



HUB - New Westminster Draft Minutes of Meeting at Moody Park: Wednesday June 22, 2022

Present: Brad Barber, Garey Carlson, Robbie Dewar, Tammy Dewar, Andrew Feltham, Shane Griffin, Heidi Hizsa, Helen Jennings, John Jennings, Gordon Lamont, Garry Self, Fulton Tom (Minutes).

Call to order: 6:45 PM

1. Meeting/Communications

a) Review of Agenda – Amend item 2 b) from 2022 Priorities to 2023 Priorities. Add Qayqayt School Path, John Knox Christian School, City Council Delegation re Flexi-Bollards and New West Farmers Market. Approved.

b) Review of Minutes (May 25, 2022) – Approved.

c) Social Media Update – Heidi requested photos to post on social media.

2. Advocacy

a) HUB SD40 Bike Friendly Buildings Report – At the previous meeting, Gavin Davidson identified numerous cycling deficiencies at Lord Kelvin Elementary School. HUB-NW will request that the City address the angled, back out parking onto the bike route and the lack of bicycle parking at the school.

Action: Garey will contact Gavin about who received *Bike Friendly Building Assessment – New Westminster Schools*.

b) 2023 Priorities – The group has worked closely with City staff on HUB-NW priorities and seen much progress in recent years. The City committed to connecting the Crosstown Greenway to 9th Street through Moody Park and to extending the bike route at 8th & 8th to the London-Dublin Greenway. HUB-NW wants the City to focus on low-cost improvements that are easily implemented (eg potholes), connections to schools, and improvements in high density areas (eg Downtown).

Gordon wants more secure bike parking; the current racks are not secure enough for more expensive bikes. Several members want bike parking that accommodates larger bikes.

Patios on Columbia Street have resulted in trucks parking on the bicycle route to unload. The City should prioritize maintaining bicycle routes or providing alternative routes during construction.

Certain improvements can be addressed through See Click Fix instead of through HUB-NW's priorities submission.

Action: Fulton will resend HUB-NW's 2022 priorities submission and ask members to recommend 2023 priorities using a Google doc (<u>https://docs.google.com/document/d/14T685T_PPfpFQIVwlg-NXLGWfgZUJbp--cpUN6JjOmg/edit</u>)

c) New Pattullo Bridge – The security fencing planned for the bridge can trigger seizures due to the strobing effect. Half of the respondents to HUB's survey on the issue expressed concerns with fencing design.

Action: Brad will review survey comments and work with HUB on a letter to request reconsideration of the fencing design.

d) City of New Westminster AAA Network Expediting – Consultations that Andrew attended were about process rather than specific improvements.

e) Qayqayt School Path – The developer's plans for the redevelopment of the Royal Avenue properties include a multi-use path along the east perimeter of the school. Members were encouraged to attend the next Council meeting to support the path (and the redevelopment).

f) BC Parkway Planned Improvements – Fulton attended a presentation about planned improvements along the route between Patterson and 22nd Street SkyTrain Stations. Cyclists and pedestrians will have separated paths that are 4 metres in width where possible. Plans include replacing the direct cycling path between the BC Parkway and the access to the Queensborough Bridge with a path between the BC Parkway and the northwest corner of 7th Avenue and 22nd Street. Opportunities to offer feedback on the plans are anticipated.

g) Braid Industrial Greenway – The weave bollards are too close together to allow larger bicycles to pass through. Members were encouraged to raise the issue with the City through See Click Fix.

h) John Knox Christian School – The flexi-bollards at the school have slowed down motor vehicle traffic and deterred motor vehicles from the area.

i) City Council Delegation re Flexi-Bollards – Tammy plans to make a delegation to City Council regarding the safety improvements around schools.

3. Activities

a) Go by Bike Week Spring (May 30 - June 5) – HUB-NW organized a Go by Bike Week community station by the 22^{nd} Street SkyTrain Station. There were fewer visitors than before COVID.

b) Go by Bike Week Fall – New Westminster Public Library wants to partner with HUB-NW on an event. Members suggested some possible events: a presentation on cycling with kids, Streetwise Cycling Course, a presentation on e-bikes for all ages, and a HUB-NW Q&A.

Action: Fulton will work with Caitlyn of NWPL on an event.

c) New West Farmers Market – As a board member of the market, John invited HUB-NW to have a community table at the market.

Action: Fulton will contact Quinn and Cap's Bicycle Shop about participating.

d) HUB All-Committee Meeting (Wednesday July 6) – Members were encouraged to attend to meeting, which focuses on emerging paradigms in roadway and bikeway design and bike advocacy.

Action: Fulton will notify the list serve of the event.

e) Summer Social – HUB-NW will hold a summer social event for its members.

Action: Fulton will poll members to find a suitable date.

4. Next Meeting - Wednesday July 27 at 6:30 PM

Adjourned: 8:40 PM