## **PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

## **Promotion of Cure Congestion Campaign**

**THAT** the resolution previously passed by Council regarding its support of the Mayors' Council on Regional Transportation's Cure Congestion campaign be forwarded to the MP and MLA for City of Langley and they each be urged to support the call for a Congestion Relief Fund;

**AND THAT** City of Langley residents be informed of the Cure Congestion campaign through the City's social media platforms and urged to go on the Mayor's Council on Regional Transportation's website and fill out the on-line form to request their local MP and candidates in the upcoming federal election establish a permanent, national Congestion Relief Fund.

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(https://www.curecongestion.ca/)



# CALL FOR MORE TRANSIT FUNDING NOW

With one million new commuters moving to Metro Vancouver in the next 20 years, we all need to do our part to cure congestion. Use our easy tool to email your local federal candidates, MP and party leaders now.

First Name *	
Last Name *	
Email Address *	

One million new commuters are moving to Metro Vancouver over the next 20 years, and we have to keep investing in our region's transit system. Provincial and local governments are already preparing for the future, but the federal government needs to get on board too.



Email Subject *	
An important issue for me thi	•
Postal Code *	

Your email will be sent to:

Please enter a postal code to continue.

Dear [recipient name will go here],

As a constituent of [submission:values:well\_notif y\_your\_representative:jurisdi ction], I'm writing to express my concerns about overcrowded transit and growing traffic congestion in Metro Vancouver. I support the Mayors' Council on Regional Transportation

 Yes! I'd like to receive occasional emails from the Mayors' Council on Regional Transportation.

**Add Your Voice** 

This federal election, the Mayors'
Council for Regional Transportation
is calling on all federal MPs,
candidates and parties to commit to a
permanent national transit fund,
delivering \$375m of annual, reliable
and dedicated transit funding for
Metro Vancouver.

It's going to take more than just our region's mayors calling for this investment, though. We need your voice too. It's going to take thousands of us, working together, to get these commitments from the federal parties. By sending a message to the MP and candidates in your local riding, you'll be doing your part to support better transit in Metro Vancouver.

Will you email your local federal MP and candidates to call for more Metro Vancouver transit funding? You can send your email using our simple form here. Feel free to add your own transit stories and say why you think we need to cure congestion in Metro Vancouver.

NB: The form will give you an option of who you'd like to email, including any candidates selected in your local



riding, the incumbent MP and the major party leaders.

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## **RESOLUTION PASSED BY COUNCIL ON MAY 27, 2019**

## **Support for Cure Congestion Campaign**

**WHEREAS** ridership on transit in Metro Vancouver is exploding, and another one million commuters are coming to our region over the next 20 years;

**WHEREAS** the 10-Year Vision for Metro Vancouver Transit and Transportation is making historic investments to improved regional bus, SkyTrain, SeaBus, West Coast Express and HandyDART services which will help keep the region moving, reduce the impact of population growth on regional GHG emissions, and improve access to affordable housing options;

**WHEREAS** Metro Vancouver's North American-leading ridership growth is out-pacing the expansion planned in the 10-Year Vision, leading to continued overcrowding pressures on transit, and congestion on our roads:

**WHEREAS** to support these new riders and planned population growth, the remaining projects in the 10-Year Vison and the next wave of regional transit and transportation priorities to be identified in the Transport 2050 planning process must be funded and approved quickly to avoid losing momentum on addressing overcrowding and congestion;

**WHEREAS** local governments via the Mayors' Council establish plans for new transit/roads/active transportation projects and infrastructure for the region, with reliable federal and provincial funding being critical to making projects a reality;

**WHEREAS** our region needs the next federal government to continue its successful partnership with the Mayors' Council on Regional Transportation, TransLink and the Province of B.C., so our region doesn't go backwards with worsening road congestion and overcrowding on transit;

**WHEREAS** in April, 2019, the Mayors' Council released its federal election platform, "Cure Congestion," that calls on national parties to commit to work in partnership to cure congestion in Metro Vancouver;

**WHEREAS** the Cure Congestion platform asks all federal parties to commit to establishing a Congestion Relief Fund that would deliver \$3.4 billion annually across Canada based on ridership, delivering approximately \$375 million annually to TransLink;

**WHEREAS** the Congestion Relief Fund will provide a permanent, predictable source of federal funding that can be invested alongside TransLink and provincial government commitments to accelerate completion of the 10-Year Vision for Metro Vancouver Transit and Transportation and start the next phase of projects to be identified in the Transport 2050 planning process to improve the transit and transportation network in every corner of our region;

### THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

**THAT** City of Langley Council supports the Mayors' Council on Regional Transportation's Cure Congestion campaign;

**AND THAT** candidates running in the 2019 federal election for the riding of Cloverdale-Langley City be urged to support the call for a Congestion Relief Fund.