



January 14, 2018

Mayor and Council  
District of North Vancouver  
355 West Queens Road, North Vancouver BC V7N 4N5

cc: Rick Danyluk, Manager - Financial Planning  
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## District of North Vancouver Draft Financial Plan 2018-2022

Dear Mayor and Council,

HUB is a charitable organization working to get more people cycling, more often. We believe that more cycling means healthier, happier, more connected communities.

We strongly support the proposed investment in active transportation in the District of North Vancouver's draft financial plan for 2018-2022. Providing more transportation choices including biking will help reduce congestion and improve North Vancouver's local economy.

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*The truth about a city's aspirations isn't found in its vision.  
It's found in its budget." (Brent Toderian, urban planner)*

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Below please find our comments on the Transportation and Engineering section of the Draft Financial Plan Workbook, pages 26 to 28.

- a. We support the strategic priority to "Increase funding for active and safe transportation projects (sidewalks, bike lanes and road crossings)" (p. 26)
- b. We support the proposed bicycle master plan update (p. 27). The update is urgently needed given the District's recent initiative for an all ages & abilities bike network, and the increase in motor vehicle traffic, which increases safety risks to people on bikes where they share the road with cars.



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- c. We welcome the proposed ongoing \$1 million transfer to the new capital reserve to fund safe and active transportation improvements outside the town centres and the adjustment to \$2 million by 2021 (p. 27).
- d. We encourage the District to put sufficient resources into planning bike infrastructure projects to take advantage of outside funding opportunities from TransLink and the province. The provincial BikeBC program has recently opened for grant applications. The submission deadline is February 9, 2018.

We thank council and staff for working diligently on delivering community services including transportation in a sustainable manner, while taking into account changes and growth in our community.

Sincerely,

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