

MEMORANDUM

Date: February 19, 2019 File: 0120-06
To: Council
From: Councillor Lambur and Councillor Soprovich
Re: **Notice of Motion regarding Proposed TransLink Marine Drive Corridor B-Line Project**

Notice of the following motion regarding “Proposed TransLink Marine Drive Corridor B-Line Project” will be given at the February 25, 2019, regular Council meeting. At the March 4, 2019, regular Council meeting, after the proposed motion is moved and seconded, discussion on the proposed motion may be held.

Take notice that at the March 4, 2019, regular Council meeting, Councillor Lambur, with Councillor Soprovich as seconder, will move:

WHEREAS West Vancouver District Council passed a motion at the July 9, 2018, regular Council meeting that “...[t]he District support TransLink’s proposed B-Line from Dundarave to Phibbs Exchange; and Following the development and presentation of the detailed design to the public, staff shall be authorized to work with TransLink to implement B-line transit priority measures”;

AND WHEREAS TransLink developed a detailed design for the West Vancouver portion of the alignment to include four B-Line stops (at Park Royal, 14th Street, 21st Street, and 24th Street) and Marine Drive roadway use and configuration modifications including restricted access bus lanes;

AND WHEREAS the detailed design by TransLink was first presented to the public on November 28, 2018, for review and comment;

AND WHEREAS the public reaction to the plan, as evidenced by an unprecedented number of emails addressed to Mayor & Council, opposed: 1) the closure of traffic lanes to general vehicular traffic; 2) the loss of on-street parking in the Ambleside business district; and 3) the routing of buses past the Irwin Park school site at the proposed 24th Street terminus;

AND WHEREAS the District initiated a consultation process on January 28, 2019, to hear from residents and stakeholders on their issues including consideration of options for the termination of the B-Line at any one of the 24th Street, 21st Street, or Park Royal bus stop locations;

AND WHEREAS the Mayor announced at the January 28, 2019, regular Council meeting that “Irwin Park School as a terminus location is no longer part of the (B-Line) proposal”;

AND WHEREAS the proposed closure of traffic lanes through the 1300 to 1700 blocks of Marine Drive is widely opposed by residents and business stakeholders;


AND WHEREAS ridership estimates to support the addition of B-Line service from Park Royal to 24th Street have been called into question;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT staff be directed to:

- 1) Work with TransLink, the owners of Park Royal Shopping Centre, and the Squamish First Nation to identify possible alternative alignments / bus layby locations for a B-Line terminus option at Park Royal Shopping Centre;
- 2) Convene a meeting with Council, TransLink representatives, Blue Bus staff, and the Ambleside and Dundarave Business Improvement Association to review B-Line detailed design plans for transit priority measures (excluding restricted access bus lanes) that could yield transit efficiency gains for local (Blue Bus) service and generally improve traffic flows along Marine Drive through Ambleside;
- 3) Identify order-of-magnitude costs and potential sources of funding for improvements identified in part 2 of this resolution; and
- 4) Report back to Council with their findings within 30 days.



MOVER: Councillor Lambur



SECONDER: Councillor Soprovich

Information Supporting the Notice of Motion

At the July 9, 2018, regular meeting, Council considered and passed a resolution to support TransLink's proposed B-Line from Dundarave to Phibbs Exchange, and that staff be authorized to work with TransLink to implement B-Line transit priority measures subject to the development and presentation of the detailed design to the public. A public consultation process has been initiated and Council and staff are receiving ongoing feedback from members of the public. The intent of this motion is to complement the ongoing public consultation process.