#### **ACCESSIBILITY AND INCLUSION ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Please note that this meeting is scent free

**DATE**: Tuesday, November 4, 2025

**TIME**: 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

**PLACE**: Council Committee Room

Coquitlam City Hall 3000 Guildford Way Coquitlam, BC

#### **CALL TO ORDER AND TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

#### **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

 Minutes of the Accessibility and Inclusion Advisory Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, September 2, 2025

Recommendation:

That the Minutes of the Accessibility and Inclusion Advisory Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, September 2, 2025 be approved.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- Town Centre Park Tennis Court Relocation (Presentation by Doron Fishman, Manager Park Planning and Design and Michael Teed, Park Planner 2)
   7:05 – 7:25 p.m. (20 minutes)
- 3. Climate Action Plan Update (Presentation by Jenalee Kluttz, Manager Environmental Sustainability)

7:25 – 7:55 p.m. (30 minutes)

- 4. Accessibility and Inclusion Plan Development (Standing Agenda Item) 7:55 8:00 p.m. (5 minutes)
- 5. Transportation, TransLink and Other Transportation Division Updates (Standing Agenda Item)

8:00 - 8:15 p.m. (15 minutes)

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- 6. 2025 Year End Review / 2026 Work Plan Development (Presentation by Manisha Dutta, Senior Manager Equity, Diversity and Inclusion and Kate Brown, Accessibility and Inclusion Specialist)
  8:15 8:40 p.m. (25 minutes)
- 7. Committee Members' Roundtable / Emerging Issues (Standing Agenda Item) 8:40 9:00 p.m. (20 minutes)

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

**NEXT MEETING DATE - 2026** 

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

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## City of Coquitlam MINUTES – REGULAR COMMITTEE MEETING

## ACCESSIBILITY AND INCLUSION ADVISORY COMMITTEE Tuesday, September 2, 2025

A Regular Meeting of the Accessibility and Inclusion Advisory Committee convened on Tuesday, September 2, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Committee Room, City Hall, 3000 Guildford Way, Coquitlam, BC, with the following persons present:

#### \*Indicates Virtual Attendance

COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Councillor Matt Djonlic, Chair

Councillor Steve Kim, Vice Chair

Georgina Hackett, Citizen Representative

Paul Jarvie, Citizen Representative Alex Kwan, Citizen Representative

Heather Lawson, Citizen Representative Jen-Che (Arthur) Lee, Citizen Representative

Ross Renaud, SHARE Family and Community Services

Georgette Reyes, Citizen Representative\*

Sandra Uno, Citizen Representative

Susan Williamson, Tri-Cities Seniors' Action Society

ABSENT: Lelainia Lloyd, Citizen Representative (Regrets)

Pete Stone, Community Ventures Society (Regrets)

STAFF: Tobi May, Director Major Capital Projects (re Item 2)

Michelle Frilund, Senior Manager Communications and Civic

Engagement

Wei Duan, Manager Capital Projects (re Item 2) Thomas Thivener, Manager Transportation Planning Tyler Kuny, Manager Transportation Infrastructure Kate Brown, Accessibility and Inclusion Specialist

Alex McLellan, Committee Clerk

#### CALL TO ORDER AND TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and provided an Indigenous territorial acknowledgement.

#### **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

## 1. Minutes of the Accessibility and Inclusion Advisory Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, June 3, 2025

The Minutes of the Accessibility and Inclusion Advisory Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, June 3, 2025 were approved.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### 2. Burke Mountain Community Centre and Burke Village Park Design Update

The Director Major Capital Projects gave a presentation entitled "Burke Mountain Community Centre and Burke Village Park Design Update" and referred to slides found in the Agenda package.

Discussion ensued relative to the following:

- Appreciation of the open design and windows that incorporate nature as well as use of softer, natural colours.
- Potential need for barriers between the street and facility frontage to protect against traffic incidents, particularly at night.
- Ways in which the design of the facility uniquely responds to this community.
- Provision of sufficient and sufficiently sized accessible parking spaces, in both surface and underground lots, and consideration of usable space for accessible equipment such as ramp-equipped accessible vans when implementing landscaping features.
- Provision of vehicle drop off space that is designated but also shared with other needs such as emergency vehicle access for efficient space use.
- Balanced provision of accessible parking spaces and EV parking/charging stations.
- Provision of sufficient shade cover and the suggested use of permanent structures to provide secure access.
- Proximity of indoor change rooms and outdoor washroom facilities to the outdoor splash park.
- Extended hours of operation that would make facilities and services accessible during park use.
- Safety considerations for the proposed park ramp related to users on wheels, speed, and design of park features at the end of the ramp to mitigate collisions.
- Provision of sensory spaces and services including a hearing loop, acoustic dampening materiality, lighting, and quiet spaces as well as the suggestion of renting or lending headphones for use at the facility.

- Provision of mobility support equipment such as lifts in the pool and changing facilities as well as elevators.
- Design of windows and related façade treatments to mitigate heat transfer and glare.
- Representation of people with visible disabilities in future design presentations.

In response to committee discussion, staff noted the following:

The design meets local needs by responding to the mountainous terrain; easing
access from various points and modes of transportation; providing
social/cultural spaces and language learning for new residents and those living
in intergenerational households; providing access to outdoor spaces for
residents in smaller and shared residences; providing multipurpose rooms for
diverse user groups; and providing library spaces geared to students.

The Director Major Capital Projects and Manager Capital Projects left the meeting at this time and did not return. (7:44 p.m.).

#### 3. Canada Day and Coquitlam Pride Update

The Accessibility and Inclusion Specialist provided updates on the Canada Day and Coquitlam Pride events and expressed gratitude to Committee members who volunteered at the events, noting that both events were well organized and turnout was strong, activities were utilized to engage visitors at the booth, and opportunities to increase interactivity will be explored to support awareness and education.

Discussion regarding the Canada Day event ensued relative to the following:

- Impact of booth location being further away from an accessible pathway, presenting a potential barrier for folks with strollers or mobility devices to traverse the grassy field.
- Suggestions for improved event access including more access points, improved ramps onto temporary pathways, and securing temporary pathway material to ensure it remains anchored and does not interfere with mobility devices.
- Possibility for Committee member walkthroughs during future event set up to help ensure accessibility, particularly of temporary pathways.
- Clarity of parking signage to ensure accessible parking spaces and loading areas are not blocked.
- Need for expanded covered cool-down areas beyond First Aid stations as temperatures rise.
- Possibility of temporary speed reductions on streets adjacent to events where there are increased volumes of pedestrians close to travel lanes.

#### 4. Accessibility and Inclusion Plan Development (Standing Agenda Item)

The Senior Manager Communications and Civic Engagement provided updates on analysis and engagement related to the Accessibility and Inclusion Plan, noting that the compilation of input and drafting of the plan continues, and future updates will be provided by the Manager Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion.

## 5. Transportation, TransLink and Other Transportation Division Updates (Standing Agenda Item)

The Manager Transportation Planning and Manager Transportation Infrastructure gave a presentation entitled "Transportation Updates" and referred to slides distributed at the meeting.

Jen-Che (Arthur) Lee left the meeting at this point (8:13 p.m.).

Discussion ensued relative to the following:

 Pedestrian safety on Mariner Way between Mundy Park and Dewdney Trunk Road due to narrow sidewalks and limited crossings combined with a steep grade, traffic speed, limited visibility, refuse bin obstacles, and left turns.

Jen-Che (Arthur) Lee returned to the meeting at this point (8:19 p.m.).

- A suggestion to add separated cycle lanes as part of the ongoing baffle gate removal project
- Minimizing disruptions resulting from water main construction by working closely with Metro Vancouver and participation in their consultations.
   Opportunities may also be realized to rectify surface designs as part of these projects.
- Means for local organizations to advocate for the installation of Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFBs) at intersections that might not meet the City's prioritization criteria despite high-usage at certain times of day (ex. Parent Advisory Committees aware of locations near schools).
- Means for suggesting baffle gate removals.
- An access barrier and potential safety concern at Galette Park due to a vehicle gate.
- Possibility to incorporate raised crosswalks with curb extensions for further traffic calming.

In response to committee discussion, staff noted the following:

- Walkability is incorporated in development planning through streetscape guidelines and standards such as sidewalk widths, cycle tracks, and statutory rights-of-way through new developments as well as a new "movement in place" framework in the Transportation Plan that would provide more design options to incorporate pedestrian spaces alongside roadways.
- A City road safety strategy is underway, but mitigation strategies on Mariner Way are limited by the size of the right-of-way and the requirements of an arterial road.
- Opportunities to add separated cycle lanes where baffle gates are removed are limited as most related pathways are too narrow to accommodate.
- Baffle gate removals can be suggested by submitting service requests, with pictures, to Engineering and Public Works.
- Concerns and suggestions for RRFBs should be directed through Engineering and Public Works, and funding may be sought through ICBC grants.
- Use of raised crosswalks is somewhat restricted by the current traffic calming policy, but some locations on local roads have been considered.

#### 6. Committee Members' Roundtable / Emerging Issues (Standing Agenda Item)

The Chair invited committee members to share emerging issues and information regarding events occurring in their communities.

Discussion ensued relative to the following:

- Means to provide additional shade cover at Mundy Park Pool, including temporary umbrellas until tree cover fully develops.
- Policies or rules for events such as pop-up markets to ensure accessible parking remains available.
- Opening of the new Foundry Tri-Cities, providing integrated youth services, with more information to be shared at the November meeting.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

#### **NEXT MEETING DATE - Tuesday, November 4, 2025**

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

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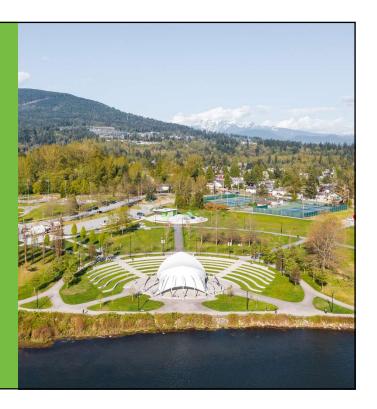
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| <br>Councillor Matt Djonlic, Chair |
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| <br>Alex McLellan, Committee Clerk |

City of Coquitlam Parks, Recreation, Culture and Facilities

## Town Centre Park Tennis Enhancements Concept Design

Accessibility and Inclusion Advisory Committee November 4, 2025

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## **Agenda**

- 1. Metro Vancouver Coquitlam Water Main #4 Update
- 2. Town Centre Park Master Plan Implementation
- 3. Tennis Enhancements Concept Design
- 4. Accessibility Considerations
- 5. Next Steps



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## Metro Vancouver Coquitlam Water Main #4

#### Robson to Guildford Section

2023 - 2026

Pipeline Road North Section

2026 -2032

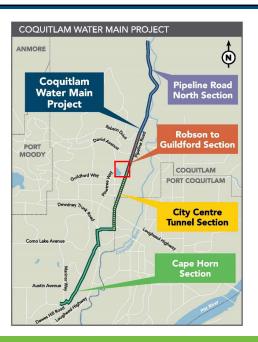
**Cape Horn Section** 

2026 - 2032

**City Centre Tunnel Section** 

2027 - 2034

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## Metro Vancouver Coquitlam Water Main #4

#### **City Centre Tunnel Section**

- · Commence in early 2027 extending to 2034
- Metro Vancouver to construct permanent tunnel and underground valve chamber within Park
- New permanent SRW and limited surface rights
- Major Impacts to Tennis Facility
- · Removal of Inspiration Garden



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## TCP Master Plan Implementation

#### 1. Park Core

- "Active recreation zone" immediately north of Trevor Wingrove Way
- A dynamic hub of activity in the centre of the park that provides opportunities for active and social play

#### 2. Green Commons

- "Passive recreation zone" south of Trevor Wingrove Way
- A diverse array of passive recreation options, such as large-scale public events



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## TCP Master Plan Implementation

## 1. Tennis courts, support building, paths and accessible parking

Legend

 Requires removal of Recycling Depot and East Works Yard

#### 2. Parks Service Hub at Town Centre Park

- Storage for park maintenance equipment
- Staff touchdown space in Percy Perry Fieldhouse

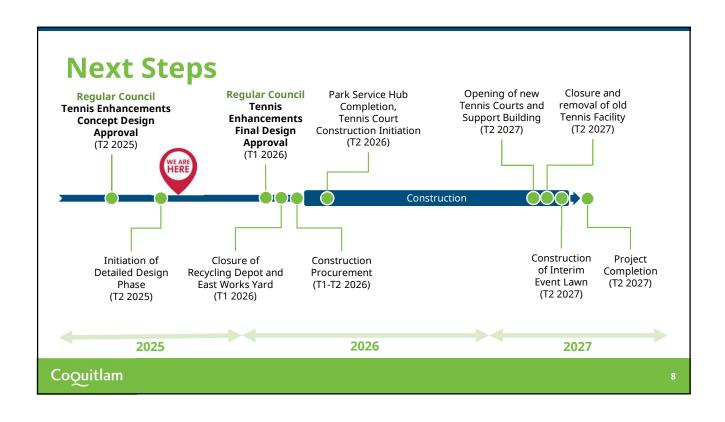
## 3. Removal of old tennis courts and installation of an interim lawn

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#### **Tennis Enhancements** Splash Pad **Concept Design** 1. Tennis courts Sport **Spectator Seating** . Court 3. Support Building 4. Accessible Parking Basketball Court 5. Park Service Hub at Town Trevor Wingrove Way Centre Park $\bigcirc$ $\bigcirc$ $\bigcirc$ $\bigcirc$ LANDSCAPE - CONCEPT

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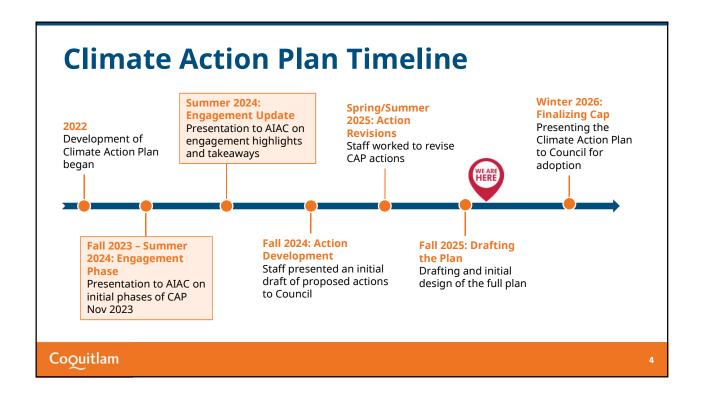
# **Purpose of Presentation**

We are engaging your committee to:

- **1. Provide an update** on the development of the Climate Action Plan.
- **2. Present an overview of actions that** align with the Accessibility and Inclusion Advisory Committee's priorities.
- **3. Gather your input** on how we can work together to ensure effective implementation of actions.









#### **What We Heard**

#### **MOTIVATORS** for climate action

- Positive impact on the environment and future generations
- Supporting community health, especially amoung senior citizens
- Improving cooling, comfort and safety during heat events (preventing heat related deaths)
- Seeing youth being passionate about climate action
- Seeing the City lead by example

#### **BARRIERS** to climate action

- Limited budget friendly consumer choices for sustainable goods and services
- Lack of support/awareness on access to climate action resources and rebates
- Language barrier and lack of understanding on climate action
- Lack of control for renters to adopt energy efficient retrofits
- Ease and efficiency of using a car in Coquitlam

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## **Climate Action Plan Structure**



**How We Move** 



**How We Build** 



How We Consume



How We Steward



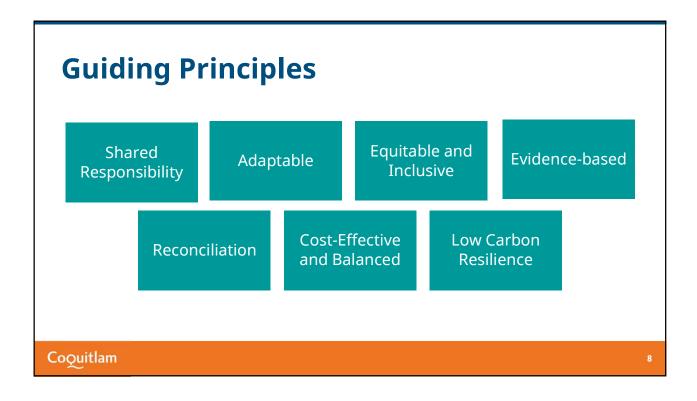
**How We Lead** 

**Strategies** 

**Actions** 

**Implementation and Monitoring** 

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## **Accessibility, Inclusion & Climate Action**

## The Climate Action Plan puts forward actions that support:

- 1) Improving accessible and affordable transit
- 2) Protecting vulnerable individuals from extreme weather events
- 3) Expanding programs to address energy affordability
- 4) Delivering easy-to-understand information to inform residents and businesses on how to take climate action within their sphere of influence



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## **Action Highlights**

| FOCUS<br>AREA   | ACTIONS   |  |
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| HOW WE<br>MOVE  | Advocate with other local jurisdictions to TransLink and the Province for increased funding for more accessible, reliable and affordable public transit and active transportation.  |  |
| HOW WE<br>BUILD | Explore ways to support and promote programs and initiatives that help protect vulnerable individuals from extreme weather events including initiatives that support access to cooled indoor spaces and cleaner air spaces, as well as incomequalified programming available through government and utility partners. |  |
|                 | Advocate to other levels of government, NGOs, and utility partners to expand programs that address energy affordability, and educate the public on initiatives that increase energy efficiency, lower heating bills and improve thermal comfort.  |  |

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## **Action Highlights**

| FOCUS<br>AREA     | ACTIONS   |  |
|-------------------|---|--|
| HOW WE<br>CONSUME | Explore Coquitlam's role in supporting and advocating for a more sustainable, equitable, and resilient food system.   |  |
| HOW WE<br>STEWARD | Identify opportunities to integrate climate-resilient planting, shading features, and landscaping into design and improvement projects to enhance cooling, storm water management and storm resilience. |  |

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## **Action Highlights**

| FOCUS<br>AREA  | ACTIONS  |
|----------------|--|
| HOW WE<br>LEAD | Develop and implement a climate action communication and education plan that highlights the City's progress and successes, provides access to easy-to-understand information, and fosters participation in climate action initiatives. |
|                | Work with partners to develop and implement awareness and outreach programs that inform residents and businesses about climate action opportunities within their sphere of influence.  |
|                | Explore ways to equip and empower youth to navigate projected climate impacts through training and increased youth participation in climate discussions and initiatives.   |
|                | Advocate to the Province for new and enhanced funding mechanisms and programs to support local climate action initiatives that prioritize equity-deserving groups.   |

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## **Discussion**

We'd like to get your input on implementation



## **Discussion Question 1**

**Action:** Support and promote programs and initiatives that help protect vulnerable individuals from extreme weather events.

## When it comes to heat or smoke events, how can we <u>best support access to cooled indoor spaces and cleaner air spaces</u>?

(For example, think about things like City facilities and community centers, information sharing or programming, building retrofits and other cooling solutions, and shared communal spaces)

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## **Discussion Question 2**

**Action:** Develop and implement awareness and outreach programs that inform residents and businesses about climate action opportunities within their sphere of influence.

## a) What types of <u>messages or narratives resonate most with you and the communities you're part of?</u>

(For example, connections between improving climate awareness and enhancing inclusion, resilience and preparedness, energy efficiency and cost savings, clean air and livability)

#### b) What methods of communication are most accessible and effective?

(For example, workshops, social media, translated materials, plain language, videos with captions, partnerships with trusted community organizations, or visual storytelling)

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## **Discussion Question 3**

Climate action takes collective effort and we want to make sure we're involving a wide range of communities across the City.

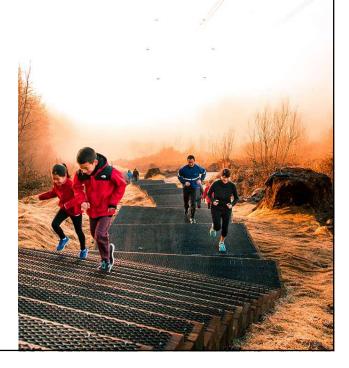
Are there any key partners, groups, or organizations we should seek out to help carry out these actions?

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## **Next Steps**

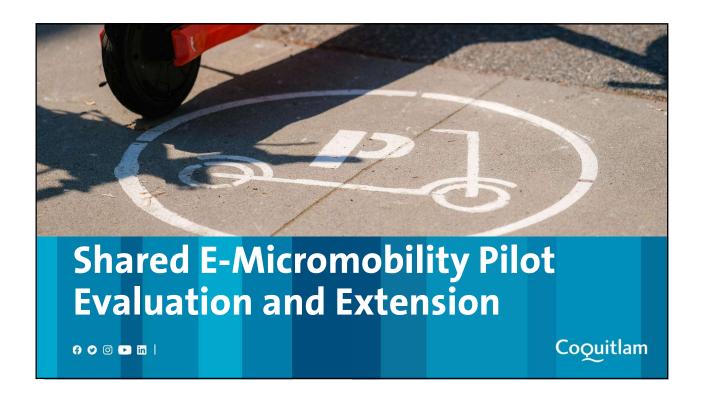
- 1. Incorporate today's discussion in implementation planning
- 2. Present draft plan to Council in Winter 2025
- 3. Work toward final adoption of the plan in early 2026



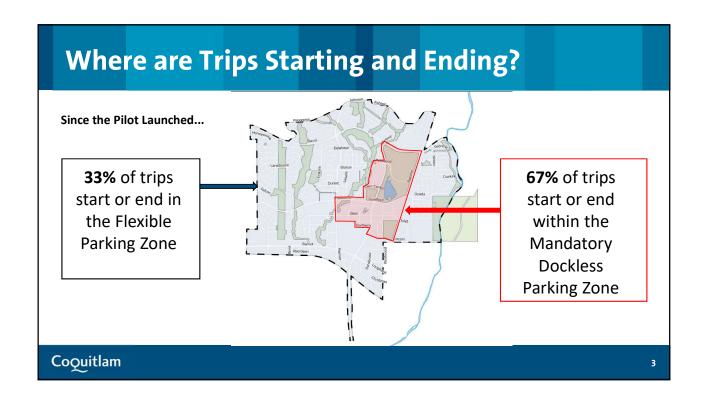




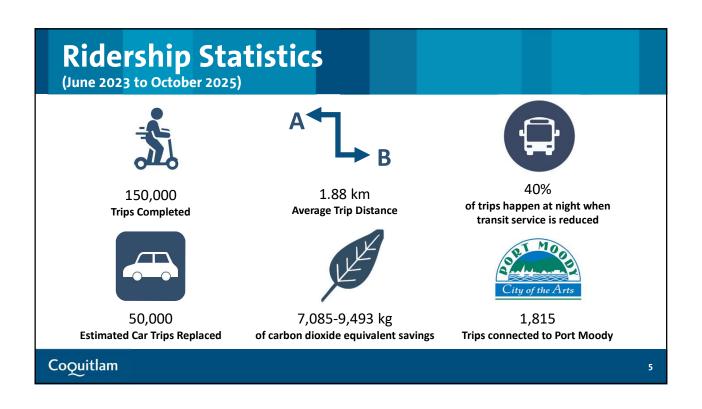


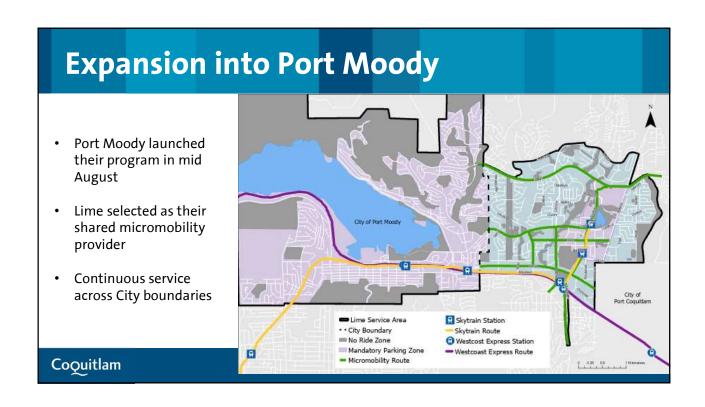


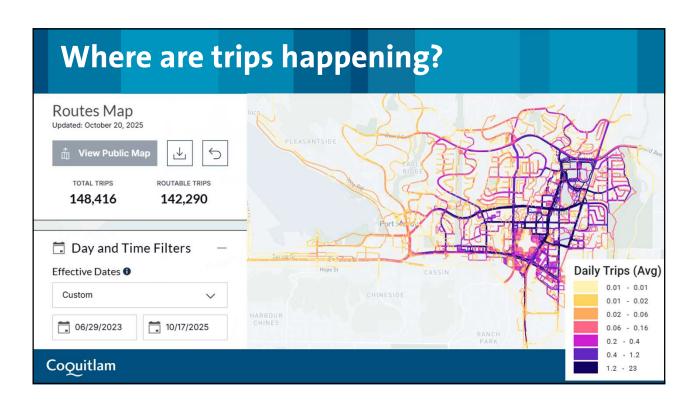














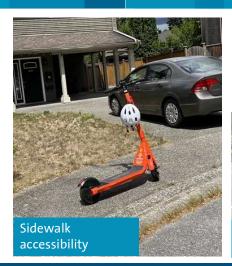
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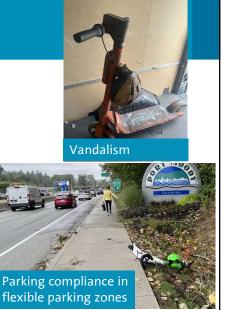
2023 - **89** 

2024 - **31** 

2025 **- 17** 

(from 12 individuals)





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## **Addressing Parking and Accessibility**

#### Solutions

- Right-sized fleet on August 6<sup>th</sup> 2024
- Increased parking options

#### **Outcomes:**

- Improved performance metrics
- Reduced station clutter
- · Increased rebalancing

| Devices                   | E-bikes | E-scooters | Total |
|---------------------------|---------|------------|-------|
| Deployed (2023)           | 45      | 355        | 400   |
| Deployed (July 2024)      | 80      | 370        | 450   |
| Deployed (August<br>2024) | 35      | 250        | 285   |
| Deployed (2025)           | 40      | 140        | 180   |







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# Addressing Behaviour with Community Safety and Education

In-person engagement, City Webpage and Social Media









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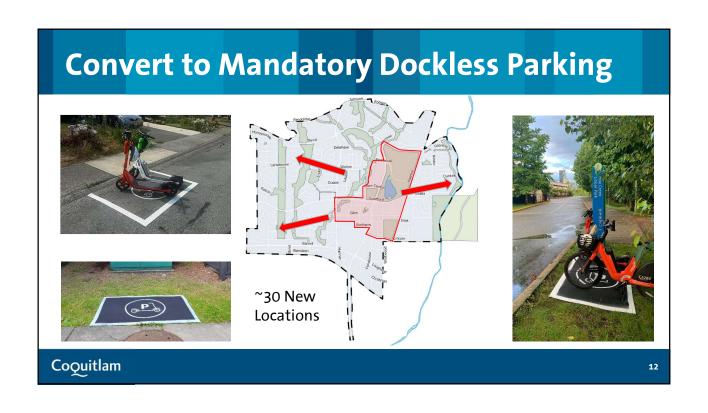
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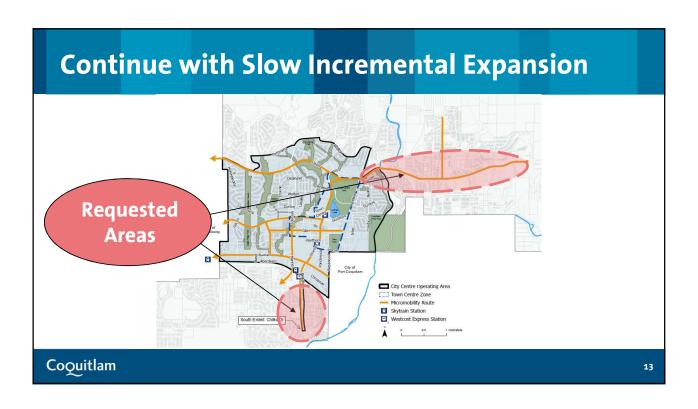
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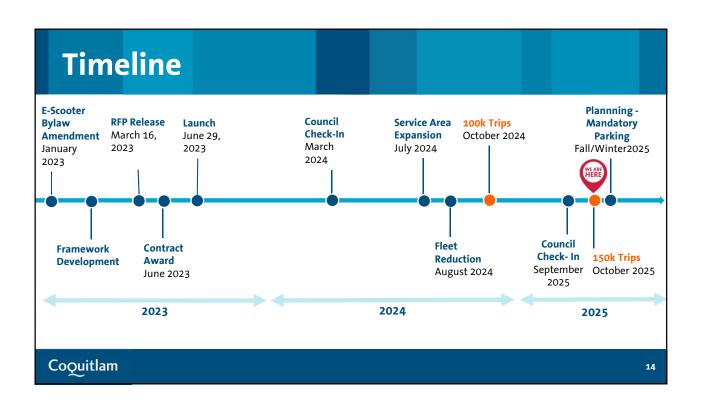
- Extended Lime as the service provider through April 5, 2027 with optional one-year extension up to April 5, 2028
- Implement Mandatory Dockless Parking Stations for shared devices throughout the entire service area
- Modest service area expansions following implementation of the mandatory parking stations.

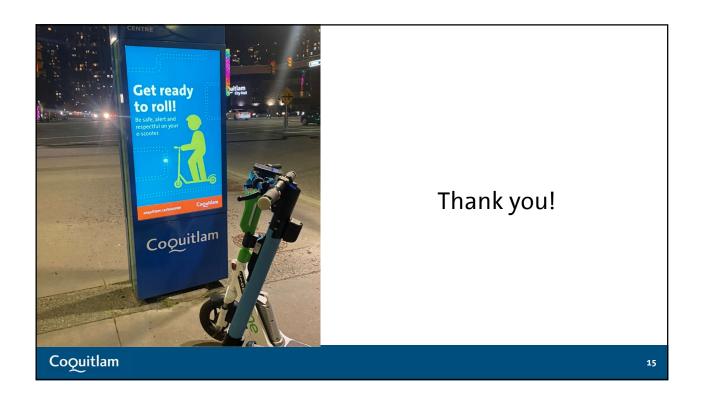


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| Date     | Topics   |
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| Feb 4    | <ul> <li>Orientation &amp; Work Plan Review</li> <li>Planning and Development Initiatives: Small-Scale Multi-Unit Housing<br/>Implementation, Transit-Oriented Areas Update</li> <li>Transportation updates: Upgrades to Guildford Way, Pipeline Road and Nelson<br/>Street</li> </ul> |
| Apr 1    | National AccessAbility Week Resource Fair  |
| Jun 3    | <ul> <li>Canada Day Accessibility Plan Engagement</li> <li>Canada Day and Coquitlam Pride booth planning</li> <li>Fraser Mills Phase 1 Parks Update</li> <li>Accessibility &amp; Inclusion Plan – Engagement Highlights</li> <li>Guildford Way Transportation Upgrades</li> </ul>      |
| Sep 2    | <ul> <li>Burke Mountain Community Centre and Burke Village Park Design</li> <li>Transportation Plan &amp; Micromobility Update</li> </ul>  |
| Nov 4    | <ul> <li>Town Centre Park Tennis Court Relocation</li> <li>Climate Action Plan Update</li> </ul>   |
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## **2025 AIAC Feedback**

- Which items were of most interest/relevance to you?
- Which items were of the least interest/relevance to you?
- Do you have any other comments or thoughts on your experience?

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# Are there any additional topics that should be considered for 2026?

## 2026 Work Plan Input

- Accessibility and Inclusion Plan Development Updates (Standing item)
- Transportation, Translink and Other Transportation Division Updates (Standing item)
- AccessAbility Week 2026
- Canada Day 2026
- Festivals and Events Strategy
- Road Safety Program
- Strategic Transportation Plan Update
- Burke Mountain Community Centre and Park Design
- Fraser Mills Community Centre and Parks Planning
- Glen Park Improvements / Renewal

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