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Paul Storer, Manager of Transportation Design
Kati Tamashiro, Senior Program Coordination Engineer
Engineering Services, City of Vancouver
(By Email)

Re: Off Broadway Bikeway (7th Ave) between Granville and Fir

Dear Paul and Kati;

HUB Cycling is a charitable organization that works to make cycling better through education, events and collaboration. We are Metro Vancouver's leader in making cycling an attractive choice for everyone. We are writing with follow up comments on the issues we recently discussed related to the Off-Broadway Bikeway on 7th Ave between Granville St and Fir St, further to our meeting on November 14th, 2018.

The issues along this stretch of 7th Ave have to do with the number and speed of motor vehicles, exacerbated by the parking on both sides of the street. The street is not comfortable for people on bikes. In addition to the letters we have received from HUB members on these issues, we are considering the future impacts related to construction of the Broadway Subway. We foresee a risk of ever higher numbers of vehicles cutting through this area during construction of the Granville station, and recommend that actions to put mitigation in place be taken prior to the commencement of subway construction. We request that you investigate vehicle traffic volumes and consider the installation of either protected lanes, or a traffic diversion on 7th between Granville and Fir, like that applied to 7th Ave. at Oak St.



Figure 1- 7th Ave Eastbound near Granville



Figure 2- 7th Ave Westbound at Granville

Thank you for your consideration of these issues. We would be pleased to meet and discuss the above at your convenience.

Sincerely,

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