

Vancouver-UBC Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 17, 2016 18:30-20:00 HUB Office 1-828 West 8th Ave

Attendees: Lisa (Chair), Jeff (Co-chair), Leslie (minutes), Stan, Anthony, Alex, Colin S, Colin B, Sean, Kay, Dan, Matt, Tim, Clark, Stuart, Ira, Jurgen, Eric, Andrea.

- If you are interested in helping out with any of the items listed below, please contact Jeff at vancouver@bikehub.ca
- See issues on your bike route? Call 311 or email cycling@vancouver.ca. You can also add to bikemaps.org
- Please see the updated committee webpage: https://bikehub.ca/van-ubc for key information on our committee and a link to our committee wiki that has previous minutes and other documents
- **1.** Introductions and welcome to new members.
- 2. Agenda: Approved.
- 3. Minutes from April 2016 meeting: Approved.

Key Action Items outstanding from April meeting				
1	Everyone	 See issues on your bike route? Email <u>Cycling@vancouver.ca</u> or call 311. Also use bikemaps.org to document near misses, collisions, and thefts. If enough people use it, it is a great planning tool for organizations like HUB and municipalities. Ongoing. 		
2	Everyone	Think about which of the prioritized Infrastructure Improvements you might be willing to work on (without help we likely can't move forward with it). These are listed on our Committee web page. Ongoing		
3	Everyone	 The committee needs more people in leadership roles in communications (committee newsletter/social media/emails) including a committee co-chair. Please talk to Jeff or email at HUB Vancouver/UBC <u>Vancouver@BikeHUB.ca</u> if interested. 		

- **4.** Announcements (see bikehub.ca updated regularly)
 - Check out our updated webpage for more information about our committee: https://bikehub.ca/vancouver-ubc
 - Pizza/Beer night: Come out and learn how to promote memberships! Thursday, May 26th @ 18:45. Please RSVP to Jeff or the HUB office for more details.
 - HUB Membership Display for Bike Shops: Let us know if you can deliver a display to your local bike shop.
 - BTWW:
 - Please take a BtWW poster and post in your neighbourhood or workplace!

- o If you are a Bike to Work Week team leader, please take a goodie-bag to set yourself up at work.
- Lisa is stepping down as co-chair of the Vancouver committee, leaving Jeff on his own! We are looking for people to move into this position. If this is something of interest, please let Jeff and Lisa know. Thanks Lisa for your years of leadership and support for the Vancouver/UBC Committee.

5. Updates from Working Groups.

- Contact Jeff if you are interested in joining and/or forming a working group.

ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Updates from Working Group	ys	
Assessment Rides (Jeff)	 Reminder: Assessment rides are reviews of existing or potential bike routes within the City of Vancouver (CoV). Main St ride completed in April. (See below "Destination Streets" for further information.) King Edward Ride in June: Cypress to Balaclava? Future rides: Pender St corridor, Stanley Park Causeway (post construction). 	
Seaside South (Lisa)	 Working Group focus is the Seawall from Olympic Village through to the improved Seaside Greenway along Pt Grey Rd. Currently focusing on the section from Burrard Bridge, around Vanier Park, through Kits Beach Park to Balsam. Council just approved improvements from Cambie Bridge through to Burrard Bridge; however Burrard Bridge west to Trafalgar, through Kits Beach, is still in need of significant improvements. Anthony led an assessment ride in March and this report is almost completed. Snow fencing on the far side of Kits Beach pool, just before Balsam, blocks the route used to avoid a dangerous intersection. We have been in touch with the Parks Board about this but they haven't been interested in making any changes in this area. The Parks Board suggested we talk to City Engineering for changes to the road to address our concerns. The working group is looking at what actions can be taken to improve this unsafe, uncomfortable section 	The working group is looking at what actions can be taken to improve this unsafe, uncomfortable section of the Seaside Greenway. There is potential for a HUB campaign to initiate movement on this section.
Destination Streets (Jordon)	 of the Seaside Greenway. This working group is advocating for infrastructure along destination streets with a high concentration of businesses and shops, and working with businesses & B.I. associations who often have concerns about bike lanes without knowing all the facts. Main St Ride was completed on 30 April, and ride notes completed. A ride video has been posted. Jordon has started the externally facing document for what we would like to see on Main (AAA facilities.) Help with this document would be welcome. 	See Jordon or Jeff if you are interested in participating in this group or would like a link to the video.

Arbutus Greenway (Stan)	 Old railway line from the Fraser River near the Canada Line Bridge through to 1st Ave at Granville Island. Easy grade through some very scenic areas with easy access to shops and services. Several group members attended a meeting put on by ARKS (Arbutus Ridge Kerrisdale residents) where City reps participated in a discussion about plans for the greenway. Well funded, and should be a very well run project. Looking to create a New York City "Highline" style greenway. First task is to remove the existing track (by CP).
	Currently 3m path width allocated to cyclists.
	 Public Consultation will run for 12-18 months. First Nations are engaged as well.

6. City Consultations (Jeff)

- See separate document, distributed with the minutes, for details.

• Very positive experience to date.

- There is a lot going on so these reminders are a monthly "heads up" as to what the issues are and need to be acted on.
- This month's reminders: (See attachment.)
 - o 10th Ave: current public consultation now completed for Health Precinct portion.
 - Downtown: expansion of 5 (now 4) bike lanes, including Beatty, Cambie, Nelson, & Smithe. Will be completed this summer. Additional protection has been incorporated in the design.
 - Pacific: Burrard/Pacific intersection and bridge improvements approved, construction underway.
 - False Creek Flats: new arterial transportation corridor proposed to replace Prior (utilizing Malkin or National) with a new grade separated rail crossing.
 - Seaside Greenway (Seawall): changes approved unanimously by Council, including removal of flagstones and improvements to the Seaside bypass.
 - Other consultations ongoing: Massey Tunnel Replacement (Regional Advisory Committee),
 Providence Health Care (St. Paul's), Port Mann Bridge MUP access routes (Coquitlam side).
 - O Note: Gastown changes delayed. Kent Ave is back on the City's radar and part of their Five Year plan, for the section from Ontario through to Ash.
 - Pacific Blvd, Quebec, Georgia Ramp; design work underway as part of the removal of the viaducts.

7. Bike Share (Jeff)

- There is currently a survey running asking for your input for potential Bike Share docking stations: www.vancouverbikeshare.ca
- Soft launch in July, full launch in September in time for the ProBike/ProWalk conference.

8. Bike the Night / Bike to Shop (Lisa)

- Bike the Night was scheduled July 16th and tentatively starts at the PNE going through downtown to China Creek Park. (Note: due to permitting issues, date is likely to change)
- Suggestion to organize rides/shuttles to/from the starting point.
- Looking for volunteers.
- Bike to Shop scheduled for August 13th. Fully supported and sponsored by DVBIA. "Pop Up" bike lane along Hastings.

9. Communications (Jeff)

- No update this month.

10. Car Free Spaces (Lisa)

- No update this month

11. Active Transportation and Policy Council – ATPC (Lisa)

- Council-appointed citizen advisory group that advises City council and staff on active transportation.
- Several motions for June 1st:
 - Parking
 - o "Complete Streets' and Vision Zero no fatalities due to traffic.
 - HUB presented at meeting recently to discuss adult cycling education.
 - Seaside Greenway at Balsam will be at discussed on Weds, May 18th.

12. HUB Board Meeting (Jeff)

- HUB Cycling AGM in September – plan now to attend, and think about candidates for Board Positions.

13. Regional Bike Theft Committee (Lisa for Mary)

- No report this month

14. Regional Advisory Committee (Jeff)

- Port Mann, Massey Tunnel replacement - Discussed above

15. UBC/Bike Co-op Update (Anthony/Kay/Connor)

No report

16. "Streets for Everyone" /Complete Streets Liaison (Jordon)

- No report

Other Business

- The Parks Board is looking for a representative from HUB to provide input regarding parks/dogs in parks.
- Fraser Valley Cycle Tour Routes: Goal is to establish three routes through the Fraser Valley from Hope to Horseshoe Bay, Tswwassen, and the US Border crossings. Abbotsford based group requesting funding from MOTI to identify and sign routes for cyclists. HUB is providing input for planned routes.

Meeting adjourned at 20:00.

Next meeting: 21 June 2016.

8:00-8:30—Working Group small group connections and individual conversations etc