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Nina Leemhuis  
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**Subject: Potential Extension of the Marine Drive RapidBus past the Park Royal Shopping Centre**

Dear Nina,

I am writing to you to confirm the path forward based on the April 2019 council decision to terminate the Marine Drive B-Line at Park Royal.

The new RapidBus routes will bring frequent, longer span service with improved travel times and reliability, as well as enhanced passenger amenities. The Marine Drive RapidBus will run every 8 to 15 minutes, from 6 a.m. to 1 a.m., every day of the week. This service will also deliver an enhanced passenger experience through new high capacity articulated buses, all-door boarding and improved branding and signage (including real-time digital signage, new branded ID poles, and wayfinding information).

TransLink is targeting the launch of the five RapidBus routes for January 2020 including the Marine Drive RapidBus which will terminate at Park Royal at launch. As you will be aware, there are several current risks, including complex interventions and concurrent construction, that may result in this corridor launching later than January 2020 (potentially April 2020).

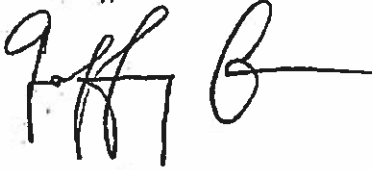
District of West Vancouver Council have directed their staff to work with TransLink after the initial launch in 2020 to analyze further the possible extension of the B-Line beyond Park Royal. Council have requested that a staff report on options on extending the RapidBus into Ambleside to be presented by fall 2020.

On this basis, TransLink has committed to reserving \$1.5m, subject to the understanding that:

1. a credible path forward needs to be agreed by fall 2020
2. funding is earmarked for a RapidBus extension past Park Royal
3. once a plan is agreed, it will take time to organize funding and resources to be able to support and implement this plan.

We would like to thank you and your staff for all of time and effort that has been invested into supporting the Marine Drive RapidBus launch. After the service launch, we will be ready to work with District staff on the development of options for RapidBus extension. We are looking forward to working together to make this service even more useful for West Vancouver residents, businesses, employees and visitors.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Geoff Cross', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Geoff Cross  
Vice President, Transportation Planning and Policy  
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cc: Raymond Fung, Director of Engineering & Transportation Services, District of West Vancouver