

## #6(a) Motion for September 18 2018

At the December 2017 Commission meeting I brought forward the following motion:

“Direct staff to build on the electric bus pilot project and to prepare a business case and implementation plan for the transition of the Victoria Transit Commission fleet to electric by 2030.”

In the February 27 2018 Commission minutes the motion and discussion was captured as follows:

### 18. MOTIONS WITH NOTICE

a) Mayor Helps - Direct staff to build on the electric bus pilot project and to prepare a business case and implementation plan for the transition of the Victoria Transit Commission fleet to electric by 2030.

It was clarified at the meeting that asset investment decisions are the responsibility of the BC Transit Board of Directors and the results of the electric bus pilot project will inform future investment strategies.

Amended motion by Mayor Helps and seconded by Mayor Desjardins that the Victoria Regional Transit Commission indicate to the BC Transit Board of Directors that the Victoria Region would like to be the pilot community in British Columbia for the transition to electric vehicles.

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I regret that I misunderstood at the meeting and that I didn't read the February 27 2018 minutes carefully. My intention had been that the motion be amended to *add* this language: “that the Victoria Regional Transit Commission indicate to the BC Transit Board of Directors that the Victoria Region would like to be the pilot community in British Columbia for the transition to electric vehicles,” not to have it replace the original wording. This issue came to my attention as the City of Victoria approved our Climate Leadership Plan with the 2030 target for BC Transit to have an electrified fleet in the capital region incorporated into the plan.

If we want to indicate to the BC Transit board that “we would like to be the pilot community in British Columbia for the transition to electric vehicles” then we need to take leadership, do the work, and develop a business case to demonstrate to BC Transit why it makes sense for the Capital Region to be the first region in the Province that is fully electric.

**Motion:** Direct staff to build on the electric bus pilot project and to prepare a business case and implementation plan for the transition of the Victoria Transit Commission fleet to electric by 2030 and that the Victoria Regional Transit Commission indicate to the BC Transit Board of Directors that the Victoria Region would like to be the pilot community in British Columbia for the transition to electric vehicles.

Respectfully submitted,



Mayor Helps