



## MINUTES INAUGURAL MEETING OF THE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY GROUP (TAG) TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8, STARTING AT 9:30

### PRESENT:

Nancy Wilhelm-Morden, RMOW Mayor – TAG Chair  
 Steve Anderson, RMOW Councillor  
 Andree Janyk, RMOW Councillor  
 Mike Furey, RMOW – Chief Administrative Officer  
 Barrett Fisher, Tourism Whistler – President and Chief Executive Officer  
 Karen Goodwin, Tourism Whistler, Alternate  
 Mark Sedgwick, Whistler Blackcomb – VP Information Technology  
 Bill Murray, Member-at-Large  
 Ben Smith, Member-at-Large  
 Don Legault, Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure Operations  
 Manager  
 Johann van Schaik, BC Transit – Senior Regional Transit Manager  
 Jan Jansen, RMOW - General Manager Resort Experience  
 Joe Paul, RMOW – General Manager Infrastructure Services  
 James Hallisey, RMOW – Apprentice GM of Infrastructure Services  
 Emma DalSanto, RMOW – Transportation Demand Management Coordinator  
 Jim Dunlop, RMOW – Engineering Technologist & Recording Secretary

### REGRETS:

Janusz Sobieniak, Member at-Large  
 Val Litwin, Whistler Chamber of Commerce, Chief Executive Officer

### WELCOME by Mayor and CAO

1)	9:35 am	<b>ADOPTION OF AGENDA</b> Adoption of the Regular Transportation Advisory Group (TAG) agenda of December 8, 2015. <i>Motion: James Hallisey</i> <i>Second: Emma DalSanto</i>
2)		<b>ADOPTION OF MINUTES</b> N/A.
3)	9:40 to 10:00 am	<b>Committee Member Introductions</b> Roundtable of introductions by all TAG members, voting and non-voting  <i>Completed</i>

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4)	10:00 to 10:10 am	<p><b>Committee Orientation</b>            RMOW Staff review of</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Key administrative points in the TAG Terms of Reference including Council Policy A-21 – Council Governance Manual</li> <li>• TAG Agenda Structure</li> </ul> <p><i>Completed by Emma DalSanto</i></p>
5)	10:10 am	<p><b>Selection of the Chair</b>            Formal selection of the TAG Chair as per the TAG Terms of Reference.</p> <p><i>Senior Member of Council Nominated (standard)            Mayor Wilhelm-Morden Selected</i></p>
6)	10:20 to 11:15 am	<p><b>Transportation Today Presentation 1: Define the purpose of TAG</b>            RMOW staff briefing on TAG</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Purpose</li> <li>• Role</li> <li>• Decision Making Process</li> </ul> <p><i>Members to provide contact information to Emma DalSanto for TAG communication purposes.</i></p>
7)	11:15 am to 12:00 pm	<p><b>Transportation Tomorrow Exercise 1: TAG Scoping Exercise</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identify and prioritize transportation related issues to, from, and within Whistler</li> </ul> <p><i>Points provided during the meeting to be added to the previously gathered information from the Survey Monkey exercise.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <i>AJ – would like to see the issues that are raised approached from both the Regional standpoint as well as Local</i></li> <li>▪ <i>SA – asked for the capacity of the existing road system to be identified (this will be covered by the ongoing studies and presented to TAG)</i></li> <li>▪ <i>MS – asked that the responses to the survey be provided to all of the stakeholders</i></li> </ul>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ <i>BS – asked “How are the TAG initiatives being paid for?”</i></li><li>▪ <i>MF – corridor communities need to look at highway capacity under the existing conditions and predict the situation that is coming under known development (RMOW is working with MoTI on a study and will present results to TAG in 2016)</i></li><li>▪ <i>NWM – wants environmental issues to be included in the reviews and promote Modal Shifts.</i></li><li>▪ <i>EDS (for VL) – review of the events that cause congestion.</i></li><li>▪ <i>NWM – further to above... review more than just the traffic coming and going from the resort but also the events that impact the highway and reduce capacity for any period of time.</i></li><li>▪ <i>BF – The survey did not allow enough room to provide the actual scope of issues to be identified (5 were asked for but 10 could have been provided)</i></li><li>▪ <i>BF – consideration of high-speed rail service (not previously mentioned due to economics)</i></li><li>▪ <i>MF – generally stakeholders are invited to participate in committees through the chair</i></li><li>▪ <i>MF – TAG needs to look at issues from the perspective of the Lower Mainland as well. Where we would like to see a reduction of traffic on the Sea-to-Sky highway, the power that be in the Lower Mainland may see the Sea-to-Sky as a viable opportunity to promote a shift in development initiatives.</i></li><li>▪ <i>JP – Modal shift will be a key focus area for TAG</i></li><li>▪ <i>BM – How will the focus area(s) be determined? <b>JP – This will be done through TAG with data provided by staff.</b></i></li><li>▪ <i>NWM – Suggests to read the TAG Report as provided by EDS.</i></li><li>▪ <i>AJ – how far of an outlook is to be considered? 5 years, 10 years, 20 years?</i></li><li>▪ <i>AJ – when will there be an opportunity to ‘throw out the big-crazy ideas?’ <b>JP – at future meetings never allow these ideas to drop off.</b></i></li></ul>
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8)		<p><b><i>Transportation Tomorrow: Phase II of the Parsons Modelling Project</i></b></p> <p><i>Parsons is a consulting firm that is compiling information to create a traffic model for the corridor that will predict traffic conditions 10, 15, 20 and 25 years in the future. There is a hope that their findings will be presentable as economic impact.</i></p> <p><i>JP – Quantifying the congestion impact is very important, it will help the lay person relate to the impacts and allow for a fair prioritization of projects.</i></p> <p><i>NWM – suggests contacting the Colorado consultants regarding their findings on what magnitude of impact is required before decisions are changed.</i></p>
10)	11:50 am	<p><b><i>Motion to Adjourn</i></b></p> <p><i>SA – motion to adjourn</i>  <i>NWM - seconded</i></p>

CHAIR: Mayor Nancy Wilhelm-Morden

Notes prepared by Jim Dunlop, RMOW Engineering Technologist.