

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: I understand urgency for building projects related to the Olympics but that urgency must be tempered by the fact that whatever is built will affect the community long after the Olympics are over and will also disrupt the community in the building process. The Gondola project - as well as other Olympic earmarked projects - needs to at a minimum have local leaders for the area impacted informed, with clear and thoughtful understanding of timelines, reasonable costs, contingencies for cost-overruns, and viable alternatives explored before moving ahead. Chinatown is a vibrant interconnected community that needs to have city leadership and other local leaders weigh in to a project - such as the Gondola - that will impact everyone in the area. There needs to be appropriate impact statements and cost/benefit analysis as there should be for any major project in the area. If the METRO system could use maybe 20% of the designated \$500M for the Gondola to instead buy low-emission/electric transportation vehicles, it would seem more beneficial.