



Attendees: Jeff (chair), Anthony (co host), Kay, Philippe, Stan, Mike V, Amy, Jeremy, Lisa, Rob A, Genevieve, Eric W, Dan, Alix, Karole, Brian G (CoV), Sanne, David F, Kevin, Moreno, Clark, Shreyas, Alicia, Keith, Erica (CoV), Kristin, James, Kyle, Colin B, Ron, Ivan, Lucy, Andre (33)

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1. Introductions and welcome to new members.

2. Agenda: Approved

3. Minutes from Mar: Approved

Key Action Items outstanding from last meeting		
1	Jeff	Draft letter to CoV re improved pavement markings for local street bikeways - Done
2	Anthony	Plan and hold Richard St/Smith St Bikeways Assessment Ride – Ride held, report in progress
3	Philippe	Plan and hold SW Marine Assessment ride – likely in May

4. Announcements (see bikehub.ca – updated regularly and see also our [Local Committee wiki](#))

- At the end of our regular meeting, at 8 pm, we have several Zoom breakout rooms set up, for some of our working groups. Access is direct from the main meeting, with no need to log in separately. This is an opportunity for smaller group discussions. Rooms will be set up for Cycling in Parks, Arbutus Greenway, and General Discussion. You can choose which breakout room to join, if any. More details provided in the meeting.
- The City of Vancouver and HUB Cycling have just announced the expansion of cycling education to all grade 6 and 7 students in Vancouver public schools. 37 schools will be included this year, up from 6 schools in each of the past four years. Over two years, all students in the target grades will be included. HUB delivers four lessons that include school ground training and group rides. HUB provides bikes for those students who need them, including adaptive bikes where required.
- [Ride of Silence](#) will be held in multiple cities on May 18th. Decision on whether to organize a local ride. Note: no support was expressed in the chat window.

5. City of Vancouver Projects Update – Presented by Brian Gould & Erica Mason, CoV Engineering

- Brian provided an update on the Granville Connector, including the interim protected lanes across the bridge and the changes to the street network at the north end where the loops will be removed. Work is expected to start in September. An update to the Central Valley Greenway improvements from Victoria to Clark Drive was also provided. There will be additional road markings to better indicate the bike lane transition at Commercial Drive. West of Commercial Drive, the protected bike lane is bidirectional, although people can still cycle westbound in the old painted lane.
- Erica provided an update on the St George Rainway project. The preferred design closes a section of St Georges to vehicles completely, to reduce vehicle volumes. This is phase 1 of the St George Rainway project, and future phases are intended to extend the route south to 14th.

6. Updates from Working Group Leads.

Contact Jeff (Vancouver@bikehub.ca) if you are interested in joining and/or forming a working group.

ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Updates from Working Groups		
Assessment Rides (Jeff, Philippe, Anthony)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assessment rides are reviews of existing or potential bike routes within the City of Vancouver (CoV). Reports are generated and posted on our wiki. Our reports are used to advocate with municipal officials and provide them with recommendations. Assessment ride of Richards St and Smithe St held Assessment ride of SW Marine planned in the coming weeks. 	<p>Anthony: Complete report for the Richards and Smithe street ride.</p> <p>Philippe: Plan a ride for SW Marine (May?)</p>
Cycling in Parks (Lisa)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PB Commissioners approved the staff report with a plan to move ahead on the Kits Beach paths. This was a great step forward after years of advocacy. Very strong support expressed by the community, with PB staff logging 90+ messages of support, with only a few opposed. The PB meeting minutes are here. Commissioners voted 6-1 to approve, with Commissioner Barker opposed. We are watching for the updated John Hendry Renewal plan (Trout Lake). We have asked the CoV to implement protected lanes next to two parks where there is limited cycling within the park. We continue to monitor the Stanley Park interim protected lanes and await the Mobility Study that staff will present by the end of the year, proposing ways to reduce motor vehicle volumes in the park. The temporary lanes are intended to stay in until the Mobility Study is presented. 	
Arbutus Greenway (Stan)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Former railway line from the Fraser River through to 1st Ave at Granville St. Easy grade through some very scenic areas with easy access to shops and services. Design work continues for the intersection of the AG and King Edward. The drawings indicate a realignment of the two crossings to improve safety, separation of walking and cycling, protected curb bulges and ramps with pedestrian refuge areas, and No Right Turn on Red from WB Kind Edward. The current intersection is shown here, and the recommended design is shown here. 	
Broadway Subway (Jeff and Anthony)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Construction updates are being received from the project office and published through our social media feeds. Awaiting installation of a protected lane on 10th from Maple to Cypress. 	
East Van Greenway (Clark)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The creation of a north-south greenway in East Vancouver, eventually connecting Burrard Inlet to the Fraser River. No update this month. 	
Municipal Election (Lisa)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This working group is preparing for the 2022 municipal election. Work includes creating a voting history record for incumbents and drafting questions that will be posed to all candidates, with the responses published. 	

7. Consultations (Jeff)

- [Kits Beach Park](#) – We were very happy to see the staff recommendation for new paths through Kits Beach Park pass (6-1). We continue to urge PB staff and the CoV to address the remaining gap from the north end of Arbutus to Ogden Ave. We have been in communication with the CoV regarding a protected lane on the north side of Ogden and have heard support for this.
- [The Broadway Plan](#) has been released and will go to Council on May 18th. We continue to have concerns on the plan not including any cycling infrastructure on Broadway itself for people cycling to access shops and services, and specifically about the lack of cycling access to the stations themselves, for multi modal trips. We will present to Council and ask that you consider presenting as well. [Register to speak here](#). If you would like to send comments to Mayor and Council, [use this form](#).
- [The Vancouver Plan](#) has been released. We attended CoV stakeholder sessions. A survey is open until April 24th. We are encouraged to see references to active transportation, including to shops and services, in the plan. More details in the presentation. The plan is expected to go to Council for approval in June (this is another opportunity to speak, or to send your comments to Mayor and Council using the link above)
- [Strathcona Neighbourhood Traffic Calming](#) updates are planned. Clark attended the workshop on our behalf.
- The motion by Councillor Fry to ensure parking meter head removals are coordinated with the installation of bike locking rings on the meter posts passed.
- Knight St Bridge onramp bike lanes (EB Marine Dr to SB Knight St Bridge) have been cleaned up. This has been a longstanding issue, brought to our attention by a HUB member.
- More details on these and other current consultations in the [presentation](#).

8. Regional Advisory Committee (RAC) Update (Jeff)

- The BC Government is planning on introducing additional support to promote the use of e bikes. Discussions with MoTI have included how this program would be structured, planned subsidies for purchase of an e bike, courses for those new to e bikes, and other elements
- Meetings held with MoTI re the planned widening of Hwy 1 to Mount Lehman Rd, and the inclusion of cycling infrastructure. This aligns with our upcoming Cycle Highways report, due in early May.
- Advocacy with MoTI re planned changes to the Infrastructure Grant Program (cost sharing)

9. Local Committee Correspondence

- Letters drafted and sent to the City of Vancouver this month:
 - [The Bay Building proposal](#) including a Green Mobility Hub and bike parkade
 - [Protected Bikeways alongside parks](#) (Kits area, and John Hendry Park)
 - [Improved pavement markings on local street bikeways](#)

10. Board Update (Jeff)

- Discussions with ICBC on their practice of cost recovery (subrogation) following a bike/vehicle crash and insurance claim. ICBC is reviewing this practice.

11. Other Business (none raised)

20:00 Meeting adjourned. Breakout rooms held to 8:30 (Cycling in Parks, Arbutus Greenway, and General Discussion)

Next meeting will be May 17th, 2022, by Zoom web meeting (link will be sent out in advance of the meeting)