

# **HUB Langley Local Committee**

**Meeting Minutes** 

Date: Tuesday, February 17, 2020

Location: Murray Creek Room, Township of Langley Civic Facility

20338 - 65 Avenue, Langley, BC V2Y 3J1

Chair: Mitchell Nurse

Minutes: Tony Bisig

Attendees: Tony Bisig, Geraldine Jordan, Sara Hill, Sarah Kikkert,

Dan Millsip, Mitchell Nurse, Stan Yntema

1. Mitch called the meeting to order at 19:00.

Julie Facchin who has replaced our liaison board member Jeff Rotin, sends her regrets as she was not able to attend this evening's meeting.

- 2. Minutes from January 2020 were reviewed and approved.
- 3. A new hospital was announced for Cloverdale next to Kwantlen University. This project will finally make it possible to create a cycling corridor from KPU Surrey, along 53 Ave to Langley. Surrey HUB Chair Tim Yzerman, contacted Mitch about collaborating on the 53 Ave. connector project between 180 St and 184 St.. Sara Hill has agreed to contact Tim to discuss a strategy for moving forward. It was suggested that HUB Surrey/Langley begin communicating with the following stakeholders: Fraser Health, Kwantlen Unversity, Langley City Engineering, and Surrey Engineering.
- 4. Bike To Work Week May 25-31, 2020

Sara Hill and Geraldine Jordan are hoping to create some inter-municipal competition by encouraging Langley City and Township, Mayors, Councilors and Staff to create teams for Bike To Work Week. Let's see which team has the most participants and logs the most km!

Sara has also asked City Staff to approve a one day HUB Celebration Station at City Hall. Tony has approached Translink for permission to be at Carvolth Exchange for one afternoon.

HUB Cycling Langley committee is very enthusiastic about registering as a team.

5. Bike To School Week - May 25-29, 2020
Mitch to continue with his support of activities at James Kennedy Elementary.
Tony will forward Bike To School Week posters to local schools.



#### 6. Other:

#### Vision Zero

With origins in Sweden, Vision Zero is a strategy to eliminate all traffic fatalities and severe injuries while promoting safe and healthy movement of people.

After having attended a Vision Zero Symposium at Fraser Health, Geraldine suggested that a Vision Zero delegation at the Township is the next logical step. By implementing widely recognized principles and proven strategies, participating communities are reducing serious injuries and fatalities among cyclists. Geraldine noted that Surrey has already adopted the ZERO approach.

# BikeMaps.org

BikeMaps.org is a crowdsource tool for global mapping of cycling safety.

Geraldine recommended that HUB Langley promote the use of this site to help document the frequency of incidents in Langley. Our Facebook page is an ideal tool for broadcasting this information to cyclists. A quick visit to BikeMaps shows that many cyclists in the lower mainland have already reported incidents and shared useful information.

# Why no letdowns?

There is a letdown deficiency at the intersection of 203 St and 54 Avenue. The bike lane runs parallel to the sidewalk on all four corners of this intersection. The presence of elephant feet informs cyclists they can ride across the crosswalk. There are letdowns for the sidewalks at this intersection, yet the bike lanes ends abruptly at the curb. This is a safety hazard as cyclists who are unfamiliar with this intersection risk injury by riding off the edge of the curb. HUB has previously made Langley City Engineering aware of this deficiency and clearly no action has been taken. A meeting should be arranged with Engineering to discuss this and other issues.

### 216 Corridor Study

Langley Township has asked HUB Cycling Langley to complete a 216 St. Corridor stakeholder survey.

#### Bikeshare

Geraldine has indicated that TWU and the Fort Langley BIA have demonstrated an interest in having a bikeshare program for students. Factors that will determine viability are the demand for this service, the type of bikes to be used, and cost.

### Building for the future

Dan commented on the lack of leadership and vision at ToL. Rather than seeing the development of walkable communities, we see continued development of dense neighborhoods that do not include multi-modal transportation infrastructure. Livability appears to be an unknown concept. It is important for our committee to support candidates who are progressive and have a vision for a sustainable future.

- 7. Next meeting date: Monday, March 16, 2020
- 8. Meeting adjourned at 20:40