

BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

May 20, 2009

MINUTES

A meeting of the Bicycle Advisory Committee was held on Wednesday, May 20, 2009 at 5:30 p.m., in the Strathcona Room, Sub-ground, City Hall.

PRESENT: Kari Hewett, Interim Chair
Bill Bargeman
Colin Brander
Richard Campbell, Interim Vice-Chair
Rhiannon Chernecoff
Keltie Craig
Gertjan Hofman (VACC Representative)
Richard Migicovsky
Meghan Winters

ABSENT: Jack Becker
Rob Wynen

ALSO PRESENT: Councillor Geoff Meggs, Vancouver City Council*
Scott Edwards, Greenways & Neighbourhood Transportation
David Rawsthorne, Greenways & Neighbourhood Transportation
Thor Kuhlmann, Central Area Planning Branch

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Tarja Tuominen, Meeting Coordinator
Cobi Falconer, Meeting Coordinator

* Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

Attendance

The Committee agreed to grant Leaves of Absence to Jack Becker and Rob Wynen.

1. Introductions

The Chair requested Members to introduce themselves and recognize previous Members.

2. Overview of Bicycle Advisory Committee

The Chair and Meeting Coordinator provided a brief overview and expectations of the Committee.

3. Adoption of Minutes

The Minutes of April 15, 2009, were adopted as circulated.

4. Burrard Bridge Update

Scott Edwards, Manager of Greenways and Neighborhood Transportation, and David Rawsthorne, Greenways and Neighborhood Transportation, provided an update on the status of implementing Council's decision on the Burrard Bridge Lane Reallocation Trial. Both presented and responded to questions regarding the proposed option through a diagram

outlining three options proposed for pedestrians, cyclists, and cars on the Burrard Bridge as well as a map detailing traffic options on the Bridge and surrounding area.

5. Bicycle Network Sub-Committee Report

- **Comments on North Arm Trail/59th Bikeway**

Gertjan Hofman and Scott Edwards provided comments on the North Arm Trail/59th Bikeway. Mr. Edwards also provided information on an open house on the North Arm Trail.

- **Granville Loops Policy Plan Recommendation**

MOVED by Gertjan Hofman
SECONDED by Colin Brander

THAT the Bicycle Advisory Committee recommends to Council that the urban form for any development in the Granville Loop lands should result in a very cycling friendly environment supportive of future target cycling mode share for the City and include:

1. Bike lanes on Drake, Granville, Seymour, Howe, and Pacific Streets, with separation from motorized traffic.
2. Provision for bike lanes on Granville Street from Drake St southward for serving local retailing, as a minimum.
3. Separated bike lanes on any new streets (temporarily named "East Ralston Way, West Ralston Way, and Ralston Way") within the development area replacing the existing Granville Loops.
4. Local access and pedestrian and cycling permeable-only sections of the new north-south roads (temporarily named "East Ralston Way and West Ralston Way") from the new east-west road (temporarily named "Ralston Way") to Drake Street. Local motorized access be provided from Drake St.
5. Comprehensive on-street bicycle parking be provided commensurate with future cycling mode share targets and within close proximity to final destinations.
 - a. Post and ring or functionally equivalent parking type parking devices be provided.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Thor Kuhlmann, Planner, was present for questions and received the Motion.

MOVED BY Kari Hewett

THAT the Bicycle Advisory Committee appoint the Bicycle Network Sub-Committee for another term and that Gertjan Hofman be appointed Chair.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. Other Business

- a. **Bike Month**

Scott Edwards reviewed events for weekends during Bike month starting on June 6th. Notification will be sent out to the Bicycle Advisory Committee over the next week.

b. Velo-City

Kari Hewett passed around a pamphlet about a future exhibition at the Museum of Vancouver: *Velo-City: Vancouver & the Bicycle Revolution*.

c. VACC Task Force

Councilor Geoff Meggs proposed creating a Cycling Task Force to address broader issues of transportation to be launched after the Olympics to coincide with the next Capital Plan.

d. Closing comments from past Committee Members

Kari Hewett requested past Committee Members to share their thoughts on pending issues as well as provide advice on future meetings.

The Committee adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

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