

Vancouver Area Cycling Coalition - Vancouver / UBC
Committee Meeting Minutes
2012/01/25, 7pm

Chair: Heather

Minutes: Clark

Attended: Arno, John, Henny, Ron, Bill, Jens, Stan,
Gertjan.

Adoption of December minutes.

Assesment Rides: Heather.

Will now communicate with a new person at the City. The City is now asking for a higher level of assessment ride notes. Basic general things we want everywhere, followed by a separate sheet with specifics. We need to put working group together.

Jens: We need general minimum widths for everywhere.

Assessment ride at UBC at the end of February. Bike Kitchen involved. There are five jurisdictions at UBC.

Arno: Make a "Best Practices" part on the VACC website.

A study will be presented on Friday, January 27th at UBC with a webcast online called *The impact of transportation infrastructure on the risk of injuries to cyclists*. Presented by Kay Teschke.

www.spph.ubc.ca

www.cyclingincities.spph.ubc.ca

www.bridge.ubc.ca

Bike Share update: Deborah spoke with the City's bike share proposals. City has no plans to question the BC helmet law. Jens isn't sure if he wants to support something that has failed in every elsewhere. (Bikeshare with a helmet law.)

UBC: Jens. What's important is access to UBC. Marine Drive has parked cars in the bike lane. Now also have construction vehicles. They'd like to disallow parking. UBC wants to widen the shoulder to allow both parking and a 1.5 Metre wide bike lane. 1.5 M. isn't wide enough for the speed limit on that road. It's not ideal but all we're likely to get. Arno feels we should officially not approve of it. Those parking already have U-Passes and drive to there and then grab a bus the rest of the way into campus. Dump trucks park there too. Parking should not be allowed there.

**[Note: Add response letter to minutes.]

False Creek Flats/Eastern Core: Clark. The next meeting about the viaducts will be soon. Still waiting to hear when. It doesn't matter so much what happens as long as we have good cycling infrastructure regardless of the outcome. Arno: There should be a connection between Georgia downtown and the Cambie Bridge.

VACC Wiki: Need to know who our server/web provider is to get started.

Stanley Park cycling: Arno. City now digesting the input. We'll keep it on the agenda.

Arbutus Corridor: Stan. Met with Kerrisdale ART group. Met with others. They are saying a street car in 2040. The corridor is presently a mess with old mattresses, garbage and blackberry bushes. 49th to 37th gravel walking paths suggested. CPR owns the land. Will meet with the City soon to see what they're thinking. It's a waste of a transportation corridor.

Broadway Corridor: Henny. Translink had their consultations. Arno: There's an idea of separated bike lanes on Broadway. There once were many car dealerships on Broadway and now there are many bike shops. Heather: We need to bike on Broadway to go shopping. Now we need to go uphill to 10th and then down again. Gertjan: City Council needs to have a vision of what Broadway should be after Translink is finished with it. Clark: Why should ask for separated bike lanes on Broadway.

Active Transportation Advisory Committee: (ATAC): We nominated Debra to be our rep on it. Officially VACC doesn't have an official position on the ATAC unlike the previous Bicycle Advisory Committee. There will continue to be a bicycle subcommittee though. Anyone is welcome to attend it's meetings. Arno: Recommend on the Burrard Bridge to return the East sidewalk to pedestrians and put

the bike land on the street.

2nd Narrows Bridge update: New meeting has be scheduled. There was a meeting with Ministry people. They're planning suicide prevention fences. It's possible to make the sidewalk a bit wider. They say putting it below the road level is not possible.

Transportation 2020 update: Just starting.

VeloCity 2012: Two VACC papers are going to be at it. Just need the money to send them to it. It's \$1000 per person to attend. Maybe the City can help. There will be bike related events that will take place at the same time outside the actual event.

Announcements:

The Vancouver Bike Show is on March 3rd & 4th. VACC needs volunteers who will get in for free.

<http://www.vancouverbikeshow.com>

We're getting a volunteer coordinator. An intern position.

Salt Spring Island "Velo Village". June 21 - 23. they want to get 1500 cyclists there to work on rural mobility solutions. They have a rural cycling manifesto.

<http://velovillage.ca>

<http://www.islandpathways.ca/>

Richard Campbell is now president of the BC Cycling Coalition.

<http://www.bccc.bc.ca>

VACC AGM April 21st at the Vancouver Public Library downtown branch.