

Vancouver-UBC Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, July 19th, 2022 18:30-20:00 Meeting held online via Zoom web meeting

Attendees:Jeff (chair), Anthony F (co host), Dan, Peggy, Anatoliy, Lucy, Tim, Ryan, Kevin M, David F,
Colin, Sanne, Keith, Ivan, Stan, Lisa, Karole, Mike T, Mike, Megan, Eric S, Sarah, Alix, Kieran,
Kerry, Anthony BTotal Attendees (26)

Please use the VanConnect or call 311 to report infrastructure issues relating to cycling on dedicated bike lanes or on other streets. Please use BikeMaps.org to document hazards, near misses, collisions, and bike thefts.

- 1. Introductions and welcome to new members.
- 2. Agenda: Approved
- 3. Minutes from June: Approved

Key Action Items outstanding from last meeting				
1	Anthony	Complete report for Richard St/Smith St Bikeways Assessment Ride – in progress		
2	Philippe	Complete report for SW Marine Assessment ride – in progress		

4. Announcements see also bikehub.ca – updated regularly and see also our Local Committee wiki

- HUB Cycling's <u>Bike to Shop</u> event runs from Aug 13-21. Registration is free
- We attended the Concord Pacific family <u>Cycling Festival</u> on June 30th, with a HUB Cycling tent and two shifts of volunteers. This was a chance to engage with the public, represent HUB Cycling, answer questions, and hand out free maps. Thanks to all the volunteers who helped out.
- HUB Cycling staff presented an all committee workshop on Wednesday July 6th at the Trout Lake Community Centre and online. The workshop focused on emerging paradigms in roadway and bikeway design and implications for Cycling Advocacy, including road space reallocation, and built on our previous NACTO workshops on bikeway design. The meeting recording is available <u>here</u>, and the presentation slides are available <u>here</u>
- HUB Cycling has established a base at the Trout Lake Recreation Centre for <u>Streetwise cycling</u> <u>courses</u>, as well as <u>partnering with Spinal Cord Research BC</u> on services for adaptive cycling.
- Colin Stein has completed his book on the <u>history of cycling advocacy in Vancouver</u>. Several of our committee members are referenced. The book will be released July 25th, and <u>Colin's website</u> also has the material that formed the basis of the book.
- Translink has launched their <u>Bike Bus</u> service, connecting Bridgeport station with the Tsawwassen ferry terminal. Hourly departures on Fridays, weekends, and holidays, through this summer.

5. Updates from Working Group Leads.

Contact Jeff (<u>Vancouver@bikehub.ca</u>) if you are interested in joining and/or forming a working group.

ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION			
Updates from Working Groups					
Assessment Rides (Jeff, Philippe, Anthony)	 Assessment rides are reviews of existing or potential bike routes within the City of Vancouver (CoV). Reports are generated and posted on our wiki. Our reports are used to advocate with municipal officials and provide them with recommendations. 	Anthony: Complete report for the Richards and			

	 Assessment ride of Richards St and Smithe St held, report in progress Assessment ride of SW Marine held, report in progress. Plan to create an inventory of dangerous intersections, with vehicles turning across protected bike lanes, to forward to the City for their review in the wake of the fatality at Pacific and Hornby. 	Smithe street ride. Philippe: Complete report for the ride on SW Marine
Cycling in Parks (Lisa)	 We continue to monitor the Stanley Park interim protected lanes. The Stanley Park Mobility Study is underway, examining opportunities to reduce vehicle traffic volume in the park. Park Board Commissioners accepted the <u>interim report</u>, and endorsed the 7 guiding principles put forward by staff, on July 20, after the July 19 meeting was shut down due to heckling from protesters. 	
Arbutus Greenway (Stan)	 Former railway line from the Fraser River through to 1st Ave at Granville St. Easy grade through some very scenic areas with easy access to shops and services. Design work continues for the intersection of the AG and King Edward, as well as consideration of 16th and 41st. The CoV has received requests to reinstate the washrooms. 	
Broadway Subway (Jeff and Anthony)	 Construction updates are being received from the project office and published through our social media feeds. 	
East Van Greenway (Clark)	 The creation of a north-south greenway in East Vancouver, eventually connecting Burrard Inlet to the Fraser River. No update this month. 	
Municipal Election (Lisa)	 This working group is preparing for the 2022 municipal election. Work includes creating a voting history record for incumbents and drafting questions that will be posed to all candidates, with the responses published. 	•

6. Consultations (Jeff)

- Fatality at Pacific and Hornby in the protected intersection. Agustin Beltran was hit by a truck in a marked crossing on July 29th, and died at the scene. We reviewed the incident, our response, and the next steps, including our support for a motion by Councillors Bligh and Boyle to require truck side guards on CoV and CoV contractor trucks, in addition to other steps. This motion goes to council on July 19th, and we requested your support in messages to council. Subsequent to this meeting, Council unanimously approved the motion on July 20th.
- Stanley Park interim cycle lanes, and the <u>Stanley Park Mobility Study</u>. Read the <u>Staff Report here</u>. The PB Commissioner meeting on July 18th was ended due to heckling from the crowd. The meeting resumed on July 19th with only one speaker admitted to the meeting room at a time. Speakers were heard, and the motion to accept the report and endorse the 7 guiding principles was passed 5-2, with commissioners Coupar and Barker against. We discussed the NPA campaign to "Take Back Stanley Park" and remove the cycle lanes without waiting for the report. The importance of electing PB commissioners supportive of active transportation was discussed.
- <u>The Vancouver Plan</u> has been released. We are encouraged to see references to active transportation, including to shops and services, in the plan. More details in the presentation. The plan is now being considered by Council.
- Oakridge development plans for cycling access to local bikeways. <u>Design Guidelines</u> were considered by city council on July 19th and 20th.
- More details on these and other current consultations in the presentation.

7. Regional Advisory Committee (RAC) Update (Jeff)

• The RAC has plans to promote the requirement for truck side guards with other Metro Vancouver municipalities, regional authorities, provincial authorities, and trucking companies.

8. Board Update (Jeff)

• HUB Cycling will hold the 2022 AGM on September 29th. Voting for directors is open to all HUB Cycling members, and will be conducted on line the week prior to the AGM. This is an opportunity to support board candidates who are involved in advocacy. Applications for board positions are open through July and August.

9. Local Committee Correspondence - no report this month

10. Other Business

- The Park Board meeting re the Stanley Park Mobility Study, and the City of Vancouver council meeting, were both running concurrently with tonight's meeting, and prompted regular comments and discussion.
- We have followed up on recent submissions to the CoV, and will report back when we have information on additional pavement markings on local street bikeways, parking meter removal, and other topics.
- We have invited the CoV to attend an upcoming meeting and present on active transportation topics. City staff were not ready this month, but have agreed to attend this fall, and have suggested that in addition to an AT projects update, they would like to discuss a new approach to neighbourhood traffic management. We expect that this will be of great interest to our local committee members.
- We did consider holding a face to face meeting in July, with a social ride afterwards, but after much discussion decided to stay with the virtual format, considering current infection trends. We know there are opinions on both sides of this issue. We will continue to monitor the situation and plan meetings accordingly.
- We are planning a local committee social ride for August (there is no meeting scheduled for August). This will be a chance to talk with and see other local committee members face to face, on a relaxed ride, likely involving Beach Ave and Stanley Park. Details to follow.

19:45 Meeting adjourned. Breakout rooms held to 8:30 (Cycling in Parks, and General Discussion)

Our next meeting will be September 20th, 2022. We do not plan for an August meeting.