

Role of Cities in COVID-19 Pandemic Recovery

2020 Community Trends Report



Role of Community Trends Report

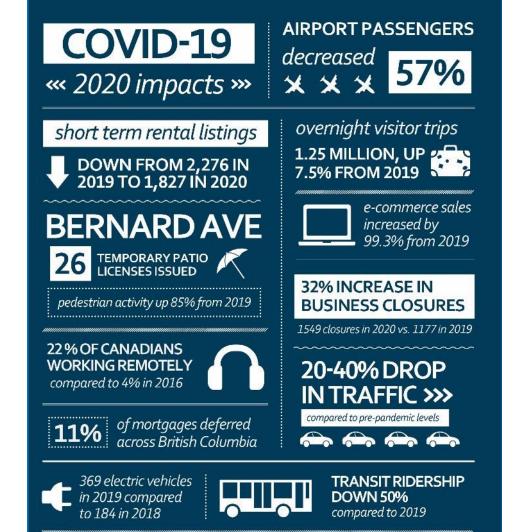


- Forward looking document
- Infographic & major theme
- Understand local impact of global trends
- Prepare City & community for future trends



Infographic Dashboard

- High level of construction activity
- ► Housing prices stable
- ► Lower levels of economic activity
- ▶ Shift to online
- Reduced traffic and transit ridership



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RAIL TRAIL TRIPS UP 25% FROM 2019

Impacts of Pandemic on Cities



- Magnified existing challenges
 - Community design linkages to health
 - Shift to online service delivery
 - ► Housing crisis
 - Rising economic inequality
 - Need for public space



Role of Cities in Recovery



- Major drivers of growth
- Business as usual or tackle big challenges
- Prioritize Investments that shift behaviour and reduce GHGs
- Recovery from pandemic can prepare for future health & climate threats



Focus of 2020 Trends Report





How We Grow



How We Build Healthy
Communities



How We Prosper

How We Grow

- Neighbourhood design impacts resilience
- ▶15-minute city or complete communities
- Easy access to local services & daily needs
- Provide local access to parks and services





How we build healthy communities

- Recognize social determinants of health
- ► Role of equity in civic investment
- ► Importance of public space
- ► Equitable uses of roadway space



How We Prosper

- ▶ People-centred recovery
- ► Support economy & climate resilience
- ▶ Building retrofits
- ► Nature-based solutions
- ► Sustainable transportation

How We Prosper

- Changing how we do business
- ➤ Support local business and public health goals (e.g. Bernard Ave pilot)
- ▶ Shift to remote work
- Create safer & more resilient community



Conclusion



- ► Full impacts not understood
- ► Cities need to adapt
- Opportunity for people-centred recovery
- Advance imagine Kelowna goals & public health direction
- Long-term recovery can return to business-as-usual or be bold

