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HUB - New Westminster  
Draft Minutes of Hybrid Meeting in the Ash Street Room of New Westminster Public Library (Main Branch)  
Wednesday November 16, 2022

Present: Garey Carlson, Tammy Dewar (Zoom), Andrew Feltham, Shane Griffin (Zoom), Heidi Hizsa, Brian Simpson (Zoom), Ying Simpson (Zoom), Fulton Tom (Minutes)

Call to order: 6:06 PM

1. Meeting/Communications

a) Review of Agenda – Add Fraser Health Letter Writing, Cargo Bike Parents Group Update, Partnership/Relationship Potential Conflicts, and HUB-NW December Social. Approved.

b) Review of Minutes (October 19, 2022) – Approved.

c) Social Media Update – HUB-NW will stop using Twitter due to increased hate speech on the platform and will set up a server on Discord for discussions.

d) Fraser Health Letter Writing – Disha Katyal, Environmental Health Office with Fraser Health offered to write letters of support on behalf of HUB-NW. Also, at HUB-NW's Go by Bike Week station, Mike Bohn, President of the Connaught Heights Residents' Association, offered to work with HUB-NW when presenting issues to the City.

Action: Fulton will introduce Disha to the HUB-NW co-chairs and reply to Mike's offer to collaborate.

2. Advocacy

a) Cargo Bike Parents Group Update – A member of the Facebook group wrote to Mayor and Council about accommodating cargo bikes (in bollard placement on bike lanes, access to cyclist traffic light buttons, bike parking and electric charging).

Action: Shane and Heidi will connect HUB-NW with the Cargo Bike Parents Group through Discord.

b) 2023 Priorities – HUB-NW needs to learn more about the City's 5-Year Capital Plan and ensure that it does not distract the City from implementing the plan.

Action: Brad will ask Mike Anderson, Manager of Transportation, when HUB-NW's feedback on the 5-Year Capital Plan is needed.

c) HUB SD40 Bike Friendly Buildings Report – No new developments.

Action: Andrew will contact Tim Welsh, HUB's Director of Program Development, for an update about implementing the recommendations of the report.

d) Municipal Elections – Patrick Parkes is seeking input on his draft letter congratulating the new Mayor and Council and inviting them on a bike ride and to a social gathering on an unspecified date.

e) Sustainable Transportation Advisory Committee – Heidi applied to serve on the Committee.

f) Partnership/Relationship Potential Conflict – Some cyclists expressed concerns with ICBC’s sponsorship of HUB-NW’s Go by Bike Week station. ICBC has had adversarial relationships with cyclists (eg Ben Bollinger) and some of its safety documents blame cyclists for traffic accidents. Also, some cyclists were concerned that Transit Police volunteering to register bicycles against theft at HUB-NW’s Go by Bike Week station appeared in full gear with firearms.

Action: Garey will contact HUB about any issues with ICBC’s sponsorship. Fulton will request that officers volunteering at Go by Bike Week stations not come in full gear with firearms.

### 3. Activities

a) HUB Volunteer Appreciation Skating Event – Several HUB-NW members attended the welcoming event.

b) All-Committee Meeting (6:30 pm on December 5) – Members were encouraged to attend the free online event, which requires registration (at <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/fall-all-committee-municipal-elections-learnings-council-tracking-tickets-466078632737>) and will focus on HUB’s election related efforts.

c) HUB-NW December Social

Action: Fulton will plan a social gathering in December.

Adjourned: 7:20 pm

Next Meeting: Wednesday January 18 at 6 pm in the Ash Street Room