

**MINUTES**  
**TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Held at Saanich Municipal Hall, Committee Room 2 and via MS Teams  
770 Vernon Avenue  
September 25, 2025 at 5:31 PM

**ROLL CALL**

**In Attendance:** Zac de Vries (Chair) (via Teams), Trevor Barry, James Coates, Rachel Corder (via Teams), Isabella Harmel, and Kelsea McLaughlin  
**Regrets:** Dominick Ali and Colin Stepney  
**Staff:** Kathleen Gallagher, Senior Transportation Planner, Tami Gill, Planner (via Teams), and Colton Whittaker, Senior Committee Clerk

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

**MOVED by T. Barry and Seconded by K. McLaughlin: “That the Minutes of the Transportation Advisory Committee meeting held June 26, 2025 be adopted as circulated.”**

**RESULT: Carried 6 TO 0**

**IN FAVOUR:** Barry, Corder, de Vries, Coates, McLaughlin, Harmel

**OPPOSED:** None

**COMMITTEE BUSINESS ITEMS**

**MOVED by J. Coates and Seconded by I. Harmel: “That Trevor Barry be appointed as temporary Chair.”**

**RESULT: Carried 5 TO 0**

**IN FAVOUR:** Barry, Corder, Coates, McLaughlin, Harmel

**OPPOSED:** None

**CHAIRS REMARKS**

The Chair welcomed committee members, and the following was noted:

- The Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) Convention is underway.
- The District has recently rolled out a new Evolve E-Bike Share program.

**QUADRA MCKENZIE PLAN – PHASE 4 PRESENTATION**

The Planner gave a presentation on Phase 4 Implementation of the Quadra McKenzie Plan (PowerPoint on file), and the following was noted in response to questions and during committee discussion:

- Property owners will determine if and how their properties are developed.
- The plan is a 20–30 year land use framework with a long-term outlook.
- Development is not required to reach the maximum zoning; property owners may choose to build less.
- Between the 2024 and 2025 versions of the plan, some potential active transportation connections were removed.
- Feedback received tended to focus on shorter-term priorities.
- Transportation connections in the plan may link areas within and outside the plan boundary.
- Certain boundaries in the plan were adjusted due to factors such as biodiversity and topography.

- Shifting transportation options off main streets has proven effective elsewhere and could improve bus travel.

**MOVED by J. Coates and Seconded by T. Barry: “That the Transportation Advisory Committee support the Quadra McKenzie Plan in principle, and highlight the importance of retaining proposed cycling and rapid transit lane allocations along the Quadra Corridor.”**

The following discussion ensued:

- Increased density should be accompanied by more cycling and active transportation options.
- Expanding safe mobility choices could free up road space for those who rely on vehicles.
- These measures may help alleviate congestion in the short term.
- Some potential road designs in the plan are not supportable and further discussion on road design is needed.
- The motion is to endorse the plan in principle; it is not final.

**RESULT: Carried 5 TO 1**

**IN FAVOUR:** Barry, de Vries, Coates, McLaughlin, Harmel

**OPPOSED:** Corder

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**MOVED by J. Coates and Seconded by T. Barry: “That the meeting be adjourned.”**

**RESULT: Carried 6 TO 0**

**IN FAVOUR:** Barry, Corder, de Vries, Coates, McLaughlin, Harmel

**OPPOSED:** None

The meeting adjourned at 6:36 p.m.

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CHAIR

I hereby certify these Minutes are accurate.

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SENIOR COMMITTEE CLERK