



**Vancouver-UBC Committee
Meeting Minutes**

Tuesday, March 21, 2017
18:30-20:00
HUB Office
1-828 West 8th Ave

Attendees: Jeff (Chair), Leslie (minutes), Tim, Stan, Mark, Kay, Anthony, Bob, Lisa, Mike, Michelle, Nathan, Annie, Jens, Dasha, Eric, Teresa, Stuart, Clark.

1. Introductions and welcome to new members.
2. Agenda: Approved with the addition of discussions of 1) Cambie St Bridge MUP access, 2) Anderson St (access to Granville Island) in Other Business
3. Minutes from February 2017 meeting: Approved

Key Action Items outstanding from February meeting		
1	<i>Everyone</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please use BikeMaps.org to document hazards, near misses, collisions, bike thefts. Also make sure to report infrastructure issues to 311 to have them addressed by the City. 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, and were briefly discussed this evening. Ongoing
3	<i>Jeff and Tim</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finish Main St. assessment ride report. This report is more general than usual: how do we connect those riding bikes with destinations on Main St.? Draft Report Completed
4	<i>Arbutus Greenway Assessment Riders</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete Arbutus Greenway ride report.
5	<i>Everyone</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Send your thanks to the City (mayorandcouncil@vancouver.ca) for the improvements on Charleson St. and the Burrard Bridge.

4. Announcements (see bikehub.ca – updated regularly)
 - If you are interested in helping out with any of the items listed below, please contact Jeff at vancouver@bikehub.ca
 - 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.
5. Updates from Working Group Leads.
 - Contact 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"> • Assessment rides are reviews of existing or potential bike routes within the City of Vancouver (CoV). • NW Marine Drive ride just completed. • Arbutus Greenway ride completed, report drafted. • Powell St. near the Port is next on the schedule. 	Jeff: Schedule Powell St ride
Seaside South (Lisa)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scope 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 Haddon Park, Kits Beach Park to Trafalgar. • Changes just announced to Charleson Rd. near Moberly Rd.: temporarily closed to non-transit vehicle traffic. If you have the opportunity, thank the City for this upgrade! • Jeff and Lisa will be meeting with one of the Park Board commissioners in the next few weeks. 	Everyone: Send your thanks to the City for the improvements on Charleson Rd. (Mayorandcouncil@vancouver.ca)
Arbutus Greenway (Stan)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Former railway line from the Fraser River through to 1st Ave at Granville Island. Easy grade through some very scenic areas with easy access to shops and services. • Temporary path almost complete. • Assessment ride completed on March 14th and a report is being drafted. Possible repeat ride in a few weeks to review the safety improvements; intersections are still difficult, particularly 41st Ave. and Broadway. A divider will be implemented in some areas. 	Jeff: provide comments to Stan re draft report.
Broadway Subway (Anthony)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New working group looking at the extension of the SkyTrain from VCC Clark to Arbutus St. Currently in planning stages. TransLink projects construction will start in 2019. • Looking for input on cycling concerns related to the subway, and looking for input from the group – two or three talking points for goals associated with the project; including should bikes be allowed on trains? • Jeff has participated in a series of planning meetings held by TransLink. • See Anthony if you are interested in participating in this working group. 	

6. City Consultations (Jeff)

- See the email attachment or meeting handout for a list of current consultations, links to more information, and opportunities to submit feedback.
- Highlights:
 - The Transportation and Parking Stakeholder Group for the Grandview Woodland Community Plan has been formed (first initiative under this plan is the Complete Street project on Commercial Drive.) This project has been delayed, but HUB is encouraging at least partial updates on sections of, or access to, Commercial Dr. Suggestion made to try an inexpensive pilot project along the full length of Commercial.

- 10th Ave Bike Route – The design has been delayed going to City Council until May. The issue continues to be concerns over the reduction in on-street parking in the Hospital district. The City is working with Vancouver General Hospital to increase off street parking.
- Union Adanac Bikeway Improvements – Some pushback re traffic calming at Nanaimo St.
- False Creek Flats Planning – Area bounded by Main St. / Clark Dr. / Venables St. / Great Northern Way. (There will be a Central Valley Greenway (CVG) connection, bike/ped bridges, new arterial.) The plan will go to City Council this spring.
- NE False Creek planning – New neighbourhood related to removal of the viaducts.
- Transportation 2040 Stakeholder Update Meetings – held monthly.
See: <http://vancouver.ca/streets-transportation/ubc-line-rapid-transit-study.aspx>
- Stanley Park Cycling Improvements - Improvements approved and funded in 2012, and the Parks Board is finally working on implementing changes.

7. Bike Share Working Group (Jeff) See: <http://vancouverbikeshare.ca>

8. Communications (Jeff) Lots of letters and media coverage regarding the south False Creek Seawall.

9. Board Update: No updates this month.

10. Active Transportation and Policy Council (ATPC) (Lisa)

- Citizen advisory council that advises City staff on active transportation issues. If you are interested, anyone is welcome to attend and be involved on sub committees.

11. Regional Advisory Committee (Jeff)

- Currently working on:
 - Brunette Interchange (Hwy 1 at Brunette),
 - Massey Tunnel Replacement – working on bike connectivity to bridge. HUB has provided input on paths along full length of project,
 - Alex Fraser Bridge Improvements - also bike connectivity,
 - Patullo Bridge replacement planning - connectivity and possible changes to multiuse paths.

12. Other Business:

- If you are concerned about the limited number of bikes on buses going through the tunnel, please contact TransLink at <http://feedback.translink.ca/>
- Cambie Bridge: Challenges on the multi-use path (MUP) with cyclist/pedestrian interactions, and access at the north end of the bridge is awkward. CoV plan is to close one vehicle lane south bound on the bridge to accommodate cyclists in a protected bike lane from Nelson St. The MUP would then be one way northbound for cyclists, two way for pedestrians.
- Anderson St. – access road to Granville Island: Granville Island is a federal jurisdiction, not CoV. There have been several consultations on the future plans on Granville Island. The Seawall improvements now underway will see an improved crossing of Anderson with separation of people on bikes and people walking. The Granville Island 2040 project has taken comments on improved streets and traffic calming.
- BC Road Safety Law Reform Group (HUB, Trial Lawyers, BC Cycling Coalition) have been working for a number of years to encourage government to make changes to the Motor Vehicle Act (MVA). The group will ensure the following issues will be raised during the upcoming provincial election: 1) safe passing law, and 2) default neighbourhood (local) speed limits of 30 km/hr.
For more information, see: Bikehub.ca/mva. Please write your local MLA to build support!

Meeting adjourned at 20:05.

Next meeting: 17 April 2017.

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