

ELECTRIC TRANSIT MUSEUM

This is a great story of national significance!!!

Initiated by the Transit history groups in Vancouver and other Canadian cities. The community of Sandon was asked to participate in the preservation and ultimate restoration of more than a dozen historical Canadian Car Brill Electric Trolley buses.

Sandon is the interim home of these vintage trolleys in preparation for their ultimate return to Vancouver (and possibly other cities) for full restoration and return to revenue service.

This tremendous project was designed by former BC Transit CEO, David Stumpo, who was responsible for the restoration and return to service of many vintage transit vehicles in San Francisco. The concept for Vancouver is similar. It features important concepts including historical restoration, tourism, recycling, green energy (electric transit) and economic development.

The cost of a full, mechanical and cosmetic restoration of these iconic, high quality Canadian-built trolleys are estimated at \$350,000 each, less than half the cost of a new one.

The plan is to see the restoration of 15 units, each to be painted in the colours of each of the 15 Canadian cities that once operated them.

The Sandon collection consists of 3 different models of Canadian-Car Brill trolleys built between 1946 and 1954 and from several Canadian cities. The Transit Museum Society of Vancouver was instrumental helping in select these units as most historically important for restoration. This is a collection of national significance.

The popularity of these incredible vehicles spans many generations of Canadians who travelled to and from work and for pleasure or business.

You can see a fabulous display
depicting this exciting history in
Vancouver Brill Trolley #2201 located next the
Prospectors Pick store (1900 City Hall).

EVERYONE WELCOME
FREE ADMISSION