Skateboards in Protected Bike Lanes and Street & Traffic By-law Amendments

November 15th, 2017

Skateboards in Protected Bike Lanes

- December 2015 Council approved that skates, skateboards, and push-scooters be permitted in protected bike lanes for a trial period
- Skateboard volumes have been low and no concerns received from the public, VPD or ICBC
- Council approved making the trial permanent







Amendments to the Street & Traffic By-law



- Definition of Jaywalk currently restricts crossing minor streets within a block of a signal
- Review of collision data indicates no concerns with this common behavior
- Council approved to exempt minor streets from Jaywalking
- Pedestrians not in crosswalk will give right-of-way to motorists



Amendments to the Street & Traffic By-law

- Bike Crossing markings are a National standard but are not defined in the MVA or City By-Law
- New designs have shown the need to create separate crossings for cyclists using "Elephants Feet" markings
- Council approved their inclusion in the S&T By-Law



Separated (preferred)



Amendments to the Street & Traffic By-law

- Current crosswalk definition includes space from curb to property line even when there is a marked crosswalk
- Council approved updating the definition of Crosswalk to be consistent with the MVA
- Proposed change will define both scenarios for a crosswalk

Proposed Change



