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Her Worship
Mayor Lisa Helps
City of Victoria
No. 1 Centennial Square
Victoria BC V8W 1P6

Reference: 286381

Dear Mayor Helps,

Re: Electric Scooters

Thank you for your letter proposing a pilot program that would allow the operation of electric scooters on public roadways in Victoria. I am sorry it has taken me so long to reply.

The ministry is proud to support the provincial government's CleanBC strategy as we identify ways to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from transportation.

As you may know, the Motor Vehicle Act currently does not permit people to use electric scooters or electric skateboards on public roads or sidewalks. However, we recently released a new active transportation strategy—Move. Commute. Connect.—which is designed to encourage active transportation use with a variety of incentives. The full strategy can be found at <https://cleanbc.gov.bc.ca/active>

As part of this work, we are going to review the Motor Vehicle Act to consider potential changes to the definition of “road users” to include users of emerging active transportation modes, such as electric bikes, scooters and skateboards. I appreciate your feedback and interest in this topic and have shared your comments with the team involved in this work.

Thank you again for taking the time to write.

Yours sincerely,

Claire Trevena
Minister