Downtown Bus Terminal – 700 Douglas Street

Governance and Priorities Committee for the meeting of December 3, 2015





Purpose and Background

- To provide Council recommendations on the BC Transit proposal to create a Downtown Bus Terminal on Douglas Street between Belleville Street and Humboldt Street.
- Existing downtown bus terminal tenants are required to find alternate location by May 2016.
- Working with commercial bus operators, BC Transit put forward two options in September 2015 for a new downtown bus terminal/transportation precinct on the 700 block Douglas Street.
- City and BC Transit staff are recommending implementing Option 2.



Required Improvements/Modifications

- On-Street Improvements:
 - New shared on-street bus terminal
 south half 700 block Douglas
 Street
 - New BC Transit bus zone north half 700 block Douglas Street (consolidation of two existing zones)









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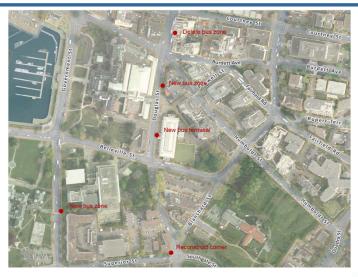
- On-Street Improvements:
 - New BC Transit bus zone east side Government Street between Superior Street and Belleville Street
 - Reconstruct northwest corner of Douglas Street/Superior Street intersection
 - Minor road marking changes, to facilitate transit re-routing







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- · Crystal Garden:
 - Leased space in building for commercial bus operators
 - space for ticket sales, passenger waiting, washrooms, and luggage storage
 - Other passenger amenities (benches, shelter, signage) provided outside





Recommendations

That Council:

- 1.Endorse the BC Transit proposal to create a bus terminal/transportation precinct on the east side of the 700 block Douglas Street,
- 2.Request BC Transit and the commercial bus operators consult with stakeholders and citizens, including adjacent property owners and businesses, to solicit feedback on the details of the proposal,
- 3.Direct staff to work with BC Transit to implement identified on-street improvements prior to April 30, 2016,
- 4.Direct staff to negotiate a lease with the commercial bus operators for curb space on the 700 block of Douglas Street, consistent with the 2011 Guiding Principles for the Use of Public Space.

