

HUB Richmond/YVR Committee: *Meeting Minutes*

Date/Time: Thursday, July 13, 2023 • 7:00-8:30PM

Google Meet Info

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

Present: Jesse, Donna, Anna, Navdeep Chhina, Derek, Sheryl, Devyn, Amy, Quincy, Keith Lang (joined ~8PM)

1. Welcome & Introductions

- Check-in- name, pronouns; Call to order for agenda, new items welcome.

3. Items for Discussion

- Debrief on June incident - HUB staff (Navdeep)
 - Sue reached out to HUB staff previously with a complaint about bullying/harassment
 - HUB took this complaint very seriously and reached out to her with several options to talk about this privately (call, text, email), with many time spots available.
 - Sue was uncooperative and instead emailed a large number of people which is inappropriate
 - HUB has told her that a public setting is not a fair setting to discuss this
 - Jonathan & Navdeep have done a significant investigation and briefed the board president, with the conclusion that no harassment has occurred.
 - If anyone would like to talk to Navdeep about this incident - email him and he's happy to chat privately - navdeep@bikehub.ca
- Update on RATC (Derek/Jesse)
 - 2023-07-12 Social event with RATC at O'Hare pub
 - Nathan brought along a copy of the cycling network plan, which can also be found here:
https://citycouncil.richmond.ca/shared/assets/Cycling_Network_Plan_Update_-_Final_Plan65113.pdf
 - For the most part the city is going to be following the established plan; anything additional needs to be added on a year-by-year basis
 - Nathan mentioned he's taking a vacation to Copenhagen soon, but will be keeping an eye out for infrastructure

- Traffic control group mostly cares about car flow; we need to convince them to consider pedestrian flow as well
- Derek recently talked to Lloyd Bie (director of transportation) and got the impression that the city wants us to provide feedback -> more assessment rides?
- Update on Great Blue Heron Way (Sheryl)
 - She and Elder Ruth went to White Rock open house discussing Nicomekl Waterfront park, hoping to link a few transportation methods together (bus loop & cycling connections)
 - They want to encourage cycling but are hung up with CN rail
 - Need to contact HUB Surrey to investigate gaps, deal with Mud Bay to Crescent Beach route, since that's in Surrey
- Update on council meetings (Sheryl)
 - Council was removing 60km/hr speed limits a while back; they have been all removed.
 - Cameras are being installed in various places in conjunction with ICBC & the province
 - Cameras likely doing multiple roles (speeding, red light, accident recording, triggering traffic signals)
- Rosewood Manor open house
 - There's paths for multiple modes of transportation
 - Sheryl commented that on No. 2 rd they'll need good safety measures
 - There will be bike lockers in all buildings
- On-demand bike lockers at Brighthouse Station - Issues: offline often, dirty, sketchy? (Amy)
 - Amy - 2 / 3 times she's used them, they were sketchy (dirty clothes inside, IKEA bags, urine, lock wouldn't engage because someone jammed rebar into the locking mechanism)
 - Out of 16 lockers on site, the app shows 11, of which 8 are offline
 - After reaching out to Translink, Translink responded quickly; in summary they're aware of the problem, vandalism at the Bridgeport Station has been unprecedented
 - [HUB, in conjunction with Translink, prepared a survey for recommending new stations](#)
 - HUB has connections with Translink and can escalate these concerns - Amy to get in touch with evan.hammer@bikehub.ca

- Donna had dropped by and didn't notice any issues, aside from the lockers being dented. Maybe they were cleaned up before Donna dropped by
- Bike parking (Amy?)
 - Hasn't had a chance to look into it, but would like to explore it in the future
 - Vancouver has a program where businesses can request that the city install bike parking
 - Notably, the City can't do anything on private property except write a letter; City can only install parking on e.g. public sidewalks.
 - Need to show to business that people want to come by bike
 - Donna mentioned her school has leftover bike racks, which could be free to be installed
- Organizational documents (Jesse)
 - [New member onboarding](#)
 - [Ongoing Initiatives](#)
- Shell Rd Assessment Ride
 - Report slowly being filled out, [see here](#)
- Steveston & Railway affordable homes (Jesse)
 - There's an affordable housing project being built at Railway Ave (next to Railway Greenway) & Steveston Hwy (next to upcoming Steveston MUP)
 - [It's going to council this Monday 2023-07-17](#) - item no. 2, 4831 Steveston Hwy, full report here
https://citycouncil.richmond.ca/agendafiles/Open_Planning_7-18-2023.pdf (takes a while to load)
- Alderbridge Way & No. 4 Rd (Jesse, Devyn)
 - See ongoing initiatives list for gap info
- Kittywake Drive & slower streets (Devyn, Jesse)
 - Devyn wasn't able to speak to council in person (1st time Devyn wasn't called up, 2nd time there were scheduling conflicts)
 - Devyn to send out letter in support very soon
- Garlic Festival Ride - Sunday, August 20th
 - Essentially same as last year, but potentially with a longer ride option available.
 - [Eventbrite link here](#)
- Misc.
 - Derek is going on trips to various places and won't be available until September
 - Devyn is working on advocating for marking the sidewalk on No. 3 Rd as a MUP; see Ongoing Initiatives

5. Action Items

- **Jesse** - send followup email with minutes
- **Anna** - create agenda for next meeting
- **Jonathan/Navdeep** - Collate a guide to blocking emails from someone
- **Devyn** - Contact Jonathan and get information about Copenhagen's cycling highways, to be forwarded to Nathan Andrews before his trip so he can keep an eye out for them as well as consider them when he gets back
- **Amy** - Contact Jonathan/Evan (evan.hammer@bikehub.ca) re: Translink bike lockers
 - Send all the information, including screenshots from the app showing that there's only 3/16 lockers available
- **Amy** - Contact Evan Hammer and see if HUB has any information about typical cost of bike parking facilities - not critical but would be nice to have
- **Devyn** - contact the developer at Alderbridge & No. 4 Rd
- **Donna** - contact Jonathan and get the Garlic Festival ride promoted thru HUB's channels
- **Yvonne** - forward Councillor Carol Day's request for people to write into council about the affordable housing project at Railway & Steveston

6. Next meeting: Thursday, August 10, 2023, 7:00-8:30PM [online and possibly in-person]. If you have items for the agenda, please email richmond@bikehub.ca