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To: Maria Guerra <mguerra@mapleridge.ca> cc: Michael Eng <meng@mapleridge.ca>

Re: Open House 227th Street between Dewdney Trunk Road and Abernathy Way; separated bike lanes

Maria,

Our HUB Cycling Committee is happy to see that the proposed design for 227th Street accommodates people on bikes of all ages and abilities.

We like the raised 0.5 m wide buffer between the bike lane and northbound car lane on the east side, and the parking-protected bike lanes with a 0.95 m striped buffer on the west side of 227th Street.

A few suggestions:

- Provide parking on alternate sides, which will make the street "meander". This may help to slow down traffic.
- Increase parking setbacks, as good sight lines are critical for cyclist safety.
 From the NACTO Urban Bikeway Design Guide:
 If the cycle track is parking protected, parking should be prohibited near the intersection to improve visibility. The desirable no-parking area is 30 feet from each side of the crossing.

Also from the NACTO Urban Bikeway Design Guide:

- For motor vehicles attempting to cross the cycle track from the side street or driveway, street and sidewalk furnishings and/or other features should accommodate a sight triangle of 20 feet to the cycle track from minor street crossings, and 10 feet from driveway crossing.
- Motor vehicle traffic crossing the cycle track should be constrained or channelized to make turns at sharp angles to reduce travel speed prior to the crossing.
 (Generally, turn radii tend to be very forgiving for motorists at standard Maple Ridge intersections, which leads to high speed turns).

Kind regards,

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