March 23rd, 2009

Mayor and Council

City of Vancouver
453 West 12th Avenue
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Dear Mayor and Council,

On behalf of the Vancouver Area Cycling Coalition’s (VACC) Vancouver/UBC Committee,

I would like to express my endorsement for the Public Bike Share (PBS) System coming before council tomorrow.

Our committee believes that the Bike Share System has been proven to advance the cycling situation in numerous cities worldwide and we believe that Vancouver would also benefit enormously from the PBS. Bike Share has been shown to increase mode share and we are convinced that improved cycling infrastructure combined with Bike Share will help council to greatly increase cycling mode share and thus help bring Vancouver to its desired status as “greenest city on earth”.

On this note, I certainly encourage Council to consider a number of cycling infrastructure issues in tandem with the PBS in order to maximize success. A couple of these infrastructure issues include: the Burrard Bridge and the loops on the north end of the Granville Bridge.

Thank you for the positive work you are doing in forwarding the cycling agenda in Vancouver.

Sincerely,

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Chair, VACC Vancouver/UBC Committee

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