



March 19, 2012 Burlington City Council : BurlingtonGreen Delegation

Re: EBC-02-12 Roadways Resurfacing (Shave and Pave) Infrastructure Funding

Mayor Goldring, Members of Council and Staff:

We are delegating on EBC 2 -12 and the recommendation to reallocate 5% of the Federal; Gas Tax split from transit to roadways.

BurlingtonGreen recommends the transit funding be maintained at current levels adjusted for inflation. While we understand the need for infrastructure repairs we do not support reducing transit to fund them at this critical juncture.

We feel the Transit Master Plan recommendations we have submitted and the Transit Master Plan itself will require this funding, especially in the early years. Piloting programs, metric collection, and other costs will put additional pressure on the system.

We would prefer to see increased funding with in-depth analysis and adjustment to ensure we have a world-class transit system.

BurlingtonGreen does recognize the City faces both financial challenges as well as ridership challenges on the transit system and therefore would recommend maintaining funding in the short term while the Transit teams, tests and validates the various options on the table.

Thank you for your time.

Ken Woodruff
President,
BurlingtonGreen Environmental Association