



**Vancouver-UBC Committee
Meeting Minutes**

Tuesday, April 19, 2016
18:30-20:00
HUB Office
1-828 West 8th Ave

Attendees: Lisa (Chair), Jeff (Co-chair), Stuart, Amy, Saied, Clark, Connor, Stan, Mike, Colin, Megan, Dan, Jill, Jordon, Anthony, Sean, Kay and Leslie (minutes).

- **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**
- **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 with addition of Arbutus Corridor as a Working Group.
3. Project 529 Anti Bike Theft presentation (tentative)
 - Presenter from 529 not available.
4. Minutes from March 2016 meeting: Approved.

Key Action Items outstanding from February meeting		
1	<i>Everyone</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Also use bikemaps.org to document near misses, collisions, and thefts. If enough people use it, it is a great tool for organizations like HUB and municipalities. Ongoing.
2	<i>Everyone</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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	<i>Everyone</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The committee needs more people in leadership roles in volunteer engagement, communications (committee newsletter/social media/emails) & other areas. Please talk to Lisa or Jeff or email us at HUB Vancouver/UBC Vancouver@BikeHUB.ca if interested

5. Announcements (see bikehub.ca – updated regularly)
 - Check out our updated webpage for more information about our committee: <https://bikehub.ca/vancouver-ubc>
 - 10th Ave Open Houses: April 23rd & 26th – further information below.
 - Looking for committee volunteer organizer.

- HUB Office building lobby: Please use the railing in the parkade to lock your bikes, and do not leave bikes in the lobby. Enter parkade through lobby.
- MEC Bike Fest on May 1st
- New Initiatives: Bike the Night and Bike to Shop. Tentative dates are July 16th (Bike the Night) and August 13th (Bike to Shop).
- Bike to Work Week (BtWW) coming up the end of May.
 - Please take a BtWW poster and post in your neighbourhood or workplace! Consider organizing a team at work. Reminder that HUB does offer adult “Learn to Ride” courses. Could we offer complimentary adult “Learn to Ride” courses during BtWW? *Action: Jeff and Megan to follow up with HUB.*
 - Looking for people to act as BtWW street team volunteers to engage the public.

6. Updates from Working Groups.

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

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 reports outstanding. • King Edward Ride in May? • Future rides: Pender St corridor, Stanley Park Causeway • If you are interested in social rides, speak with Jeff and Lisa. 	Next ride is Main St (37 th Ave. to 5 th Ave.): 30 April @ 9am (Rain Day – May 1 st .)
Seaside South (Lisa)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Olympic Village through to the improved Seaside Greenway by Pt Grey Rd. • Currently focusing on the section from Burrard Bridge, around Vanier Park, through Kits Beach to Balsam. • Anthony led an assessment ride in early March and his report is under review. • We have an ongoing dialogue with Vancouver Parks Board, but they are not interested in upgrading the bike paths in the area. The Park Board would prefer we work with City Engineering to provide space for cyclists on the road. • The correspondence will be posted on HUB’s wiki page if you are interested. 	
Destination Streets (Jordon)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This working group is advocating for infrastructure along the streets with a high concentration of businesses and shops, and working with businesses & business associations who often have concerns about bike lanes without knowing all the facts. 	First focus is on Main St. Assessment ride on April 30 th @ 9 am.
Arbutus Corridor (Stan)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Old railway line from the Fraser River through to Granville Island. Easy grade through some very scenic areas with easy access to shops and services. • We have a mini charter for the Working Group now. • Not clear what the City has in mind for the area, but the City will be running a formal consultation process. 	Working on setting up some guiding principles, and to articulate a position that HUB can take for this area.

7. City Consultations (Jeff)

- See separate document, distributed with the minutes.
- 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:
 - o 10th Ave. First changes in the Health District: Cambie St. to Oak St. Preferred option is two uni-directional bike lanes, one on each side of 10th. Please log on to the website, fill out the survey and advise you prefer the separated bike lanes. Open houses on April 23rd and April 26th.
 - o False Creek Flats (Main Street to the west, Prior and Venables streets to the north, Clark Drive to the east, and Great Northern Way to the south) and see attachment for next steps and ways to participate!

8. Bike Share Working Group (Lisa)

- Looking for people willing to participate and possibly take the lead in this group. Many thanks to Neal for all his work leading this previously
- Will start by meeting up with the new GM of Vancouver’s BikeShare.
- There is currently a survey asking for possible Bike Share docking stations at <http://vancouverbikeshare.ca/>

9. Communications (Jeff)

- A couple of people have written to the City about their concerns along bike routes this month, citing HUB assessment ride reports and recommendations.

10. Car Free Spaces (Lisa)

- See below.

11. Active Transportation and Policy Council (Lisa)

- Robson St near the Art Gallery is currently a seasonal car free pedestrian zone however it should also accommodate people on bikes as feasible.
- Bute Plaza (Davie St and Bute St) – This previously seasonal car free zone didn’t allow cycling but the upcoming permanent Jim deva Plaza will be an excellent example of a car free space with all modes of active transportation encouraged. Congrats to the city staff who worked on this plan!
- Looking at management of parking spaces.
- Working on Complete Streets (see below).
- Vision Zero – no fatalities due to traffic. ATPC came up with some recommendations for how to achieve this goal. The City is currently looking to improve the efforts for Vision Zero.
- The provincial health officer recommended a default speed limit in urban areas of 30 km/hr. HUB should support these recommendations, although any changes would be at the Provincial level (campaign to be led by the BC Cycling Coalition)

12. HUB Board Meeting (Jeff)

- Nothing to report

13. Regional Bike Theft Committee (Lisa for Mary)

- Bike theft education is important and secure bike parking spots needed in most areas of metro Vancouver. Project 529: Can sign up on line and will have sign up sheets during BtWW.

14. Regional Advisory Committee (Jeff)

- Current Efforts:
 - o CVG around Braid St connecting to Port Mann Bridge.
 - o Massey Bridge project was not originally planning any cycling infrastructure along the corridor other than the bridges and interchanges. Cycling infrastructure is required per MOTI policies so HUB representatives are meeting in a working group with MOTI.

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

- The Bike Co-op is a student-run organization located on campus at UBC. Its goal is to provide students and other campus members with an accessible environment where they can learn to fix bicycles, share resources, and build community. It is engaged in cycling advocacy and education to promote biking as a safe and sustainable means of transportation.
- Lots of discussion, but no real action recently.
- The Bike Co-op recently sent infrastructure improvement suggestions to City of Vancouver for connections to UBC, and the City indicated they will consider the suggestions.
- Drafting a Community Needs Assessment for student body on cycling infrastructure.
- Separated bike lanes planned along Wesbrook Mall.

16. “Streets for Everyone” /Complete Streets Liaison (Jordon)

- Initially organized for changes on Commercial Drive: a “complete” street for everyone, including cyclists and pedestrians.
- Now turning attention to Main St and Kingsway.
- Key action items: schematic diagram, customer intercept surveys, liaise with Main St and Commercial Dr Car Free days

More info, see <https://www.facebook.com/StreetsforEveryone/>

17. Other Business

Meeting adjourned at 20:05.

Next meeting: 17 May 2016.

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