



HUB Burnaby Minutes

Tuesday 13 November 2018, BCIT Burnaby Campus, Building SE12, Room 101Q

In attendance: Moreno Zanotto, David Fairey, Debbie Reid, Joe Boyd, Peter Stary, Simon Cowell, James Stark, Keith Lim, Tom Niwinski, Fiona Walsh.

Meeting called to order at 6:15 pm

1. Approval of Agenda -- Approved

2. Review and approval of previous meeting minutes (Tuesday Oct 9th, 2018) -- Approved

3. Financial update (Budget)

\$96.84 (HUB budget remaining) + \$63.76 (Bike Valet donations) - cost of pizza for current meeting.

4. Events: recap. BTWW: Nov 2, 3-6PM – Frances @ Willingdon

- Best fall numbers for 3-4 years, almost as high as June--115.6% of last year. One factor may have been the Willingdon Linear Park (25 cyclists).

- 2 HUB memberships sold. Cathy Acuna (HUB) will develop and provide a laminated instruction card for future membership signups.

- Sponsors: Save-On Foods, G&F, Steamworks, Bosa. Thank-you cards were passed around and signed by members present.

- Prize-draw winners--Draw done at meeting; Moreno will contact winners tomorrow.

- Request: anyone with photos of G&F to send to Cathy.

5. Community updates:

a. Fortis Project;

- Will be talking with Leah Libsekal about it, re. lessons learned.

- Simon hasn't received anything from Fortis since last month.

- Peter checked Burnaby's webpage, which said closure was from Holdem to Beta, but actual closure was at Sperling--webpage was wrong, possibly weeks out of date. Also, any bike detour should say what the detour route is.

- It was observed that a "Bike Lane Closed" sign was placed in the bike lane itself and was barrier itself in the otherwise-still-accessible lane. Sometimes, there are no detour signs, making it easy to ride into construction.

- There is a standard way to indicate a detour; it is set in the BC Traffic Control Manual. In response to "Share the Road" signs and others, HUB's response should be that our expectations are that they should follow the manual.

b. New Video project(s)

- New video for Gilmore between Halifax and Douglas. Will be brought to meeting with Leah on Thursday



c. Gilmore (Sea to River)

- Petition was approved by HUB, but proposed press release was not.
- Around 18 June, Debbie received a letter from Janet Routledge (MLA)'s office. It had been assumed by the provincial government that they were not going to do anything. Burnaby then put in a request to the provincial government to replace the overpass. Thus the ball is in the provincial government's court.
- However, the City of Burnaby could still make changes to the existing structure, e.g. change to a 3-lane road, or close one lane southbound (same as when the overpass was being repaired).
- Noted that the "Share the Road" section is indeed wide enough for sharing (4.3m), but where it narrows, there are no appropriate signs to indicate this.

d. BC Parkway (et tu Translink)

- BC Parkway south of Southpoint (emails received)--emails said that project was supposed to have started on Tuesday, but it actually started on Monday.
- Detour signs issues: Detour signs lead to a detour route about 10-15 minutes longer. No detour signs on Burnaby side, only on New Westminster side. Detours including dropping cyclists off in the middle of a road (Griffiths) with no further directions, and also expects cyclists to ride on the sidewalk, but with no signs to say that it is ok. Peter had asked Translink if it was the individual cities (Burnaby and New West) who were responsible for their respective detour signs, but got no answer.
- Suggestion made to just send the whole email thread to Translink.

Action: Peter to draft a letter to Translink for HUB approval.

6. 20 in 20 upgrades/repairs

- Debbie has sent updates re. Sanderson Way--added photos of bollards, signs, etc.
- Points of note: #32: not done; #34: sign in wrong place/wrong sign--bike lane is in the middle of the road, but sign says to take the lane, though the road is wide enough for sharing--sign at that location should say lane should be shared side-by-side

7. Transportation Plan Update:

a. Deidre contact and progress;

- No update from last month. Should check with Leah on where city is. Phase 2 has been delayed (should have followed directly from Phase 1).
- There seems to be a basic misunderstanding of the issues at a basic level re. cycle path design.
- Suggestion made to make it a challenge--invite all the councillors and tell the Burnaby Now. Need to find way to motivate councillors--find way to get buy-in. Purpose might be to show lack of understanding of staff, by them seeing firsthand the poor signage and conditions, etc.
- Issue could also go to Safety Committee--bring up poor competence of staff.
- Note of interest: Burnaby has a mobile library on a bicycle.

b. BCIT Forum – 20th 5PM?

- Cancelled--wasn't able to do publicity for it. To reschedule.



8. CoB: Meeting with Leah on 15th Nov (Moreno and Simon)

- At meeting, ask Leah to what extent Leah and Stuart Ramsey are involved in Burnaby's Transportation Plan. If not, who from the city is on the team? (Other than Deirdre Barstock, who is new to Burnaby, though has worked all over the province.)
- Action request: after creating a detour, city should ask a cyclist--not necessarily from HUB--to ride the route and sign off on it re. signage, safety, etc. Should make this a standard procedure.
- Can ask Leah if city is applying for Translink funding. To bring up that it is noted that Burnaby is spending lots of money on cycling--but just not effectively, e.g. Willingdon Linear Parkway and BCIT pathway.

9. Elections: new Mayor and Councillor – Our (new) engagement strategy

- Discussion of strategy with new Burnaby mayor (Mike Hurley) can be discussed at the HUB all-committee meeting.
- Should send congratulations card to everyone who was elected--mayor, all councillors, all school board.

10. ICBC statistics – Burnaby accident spots

- Stats involve only crashes with moving vehicles (i.e. not including doorings). Imperial and Nelson has 9 crashes, the highest number. This intersection is particularly confusing, involving the cycle path changing to a regular sidewalk and cyclists supposed to ride on the sidewalk. It has been this way since 1985. Next-highest for crashes are multiple intersections along Gilmore.
- Link to this site already sent to Leah in background document, and will be brought up at meeting.

11. HUB: RAC – 15th; All committee meeting Nov 29th,

- Regional Advisory Committee (RAC)--Peter is a member of RAC, and if no other Burnaby members attend, will give Burnaby report to RAC. Simon attends RAC meetings where possible (note: though not this Thursday, as he will be at the meeting with Leah).
- All-committee meeting--Cathy, Debbie, Simon, and Keith plan to attend--Burnaby will be well-represented. Will report at next committee meeting.

12. Other business

- Environmental Office meeting in Victoria on weekend before last--Peter attended. Talked about Gilmore overpass. Told of parameters that they were working with. Environmental Assessment primarily concerned with environmental effects during construction, not ongoing environmental impact afterwards during the structure's lifetime. Suggested to ask for in-demand documents and have committee linked to Translink's targets. Have meeting scheduled with project team on 22 November. Sound barrier will be a topic brought up. Sound barriers are not thought of much, but they make a huge difference. They also are barriers to dust and wind turbulence. Current plans appear to be building a 6-lane bridge, 4 lanes for motor vehicle (MV) traffic, with 2 bike lanes on the outside, which could become future MV lanes. Committee's position is that a 4-lane bridge should be a 4-lane bridge (not potentially expand to 6-lane).
- Burnaby website now accepting applications to committees. Some indication that the city is reinstating the Transport Committee. Possible opening on Parks and Recreation, and the Culture Commission. No descriptions currently. Inquiries are by phone only.



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Action: (Interested members) Keep eyes on openings. Website currently says to check back in late October 2018 for vacancies (but it is currently November, with no new info added).

Action: (Interested members) Call city clerk's office and ask for info and deadline for applying, if any.

Meeting adjourned at 8:23 pm