MEETING MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting held at City Hall in the Atrium Meeting Room,
141 West 14th Street, North Vancouver, BC on January 10, 2024

The City of North Vancouver respectfully acknowledges that this meeting is held on the
cultural and unceded territories of the Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish) and Səl̓ílwətaʔ (Tsleil-Waututh) Nations.

Members Present
Anna Hardy (Chair)
Jonathan Arnold
Dana Bourgeois
Jane Farquharson
Genevieve MacMillan
Cllr. Jessica McIlroy
Allan Moors
Ron Spence (Chamber of Commerce)
Lailani Tumaneng (SD#44)
Benjamin Woodyatt

Absent
Denis Beaulieu (RCMP)
Martin Davies
Karen Speirs

Staff Present
Elicia Elliott, Manager, Transportation Planning
Sarah Tremblay, Transportation Planner
Hayley van Gelderen, Committee Clerk

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm.

1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES
   a) Minutes of the meeting held on November 1, 2023 were approved as circulated.

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

A discussion ensued about the Curb Access & Parking Plan that was presented at the November 1, 2023 committee meeting.

- Smaller retailers depend on curbside street parking nearby their businesses. If parking supply is reduced on Lonsdale Avenue, will small business impacts be considered? A: Through engagement with the business community, we are finding that there is not enough management of the existing parking supply. We know that off-street parking lots are underutilized. There is no decision at this time as to what curbspace allocation will look like, but everything is being considered and it is also the reason we are reviewing the Residential and Visitor Parking Permit (RVPP) program and Lonsdale Great Streets at the same time.
• Other considerations were suggested by the Committee, including strategically allocating public parking lots and implementing a system that would allow drivers to pay for parking based on minutes used (i.e., unfixed pricing model).
• Did the Curb Access & Parking Plan survey cover a range of neighbourhoods across the City? A: Yes, we received feedback from a variety of different neighbourhoods in the City, as well as visitors to the City. During engagement we used maps of the City where feedback could be left using a dot sticker. We had targeted meetings with different interest-holders in the City and we also received feedback from residents and visitors at The Shipyards during events.
• A member explained the “corner store concept” and how they benefit neighbourhoods by reducing the need to order things online (which correlates to the reduction of delivery drivers) and allowing more people to easily access the items they need without needing to get in their car. A: This point relates to the Zoning Bylaw and the current update is undergoing. Additionally, the City’s Business License rules are not constrained enough to require certain types of businesses in certain buildings, but there could be more the City could do to encourage and incentivize corner stores.

4. TRANSPORTATION UPDATE

E. Elliott, Manager, Transportation Planning presented the following highlights from the Transportation Update:

• The Mobility Strategy – Where we want to be by 2030:
  o Increase foot traffic 20% on main streets from 2022 levels;
  o Increase transit and active mode share to 50% of our trips;
  o No increase in vehicle trips during peak hours;
  o Reduce road-related deaths and serious injuries to zero;
  o Reduce transportation emissions to achieve a 45% reduction below 2010 levels from all sources in the City.
• The presenter recapped a list of projects that were brought to ITC in 2023 and shared recent successes and projects that were completed in 2023.
• 2024 priorities include:
  o Current and future transit;
  o Curb Access & Parking Plan;
  o Advancing Micromobility;
  o Neighbourhood & Intersection Improvements;
  o Safe & Active School Travel Program;
  o Mobility Requirements for Developments;
  o Provincial Housing Legislation;
  o Ongoing work that underpins Mobility Strategy implementation.
• Looking Ahead – Q1 2024:
  o ITC Membership changes – end of January;
  o New member orientation – TBC.

Members presented the following notable questions and comments:

• Regarding future transit, is there any indication about improving Upper Lonsdale routes? The 229 and 230 are always full. A: Yes, we have been in discussion with TransLink, particularly on spacing those routes and to time the arrival and departure with the SeaBus schedule more efficiently.
• Will the 229 route be moved to a RapidBus route? A: In Transport 2050, there is a connection contemplated between Lynn Valley and downtown – not necessarily taking
out the 229 route – but currently, there is no corridor that has been ascertained. For
the purposes of rapid transit planning and TransLink’s recent prioritization, we know it
is important to focus on the Park Royal to Metrotown route at this time, given all of the
Mayors’ advocacy of advancing it.

- Regarding the R2 extension, is zero to five years a realistic goal for timing of
  construction? A: It is TransLink’s commitment that construction can begin in that
timeframe.

- Can the Lime bikes cross multiple jurisdictional boundaries? A: Lime bikes have
  always been permitted to cross over North Shore jurisdictions. We are having
  conversations with Lime, Mobi, TransLink, City of Vancouver and the other North
  Shore municipalities to contemplate connections across the bridges and permit Lime
  bike parking in Stanley Park.

- Are there any updates to share on the Upper Levels Greenway and Casano-Loutet
  projects? A: There have been delays on Casano-Loutet as we continue engagement
  with different interest holders and inter-governmental partners. Regarding Upper
  Levels Greenway, we have been working with MoTI on the Lonsdale interchange and
  the north end of the intersection is causing a delay. A field trip in that area with the
  Committee is still on the table.

- There is hesitation from drivers about where they are allowed to stop around new
  pavement markings for cyclists at intersections (painted green box), such as the
  intersection of 23rd Street and Lonsdale Avenue. A: Education and enforcement of new
  transportation infrastructure is important and something the City is working on
  improving.

- Does the City advocate to ICBC to change the education that comes from formal
  driving education? A: Yes.

- Can you elaborate on the prioritization of TransLink’s Major Bike Network Corridors on
  the North Shore? A: TransLink’s Transport 2050 has identified desired lines for the
  Major Bikeway Network. Staff continue to work with TransLink to identify appropriate
  corridors for the implementation of the Major Bikeway Network. As Esplanade
  Complete Streets is complete, focus can shift to the Upper Levels Greenway, an east-
  west connection, and a north-south route.
• What kind of model are you looking at for the Transportation Demand Management Policy? **A:** It is too early to say. We are currently reviewing the new provincial legislation and engaging other municipalities to learn more about the models they have moved forward with.

5. **COUNCILLOR UPDATE**

Cllr. McIlroy presented the following notable updates:

• At the November 6, 2023 Council Meeting, the motion to “investigate and report back to Council on implementing no right-turn on red lights at all intersections where there are 20 casualty crashes and that the Mayor write to the Province requesting to install speed and red light cameras at all those intersections or allow us to install them and collect fines” was passed. Continual advocacy will involve bringing back another motion to Council asking for it to be a resolution that is submitted to the Lower Mainland Local Government Association. From there, it would go to UBCM to continue Provincial advocacy.
• First Council meeting of 2024 is January 15.
• There is an official advocacy campaign related to Burrard Rapid Transit through North Shore Connects on their website that is available for the public to participate in.
• On January 17, an Open House is being hosted by the School District at Ridgeway Elementary School to share information about the new school going in the Cloverley neighbourhood.

6. **TRANSPORTATION EVENTS – MEMBERS UPDATE**

• Nil.

7. **ROUND TABLE**

• The Chair thanked departing committee members for their time on the Committee.
• The next Park Stewards community pop-up is on January 20 at Sunrise Park.
• Are there any updates on the Lonsdale Great Street project? **A:** Staff are waiting for a Council Workshop before proceeding onto the next phase of work. The project is in its early form and will take awhile.
• Committee members expressed that if there is anything they can do to advocate for advancing the Lonsdale Interchange and Upper Level Greenway projects, such as writing a letter in support of the projects, to let them know how they can help. **A:** Staff are appreciative but currently do not require such a letter. Staff will look to ITC if a situation arises that would benefit from a letter of support.
• The staff liaison shared the following information:
  o The City is developing an Urban Forest Plan that will be the City’s strategic framework for preservation and expansion of trees over a thirty-year horizon. As there are considerations for street trees, shading and coverage for pedestrian networks, and trees along active transportation routes, we would like to ask the Committee members to participate in the online survey as part of public engagement. Public engagement will run from January 15 to February 4. Details will be posted on cnv.org/Community-Environment/Trees/Urban-Forest, or you can email urbanforest@cnv.org for more information.
8. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

   The next regular meeting is scheduled for March 6, 2024.

9. **ADJOURN**

   The Chair adjourned the meeting at 7:42 pm.

   “Certified Correct by the Chair”

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   Anna Hardy, Chair