



December 18, 2013

Dwayne Drobot,  
Rezoning Planner  
City of Vancouver

**Re: Oakridge Centre Redevelopment**

Dear Mr. Drobot:

In February of this year, HUB made a submission which offered suggestions for improving provisions for cycling in the plans that were presented to the public in November, 2012. Since then, a stakeholder meeting was arranged which focused on walking and cycling issues. We appreciate that we were invited to this stakeholder meeting where we could discuss our suggestions for improvement with the proponent team.

We are very pleased with the excellent provisions for cycling which are part of the revised redevelopment plan which was released in October, 2013. We really like the proposal to have separated bike lanes along New Street and on 41<sup>st</sup> Ave and Cambie streets adjacent to Oakridge Centre. The revised configuration at Heather and 41<sup>st</sup> is a great improvement for cycling.

We really like the proposal to provide bike lockers at a convenient location for visitors and shoppers to Oakridge Centre. This will encourage many more people to use cycling as their preferred way of accessing Oakridge Centre.

We understand that there are details which are still being worked out, namely cycling connections between New Street and Tisdall Street and the provisions for safe and convenient cycling facilities along 45<sup>th</sup> Ave. We look forward to these being designed in such a way that cycling access to Oakridge centre will be of a uniformly high quality. We also look forward to the installation of an adequate number of outdoor bike racks in locations which are convenient, highly visible and in locations with 'eyes on the bikes', for example outside cafes, busy windows, etc.

**Conclusion**

We would like to thank City of Vancouver staff and the Oakridge Centre proponent team for working together to improve provisions for cycling in the Oakridge Centre redevelopment proposal. The redevelopment of Oakridge Centre offers an opportunity to improve cycling both in and around Oakridge Centre. We look forward to seeing Oakridge Centre as a development which is welcoming to those arriving by bike and we also look forward to improvements to cycling infrastructure in the vicinity of Oakridge Centre.

Sincerely Yours,



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