

Council Member Motion For the Committee of the Whole Meeting of January 31, 2019

Date: January 30, 2019

From: Councillor Jeremy Loveday, Councillor Ben Isitt and Councillor Laurel Collins

Subject: Resolution: Shifting Investment to Low-Emission Transportation

Recommendations:

THAT Council endorse the following resolution for consideration at the 2019 annual conventions of the Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities and Union of BC Municipalities, and directs staff to forward this resolution to member local governments requesting favourable consideration and resolutions of support:

Resolution: Shifting Investment to Low-Emission Transportation

WHEREAS the Prime Minister of Canada and the Premiers of BC and most provinces signed the Pan-Canadian Framework on Clean Growth and Climate Change in 2016, endorsing a policy shift that could substantially reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) pollution from transportation while funding public transit improvements, including inter-city and commuter bus and rail service;

AND WHEREAS the transportation sector is the second-largest contributor of GHG pollution in Canada, representing 23% of total emissions;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that local governments call on the Governments of Canada and British Columbia to fully implement their commitment in the Pan-Canadian Framework on Clean Growth and Climate Change, to shift investments "from higher to lower-emitting types of transportation".

Respectfully submitted.

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