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To; June 3 Committee Mtg.

If I can speak in person it be better but if not here are some of my comments about the Committee motion for a report on the Governance of TransLink.

1. TransLink took over from BC Transit who took over from Urban Transit Authority who took over from BC Hydro who took over from Ministry of Municipal Affairs(The minister was an ex Burnaby Alderman) who took over from BC Hydro who took over from BC Electric.
2. BC Electric/BC Hydro had an operating agreements with the Municipalities it served.(Burnaby, NW, NV Vancouver, Richmond)
3. TransLink does not have a contract/agreement with individual cities. It has a minor contract with MVRD.
4. The City of Burnaby can request an annual contract so the City , Residents, Employers and Passengers know what routes be operating, what are the schedules, the fare structure, HandyDART and On Demand Transit services. Any proposed changes would have to be approved by both parties.
5. Burnaby will continue to provide bus shelters and benches and will increase their number from 60% to 95% of bus stops by using the \$0.5M per year it gets from the display advertising on the bus shelters and small revenue from bench advertising. Bus shelters are being sold in bulk by BC Transit and/or the factory in Ontario. The cost is about \$5000 while the cost of an 8ft metal bench is about \$1000. Burnaby could achieve the 95% level in 2 years.(In about 5% the sidewalk is too narrow for a shelter or a bench)

6. Burnaby would continue maintaining all bus stops locations, it will increase the number of accessible bus stops from 75% to 95% over the next two years.

7. Burnaby will continue to provide traffic management on the various bus routes. Burnaby GIS will provide free help to TransLink.

Yours Truly
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