The City of Victoria



Office of the Mayor

March 13, 2019

Dear Member Local Government,

On behalf of Victoria City Council, I am requesting your favourable consideration and resolutions of support for shifting investment to low-emission transportation.

At the January 31, 2019 Council Meeting, Council approved the following:

Resolution: Shifting Investment to Low-Emission Transportation

WHEREAS the Prime Minister of Canada and the Premiers of BC and most provinces signed the Pan-Canadian Framework on Clean Growth and Climate Change in 2016, endorsing a policy shift that could substantially reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) pollution from transportation while funding public transit improvements, including inter-city and commuter bus and rail service;

AND WHEREAS the transportation sector is the second-largest contributor of GHG pollution in Canada, representing 23% of total emissions;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that local governments call on the Governments of Canada and British Columbia to fully implement their commitment in the Pan-Canadian Framework on Clean Growth and Climate Change, to shift investments "from higher to lower-emitting types of transportation".

We look forward to your support on this matter.

Sincerely,

Lisa Helps Victoria Mayor

cc. The Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities (AVICC) Annual Convention The Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) Annual Convention AVICC and UBCM Member Local Governments