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MOTION ON NOTICE

5. Translink Governance Review - Vancouver Impact (VanRIMS No. 13-1400-20)

MOVER: Councillor Louie

SECONDEDER: Councillor Deal

WHEREAS the recent TransLink changes announced by Transportation Minister Kevin Falcon will have a large impact on Vancouver businesses, home owners, and transit users;

AND WHEREAS Vancouver provides over half of the ridership for TransLink;

AND WHEREAS the replacement of the current structure with a Council of Mayors threatens to weaken Vancouver's voice and input on issues of transit;

AND WHEREAS the inability of the Council of Mayors to give formal, strategic input on planning to the Board of Professionals means that it is potentially more difficult for Vancouver's transit needs to be met;

AND WHEREAS it is important that council takes a strong position on these changes prior to the legislation being introduced;

AND WHEREAS the potential for a fare increase would negatively impact many of Vancouver's transit riders, including seniors, youth, and low-income families;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Vancouver City Council direct staff to provide a full report to Council within 30 days on the impacts that the new Translink structure will have on taxation, fares, and traffic in Vancouver.