VICTORIA REGIONAL TRANSIT COMMISSION

September 10, 2024

SUBJECT: Accessible Transportation Advisory Committee Update

PURPOSE

To provide the Victoria Regional Transit Commission (VRTC) with a summary report of the business conducted by the Accessible Transportation Advisory Committee (ATAC). This report is presented to the Commission for **INFORMATION**.

BACKGROUND

ATAC met on July 15, 2024. Minutes of the meetings are attached for the Commission's reference.

DISCUSSION

New business and updates:

- At the request of the Committee, a Delegation from the Province presented an update on the <u>BC Active Transportation</u> <u>Design Guide</u> and the <u>Design Guide for Bus Stops Adjacent to Cycling Infrastructure</u>. The presentation is attached for the Commission members for review and information.
- A new Travel Training¹ provider commenced service in January 2024. As per ATAC's Terms of Reference, this provider will be invited to future ATAC meetings.
- ATAC is requesting BC Transit develop a safety awareness campaign to remind wheelchair and power chair users to use seatbelts to secure chairs on the bus.

The next ATAC meeting has been scheduled for October 7, 2024.

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¹ Travel training is available to anyone (free of charge) who is interested in learning how to take the bus. Training may include how to board the bus with a mobility aid, and individualized coaching plans can be developed, focusing specifically on a person's travel needs.

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Attachment(s):

- 1. 2024 07 15 ATAC Minutes
- 2. BC Active Transportation Design Guide Update