

## BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

October 21, 2009

### MINUTES

A meeting of the Bicycle Advisory Committee was held on Wednesday, October 21, 2009, at 5:30 p.m., in the Strathcona Room, Sub-ground, City Hall.

**PRESENT:** Kari Hewett, Chair  
Bill Bargeman  
Jack Becker  
Richard Campbell  
Rhiannon Chernencoff  
Keltie Craig  
John Whistler  
Meghan Winters  
Rob Wynen, Vice-Chair

**ABSENT:** Colin Brander (Leave of Absence)  
Gertjan Hofman, VACC Representative (Leave of Absence)  
Richard Migicovsky

**ALSO PRESENT:** Councillor Geoff Meggs, Vancouver City Council  
Scott Edwards, Greenways & Neighbourhood  
Transportation (Staff Liaison)  
Murray Alexander, VACC

**CITY CLERK'S OFFICE:** Lori Isfeld, Meeting Coordinator

#### Election of Chair and Vice-Chair

The Meeting Coordinator held elections for Chair and Vice-Chair for the remainder of the 2009 term.

Following due process, the following individuals were elected by the Committee, both by acclamation:

Kari Hewett, Chair  
Rob Wynen, Vice-Chair

#### Attendance

Leaves of absence were granted to Colin Brander and Gertjan Hofman.

#### Introduction

Scott Edwards, Greenways and Neighbourhood Transportation, introduced David Lewis, the City's temporary Bicycle Program Coordinator, and coordinator of the Bicycle Network Subcommittee. David's email address is david.lewis@vancouver.ca.

## **Approval of Minutes**

The minutes of September 16, 2009, were approved.

## **Correspondence**

The correspondence folder was circulated.

### **1. Seawall Closure - David Lam Park**

Live City Vancouver, Olympic and Paralympic Operations Office staff provided a presentation regarding upcoming seawall closures at David Lam Park, and responded to comments and questions regarding the fence line, dismount zone, use of signage, potential alternate routes and bike parking.

### **2. 2009 Bicycle Plan Update**

Lisa Leblanc, Greenways & Neighbourhood Transportation, reviewed the 2009 Bicycle Plan Update, (which will also be provided to City Council), including a review of the past year's activities toward development of the bicycle network, bicycle parking, monitoring, education and policy-related initiatives. Ms. Leblanc also responded to questions and comments from Committee members.

Staff agreed to send the draft report to the listserve. Further off-line comments can be sent to [lisa.leblanc@vancouver.ca](mailto:lisa.leblanc@vancouver.ca).

### **3. Separated Bikeways in the Downtown**

An update was provided by Lacey Hirtle, Strategic Transportation Planning, regarding future trial of separated bikeways in the downtown, noting there will be public consultation followed by a report to Council in December. Discussion ensued regarding options and challenges at the various bikeways that are included in the plan.

It was agreed to draft a motion that can be included as part of the report to Council.

### **4. VPD Bike Squad**

A presentation was provided by Sgt. Brian Green, Bicycle Coordinator, VPD, regarding the background and current structure of the VPD Bike Squad.

### **5. BAC Meetings and Staff Resources**

An update was provided by Scott Edwards regarding the availability of City staff during preparations for the 2010 Olympic Games. He advised staff involvement in the work of the BAC will be limited from now until April, 2010.

**6. Workplan - Bicycle Task Force**

The Committee reviewed draft workplan documents and agreed to continue discussion at the next meeting.

**7. Other Business**

*(a) Main Street and First Avenue*

Richard Campbell advised there is a proposed rezoning at Main Street and 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue that may provide opportunities for new bike facilities. It was agreed to refer the matter to the Bicycle Network Subcommittee.

*(b) 3410 Lougheed Highway*

The Committee discussed the proposed sale of City property at 3410 Lougheed Highway which is on an upcoming Council meeting agenda. The majority of Committee members supported the sale of the property.

**Next Meeting:**

DATE: Wednesday, November 18, 2009  
TIME: 5:30 p.m.  
LOCATION: Strathcona Room, Subground, City Hall

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