

# Vancouver-UBC Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, April 18, 2017 18:30-20:00 HUB Office 1-828 West 8<sup>th</sup> Ave

**Attendees:** Jeff (Chair), Stan, Kay, Anthony (minutes), Bob, Lisa, Tim, Mark, Nathan, Eric, Dasha, Stuart, Jillian, Clark.

1. Introductions and welcome to new members.

2. Agenda: Approved

**3.** Minutes from March 2017 meeting: Approved

Key Action Items outstanding from March meeting						
1	Everyone	<ul> <li>Please use BikeMaps.org to document hazards, near misses, collisions, bike thefts. Also make sure to report infrastructure issues to 311 to have them addressed by the City. Ongoing</li> </ul>				
2	Everyone	Think about which of the prioritized Infrastructure     Improvements you might be willing to work on (without help we likely can't move forward with it). These are listed on our Committee web page, and were briefly discussed this evening.     Ongoing				
3	Jeff and Tim	<ul> <li>Finish Main St. assessment ride report. This report is more general than usual: how do we connect those riding bikes with destinations on Main St.? Completed ("Destination Main Street" – we plan to discuss this with the Main St BIA before sending to city)</li> </ul>				
4	Jeff	<ul> <li>Schedule NW Marine Drive Assessment Ride. Ride held. (City put new paving topcoat immediately after, line painting to come) Report being finalized</li> </ul>				
5	Stan	Finish Arbutus Greenway ride report. Report in progress. Jeff to review				

- **4.** Announcements (see bikehub.ca updated regularly)
  - If you are interested in helping with any of the items listed below, please contact Jeff at <a href="mailto:vancouver@bikehub.ca">vancouver@bikehub.ca</a>
  - Please see the updated committee webpage: <a href="https://bikehub.ca/van-ubc">https://bikehub.ca/van-ubc</a> for key information on our committee, and a link to our committee wiki that has previous minutes and other documents.
  - Bike to Work Week, Bike to School Week, coming up May 29<sup>th</sup>. Register your trips, consider volunteering. If you already ride to work, sign up and register your trips because some cities use Bike To Work to track how many people are riding to work, and where. Translink also uses it for funding metrics.
  - #UnGapTheMap video (on www.bikehub.ca)

- MEC Discount Night April 20<sup>th</sup>
- BC Election See BikeHUB.ca for info on the party positions regarding Active Transportation

## **5.** Updates from Working Group Leads.

- Contact Jeff if you are interested in joining and/or forming a working group.

ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Updates from Working Group		
Assessment Rides (Jeff)	<ul> <li>Assessment rides are reviews of existing or potential bike routes within the City of Vancouver (CoV).</li> <li>NW Marine Drive ride just completed. City paved this route 48 hrs after the ride, shoulder is now wider, fewer potholes, no lines yet.</li> <li>Arbutus Greenway ride completed, report drafted.</li> <li>Powell St. near the Port is next on the schedule.</li> <li>Dunsmuir/Hornby to Stanley Park through downtown pending</li> <li>Discussion about Gastown/Water St work coming later (as well as Centerm expansion and Waterfront station upgrades)</li> </ul>	Jeff: Schedule Powell St ride, finalize NW Marine Dr report, Main St report to be discussed with BIA before being submitted to the City
Seaside South (Lisa)	<ul> <li>Scope is the Seawall from Olympic Village through to the improved Seaside Greenway along Pt Grey Rd. Currently focusing on the section from Burrard Bridge, around Vanier Park, through Haddon Park, Kits Beach Park to Trafalgar.</li> <li>Changes recently made to Charleson Rd. near Moberly: temporarily closed to non-transit vehicle traffic. If you have the opportunity, thank the City for this upgrade!</li> <li>Jeff and Lisa will be meeting with one of the Park Board commissioners in the next few weeks.</li> <li>Campaign to start after Bike to Work Week (letter writing, social media, photos/videos)</li> </ul>	Everyone: Send your thanks to the City for the improvements on Charleson Rd. (Mayorandcouncil@vancouver.ca)  Please send photos/videos around Kits beach on busy days.
Arbutus Greenway (Stan)	<ul> <li>Former railway line from the Fraser River through to 1st Ave at Granville Island. Easy grade through some very scenic areas with easy access to shops and services.</li> <li>Temporary path paved the full distance, and now almost complete. Some issues at crossings.</li> <li>Assessment ride completed on March 14th and a report has been drafted. Report targeting technical audience not political audience.</li> <li>Possible repeat ride in a few weeks to review the safety improvements; intersections are still difficult, particularly 41st Ave. and Broadway. A divider will be implemented in some areas.</li> <li>Discussion about maps, with bike routes, Arbutus Greenway on maps, and wayfinding</li> </ul>	Jeff: Review report
Broadway Subway (Anthony)	<ul> <li>New working group looking at the extension of the SkyTrain from VCC Clark to Arbutus St. Currently in planning stages. TransLink projects construction will start in 2019.</li> <li>Looking for input on cycling concerns related to the</li> </ul>	At next Transportation 2040 meeting, Jeff will enquire about next steps for Broadway Subway consultations

subway, and looking for input from the group – two or three talking points for goals associated with the project; including should bikes be allowed on trains?  Jeff has participated in a series of planning meetings held by TransLink.  See Anthony if you are interested in participating in	
this working group.	

#### **6. City Consultations (Jeff)**

- See the email attachment or meeting handout for a list of current consultations, links to more information, and opportunities to submit feedback.
- Highlights:
  - The Transportation and Parking Stakeholder Group for the Grandview Woodland Community Plan has been formed (first initiative under this plan is the Complete Street project on Commercial Drive.) This project has been delayed, but HUB is encouraging at least partial updates on sections of, or access to, Commercial Dr. Suggestion made to try an inexpensive pilot project along the full length of Commercial.
  - o 10<sup>th</sup> Ave Bike Route The proposed design has been revised. The issue continues to be concerns over the reduction in on-street parking in the Hospital district. Will go to Council in May.
  - False Creek Flats Planning Area bounded by Main St. / Clark Dr. / Venables St. / Great Northern Way. (There will be a Central Valley Greenway (CVG) connection, bike/ped bridges, new arterial.)
  - o NE False Creek planning New neighbourhood related to removal of the viaducts.
  - Transportation 2040 Stakeholder Update Meetings held monthly.
     See: <a href="http://vancouver.ca/streets-transportation/ubc-line-rapid-transit-study.aspx">http://vancouver.ca/streets-transportation/ubc-line-rapid-transit-study.aspx</a>
  - Strathcona BIA Sustainable Transportation Plan & interaction/cooperation with the BIA. Jeff to organize further interaction between committee members & the BIA.
  - o Seaside South surface treatment workshop April 29<sup>th</sup>, Anthony to attend
  - o Creekside Park workshop April 19th, Jeff to attend
  - Commercial Drive/Broadway/Victoria/10<sup>th</sup> ("Safeway site") consultation meeting coming on April 22<sup>nd</sup>, Tim to attend
  - o People, Parks, and Dogs meeting May 4th, Anthony to attend
  - o Burrard St stairs on NW corner of Burrard Bridge has bike ramp, Kay reports too narrow to use
- 7. Bike Share Working Group (Jeff) See: <a href="http://vancouverbikeshare.ca">http://vancouverbikeshare.ca</a>
- **8.** Communications (Jeff) Charleson Road, BC Parkway Crossing at Boundary (\$1M in community amendment plan for development there, Jeff sent enquiry to city to see what happened, waiting for response), SW Marine Bike Crash (as part of Pacific Populaire, rider crashed into Jersey Barrier, rider sent to hospital. Safety audit report at city, HUB hasn't seen report yet, city promises releasing it)
- **9.** Board Update: No updates this month.

#### 10. Active Transportation and Policy Council (ATPC) (Lisa)

- Citizen advisory council that advises City staff on active transportation issues. If you are interested, anyone is welcome to attend and be involved on sub committees.
- Dale Bracewell, after meeting in Sweden: Raised crossings are important!
- May 16<sup>th</sup> "Transportation Council Day" at City Hall. Safety issues for active transportation, Arbutus Greenway. Sign up to speak if you're interested.

#### 11. Election Work – Lisa

- HUB has positions of parties re: biking, posted on HUB website
- HUB working with "Communities on the Move": Concept of getting investment in Active
  Transpo on province-wide level. Looking for endorsers. See Communities on the Move website
  to sign up. See http://bchealthyliving.ca/movebc/
- Discuss Communities on the Move (\$100M/yr Provincial-wide on active-transpo), cycle highways,

### 12. Regional Advisory Committee (Jeff)

- Currently working on:
  - Brunette Interchange (Hwy 1 at Brunette),
  - Massey Tunnel Replacement working on bike connectivity to bridge. HUB has provided input on paths along full length of project,
  - o Alex Fraser Bridge Improvements also bike connectivity,
  - o Patullo Bridge replacement planning connectivity and possible changes to multiuse paths.

#### 13. Other Business:

- As part of Transportation 2040, City of Vancouver has allocated \$250k to two mass riding events. "Bike the Night" (September) and "Our City Ride" (August) (formerly the "Dutch Ride"), each targeting 10,000 riders
- Discussion about the "Active Bridge" in North False Creek, design, potential to be an iconic bridge

Meeting adjourned at 8:08pm.

Next meeting: 16 May 2017.

8:00-8:30—Working Group small group connections and individual conversations etc