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Subject: Seaside Greenway Kitsilano Beach Area Walk-Through with HUB Cycling Prior to Project at Meeting

Dear Commissioners,

Happy 2020 to you and here's hoping that you had a lovely break.

HUB Cycling understands that the **Seaside Greenway Kitsilano area improvements project is coming forward again to a meeting in January or February.**

This section of the iconic Seaside Greenway by Kitsilano Beach Park is dangerous and uncomfortable for all users. Addressing this issue was identified as a **"priority project" by City Council in 2013, came forward to a Park Board meeting in March 2018, and now in early 2020, we are once again trying to get improvements made.**

We know this is an important part of the Seaside Greenway for all users and deserves a full understanding of the area before making decisions.

For that reason, **HUB Cycling would like to invite commissioners on a walk through of the area. We are proposing afternoon times on Jan weekend dates (here). If you are interested, please fill out the doodle poll and we will choose a time with the greatest number of participants.** If these times are completely unworkable for you, please contact me directly to see if we can organize another time. As a courtesy to all involved since the first proposed date is Jan 12, **please complete poll by 5pm Thurs Jan 9.**

There are new additional impetuses to creating excellent greenway facilities here. They include **the upcoming Squamish Nation Señákw development with 6000 new housing units on the Greenway; the climate crisis and the significance of encouraging active transportation; and the recently adopted Playbook Master Plan. Playbook's Bold Move 3 "Connectivity" states the need to "create[ing] beautiful and direct and intuitive connections for pedestrians and cyclists of all ages and abilities". And Report 4, P.2.1 states "Work to address busy cycling routes and promote separation of pedestrians and cyclists for safety with all stakeholders, including locations like Kitsilano Beach Park."**

We hope you can join us on a walk through.

Best regards,
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