



BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

June 16, 2010

MINUTES

A meeting of the Bicycle Advisory Committee was held on Wednesday, June 16, 2010, at 5:31 pm, in the Strathcona Room, Sub-ground, City Hall.

- PRESENT:** Kari Hewett, Chair
Bill Bargeman
Colin Brander
Richard Campbell
Rhiannon Chernencoff
Keltie Craig
Meghan Winters
John Whistler
- ABSENT:** Jack Becker (Leave of Absence)
Gertjan Hofman, VACC Representative (Leave of Absence)
Rob Wynen, Vice-Chair (Leave of Absence)
- ALSO PRESENT:** Scott Edwards, Greenways and Neighbourhood Transportation
Constable Pat Allen, VPD
David Lewis, Bicycle Program Coordinator
- CITY CLERK'S OFFICE:** Nicole Ludwig, Meeting Coordinator

Leave of Absence Requests

Leaves of absence were approved for Gertjan Hofman and Rob Wynen.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of May 19, 2010, were approved.

1. False Creek Cycling Capacity, Safety and Access Upgrade Plan

At the May 19, 2010, meeting the Committee postponed consideration of the following motion to the June 16, 2010, meeting:

THAT in conjunction with North East False Creek and the South East False Creek planning processes, the City undertakes a planning process to increase bicycle and pedestrian access and capacity around and across False Creek to increase the safety of cyclists and pedestrians and to meet the potential future demand generated by new development downtown and around False Creek, improvements to the bicycle network and cycling mode share increases.

The options considered should include but not be limited to:

- a. the reallocation of lane(s) of traffic on the Cambie Bridge.
- b. widened sidewalks on the Cambie Bridge.
- c. increased widths for bicycle and pedestrian paths along False Creek;
- d. separated bike lanes on Main Street, Quebec Street, Pacific Boulevard, and Expo Boulevard.
- e. upgrades to the Seaside Bypass including the closure of Charleston Road to motor vehicle traffic and improved connections with the Off Broadway Bikeway, the Heather Street Bikeway, Ash Street and the Olympic Village Canada Line Station.
- f. improved bicycle path connections between bicycle routes including the Seaside Path, the Adanac Bikeway, the Central Valley Greenway and the Carrall Street Greenway.
- g. improved connections to the Cambie Street Bridge including from Robson Street through the planned Casino development.
- h. the provision separate of bicycle and pedestrian paths in sections of the Seaside Path where there are currently multi-use paths.

withdrawn

MOVED by Richard Campbell
SECONDED by Colin Brander

THAT the foregoing motion be withdrawn.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED by Richard Campbell
SECONDED by Colin Brander

- A. THAT in conjunction with North East False Creek and the South East False Creek planning processes, the City undertakes a planning process to increase bicycle and pedestrian access and capacity around and across False Creek to increase the safety of cyclists and pedestrians and to meet the potential future demand generated by new development downtown and around False Creek, improvements to the bicycle network and cycling mode share increases.
- B. THAT this planning process be completed in a manner that options chosen can be all or partially funded by and or built in conjunction with the new developments.

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- c. increased widths for bicycle and pedestrian paths along False Creek;
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- e. upgrades to the Seaside Bypass including the closure of Charleston Road to motor vehicle traffic and improved connections with the Off Broadway Bikeway, the Heather Street Bikeway, Ash Street and the Olympic Village Canada Line Station.
- f. improved bicycle path connections between bicycle routes including the Seaside Path, the Adanac Bikeway, the Central Valley Greenway and the Carrall Street Greenway.
- g. improved connections to the Cambie Street Bridge including from Robson Street through the planned Casino development.
- h. the provision separate of bicycle and pedestrian paths in sections of the Seaside Path where there are currently multi-use paths.
- i. a new low level crossing of False Creek
- j. improved access to Cambie Street Bridge from the Seaside Path and other bicycle routes on the north and south side of False Creek.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Kari Hewett abstained for the vote)

Note from Meeting Coordinator: Section 145.1 of the Vancouver Charter states "Where a member present at a meeting abstains from voting, they are deemed to have voted in the affirmative".

2. Proposed Light on the Adanac Bike Route

Staff provided background information and responded to questions regarding the proposed light on the Adanac Bike Route at Gore Street

3. Update - 2008-2010 Annual Report

The draft annual report was circulated for review.

MOVED by Colin Brander
SECONDED by Meghan Winters

THAT the report be adopted as circulated and edited at the meeting on July 16, 2010.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. Bicycle Network Subcommittee

David Lewis, Engineering Services, and Richard Campbell reviewed the notes from the June 8, 2010, Bicycle Network Subcommittee meeting.

5. Other Business

a. July 2010 meeting date

MOVED by Colin Brander
SECONDED by Rhiannon Chernencoff

THAT the July meeting be moved to July 28, 2010.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

b. Bike Month

Staff and members reviewed events from Bike Month.

c. Kent Avenue Update

Staff provided an update on the proposed Kent Avenue Bikeway.

d. Conflict of Interest

The Chair provided an update on the City's Conflict of Interest requirements.

e. VPD Bike Registration and Helmet Use

Rhiannon Chernencoff provided information on VPD initiatives to register bikes and a potential event to increase helmet use and cycling knowledge.

f. Crosswalks on Bikeways

The Committee asked for a review of crosswalks on bikeways and clarification of when bikes are allowed to cycle across them. Staff requested members email locations so they can be reviewed.

g. Parking Lot for Cycling Master Plan

Staff suggested a parking lot for ideas for the cycling master plan.

h. Pedestrian Study

Meghan Winters reviewed an article from *the Georgia Straight*, noting it makes mention of a system for tracking pedestrian related traffic injuries and indicated this would be a good system to track statistics for cycling injuries.

Note from Meeting Coordinator: the article is available online at <http://straight.com/article-328270/vancouver/speed-limit-urged-vancouver-hastings-street>.

6. Adjournment

MOVED by Bill Bargeman
SECONDED by Rhiannon Chernencoff

THAT this meeting be adjourned

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Next Meeting:

DATE: Wednesday, July 28, 2010
TIME: 5:30 pm
LOCATION: Strathcona Room, Subground, City Hall

The Committee adjourned at 8:01pm

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