
TO: Transit Select Committee **MEETING:** November 29, 2018

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SUBJECT: AVICC Resolution Vancouver Island Transportation Master Plan

RECOMMENDATION

That the following resolution be forwarded to the Association of Vancouver Island Coastal Communities for Consideration at their annual meeting:

WHEREAS a Vancouver Island Transportation Master Plan would outline Inter-Regional necessary improvement to the Island transportation network;

AND WHEREAS the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure has the ultimate responsibility for transportation planning on Vancouver Island;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Province of British Columbia prepare a Vancouver Island Transportation Master Plan.

SUMMARY

In 2014, the Province of British Columbia created a 10 year Transportation Plan titled *B.C. on the Move*. This plan includes some areas of enhancement for Vancouver Island however, it does not specify the creation of inter-regional transportation plans for Vancouver Island. An Association of Vancouver Island Coastal Communities (AVICC) and Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) resolution would assist in ensuring that the Province is aware of the growing demands of transit and alternative travel choices on Vancouver Island.

BACKGROUND

Vancouver Island has never had an Inter-Regional Transportation Plan. The current B.C. Transportation Plan (*BC On The Move*) includes some areas of enhancement to transportation infrastructure for Vancouver Island however, there is no specific mention of enhancements to transit on Vancouver Island or creating an inter-regional transit plan to link Island communities together. Vancouver Island's population is growing, increasing 5% from 759,336 in 2011 to 799,400 in 2016. This growth coupled with increasingly important factors such as an aging demographic and climate change will continue to place even more pressure on the existing transportation and transit networks.

The importance of linking Vancouver Island communities together by inter-regional transit, as well as other modes of transportation, is crucial for Vancouver Island's economic growth.

ALTERNATIVES

1. The Association of Vancouver Island Coastal Communities be requested to consider the resolution to request that the Province create a Vancouver Island Master Transportation Plan that includes inter-regional transit solutions.
2. The alternate direction be provided.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications.

STRATEGIC PLAN IMPLICATIONS

Focus On Service And Organizational Excellence - We Will Fund Infrastructure In Support Of Our Core Services Employing An Asset Management Focus



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