

Begley, Rhianna GCPE:EX

From: McGaghey Jones, Stacey GCPE:EX
Sent: Monday, April 30, 2012 9:23 AM
To: Knight, Jeff J GCPE:EX
Subject: FW: Fare increases

Thanks,
Stacey
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From: Debbie Parhar [<mailto:debbie@debbieparhar.com>]
Sent: Monday, April 23, 2012 12:14 PM
To: McGaghey Jones, Stacey GCPE:EX
Subject: Fare increases

Stacey,

As discussed, the 12.5% fare increase was part of the Funding Stabilization Plan approved in 2009 to maintain current services and keep the system in a state of good repair.

The Commissioner approved an increase in 2008 but asked that TransLink come back for subsequent increases.

The law permits TransLink to raise fares 2% without approval, so the company is able to raise short term **cash fares** in 2013 by 10%, since it will have been 5 years since the last increase.

He denied the increase above this amount or the supplemental increase and for FareSaver ticket books.

The Commissioner does not regulate the monthly FareCard, because it is set based on the cash fare that has been approved. In essence, TransLink can determine the amount of discount it wants to give based on what the Commissioner sets as the cash or short term fare.

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Hope this helps.

Let me know if you need more.
Debbie

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From: Trotter, Kate GCPE:EX
Sent: Friday, March 16, 2012 4:23 PM
To: GCPE TRAN Proactive
Subject: Tran Proactive Media Friday March 16 2012

Media calls:

CFAF Frank Stanford 250 381 6397

Issue: Will the province undertake an audit or review of TransLink as it has with BC Hydro, BC Ferries and BC Transit?

What is the minister's response to the call by NDP Harry Bains for an immediate audit of TransLink.

Deadline: asap; today

Status: GCPE responded:

Contrary to what has been claimed by the opposition MLA, there has been no unanimous request from the Mayors' Council to Minister Lekstrom for an audit. In fact, there has been no formal request at all. Some members of the Mayors' Council have asked for a comprehensive audit of TransLink before any new funding tools be implemented. Minister Lekstrom has said that a performance audit makes sense to both him and the public.

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From: Murry, Karen GCPE:EX
Sent: Tuesday, April 17, 2012 1:53 PM
To: Paine, Alison GCPE:EX; Mentzelopoulos, Athana GCPE:EX; Bhullar, Barinder PREM:EX; Hann, Caeli GCPE:EX; Karn, David GCPE:EX; Lawrie, Hannah GCPE:EX; Fraser, John Paul GCPE:EX; Murry, Karen GCPE:EX; Gleeson, Kelly T GCPE:EX; McDonald, Mike PREM:EX; Lo, Mary GCPE:EX; Leamy, Michelle T PREM:EX; Sweeney, Neil PREM:EX; Bains, Parm GCPE:EX; Bajwa, Pavan GCPE:EX; Scott, Rebecca PREM:EX; Wharf, Sandy PREM:EX; MacIntyre, Sara PREM:EX; Mills, Shane PREM:EX; Sproule, Spencer PREM:EX; Halford, Trevor M PREM:EX; Denney, Jay TRAN:EX; Knight, Jeff J GCPE:EX; Trotter, Kate GCPE:EX; Anastasiadis, Katerina TRAN:EX; Bicknell, Liz M GCPE:EX; Kapac de Frias, Martina E TRAN:EX
Subject:Scrum Summary Minister Lekstrom

Mayors Council/Translink?

Obviously, they are going to look at what they could do. There is some significant concern. People are looking for internal savings to offset the increases.

We are looking forward to our audit.
Initiate that hopefully within the next few weeks.

Easy solution? No. Going to be some difficult decisions / work ahead to determine what future holds. Enhanced need for transit issue is how do we fund that cooperatively with all levels of Govt at the table.

Delay in cap plans? Delay right now prudent decision. Audit. Putting them on hold does not mean they won't move forward.

Responsible? Number of mayors called for an audit. Did not want to put new funding sources in until done, and we are going to do that.

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From: Trotter, Kate GCPE:EX
Sent: Friday, February 10, 2012 4:52 PM
To: Knight, Jeff J GCPE:EX
Subject: Tran Proactive media - February 10 2012

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Frances Bula – Globe and Mail francesbula@gmail.com
Amy Reid – Now Regional Newspaper areid@thenownewspaper.com
Issue: Minister's statement on TransLink request for audit
Status: GCPE provided link to Soundcloud audio of minister's media availability.

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From: Trotter, Kate GCPE:EX
Sent: Monday, March 26, 2012 4:41 PM
To: GCPE TRAN Proactive
Subject: Tran Proactive Media Monday March 26 2012
Attachments: 122_lekstrom_audit_mar_26_12.mp3; 20120326 CD34C LHH Shift.pdf

Minister

Minister Lekstrom was scrummed today on the topic of the TransLink audit.
The scrum audio is attached.

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Minister:

Minister was available to talk to media this morning on requests from Metro Vancouver mayors for an audit of TransLink.

Media attended: BCTV – CTV – CBC TV – NW – Vancouver Sun.

An audio clip was provided to News 1130, CBC Early Edition and Surrey Leader.

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Media calls:

Jeff Nagel – Surrey Leader

Grace Global 778 879 8766

Negar Mojtahedi – CTV – 604 609 5800 – wants MBL on camera before 2 p.m. today

John Ackermann Anchor/Reporter News1130 604 877 4400 (Anyone who answers the phone can tape the clip if Ackermann unavailable.)

Request for comment from Minister on Surrey Mayor Diane Dianne Watts's request for an audit of TransLink before any new move to raise more taxes or tolls.

Status: Minister had media availability in Victoria.

CBC Early Edition – Host Rick Clough – interview Friday morning.

Status: GCPE responded; minister is unavailable.

CKNW – Simi Sara show – interview Friday

Status: GCPE responded; minister is unavailable.

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