



# City of Port Moody

## Minutes

### Transportation Committee

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Transportation Committee held on Wednesday, May 20, 2020 via Zoom.

#### Present

Councillor Steve Milani, Chair  
Councillor Hunter Madsen, Vice-Chair  
Jim Atkinson  
Tim Barton  
Yolanda Broderick  
James Clarke (arrived at 7:16pm)  
Darren Hailes  
Andrew Hartline  
Norbert Haunerland  
Lori Holdenried  
Scott Kirkpatrick  
Jeff McLellan  
Nash Milani  
Kathleen Nadalin  
Emma Owen

#### Absent

Stephen Judd – Manager of Infrastructure Engineering Services

#### In Attendance

Jennifer Mills – Committee Coordinator  
Jeff Moi – General Manager of Engineering and Operations  
Brian Wong – Constable, Port Moody Police Department

#### Also in Attendance

Jocelyn Purcell, ICBC (re item 4.3) (arrived at 7:50pm)

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#### 1. Call to Order

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- 1.1 The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:03pm.

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#### 2. Adoption of Minutes

#### Minutes

- 2.1 TC20/009  
Moved, seconded, and CARRIED  
**THAT the minutes of the Transportation Committee meeting held on Wednesday, February 19, 2020 be adopted.**

### 3. Unfinished Business

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### 4. New Business

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#### **COVID-19 Update**

#### 4.1 Jeff Moi, General Manager of Engineering and Operations

The General Manager of Engineering and Operations gave a presentation on COVID-19 Update Transportation and Traffic and the following was noted:

- the Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) was activated prior to declaration of the Provincial State of Emergency to ensure effective and streamlined decisions are made to guarantee the safety of staff and residents and the continuation of essential services;
- the City has modified services to support physical distancing such as the Rocky Point Park Boat Launch online reservations system, one-way walking loops on trails, creating Park Hosts, and working with local businesses to support continuation of business;
- the transit ridership numbers have drastically declined;
- the suspension of TransLink services effecting Port Moody, Anmore, and Belcarra will not occur as the Province stepped in to ensure continuation of these services;
- the traffic signal detectors have identified a drop to approximately 50-60% of normal traffic volumes compared to pre-pandemic volumes;
- the traffic patterns are similar to other parts of the world showing a reduction in traffic volumes and accidents; however, dangerous driving habits and related accidents have increased;
- the increase in active transportation modes for commuting may be permanent and the interactions between the modes will be monitored for consideration of future changes to traffic;
- the reopening of businesses could increase the demand for roads, sidewalks, and parking areas;
- the City will be monitoring areas with increased activity and higher volumes of pedestrians to ensure public spaces have been modified to encourage physical distancing;

The Committee noted the following in response to the COVID-19 Update:

- the City of Vancouver is encouraging working from home to ensure transit is available for essential service and low income workers who require transit for commuting;
- the roads in Newport Village could be closed to through traffic and converted into a car-free and pedestrian-friendly area;
- the City could encourage cycling for trips under 5km;
- the City could review sidewalk widths and areas creating conflict between cars, pedestrians, and cyclists and modify the areas to increase safety;
- the HOV lanes could be temporarily closed to vehicles and opened for cyclist and pedestrians;
- the City of Oakland's Slow Streets Program was noted to promote social distancing and prevent conflict from pedestrians being forced onto the road;
- the resolution allowing municipalities to create blanket speed zones could be resubmitted to UBCM and may be accepted due the pandemic and increased usage of walking and cycling; and
- the increase in cycling may continue after the pandemic and will require improvements to cycling infrastructure.

Darren Hailes left the meeting at this point and did not return.

TC20/010

Moved and seconded

**THAT the City consider implementing temporary slow zones and reallocating parking or underutilized road spaces in key locations where feasible.**

TC20/011

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

**THAT the foregoing motion be amended by replacing "underutilized" with "other".**

TC20/012

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

**THAT the foregoing motion be amended by adding "to prioritize pedestrian and cyclists".**

The question on the main motion (*TC20/010*) as amended (by *TC20/011* and *TC20/012*) was put to a vote; the following motion was CARRIED:

**THAT the City consider implementing temporary slow zones and reallocating parking or other road spaces in key locations to prioritize pedestrian and cyclists where feasible.**

Agenda items were varied at this point to address item 4.3.

**Multi-Use Paths**

4.2 Presentation: Scott Kirkpatrick, HUB

This item was postponed to the June meeting.

**ICBC Presentation**

4.3 Presentation: Kathleen Nadalin and Jocelyn Purcell, ICBC

Jocelyn Purcell, Manager of Road Safety Programs, ICBC, gave a presentation on the Intersection Safety Camera (ISC) Program and the following was noted:

- the ISC Program is operated in partnership with the Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General and the RCMP;
- the roll-out of red light cameras across the Province was completed at the end of March 2020 with the goal of reducing crashes and injuries;
- the fines collected are distributed to municipalities and used towards funding of police and community safety programs;
- the locations for cameras are determined through historical data on the types and degree of harm in collisions;
- the Program has received very positive public support; and
- the Program is in early stages and will be monitored to determine the crash benefits being achieved at the activated locations and to provide information for the next steps of the Program.

The Committee noted the following in response to the ISC Presentation:

- the Barnet Highway was noted as an area that could benefit from a speed camera;
- the ISC map could be overlaid with the pedestrian and cyclist crash map;
- the use of point-to-point speed enforcement cameras could be useful on the Lower Mainland; and

- the use of speeds cameras in school zones could be implemented.

TC20/013

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

**THAT the presentation from ICBC regarding Intersection Safety Cameras be received for information and that ICBC be thanked for their presentation and their ongoing support in Port Moody.**

Ms. Purcell left the meeting at this point and did not return.

TC20/014

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

**THAT the meeting be extended for up to 30 minutes.**

Agenda items were resumed at this point.

**Master Transportation  
Plan Implementation  
Plan Update**

- 4.4 Presentation: Jeff Moi, General Manager of Engineering and Operations  
Attachment: Report: Engineering and Operation Department – Project Delivery Services Division, dated February 5, 2020  
File: 01-0360-20-06

The General Manager of Engineering and Operations gave a presentation on the Master Transportation Plan (MTP) Update and the following was noted:

- the MTP's three targets are to achieve 40% mode-share for sustainable transportation modes by 2045, reduce the average distances driven, and reduce traffic-related injuries and fatalities;
- the completed projects throughout the city include improvements to sidewalks, multiuse paths, and crosswalks for pedestrian and cyclist users, and transit and efficiency improvements such as traffic signal timing updates and bus stop improvements;
- the next phase of projects is scheduled to include a redesign of St. Johns Street and review of the HOV lanes along St. Johns Street, Clarke Street, and Barnet Highway to determine if the space could be repurposed to support active transportation;
- the City has secured approximately \$2.5 million in grants and requires approximately \$1.5 million to support the planned projects;
- the St. Johns Redesign Project is ongoing with a Consultant hired to bring the project to concept design stage; and

TC20/015

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

**THAT the meeting be extended for up to 15 minutes.**

- the COVID-19 pandemic has slowed the MTP implementation reporting back to Finance Committee and may cause revisions to the schedule and revisions to how public consultation is undertaken.

**Accessibility Issues in Walking and Transit**

4.5 Jeff Moi, General Manager of Engineering and Operations

This item was postponed to the June meeting.

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5. Information

**Staff Updates**

5.1 No updates were provided at this time.

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6. Adjournment

6.1 The Chair adjourned the meeting at 9:33pm.



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Councillor Steve Milani,  
Chair



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Jennifer Mills,  
Committee Coordinator