

Your Cycling Connection

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Chris Clibbon, Planner Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability City of Vancouver 453 W 12th Ave, Vancouver, BC

Dear Chris

We have reviewed the proposed changes to the Community Amenity Contribution Program as covered in our November 4th meeting.

We write in support of the proposed changes to this program, and in particular of those changes with direct impact on transportation projects. We recognize the significance of the funding affording by this program for transportation and cycling infrastructure, as demonstrated by projects such as the Arbutus Greenway temporary paths, West End Greenways, and the Granville Bridge Connector.

We believe that defining the specific categories of CAC spending and putting the restriction to capital infrastructure will help ensure that the funds are directed appropriately when received.

We recognize that there are city-wide amenities, including projects such as the Arbutus Greenway, Granville Connector, and many regionally significant bikeways (which are identified as part of the Translink Major Bikeway Network, as an example) which should be eligible for funding consideration from development projects other than those located just within the local neighbourhood.

We feel it is important that any non-City ownership of in-kind CACs include mechanisms to ensure ongoing use by the public.

We urge Council to support these updates to the CAC program, and to continue to invest in active transportation improvements necessitated by growth within the City, and which are funded in part by development contributions.

Sincerely,

Jeff Leigh Chair, Vancouver UBC Local Committee, HUB Cycling Vancouver@bikehub.ca

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