

HUB Richmond/YVR Committee: *Meeting Minutes*

Thursday, February 9, 2023 • 7:00-8:30PM (end earlier if finish early)

Google Meet Info (Note: new platform)

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Co-Chairs: Anna Chow, Donna Kwan

Speaking Order: Anna, Donna, Derek, Sheryl, Jesse

1. Welcome & Introductions

- Check-in- name, pronouns; Call to order for February Agenda, new items welcome.
Present: Anna, Donna, Derek, Jesse, Sue, Devyn, Predrag, Jonathan

3. Advocacy Opportunities/Barriers

- Actions we can take to improve cycling infrastructure in buildings and near businesses (parking, storage)
 - Predag -his strata says parking too many bikes 'illegal', against strata rules
 - Wanted to check if it's really illegal. If so, would like to talk to City council to change law
 - Speak to business owners, to see if they'd be willing to install bike racks
 - Find Co's who manufacture bike racks. Can show businesses support it. Good for politicians
 - Bike lockers..need better location, easier to use and access
 - There's [a FreshCo at William & No. 3 Rd](#) which is possibly not holding up its contract to put in bike parking stalls

4. Items for Discussion

- Infrastructure (Everyone)
 - Bloomberg Grant for No. 2 Rd - too late to send letters of support?
 - For context - Bloomberg grant is a new grant opportunity available for cities with population > 100k; HUB wants local committees to contact city staff to inform them about this.
 - Wayfinding consultation going on - an event on March 11.
 - Consider inviting Leah/someone from the Happy Cities team to a future HUB meeting to discuss this. There should be a future engagement opportunity after a few months a bit later in the design process.
 - Sending complaints to the groups.io mailing list is good because City Council members are on it, so they'll hear about it.

- Updates re: Richmond Active Transportation Committee (RATC) - (Derek)
 - Site walk-through with Translink/City - narrow sidewalks and trees
 - April 6 Council Open House online; April 9th in person
 - Island City Bike Tour - June 11th, looking into BBQ with city
 - Moray Bridge included in study - will ask for HUB input. Not just the bridge
 - We need to keep an eye out on this.
 - Wayfinding project in Richmond
- Great Blue Heron Way (Sheryl)
 - City of Delta approved GBHW initiative, in their budget.
 - Sheryl would like Richmond to look at Delta's Cycling Master Plan, and essentially copy it
- Events Committee - Sue, Devyn
- Action Plan 2023, due end of March 2023 - (everyone)
 - [Success Reporting Form](#) (Done, needs data entry) Also refer to stats Jonathan sent.
 - [Action Planning Form](#) (ideas: events; advocacy for businesses for bike infrastructure, etc.)
 - [Reference - Action Plan 2022](#)

5. New/Other Business

- Local Committee Elections today (Jonathan)
 - Anna, Donna remaining as Co-chairs, and Jesse stepping up to join them as co-chair

6. Next meeting: Thursday, April 13, 2023, 7:00-8:30PM in-person and online. If you have items for the agenda, please email richmond@bikehub.ca

7. Action items:

- Research strata laws, what levels of government would be responsible for governing them, what we can do about advocating that stratas permit bikes, report back to group - **Jesse**
- Develop ideas for a focused campaign targeting businesses and developments around supporting cycling - **Predrag**. Potential ideas:
 - Create an email template which individuals can send to pressure business owners about installing bike parking spaces
 - Contact HUB approval committee for specific business owners, to get it approved so we can say HUB as an organization is supporting this action
 - Look into FreshCo at Williams & No. 3 Rd and check if they've failed to meet their development obligations to put in bike parking spaces

- Apparently the City may have tried to go after them?
 - Derek brought this one up, not sure if he has more background information
 - Coordinate timing with HUB's Bike to Shop Week (<https://bikehub.ca/biketoshop>)
 - Goal is to target existing businesses. City bylaws are in place so that new developments have requirements on installing cycling facilities.
- Find bike rack manufacturers and possibly get info on costs - **Devyn**
 - HUB central website may have a starting point?
 - Jonathan Mak may have info/contacts at HUB who can also provide starting points?
 - This would be in support of Predrag's campaign
- Figure out what is happening at Council open houses, who can we talk to, what can be talked about, etc.- **Yvonne**
 - Online open house Apr 6
 - In person open house Apr 9
- Keep an eye out about Moray Channel bridge study - **Derek**
 - (Not much to actually do here)
- Ask Nathan Andrews (City contact) again about subscribing to invitations to RATC - **Jesse**
- Submit 2022 successes reporting form - **Anna**
- Start action planning form - **Anna**
 - Possibly coordinate with **Predrag** about campaign actions, since I suspect there's going to be some overlap here
 - Coordinate with everyone about this too
- Somehow contact city about copying Delta's Cycling Master Plan and formally supporting the Great Blue Heron Way project - **UNASSIGNED**
 - **Sue**, would you be able to take a look at this? Maybe prepare an email (but don't send anything) that we can send to Nathan about having Richmond do something similar. You'd have to check what plans Richmond already has to find out if having a separate Cycling Master Plan is necessary, and maybe learn about Delta's plan and what it contains.
 - If not, this isn't urgent so someone else can probably do it.