

## BurlingtonGreen Delegation to February 26, 2013 Budget and Corporate Services Committee

Re: January 24, 2013 Burlington Transit Expansion Case

Chair Taylor, Members of Council and Staff:

The above recommendation provides an opportunity for BurlingtonGreen to ask staff and council to use transit and transit planning in a new way that will provide Burlington with better, "walkable" and transit oriented neighborhoods, less traffic congestion and lower greenhouse gas emissions.

We would like to see Burlington adopt "Transit Oriented Development" or TOD to transform our city from being car oriented to being transit oriented. The key is to stop planning transit in response to development and use transit planning to direct development!

We would like to see the city engage the community to show how TOD can make a future Burlington a cleaner, less congested and more enjoyable city.

We need a transit vision for Burlington and, in the meantime we would ask that you reinstate transit funding as a first step.

Thank you.

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