

## **Comox Valley Regional Transit**

COMOX VALLEY REGIONAL DISTRICT COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE DECEMBER 10, 2019



## **Agenda & Overview**

- 1. Fare Review
  - BC Transit Fare Strategy & Current Fares
  - DayPASS-on-Board
  - Future of Fare Collection
  - Proposed Fare Options
- 2. Complimentary Youth Transit
- 3. Questions

## **BC** Transit Fare Strategy

#### Fare structure objectives:

- 1. Attractive to customers and encourages ridership
- 2. Marketable and is easy to produce and sell
- 3. Low costs of operation and debt service
- 4. Secure and hard to defraud

#### Comox Valley Transit Alignment Considerations

- Discount Monthly Pass Pricing
- Use of Transfers

Advanced Fare Collection Systems & DayPASS-on-Board

- Fare box replacement
- Account based
- Convenience
- Data





- Removal of transfers
- Purchase DayPASS on the bus
- Observed outcomes

## **Proposed Conventional Fare Options**

Product	Audience	Current		Current		Option 1		Option 2	
Cash	All	\$	2.00	\$	2.00	\$	2.00		
DayPASS	All	\$	4.00	\$	* 4.00	\$	* 4.00		
Tickets	All	\$	18.00	\$	18.00	\$	18.00		
Monthly Pass	Adult	\$	55.00	\$	55.00	\$	55.00		
	Senior/Student/Post-Secondary	\$	35.00	\$	35.00	\$	47.00		
Monthly Dual Pass	Adult	\$	60.00	\$	60.00	\$	60.00		
	Senior/Student/Post-Secondary	\$	40.00	\$	40.00	\$	51.00		
Semester Pass	Post-Secondary/Student **	\$	115.00	\$	115.00	\$	150.00		
	Dual Post-Secondary/Dual Student	\$	130.00	\$	130.00	\$	163.00		

*	DayPASS-on-Board	h
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<sup>\*\*</sup> Expansion of the Comox Valley semester pass audience is recommended

Quantitative Analysis	Option 1	Option 2				
Revenue						
Projected Conventional	+\$52,000	+\$91,000				
Annual Impact	(+7%)	(+12%)				
Ridership						
Projected Conventional	+51,000	+11,000				
Annual Impact	(8%)	(2%)				

## **Complimentary Fares Analysis for Youth**

- Primary Motivations for Complimentary Transit
  - Ridership/Environmental Sustainability
  - Affordability
- Same fare structure as Option 1
- Quality of Service
- Timeline considerations (TIPs, 18-24 months)

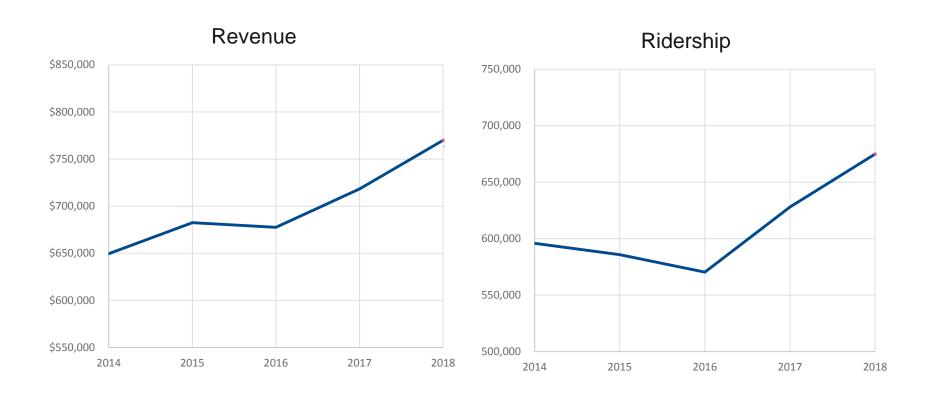
Net Impact (Foregone Revenue + Increased Costs) \$651,000 to \$865,000 annually



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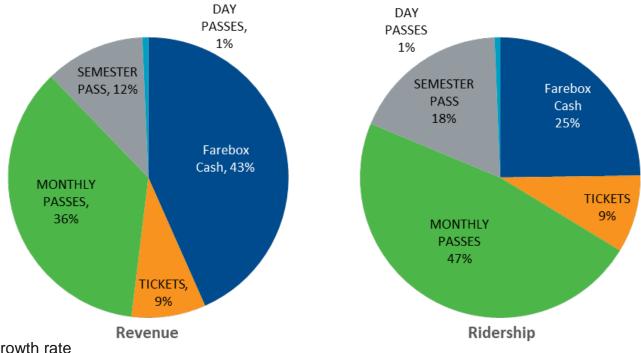
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# **Conventional Revenue & Ridership Trends**



#### 2018/2019 Conventional Performance

- Ridership: 674,908 (+3% 5 Year CAGR\*)
- Total Revenue: \$769,921 (+4% 5 Year CAGR\*)
- Revenue from prepaid\*\* fares: 57% (+5% from 5 years ago)



<sup>\*</sup>compound annual growth rate

<sup>\*\*</sup>excludes cash

