

Schedule 1 to the Minutes of the  
Public Works and Transportation  
Committee meeting held on  
Wednesday, January 18, 2012.



# City of Richmond

**Memorandum**  
Planning and Development Department  
Transportation

**To:** Mayor and Councillors  
**From:** Victor Wei, P. Eng.  
Director, Transportation  
**Date:** January 10, 2012  
**File:** 01-0150-20-THIG1/2012-  
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**Re:** **MEETING WITH MINISTER OF TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE ON  
STEVESTON HIGHWAY-HIGHWAY 99 INTERCHANGE IMPROVEMENTS**

Mayor Brodie and staff met with Honourable Blair Lekstrom, Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure, and Ms. Linda Reid, MLA Richmond East, on January 10, 2012 to discuss the traffic safety and deficiency issues related to the Steveston Interchange/overpass at Highway 99. The purpose of the meeting was to gain ministerial support for carrying out technical investigation on feasible short-term improvements at the interchange to address the traffic issues prior to determining the long-term improvements for the George Massey Tunnel.

The background information on the Steveston Highway-Highway 99 Interchange and related traffic issues shared with the Minister and MLA Reid is attached.

The above information was well received by Minister Lekstrom. At the close of the meeting, he committed to directing his staff to work with City staff to study the Steveston Interchange with the objective of identifying the recommended improvements to address current traffic deficiencies. To this end, Ministry staff will contact City staff shortly to meet and discuss the next steps for developing a work program for the traffic study.

While understandably no initial financial commitment was made at the meeting by the Minister on funding the construction of the interchange improvements, his commitment on commencing the planning work is considered a significant step towards realizing early traffic improvements to the interchange in advance of the tunnel improvements.

I will continue to update Council on this work as it progresses. In the meantime, if you have any questions regarding this issue, please contact me.

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