

Vancouver-UBC Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, Sept 20th, 2022 18:30-20:00 Meeting held online via Zoom web meeting

Attendees:Jeff (chair), Anthony F (co host), Stan, Tim, Peggy, Mike V, Megan, Sanne, Anthony B, Kevin
M, Ron R, Alix, Abby, Lisa S, Bruce R, Clark, Alicia, Ivan, Kieran, MIke T
Total Attendees (20)

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- 1. Introductions and welcome to new members.
- 2. Agenda: Approved
- 3. Minutes from July: Approved

| Key Action Items outstanding from last meeting | | | | |
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| 1 | Anthony | Complete report for Richard St/Smith St Bikeways Assessment Ride – in progress, | | |
| | | updating following additional painting by the CoV | | |
| 2 | Philippe | Complete report for SW Marine Assessment ride – in progress | | |

- 4. Announcements see also bikehub.ca updated regularly and see also our Local Committee wiki
 - The 25th Annual <u>HUB Cycling Annual General Meeting</u> will be held September 29th. Elections for directors (2 year terms) and president run from now until September 28th, online. You must be a HUB member and <u>register for the AGM</u> to receive a voting ballot electronically. If you are a member of HUB, please consider supporting me (Jeff) as I am running as a director, and also for the position of president of HUB Cycling.
 - We marked the fatality at Pacific and Hornby in the protected intersection. Agustin Beltran was hit by a truck in the marked crossing on June 29th, and died at the scene. We placed a Ghost Bike at the crash site.
 - In August, in lieu of our committee meeting, we held a social ride along Beach Ave and around Stanley Park. Thanks to those who were able to come out, it was good to see everyone.

5. Updates from Working Group Leads.

Contact Jeff (<u>Vancouver@bikehub.ca</u>) if you are interested in joining and/or forming a working group.

| ITEM | DISCUSSION | ACTION | | | | |
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| Updates from Working Groups | | | | | | |
| Assessment Rides (Jeff, Philippe, Anthony) | 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. Assessment ride of Richards St and Smithe St held, report in progress, with updates following the CoV painting program. Assessment ride of SW Marine held, report in progress. Plan to hold an assessment ride along the route of the Portside Greenway, from Maple Tree Square to the Iron | Anthony: Complete report for the Richards and Smithe street ride. Philippe: Complete report for the SW Marine ride | | | | |

| | Workers Memorial Bridge. This is in advance of the CoV public engagement coming up on this project. Comments in the meeting supported Oct 15th or 16th. Details to follow. | Jeff: schedule a ride of the future Portside Greenway |
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| Cycling in Parks (Lisa) | We continue to monitor the Stanley Park interim protected lanes. The most important consideration for cycling in parks is the upcoming election, and electing Park Board commissioners who are supportive of Active Transportation in parks. | |
| Arbutus Greenway (Stan) | Former railway line from the Fraser River through to 1st Ave at Granville St. Easy grade through some very scenic areas with easy access to shops and services. Design work continues for the intersection of the AG and King Edward, as well as consideration of 16th and 41st. Translink contributed funding for the signal changes and path realignment at King Edward | |
| Broadway Subway (Jeff and Anthony) | Construction updates are being received from the project office and published through our social media feeds. | |
| East Van Greenway (Clark) | The creation of a north-south greenway in East Vancouver, eventually connecting Burrard Inlet to the Fraser River. The CoV has completed a planning exercise to map out the future route of the Eastside Crosscut from the PNE to the Fraser River. | |
| Municipal Election (Lisa) | • This working group is preparing for the 2022 municipal election. Work includes creating a voting history record for incumbents and drafting questions that will be posed to all candidates, with the responses published. See the presentation for more details | |

6. Municipal Elections

- Voting records have been analyzed, and are shown here
- HUB Cycling has developed a <u>2022 election platform</u> with positions that we are recommending to candidates
- Our candidate survey has been sent out to candidates throughout Metro Vancouver, and we will publish the results shortly
- More details in the presentation

7. Consultations (Jeff)

- There is a rhythm to our advocacy work, related to both capital plans (a 4 year cycle) and to the elections of councillors and PB Commissioners. We are nearing elections, and so work has slowed with staff, particularly with respect to public engagements, until after the election. A new Capital Plan will be presented to the new council early in 2023. We are in a stage of preparing for the next phase of investment, being ready to engage on upcoming projects.
- The Vancouver Plan was approved by Council. We have been in discussions with two councillors who want to discuss how to move ahead on AT issues.
- The Broadway Plan will coming back to council in the spring with design options to accommodate protected cycle lanes.
- The Bay Building the developer is working with the HUB Cycling Bike Friendly Building consulting team on the concept of a Green Mobility Hub
- Strathcona traffic calming is underway
- Central Valley Greenway improvements are being implemented, and the City is monitoring the measures taken. Green paint was scheduled to be applied in the past month. The curb cut at Clark Drive has been identified as an issue.

- Bute St Greenway improvements are being planned, and conceptual designs are due later this year.
- Granville Connector and Drake St Bikeway. Construction on Granville itself, with the removal of the north end loops, is scheduled to begin in early 2023. Drake St improvements are underway now. This work has to be coordinated across all the different project elements to maintain access.
- We have followed up on recent submissions to the CoV, and will report back when we have information on additional pavement markings on local street bikeways, parking meter removal, and other topics.
- Meeting comments included the sentiment that we need to press harder, and go further than we have been doing.
- We have invited the CoV to attend an upcoming meeting and present on active transportation topics. City staff have agreed to attend this fall, and have suggested that in addition to an AT projects update, they would like to discuss a new approach to neighbourhood traffic management.
- More details on these and other current consultations in the <u>presentation</u>.

8. Regional Advisory Committee (RAC) Update (no update this month)

9. Board Update (Jeff)

• HUB Cycling will hold the <u>2022 AGM</u> on September 29th. Voting for directors is open to all HUB Cycling members, and is running on line now. This is an opportunity to support board candidates who are involved in advocacy.

10. Local Committee Correspondence - no report this month

11. Other Business

- Our August social ride was successful, and we are planning additional social rides to complement our virtual meetings. This will be a chance to talk with and see other local committee members face to face, on a relaxed ride. Dates and details to follow.
- Request to contact the CoV re the electrical box (obstacle) in the new bike lane at 59th and Cambie. Jeff will follow up.
- Request to do a post mortem with the CoV re the CVG extended closure. Jeff will follow up.

19:45 Meeting adjourned. Breakout rooms held to 8:30 (Cycling in Parks, and General Discussion)

Our next meeting will be October 18th, 2022.