HUB Richmond/YVR Committee: Meeting Minutes

Thursday, March 10, 2022 • 7:00-8:30PM

Attendees: Anna Chow, Cedric Lin, Derek Williams, Donna Kwan, Sheryl

Links:

Meeting Agenda

1. Welcome & Introductions

- Check-in name, pronouns, and what did you do over your winter holiday?
- Call to order for March Agenda any additions/omissions?

2. Advocacy Opportunities/Barriers

- Registration page on HUB EventBrite for Richmond/YVR future events
- 3. Review & Approval of Minutes for Virtual Meeting held in February 2022
 - Minutes for Feb 2022 meeting
 - ALL: Approved

4. Items for Discussion

- Approve Richmond LC Action Plan 2022—viewable here
 - Anna: Objective 1 on Safe Routes 2 School
 - Donna: Schools are bounded by tight COVID-19 and field trip rules and barriers; HUB Cycling has own education program already (none for high school); outside of our LC ability; LC workshop ride can address parent cycling
 - Derek: Added more schools to City of Richmond funding on cycling education; LC can help promote it but not implement it; talk to HUB Cycling on what they do for Vancouver
 - Sheryl: Kids can ride a bike, but parents cannot; if LC workshop ride is under recreation & leisure, can include more diverse groups of riders
 - Great Blue Heron Way
 - Derek: Use existing infrastructure to join onto the Great Blue Heron Way (started by an elder from the Tsawwassen First Nations) by the City

- Sheryl: take on communication and action with Great Blue Heron
 Way; grew up in Tsawwassen
- Communication with the City
 - Derek: official City bike ride on June 12th (12km and 24km) with HUB Richmond/YVR joining; leisure rides - 24km may take up to 2 hours; with volunteer police; raffle, prizes, bring own-lunch (no BBQ); goes through new infrastructure; practice ride with RATC and HUB Cycling sometime in May; certain forms to fill-in if join; already have 30 sign-ups
- Un Gap the Map with HUB Cycling
 - Derek: City already has plans on infrastructure gaps that will be addressed when it comes to; pre-detailed drawings for No.2 and No.5 Road; LC can point gaps out, but only City can implement; funding from YVR, ministry, TransLink; already looked after; all LC will do is forward gaps to City and HUB Cycling; new pathway from No.6 to No.8
 - Donna: lots of new infrastructure is from new developments
- ALL: Approved
- Cedric: Send action plan to Johnathan
- Rough estimate of gaps filled and/or new & improved bike infrastructure in 2021 (approximate) by Friday, February 18th (for record only)
 - Cedric: Completed
- List of new and improved cycle infrastructure completed in 2021 (for record only)
 - Update on Infrastructure Successes page by Thursday, March 31st
 - https://bikehub.ca/about-us/infrastructure-successes
 - Cedric: Completed
- \$400M Federal fund for National Active Transportation Strategy (due Thursday, March 31st): Infrastructure Canada
 - Planning projects: grants of up to \$50,000 available for successful applicants who wish to undertake planning, design or stakeholder engagement activities.
 Funding can cover up to 100% of eligible costs.
 - Capital projects: contributions of up to \$50 million are available for capital projects that build new or enhance existing active transportation infrastructure (60% for municipalities; 40% for provinces)
- OCB bike drive at Sanctuary Cafe on Saturday, March 5th from 10am to 12pm
 - Survey results:

- What concerns you about cycling?
 - Safe routes and infrastructure (8)
 - Driver awareness of cyclists (5)
 - Cyclist ability or confidence (yourself or others) (0)
 - Weather (1)
 - Distance between destinations (1)
 - Construction re-routing and interference (2)
 - Including cycling infrastructure in house/community
 - developments (1)
 - Bike security (1)
- Summer ride with certified instructors for pre-ride safety checks and a mini workshop on safe riding and routing. Would you be interested?
 - Yes (2)
 - No (3)
 - Maybe (3)
- If you answered no or maybe, what is preventing you?
 - Date and time (2)
 - Cycling safety (0)
 - COVID-19 related safety (0)
 - Access to a bike (0)
- What routes, destinations, or areas would you like to ride by or to?
 - The Dyke (6)
 - Terra Nova (3)
 - Steveston (7)
 - Iona Beach (4)
 - Food Tours (6)
 - Vancouver, Maple Ridge, Langley, Ladner (1)
- Successes, challenges, areas for improvement?
 - Donna: riders at Sanctuary Cafe are more professional and outside of our target group (more leisure and recreational); success that we have Sheryl onboard
- What's our next event? Summer ride?
 - Donna: LC did not get grant money from ICBC but may have money from City of Richmond; LC has surplus funding to spend that can be spent or given back to

HUB Cycling (~\$600); not just summer ride but need to tie with something else; difficult with COVID-19; slow-foods movement tour (or a Doors Open tour where organizations and places open door for people to attend); free to rent the Red Barn in Terra Nova and can feed people since private event

- Derek: great idea to have slow foods movement but should stay within Richmond; can tour some of the Doors Open destinations; avoid large intersections and stay on safe routes; Go by Bike Week on May 31st at Thompson Community Centre from 4pm-6pm;
- Sheryl: garlic festival or events but were shut down during COVID-19
- Social Media Presence
 - Cedric: HUB Cycling uses Twitter; maintain presence bi-weekly; confirm HUB
 Cycling's social media, create account for LC and send info to LC
 - Derek: not interested in running social media presence; no one in Richmond LC wants to manage it; benefits of social media is share events and get feedback; someone in HUB Cycling wanted to have a Facebook page for Richmond LC but too difficult
 - **Anna: take on social media management**; making announcements; people are more passive on Facebook; start with one channel
 - Sheryl: depends on your target audience (Twitter and Instagram for younger generations, but good idea to capture larger audience)

5. New/Other Business

- Announcement from Cedric Lin, Secretary
 - Resignation from Secretary of HUB Richmond/YVR LC, effective Thursday, April 7th, 2022
- Derek: Westminster Hwy and No.8 Road has new warning system for motorists on cyclists crossing on Westminster Hwy East and West
 - Very dangerous and many close-calls; pilot program and partly funded by TransLink; flashing red light above traffic light; bike paths should not be bi-directional; motorists only look for cars
 - Derek and City wants feedback on usefulness of this pilot program and to be shared on social media (if works, it will be used for other intersections)

6. Next meeting:

April 14, 2022, 7:00pm - 8:30pm via Zoom. If you have items for the agenda, please email <u>richmond@bikehub.ca</u>.