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TransLink  
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Attention: Nancy Olewiler  
Chair, TransLink Board of Directors

Dear Ms. Olewiler:

Re: TaxiSaver Program

At its regular meeting held June 25, 2012, Richmond City Council unanimously endorsed the following resolution:

*That City Council demand that TransLink:*

- (1) maintain the TaxiSaver Program;*
- (2) conduct full consultation, particularly with the Richmond Seniors Advisory Committee and the Richmond Centre for Disability; and*
- (3) investigate enhancements to the HandyDart System and the TaxiSaver Program that meet the needs of the users, during the consultation period.*

Richmond City Council is extremely disappointed that the TransLink Board chose to eliminate the TaxiSaver Program, especially without any consultation with users of the Program. Richmond users of the service as well as Richmond-based organizations that represent seniors and people living with disabilities have all confirmed the merits of the TaxiSaver Program and their desire for its continuance.

We implore TransLink to not only reverse its decision but also to seek opportunities to enhance significantly both the HandyDart System and TaxiSaver Program following a comprehensive region-wide consultation process.

We look forward to receiving your advice that the TransLink Board has reconsidered its unilateral decisions and extended this important service.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Malcolm D. Brodie', written over a vertical line that extends down to the name below.

Malcolm D. Brodie  
*Mayor*

cc: Councillors  
Ian Jarvis, CEO, TransLink