

# Vancouver-UBC Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, Mar 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023 18:30-20:00

Meeting held online via Zoom web meeting

Attendees:	Jeff (co-chair), Anthony F (co-chair), Eric S, Lucy, Mike V, Jonathan (HUB staff), Kay, Ron,		
	Ryan, Kevin M, Lisa S, Dan, Sara H, Ivana, Alix, Ivan, Anthony B, Stan, Clark, Cynthia, Total		
	Attendees (20)		

Please use the Van311 app to report infrastructure issues relating to cycling on dedicated bike lanes or on other streets. Please use BikeMaps.org to document hazards, near misses, collisions, and bike thefts.

1. Introductions and welcome to new members

2. Agenda: Approved

3. Minutes from Feb: Approved

Key Action Items outstanding from last meeting				
1	Jeff	Forward names of those interested in the ride marshall course, and those interested in		
		volunteering at a HUB tent at the Best event May 20/21 at Granville Island, to HUB staff		

# 4. Announcements see also bikehub.ca – updated regularly and see also our Local Committee wiki

- The Van311 smartphone app now supports reporting bike lane hazards, potholes, debris, and other issues. Please report bike lanes requiring maintenance
- City staff will present a report to Council on March 29th with options for implementing proposed
  Active Mobility lanes along Broadway. We plan to present our recommendations to Council.
  Please consider speaking to Council, or writing a note to councillors expressing your support.
  More details on this issue are included in the presentation
- Upcoming Local Committee Social Ride will be held March 26th. Contact Anthony if you are interested and are not already on the list.

### 5. Local Committee Elections - Jonathan Mak, HUB staff

- We are moving to holding annual elections for our local committee chairs/co chairs. We asked all those willing to put their names forward to contact Jonathan over the last month
- The two nominations received were for Anthony Floyd, and Jeff Leigh
- There was a call for nominations from the floor. None being received,
- Anthony and Jeff were acclaimed as co chairs for the coming year.

# 6. Updates from Working Group Leads.

Contact Jeff and Anthony (<u>Vancouver@bikehub.ca</u>) if you are interested in joining and/or forming a working group.

ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION				
Updates from Working Groups						
Assessment Rides (Jeff, Anthony)	<ul> <li>Assessment rides are reviews of existing or potential bike routes within the City of Vancouver (CoV). Reports are generated and posted on our wiki. Our reports are used to</li> </ul>	Jeff: Complete report for the SW Marine ride				

Cycling in Parks (Lisa)	<ul> <li>advocate with municipal officials and provide them with recommendations.</li> <li>Assessment ride of SW Marine held, report in progress.</li> <li>No assessment rides are planned this month. We will resume these rides as the weather improves.</li> <li>HUB is offering a one day Ride Marshall Course for those LC members involved in leading rides. Advise Jeff if you are interested and you didn't note your interest in text chat.</li> <li>Kits Park improvements. East Park planning process, and next steps. Other park projects include John Hendry Park, and Queen E Park. Stanley Park protected lanes.</li> <li>Further discussions held in the breakout room at 8 pm</li> </ul>	
Arbutus Greenway (Stan)	<ul> <li>Former railway line from the Fraser River through to 1st Ave at Granville St. Easy grade through some very scenic areas with easy access to shops and services.</li> <li>Arbutus signal project delayed due to other utility work.</li> <li>Connections at the north end planned on Fir, and 1st, for construction this year</li> <li>Connections at the south end are not proposed due to ongoing intergovernmental meetings. We suggested an interim on-road route on Hudson and 71st.</li> </ul>	
Broadway Subway (Jeff and Anthony)	<ul> <li>Construction updates are being received from the project office and published through our social media feeds.</li> <li>Stakeholder meeting held, and Anthony attended</li> </ul>	
East Van Greenway (Clark)	<ul> <li>The creation of a north-south greenway in East Vancouver, eventually connecting Burrard Inlet to the Fraser River.</li> <li>We are awaiting the public engagement launch for the proposed Portside Greenway</li> <li>The Active Mobility Plan includes references to the East Side Crosscut, and to the Portside Greenway, and we will follow both of these projects.</li> </ul>	
Municipal Election (Lisa)	This working group prepared for the 2022 municipal election by creating a voting history record for incumbents and drafting questions that were posed to all candidates, with the responses published on bikehub.ca	

#### 7. Consultations (Jeff)

- Discussion on the Broadway Active Mobility Lanes. Further to the draft Broadway Plan, an amendment passed in June 2022 committing the City to including AAA infrastructure on Broadway. Staff were directed to prepare proposals and bring them back to Council. The <u>staff report</u> being presented to Council on March 29 has three options, and the recommended option is to not include Active Transportation lanes at this time. We will advocate for including them, to the mayor and councillors, and will speak with BIAs, and the media, in support of this. A call to action email will go out to all HUB members to support this request. More details in the presentation. Note: Post meeting, our <u>HUB Cycling position paper</u> was published.
- CoV staff are developing an Active Mobility Plan to guide investments for the next five years. This is a successor to the 2017-2022 Cycling Network Plan. Staff collected candidate routes; developed criteria for scoring/ranking them, and plan to recommend Greenways, Complete Streets, and Major Pedestrian Improvements, likely in June. More details in the presentation.
- School Streets the CoV is proposing to close one block of the Comox Greenway, in front of Lord Roberts school, to motor vehicles, year round. This would make the School Street that has been run there for two years permanent. More details in the presentation.
- BEST (Better Environmentally Sound Transportation) is planning an event at Granville Island the

weekend of May 20/21. We have been offered space for a table and tent, and plan to participate. Thanks to the volunteers who noted their interest in helping staff the tent in the meeting. If you are able to help out, eg by working a 2 hour shift, and have not already done so, please advise Jeff.

• More details on these and other current consultations in the <u>presentation</u>.

# 8. Regional Advisory Committee Update (Jeff)

• MoTI have a budget surplus, and are planning on increased active transportation spending

# 9. Board Update (Jeff)

 Our HUB Cycling AGM will be held in September, date TBD, via Zoom. We are planning on organizing Watch Parties for local committees to gather (likely at a community centre) to watch collectively. Watch for more details closer to the event

# 10. Local Committee Correspondence

#### 11. Other Business

20:00 Meeting adjourned. Breakout rooms held to 8:30 (Cycling in Parks, and General Discussion)

Our next meeting will be April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023.