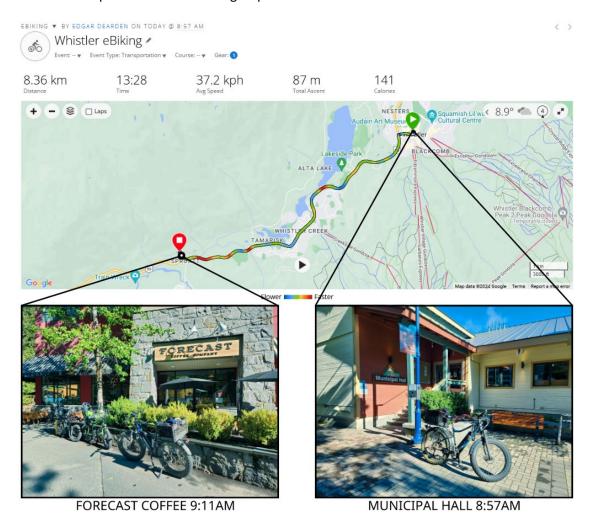
To the Mayor and Council,

At the May 14th Council meeting, the question was raised: "Why are there so many RMOW fossil trucks being driven by single occupants?"

The Mayor referred the question to Chief Administrative Officer Ms. Cullen, who responded: "In situations such as a building inspector needing to go to a site for an inspection, that is a single-occupancy vehicle*." (*aka. a fossil truck)

The image below shows that using a \$1,949 Voltbike Yukon 750, it was possible to travel from Municipal Hall to Forecast Coffee in Function Junction in just 13 ½ minutes this morning, in business attire, packing a laptop and drawings. I would like to know exactly why on a beautiful sunny day this would not be suitable transportation for a building inspector?



I would also like to understand why the RMOW prefers to send building inspectors in a single-occupancy fossil vehicle when your own Big Moves strategy states that <u>an electric bike produces 6000 times fewer emissions per kilometer than a fossil car or truck</u>. <u>www.whistler.ca/climate-action/big-moves/1-move-beyond-car/</u>

This suggests to me that the RMOW is:

- a) Opting for a slow and expensive path to electrifying their fleet,
- b) Ignoring that affordable and readily available electric bikes can easily replace fossil cars and trucks for tasks like building inspections, offering an immediate reduction in both costs and emissions,
- c) By doing so, setting a poor example of climate leadership for the community and endangering both present and future generations in the process.

Considering that a fossil truck retails for around \$60,000, you could trade in a single fossil truck and receive 30 VoltBike Yukons in exchange, and you will be supporting a BC based company: www.voltbike.com/products/yukon-750-limited

The community is rapidly adopting e-bikes, making the prevalence of single occupancy fossil trucks with Whistler's logo on the side all the more painful and embarrassing for those who are taking actions commensurate with the urgency that the climate and ecological crisis demands.

Kind Regards,





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