Chief Executive Officer, TransLink, led the review of a presentation titled "Transport 2050: Regional Transportation Strategy" and highlighted:

- Achieving the vision in T2050 will require the collaboration and cooperation of regional partners
- Strategic lenses
- Five goals for the regional transportation system
- Public engagement undertaken during the development of T2050:
 - Support expressed for the T2050 strategy
- Next steps.

The Honourable George Heyman, Minister of Environment and Climate Change and Minister Responsible for TransLink, and the Honourable Bowinn Ma, Minister of State for Infrastructure, joined the meeting and provided the following remarks:

- Alignment of T2050 with the priorities of the provincial government
- Support provided by the provincial and federal governments to enable TransLink to continue to provide public transit services during the COVID-19 pandemic
- T2050 is the culmination of years of collaboration between the Metro Vancouver region and the provincial government
- Some of the work included in T2050 is already underway
- Opportunities and benefits that can be achieved through T2050
- Significant investments in transit now will shape the region for decades to come.

Ministers Heyman and Ma departed the meeting.

Change in Chair

Co-Chair Lorraine Cunningham assumed the chair.

3. TRANSLINK BOARD MOTIONS

3.1 Approval of Transport 2050

The following comments were provided:

- The exceptional collaboration with the provincial and other governments to develop T2050
- Rapid changes in the last 30 years
- The importance of the focus on reconciliation, climate change and the connection between land use and transportation in T2050
- The breadth of engagement in the development of T2050
- The importance of the focus on safety of people, providing service for those who are transit-dependent and movement of goods in T2050
- Importance of attention placed on the fundamental freedom of mobility, addressing the climate change emergency and affordable housing.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the TransLink Board of Directors:

1. Approve the long-term strategy titled *Transport 2050*, attached as Annex A to the January 21, 2022 report, "Approval of Transport 2050"; and
2. Provide the long-term strategy titled *Transport 2050*, attached as Annex A to the January 21, 2022 report, "Approval of Transport 2050" to the Mayors' Council on Regional Transportation.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Change in Chair

Co-Chair Coté reassumed the chair.

4. MAYORS' COUNCIL MOTIONS

4.1. Approval of Transport 2050

The following comments were provided:

- Significant engagement with municipalities and regional partners to develop T2050
- T2050 provides the building blocks for the future livability, mobility and economic prosperity of the Metro Vancouver region
- The importance of the focus on 15-minute communities in T2050
- T2050 is a signal to the public of the continued focus on the future, despite the COVID-19 pandemic
- T2050 is bold and ambitious, while being realistic
- The significance of T2050 in addressing emerging challenges and opportunities that will transform the region
- Anticipated challenges to the implementation of T2050.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Mayors' Council on Regional Transportation:

1. Approve the long-term strategy titled *Transport 2050* attached as Annex A to the January 21, 2022 report, "Approval of Transport 2050"; and
2. Receive this report.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY BY WEIGHTED VOTE

5. REPORT OF TRANSLINK MANAGEMENT ON T2050 IMPLEMENTATION

5.1. Report on 2022 Implementation Priorities

Report titled "Item 5.1 – Transport 2050 Implementation: 2022 Priorities", dated January 20, 2022, was provided with the agenda material.

Sarah Ross, Acting Vice-President, Transportation Planning and Policy, TransLink, reviewed the report provided with the agenda material and highlighted initial areas for development to implement T2050:

- New 10-Year Vision
- Reducing greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions from on-road transportation
- TransLink Corporate Climate Action Strategy and Low Carbon Fleet Strategy
- Indigenous relations framework and reconciliation
- Regional Social Equity Framework
- Regional Resilience Strategy
- T2050 implementation monitoring program.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Mayors' Council on Regional Transportation:

1. Ask staff to bring back options for a new naming convention for the "New Vision" document for consideration at the next meeting; and
2. Receive this report for information.

CARRIED

5.2. Update on Transport 2050 Action to Eliminate Regional GHG Emissions from On-Road Transportation

The following documents were provided with the agenda material:

- *Report titled "Item 5.2 – Status update on Transport 2050 Action to Eliminate GHG Emissions from On-Road Transportation within Metro Vancouver", dated January 20, 2022*
- *Presentation titled "Item 5.2: Status Update on Transport 2050 Action to Eliminate GHG Emissions from On-Road Transportation within Metro Vancouver".*

Caitlin Cooper, Lead Planner, Transport 2050 Implementation, TransLink, led the review of the presentation provided with the agenda material and highlighted:

- Science-based GHG reduction targets included in T2050 and the Metro Vancouver Climate 2050 Transportation Roadmap
- Focus on reducing emissions from on-road cars and trucks and medium and heavy-duty vehicles
- Achieving the 65% reduction target by 2030 using existing tools will require accelerating their adoption and turning up intensity to levels seen only in other leading jurisdictions

- Actions required to be strengthened:
 - Faster transition to low/zero emission vehicles
 - Reducing usage of the remaining fossil-fuel-powered vehicles
 - Coordination between the Province, Metro Vancouver and TransLink.

Discussion ensued on:

- The need for creative thinking to utilize the transit system to reduce GHG emissions from urban freight movements
- Suggestion to leverage the involvement of the private sector
- Priority TransLink actions to achieve the 65% reduction of GHG emissions from transportation by 2030
- Alignment of TransLink’s GHG reduction targets and timing with those of the Province and Metro Vancouver
- The urgent need for bold, coordinated policies to achieve the GHG emissions reduction target
- The need for TransLink facilities to be constructed to net-zero emission standards
- The role of municipalities and the Vancouver Port Authority to influence the reduction of GHG emissions
- The need to address the issue of limited power generation to enable transition to an electric fleet.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Mayors’ Council on Regional Transportation receive this report.

CARRIED

6. ADJOURN

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the January 27, 2022 Joint Public meeting of the Mayors’ Council on Regional Transportation and TransLink Board of Directors be adjourned.

CARRIED

(Time: 12:02 p.m.)

Certified Correct:

Mayor Jonathan X. Coté, Chair
Mayors’ Council on Regional Transportation

Lorraine Cunningham, Board Chair
TransLink Board of Directors

Jennifer Breeze, Corporate Secretary
TransLink

TO: Mayors' Council on Regional Transportation
FROM: Gemma Lawrence, Coordinator, Mayors' Council Secretariat
DATE: February 16, 2022
SUBJECT: **ITEM 2 – Public Delegate Presentations**

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Mayors' Council on Regional Transportation receive this report.

PURPOSE:

To introduce the objectives and process for hearing from public delegates.

BACKGROUND:

Public participation at meetings is valued by the Mayors' Council, and 30 minutes is set aside at each open meeting to receive public delegations. The Mayors' Council will only receive public delegations who intend to speak on matters that are within the authority of the Mayors' Council.

Individuals can apply to be a delegate by completing the online [Application Form](#) up until 8:00AM, two business days prior to the meeting. In situations where there isn't enough time to hear from everyone wishing to speak, the Mayors' Council encourages written submissions be sent to mayorscouncil@translink.ca.

The webpage for public delegates includes a Protocol for Public Delegates that notes:

- the Mayors' Council Chair will exercise discretion in maintaining a reasonable level of order and decorum;
- delegates and all meeting participants are reminded that different points of view are respected, and discussions are kept above the level of personal confrontation, disruptive behaviour and profanity.

DISCUSSION:

The deadline to apply to speak to the Mayors' Council is 8:00am two days prior to the meeting. At the time of this report, not all prospective speakers will have had a chance to complete applications. Accordingly, the **list of approved speakers, as well as any written submissions or presentations, will be provided on table**. Any presentations provided by delegates will also be provided to Mayors' Council members only, on table (up to 10-pages maximum). Each delegation will be given a maximum of three minutes to address the Mayors' Council. As a general rule, there are no questions or discussion between Council and delegates. The policy governing Public Delegates can be [found online](#).