

10th Avenue Evaluation Committee Meeting

Monday, April 23rd, 2018, 1:30 – 3:30 PM Lab, 511 West Broadway

Meeting Attendance

Staff present:

- Lynn Guilbault, Transportation Planning Branch, Public Engagement Team
- George Liou, Transportation Design Branch
- Dylan Passmore, Transportation Design Branch
- Vania Tse, Transportation Planning Branch, Public Engagement Team
- Mayna Vancaillie, Project Delivery Branch

Committee members present:

- Caitlin Anderson, of Vancouver's Persons with Disabilities Advisory Committee
- Ben Bollinger, of Vancouver's Active Transportation Policy Council
- Cathy Brown, of Vancouver's Persons with Disabilities Advisory Committee
- Samantha Brown, Canadian National Institute for the Blind
- Bruce Gilmour, BC Barrier Free Design
- Jeff Leigh, HUB Cycling
- Dellie Lidyard, of Vancouver's Seniors Advisory Committee
- Sharon Petty, Lower Mainland Facilities Management
- Andrea Nicholls, BC Cancer
- Tanya Paz, of Vancouver's Active Transportation Policy Council
- Barbara Pringle, Arthritis Patient Advisory Committee
- Scott Ricker, of Vancouver's Seniors Advisory Committee
- Cori Ross, Vancouver Coastal Health
- Meridith Sones, Simon Fraser University
- Chuck Stanford, Vancouver Fire and Rescue Services
- Tom Stodola, BC Cancer Research Centre

Regrets:

Jenny Blome/Brad McCannel (Rick Hansen Foundation)

Absent:

- Nahum Ip/Blake Kendon (BC Emergency Health Services)
- Carrie Gadsby (Arthritis Society)

Meeting Facilitators: Dylan Passmore & Lynn Guilbault

Agenda Item	Action Required
Welcome and Introduction	
Facilitators reviewed the meeting's scope, followed by roundtable introductions.	N/A
'The Road Travelled' on 10th Avenue	
City of Vancouver staff provided a review of the project history, which lead to the creation of the 10 th Avenue Evaluation Committee, clarifying that the purpose of the committee is to identify the key issues that the Committee would like to see monitored following implementation.	N/A
10th Avenue Construction Update	
City staff provided an update on construction, with the project on schedule and roughly midway its 7-month timeline (completion scheduled for early July). Staff reiterated that if at any time construction issues arise, to please contact the 10 th Avenue project delivery team (604-829-9343 or at 10thAvenue@vancouver.ca).	N/A
Evaluation Committee Meeting Logistics	
Afternoon time slot works well for Committee members, provided they are given reasonable advance notice. Staff will continue to schedule for this time.	N/A
Staff will aim to circulate meeting minutes within a week of the Committee meetings.	City staff
Support for meeting at the Crossroads building. Preference for either room 511 (Cityscape), or the Lab Space provided the issues with room acoustics (exhaust system) can be resolved for the latter.	City staff
Committee members are to report back to constituents and raise issues for each interest group.	N/A
Support for a site visit with staff and Committee members following completion of Phase 1 of the 10 th Avenue project. A July date will be confirmed and circulated.	City staff
Support for the Committee to meet twice, excluding the site visit. The 6-month and 1-year dates will be confirmed and circulated.	City staff

Aspects of 10th Ave to be Monitored

City staff will develop and circulate amongst Committee members a proposal for the metrics to be monitored following implementation of Phase 1. Committee members requested that the evaluation framework include the following themes:

Data Sources

- Focus on objective metrics with representative samples as much as possible, not anecdotal observations.
- VCH may have data on injuries incurred when trying to access health facilities (not only Emergency Department data)
- As much as possible, draw from data for which the City has good "before" data with which to compare as a baseline.

Aspects to Monitor

- Monitor interactions between people walking/wheeling and people driving or biking.
 - Concern both at intersections as well as passenger loading zone in front of the Arthritis Centre.
 - Concern that higher speeds may aggravate this interaction, resulting in unsafe conditions
 - Concern that there may be more mid-block problems (e.g. people biking on the sidewalk) where there isn't a strong separation between the sidewalk and bike lane.
 - Consider discussing with Dr. Tarek Sayed the possibility of automated analysis in partnership with UBC.
- Monitor bike volumes not only on 10th Ave, but also on 14th Ave and 7th Ave to better understand the impacts of the changes to the surrounding bike network.
- Monitor rates of women cycling as a proxy for measuring improvements to the comfort of cycling since women tend to be more risk averse.
- Concern with northbound right-turning vehicles at Ash St making it difficult for people walking or biking to cross Broadway.
- Concern about the safety of interactions between people biking past the ER driveways and vehicles turning in/pulling out.
- Consider connecting with the VCH Cycling Centre coordinator (Arthur Orsini) to survey those using the Centre, and therefore frequently riding on 10th Ave, about their experience.
- Interest in monitoring the occupancy rates of disability spaces, gathering data for each space individually to better understand where more spaces might be needed and where others might be re-purposed.

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