

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE,
HELD IN THE JACK LITTLE ROOM, NANAIMO AQUATIC CENTRE, ON THURSDAY,
2012-OCT-18, COMMENCING AT 4:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Councillor George Anderson, Chair
Councillor Ted Greves
Councillor Bill McKay
Michele Patterson
Jim Routledge
David Grey

Absent: David Murchie
Bob Prokopenko
Councillor Bill Bestwick

Staff: Al Kenning
Tom Hickey
Susan Clift
Andrew Tucker
Gordon Foy
Amir Freund
Jodi Wilson

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 4:07 p.m.

2. REPORT FROM THE CHAIR:

3. INTRODUCTIONS:

Introductions were not necessary.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND LATE ITEMS:

It was moved and seconded that the agenda be adopted. The motion carried unanimously.

5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

a) *It was moved and seconded that the 2012-Oct-09th minutes be adopted at our next scheduled meeting along with the 2012-Oct-18th minutes. The motion carried unanimously.*

6. DELEGATIONS:

No delegations were present.

7. PRESENTATIONS/REPORTS:

- a) Transportation Master Plan – Data Collection Summary / Preliminary Key Findings – Gordon Foy (attached)

Gordon presented the attached presentation; followed by discussion.

The Household Travel Survey will be discussed at a later meeting due to the amount of data covered under this survey.

Employment by Sector – In the hospital area, does that include all the medical buildings/offices in the area as well? Yes, all medical services in the area were included.

Employment stats display the amount and type of employment across the City of Nanaimo, but do not represent whether the employee lives in the City. Employees may travel from other districts or towns to access employment.

The average commute distance is included in the Household Travel Survey as a straightline distance.

Travelling from Point A to Point B in different modes of transportation. Can we determine the time difference for the same route, same day, but different source? This information has not been researched, although there is a possibility that we may be able to achieve this.

It was noted that the Parkway and the Island Highway have comparable volumes.

Seniors are going to be the highest growth of the population over the next 30 years. They are also at a higher risk of losing their license. Is there a way that we can get seniors used to riding transit?

Fuel prices have not been shown to impact driving behaviour. On the mainland, what has driven people to stop using their cars is a combination of factors including; the cost of driving, longer travel times, pay parking, and improved travel times/service of alternatives such as transit.

As time goes on, if gas prices continue to increase and transit is made more desirable, more people will use transit rather than their own vehicle.

It was moved and seconded that the report be accepted. The motion carried unanimously.

- b) Transportation Master Plan – Phase 1 Consultation Process – Events, Roles and Responsibilities – Gordon Foy

We have two events scheduled for public consultation:

- a) Open House, Wellington Secondary School, Multi-Purpose Room, October 30th from 4:00 – 8:00 p.m.

- b) Workshop, Beban – Lounge C, November 6th from 5:30 – 9:30 p.m.

To start the survey, go to:

www.Nanaimo.ca/goto/transportationplan

This is a general survey that is there to give people a chance to express their issues and concerns. An opportunity for us to capture what people are happy or not happy about.

To complete the survey, go to a second website:

<https://www.placespeak.com/topic/588/nanaimo-transportation-master-plan/>

PlaceSpeak's core concept is that they confirm who you are when you sign up. There are identification features that confirm that you are from the neighbourhood that you say you are.

8. CORRESPONDENCE:

No correspondence submitted.

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

10. NEXT MEETING:

To be determined.

11. ADJOURNMENT:

It was moved and seconded at 5:28 p.m. that the meeting adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.

CHAIR