



Attendees:	Anthony (co-chair), Jeff (co-chair), Genevieve, Lisa, Mike V, Kay, Andrew G, Sven, Alix, Dan, Ashton, David, Nathan, Ron, Ryan, Kevin, Andrew, Clark, Rob, Chris, Eric, Keith, Stan, Stuart, Ivan, Ursula, Melanie. Total Attendees: (27)
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Please use the Van311 app 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. Land acknowledgement, introductions, and welcome to new members
2. Agenda: Approved
3. Minutes from Nov: Approved

Key Action Items outstanding from last meeting	
1	n/a

4. Announcements

- Visit <https://bikehub.ca/> regularly for up-to-date news, <https://bikehub.ca/vancouver-ubc> for LC information
- Follow us on Mastodon [@HUBVancouverUBC@mstdn.ca](https://mstdn.ca/@HUBVancouverUBC), or on Blue Sky [@HUBVancouverUBC.bsky.social](https://bsky.social/@HUBVancouverUBC)
- Erin O’Melinn, our long time Executive Director, has left HUB and taken a new position at Translink, where she will continue to work to improve all modes of transportation. HUB has recently announced that Laura Jane, formerly at the City of Vancouver (and HUB before that) has been selected to be the new ED and she started on January 1st.

5. Upcoming Events

- No near-term events of note

6. VULC Groups.io

- Many people are on “special notice only”, quick recap of discussions that might have been missed. Members have the option of receiving and being able to initiate discussion threads..

7. Updates from Working Group Leads.

Contact Jeff and Anthony ([Vancouver@bikehub.ca](mailto:Vancouver@bikehub.ca)) if you are interested in joining and/or forming a working group.

ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION
<b>Updates from Working Groups</b>		
<b>Assessment Rides (Jeff, Anthony)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 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.</li> </ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● No assessment rides are planned this month.</li> </ul>	
<b>Cycling in Parks (Lisa)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Update on the Stanley Park Mobility Study.</li> <li>● Discussion about the future of the Park Board</li> </ul>	
<b>Arbutus Greenway (Stan)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● No update this month</li> </ul>	
<b>Broadway Subway (Jeff and Anthony)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Speedbumps, new signage between 7th and 8th on the Arbutus Greenway to discourage cycling</li> </ul>	
<b>East Van Greenway (Clark)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● No update this month</li> </ul>	
<b>Municipal Election (Lisa)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● No update this month</li> </ul>	
<b>Social Rides (Anthony)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● No ride this month</li> </ul>	

## 8. Deep Dive: Proposed Gastown Public Spaces Changes (Summer 2024)

- Summer 2024 trial
- Car-lite Water St, car-free Maple Tree Square and Water St Richards->Cambie
- Discussed draft objectives, importance of bi-direction cycling circulation along Water St
- Critical gap in the downtown AT network, including for the Portside Greenway

## 9. Granville Connector Status Update

- Demolition of north loops complete
- Gravity barriers separating AT lane from motorists mostly in place on west side of bridge
- Work continues, focus on road network at north end
- Signals on bridge to be installed in fall 2024
- Bike-friendly expansion joints installed summer/fall 2024
- Opening of bike lanes late 2024

## 10. Truck side guards and dangerous right turns

- CoV General Manager of Engineering Services, Lon LaClaire, [reported out](#) about side guards to council on April 19th
- Side guards installed on 20 CoV trucks May 2023, phase 2 (150 trucks) 2025-2026, phase 3 (350 trucks) 2027-2030
- Phase 3 to include contracted vehicles
- CoV General Manager of Engineering Services, Lon LaClaire, [reported out](#) dangerous right turns to council on November 3rd
- Included details about 2021 Canadian study on effectiveness of various measures to improve safety for people on bikes at right turn intersections
- Vancouver-focused part of study noted protected phase at Quebec/2nd significantly reduced conflict, flashing LED “yield to bicycles” sign at Pacific/Howe helped but needs to detect people on bikes better, slow turn wedges and reflective pavement markings didn’t help, “modest safety benefits were observed when installing signage and paint alone”
- Commits city to doing better for new builds, monitoring existing intersections, taking action as necessary

## 11. HUB Advocacy 101 Workshop

- On January 8th, HUB staff ran a workshop focused on effective advocacy
- Guest speakers: Tony Valente (CNV councilor), Paul Krueger (CoV Sr Transportation Planner), Mike Tancredi (Skaters of North Shore)
- Anthony presented a [case study](#) on behalf of VULC

## 12. Bike Theft Prevention

- Discussion about bike theft prevention
- Bike theft prevention is one of our [guiding principles](#)
- Potential reestablishment of VULC Bike Theft Working Group

### 13. Consultations

- No current public engagements; expect Gastown Public Spaces, Portside Greenway, Broadway Public Realm, East Park to come in early 2024
- Discussion about Jericho Lands Policy Statement coming to council Jan 24th. **Jeff and Anthony will write a letter in support of active transportation measures**

### 14. Regional Advisory Committee (RAC) Update

- BC Ferries Charting the Course public engagement is underway. RAC members will attend a workshop with BC Ferries.
- Ongoing discussions with MOTI about new Motor Vehicle Act, including a focus on passing distances
- MOTI have created an Active Travel Executive Team to raise the profile of Active Transportation

### 15. HUB Board Update

- Erin O'Melinn departed from the Executive Director role in October 2023. Erin provided outstanding leadership through a period of significant growth for HUB Cycling. Erin has taken on a new role at Translink.
- After a comprehensive search, the Board appointed Laura Jane to the position of Executive Director, effective January 1st 2024

### 16. Local Committee Correspondence

- E-Introductions with Hastings Crossing BIA, Carrall St bikeway “pet project” of new ED
- [Letter to Park Board](#) calling for reinstatement of the temporary bike lane

### 17. Other Business

- None

**20:00 Meeting adjourned.**

**Our next meeting will be February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024, and is planned to be online-only (Zoom)**