

# Surrey – White Rock Committee Meeting Minutes

Thursday, February 16, 2023 7:30 PM to 9:00 PM Google Meet Teleconference

Attendees	Peter Klitz – City of Surrey
and intros:	Tim Yzerman
	Pash Brar – Surrey Board of Trade
	Edward Dillon
	Rejean Beaulieu
	Andrew Bacon
	Neil McNeil
	Antoine & Aaron Vick
	David Grigg
	Robert Paddon

Meeting call to order: 735 PM followed by group introductions.

- 1. **Protected Cycling Network** Peter Klitz went through a PowerPoint on behalf of the City of Surrey. These are the highlights:
  - Surrey has 0.4% cycling mode share. They feel that this low share rate is based on the lack of protected bike lanes.
  - Of the bike roadway these are the stats:
    - o 23% MUP
    - o 8 % neighborhood bikeway
    - o 2 % protected lanes
    - o 67% no protection/shared road/painted bike lane
  - The city wants to build a dense network of protected bike lanes around the Surrey Six town centres.
  - They also want to invest in the SkyTrain connection and cycling network.
  - King George between 96<sup>th</sup> Ave and 108 Ave has the highest cycling collision rate.
  - Protected bike lanes will be built due to road widening/finishing projects, capital projects (e.g., quick build) and redevelopment.
  - North Surrey is the primary focus as it has the densest population of Surrey and is a major destination.
  - The city is looking at a bike share service but without protected bike lane infrastructure it would not be successful.
  - The City of Surrey has six loop detections systems to identify bike usage. Transit has 2 more systems.
  - They have been working on providing more bike information:
    - o Updated bike map
    - o Updated content on website

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- o Supporting bike education and training
- o Improving signage (wayfinding) for cyclists
- o Participate in Car Free Day to enhance community profile
- City has gotten a federal grant for the King George 96 to 108th Ave improvement project. This is a 6-million-dollar grant. Project phase Spring 2023 to March 2026.
- The city has been doing a safety review for cycling for this project. Items cover are:
  - o Curb extension
  - o Widen sidewalk
  - o Upgrade to signals
  - o Improve lighting

#### Project update:

Project	Current Status	Anticipated Completion
King George Boulevard MUP	Under construction	Summer 2023
City Centre Quick-Build	Under construction <ul> <li>Planters on 108 Ave need to be planted</li> <li>Completion of 132 Street and Whalley Boulevard</li> <li>Completion of City Parkway</li> </ul>	Summer 2023
152 Street MUP	Tender expected to be awarded by Council on March 6 Construction start 2023	2025
20 Avenue Overpass	Finalizing corridor design Tender in summer 2023 Construction begins in fall 2023??	2025
80 Avenue: 122 Street to 128 Street	Under construction	Fall 2023
80 Avenue: 132 Street to KGB	Tender in summer 2023	Summer 2024

#### 2. Heritage Trail/Nicomekl Park

Rejean and David discussed the dyke that runs from White Rock to Langley along the Nicomekl River. See Facebook post of Feb 8, 2023, for more details. They would like to do what Maple Ridge and Coquitlam did in 2002 to take possession of the dyke for recreation purposes. They would be working with Trails BC to help organize this project for Surrey. This issue would have to go through the Parks Department of Surrey for support.

#### 3. Surrey Board of Trade

Erin O'Melinn (HUB Executive) /Tim making a presentation this week on cycling in Surrey and Cycle Highways.

#### 4. Elections

Robert volunteered to be secretary. No nominations for co-chair position.

## 5. Bike Ride – Rotary Club

They have chosen the short ride option. Information to be circulated to members. If you are interested in being a Ride Marshall – HUB is running a course for this. Edward has submitted his name. For more information contact Jonathan Mak at Hub. See email of 2023-02-14 for more details.

- 6. **BC Transportation Luncheon** Tim and Erin O'Melinn (HUB Executive) attending. Tim didn't end up using the allocated committee funds to attend.
- 7. **84<sup>th</sup> Ave feedback** submitted to the City of Surrey.

## 8. AGM Watch Party

Would be interested in attending the AGM virtually via a location in Surrey. We would combine this with a social event. More details to follow.

9. Bike Ride Feb 26 – See Facebook post Jan 24 for more information. Ride might be canceled due to weather conditions.

Meeting adjourned 943 PM.