

# 2022 Business Plan North Cariboo Transit Service (1029)

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Working in partnership with communities large and small to offer local, sub-regional, and regional services to ensure that the Cariboo Chilcotin is a socially, economically, and environmentally desirable region.

### **Department/Function Services**

The North Cariboo Transit contribution function was established through Bylaw No. 4293 in 2007. This service is delivered by means of a contract, under the Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Quesnel, which provides public transit to the Red Bluff area of Electoral Area A. Participants in the service are taxed based on the assessed value of land and improvements. The maximum requisition is the greater of \$5,560 or \$0.0534/\$1,000 of assessment.

As the Electoral Area A Director is the only stakeholder, and the *Local Government Act* requires more than one vote, the entire Board is responsible for the governance of this service.

# **Business Plan Goals, Rationale & Strategies**

No new goals identified for 2022.

### **Overall Financial Impact**

The 2022 requisition is increased by 2% from the 2021 requisition, for a total requisition of \$6,843. An increase of 2% is included in each year of the five-year financial plan.

Under the Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Quesnel, the contract value to deliver services for this function will increase by the Consumer Price Index (CPI) as of September 30 each year. This increase will be limited by the maximum requisition possible for the function as defined by the service establishment bylaw.

### **Significant Issues & Trends**

In the challenging times of the global COVID-19 pandemic, the transit service developed safety plans in order to continue to be available. It is unknown at this time if this will continue and to what extent into 2022.

North Cariboo Transit ridership was steady throughout the year, but highly dependent on repeated use by individuals. In 2021, rides to the end of August totaled 38,285, an approximately 11% decrease from the same period in 2020 but still demonstrating continued regular use of the service.

The Cariboo Regional District is a signatory on the Province of BC/UBCM Climate Action Charter and has committed to continuing work towards carbon neutrality in respect of corporate operations.

# **Measuring Previous Years Performance**

**Goal:** Undertake a feasibility study to potentially expand the transit service area.

 Complete. A brief review by BC Transit of the existing service cost for the area and potentially including additional areas confirmed additional service is not financially feasible.