

Subject: Federation of NV Community Associations - Motion on Translink Funding

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Federation of North Vancouver Community Associations

For Immediate Release

At the January 16th meeting of the *Federation of North Vancouver Community Associations* (FONVCA) consideration was given to the proposed RAV line and Translink's funding options as outlined in 3-10 year transportation plan.

FONVCA's position is outlined in the following motion that was approved unanimously

1. That a Translink property tax does not differentiate between users and non-users of the transportation system. There is strong support for a user-pay method of funding the transportation system.
2. Residents living on the North Shore will be taxed unfairly for the minimal services received, because of historically high property assessments.
3. Together with groups in opposition to the RAV project across the GVRD, the *Federation of NV Community Associations* is opposed to the disproportionately higher cost of using Skytrain technology and tunneling under Cambie Street, versus the more cost-effective system of at-grade light rapid transit.

The *Federation of NV Community Associations* is an umbrella organization representing 18 residents' associations across the District of North Vancouver. Regular FONVCA meetings are held at the NV District Hall on the third Thursday of every month for the purpose of sharing information and discussing issues of common concern. FONVCA's comprehensive web site can be found at www.fonvca.org

We trust that the input provided in this communication will be given due consideration.

Sincerely,

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