



Transportation and Infrastructure Committee Minutes

2E - Committee Room A
City Hall
13450 -104 Avenue
Surrey, B.C.
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2014
Time: 2:30 p.m.

Present:

Chair - Councillor Gill
Councillor Rasode
Seniors Liaison: Councillor Steele
A. Jain (YR)
C. Davidson (YR)

Absent:

Staff Present:

J. Boan, Transportation Manager, Engineering
F. Smith, General Manager, Engineering
P. Lee, Rapid Transit & Strategic Projects Manager
L. Luaifoa, Legislative Services

A. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. The adoption of the October 27 minutes was deferred to the December meeting.

B. DELEGATIONS

1. **Mooneyem Mohammad**, General Manager, Surrey Metro Taxi provided a brief verbal presentation to the Committee regarding taxi licenses.

The following comments were made:

- On October 1, 2014 Surrey Metro Taxi applied to the Passenger Transportation Board (PTB) for four additional taxi licenses. To date, there has been no decision on the application.
- The company claimed it is utilizing 96% of its fleet due to the overall shortage of licensed taxi cabs in Surrey. Inquiries have been made to City Hall about the status of the application and the cause for delay in obtaining the additional licenses.
- The Chair requested clarification on the taxi licensing process. Staff indicated that once a taxi company applies to PTB, the application is referred to By-Laws for review and comment. Upon approval from the PTB, the application is brought to Council for approval to issue the licenses.
- Staff informed the Committee that the City is going through a review of the appropriate level of licensing of taxis in the City and to develop a more effective process to handle taxi licensing.

C. OUTSTANDING BUSINESS

1. Pattullo Bridge Update

File No. 5400-05

The Rapid Transit & Strategic Projects Manager provided an update on the Pattullo Bridge.

The following comments were made:

- The Mayors' Council has committed to building a new 4-lane (expandable to 6-lane in the future) bridge. The earliest the bridge could be constructed is approximately seven years.
- There is an urgent need to look at what needs to be done to keep the current bridge operational until a new bridge is built. There is a concern on the deteriorating state of the bridge deck that must be addressed immediately.
- TransLink has identified three phases of upgrading as follows:
 - Phase 1:** Design –Detailed design is ongoing and will be complete by the end of 2016 for a cost of \$25 million.
 - Phase 2:** Deck Replacement and Seismic Upgrade – Scheduled to commence in September 2015 consisting the replacement of the bridgedeck and a structural seismic upgrade. The cost is estimated to be \$75 million.
 - Phase 3:** Foundation Improvements – the phase will only go ahead if the existing bridge will not be replaced by a new 4-lane bridge. The cost is estimated at \$200 million.
- A Traffic Management Plan will be developed to allow for partial or full closure of the bridge for the deck replacement. Consultation will take place with the affected municipalities and stakeholders.
- The Committee suggested that TransLink consider providing additional Skytrain or bus services across the Fraser River. It was also suggested that TREO consider reducing toll charges on the Port Mann Bridge to accommodate the diverted travel due to the disruption on the Pattullo Bridge.
- Staff will update the Committee when the Traffic Management Plan is prepared by TransLink.

2. Transit Update

File No. 8310-01

The Rapid Transit & Strategic Projects Manager provided updates on the following items:

- TransLink is preparing a Request for Proposal for additional design of the Surrey LRT project. The City is participating in the proposal preparation.
- Staff expects the additional design efforts to be completed sometime next year, likely at the end of summer. At that point, the design outcome and cost estimates will be used to prepare a P3 Canada business case which is required for federal funding contribution. It was noted that it is critical that Surrey maintain some control and momentum on the design work led by TransLink.

Light Rail Transit Financial and Market Analysis

The following comments were made:

- Coriolis Consulting has been commissioned by the City to identify and analyze possible land value capture scenarios as they relate to the Surrey LRT project.
- The Mayor's Council has identified land value capture as one of the mechanisms to finance rapid transit projects in the region.
- The findings from the financial and market analysis will provide input to the development of a Partnership Agreement between Surrey and TransLink for the construction of the LRT project.

Douglas/Summerfield Bus Service Request

The following comments were made:

- A delegation appeared at the October TIC meeting requesting that the Committee review the possibility of bus service being introduced in the Douglas/Summerfield area.
- Staff will request that TransLink include Douglas/Summerfield in the future Area Transit Plan (ATP) for South Surrey.
- Current transit planning has been focused on communities north of Highway 10 with LRT and bus integration and it is felt that more focus on South Surrey is required.
- The Committee noted that there are multiple bus routes serving the 16 Avenue and 148 Street intersection, and in other parts in South Surrey, there are barely any bus routes. The routes that do exist have low service levels, e.g., hourly service. A review by TransLink would be beneficial to South Surrey and the region.
- Staff will report back to the Committee once the ATP is progressing.

D. NEW BUSINESS

The Manager of Transportation reported on the following parking items:

1. New City Hall Parkade Marketing

- Staff will be utilizing the following marketing tools to create and build awareness of the New City Hall Parkade:
 - Rack cards at City facilities and Central City Mall
 - Posters at Central City Mall
 - ads in Surrey Leader, Peace Arch News, and Surrey Now
 - City page
 - Skytrain platform posters
 - Transit Shelter posters
 - City of Surrey website
 - Media releases, Facebook and Twitter
- Other information that will be highlighted in the marketing campaign includes the security of the lot, the operating hours and proximity to transit.

2. Truck Parking in the ALR

- The City continues to monitor truck parking in the ALR. Bylaws have taken legal actions on a number of sites, with more actions to come. A number of sites have been removed based on actions taken by Bylaws.
- A progress meeting will be organized with Minister Fassbender, MLA's and trucking representatives who met four months ago.
- Next steps include:
 - Continue ALR enforcement.
 - Conduct inventory of unauthorized industry and commercial sites and encourage TUP's or other process.
 - Develop an industrial/commercial enforcement strategy.
 - Review options/opportunities for truck parks.
 - Work with the Province on opportunities to jointly facilitate truck parking opportunities.
- The Chair requested that staff follow up with Abbotsford and Langley regarding their policies on truck parking in the ALR and provide an update to the Committee.

3. BC on the Move – Provincial 10-Year Transportation Plan

- The Province is in the process of developing a provincial 10-Year Transportation Plan and has solicited input from the public and municipalities. The deadline for input is set for December, 2014.
- On October 21, 2014, a Surrey contingent led by Councillor Steele presented to provincial representatives the City priorities: 1. Light Rail Transit, 2. Replacement of Pattullo Bridge and, 3. A new interchange at 152 Street and Highway 99.
- The City will also be reaffirming to the Province our support for the regional Mayors' Transportation Plan.
- Staff will update the Committee when the provincial plan is published which is scheduled for early 2015.

E. ITEMS REFERRED BY COUNCIL

No items referred by Council.

F. CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence to be received.

G. INFORMATION ITEMS

No information items to be received.

H. OTHER BUSINESS

No other business this meeting.

I. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee is scheduled for **Monday, December 8 @ 2:30 pm** City Hall, 2E Community Room A.

J. ADJOURNMENT

It was
Advisory Committee meeting do now adjourn.

Moved by Councillor Rasode
Seconded by Councillor Steele
That the Transportation and Infrastructure
Carried

The Transportation and Infrastructure Advisory Committee adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

The Chair thanked Councillor Rasode for her work on the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee.

Councillor Rasode recognized staff for the phenomenal work they do.

Jane Sullivan, City Clerk

Councillor Gill, Chair