

# Vancouver-UBC Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, Oct 18, 2016 18:30-20:00 HUB Office 1-828 West 8<sup>th</sup> Ave

**Attendees:** Jeff (Chair), Dasha, Dan, Leslie (minutes), Clark, Anthony, Stuart, Ira, Colin, Philippe, Suzanne, Jens, Morgan and Menno.

1. Introductions and welcome to new members.

**2.** Agenda: Approved

**3.** Minutes from September 2016 meeting: Approved.

Key Action Items outstanding from July 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. (Note the Bike Vancouver email has been disabled.) 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	Everyone	The committee needs more people in leadership roles in communications (committee newsletter/social media/emails) & other areas. Please talk to Jeff or email us at <a href="mailto:Vancouver@BikeHUB.ca">Vancouver@BikeHUB.ca</a> if interested		
4	Jordon	Main Street Assessment ride. Ongoing (Jeff to follow up)		
5	Menno	Send information on Chancellor Blvd Works Yard to Jeff.		
6	Everyone	Send comments on changes implemented to SW Marine Drive to Jeff for consolidation and submittal to the City as they prepare for the second phase.		

- **4.** Announcements (see <u>bikehub.ca</u> updated regularly)
  - If you are interested in helping out 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: 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.
  - Upcoming Open Houses for the Commercial Drive Complete Street Project: October 20<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>. See: <a href="http://vancouver.ca/streets-transportation/commercial-drive-complete-street.aspx">http://vancouver.ca/streets-transportation/commercial-drive-complete-street.aspx</a>
     HUB is actively engaged in the process.

# 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)	<ul> <li>Assessment rides are reviews of existing or potential bike routes within the City of Vancouver (CoV).</li> <li>Next ride: NW Marine Drive.</li> <li>The City has requested feedback on Phase I of the SW Marine Dr re-pavement. (Granville St to 49<sup>th</sup> St.) Noted that trash cans left in the bike lanes is an issue.</li> </ul>	Jeff: Pick a date for the NW Marine Drive assessment ride. Everyone: Provide feedback to Jeff on SW Marine Dr if you have ridden this section recently.		
Seaside South (Stuart for 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 Kits Beach Park to Trafalgar.</li> <li>There is an ongoing petition on change.org:         <ul> <li>https://www.change.org/p/mayor-council-make-vancouver-s-point-grey-cornwall-corridor-safe-for-cycling-walking</li> </ul> </li> <li>Planning to supplement with a paper petition during Bike to Work Week.</li> <li>Construction started on separated pedestrian/cycle paths on the seawall from just under the Cambie Bridge to Granville Island.</li> </ul>	Everyone: Let Stuart know if you can help with paper petitions during Bike to Work Week.		
Destination Streets (Jeff for Jordon)  Arbutus Greenway (Dan for Stan)	<ul> <li>This working group is advocating for infrastructure along the streets with a high concentration of businesses and shops, and working with businesses &amp; business associations who often have concerns about bike lanes without knowing all the facts.</li> <li>No updates on Main St. Ride report outstanding.</li> <li>Broadway on the distant horizon.</li> <li>Former railway line from the Fraser River through to 1<sup>st</sup> Ave at Granville Island. Easy grade through some very scenic areas with easy access to shops and services.</li> <li>Five consultations in September, and report issued this past week. The report mirrored HUB's position.</li> <li>Hard surface preferred by multiple users for temporary surface, with more separation</li> </ul>	Jens: offered to follow up on Broadway near UBC.		
	<ul> <li>Consultations for the permanent path start in December. There is a potential of a streetcar</li> </ul>			

## **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. There are two new consultations since last month.
- Highlights:
  - "Great Streets" Consultations around the Viaducts removal protected bike lanes and better connections are planned. Modeling bike flow in this area for upcoming changes. Some very positive changes. See: <a href="http://vancouver.ca/home-property-development/viaducts-study.aspx">http://vancouver.ca/home-property-development/viaducts-study.aspx</a>

- o 10<sup>th</sup> Ave Bike Route Next round of consultations regarding the Health District (Oak St. to Cambie St.) and some spot improvements on the reset of the route expected in November.
- New: Heather Street Lands. See: <a href="http://vancouver.ca/home-property-development/heather-street-lands-planning-program.aspx">http://vancouver.ca/home-property-development/heather-street-lands-planning-program.aspx</a>
- o *New:* Commercial Drive Complete Streets: See "Announcements" above. Make sure to fill out the online survey to support a more complete street.

## 7. Bike Share Working Group (Jeff)

See: http://vancouver.ca/streets-transportation/public-bike-share-system.aspx

- Usage has decreased since the summer; 75 stations installed to date.
- Some push back from groups opposing bike share stations in their area.
- Concerns expressed around pricing; no options for one or two trips. Possible changes in the future.
- Possible future integration with the transit system, including bike parking.

## 8. Communications (Jeff)

- Following up on our letter to the Park Board on connections at the south end of the Stanley Park Causeway.

#### **9. Car Free Spaces** (Jeff for Lisa)

- City consultations on a permanent public plaza at 800 Robson St. The City is looking at creating more public plazas. These are traditionally called pedestrian plazas or car free spaces, but we need to ensure there is an option to include people on bikes, moving slowly through these areas. HUB has been invited to a stakeholder meeting to discuss this option.
- To provide input, contact <a href="mailto:vivarobson@vancouver.ca">vivarobson@vancouver.ca</a>

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

- Advises city council and city staff on active transportation issues. Meetings are open and the public is welcome to attend: http://vancouver.ca/your-government/active-transportation-policy-council.aspx
- ATPC currently working on developing criteria to prioritize future suggestions for cycling infrastructure.
- Also discussing the public plaza at 800 Robson. (See above "Car Free Spaces".)

#### 11. HUB Board Meeting (Jeff) No report this month

#### 12. Regional Advisory Committee (Jeff)

- Working on cycling Connections Project with Ministry of Transportation (MoTI), and the Massey Tunnel Replacement Project. Currently pushing the Minister of Transportation on cycling infrastructure from the Oak St Bridge to Highway 91 in Delta as part of the GMT Replacement Project.

### 13. UBC/Bike Co-op Update (Anthony/Kay/Connor) No report

#### 14. "Streets for Everyone" /Complete Streets Liaison (Jordon) No report

### **15.** Other Business:

- Chancellor Blvd (west of Blanca) will have a Metro works yard located on it. There is concern about an increase in debris on the road. Menno to provide Jeff with further information.
- North West Marine Drive near Spanish Banks needs upgrading. This section is on HUB's assessment ride list, but because of multiple jurisdictions, it can be problematic. Suzanne to follow up.

Meeting adjourned at 20:02.

### Next meeting: 15 November 2016.

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