

GREATER VANCOUVER TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Greater Vancouver Transportation Authority (GVTA) Board of Directors held at 10:10 am on Wednesday, May 19, 2004, in Council Chambers, Richmond City Hall, 6911 No. 3 Road, Richmond, British Columbia.

DIRECTORS PRESENT:

Chair D. McCallum, Surrey
M. Brodie, Richmond
D. Cadman, Vancouver
L. Campbell, Vancouver
M. Grinnell, Langley, City
M. Hunt, Surrey
J. Kingsbury, Coquitlam
R. Louie, Vancouver
D. MacLean, Pitt Meadows
B. Sharp, North Vancouver, City
W. Wright, New Westminster

VACANCIES:

3 members appointed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council

REGRETS:

D. Corrigan, Burnaby

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE:

P. Jacobsen, Chief Executive Officer
C. Lee, Corporate Secretary
S. Bird, Assistant Corporate Secretary

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

1.1 Wednesday, May 19, 2004 Regular Meeting Agenda

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Agenda for the Greater Vancouver Transportation Authority Board of Directors Regular Meeting scheduled for May 19, 2004 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

Directors Louie and Sharp were absent from the vote

2. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

2.1 Friday, May 7, 2004 Regular Meeting Minutes

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Minutes of the Greater Vancouver Transportation Authority Board of Directors Regular Board Meeting held May 7, 2004 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

Directors Louie and Sharp were absent for the vote

3. DELEGATIONS

3.1 H. (Jack) Becker, Vancouver Area Cycling Coalition (VACC)

Mr. Jack Becker addressed the Board on behalf of the Vancouver Area Cycling Coalition regarding the permanent policy proposal to allow bicycles on SkyTrain. Mr. Becker expressed the Coalition's appreciation for the continued support of the TransLink Board and Staff for allowing bicycles on SkyTrain. The VACC supports the recommendations and would like the opportunity to dialogue with staff during their proposal development. Copy of presentation on file with the Corporate Secretary.

4. REPORTS

4.1 Approval of Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows Area Transit Plan

Report dated May 10, 2004 entitled "Approval of Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows Area Transit Plan" from Glen Leicester, Vice President, Planning.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Board:

- A. Approve in principle the Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows Area Transit Plan as summarized in the attached report titled "Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows Area Transit Plan Summary Report" and direct staff to forward copies of the plan to the District of Maple Ridge and the District of Pitt Meadows for their review and comment prior to the final approval of the plan by the Board.

- B. Direct staff to incorporate recommendations of the Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows Area Transit Plan as part of the development of TransLink's Three-Year Plan (2005-2007) that will be forwarded to the Board in September 2004.

CARRIED

4.2 New Fraser River Crossing (FRC) – Municipal Agreements

Report dated May 6, 2004 entitled "Fraser River Crossing (FRC) – Municipal Agreements" from Fred Cummings, Project Director, Fraser River Crossing.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Board, subject to final Board approval, authorize TransLink's CEO or designate to conclude negotiations and enter into an agreement-in-principle with the four immediately affected municipalities on the basis of the principles, terms and conditions outlined in this report for the construction and operation of the new Fraser River Crossing.

CARRIED

4.3 Transit Service Guidelines

Report dated May 10, 2004 entitled "Transit Service Guidelines" from Glen Leicester, Vice President Planning.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Board:

- A. Receive the report dated May 10, 2004 titled "Transit Service Guidelines"; and
- B. Adopt the new Transit Service Guidelines attached with this report and direct staff to proceed with implementation in co-operation with TransLink's operating subsidiaries and contractors.

CARRIED

4.4 Permanent Policy Proposal to Allow Bicycles on SkyTrain

Report from Glen Leicester, Vice President, Planning.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

- A. That, subject to approval from the BC Safety Authority (SA), the Board permit the carriage of bicycles on SkyTrain on a permanent basis; and

- B. That the Board direct staff to review the existing policies governing the carriage of bicycles on SkyTrain and report back within six months on any changes.

CARRIED

- 4.5 Termination of HandyDART Service Contract – City of Vancouver**
Report dated April 21, 2004 entitled “Termination of HandyDART Service Contract – City of Vancouver” from Ian Jarvis, Chief Operating Officer.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Board:

- A. Approve the termination of the current Operating Agreement with Pacific Transit Cooperative (PTC) for the delivery of HandyDART service in the City of Vancouver effective July 31, 2004;
- B. Authorize staff to negotiate an Interim Operating Agreement with Pacific Transit Cooperative for the period August 1, 2004 to December 31, 2004; and
- C. Authorize staff to issue a Request for Proposal (RFP) for the Vancouver HandyDART service covering the period January 1, 2005 to December 31, 2007.

CARRIED

- 4.6 Federal Fuel Tax**
Report dated May 12, 2004 entitled “Federal Fuel Tax” from Robert Paddon, Vice President, Corporate and Public Affairs.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Board:

- A. Reaffirm the Board’s position that 5 cents of the federal fuel tax, as approved by the GVTA Board on December 10, 2003 and ratified by the GVRD Board on February 27, 2004, be used as a funding source for the GVTA’s 10-Year Transportation Outlook and Three-Year Transportation Plan;
- B. Request that the GVRD Board reaffirm it’s position that the federal transfer of sustainable funding for GVRD municipalities should be used to fund GVTA’s 10-Year Transportation Outlook and Three-Year Transportation Plan; and
- C. Direct staff to solicit support from GVTA stakeholders to assist in facilitating the return of 5 cents of federal fuel tax to the GVTA.

CARRIED

Information Reports

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Board receive Reports 4.7 through 4.10 for information.

4.7 Tender/Contract Award Information – January 1, 2004 to March 31, 2004

Report dated April 19, 2004 from Ian Jarvis, Chief Operating Officer.

4.8 Preliminary Financial Results – March 2004

Report dated April 20, 2004 from Ian Jarvis, Chief Operating Officer.

4.9 GVRD Finance Committee – Information Request

Report dated April 22, 2004 from Ian Jarvis, Chief Operating Officer.

4.10 Commercial Vehicle Enforcement

Report dated May 3, 2004 from Sheri Plewes, Vice President, Capital Management & Engineering.

CARRIED

5. INFORMATION ITEMS

5.1 Minutes of Finance and Audit Committee Meeting dated April 1, 2004

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Board receive the Minutes of the Finance and Audit Committee meeting held April 1, 2004 for information.

CARRIED

6. OTHER BUSINESS

6.1 Notice of Motion

Director Louie provided a notice of motion for consideration as follows:
“That the GVTA Board direct staff to report back on the possibility of renaming the Stadium Skytrain station to Stadium Chinatown.”

It was MOVED and SECONDED

The notice of motion be waived.

**CARRIED
UNANIMOUSLY**

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the GVTA Board direct staff to report back on the possibility of renaming the Stadium Skytrain station to Stadium Chinatown.

CARRIED

7. ADJOURNMENT

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That this meeting now conclude.

CARRIED

(Time: 10:20 a.m.)

Certified Correct:

Corporate Secretary

Chair