

Vancouver-UBC Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, Oct 17, 2017 18:30-20:00 Meeting Location: Creekside Community Centre 1 Athlete's Way

Attendees: Jeff (Chair), Leslie (minutes), Stan, Anthony, Derek, Tim, Sam, Jordan, Laura, Eleni, Mark, Sean, Dan, Sonia, Dasha, Lisa, Clark, Kay and Ira.

1. Introductions and welcome to new members.

2. Agenda: Approved

3. Minutes from September 2017 meeting: Approved.

Key Action Items outstanding from September meeting				
1	Everyone	 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. You can ask for a call back to ensure your issue has been addressed. Ongoing 		
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. Ongoing 		
3	Jeff/Tim	Finish Main St. assessment ride report with the Mount Pleasant Business Improvement Association. In progress		
4	Anthony	Draft 14 th Ave assessment ride report. In progress		
5	Clark	Draft Strathcona assessment ride report. In progress		
6	Jeff	Schedule and lead Pender Corridor assessment ride. To do		
7	Stan	 Schedule and lead follow-up Arbutus Greenway assessment ride on October 22nd. 		
8	Jeff	 Post independent auditor's report on the SW Marine Dr improvements to our wiki. Ongoing; awaiting City's response. 		
9	Everyone	Let the City know if you like the updates they are making! E.g. Burrard Bridge. Email: bikeupgrades@vancouver.ca		

- **4.** Announcements (see bikehub.ca updated regularly)
 - If you are interested in helping out with any of the items listed below, please contact Jeff at vancouver@bikehub.ca
 - Please see the updated committee webpage: https://bikehub.ca/van-ubc for key information on our committee, and a link to our committee wiki that has previous minutes and other documents.
 - Bike to Work Week Oct 23rd to 29th. Sign up here!
 - Bike Shorts Nov 1st at the Rio Theatre. Tickets <u>here</u>.
 - We are planning to book this facility (Creekside Community Centre) for our meetings in 2018; the group agreed this was a good place to meet.

- **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 Groups				
Assessment Rides (Jeff)	 Assessment rides are reviews of existing or potential bike routes within the City of Vancouver (CoV). Reports are generated and posted on our wiki. Assessment ride held on 14th near the Health Precinct – report being drafted. Strathcona ride – report being drafted. Ride planned for the Arbutus Corridor on Oct 22nd. Ride on Pender Corridor (Hornby to Stanley Park) is pending. 	Jeff, Anthony, Clark and Stan: Lead / schedule rides, or complete ride reports as noted above.		
Seaside South (Lisa)	 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. Ongoing discussions with the Park Board and Community members. Current discussions with City Engineering, but changes not likely until 2018/19. Letter writing campaign underway for improvements at Kits Beach. For more information on how to send a quick email letter to the Park Board, click on the link here: 			
Arbutus Greenway (Stan)	 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. The City has hired a consultant for the permanent path. Greenway Champions (including six from HUB Vancouver/UBC) will participate in Design Jams in October. An Open House will run at Point Grey Secondary School on Oct 28th & 29th to review the City's design and results of the Design Jam (See Consultations page). Crossing improvements ongoing; the upcoming ride will focus on connections. 			
Broadway Subway (Anthony)	 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. HUB has concerns around: Subway design related to multi modal issues, Construction with respect to traffic diversion, What will Broadway look like after construction? Room for bike infrastructure? HUB has been invited to several City planning sessions. 			

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:
 - o Dutch Cycling Embassy series through the consulate on how to share best practices.
 - Mobility Pricing Independent Commission Stakeholder workshop HUB will be attending and providing input.
 - o Transportation 2040 Stakeholder update happens monthly and HUB is a regular attendee
 - Grandview Woodland Community Plan Transportation Stakeholder meeting overseeing Complete Streets on Commercial Drive as well as plaza at Commercial and Broadway.
 - Ministry of Transportation Cycling Connections Study meeting Based on our Gap List work, MOTI has worked to document bike routes and planned expansion across Metro Vancouver, and developed a framework for evaluating and prioritizing gaps. Upcoming MOTI presentation on Oct 20th.
 - Metro Vancouver Water Main Project (through Stanley Park) tunnel from Burrard Inlet to Chilco that will impact two bike lanes. Need to maintain cycling access.
 - Bike infrastructure tour with Jagmeet Singh (new Federal NDP leader) receptive to National Cycling strategy.
 - o City of Vancouver has asked for input on their 2018 budget. (Survey now closed.)
 - 10th Ave improvements in the Health Precinct meeting on construction impacts on Oct 25th which HUB will be attending.
 - Gastown looking at complete rebuild. Proposal to evaluate far less vehicle traffic as part of the changes ("Car Light"). On line survey / open house / walking tours scheduled. For further information see: <u>Gastown Complete Streets</u>

7. Communications (Jeff)

- Young children cycling on sidewalks: There are no age exceptions for children in Vancouver. Letter writer is planning to start social media campaign to pressure the City for exception bylaw. The group agreed that HUB should support his campaign.
- **8. Board Update** (Jeff): Expanded our board, and four new board members from different areas were elected; The Board is discussing a new program to further evaluate bike routes in Metro Vancouver and regularly publish a scorecard.

9. 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. Minutes are posted online.
- Items the ATPC is working on:
 - Letter writing campaign for Seaside Greenway.
 - Recommendation to Mobi Bike Share to have lower cost membership option for lower income folks.
 - Car configuration for Millennium line cars
 - o Value of Right turns on red researching this right now.
 - Presentation from the City on their five-year outlook with respect to bike lanes.

10. Regional Advisory Committee (Jeff)

- Working on Brunette Interchange / connections to Port Mann / connections to Iron Worker's Memorial Bridge (Second Narrows). Massey Tunnel Replacement Bridge on hold due to provincial process.

11. Other Business:

- Gap list (list of identified gaps in bike infrastructure) in Metro Vancouver recently updated and mapped. The three highest priorities: Kent Ave, Seaside Greenway, Arbutus Corridor.
- There is a public campaign to reverse the Burrard Bridge updates. Contact the City and let them know how great it is!
- What are the City plans for Quebec and 1st? Included in the City 5-year plan within Transportation 2040. Protected lanes on 1st from Main to Ontario (currently only in up to Quebec) and will be tied in to new protected lanes on Quebec running north to Prior.

Meeting adjourned at 20:04

Next meeting: 21 Nov 2017 at Creekside Community Centre near Olympic Village.

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