

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF NORTH VANCOUVER

INTEGRATED TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

City Hall, Conference Room A
141 West 14th Street, North Vancouver

Wednesday, May 4, 2016 at 6:00 pm

M I N U T E S

Present: Alex Boston (Chair)
Andrew Robinson
Ann McAlister
Brian Polydore
Cam McLeod
Carol Reimer
Christie Sacré
Martin Davies
Pam Horton

Staff: Courtney Miller, Planner 1
Daniel Watson, Transportation Planner
David Johnson, Planner 2
Hibby Jensen, Committee Clerk
Natasha Elliott, Traffic Engineer
Tanis Huckell, Committee Clerk

Presenters: Fred Ciambrelli, Creus
Keith Kelly, Creus
Ashley Gosal, Bosa
Dan Diebolt, Bosa

Stella Ablett, Principal, Alcuin College
Tom Bunting, Studio B Architects
Michelle Fenton, Studio B Architects
Jane Farquharson: Bunt & Associates

Mackenzie Biggar, Anthem Properties
Steve Forrest, Anthem Properties
Tim Barton, Bunt & Associates

Guests: Tyler Thompson, DNV
Sophia Munoz, DNV

Fiona Walsh, Resident

Apologies: Pam Bookham (Councillor)
Gary Goller
Kathleen Callow
Marcus Siu
Trevor Bowden

Quorum 5

0360-20-ITC

1.0 CALL TO ORDER, OPENING COMMENTS, ADOPTION OF MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by the Chair at 6 pm with a quorum present.

The agenda was adopted as proposed with no objections.

It was regularly moved, seconded and carried unanimously:

THAT the minutes of the regular Integrated Transportation Committee meeting held on Wednesday, March 2, 2016 be adopted.

2.0 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

None.

3.0 LYNN VALLEY INTERCHANGE

Natasha Elliott and staff from Creus and Bosa gave a presentation on the Lynn Valley Interchange. Some historical background issues were reviewed.

Questions and comments from the committee included, but were not limited to, the following:

- Use of multi-directional path
- Proper use of cyclist path
- Signage and identification of safety concerns

Ms. Fiona Walsh arrived 6:15pm.

- AAA access to Lynn Valley town centre critical
- Importance of interfacing effectively with future treatments
- Consider safety management strategies employed in Lion's Gate causeway – when cyclists approach, flashing lights go on

6.0 CURRENT CITY PROJECTS – STAFF UPDATE

Presented earlier in schedule due to time availability.

Daniel Watson provided the Committee with a brief update on the following topics:

- West Keith Road bike facilities – Public Open House next Thursday – Will present at a future ITC meeting.
- Spirit Trail – S5, closures and safety, back in planning, construction anticipated to start in fall
- Spirit Trail – S16 – on hold, construction anticipated for early 2017

- Green Necklace – currently out for tender, anticipated completion fall 2016
- Bewicke Trail - Copping to Marine, construction anticipated to start June 2016
- CYSAT – School district has new Communication Manager liaising with this group

Comments:

Discussion ensued regarding the Mosquito Creek connection.

Christie Sacré arrived at 6:35pm.

Discussion ensued regarding Vision Zero. Motion passed by Council on April 18, 2016. Daniel confirmed that staff will report back to Council in July with a plan, and some immediate actions such as a consultation strategy.

Discussion ensued regarding Site 8.

Discussion ensued regarding Moodyville. Public hearing on May 9, 2016.

Request that staff bring the Lot 5 project to ITC – staff replied that they are writing terms of reference and will endeavour to bring the project to ITC following the Transportation Study.

4.0 300 WEST ESPLANADE

Representatives from Alcuin College introduced themselves and gave presentation.

David Johnson commented on the challenging nature of the site.

Questions and comments included but were not limited to the following:

- Plans to accommodate parking during special events? **A:** Do not anticipate conflict with community parking. Proximity of school to public transportation and the growth into a more urban area was pointed out.
- Would one's mode of transportation change? **A:** Hoping that increased accessibility improves transit use.
- Cumulative impact of the Polygon development. Was this considered? **A:** A substantive difference in peak occupancy not expected. Confident that Polygon has enough space.
- Concerns re: location of bike lanes and cul de sac crowding?
- Parking restrictions on Mahon and possibility of school zone parking?
A: Daniel has confirmed that parking on Mahon will change to 2 hour parking. School zone parking would not be feasible beyond the school frontage.

- Parking concerns with neighbors in area? **A:** Open House held with limited attendance. Parking access will be off Mahon. Input from future neighbours across Mahon are very supportive.
- How do we improve treatment in front of school to discourage vehicle drop off on Esplanade and Forbes?
- Did you explore dedicated pick up and drop off at another locations? **A:** Proximate locations that could potentially serve for off-site pick up and drop off locations are complicated due to varied ownership, rail infrastructure and lack of direct pedestrian connections.
- Consider making TDM suggestions obligatory rather than permissive.

The Committee recessed at 7:30pm and reconvened at 7:45pm with the same members present.

RESOLUTION:

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Integrated Transportation Committee, having reviewed the Alcuin College Proposal, although supporting the concept feels the following points need to be addressed:

- The TDM Plan must be written in obligatory rather than permissive language;
- Further staff parking options must be evaluated, whilst acknowledging the superior active travel/transit location;
- Explore improvements in the active travel/recreational/social realm surrounding the school, including its entranceway, the cul-de-sac, laneway and greenspace;
- Explore further financial incentives and disincentives to reduce vehicle trips;
- Seek specific offsite parking options during peak drop-off and pick-up periods;
- Develop a mechanism to ensure these TDM improvements are required as a condition of development and supported with regular information sharing;
- Ensure the safe and efficient flow of westbound vehicle traffic on Esplanade, particularly at Forbes; and
- Develop a parking strategy for evening events.”

Representatives from Alcuin College left the meeting at 8:00pm.

5.0 177 WEST 3RD STREET

David Johnson provided an introduction to the project at 177 West 3rd Street, a proposal for a mixed use development.

Representatives from Anthem Properties introduced themselves and gave their presentation.

Questions and comments included but were not limited to the following:

- Concerns regarding driveway logistics? **A:** Will be a right-in, right-out only.
- Parking availability was discussed in the alley. This is not feasible due to slope.
- Consider ways to animate the lane. Developer has spoken with the North Shore Arts Council concerning ways to animate project.
- Appreciate the surplus of parking.
- Has obstruction of traffic been considered? **A:** Yes, but do not anticipate an increase in conflict.

Discussion ensued regarding driveways. Engineering staff don't support driveways that cross the pedestrian realm and would rather see vehicle access off of laneways. However, given the circumstances, staff is supportive of commercial parking off 3rd and are supporting the variance being requested. On street loading could not be guaranteed.

RESOLUTION:

"BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Integrated Transportation Committee has reviewed the proposal from Anthem and supports the proposal for 177 West 3rd Street;

THAT the Committee appreciates the surplus parking for commercial and residential purposes and likes the at-grade commercial parking proposal;

THAT efforts be made to maintain reasonable pedestrian access along Chesterfield and 3rd Street during the construction period;

AND THAT further efforts should be pursued to secure commercial over-height parking on site."

6.0 CURRENT CITY PROJECTS – STAFF UPDATE

Completed earlier during meeting.

7.0 TRANSPORTATION EVENTS (MEMBER UPDATE)

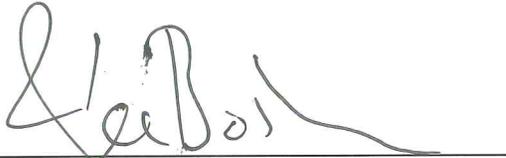
None.

8.0 ANY OTHER BUSINESS & CORRESPONDENCE

None.

9.0 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.



Alex Boston, Chair



Hibby Jensen, Committee Clerk