#### City of North Vancouver

#### INTEGRATED TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

City Hall, Conference Room A 141 West 14<sup>th</sup> Street, North Vancouver

Wednesday, February 6, 2013 at 6:00pm

#### MINUTES

Present:

Alex Boston

Heather Drugge

Ian Williams

Melina Scholefield (Chair)

Raj Janjua Robert Glover Tony Weller

Staff:

Clare Husk, Committee Clerk

Dragana Mitic, Manager, Transportation Iona Bonamis, Transportation Planner

Apologies:

**Craig Keating** 

Eugenio Berti Kathleen Callow Marcus Siu

Marlene Morton, RCMP

Susan Skinner

Quorum 6

0360-20-ITC

1.0 CALL TO ORDER, ADOPTION OF AGENDA & MINUTES FROM JANUARY 2013
The meeting was called to order by Melina Scholefield at 6.04. Agenda was adopted.

It was regularly moved, seconded and carried unanimously:

**THAT** the minutes of the Integrated Transportation Committee meeting held on Wednesday, January 16, 2013 be adopted

2.0 BUSINESS ARISING

None.

3.0 Election for Chair and Vice Chair

Ms. Mitic assumed the role of the Chair. The meeting proceeded to the election of Chair and Vice Chair for the period February 2013 to January 31 2014.

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Page 1 of 6 Document: 1018364 The Committee agreed to election by a show of hands.

Ms. Scholefield was nominated to the position of Chair. Ms. Drugge was nominated to the position of Vice Chair.

There being no other nominations they were elected by acclamation.

Ms. Scholefield then resumed the role of the Chair.

#### 4.0 Workshop – Items for Committee to Focus Upon

Ms. Scholefield led the discussion for topic.

#### Suggested topic areas:

- a. Committee Capacity building: e.g. with North Shore Advisory Committee on Disability Issues. Invite members to discuss with ITC about the transportation issues.
- b. Special interest areas: anyone with a deep burning interest in a certain topic area, etc. Could form working groups.
- c. Committee function: how to improve fit and function of the committee.

  Resolutions mentioned.
- d. City's major transportation priorities over next 12-18mths.

### SHORT TERM ISSUES IN THE CITY

- 1. Pressure on parking supply
- 2. Influencing OCP
- 3. Capacity constraints on key arterials and effect on transit space for other modes
- 4. Safety for vulnerable road users, especially for trips to school by kids
  - a. Choice of routes for cyclists with different confidence/skills levels
- 5. Walking and pedestrian planning
  - a. Engineering infrastructure planning
- 6. Transit planning and provision
- 7. Transit depot on North Shore
  - a. Access and transit service
- 8. Climate change and reducing GHG emissions

#### **LONG TERM**

- 1. Electric vehicle strategy cars and EBikes, connection to new development, topography
- 2. Peak Oil not that it will run out, but it will get expensive. Take action now for items that will be needed in 20 years' time
- 3. How we use our major transportation corridors. Make decisions about prioritising transportation modes
- 4. Goods Movement industrial movement and commercial service. More people in these little areas, how do we get the goods to them? How does the industrial traffic get along with and without us in the way? E.g. Lower Seylynn community, Low Level Road and Industrial base by 2<sup>nd</sup> narrows, how to move goods with the community in the way
- 5. 2<sup>nd</sup> narrows pedestrian/bike infrastructure
- 6. Land use planning and zoning, live and work in the same community
- 7. Green alley strategy, underutilised. Planning reclamation of alleys. Only safe place that young children can bike. Connect with laneway housing strategy.
- 8. Climate change and reducing GHG emissions
- 9. Use of our wide residential streets. What opportunities do we have to use that street, wider sidewalks, bike lanes, develop on them.
- 10. See that TransLink and Coast Mtn., (Councils, Province etc.) follow through on their strategy for the North Shore, have to do at least that much from their 30 year outlook (2040 TransLink Plan). If they do not do this then we will not have intra city connectivity.
- 11. Collaborative consumption solutions, bike share, car share, ride sharing, infrastructure/marketing tools

# The Main Transportation Issues Coming up for the City over next 18 months: Reported by Ms. Mitic.

- 1. Low Level Road, big construction project
- 2. Cycling is a top priority for the Council and staff.
  - a. Lower Level Bike Route Forbes/3<sup>rd</sup> construction.
  - b. Planning for north south connection, Chesterfield
  - c. Planning bike routes in Central Lonsdale area, etc.
- 3. TDM and TravelSmart
- 4. More work with Schools
- 5. Parking –implementation of the resident parking policy update big changes in Central Lonsdale area.
- 6. Large development projects
- 7. Replacing street city lights with LEDS
- 8. Replacing all signal controllers in the City, for all traffic signals (important due to safety reasons, not noticeable to the public).
- 9. OCP
- 10. Greenways
- 11. Spirit Trail

## Items Committee Expressed Interest to Concentrate On:

#### **Short Term - Pressing Issues**

Capacity constraints on key arterials (the effect of limited transit capacity & the ability for non-auto modes to share the space) & effective transit space for other modes

Safety for vulnerable road users, especially for trips to school by kids

• Choice of routes for different confidence/skill levels

Walking and pedestrian planning

Engineering infrastructure/planning

Developing long term planning for sustainable modes

#### **Long Term Issues**

Electric vehicle strategy

- E-bikes
- Cars
- Connection to new development
- topography

#### Green alleys strategy

- More "people places" that are green and attractive to vulnerable road users, especially children
- Issue with connectivity
- Connect to laneway house strategy

More creative use of wide residential streets for alternate uses than just cars

## Impact the Committee Hopes to have in coming year

Help City reduce reliance on car for a vibrant city Make it desirable to get around without a car

How do we engender greater respect for importance of moving various

#### modes?

Competing/complementary moving people/goods

Advise OCP process to help shape how growth occurs in City & process Take advantage of land use planning to achieve transportation goals

## Special Interest Areas - Policy, Regulation, Projects

Green Lanes for all

OCP

Pedestrian Network complete/Fund model

- Formal/informal
- Mid-block connection

Committee expressed interest to learn more about the City's pedestrian plan, sidewalk installation priorities and funding sources for infrastructure

Action: Special Interest Areas - topics for future Agenda: Committee Clerk

#### Committee Fit & Function

What is the right level of detail?
Linkages to other committees (ACDI, SPAC, PEAC, APC, ADP)

## **Committee Capacity Building**

How infrastructure funded Experts on latest/greatest

Other jurisdictions

Urban form/streetscape ideas to promote great "people place", a pedestrianfocused City

Committee expressed interest to learn more about the City's financial plan and how the infrastructure improvements are funded

Action: Invite speakers to address these Capacity Building Topics: Committee Clerk

## 5.0 City Projects (staff update)

- Parking direction from Council to proceed; staff directed to look at laneway parking
- Car Sharing endorsed by Council, bylaw changes to be made, Council did not wish to have on-street parking stalls charged. Car2Go launching this month.
- Electric Car charging stations coming to City in 2012
- North Shore Transit Area Plan has been completed. Full report available at transit site. (<a href="http://www.translink.ca/en/Plans-and-Projects/Area-Transit-Plans/North-Shore-Area-Transit-Plan.aspx">http://www.translink.ca/en/Plans-and-Projects/Area-Transit-Plans/North-Shore-Area-Transit-Plan.aspx</a>) In comparison with previous transit plans there is a monitoring phase that includes annual staff meetings to report on progress and on-going evaluation. Plan is good; however TransLink needs money to implement recommendations.
- Greenways and Spirit Trail.
- TravelSmart coming to ITC in May.
- Phibbs exchange 3 options, to be evaluated, depending on funding.

## 6.0 TRANSPORTATION EVENTS (member update)

Ms. Drugge reported that at a recent press conference it was announced that Provincial money had been granted for the Spirit Trail (some in the District) and that the City have got funding for Carrie Cates.

Mr. Williams noted that on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup>, the Highways Committee meets to discuss ideas for consideration for the Second Narrows Bridge interchange area. Will bring results to this group for a feedback. The long term vision will affect everyone.

# 7.0 ANY OTHER BUSINESS None.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:30pm

Melina Scholefield, Chair

Clare Husk, Committee Clerk

## **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The date of the next meeting is <u>Wednesday 6, March 2013</u> at 6:30pm in Conference Room A, City Hall.