



**TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**Thursday, October 17, 2019**  
**SCRD Cedar Room, 1975 Field Road, Sechelt, B.C.**

**AGENDA**

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**CALL TO ORDER**      **2:45 p.m.**

**AGENDA**

1. Adoption of Agenda

**PRESENTATIONS AND DELEGATIONS**

2. Brian Green, Manager – Terminal Development, BC Ferries  
Regarding Horseshoe Bay Terminal Development Plan      Verbal

**MINUTES**

3. Transportation Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of July 18,  
2019 - *receipt*      Annex A  
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**BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**REPORTS**

**COMMUNICATIONS**

4. Kim Tournat, Constituency Assistant for MLA, Nicholas Simons  
Regarding Update on MOTI Corridor Review      Annex B  
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**NEW BUSINESS**

**ROUNDTABLE**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**NEXT MEETING** To be announced

**SUNSHINE COAST REGIONAL DISTRICT  
TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
July 18, 2019**

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RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD IN THE BOARD ROOM OF THE SUNSHINE COAST REGIONAL DISTRICT AT 1975  
FIELD ROAD, SECHELT, BC

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**PRESENT:**

(Voting Members)

Director, Electoral Area E, Chair  
Director, Electoral Area A, Vice-Chair

Donna McMahon  
Leonard Lee

Director, Electoral Area B  
Director, Electoral Area D  
Director, Electoral Area F  
Director, Town of Gibsons  
Director, District of Sechelt  
Director, District of Sechelt  
Sechelt Nation  
Ministry of Transportation & Infrastructure  
Ministry of Transportation & Infrastructure  
BC Ferry Corporation  
Transportation Choices (TraC)  
Southern Sunshine Coast Ferry Advisory  
Committee

Lori Pratt  
Andreas Tize  
Mark Hiltz  
Bill Beamish  
Darnelda Siegers  
Tom Lamb  
Alvina Paul  
Don Legault  
Colin Midgely  
Robert Edwards  
Jody Schick

Diana Mumford

**ALSO PRESENT:**

(Non-Voting)

GM, Planning and Community Development  
GM, Infrastructure Services  
Manger, Transit and Fleet  
RCMP  
Alt. Director, Electoral Area A  
District of Sechelt Councillor  
MLA Constituency Assistant  
SCRD Administrative Assistant / Recorder  
Public  
Media

Ian Hall  
Remko Rosenboom  
Gordon Dykstra  
Sgt. Poppy Hallam  
Marianna Bekei  
Matt McLean  
Kim Tournat  
A. O'Brien  
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**CALL TO ORDER**

2:45 p.m.

**AGENDA**

The agenda was adopted as presented.

**PRESENTATIONS AND DELEGATIONS**

*Janice Thicke presented to the Transportation Advisory Committee regarding a request for additional signage for "No overnight parking or camping" along pull-out areas on Ocean Beach Esplanade and enforcement by RCMP.*

Discussion included the following points:

- Enforcement or no overnight parking or camping is under the Motor Vehicle Act. RCMP can issue tickets as parking offences.
- Violation tickets must be issued in person to the registered vehicle owner.
- MOTI will look into placing more signs at entrance and at specific locations along Ocean Beach Esplanade.
- Residents and visitors alike would need to comply with the no-parking regulation.

## MINUTES

### **Recommendation No. 1**      *Transportation Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of April 18, 2019*

The Transportation Advisory Committee recommended that the Transportation Advisory Committee meeting minutes of April 18, 2019 be received, amended and adopted as follows;

- Page 5: “MOTI – Does not own right of way on some sections of Reed Road.”

## BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

It was noted that the SCRD Board adopted Recommendation No. 2 from the Transportation Advisory Committee meeting minutes of April 18, 2019 and one representative from the Southern Sunshine Coast Ferry Advisory Committee has been added as a voting member to the Terms of Reference.

## REPORTS

### **Recommendation No. 2**      *Park and Ride Options*

The Transportation Advisory Committee recommended that the report titled Park and Ride Options be received;

AND THAT park and ride facility location and design be explored with the community in 2019/2020 as part of planned survey research to update Transit Future Plan priorities.

Discussion included the following points:

- Parking challenges at Langdale ferry terminal and desire to find short term locations for park and ride options prior to the start of the terminal redevelopment construction.
- Timeline for construction start is Fall. First phase will be the overflow parking lot, not paid parking lot. BC Ferries is looking into possible shuttle options from Lower Gibsons, Marina area.
- Ferry Advisory committee would like to see short term solutions as parking is consistently full.
- District of Sechelt potential option would not be for another 9-12 months.
- Town of Gibsons reached out to School District for the summer.
- Would need to be located in close proximity to an existing bus stop.
- shíshálh Nation clearing land near the hospital in August. Could be a potential location.
- Central locations near other amenities are ideal.
- Suggestions: Halfmoon Bay fire hall area, Sechelt fire hall area, industrial area in Sechelt, Tsain-Ko mall, Raven’s Cry Theatre area.
- MOTI: park and ride options preferably on a side road, where a small area can be built.

- Concerns for safety when vehicles pull-out and pedestrians crossing high-way.
- Advertise park and ride options in conjunction with BC Ferries.

## COMMUNICATIONS

### **Recommendation No. 3**     *July 2019 Ferry Advisory Committee Bulletin*

The Transportation Advisory Committee recommended that correspondence from Diana Mumford, Southern Sunshine Coast Ferry Advisory Committee regarding July 2019 Ferry Advisory Committee Bulletin be received.

*Diana Mumford, Southern Sunshine Coast Ferry Advisory Committee provided a summary of the July 2019 Bulletin. A letter was received from Minister Trevena regarding changes to the Coastal Ferry Act. The SSCFAC sent a response letter to the Minister with comments regarding the service contract for Route 3 Ferry usage and concerns that the contract does not reflect the Sunday sailings being re-instated and the sailing wait period notice on the website only accounts for vehicles that have passed the terminal gates and not the upper parking lot. There will not be a second full time vessel on the route until 2024, after the redevelopment of the Horseshoe Bay and Langdale terminals.*

### **Recommendation No. 4**     *Construction of Bus Shelters Correspondence*

The Transportation Advisory Committee recommended that correspondence from Michael Maser, Resident, Elphinstone, dated April 30, 2019 regarding construction of bus shelters be received.

*The General Manager of Infrastructure Services noted that all of the current bus shelters have been built using grant funding. There is a small budget put aside to maintain them, but no budget to properly inspect, repair or replace them. A staff report on a bus shelter program will come to a future Standing Committee in Q4. The report will address funding, gas-tax money, community group partnerships for donations and standard for shelters. Data from the recently installed passenger counters is forthcoming.*

### **Recommendation No. 5**     *BC Ferries Key Stakeholder Update – April 10, 2019*

The Transportation Advisory Committee recommended that correspondence from BC Ferries, Key Stakeholder Update, dated April 10, 2019 regarding Horseshoe Bay Terminal Development Plan be received.

*The project is early in the process. BC Ferries may be looking at a new car ramp to get on the Langdale ferry and new route up the highway off the Langdale ferry to reduce bottleneck of traffic when two ferries are unloading at the same time.*

### **Recommendation No. 6**     *Town of Gibsons Correspondence*

The Transportation Advisory Committee recommended that correspondence from William Beamish, Mayor, Town of Gibsons dated May 31, 2019 regarding request to Minister of Transportation & Infrastructure regarding Sunshine Coast Highway 101 be received.

*Director Beamish noted that a reply letter has not been received back from the Minister. There has been an additional death since the letter was sent. There are concerns about the highway speed near Woodcreek Park. Noted a pedestrian crossing system observed in Vancouver using a flag to cross the road.*

MOTI provided a summary of the process to reduce the speed limit on a portion of the highway:

- Speed survey needs to be requested.
- Speed limit is set at the 85<sup>th</sup> percentile.
- Traffic analysis to develop a recommendation.
- Chief Engineer would need to sign off any changes to the speed limit.
- The last speed survey was conducted in 2016.

**Recommendation No. 7**    *Speed Survey*

The Transportation Advisory Committee recommended that *the SCRD send a letter to the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure requesting that the speed limit for the portion of the Sunshine Coast highway near the Woodcreek Park area be reduced to 60 km/hr.*

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Draft MOU with SCRD and MOTI – Active Transportation Infrastructure**

Director McMahon noted concerns with the Draft Active Transportation Infrastructure MOU as follows:

- Concern that the MOU opens the door for requiring local governments to be responsible for provincial highways. Highway 101 is considered a controlled access highway.
- Liability concerns
- No wording in the document that recognizes MOTI's mandate to service all road users, not just motor vehicles.
- MOU reads like Active Transportation is the responsibility of local government
- Staff will report back to the Board with feedback from the 5 other regional districts involved in the project
- Pilot project on Gabriola Island has not started yet.

**Transportation Advisory Committee role in multi-jurisdictional transportation initiatives**

Discussion included the following points:

- In 2010, TAC was involved in the Integrated Transportation Plan
- TAC member agencies coordinate advocacy with senior government on key transportation issues: Highway 101, BC Ferries
- Suggestion: Task group to meet more frequently and report back to TAC. TAC is already a subcommittee of an SCRD Standing Committee.
- Cohesive message from various agencies going forward that encompass all the issues that are inter-related
- The Integrated Transportation Study at one time was a cohesive direction. Is this still the guiding document for TAC?
- Shíshálh Nation suggestion to bring regional transportation as a topic to a future Intergovernmental meeting.
- Suggestion: Reach out to the qathet Regional District Transportation Committee and include Powell River in regional discussions on transportation.
- Board Chair and Interim CAO will follow up with opportunity to hold annual Intergovernmental meetings with upper Sunshine Coast local governments on transportation issues.

- Ferry advocacy is happening between lower and upper Sunshine Coast.

### **Recommendation No. 8**    *2011 Integrated Transportation Study*

The Transportation Advisory Committee recommended that the 2011 Integrated Transportation Study be circulated to TAC members and included as an agenda item for discussion at the October 17, 2019 TAC meeting.

### **Update on MOTI Corridor Review**

MOTI noted that the current status of the review is in Phase 1. The problem definition portion has been completed. The SCRD and other member municipalities will be provided an opportunity to comment.

### **ROUNDTABLE**

Committee members provided roundtable updates as follows:

Director Hiltz (West Howe Sound) – MOTI webcam on the top of bypass is appreciated. Concern regarding a “levy/dyke structure” on Marine Drive following flooding on Checkwelp Nation land. Is there a mechanism to change the 50km/h speed on bypass heading east based on congestion? BC Ferries sign meant to be a warning for upcoming congestion. People having challenges turning right when traffic control is set up at BC Ferry Langdale Terminal. Can citizens pay to tow a vehicle? RCMP can only tow on public right of way if it is impeding traffic or uninsured.

Director Lee (Egmont/Pender Harbour) – Would like to find a solution for abandoned vehicles. RCMP can assist to track down registered owner. Tow truck companies don’t want the vehicles. RCMP sends a letter to registered owner to notify before a vehicle can be towed.

Jody Schick (TraC) – TraC is supportive of the new provincial Active Transportation Strategy. The document has a section on active transportation and highways that would be a good model for the Coast. How is knotweed on the highway dealt with?

Colin Midgely (MOTI) – If the knotweed is deemed a safety hazard it can be treated on a case by case location basis, depends if it is near a culvert or water course, due to the chemicals used.

Director Tize (Roberts Creek) – Knotweed growth on Lower and Woodley Road. Concern for pot holes on Lower Road. Capilano noted that BA Blacktop is aware and will address it once available.

Gordon Dykstra (SCRD Manager, Transit and Fleet) – Noted a 10% increase in Transit ridership this year. Adjustments to the schedule for the summer have been beneficial to the public.

Director Beamish (Town of Gibsons) – Would like to see the shoulders swept in the bike lanes. Is there a policy or legislative solution for cost recovery of abandoned vehicles through ICBC vehicle registration?

Director Pratt (Halfmoon Bay) – Acknowledged and thanked Don Legault, MOTI for his contribution to the Sunshine Coast.

Don Legault (MOTI) – Will be leaving the Lower Mainland district and joining the Vancouver Island district out of Saanich in September.

Sgt. Poppy Hallam (RCMP) – Good coordination with MOTI with traffic control after collisions. Speed in passing lane in Roberts Creek is problematic. Police service dog is on the Coast.

Director Paul (shíshálh Nation) – Sees a lot of potential for Nation to collaborate with TRAC on high traffic areas. Shíshálh Nation is working on an area plan for Selma Park Road to McDonald's area.

Director Siegers (District of Sechelt) – Inquired if municipalities could receive advanced notice about work on the highway, so that the public could be made aware through local government communication channels. DriveBC does have some notification. MOTI will confirm if Capilano can give notice, at least 1 day in advance of upcoming work.

Director Lee (Egmont/Pender Harbour) – Inquired if there are plans to paint lines other than Hwy 101. MOTI advised that the paint allocation for the bypass was moved to paint Pratt and Gower Point Road.

Director McMahon (Elphinstone) – Noted that the lines painted on Pratt Road have been a big improvement. Resident concerned about dust from a commercial property on Fitchett Road and public accessing the driveway for recreational purposes. Concern about a landslip hazard at S-curve on Gower Point Road. MOTI worked on it last winter to mitigate concern, Capilano will be re-paving that area shortly. Concerns about debris and loose sand at the Shirley Creek culvert on Russell Road. Inquired if possible to get covered bike parking at Langdale terminal. BC Ferries noted that bike locker program has started again and covered bike parking is part of the terminal redevelopment plan.

In May, toured area with ICBC road safety representative looked at ongoing issues. The road safety map shows a high accident rate at Pratt Road and Highway 101. Inquired if there were any plans to redesign this intersection. The Gospel Rock development traffic study stated that the intersection is close to capacity. It had 75 collisions in the last five years. MOTI can ask traffic engineers to take a look at this area, no immediate plans, recently reconstructed.

**ADJOURNMENT**

4:35 p.m.

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Committee Chair

**From:** "Tournat, Kim" <[Kim.Tournat@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Kim.Tournat@leg.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** FW: Corridor Review  
**Date:** 2019 September 17 at 12:03:43 PM PDT  
**To:** Donna McMahon <[donna@everythingelphinstone.ca](mailto:donna@everythingelphinstone.ca)>

Hi Donna,

This is the response I received from MOTI. I hope it is helpful, it provides a timeline of completion for the review by next January.

“Earlier this year, we consulted the necessary stakeholder on the Sunshine Coast to solicit input for the study. Those stakeholders include the SCRD, Town of Gibsons, District of Sechelt and the shíshálh and Squamish First Nations. Based on their feedback and technical data inputs, we were able to identify technical characteristics of the corridor, as well as definition of the problems impacting the corridor.

The project slowed down considerably over the summer while we sorted out staffing changes and budgets. Right now the Ministry is commencing with the problem definition and technical data inputs. Heading into October, the next step will be to use the technical results to develop options for improvement. We plan to have another round of engagement with our stakeholders in the fall once we have a clear picture of the constraints and appropriate solutions. So long as everything goes smoothly, we are aiming to complete this work by January of next year.”

Have a great day.

Warm regards,

We humbly acknowledge and are grateful for living and working on the traditional lands of the shíshálh Nation, Sk̓w̓x̓w̓ú7mesh Úxwumixw, Tla’amin, Klahoose, Hamalco, and the Wei Wai Kum/Kwiakah Nations who have lived here since time immemorial.

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