

# Vancouver-UBC Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, Feb 18th, 2025 18:30-20:00 Virtual Meeting held via Zoom

Attendees:	
	Nyan, Lisa S, Marco, Dan F, Kevin M, Eric W, Alix, Andrew L, Sophia, Bhavana, Mark,
	Ruofan, Ali, Kay, Monica, Sanne, Clark, Total Attendees: 24

## Meeting presentation slide deck can be downloaded here.

## 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. Land acknowledgement, introductions, and welcome to new members
- 2. Agenda: Approved

### 3. Minutes from January: Approved

Key Action Items outstanding from last meeting		
1	Everyone	Report infrastructure and operational issues through the Van311 App to have them addressed by the City - <b>Ongoing</b>
2	Anthony	VULC Membership Survey (completed and discussed in the meeting)

#### 4. Announcements

- Visit <u>https://bikehub.ca/</u> regularly for up-to-date news, <u>https://bikehub.ca/vancouver-ubc</u> for LC information
- Follow us on Mastodon @HUBVancouverUBC@mstdn.ca, or on Blue Sky @HUBVancouverUBC.bsky.social
- Adam Hawk has a petition calling on CoV staff to improve safety for cycling by following through on the CoV 2017 commitments related to local street bikeways. These changes are within the existing mandate of the City Engineer.
- HUB Cycling Bike Awards will be held Saturday March 8th

### 5. Updates from Working Group Leads

- Assessment Rides Jeff/Anthony We plan to resume assessment rides over the coming months. We will assess projects as they are completed/opened (Granville Connector, East Park detour, Arbutus Greenway at King Edward. A request was made to revisit SW Marine as that assessment is dated. No rides are scheduled this month.
- Cycling in Parks Sophia and Luke have expressed interest in leading this Working Group and have met to discuss opportunities. Sophia gave a brief update for the WG. Thanks to Lisa for all her work over the years.
- Arbutus Greenway Stan Greenway @ King Ed work complete, look for 41st Ave next, although it has been delayed by one year. A ride will be organized to look at these two intersections.
- Broadway Subway Anthony No update
- Elections Lisa and Kay Council + PB commissioner report card released. Upcoming byelection discussed and whether there would be value in sending questions to all candidates. Alternatively, a social media message could be sent out reminding people to vote, and listing the past voting results of each party.

- East Side Crosscut Greenway Clark discussed below under Rupert/Renfrew Station Area planning
- Social Rides Anthony We are planning to resume social rides over the coming months. Discussion on preferred days and times. Use #socialrides on groups.io; see the meeting presentation for more details.
- Secure Bike Parking Eric Several initiatives underway, concepts presented on cooperative work with Community Policing Centres, Bike Valet, BIAs; see meeting presentation for more details.

## 6. Deep Dive - Rupert and Renfrew Station Area Plan

• The draft neighbourhood plan was discussed. The plan has a 25 year horizon. The plan includes a look at Transportation, with mention of complete streets, greenways, AT routes, and so on. See the presentation slides for more details.

## 7. Consultation/CoV Updates

- Seaside Greenway Detour at East Park/Olympic Village is in place, and is expected to be required for some years. There may be opportunities to improve the routing away from Switchman and towards the water, in coordination with development of East Park phase 1.
- Chilco Water Supply Tunnel Project work in Stanley Park has commenced, with AT impacts at the Chilco shaft site, the Burrard Inlet shaft site, and planned heavy truck traffic along Pipeline Road.
- Granville St (downtown) planning process continues. The proposed plan includes removing vehicles from Granville St between Drake and Waterfront Station, including transit (rerouted to Howe and Seymour). While referred to as pedestrianization, the plan notes improvements for cycling on Granville. The first phases would see these changes implemented seasonally.
- King Edward bike lanes west of Macdonald implemented as part of road and utility improvements included parking protected bike lanes in some blocks. Due to resident pushback, the CoV has advised that these lanes will be removed. There has been no advertised public consultation on this. We will write to the City expressing our concerns. Members are encouraged to contact the City as well, and cc us.
- Upcoming anticipated consultations: Civic District (including 10th Ave between Cambie & Yukon, look for new secure bicycle parking facility in plan); Gastown Pedestrian Streets; Portside Greenway preferred design; Burrard Slopes park; Killarney neighbourhood traffic management plan
- See the meeting presentation slides for more details on all of the above.

### 8. Local Committee Action Plan and Survey Results

- We prepare an annual action plan each year, by March 31 (HUB Cycling Year End) Past plans can be found on our wiki. Ideas for actions to be included in our 2025 plan were discussed.
- The results of our recent local committee member survey were presented
- More details on both of these in the presentation slides.

### 9. Local Committee Correspondence/Meetings

• Beach Ave road work (Howe to Hornby) is underway. As a result of concerns over the curb protection for the Beach Ave bikeway being removed immediately west of Hornby, we contacted the City. The changes are related to Translink changes in the #23 bus route (accommodating larger buses), with the relocation of bus stops and the MOBI station. As part of this bus route work, Pacific St is being changed between Jervis and Thurlow, and will include a protected bike lane eastbound, connecting the Beach Ave Bikeway towards the Burrard Bridge. More details on both of these changes in the meeting presentation slides.

## 10. Board/Regional Advisory Committee (RAC) Update

• BC Ferries has awarded a consulting contract to the HUB Cycling staff research team to investigate and report on the cycling experience on BC Ferries, in preparation for improvements.

### 11. Other business

- Request for follow up with the CoV on Pete Fry's motion re bike parking, Lock it or Lose it, and whether the City has completed a report. To be updated next month.
- In the chat, discussion about issues related to UBC, and interest in perhaps forming a UBC-focused working

group, and reaching out to other groups at UBC for more engagement (UBC Bike Kitchen, Dr. Alex Bigazzi in Civil Engineering, others?) Contact us on groups.io or <u>vancouver@bikehub.ca</u> if you're interested in participating in (or leading!) a UBC working group.

## 20:00 Meeting adjourned. Our next meeting will be March 18th, 2025, on Zoom.