

Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows HUB Meeting Minutes
November 15, 2021 - 7:00 pm - Zoom Meeting

1. Attendees: Jackie Chow, Ivan Chow, Peter Jongbloed, Michael Nelson, Janet Dwillies, Antoinetta DeWit, Colin Fowler, Sigrun Gilmour
2. Minutes of previous meeting - Approved.
3. Agenda for this meeting - Approved with addition of Earth Day and discussion on December meeting
4. **Presentation by Colin Fowler (HUB Tri-Cities) on Maze Gates**
 - Colin has prepared a map with all the maze gates in Tri-cities. Suggested we could do this with google maps street view or Municipal GIS.
 - 219 Maze Gates in Tri-cities - when notified of a problem with the maze gates (i.e. wheelchair cannot get around) Coquitlam will take them down. Coquitlam is committed to getting rid of them. (Port Coquitlam and Port Moody are looking into it).
 - Cities don't know where all maze gates are unless in parks - some have been put in by developers.
 - Colin suggests that maze gates can be replaced with flexible bollards. Runnels are also being used where there are stairwells. Paths may need to be widened when the maze gates are removed as path tends to be narrower at this point.
 - Members are receptive to creating our own map indicating where maze gates are. Several people could work on different areas on the map.
 - Jenny will ask at the next TAC Meeting if the City already has a map like this we could use.
 - Pitt Meadows has already replaced their maze gates with bollards - most are flexible but may need to replace a few.
 - Jackie suggested that she would like to work with "Municipal Advisory Committee on Accessibility and Inclusiveness" to have the maze gates removed.
 - Janet asked what the purpose of the maze gates were - to stop access for cars, ATVs, motorcycles and to slow bikes down.
5. **Old Business**
 - 5.1 **TTAC PM** - Peter presented at Pitt Meadows Engagement & Priorities Committee meeting on October 19 stating that Harris Road Underpass pathway is only being allotted 2-½ meters and stressed that it must be 4 meters. He will stress this again at an upcoming meeting with the Vancouver Port Authority.

TAC MR - Final meeting with current group Wednesday November 24. New committee is being selected. Jenny noted that the September meeting was very respectful. Meeting was taken up mostly with STP (Strategic Transportation Plan). Also how will engagement with public happen.

5.2 Strategic Transportation Plan (STP) - we should reach out to general public with mailchimp etc.

Mark Halpin (City Engineering) suggested we meet virtually with him later this week. Thursday was agreed upon. This is the first time the City has offered something like this to us.

5.3 Trails - we need to work on Municipal trails - Janet can do weekends and Sigrun can do weekdays. Jackie will organize.

6. New Business

6.1 Review progress on 2021 Action Plans

Maple Ridge:

Objective One: Engage with staff and Council and provide feedback on updated Transportation Plan - mostly complete except where COVID did not allow.

Objective Two: Build HUB committee (encourage more active participation) and continue engaging with the public - mostly complete except where COVID did not allow.

Objective Three: Infrastructure Priorities - Ungap the Map - 1. Hwy 7 266 to 287 Streets - MoTI decided they weren't going to provide a protected MUP at this time. Our advocacy did help initiate the discussion about the need for active transportation infrastructure along provincial highways throughout Metro Vancouver. 2. MUP on Lougheed between 222nd and 216 streets - hopeful will get the funding.

Pitt Meadows:

Objective One: New crosswalks at both the Neaves road and Harris road bridges over the south Alouette - Complete

Objective Two: Continue to contribute to the planning for the CP Rail underpass at Harris and the overpass at Kennedy - Ongoing - Kennedy Road is paused.

Objective Three: Contribute to the planning for the on-road and off-road bike facilities along the to be widened Airport Way - Still in the works. Peter will bring this forward.

6.2 Brainstorming on what we want to focus on next year:

- Michael suggested adding a biking blog to our website where public could submit questions or just topics for discussion.
- Jenny suggested she would like to continue with the Active School Travel outside of TAC and within our group (website). Blue Mountain Elementary and Yennadon Elementary have very active PAC groups and are currently working on an “Active School Pilot Project”. Possibly HUB could partner with them. Jenny would like someone to work on this with her.

6.3 Earth Day - April 22, 2022 - Mark our calendars

6.4 Christmas Gathering - because of COVID it was decided to wait another year to do this. Plan something special outdoors for summer - short ride and picnic? It was decided we should have a zoom meeting in December.