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2. Reconsideration of Translink Governance Review (VanRIMS No. 13-1400-20)

At the Regular Council meeting on May 30, Councillor Louie submitted the following motion. Councillor Anton called Notice under Section 5.4(c) of the Procedure By-law.

THAT Council reconsider the following motion approved on May 25, 2006 on TransLink Governance review:

WHEREAS:

The three person panel reviewing the Governance of the Greater Vancouver Transportation Authority (GVTA, also known as TransLink) has officially requested comments from local municipalities on five issues:

1. The appropriate division of responsibility and control between the Province and TransLink for transportation matters in Greater Vancouver.
2. The appropriate size, composition, and appointment processes for the Board of Directors of TransLink.
3. The appropriate responsibilities, authorities, and powers of the GVRD in relation to TransLink under the GVTA Act.
4. The appropriate responsibilities, authorities, and powers of TransLink to institute revenue measures for funding service delivery and capital projects.
5. How to ensure the Province will have effective input into, and oversight of, TransLink activities and decisions as they affect Provincial interests.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

THAT TransLink's Governance should embrace the following principles:

- A. THAT regional transportation plans be consistent with GVRD growth management plans and air quality objectives while enabling economic growth and Provincial and National goods movements;

- B. That major TransLink funders, including representatives appointed by the Provincial and Federal Governments, be present on the TransLink Board;
- C. THAT the TransLink Board be responsible for road-based transportation planning in the region, including major highways and bridges and transportation demand management, in addition to its current responsibilities, and that Provincial and Federal representatives on the TransLink Board ensure that Provincial and Federal needs are addressed;
- D. THAT the majority of votes on the TransLink Board remain with locally-elected Directors to ensure accountability to the majority of citizens affected by TransLink decisions;
- E. THAT the number and choice of locally-elected Directors on the Board reflect population, sub-regional areas, and areas with heavy transit use; and that alternate Directors be allowed; and weighted votes used;
- F. THAT these locally-elected Directors continue to be appointed by the GVRD Board to ensure consistency with GVRD land-use planning;
- G. THAT the terms of appointment to the TransLink Board be three years;
- H. THAT the TransLink Board review and provide comment on the GVRD's strategic land use plans to ensure Provincial and National transportation needs are adequately addressed;
- I. THAT TransLink strategic plans continue to be subject to GVRD approval;
- J. THAT TransLink funding move away from property taxes and parking area taxes and be based on secure, sustainable, adequate funding coming from federal and provincial contributions including fuel taxes collected from this region, as well as fares, tolls, private funding, and other road-pricing charges.

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