

Meeting Minutes

Transportation Committee

Wednesday, May 17, 2023

9:30 AM

6th Floor Boardroom
625 Fisgard St.
Victoria, BC V8W 1R7

PRESENT

Directors: D. Murdock (Chair), L. Szpak (Vice Chair), P. Brent (9:49 am), S. Brice, J. Caradonna, Z. de Vries (EP), B. Desjardins, S. Goodmanson, D. Kobayashi, C. McNeil-Smith, M. Tait (EP), D. Thompson, C. Plant (Board Chair, ex officio) (9:40 am)

Staff: T. Robbins, Chief Administrative Officer; L. Hutcheson, General Manager, Parks and Environmental Services; K. Lorette, General Manager, Planning and Protective Services; J. Leahy, Senior Manager, Regional Parks; E. Sinclair, Senior Manager, Regional and Strategic Planning; J. Hicks, Senior Transportation Planner, Regional and Strategic Planning; M. Lagoa, Deputy Corporate Officer; T. Pillipow, Committee Clerk (Recorder)

EP - Electronic Participation

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 am.

1. Territorial Acknowledgement

Director Szpak provided a Territorial Acknowledgement.

2. Approval of Agenda

MOVED by Director Kobayashi, **SECONDED** by Director Brice,
That the agenda for the May 17, 2023 Transportation Committee meeting be approved.
CARRIED

3. Adoption of Minutes

3.1. [23-362](#) Minutes of the March 15, 2023 Transportation Committee Meeting

MOVED by Director Desjardins, **SECONDED** by Director Brice,
That the minutes of the March 15, 2023 Transportation Committee meeting be adopted as circulated.
CARRIED

4. Chair's Remarks

Chair Murdock noted that today's meeting will focus on the direction given by the CRD Board via the strategic plan.

5. Presentations/Delegations

There were no presentations or delegations.

6. Committee Business

6.1. [23-357](#) Regional Trails Closure Policy

K. Lorette introduced staff in attendance. J. Leahy presented Item 6.1. for information.

Discussion ensued regarding:

- detour routes in rural areas
- collaboration with municipalities regarding detours

Director Plant joined the meeting at 9:40 am.

6.2. [23-364](#) Transportation Governance Concepts and Next Steps

K. Lorette and E. Sinclair spoke to Item 6.2.

Director Brent joined the meeting at 9:49 am.

Discussion ensued regarding initial cost estimates.

**MOVED by Director Caradonna, SECONDED by Director Desjardins,
The Transportation Committee recommends to the Capital Regional
District Board:**

**That the CRD Board seek input from local governments, electoral areas,
the province, and relevant partner agencies according to the
engagement approach as presented.**

Discussion ensued regarding:

- municipal concern over ceding jurisdictional authority
- funding strategies and financial sustainability of this service
- presenting a fulsome engagement strategy for each municipality
- the amount of work needed to reach each of the three levels of service
- engaging with the school districts re: bussing
- geographical challenges to creating a new service
- level of consensus needed for success

**MOVED by Director Desjardins, SECONDED by Director Caradonna,
That the motion be amended to include the wording "including Island
Corridor Foundation" after "partner agencies" and replace the wording
"as presented" with "as amended".**

CARRIED

Discussion ensued regarding:

- available data regarding the complexity of this issue

- local First Nations participation

The question was called on the main motion as amended:

The Transportation Committee recommends to the Capital Regional District Board:

That the CRD Board seek input from local governments, electoral areas, the province, and relevant partner agencies, including Island Corridor Foundation, according to the engagement approach as amended.

CARRIED

6.3. [23-282](#)

Previous Minutes of Other CRD Committees and Commissions for Information

The following minutes were received for information:

- a) Traffic Safety Commission minutes of February 14, 2023
- b) Traffic Safety Commission minutes of March 14, 2023
- c) Traffic Safety Commission minutes of Apr 11, 2023
- d) Transportation Working Group minutes of April 17, 2023

7. Notice(s) of Motion

There were no notice(s) of motion.

8. New Business

Director Goodmanson extended an invitation to the Building Cities Better Presentation by Brent Toderian, taking place at Belmont High School tonight.

Director Plant would like to invite the Traffic Safety Commission to make a presentation to the CRD Board in the coming months providing an update on the organization's strategic planning work.

9. Adjournment

**MOVED by Director Brent, SECONDED by Director Thompson,
That the May 17, 2023 Transportation Committee meeting be adjourned at 11:21 am.**

CARRIED

CHAIR

RECORDER