

# Vancouver-UBC Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, February 20th, 2024 18:30-20:00 Meeting held virtually via Zoom web meeting

Attendees:Anthony (co-chair), Jeff (co-chair), Lucy, Eric S, Tim P, Cynthia, Nathan, Kevin M, Lisa S,<br/>Peggy, Diedrich, Dan, Melanie, Michael F, Mike V, Kirsten, Andrew L, Simon B, Ron R, Nick,<br/>Stan, Tim S, plus 2 Total Attendees: (24)

# 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 Jan: Approved with edits

Key Action Items outstanding from last meeting				
1	Anthony/Jeff	Draft and submit a letter to CoV mayor and councillors in support of the Jericho Lands Policy		
		Statement Complete (and the motion passed)		

#### 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 <u>@HUBVancouverUBC@mstdn.ca</u>, or on Blue Sky <u>@HUBVancouverUBC.bsky.social</u>
- HUB staff will offer a one day course for Ride Leader Training for Local Committees, on April 6th. Details to follow

#### 5. Upcoming Events

• No near-term events of note

#### 6. VULC Groups.io

• Many people are on "special notice only", quick recap of discussions that might have been missed. Members have the option of receiving and being able to initiate discussion threads.

## 7. Updates from Working Group Leads.

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

ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION		
Updates from Working Groups				
Assessment Rides (Jeff, Anthony)	<ul> <li>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.</li> </ul>			

Cycling in Parks (Lisa)	<ul> <li>No assessment rides are planned this month. We will get some assessment rides in the calendar as the weather improves</li> <li>Update on the Stanley Park Mobility Study. We will attend a</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Opdate on the stanley Park Wobility Study. We will attend a stakeholder workshop next week and report back on progress of the study.</li> <li>Kits Park improvements underway</li> </ul>
Arbutus Greenway (Jeff for Stan)	<ul> <li>CoV improvements to the Arbutus Greenway at King Edward are commencing. The cycle path and walking paths will be aligned, signal timing will be changed, and turning restrictions implemented.</li> </ul>
Broadway Subway (Jeff and Anthony)	No update this month
East Van Greenway (Clark)	No update this month
Municipal Election (Lisa)	<ul> <li>A scorecard for elected officials is being prepared to assist voters in selecting candidates in the next election</li> </ul>
Bike Theft (Melanie)	<ul> <li>A new working group is being formed to discuss ideas to prevent bike theft. A charter is being drafted. The first meeting will be held on March 5, details on our groups.io page.</li> </ul>
Social Rides (Anthony)	No ride this month

## 8. Deep Dive: Our Priority Gap List and Gap Map

- We reviewed our priority gap list, and associated gap map
- We received numerous suggestions for additional gaps to consider, including updating Wall St and, Duchess/Wales; adding a connection from the Masumi Mitsui Greenway to Rumble St in Burnaby, 59th and Cambie intersection, 37th Midtown/Ridgeway, and the intersection at Inverness and 57th, and confirming "comfortable for most" based on peak traffic volumes.
- Our Gap Map is <u>here</u> (you can turn layers on and off for clarity).
- The priority gap list and map will be updated and posted on our wiki.
- Additional details can be found in the presentation.

#### 9. Consultations

- A meeting was held with the Hastings Crossing BIA re active transportation routes in the area. This is abutting Gastown and Chinatown; the HxBIA is supportive of the Water St pilot and improvements, and is planning on co hosting a bike valet service this summer
- A meeting was held with the CoV Engineering team on numerous projects
  - o 1st and Pine AT issues relate to additional AT traffic with the temporary closure of the seawall at Granville Island; Senakw construction traffic volume at Fir; the transition from the protected lane on 1st at Pine; and delays to Pine St improvements due to signal work required at 4th. Pine is planned for a protected bidirectional lane from the AG to 1st.
  - o Kent Ave improvements planned face challenges to connect to the Arbutus Greenway. We encouraged the City to focus on making improvements further east along Kent, and forwarded our last proposal for Kent Ave.
  - o The East Side Crosscut will start out connecting from Hastings Park to the CVG, to be constructed along with utility work in the summers of 2024 and 2025.
  - o The temporary protected lane along 1st Ave (Olympic Village to Cambie Bridge) was discussed. This will remain in place while repairs are carried out to the seawall path.
- Bike Valet services are planned for downtown at Vancouver Centre, and the West End, in addition to Gastown/Hastings Crossing.
- The Gastown Car Light pilot project will go ahead this summer, with closures starting in March (Maple Tree Square).

- No current public engagements; expect Gastown Public Spaces, Portside Greenway, Broadway Public Realm, East Park to come in early 2024
- Additional details can be found in the presentation.

#### 10. City of Vancouver Transportation Snapshot

• The CoV has just published their **2022 Transportation Snapshot**, with data on mode share, infrastructure improvements, and trends for Active Transportation. More details in the presentation

#### 11. Regional Advisory Committee (RAC) Update

• Ongoing discussions held with MOTI about the draft regulations to support changes to the Motor Vehicle Act. These have been good productive talks. We hope to see these changes enacted in the spring session of the legislature.

#### 12. HUB Board Update - no update this month

#### 13. Local Committee Correspondence

• Letter to CoV sent re support for the Jericho Lands Policy Statement.

#### 14. Other Business

• None

#### 20:00 Meeting adjourned.

Our next meeting will be March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024, and is planned to be in person at the Creekside Community Centre and online via Zoom.