



City of Port Moody

Minutes

Transportation Committee

Wednesday, March 20, 2024

7:01pm

Electronic Webinar via Zoom

Present:

Councillor C. Morrison, Chair
Hendrik Bertsch
Mitchell Eve
Darren Hailes
Andrew Hartline
Eric Hedekar
Ian MacPhail
Liam Moran
Kathleen Nadalin
Nadia Olynyk
Robert Starceвич (left at 9:03pm)

Absent:

Councillor A. Lubik, Vice-Chair
Johann Contreras (Regrets)
Trevor Dore (Regrets)

In Attendance:

Chris Brown – Senior Sustainability and Environmental Coordinator
(re item 6.1) (left at 7:57pm)
Vinh Chung – Engineering Technologist
Arsh Dhillon – Legislative Services Coordinator
Jeff Moi – General Manager of Engineering and Operations

1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:01pm.

2. Territorial Land Acknowledgement

The Chair provided a territorial land acknowledgment.

3. Adoption of the Agenda

3.1 Agenda

TC24/007

THAT the agenda of the March 20, 2024, Transportation Committee meeting be adopted as circulated.

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

4. Adoption of Minutes

4.1 Minutes

TC24/008

THAT the minutes of the Transportation Committee meeting held on February 21, 2024, be adopted.

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

5. Unfinished Business

6. New Business

6.1 Tri-Cities Zero Emission Mobility Plan

Presentation: Senior Sustainability and Environmental Coordinator

Report: WSP

Staff gave a presentation entitled “Tri-Cities Zero Emission Mobility Strategy” and referred to slides contained in the on-table package.

Committee discussion ensued regarding the following topics:

- next steps for implementation and prioritization of tasks based on the Council Strategic Plan and Budget;
- difference between light- and heavy-duty electric vehicles and contribution of microplastics to the environment;
- BC Hydro's ability to match power-grid energy requirements;
- electric vehicle supply chain issues;
- charging station compatibility with different manufactured plug-in designs to ensure universal availability;
- charging infrastructure locations; and
- availability of charging stations on private, commercial, and public land to account for population growth.

The Senior Sustainability and Environmental Coordinator left the meeting at this point and did not return.

6.2 Electric Kick Scooter Pilot Project

Verbal Report: General Manager, Engineering and Operations

Memo: Transportation Engineer

Staff provided a verbal update regarding the Electric Kick Scooter Pilot Project led by the Province of British Columbia, including information about pilot project history, recommendation to extend the pilot project, participating municipalities, and changes to the *Motor Vehicle Act*.

Committee discussion ensued regarding the following topics:

- ability for rules and regulations to be set by the participating municipality;
- methods to prevent users from leave electric kick scooters in dangerous locations;
- plan for charging stations;
- mobility aid device uses on sidewalk or bike lane;
- clarification requested on pilot project length;
- collaboration with participating neighbouring municipalities; and
- opportunities for additional funding available for municipalities opting into the pilot project.

TC24/009

THAT the Transportation Committee recommends:

THAT the City's participation in the provincially-led Electric Kick Scooter Pilot Project be endorsed, including for both personal and shared electric kick scooter devices.

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

6.3 Speed Hump Program Implementation

Verbal Report: General Manager, Engineering and Operations

Memo: Transportation Engineer

Staff provided a verbal report on the Speed Hump Program Implementation, including a brief history of the previous projects completed, traffic calming implementation processes, and requested project locations.

Committee discussion ensued regarding the following topics:

- Parkside Drive (Eagle to Eagle Pass) criteria qualifications for inclusion;
- factors evaluated and measured for inclusion criteria; and
- alternative areas that are high-priority excluded from the evaluation.

TC24/010

THAT the Transportation Committee recommends:

THAT speed hump installations on St. George Street (Hugh to Williams) and Henry Street (Grant to Moody) through the 2024 Speed Hump Programs, be endorsed.

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

TC24/011

THAT the Transportation Committee recommends:

THAT speed hump installations on Parkside Drive (Eagle to Eagle Pass) through the 2024 Speed Hump Programs, be endorsed.

Moved, seconded, and DEFEATED

(Voting against: Councillor Morrison, Hendrik Bertsch, Mitchell Eve, Darren Hailes, Andrew Hartline, Eric Hedekar, Ian MacPhail, Liam Moran, Nadia Olynyk, and Robert Starcevich)

TC24/012

THAT the Transportation Committee recommends:

THAT speed hump installations on Ailsa Avenue through the 2024 Speed Hump Programs, be endorsed.

AND THAT Parkside Drive (Eagle to Eagle Pass) be moved to a future Speed Hump Program or be considered in the 2024 Speed Hump Programs if additional funding is available.

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

6.4 Barnet Highway/loco Road/Dewdney Trunk Road Intersection Improvements

Presentation: Senior Engineering Technologist

Staff gave a presentation entitled “Barnet Highway between Dewdney Trunk Road and loco Road” and referred to slides contained in the on-table package.

Committee discussion ensued regarding the following topics:

- clarification on bus modelling and priority lanes;
- cost of the project and completion timelines;
- consideration of building multi-use pathways and improving timelines for pedestrian crosswalks;
- concerns regarding increase of vehicle usage after project completion;
- pros and cons of each proposed model;
- temporary and permanent solutions; and

- collaboration with police department, fire department, and other emergency agencies during the design phase.

TC24/013

THAT the meeting be extended for up to 30 minutes.

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

Robert Starcevich left the meeting at this point and did not return.

TC24/014

THAT the Transportation Committee recommends:

THAT staff be directed to implement Scenario 4 on Barnet Highway between loco Road and Dewdney Trunk Road to improve safety and operational efficiency of the roadway as recommended in the on-table presentation dated March 20, 2024, from the Engineering Technologist regarding Barnet Highway between Dewdney Trunk Road and loco Road;

AND THAT a project in the amount of \$80,000 be forwarded to the Finance Committee to determine a funding source.

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

7. Information

7.1 Staff Updates

The General Manager of Engineering and Operations provided updates on the following:

- completed projects;
- sidewalk extensions in locations where fire hydrants are on the sidewalk; and
- notice of cancellation for the April 17, 2024, Transportation Committee meeting.

8. Adjournment

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 9:15pm.



Councillor C. Morrison, Chair



A. Dhillon, Legislative Services Coordinator