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

May 26, 2022

Minutes of the Public Joint Meeting of the Mayors' Council and TransLink Board of Directors held virtually on May 26, 2022 at 10:05 am.

DIRECTORS

Lorraine Cunningham, Chair Jennifer Chan Sarah Clark. P.Eng. Jonathan Coté Harj Dhaliwal, PhD Jack Froese Andy Ross Marcella Szel, Q.C.

REGRETS: Karen Horcher, FCPA, FCGA, CFA; Andrea Reimer; Harpinder Sandhu, RI

MAYORS' COUNCIL

Mayor Jonathan Coté, New Westminster, Chair Mayor Jack Froese, Langley Township, Vice-Chair 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 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

REGRETS: Chief Ken Baird, Tsawwassen First Nation; Mayor Mike Morden, Maple Ridge

MANAGEMENT and CORPORATE SECRETARY

Kevin Quinn, CEO Jennifer Breeze, Associate General Counsel and Corporate Secretary Mike Buda, Executive Director, Mayors' Council on Regional Transportation Secretariat Fran Corlett, Assistant Corporate Secretary

1. Call to Order and Opening Remarks

Co-Chair Lorraine Cunningham called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Due notice having been given and a quorum being present, the meeting was properly constituted.

Co-Chair Cunningham commented that we acknowledge, respect, and celebrate the Indigenous Nations on whose territories we are fortunate to live, work, operate and serve. We recognize that in planning and managing the region's transportation system, we have a role to play in supporting reconciliation with Indigenous peoples.

2. 2022–2031 Investment Plan

Kevin Quinn, Chief Executive Officer, TransLink, led the review of a presentation titled "2022–2031 Investment Plan" and highlighted:

- Focus on keeping TransLink financially stable through 2024
- Investments focus on maintaining services and systems while advancing high priority projects

- Affordability impacts will be limited by addressing the funding gap over two investment plans
- Acknowledgement of the federal and provincial government capital contributions and COVID-19 stabilization funding
- Results of public consultation on the 2022–2031 Investment Plan

Discussion ensued on:

- Concern regarding TransLink's financial stability if transit ridership does not fully recover and if senior government COVID-19 funding is not provided to offset the revenue shortfall.
- The funding for the development of business cases will be allocated when the projects to be included in the Transport 2050: 10-Year Priorities are confirmed.

2.1. TransLink Board Motions

During discussion, the TransLink Board noted the challenge of developing the 2022–2031 Investment Plan within the environment of the COVID-19 pandemic.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the TransLink Board of Directors:

- 1. Approve the "Investment Plan (2022–2031 Investment Plan)", attached as Appendix A to the May 19, 2022 report titled "2022–2031 Investment Plan"; and
- Provide the "Investment Plan (2022–2031 Investment Plan)", and the associated bylaws and resolutions in relation to revenue measures and borrowing limits, attached in Annex A to the May 19, 2022 report titled "2022–2031 Investment Plan", to the Mayors' Council on Regional Transportation.

CARRIED

Change in Chair

Co-Chair Coté assumed the chair.

2.2. Mayors' Council Motions

Discussion ensued on:

- Confirmation that the 2022–2031 Investment Plan includes a small property tax increase, in addition to the 3% annual increase provided in the *South Coast British Columbia Transportation Authority Act*
- Concern that those municipalities with the highest assessed property values are underserved by transit
- Concern regarding the continued use of property tax to fund transit:
 - The need for the provincial government to provide TransLink with sustainable funding sources
 - The need to advise the provincial government that the Mayors' Council will not accept further property tax increases to fund future investment plans
- The increased property taxes that were approved by the Mayors' Council in 2018 were utilized to fund the shortfall in fare revenues during the COVID-19 pandemic
- Benefits of the 2022–2031 Investment Plan:
 - Addresses regional equity
 - \circ Improves service for front-line workers, many of whom are transit dependent
 - Funding for high priority projects, including the Surrey Langley SkyTrain (SLS) and Low Carbon Fleet Strategy.

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It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Mayors' Council on Regional Transportation:

- 1. Approve the Investment Plan (2022–2031 Investment Plan)", attached as Appendix A to the May 19, 2022 report titled "2022–2031 Investment Plan"; and
- 2. Receive this report.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY BY WEIGHTED VOTE

Change in Chair

Co-Chair Cunningham assumed the chair.

3. Conclusion of the Joint Public Meeting of the TransLink Board of Directors and the Mayors' Council on Regional Transportation

The Joint Public Meeting concluded at 11:03 am.

Certified Correct:

Original signed by Lorraine Cunningham

Lorraine Cunningham Board Chair Original signed by Jennifer Breeze

Jennifer Breeze General Counsel and Corporate Secretary