
TO: Executive Committee **MEETING:** November 5, 2019

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SUBJECT: Transportation Select Committee Terms of Reference

RECOMMENDATION

That the Transportation Select Committee be created to replace the Transit Select Committee and that the Terms of Reference be approved.

SUMMARY

There is an opportunity for the Regional District of Nanaimo (RDN) to establish a Transportation Select Committee (Attachment 1) that would provide oversight and guidance to transportation planning including active transportation, regional transportation plans, Vancouver Island transportation plans, as well as the RDN's transit system.

BACKGROUND

The Transit Select Committee (TSC) (Attachment 2) was established as a result of the 2003 Nanaimo Regional Transit Business Plan. The Plan was established as a guide for transit service planning and delivery within the RDN. The Plan was subsequently updated in 2008 and again in 2014 when it was retitled the RDN Future Transit Plan.

Active Transportation involves activities powered by human energy including, walking, running, riding a bicycle, and skateboarding (micro transport). The RDN has included active transportation in some OCP updates; however, there is no regional active transportation plan in place.

RDN Transit can offer residents sustainable form of transportation from key destinations through the transit service. However, other forms of active transportation are needed to get to and from all transit trips, such as walking, or cycling.

The Province of British Columbia, through Clean BC, has created an active transportation strategy. This strategy includes working in partnership with communities to improve province-wide walking, cycling and other active transport networks. By creating the Transportation Select Committee (Table 1) the RDN will be able to take advantage of provincial sustainable transportation initiatives.

Board Appointment	Transit Select Committee (Current)	Transportation Select Committee (Proposed)
City of Nanaimo	4	4
City of Parksville	1	1
Town of Qualicum	1	1
District of Lantzville	1	1
Electoral Area A	1	1
Electoral Area B	0	1 *
Electoral Area C	1	1
Electoral Area E	1	1
Electoral Area F	0	1 *
Electoral Area G	1	1
Electoral Area H	1	1
Chair's Discretion	2	0
Total	14	14

Table 1 Select Committee Board Appointment Composition

* Electoral Area B and F members shall not be permitted to participate in the discussion or vote on any matter directly involving the RDN Transit System.

ALTERNATIVES

1. That the Transportation Select Committee be created to replace the Transit Select Committee and that the Terms of Reference be approved.
2. That alternative direction be provided.

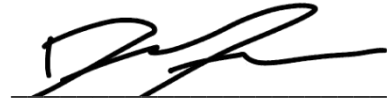
FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The change from the Transit Select Committee to the Transportation Select Committee will not require additional financial resources.

Additional resources would be required to undertake any active transportation planning and would be the subject of future reports to the Board and be included in future year budget considerations.

STRATEGIC PLAN IMPLICATIONS

Transportation and Transit - Develop a Regional Transportation Plan, considering all modes of travel.



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Reviewed by:

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Attachments

1. Proposed Transportation Select Committee Terms of Reference (November 2019)
2. Current Transit Select Committee Terms of Reference (February 2015)