

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

18:30-20:00

HUB Office

1-828 West 8th

Vancouver, BC

Attendees: Jeff (Chair), Leslie (minutes), Matt, Dan from Langley, Richard, Anthony, Arno, Clark, Aida (UBC AMS Bike Co-op), Mary, Neal, Mark, Kay and Ira.

If you are interested in helping out with any of the items listed below, please contact Lisa or 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

1. Introductions and welcome to new members
2. Agenda: Approved with the addition of "Bike Thefts" to the Working Groups (Mary)
3. Minutes from February meeting: Approved

Key Action Items outstanding from Feb meeting		
1	Everyone	Please now test out the website: bikemaps.org – to document hazards, near misses, collisions etc. Ongoing
2	Leslie	Draft letter for campaign to put Kent Ave. on the City's radar
3	Richard	Send bike theft report to Mary for review
4	Cail	CVG letter to be drafted to BCLDB and TransLink by the Complete Network Committee Ongoing
5	Jeff and Lisa	Update committee web page on bikehub.ca Ongoing

4. Announcements (see <https://bikehub.ca>)
 - Transit Referendum: HUB is working for a "YES" vote in the referendum: <https://bikehub.ca/yes>
 - Looking for volunteers for Bike to Work Week. In particular Street Team Volunteers needed. Email biketowork@bikehub.ca for more information.
 - We are looking for a back up minute taker for the Vancouver/UBC committee meetings.
 - We are looking for HUB newsletter contributors.
 - Check out the Slow Streets report at: <https://slowstreets.wordpress.com/2015/01/19/the-case-for-a-complete-street-on-commercial-drive/>
 - **Hot off the Presses** – The Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure (MOTI) has announced cycling and pedestrian improvements to the Stanley Park Causeway, as well as an increase to the cost-shared funding available to communities to improve local cycling infrastructure.

5. Updates from Working Groups

ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Updates from Working Groups		
Assessment Rides (Jeff)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reminder- Assessment rides are reviews of existing or potential bike routes within the City of Vancouver (CoV). • No report this month – need to plan next possible assessment ride? Possibly Woodland? SW Marine Drive? Pender Street? See Clark with suggestions. 	Clark: Set a time and date for an assessment ride on SW Marine Drive

Complete Network Committee (Neal)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reminder- The Complete Network Committee (CNC) is working to address gaps in signage and connectivity around Vancouver. Central Valley Greenway letter is being drafted. Phasing out the tinyurl questionnaire in favour of bikemaps.org Working with bikemaps.org based out of University of Victoria in the hope of getting some of their data to prioritize improvements in our area. We are hoping that all HUB committees will start using this website to document concerns. 	<p>Everyone: Test out bikemaps.org</p> <p>Cail: draft CVG letter to BCLDB and TransLink on behalf of the CNC</p>
Kent Ave (Jeff)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Beginning first draft of a campaign to get the City to look at making upgrades to Kent Ave. 	Leslie: draft one page campaign letter
Bike Share (Neal)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Still moving forward but no real updates. Please complete the brief survey gathering information on Bike Share at: https://bikehub.ca/pbs-survey Some individuals have put forward a Freedom of Information request to try and determine the reasons for the delay. 	
South False Creek/Seaside Greenway (Jeff for Lisa)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Upcoming Meeting with City Staff and residents' group. Drafting Working Group objectives Looking at connectivity along False Creek and through Vanier Park and Kits Park. 	
New: Bike Theft (Mary)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aim to reduce bike theft and complacency around theft. Looking for volunteers to help with strategy. 	Richard: send report to Mary

6. - 15. General Updates

Infrastructure Improvements (Jeff)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Infrastructure Improvements Priority List circulated (see document for full listing of priorities). Next step is to initiate action on a few of these. What first steps can we take? Some ideas for priorities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -South West Marine Drive - will be paved next year, a chance to incorporate improvements -Powell Street Corridor – preparing for consultation on proposed changes, starting in June. -Pender Street Corridor – possible assessment ride? -Granville Bridge – possible greenway down the Centre of the bridge, walking and cycling -Adanac/Union Bike route – attend BTWW station and ask about specific problems along this route. 	
Priorities and Action Plans for 2015 (Jeff)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Priorities include building a stronger local committee, building relationships with Vancouver Park Board, finding leaders for dormant working groups, continuing with the currently active working groups, establishing a new working group for the South False Creek/Seaside Greenway, establishing a new working group for bike theft issues, supporting current liaisons: Streets for Everyone, HUB Regional Advisory Committee (RAC), ATPC, UBC/UBC Bike Co-op and Bike/ Walk UBC. 	.Jeff and Lisa: Update Committee webpage

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Website will be updated with these priorities. 	
Transportation Referendum (Jeff)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Need to get the word out in support of the referendum, which includes cycling infrastructure in Metro Vancouver. • We have materials available in the HUB office (Brochures, bookmarks). • We need help on neighbourhood teams! See Lisa 	
Communications (Jeff)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No significant new communications this month. 	
Active Transportation Policy Council (ATPC) (Jeff)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No update this month. • Lisa is a member of the new committee. 	
UBC/UBC Bike Co-op Update (Aida)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Campaigning around campus about the transit referendum. A surprising number of people don't know about the referendum. • Will be assisting HUB with their campaign. 	
HUB Board Meeting (Jeff)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revised Mission Statement: Getting More People Cycling, More Often. • Strategic planning ongoing: looking at increasing public engagement, better engagement of relevant stakeholders, improving financial strength. 	
Regional Advisory Committee (RAC) (Arno)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Looking at ways to improve attendance • Recently reviewed Terms of Reference, priorities and discussed CVG and Great Blue Heron Way. 	
Streets for Everyone (Neal)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Had meetings with the City who are proposing a separated bike lane from Gravely to 10th Ave. No commitment yet. • Workshop being organized in the community specifically related to transportation through Commercial corridor. 	
Other Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work on the Seawall path near the Casino is almost completed. • Improvements being made to BC Parkway around Nanaimo St and 29th Ave. 	

Meeting adjourned at 20:05

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