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## Maple Ridge Moves

### Maple Ridge Council Passes Resolution to Secure Bus Rapid Transit

*The Mayor will request Mayors' Council prioritize the Langley-Haney Place corridor*

**Maple Ridge, B.C.:** On Tuesday, Oct. 3, Maple Ridge Council passed a resolution in support of three recommendations to secure Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) – a new technology proposed in TransLink's new 10-year expansion plan – for Maple Ridge.

This follows on the heels of the City's launch of the [Maple Ridge Moves](#) campaign, aimed at securing provincial and federal funding for priority infrastructure projects that will improve access to frequent public transit service (including BRT), new housing, jobs and green spaces in the community.

"The City of Maple Ridge is ready and willing to welcome Bus Rapid Transit and wants to be among the first to secure this service for our rapidly growing community at the heart of the Lower Mainland," said Mayor Dan Ruimy. "BRT enables residents to have access to faster and more frequent buses – better connecting the city centre to the Lower Mainland. "Today's Council resolution is a strong signal to the Mayors' Council, our government partners and our community that we are committed, willing to partner and the direction we are headed."

The resolution recommends that the City:

- Secure provincial and federal funding for the Maple Ridge Moves plan.

- Work with TransLink and the BC Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure to prioritize investment into the two new BRT lines for Maple Ridge as identified in TransLink’s *Access for Everyone* 10-year Plan.
- Prioritize the Langley to Haney Place route based on Maple Ridge’s readiness to support the project.

Council has also asked staff to work in partnership with TransLink to determine the next steps for achieving high quality BRT along the Lougheed Corridor.

“Connecting Maple Ridge to Langley Township, Langley City and the new SkyTrain line makes a lot of sense,” added Mayor Ruimy. “We are naturally aligned municipalities for BRT experiencing a commonality of factors. Transit and growing the density along these routes go together to help create the housing and access that we need in the region.”

Maple Ridge’s resolution follows other municipalities that have announced their respective support for BRT over recent months. The Mayors’ Council is set to decide later this month on prioritization of projects in the first phase of TransLink’s *Access to Everyone* 10-year Plan.

## **Background**

The [Maple Ridge Moves](#) campaign advances key components of the City’s [Strategic Transportation Plan](#), a new 30-year vision for Maple Ridge’s transportation network which Council unanimously endorsed last week. For more information on the, visit [mapleridge.ca/moves](http://mapleridge.ca/moves).