



Attendees:	Jeff (co-chair), Anthony F (co-chair), Cynthia, Stan, David F, Lucy, Peggy, Stephanie, Kay, Lisa S, Colin B, Luke, Kevin M, Melanie, Charlene, Clark, Ron R, Alix, Anthony B, Frédérique, Mike T, Eric S, Mike V, James, Kristin, Kieran, Ivana, Ivan Total Attendees: (28)
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Please use the Van311 app to report infrastructure issues relating to cycling on dedicated bike lanes or on other streets. Please use BikeMaps.org to document hazards, near misses, collisions, and bike thefts.

1. Introductions and welcome to new members
2. Agenda: Approved
3. Minutes from Mar: Approved

Key Action Items outstanding from last meeting		
1	Jeff	Forward names of those interested in the ride marshall course, and those interested in volunteering at a HUB tent at the BEST event May 20/21 at Granville Island, to HUB staff - Done for Ride Marshall Training. BEST event has been cancelled.

4. Announcements see also bikehub.ca – updated regularly and see also our [Local Committee wiki](#)
 - The Van311 smartphone app now supports reporting bike lane hazards, potholes, debris, and other issues. Please report bike lanes requiring maintenance
 - BEST has cancelled their event at Granville Island as they will not be operating the Bike Valet there this summer. GI will operate their own bike parking service. Thanks to those who volunteered
 - The BC Government announced \$100 m in new bike funding (over 3 years) in Budget 2023
 - HUB Cycling is looking for volunteers who are comfortable with city cycling and able to make a 3 month commitment to become mentors for the [Newcomer Bike Mentorship Program](#) starting in May.
 - We are expanding our local committee social media presence, so as to further spread our message and raise our Local Committee exposure, with <https://twitter.com/hubvancouverubc> and <https://mstdn.ca/@HUBVancouverUBC>
 - Upcoming Local Committee Social Rides will be held April 23rd at 1 pm (SE Vancouver Loop) - [Register Here](#) - and March 26th at 7 pm (Tour de Oakridge) - [Register Here](#). Contact Anthonyfloyd@gmail.com if you are interested and are not already on the list.

5. Advocacy Principles

We discussed the Purpose of HUB Cycling (from our constitution); our Core Values and Goals (from our strategic plan); Local Committees (what are they, why do we have them); and a set of draft Guiding Principles for our Local Committee advocacy work. These principles will be refined, agreed, and posted. Suggestions were received to include schools and universities as destinations, and to review phrases such as “avid cyclist” and “high streets” (retail streets). This topic was included due to the number of letters we received following our campaign regarding mobility lanes on Broadway, where many members of the public, and HUB Cycling members, asked why we thought there should be lanes there. More details in the presentation.

6. Upcoming Changes to the Motor Vehicle Act

We reviewed the history of the MVA and advocacy work to update it, including early work by the BCCC; the phased approach being taken by MoTI; updated and new definitions in the Act; Vulnerable Road Users; new rules regarding e Bikes, new rules relating to safe distances for overtaking and following; changes relating to heavy truck speed limiters and Automated Vehicles; new Regulations; Pilot Projects, and our position on these changes.. More details in the presentation

7. Updates from Working Group Leads.

Contact Jeff and Anthony (Vancouver@bikehub.ca) if you are interested in joining and/or forming a working group.

ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Updates from Working Groups		
Assessment Rides (Jeff, Anthony)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assessment rides are reviews of existing or potential bike routes within the City of Vancouver (CoV). Reports are generated and posted on our wiki. Our reports are used to advocate with municipal officials and provide them with recommendations. No assessment rides are planned this month. We will resume these rides as the weather improves. 	
Cycling in Parks (Lisa)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Strategy session planned to discuss advocacy with a less supportive municipal government. Kits Park improvements timeline. Queen E Park plans. Stanley Park protected lanes. Further discussions held in the breakout room at 8 pm.. 	
Arbutus Greenway (Stan)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Former railway line from the Fraser River through to 1st Ave at Granville St. Easy grade through some very scenic areas with easy access to shops and services. Connections at the north end starting now on Fir, and 1st 	
Broadway Subway (Jeff and Anthony)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Construction updates are being received from the project office and published through our social media feeds. 	
East Van Greenway (Clark)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The creation of a north-south greenway in East Vancouver, eventually connecting Burrard Inlet to the Fraser River. This greenway is related to the Portside Greenway public engagement starting now. 	
Municipal Election (Lisa)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This working group prepared for the 2022 municipal election by creating a voting history record for incumbents and drafting questions that were posed to all candidates, with the responses published on bikehub.ca 	

8. Consultations (Jeff)

- Review of the Council decision on the Broadway Active Mobility Lanes.
- The [Portside Greenway public engagement](#) has just launched. This is an important project, both from the standpoint of network connectivity, and equity considerations with respect to East Vancouver. It has the potential to close a significant network gap along Powell St. We discussed the upcoming Phase 1 engagement, focused on Goals, Ideas, and Concerns, and which includes three workshops and an online survey. The survey runs until May 25th. We plan to invite a speaker from the CoV to our meeting next month on this topic. We will also be presenting our position in a formal submission.
- The [Bute Greenway](#) public engagement is underway. The survey is available until April 30th.
- The [West End Commercial Streets](#) public engagement is underway. The survey is available until April 30th. The project covers Robson, Denman, and Davie streets.

- The [Hastings Sunrise neighbourhood traffic calming](#) public engagement is underway. The survey is available until April 28th.
- Imagine West End Waterfront stakeholder workshops are coming up the week of April 24th. We will attend both workshops.
- More details on these and other current consultations at the links above, and in the [presentation](#).

9. Regional Advisory Committee Update (Jeff)

- We expect a Government announcement on support for e bike purchases in the coming months

10. Board Update (Jeff)

- We have had a number of major successes in the past months. More details in the presentation.
- Our HUB Cycling AGM will be held September 21 2023, via Zoom. We are planning on organizing a Watch Party, likely at a community centre. Watch for more details closer to the event

11. Local Committee Correspondence

- The Vancouver Hastings Climate Action Team is advocating for more bike parking in the east Hastings neighbourhood, and is looking for a volunteer to join them who lives in that area
- We submitted a formal [letter to mayor and council](#) in support of the Comox Year Round School Street

12. Other Business

- The Bike Kitchen at UBC was successful in their campaign to increase annual student fees to provide additional funding for operations of The Bike Kitchen. Great work!

20:00 Meeting adjourned. Breakout rooms held to 8:30 (Cycling in Parks, and General Discussion)

Our next meeting will be May 16th, 2023.