

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Tuesday, January 7, 2020 #20-01

For further information, contact:
Mayor Mike Morden at 604-463-5221
communications@mapleridge.ca

Official Ribbon Cutting for New RapidBus Service in Maple Ridge

Maple Ridge, BC: On Wednesday, January 8, TransLink officials and elected leaders from communities along the Lougheed Highway will take the new R3 RapidBus from Coquitlam Central Station to the Haney Place bus loop where they will be greeted by Maple Ridge Mayor Mike Morden and members of Council. The event will include a ribbon cutting ceremony with live music to celebrate the launch of the RapidBus service.

“I had the opportunity to ride the new R3 RapidBus line on Monday morning and met up with Mayor Dingwall and Mayor West, who boarded along the route as we made our way to the official launch event at the Coquitlam Central Station. My journey was well within the target 35 minute time from the Haney Place Transit loop to Coquitlam and we were all impressed at the comfort and features of the new buses,” said Mayor Morden.

He continued, “Council has made decisions in recognition of a potential high capacity transit corridor which we anticipate extending past the downtown, west into Albion and beyond to accommodate future growth. Maple Ridge has planned well and delivered significant density in the town centre to ensure we honour the regional transportation plan.”

“Council is focused on an economic, environmental and social balance with responsible development around transit corridors to leverage use of infrastructure, provide high density and generate affordable housing. In addition, our top priority is to create employment opportunities. This plan will ensure we do our part to reduce congestion and lower our carbon footprint to work towards building a great sustainable City,” concluded Mayor Morden.

Community members are invited to join the ribbon cutting event on Wednesday, January 8 and enjoy the activities at the Haney Place bus loop that will run from 3:20 to 5:00 pm.