

Support for the Regional Transportation Funding Initiative

Excerpted from Minutes 2015-02-16

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MOVED by Commissioner Mackinnon SECONDED by Commissioner Wiebe

FINAL MOTION AS ADOPTED

WHEREAS:

- 1. The City of Vancouver believes in a robust, comprehensive, regional transportation policy;
- 2. The Province of British Columbia has requested that the Metro Vancouver municipalities hold a referendum (now a plebiscite) on future transportation funding measures;
- 3. The Metro Vancouver Mayors' Council has put forward a regional transportation investment plan, which includes transit, biking and road upgrades for the region;
- 4. The Ministry of Transportation has accepted this plan in principle;
- 5. The Provincial Government has decided, however, that the new tax, if approved by the public in a plebiscite, would be administered by the BC Government and not TransLink;
- 6. Mail-in ballots for the plebiscite are expected to be sent to Metro Vancouver residents between March 16 and May 31, 2015;
- 7. The City of Vancouver and the Region face significant challenges should this plebiscite fail.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- A. The Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation support the Mayor, on behalf of the City of Vancouver, to establish a broad coalition of interests to ensure that the plebiscite will succeed.
- B. The Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation support the Mayor to ensure that the plebiscite succeeds.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY