

TRUEBLUE VANCOUVER

2026 FULL ELECTION PLATFORM

Take Back Our Vancouver

A detailed municipal program for safer streets, affordable living,
strong neighbourhoods and accountable government.

A Plan for Vancouver

Vancouver should be a city where families can afford to build a future, businesses can succeed, neighbourhoods are safe, public spaces are clean, and local government focuses on the services residents use every day.

This platform takes TrueBlue Vancouver's supplied policy commitments and presents them as a full election platform. The commitments themselves are preserved; the explanatory material sets out how those commitments fit into a coherent municipal program.

Our governing approach is based on fiscal discipline, public safety, treatment and recovery, neighbourhood input, practical transportation, reliable public services, equal treatment and transparent decision-making.

Ten Priorities

1. Affordable Homes & Strong Neighbourhoods
2. Lower Taxes & Responsible Spending
3. Safe Streets & Strong Policing
4. Treatment, Recovery & Mental Health
5. Better Roads, Parking & Transit
6. A City Where Business Can Thrive
7. Clean, Safe & Welcoming Public Spaces
8. Better Schools & Parental Involvement
9. Accountable & Transparent City Hall
10. Equal Treatment for Every Vancouverite

How We Would Govern

Core services first. Municipal government should concentrate resources on the responsibilities residents expect City Hall to perform well.

Measure results. Programs should have understandable goals, transparent costs and public reporting.

Respect taxpayers. New spending should be justified against existing priorities and the impact on households and businesses.

Local voice. Major changes to neighbourhoods, transportation and public spaces should include meaningful public engagement.

Practical implementation. Where an issue crosses jurisdictions, the City should identify what it can do directly and what requires cooperation or advocacy.

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01 Climate Change, Heat, & Fires

TrueBlue Vancouver's approach to climate change, heat, & fires is organized around the following commitments.

- Energy-Efficient Buildings
- Flooding
- Green Space
- Private Vehicles & Parking
- Urban Heat
- Walking & Cycling
- Zoning

POLICY 01

Energy-Efficient Buildings

OUR COMMITMENT

Repeal costly municipal green building mandates, complex retrofits, and gas-stove bans that drive up housing and construction costs for local families.

Streamline the Vancouver Building By-law to allow builders and homeowners to choose the most cost-effective heating, cooling, and energy sources available without forced civic mandates.

WHAT THIS MEANS

- Review municipal rules and approval processes for unnecessary cost, duplication and delay while retaining essential safety requirements.
- Connect development decisions to infrastructure, affordability, transparent rules and meaningful neighbourhood input.
- Report progress publicly and adjust implementation when evidence shows the approach is not producing the intended result.

IMPLEMENTATION

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POLICY 02

Flooding

OUR COMMITMENT

Focus tax dollars on essential drainage, dike maintenance, and seawall repairs rather than activist environmental projects.

Direct engineering resources to upgrade storm sewers, clear drainage pathways, and reinforce coastal defenses to protect private property, homes, and local businesses from storm surges and heavy rainfall.

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POLICY 03

Green Space

OUR COMMITMENT

Clean up municipal parks and green spaces by enforcing public space bylaws and clearing dangerous encampments.

Maintain park tree canopies and green spaces for neighborhood recreation, family use, and local aesthetics while ensuring park spaces remain safe, clean, and free of illegal open-air drug use or encampments.

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- Prioritize maintenance, cleanliness, safety and reliable access to shared civic facilities and public spaces.
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POLICY 04

Private Vehicles & Parking

OUR COMMITMENT

Defend driver choice, end road-pricing proposals, and preserve accessible neighborhood parking for local shoppers and workers.

Oppose municipal mobility pricing/congestion taxes, eliminate paid parking expansion in residential neighborhoods, and ensure road designs do not deliberately create artificial traffic jams.

Protect road capacity and street parking. Oppose policies designed to deliberately make driving more difficult or expensive.

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POLICY 05

Urban Heat

OUR COMMITMENT

Maintain community center cooling infrastructure and urban trees through practical municipal budgeting.

Keep civic pools, community centers, and ice rinks fully functional and accessible during summer heat waves without imposing heat-related regulations or taxes on private property owners.

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POLICY 06

Walking & Cycling

OUR COMMITMENT

Audit existing bike lane infrastructure to restore traffic flow and protect parking for small businesses.

Ensure pedestrian sidewalks are safe and well-maintained while halting the removal of core vehicle lanes or parking spaces for underutilized cycling routes on major commercial strips.

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Zoning

OUR COMMITMENT

Enforce total local sovereignty over zoning decisions and reject provincial blanket-densification mandates.

Protect single-family and low-density neighborhoods by giving locals binding input on development proposals, ensuring infrastructure exists before adding density, and cutting municipal permit delays.

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02 Housing & Homelessness

TrueBlue Vancouver's approach to housing & homelessness is organized around the following commitments.

- Affordability
- Building Maintenance & Occupant Health
- Homelessness
- Housing Accessibility
- Indigenous-Led Housing
- Property Taxes
- Public & Assistive Housing
- Rent & Rental Stock
- The Villages Plan
- Zoning

POLICY 08

Affordability

OUR COMMITMENT

Reduce municipal fees, permitting delays, and unnecessary regulations that increase the cost of building homes. Fast-track permits that meet existing rules and encourage private-sector housing construction.

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POLICY 09

Building Maintenance & Occupant Health

OUR COMMITMENT

Enforce basic health, fire, and building-safety standards while cutting unnecessary red tape for responsible property owners. Focus enforcement on genuinely unsafe buildings.

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POLICY 10

Homelessness

OUR COMMITMENT

Keep sidewalks, parks, and public spaces usable for everyone. Pair firm enforcement against permanent encampments with shelter, treatment, recovery, and transitional-housing options.

WHAT THIS MEANS

- Use municipal partnerships and advocacy to expand treatment, recovery, crisis care and pathways toward stability.
- Judge transportation changes by safety, traffic flow, access, parking impacts, cost and demonstrated use.
- Prioritize maintenance, cleanliness, safety and reliable access to shared civic facilities and public spaces.

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POLICY 11

Housing Accessibility

OUR COMMITMENT

Streamline permits for accessibility upgrades, secondary suites, seniors' housing, and projects designed for residents with disabilities. Reduce unnecessary approval delays.

WHAT THIS MEANS

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POLICY 12

Indigenous-Led Housing

OUR COMMITMENT

Apply the same transparent development and housing rules to projects regardless of race, ancestry or identity.

WHAT THIS MEANS

- Set clear objectives, publish understandable information and evaluate whether spending and programs are delivering results.
- Keep school policy focused on student safety, learning, practical supports, transparency and accountability to parents and voters.
- Connect development decisions to infrastructure, affordability, transparent rules and meaningful neighbourhood input.

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POLICY 13

Property Taxes

OUR COMMITMENT

Restrain property-tax increases, conduct a citywide spending review, cut waste and bureaucracy, and protect homeowners, renters, seniors, and small businesses from continually rising municipal costs.

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POLICY 14

Public & Assistive Housing

OUR COMMITMENT

Prioritize temporary and supportive housing for people genuinely in need while emphasizing treatment, employment, recovery, and pathways toward independent housing wherever possible.

WHAT THIS MEANS

- Use municipal partnerships and advocacy to expand treatment, recovery, crisis care and pathways toward stability.
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POLICY 15

Rent & Rental Stock

OUR COMMITMENT

Make it faster and cheaper for private builders and property owners to create legal rental units. Encourage secondary suites and purpose-built rentals while protecting the rights of both tenants and landlords.

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POLICY 16

The Villages Plan

OUR COMMITMENT

Strongly oppose the Villages Plan and its sweeping density changes. Protect established neighbourhoods, parking, infrastructure, and local decision-making from top-down planning.

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POLICY 17

Zoning

OUR COMMITMENT

Enforce total local sovereignty over zoning decisions and reject provincial blanket-densification mandates.

Protect single-family and low-density neighborhoods by giving locals binding input on development proposals, ensuring infrastructure exists before adding density, and cutting municipal permit delays.

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03 Human Rights

TrueBlue Vancouver's approach to human rights is organized around the following commitments.

- Physical Accessibility
- Recent Immigrants
- Sex Work
- Trans Rights & Access to Public Services

POLICY 18

Physical Accessibility

OUR COMMITMENT

Improve practical accessibility in sidewalks, public buildings, parks, transit connections, and other city services for people with disabilities.

WHAT THIS MEANS

- Judge transportation changes by safety, traffic flow, access, parking impacts, cost and demonstrated use.
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POLICY 19

Recent Immigrants

OUR COMMITMENT

Prioritize existing residents for housing and public services. Push senior governments to reduce immigration when population growth exceeds housing, healthcare, infrastructure, and community capacity.

WHAT THIS MEANS

- Connect development decisions to infrastructure, affordability, transparent rules and meaningful neighbourhood input.
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POLICY 20

Sex Work

OUR COMMITMENT

Work with police and community organizations to combat trafficking, exploitation, coercion, and organized crime while connecting vulnerable people with support services.

WHAT THIS MEANS

- Coordinate enforcement and appropriate community services so serious crime and public-safety risks receive an effective response.
- Judge transportation changes by safety, traffic flow, access, parking impacts, cost and demonstrated use.
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POLICY 21

Trans Rights & Access to Public Services

OUR COMMITMENT

Keep male and female sports separate. Protect sex based privacy in public washrooms, changing rooms, locker rooms, shelters and other intimate spaces.

WHAT THIS MEANS

- Prioritize maintenance, cleanliness, safety and reliable access to shared civic facilities and public spaces.
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04 Local Government & Democracy

TrueBlue Vancouver's approach to local government & democracy is organized around the following commitments.

- Budgeting
- Good Governance
- Public Engagement
- Youth Engagement

POLICY 22

Budgeting

OUR COMMITMENT

Audit City spending, cut wasteful programs and bureaucracy, control taxes and focus taxpayer dollars on core municipal services.

WHAT THIS MEANS

- Set clear objectives, publish understandable information and evaluate whether spending and programs are delivering results.
- Report progress publicly and adjust implementation when evidence shows the approach is not producing the intended result.

IMPLEMENTATION

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POLICY 23

Good Governance

OUR COMMITMENT

Increase transparency, publish clear spending information and hold elected officials and City departments accountable for results.

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- Set clear objectives, publish understandable information and evaluate whether spending and programs are delivering results.
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POLICY 24

Public Engagement

OUR COMMITMENT

Give residents a stronger voice before major decisions on development, taxes, transportation and neighbourhood planning are made.

WHAT THIS MEANS

- Connect development decisions to infrastructure, affordability, transparent rules and meaningful neighbourhood input.
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POLICY 25

Youth Engagement

OUR COMMITMENT

Create meaningful opportunities for young Vancouverites to speak directly to decision makers and participate in civic affairs.

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05 Mental Health, Drugs, & Addiction

TrueBlue Vancouver's approach to mental health, drugs, & addiction is organized around the following commitments.

- Mental Health Crisis Response
- Mental Health in Schools
- Overdoses & the Contaminated Drug Supply
- Treatment for Addiction

POLICY 26

Mental Health Crisis Response

OUR COMMITMENT

Expand crisis response and connect people in serious mental health crises with appropriate treatment, care and support instead of leaving them on the streets.

WHAT THIS MEANS

- Use municipal partnerships and advocacy to expand treatment, recovery, crisis care and pathways toward stability.
- Report progress publicly and adjust implementation when evidence shows the approach is not producing the intended result.

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POLICY 27

Mental Health in Schools

OUR COMMITMENT

Focus school mental health resources on practical counselling and student wellbeing while keeping parents informed and involved.

WHAT THIS MEANS

- Use municipal partnerships and advocacy to expand treatment, recovery, crisis care and pathways toward stability.
- Keep school policy focused on student safety, learning, practical supports, transparency and accountability to parents and voters.
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POLICY 28

Overdoses & the Contaminated Drug Supply

OUR COMMITMENT

Oppose the normalization of hard drug use. Focus City resources on prevention, treatment, recovery and enforcement against traffickers and dealers.

WHAT THIS MEANS

- Coordinate enforcement and appropriate community services so serious crime and public-safety risks receive an effective response.
- Use municipal partnerships and advocacy to expand treatment, recovery, crisis care and pathways toward stability.
- Judge transportation changes by safety, traffic flow, access, parking impacts, cost and demonstrated use.

IMPLEMENTATION

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POLICY 29

Treatment for Addiction

OUR COMMITMENT

Expand access to detox, treatment and long term recovery programs. Prioritize helping people become drug free and rebuild independent lives.

WHAT THIS MEANS

- Use municipal partnerships and advocacy to expand treatment, recovery, crisis care and pathways toward stability.
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06 Public Safety & Policing

TrueBlue Vancouver's approach to public safety & policing is organized around the following commitments.

- Non-Police-Based Public Safety
- Police Funding
- Police Wrongdoing & Accountability
- Police in Schools
- Upstream Causes of Crime

POLICY 30

Non-Police-Based Public Safety

OUR COMMITMENT

Use community services for appropriate non-criminal issues, but never replace police when public safety, violence, crime or serious disorder is involved.

WHAT THIS MEANS

- Coordinate enforcement and appropriate community services so serious crime and public-safety risks receive an effective response.
- Report progress publicly and adjust implementation when evidence shows the approach is not producing the intended result.

IMPLEMENTATION

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POLICY 31

Police Funding

OUR COMMITMENT

Reject defund the police rhetoric. Maintain strong police funding and ensure officers have the staffing, training and resources needed to keep Vancouver safe.

WHAT THIS MEANS

- Coordinate enforcement and appropriate community services so serious crime and public-safety risks receive an effective response.
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POLICY 32

Police Wrongdoing & Accountability

OUR COMMITMENT

Support officers who serve lawfully and professionally while ensuring credible allegations of serious misconduct are independently investigated.

WHAT THIS MEANS

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POLICY 33

Police in Schools

OUR COMMITMENT

Support police liaison programs in Vancouver schools to improve safety, build relationships and respond to violence, gangs, weapons and serious threats.

WHAT THIS MEANS

- Coordinate enforcement and appropriate community services so serious crime and public-safety risks receive an effective response.
- Keep school policy focused on student safety, learning, practical supports, transparency and accountability to parents and voters.
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Upstream Causes of Crime

OUR COMMITMENT

Address addiction, homelessness and youth crime through treatment, prevention and intervention while maintaining consequences for serious and repeat offenders.

WHAT THIS MEANS

- Coordinate enforcement and appropriate community services so serious crime and public-safety risks receive an effective response.
- Use municipal partnerships and advocacy to expand treatment, recovery, crisis care and pathways toward stability.
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07 Public Spaces & Services

TrueBlue Vancouver's approach to public spaces & services is organized around the following commitments.

- Fitness & Sports Facilities
- Green Space
- Public Washrooms
- Sidewalks & Bike Paths
- Zoning

POLICY 35

Fitness & Sports Facilities

OUR COMMITMENT

Maintain safe, clean and affordable pools, rinks, fields, gyms and community centres. Prioritize core recreation services and youth sports.

WHAT THIS MEANS

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POLICY 36

Green Space

OUR COMMITMENT

Clean up municipal parks and green spaces by enforcing public space bylaws and clearing dangerous encampments.

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POLICY 37

Public Washrooms

OUR COMMITMENT

Improve cleanliness and safety while also maintaining sex based male and female facilities.

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POLICY 38

Sidewalks & Bike Paths

OUR COMMITMENT

Maintain safe sidewalks and audit existing bike lanes. Redesign or remove lanes that unnecessarily worsen traffic or eliminate needed parking.

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Zoning

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Protect single-family and low-density neighborhoods by giving locals binding input on development proposals, ensuring infrastructure exists before adding density, and cutting municipal permit delays.

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08 Reconciliation & Indigenous Nations

TrueBlue Vancouver's approach to reconciliation & indigenous nations is organized around the following commitments.

- Indigenous Languages
- Indigenous Schooling
- Indigenous-Led Housing
- Land Title & Governance
- Place Names & Commemorations
- Residential Schools
- Additional Policy

POLICY 40

Indigenous Languages

OUR COMMITMENT

Keep English as the standard language for official City services, signage, street names and place names.

WHAT THIS MEANS

- Use the City's lawful powers, budgeting choices, service standards and advocacy to advance this commitment.
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POLICY 41

Indigenous Schooling

OUR COMMITMENT

Teach accurate Canadian and Indigenous history. End mandatory land acknowledgements and reject collective guilt.

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POLICY 42

Indigenous-Led Housing

OUR COMMITMENT

Apply the same transparent development and housing rules to projects regardless of race, ancestry or identity.

WHAT THIS MEANS

- Set clear objectives, publish understandable information and evaluate whether spending and programs are delivering results.
- Keep school policy focused on student safety, learning, practical supports, transparency and accountability to parents and voters.
- Connect development decisions to infrastructure, affordability, transparent rules and meaningful neighbourhood input.

IMPLEMENTATION

- Identify the municipal authority responsible and any partner government or agency required.
- Assess cost and operational impact before implementation.
- Use measurable service or policy objectives wherever practical.
- Publish outcomes so residents can evaluate performance.

POLICY 43

Land Title & Governance

OUR COMMITMENT

Protect private property and democratic local government. Oppose voluntary City transfers of land, assets or control based on ancestry or historical claims.

WHAT THIS MEANS

- Use the City's lawful powers, budgeting choices, service standards and advocacy to advance this commitment.
- Report progress publicly and adjust implementation when evidence shows the approach is not producing the intended result.

IMPLEMENTATION

- Identify the municipal authority responsible and any partner government or agency required.
- Assess cost and operational impact before implementation.
- Use measurable service or policy objectives wherever practical.
- Publish outcomes so residents can evaluate performance.

POLICY 44

Place Names & Commemorations

OUR COMMITMENT

Oppose ideological renaming of established streets and places. End mandatory land acknowledgements and maintain Vancouver's civic and Canadian symbols.

WHAT THIS MEANS

- Use the City's lawful powers, budgeting choices, service standards and advocacy to advance this commitment.
- Report progress publicly and adjust implementation when evidence shows the approach is not producing the intended result.

IMPLEMENTATION

- Identify the municipal authority responsible and any partner government or agency required.
- Assess cost and operational impact before implementation.
- Use measurable service or policy objectives wherever practical.
- Publish outcomes so residents can evaluate performance.

POLICY 45

Residential Schools

OUR COMMITMENT

Teach residential school history accurately. Require evidence for claims about proposed burial sites and distinguish suspected or radar identified sites from confirmed human remains.

WHAT THIS MEANS

- Keep school policy focused on student safety, learning, practical supports, transparency and accountability to parents and voters.
- Report progress publicly and adjust implementation when evidence shows the approach is not producing the intended result.

IMPLEMENTATION

- Identify the municipal authority responsible and any partner government or agency required.
- Assess cost and operational impact before implementation.
- Use measurable service or policy objectives wherever practical.
- Publish outcomes so residents can evaluate performance.

Additional Policy

OUR COMMITMENT

Reject race based governance and reconciliation policies that divide residents by ancestry. Defend equal citizenship, property rights and democratic government.

WHAT THIS MEANS

- Use the City's lawful powers, budgeting choices, service standards and advocacy to advance this commitment.
- Report progress publicly and adjust implementation when evidence shows the approach is not producing the intended result.

IMPLEMENTATION

- Identify the municipal authority responsible and any partner government or agency required.
- Assess cost and operational impact before implementation.
- Use measurable service or policy objectives wherever practical.
- Publish outcomes so residents can evaluate performance.

09 Schools & Public Education

TrueBlue Vancouver's approach to schools & public education is organized around the following commitments.

- Bullying & Bigotry
- Indigenous Schooling
- Media Literacy & Critical Thinking
- Neurodivergent Students & Support
- Police in Schools
- Student Involvement & Engagement

POLICY 47

Bullying & Bigotry

OUR COMMITMENT

Enforce strong rules against bullying, threats and harassment. Apply the same standards fairly to every student.

WHAT THIS MEANS

- Keep school policy focused on student safety, learning, practical supports, transparency and accountability to parents and voters.
- Report progress publicly and adjust implementation when evidence shows the approach is not producing the intended result.

IMPLEMENTATION

- Identify the municipal authority responsible and any partner government or agency required.
- Assess cost and operational impact before implementation.
- Use measurable service or policy objectives wherever practical.
- Publish outcomes so residents can evaluate performance.

POLICY 48

Indigenous Schooling

OUR COMMITMENT

Teach accurate Canadian and Indigenous history. End mandatory land acknowledgements and reject collective guilt.

WHAT THIS MEANS

- Use the City's lawful powers, budgeting choices, service standards and advocacy to advance this commitment.
- Report progress publicly and adjust implementation when evidence shows the approach is not producing the intended result.

IMPLEMENTATION

- Identify the municipal authority responsible and any partner government or agency required.
- Assess cost and operational impact before implementation.
- Use measurable service or policy objectives wherever practical.
- Publish outcomes so residents can evaluate performance.

POLICY 49

Media Literacy & Critical Thinking

OUR COMMITMENT

Teach students to question sources, examine evidence, recognize misinformation and debate different viewpoints respectfully.

WHAT THIS MEANS

- Keep school policy focused on student safety, learning, practical supports, transparency and accountability to parents and voters.
- Report progress publicly and adjust implementation when evidence shows the approach is not producing the intended result.

IMPLEMENTATION

- Identify the municipal authority responsible and any partner government or agency required.
- Assess cost and operational impact before implementation.
- Use measurable service or policy objectives wherever practical.
- Publish outcomes so residents can evaluate performance.

POLICY 50

Neurodivergent Students & Support

OUR COMMITMENT

Provide practical classroom supports and learning accommodations based on each student's individual educational needs.

WHAT THIS MEANS

- Keep school policy focused on student safety, learning, practical supports, transparency and accountability to parents and voters.
- Report progress publicly and adjust implementation when evidence shows the approach is not producing the intended result.

IMPLEMENTATION

- Identify the municipal authority responsible and any partner government or agency required.
- Assess cost and operational impact before implementation.
- Use measurable service or policy objectives wherever practical.
- Publish outcomes so residents can evaluate performance.

POLICY 51

Police in Schools

OUR COMMITMENT

Support police liaison programs in Vancouver schools to improve safety, build relationships and respond to violence, gangs, weapons and serious threats.

WHAT THIS MEANS

- Coordinate enforcement and appropriate community services so serious crime and public-safety risks receive an effective response.
- Keep school policy focused on student safety, learning, practical supports, transparency and accountability to parents and voters.
- Report progress publicly and adjust implementation when evidence shows the approach is not producing the intended result.

IMPLEMENTATION

- Identify the municipal authority responsible and any partner government or agency required.
- Assess cost and operational impact before implementation.
- Use measurable service or policy objectives wherever practical.
- Publish outcomes so residents can evaluate performance.

POLICY 52

Student Involvement & Engagement

OUR COMMITMENT

Give students meaningful opportunities to provide input on school issues while keeping elected trustees accountable to parents and voters.

WHAT THIS MEANS

- Set clear objectives, publish understandable information and evaluate whether spending and programs are delivering results.
- Keep school policy focused on student safety, learning, practical supports, transparency and accountability to parents and voters.
- Report progress publicly and adjust implementation when evidence shows the approach is not producing the intended result.

IMPLEMENTATION

- Identify the municipal authority responsible and any partner government or agency required.
- Assess cost and operational impact before implementation.
- Use measurable service or policy objectives wherever practical.
- Publish outcomes so residents can evaluate performance.

10 Transit & Getting Around

TrueBlue Vancouver's approach to transit & getting around is organized around the following commitments.

- Private Vehicles & Parking
- Sidewalks & Bike Paths
- Transit Projects
- Walking & Cycling
- Additional Policy

POLICY 53

Private Vehicles & Parking

OUR COMMITMENT

Defend driver choice, end road-pricing proposals, and preserve accessible neighborhood parking for local shoppers and workers.

Oppose municipal mobility pricing/congestion taxes, eliminate paid parking expansion in residential neighborhoods, and ensure road designs do not deliberately create artificial traffic jams.

Protect road capacity and street parking. Oppose policies designed to deliberately make driving more difficult or expensive.

WHAT THIS MEANS

- Judge transportation changes by safety, traffic flow, access, parking impacts, cost and demonstrated use.
- Prioritize maintenance, cleanliness, safety and reliable access to shared civic facilities and public spaces.
- Report progress publicly and adjust implementation when evidence shows the approach is not producing the intended result.

IMPLEMENTATION

- Identify the municipal authority responsible and any partner government or agency required.
- Assess cost and operational impact before implementation.
- Use measurable service or policy objectives wherever practical.
- Publish outcomes so residents can evaluate performance.

POLICY 54

Sidewalks & Bike Paths

OUR COMMITMENT

Maintain safe sidewalks and audit existing bike lanes. Redesign or remove lanes that unnecessarily worsen traffic or eliminate needed parking.

WHAT THIS MEANS

- Set clear objectives, publish understandable information and evaluate whether spending and programs are delivering results.
- Judge transportation changes by safety, traffic flow, access, parking impacts, cost and demonstrated use.
- Prioritize maintenance, cleanliness, safety and reliable access to shared civic facilities and public spaces.

IMPLEMENTATION

- Identify the municipal authority responsible and any partner government or agency required.
- Assess cost and operational impact before implementation.
- Use measurable service or policy objectives wherever practical.
- Publish outcomes so residents can evaluate performance.

POLICY 55

Transit Projects

OUR COMMITMENT

Support transit improvements based on ridership, affordability and measurable need. Demand transparent costs before supporting major projects.

WHAT THIS MEANS

- Set clear objectives, publish understandable information and evaluate whether spending and programs are delivering results.
- Judge transportation changes by safety, traffic flow, access, parking impacts, cost and demonstrated use.
- Keep school policy focused on student safety, learning, practical supports, transparency and accountability to parents and voters.

IMPLEMENTATION

- Identify the municipal authority responsible and any partner government or agency required.
- Assess cost and operational impact before implementation.
- Use measurable service or policy objectives wherever practical.
- Publish outcomes so residents can evaluate performance.

POLICY 56

Walking & Cycling

OUR COMMITMENT

Audit existing bike lane infrastructure to restore traffic flow and protect parking for small businesses. Ensure pedestrian sidewalks are safe and well-maintained while halting the removal of core vehicle lanes or parking spaces for underutilized cycling routes on major commercial strips.

WHAT THIS MEANS

- Set clear objectives, publish understandable information and evaluate whether spending and programs are delivering results.
- Judge transportation changes by safety, traffic flow, access, parking impacts, cost and demonstrated use.
- Prioritize maintenance, cleanliness, safety and reliable access to shared civic facilities and public spaces.

IMPLEMENTATION

- Identify the municipal authority responsible and any partner government or agency required.
- Assess cost and operational impact before implementation.
- Use measurable service or policy objectives wherever practical.
- Publish outcomes so residents can evaluate performance.

Additional Policy

OUR COMMITMENT

Reject ideological transportation policies that deliberately restrict drivers. Balance cars, transit, cycling and walking based on practical needs.

WHAT THIS MEANS

- Judge transportation changes by safety, traffic flow, access, parking impacts, cost and demonstrated use.
- Report progress publicly and adjust implementation when evidence shows the approach is not producing the intended result.

IMPLEMENTATION

- Identify the municipal authority responsible and any partner government or agency required.
- Assess cost and operational impact before implementation.
- Use measurable service or policy objectives wherever practical.
- Publish outcomes so residents can evaluate performance.

11 Misc. topics

TrueBlue Vancouver's approach to misc. topics is organized around the following commitments.

- PROTECT FREE EXPRESSION
- CANADIANS AND VANCOUVERITES FIRST
- SUPPORT SMALL BUSINESSES
- END IDEOLOGICAL CITY POLITICS

POLICY 58

PROTECT FREE EXPRESSION

OUR COMMITMENT

Defend lawful speech, peaceful protest and open debate in Vancouver's public and civic spaces.

WHAT THIS MEANS

- Use the City's lawful powers, budgeting choices, service standards and advocacy to advance this commitment.
- Report progress publicly and adjust implementation when evidence shows the approach is not producing the intended result.

IMPLEMENTATION

- Identify the municipal authority responsible and any partner government or agency required.
- Assess cost and operational impact before implementation.
- Use measurable service or policy objectives wherever practical.
- Publish outcomes so residents can evaluate performance.

POLICY 59

CANADIANS AND VANCOUVERITES FIRST

OUR COMMITMENT

Put the needs of existing residents first when making decisions about City spending, services and infrastructure.

WHAT THIS MEANS

- Use the City's lawful powers, budgeting choices, service standards and advocacy to advance this commitment.
- Report progress publicly and adjust implementation when evidence shows the approach is not producing the intended result.

IMPLEMENTATION

- Identify the municipal authority responsible and any partner government or agency required.
- Assess cost and operational impact before implementation.
- Use measurable service or policy objectives wherever practical.
- Publish outcomes so residents can evaluate performance.

POLICY 60

SUPPORT SMALL BUSINESSES

OUR COMMITMENT

Cut unnecessary red tape, protect commercial parking and make Vancouver easier and less expensive for local businesses.

WHAT THIS MEANS

- Review municipal rules and approval processes for unnecessary cost, duplication and delay while retaining essential safety requirements.
- Judge transportation changes by safety, traffic flow, access, parking impacts, cost and demonstrated use.
- Prioritize maintenance, cleanliness, safety and reliable access to shared civic facilities and public spaces.

IMPLEMENTATION

- Identify the municipal authority responsible and any partner government or agency required.
- Assess cost and operational impact before implementation.
- Use measurable service or policy objectives wherever practical.
- Publish outcomes so residents can evaluate performance.

POLICY 61

END IDEOLOGICAL CITY POLITICS

OUR COMMITMENT

Focus City Hall on core municipal services instead of political activism and ideological campaigns.

WHAT THIS MEANS

- Use the City's lawful powers, budgeting choices, service standards and advocacy to advance this commitment.
- Report progress publicly and adjust implementation when evidence shows the approach is not producing the intended result.

IMPLEMENTATION

- Identify the municipal authority responsible and any partner government or agency required.
- Assess cost and operational impact before implementation.
- Use measurable service or policy objectives wherever practical.
- Publish outcomes so residents can evaluate performance.

The Choice for Vancouver

This platform asks voters to judge TrueBlue Vancouver on specific commitments: safer public spaces, disciplined spending, lower barriers to housing and business, practical transportation, stronger accountability and a City Hall focused on core municipal responsibilities.

Our candidates would use these commitments as the basis for budgets, motions, votes, public advocacy and oversight throughout the term.

Vancouver can be safer, more affordable, better maintained and more accountable. That is the standard this platform sets.

TAKE BACK OUR VANCOUVER
