

HUB Richmond/YVR Committee: *Meeting Minutes*

Date/Time: Thursday, November 9, 2023 • 7:00-8:30PM

Place: Virtual via Google Meet

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In-Person: Minoru Centre for Active Living (Cafeteria)

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Co-Chairs: Anna Chow, Donna Kwan, Jesse Li

Present: Devyn, Jeff, Quincy, Cathy, Yvonne, Sheryl, Donna, Jesse

1. Welcome & Introductions

- Check-in- name, pronouns; Call to order for agenda, new items welcome.
 - Intro - Cathy Acuna - cathy@bikehub.ca - replaced Jonathan Mak; reach out to her if any questions or need support
 - Quincy - commuting by bike for a few years now, wanted to start taking some action
 - Everyone else - introduced themselves

3. Items for Discussion

Engagement events last month

- Lansdowne Masterplan
 - (Jesse) Zoe presented Phase 1, Jesse has some notes. In general good to see. For now building in NE section of lot, empty parking lot. Over entire master plan, will have places to live and work. Phase 1 is the microcosm for the entire master plan. Transit-oriented development. Public space and green space.
 - Jeff - MUP added on south side of Alderbridge (city planning on north side, south side is being done by developers).
 - Gap on Kwantlen
 - Cooney extended to Alderbridge, similar lane. Protected bike track on both sides
 - Hazelbridge to Lansdowne
 - New east-west road
 - New drop off zone at Lansdowne station
 - New parking garages, maybe a bike parking garage, mobility hubs, bike repair station

- Protected bidirectional bike lane north side of Landsdowne Road
- Sheryl - concern about crossing Garden City if connecting lanes from the Garden City Lands to Landsdowne area
 - Jeff - city is discussing/proposing to extend the road adjacent to the parking lot at KPU all the way to Garden City and No 3 Rd, not finalized; bike lanes may be on it
- Quincy - city is continuing to build roads through the city centre, despite stated goal to reduce car usage. Devyn - their rationale is to increase permeability/circulation for pedestrians too with more roads.
- Reaching out to Steveston Merchants Association (Yvonne)
 - Haven't reached out yet; was looking at how much parking there is (there's a lot in the area)
 - Sheryl - some people disagree that there is sufficient parking (park in residential areas)
 - Devyn - need better public transportation options into Steveston
 - Jesse - everyone uses free, not paid parking. Asked Yvonne if need help to reach out to Merchant's Ass'n? **Action:** Jesse will organize what needs to be done.
- HUB bike instruction at Richmond Senior Center (Keith)
 - Cathy - Keith had a meeting with Alexis, their program coordinator. Cathy will reach out to Alexis and update. HUB is interested in something similar - education programming for seniors. Some logistical issues - can HUB bring bikes. HUB does do this at the Vancouver Community Centre (Trout Lake?)
 - Donna - Richmond Community Centre - gives out grants for \$20K. They are doing letters of intent. If someone wants to lead it, write a letter of intent for next year, that would be great. **Action:** Donna to send Cathy details, asked Cathy to write a letter of intent
- South Arm Community Center & covered bike racks (Jesse)
 - South Arm reply - can't be done, no space under the awning but will look for alternatives
 - **Action:** Suggest - a pop-up tent as a pilot project - would be cheap
- On-demand bike lockers at Brighthouse (Jesse)
 - Amy - noticed handles/keylocks changed. No ETA for when lockers will be functional. Amy followed up with Navdeep and Kevin (?) - no reply yet. Wondering if we should follow up with Translink. **Action:** Cathy will follow up with Navdeep
- Update on RATC (Derek/Jesse)

- Dog Bark park (No 3 Rd & Dyke) - want to improve safety for dogs in cycling paths - public engagement will start next week approximately. **Action:** Jesse will forward opp to the committee.
- Great Canadian Way - bus only left-turn lane onto Bridgeport. Also improving cycling infrastructure, will put plastic bollards there to increase buffer space.
 - Jeff - after Bridgeport, bikes merge with traffic, doesn't make sense, no elephant feet
 - Jesse - city will improve intersection at Great Canadian Way and Bridgeport
- Improvement along Midtown neighborhood cycling route - Francis Rd and Schaffler Gate. Mini-MUP along small stretch of Francis Rd along south side and crossing for pedestrians/people cycling (see map)
- More work on No 2 Rd and more engagement on Steveston streetscape project
- Update on Great Blue Heron Way (Sheryl)
 - Accessing gov't funds for reconciliation - hope to have an overpass at Hwy 17. Working with TFN and Trails BC.
 - Rail crossing at Roberts Bank - several meetings with Delta HUB and city council - planning to build Terminal 2 and will allow the Great Blue Heron Way to pass through (there exists a gap now). Also through Brunswick Point.
 - Nov 15th - Elder Ruth will do a presentation on the Great Blue Heron at the Greenways Conference
 - Richmond - Sage, a younger committee member working with Trails BC - will meet with a rep at Musqueam Nation to link and reach a consensus in Richmond (already done in Delta and Vancouver)
- Update on council meetings (Sheryl)
 - Forwarded latest council meeting to Jesse. Translink Rapid Bus Program - Translink is in favour of bus-only lanes. But city staff would prefer HOV lanes. The councilors don't want anything. Nov 6th vote was defeated. Translink also offered to fund the on-off ramp to Knight St Bridge.
 - Jeff - City staff made a new proposal. To truncate the route at Aberdeen Station up No 5 Rd to Bridgeport (?).
 - Burnaby had unanimously approved their bus lane proposal, same for Surrey, Langley, & Vancouver
 - Devyn - councilors had a question about who takes this bus route. 430 runs on peak times, not a frequent schedule. Alternate routes: 410 to 22nd Station; Canada Line to Expo Line but crowded during peak times. There is a need for

reliable transportation directly to the Expo Line. City council doesn't see this. Devyn wrote a letter in favour of the Rapid Bus. City staff in favour too. Hope councilors will be convinced.

- Jesse - Likely Translink collects route data of users, to drive decision making.
- Jeff - could increase capacity on 430. City council argue why put in bus lanes when can increase capacity. Devyn - congestion not on Cambie but getting onto Knight St Bridge. Jeff - congestion on Bridgeport.
- Taking a break in December and resume January, if weather is bad, can meet online.
 - Jeff - update - emailed Nathan re: No 3 Rd. City is working on redesign on all routes being repaved and they are studying No 3 Rd as it will be repaved next year. **Action:** Devyn will also provide some feedback as he rides it often (bumpiness, more signage) Jeff had some suggestions too. **Action:** Jeff and Cathy to contact Nathan to provide feedback on No 3 Rd **Action:** Jeff will reach out to Nathan to offer feedback on No 3 Rd from HUB Richmond.
 - Jeff - city is also thinking about shared pathway along No 3 Rd
 - Social ride - Nov 19th (Sunday) Devyn - south Dyke - Shell Rd trail. Have HUB put it on their website. Devyn - work out details. Cathy - can help promote it.
- (time permitting) - Review progress on the initiatives list
- Assign action items
 - Jesse - Divide up work to reach out to Steveston Merchants Association
 - Jesse - Suggest pop-up tent as pilot/temporary project at South Arm Community Center for covering bike racks
 - Cathy - Follow up with Navdeep
 - Jeff - Reach out to Nathan about HUB providing feedback on repaving projects.
 - CC Cathy cathy@bikehub.ca
 - Devyn - work out details of social ride, & send to Cathy
 - Cathy - can help promote group ride
 - Jesse - can make post to Reddit
 - Anna - can post on X (Twitter)
 - Devyn - provide feedback on No. 3 Rd

5. Action Items

- Anna - send followup email with minutes
- Jesse - create agenda for next meeting

6. Next meeting: Thursday, January 11th, 7:00-8:30PM. If you have items for the agenda, please email richmond@bikehub.ca

RESOURCES

Organizational documents

- [New member onboarding](#)
- [Ongoing Initiatives](#)