Vancouver-UBC Local Committee



March 19, 2024

Virtual Meeting via Zoom



and in-person at Creekside Community Centre

www.bikehub.ca/vancouver-ubc



Your Cycling Connection



VULC Meetings





Active listening

Pay close attention to what others are saying and avoid interrupting

Respectful language

No personal attacks, name-calling or dismissive language One speaker at a time

Wait for someone to finish their point before making yours



Be concise

Get your question or comment across clearly and efficiently



Respect the chair

The chair is responsible for making sure all agenda items are covered in a timely fashion, and discussion of certain items may need to continue outside of the meeting



Virtual Meetings





Please mute your phone or microphone when you are not speaking. A moderator may mute you. Ensure your name is displayed so that we know who you are. We have a co-host who will watch the text chat and help make sure questions are addressed from online attendees.



Land Acknowledgement

We acknowledge that HUB Cycling operates on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territories of the Musqueam, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh people. We recognize and respect the stewardship of this land and waters by these Indigenous communities, who have lived here for thousands of years and continue to do so. We acknowledge the historical and ongoing injustices that Indigenous peoples have faced and continue to face, and we commit to working towards reconciliation and decolonization in our community and beyond.









Welcome and Introductions

- Welcome to new attendees
- Minutes from February meeting
- Anything to add to the agenda?
 - We're going to move item 7 (Working Group Updates) to after item 10 (Bike maps incident reporting)



Meeting Agenda

- Introductions and land acknowledgement
- Agenda, Action Item Review, Announcements and Upcoming Events
- Groups.io: What you missed
- Guest speaker: Introduction to HUB Cycling, Laura Jane
- Guest speaker: Kevin Matthews: Bike Route Mapping
- Sidebar: Bike Maps Incident Reporting: Bikemaps.org
- Updates from Working Group leads
- Consultations/CoV Update/Discussion
- Regional Advisory Committee (RAC)/HUB Cycling Board Update
- VULC Correspondence/Meetings
- Meeting Adjourns (8:00 pm)



Action Items Review

- Van311 please report bike lane maintenance issues to the CoV using the smartphone app or by calling 311. Note the new features for reporting bike issues.
- Follow us on social media:

@HUBVancouverUBC@mstdn.ca @HUBVancouverUBC.bsky.social

 Go By Bike Week and Bike to School Week both start June 3rd. Early registration is open.







HUB Bike Awards 2023

11th Annual HUB Bike Awards Winners

Events

- Go By Bike Week Appreciation Award: Oxford Properties
- Go By Bike Week Champion: Vancouver Coastal Health
- Bike to Shop Champion: Vancouver City Centre Bike Valet
- Bike to School Week Top First-time School: Hawthorne Elementary
- Bike to School Week Top School for Number of Riders: Yennadon Elementary
- Volunteer Appreciation Award (Events): Christopher Reid

#Ungapthemap Infrastructure Improvements

- * Infrastructure Improvement Award: Guildford Greenway City of Coquitlam
- * Infrastructure Improvement Award: New Westminster Secondary School Cycling Connector City of New Westminster
- Biggest Leap Award: City of Surrey
- Biggest Leap Award: TransLink

Bike Education

- * Cycling Education Champion: City of Richmond
- School Cycling Advocate: Lucy Maloney
- * Volunteer Appreciation Award: Gwen Litchfield

Advocacy Volunteer Appreciation

- * Volunteer Appreciation Award (New Westminster Local Committee): Brad Barber
- * Volunteer Appreciation Award (Tri-Cities Local Committee): Colleen MacDonald
- Volunteer Appreciation Award (Richmond Local Committee): Jesse Li

Peoples Choice

- People's Choice Award Bike Shop: Kickstand
- People's Choice Award Individual: Maya Goldstein
- * People's Choice Award Business or Organization: Bikes for Farm Workers BC

Arno Schortinghuis Cycling Champion of the Year

* 2023 Cycling Champion of the Year: Joan Caravan











groups.io

If you're subscribed to "special announcements only" you missed discussions like these:

HUB Vancouver UBC Local Committee Meeting Tuesday March 19 - 6:30 pm 🖉 #MonthlyMeeting

Hi all, We will hold our monthly VULC meeting on Tuesday March 19th at 6:30 pm. We will meet via Zoom (details below By Anthony Floyd · Mar 14 · 👻

Bike Route Map with Videos 7

Here is an online map of official bike routes in Vancouver and some surrounding regions (mainly UBC, Burnaby, New We By Kevin M · Mar 14 · 🗨

Bike Lanes Are Good for Business, but Store Owners Still Hate Them

https://www.businessinsider.com/bike-lanes-good-for-business-studies-better-streets-2024-3 Eric Schwartz (he/him/his) By Eric Schwartz · Mar 8 ·

Bike Lanes are Good For Businesses 2

In the "tell us something we don't already know" category, Business Insider has an article showing, once again, the econ By Anthony Floyd · Mar 7 · 👻

North American cities need more secure bicycle parking and they need it now | Momentum Mag https://momentummag.com/north-american-cities-need-to-push-for-secure-bicycle-parking/ By Eric Schwartz · Mar 5 · •

Bike Theft Working Group meeting tomorrow March 5 @

Please contribute your concerns and ideas at the meeting tomorrow. https://meet.google.com/yne-afqg-now Agenda atta By meljc · Mar 4 · 💌

Bike Theft Working Group Meeting (5)

The first meeting of the new Bike Theft Working group meeting is on Tuesday March 5 at 6:30-8 pm https://meet.google. By meljc · Mar 4 ·

New véloroute would link REM stations to bike network | Montreal Gazette

Montreal is following the Belgian model and laying out their cycling highway along their new regional commuter train line By Eric Schwartz · Mar 4 · •



Hornby Street Separated Bike Lane



Guest Speaker: Laura Jane Executive Director, HUB Cycling





Your Cycling Connection

Getting More People Cycling More Often Through Events, Education, Research and Action

What is HUB Cycling?



Membership-based organization

Metro Vancouver's Cycling Advocacy Organization

Who are we?

Founded in 1998 as the Vancouver Area Cycling Coalition (VACC)

VISION

...that the cycling community could have a significant impact working together across Metro Vancouver for better roads and connections, protected bike lanes, and better rules, laws, and education to make cycling a lot better in the region. **Our mission**

To get more people cycling more often



What do we do?



Events

Education

Research

Action



go by bike week







BIKE school WEEK bike to shop presented by Vancity **AUGUST 13-21** Register at: bikehub.ca/BikeToShop

Education



Universal Bike Education in BC Schools



Learn2Ride



Ride The Road



Bike To School Week



Everyone Rides Grades 4-5

Research





Bike Friendly Building Consulting





Action







Infrastructure Improvements Legislative Changes

Building Public Support



1. **Province and TransLink**

- 2. Support Local Committees
- 3. Program and Event Growth
- 4. Research

Thank You!

Find out more at bikehub.ca



Guest Speaker: Kevin Matthews





Bike Route Mapping Demo



About

• Hover over a segment for information.

- Click on a segment for route details (when applicable).
- Right-click on a segment for a corresponding video (when available).

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- Use the icons in the top right to:
 - See a **list** of all routes, and search by name.
 - View the legend.
 - Filter which segments are displayed on the map.

This is a map of bike routes in and around Vancouver. All bike routes in **Vancouver** are included. Many (but not all) bike routes in **UBC**, **Richmond**, **Burnaby**, and **New Westminster**, are included. A few routes in adjacent regions (North Vancouver, West Vancouver, Port Moody, Coquitlam, Surrey, etc.) are included. But there are plenty more bike routes (and other instances of bike infrastructure) that are not shown on this map. More routes may be added over time.

When played, videos have chapters to make it easy to find a specific portion of the route. Consider watching videos at 2x speed ("Shift" + ">" to speed up).

Disclaimer: While efforts are made to keep the data here accurate and up-to-date, no guarantees are provided and conditions may have changed. Note: in situations where it's unlikely to cause confusion, some routes may have brief segments with the wrong colour - for example, marked as a quiet street (purple) or a painted lane (blue) but has a half-block which is physically separated (should be green). If you see any potentially *misleading* errors, then let me know via email or GitHub below.



https://kr-matthews.github.io/bike-route-map/



Sidebar: Cycling issue reporting on Bikemaps.org





Reporting Cycling Issues on bikemaps.org



https://bikemaps.org/



Working Group Updates





Updates from Working Group Leads

- Assessment Rides Jeff, Anthony No update
- Cycling in Parks Lisa Stanley Park meetings
- Arbutus Greenway Stan/Jeff/Anthony No update
- Broadway Subway Anthony Detour moved from Cypress to Maple
- Elections Working Group Lisa
- NE Quadrant Greenway Clark No update
- Secure Bike Parking Melanie Inaugural meeting, gaining focus, building momentum, looking for additional members
- Social Rides Anthony Look for mid-April blossom ride (tentatively April 14th, 1pm start @ Olympic Village)



Cypress Detour

Arbutus Greenway - Detour Changes



Temporary Arbutus Greenway detour will be in place until completion of TBM disassembly.







Consultations / CoV Updates





Consultations / CoV Updates

- City e-scooter bylaw changes in advance of city-wide "shared e-scooter system" (SES)
 - "Kick" e-scooters able to ride on all 50 km/h roads, 16 yrs+, must wear a helmet, < 24 km/h
 - SES E-scooters (geofenced, speed limited) and e-bikes to be allowed on the seawall (!!) and other park areas
 - Staff report: <u>https://council.vancouver.ca/20240227/documents/rr1.pdf</u>
- Granville/Robson scramble trial
- Davie Village consultation closed, update Q2/Q3
- Upcoming consultations expected:
 - Portside Greenway, Wall St section: April
 - East Park: Q2
 - Granville Street Planning (Entertainment district): Q2/Q3
 - Broadway Public Realm: Q2/Q3
 - Burrard Slopes Park: Q3
 - Kent Ave: Q4
 - Downtown cycling network/Melville extension: Q4



Granville/Robson Scramble

Scramble Operation



Granville & Robson – Type 2 Pedestrian Scramble







RAC / Board Updates





RAC Update

- Anticipated BC MVA Regulation Updates soon/just occurred
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- In coordination with HUB Staff, RAC, Local Committees, councillors in Lower Mainland municipalities, and other organizations, will be mounting a "No Right Turn on Red" campaign with the goal of having a motion adopted at the Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM) annual meeting in Fall 2024.



HUB Board Update

• No update this month



VULC Correspondence/Meetings




Correspondence/Meetings

- Meeting with Pacific Centre cyclists, EasyPark (Jeff)
- Meeting with Park Board Director of Planning, Park Development (Tiina Mack; Lisa & Anthony)
- Meeting with concerned parents of Lord Byng Secondary, QE Elementary (Jeff)



Wrap Up





Breakout Rooms

- Cycling in Parks working group will take over main Zoom feed
- General discussion may occur in a breakout room, if sufficient interest (we're still trying to figure out breakout rooms with hybrid meetings)



Appendices



Prototype Gap Map (Vancouver/UBC) with SoC Route Data (Sept 2023)

Vancouver UBC





Vancouver UBC Local Committee Priority Gaps (Sept 2023)





CoV Active Mobility Plan 2023











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Regional Bikeway Map

State of Cycling Benchmarking Study





Translink MBN October 2021



Metro Vancouver Greenway Plan



Vancouver UBC



VULC Guiding Principles

Choice of infrastructure

Prioritize separated lanes and phase-separated signals over painted markings to assure safety and comfort for people on bikes. *"Paint is not infrastructure"*

Choice of location

Prefer areas where people frequently travel, such as commercial high streets, transit nodes, work centers, schools, cross-town routes connecting these destinations, interregional routes, and other desirable destinations.

"Put infrastructure where people want to go"

Choice of route

Cycle routes that are winding and indirect have been shown to discourage cycling and can compromise safety.

"Prioritize direct routes for people on bikes, instead of unnecessarily winding paths"

Help for the vulnerable

Focus on infrastructure that encourages the use of bicycles by vulnerable and equity-deserving riders, and develop safe bypass routes for fast and confident riders.

"New improvements should appeal to people new to cycling, not just avid cyclists"

Infrastructure for parks

Advocate for safe and accessible cycling routes, not just to parks but also inside parks. People on bikes are park users. *"To and through parks"*

Equitable advocacy

Consider the diverse needs of individuals and devices, including all ages and abilities, genders, children and families, incomes, backgrounds, people new and experienced in cycling, older people, people cycling with disabilities, and all types of bicycles including e-bikes, cargo bikes, recumbent bikes, hand-bikes, and other useful inventions.

"Equitable advocacy helps everyone"

Fresh ideas

Promote novel ideas like school streets, cycle-permeable parklets and plazas, and car-free blocks to encourage safe and comfortable cycling throughout the city.

"Roads are for people, not cars"

AAA cycling network

Encourage expansion of the AAA cycling network beyond Downtown and the Broadway Corridor, with a specific focus on underdeveloped areas on the south and east sides of the city, and connections to cycle networks in neighbouring municipalities. *"There is more to a city than its downtown"*

Vancouver VULC Guiding Principles (cont')

Speed limits

To enhance safety, lobby for a maximum speed limit of 30 km/h in areas where people driving and cycling share space. At 50 km/h, 80% of pedestrians will die in a collision. At 30 km/h, 85% of pedestrians survive a collision.

"Speeding vehicles endanger people on bicycles"

Bike crashes

Use the term "crash" to emphasize that most accidents are preventable, and call for engineering solutions to reduce them. *"Crash, not accident*"

Respect

Practice constructive collaboration with staff and elected officials to achieve long-term goals and maintain respectful and nurturing relationships.

"Work with politicians and staff, not against them"

Theft

Push for safe and secure bicycle parking and end-of-trip facilities. They play a critical role in encouraging more people to cycle regularly. People will choose not to cycle if there is a risk their bike will not be there when they return.

"Bike thieves are everywhere"