E-mail dated May 21, 2017

- to: Mayor and Council Maple Ridge
- cc: David Pollock P.Eng., Michael Eng, Frank Quinn, Coun. Kiersten Duncan, Adrian Kopystynski
- Re: Brown Ave./Dewdney Trunk Road development application 2017-061-RZ Council meeting Tuesday May 23

Mayor and Council,

I would like to provide you with some preliminary input from our HUB Cycling committee with regard to the above development application.

As you are aware, our HUB Cycling committee is very concerned about potentially losing an important bike route on Brown Ave. (which is part of the 121 Bikeway), due to the fact that insufficient space is being reserved to provide bike lanes east of Edge Street as part of development application 2017-061-RZ. We are hoping that in the meantime a solution has been found, as we cannot afford to lose any of the few east-west cycling routes that we have, especially through the downtown, and even more so now that it looks like the Active Transportation Advisory Committee is likely to recommend to ban cyclists on certain sidewalks in the Town Core.

As another, very large, development application for Brown Ave. west of 224th Street is now on the agenda for the Council meeting on Tuesday, we kindly request you to ensure that the needs of cyclists are not overlooked this time, and that separated bike lanes are going to be part of the design.

Further, Dewdney Trunk Road, including the section through the Town Core, has been identified as a gap in the regional cycling network as part of HUB's <u>UnGapTheMap</u> initiative. This development application provides a great opportunity to provide a separated bike lane along this section of Dewdney Trunk Road. As the sidewalk along there is one of the sidewalks where cycling will most likely be prohibited, it's important to provide a safe, separated space for cyclists on the road.

We would much appreciate being notified of the Development Information Meeting that will be organized by the developer.

With kind regards,

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