



2022 BC Municipal Elections

Candidate Questionnaire



HUB Cycling City of Langley Municipal Election Candidate Survey - Long Answers

We asked candidates two long-answer questions related to active transportation, as well as providing them space to add additional comments. Answers are presented in the order we received them.

The questions were:

1. When thinking about Active Transportation, the anticipated Langley Skytrain station and the Langley Transportation Plan that is currently being updated, what will you do to ensure that Langley will provide the necessary AAA cycling infrastructure (comfortable for all ages and abilities) and secure end of trip bike parking in the downtown area?
2. What will you do to ensure that the City of Langley bike lanes connect seamlessly with infrastructure in the Township and Surrey?
3. What piece of bike infrastructure is needed next in the City of Langley?
4. HUB Cycling has released a Cycling Platform. Which focus areas and points do you endorse, and which ones do you disagree with?

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When thinking about Active Transportation, the anticipated Langley Skytrain station and the Langley Transportation Plan that is currently being updated, what will you do to ensure that Langley will provide the necessary AAA cycling infrastructure (comfortable for all ages and abilities) and secure end of trip bike parking in the downtown area?

Listen to the priorities of the citizens who will be accessing to ensure we are providing what they need and will use, in the right location(s) to maximize benefit to the community. And making sure people feel safe to use it. I think safety/security is a big concern.

What will you do to ensure that the City of Langley bike lanes connect seamlessly with infrastructure in the Township and Surrey?

I would look at current mapping to see where improvements could be made to increase connectivity. And partner with our neighboring communities on the mutual benefit of seamless connection.

What piece of bike infrastructure is needed next in the City of Langley?

Bike tune-up stations! Like the one I've seen at Larry Berg Flight Path Park at YVR.

HUB Cycling has released a Cycling Platform. Which focus areas and points do you endorse, and which ones do you disagree with?

For the most part I would endorse the Cycling Platform. It's better for our climate/environment and better for our health by being physically active. The land use, infrastructure and social equity focus areas are easier to get behind. Some of the bold steps I would be somewhat hesitant on and would prefer a more measured and slower approach. I would prefer SMART steps. SMART is the acronym that stands for Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Realistic, and Timely. Progressive change in the right direction.

Additional comments?

I think continuous improvement to the active transportation in Langley is important. I wish that I could more easily bike to destinations from the outskirts of the City where I live. At the moment I mostly hop on my bike for leisure rides on side roads and trails. But maybe when I purchase an ebike it will make it easier to bike to destinations like work. I can get some help up the hills.

Rosemary Wallace

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I believe access to Active Transportation for all and will continue to work with others to secure end of bike parking as densification happens in the downtown core.

What will you do to ensure that the City of Langley bike lanes connect seamlessly with infrastructure in the Township and Surrey?

I think that we have to continue to work together as municipalities in creating connectivity when it comes to bike lanes.

What piece of bike infrastructure is needed next in the City of Langley?

Safe and accessible bike lanes that connect and don't just stop in one area.

HUB Cycling has released a Cycling Platform. Which focus areas and points do you endorse, and which ones do you disagree with?

I support the Cycling Platform specially the equity piece. It will just take time to implement and have others understand the importance of inclusion and fighting climate change.

Additional comments?

I feel that active transportation is important because it allows for people to get out of their cars and become active and be able to travel in their local communities. I believe that safety is important when developing infrastructure to meet the need of diverse abilities.

Rudy Storteboom

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"As we move into the future of transportation we can expect changes as significant as the internet and smart phones have been for communications. The cost of purchasing, maintaining, insuring, fuelling and parking a vehicle will be too much for many. As such, public transportation, less cars and more bicycles will be in our collective future.

Langley City's newly minted Official Community Plan and our Nexus of Community strategy dovetail into our plans to welcome SkyTrain into our community. Likewise, Langley City's Transportation Plan is regularly being updated as evidenced by our ongoing campaign for dedicated bus lanes and bike lanes. As our downtown transitions into more and better transit options for our residents, Langley City continues to update roads and amenities to encourage personal mobility devices and cycling. Planning for the Skytrain stations include practical solutions to ensure quick and easy access with secure bike storage and public safety overall."

What will you do to ensure that the City of Langley bike lanes connect seamlessly with infrastructure in the Township and Surrey?

I will continue to work with residents and staff to identify and support cycling and personal mobility options through an expanding network of dedicated bike lanes.

What piece of bike infrastructure is needed next in the City of Langley?

I would suggest that a complete circuitous network route combined with with connecting diagonal routes would increase our resident's awareness that cycling in Langley City is a safe and practical transportation option.

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I support reducing speeds on local streets but can't see lowering speeds on arterial connectors and highways to 30 km/hr. This is where separated bike lanes are needed.

Additional comments?

"As we grow into this new era of transportation with more transit, electric vehicles, personal mobility devices and cycling options, public safety must remain as our top priority. Reducing speeds on local streets, traffic calming devices and separated bike lanes will help. However, I expect new regulations will be required for traffic and cyclists too!

In my opinion, it will be required for government to work with the cycling community to develop safe and practical rules around moving all forms of transportation efficiently and safely moving forward.

Does HUB have recommendations for possible regulations around the power, speed, size, design, weight, lighting and general use of bicycles and scooters? Should we have age limits or helmet requirements? Should riders be licensed and held accountable for driving behaviour? Should bikes and rideables be registered to discourage theft?

I support HUB's initiative and look forward to working together to create more bike lanes and promote safe practices.

Let's talk about this, please."

Gayle Martin

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That recommendations from Master Transportation Plan are implemented

What will you do to ensure that the City of Langley bike lanes connect seamlessly with infrastructure in the Township and Surrey?

Work with neighboring municipalities

What piece of bike infrastructure is needed next in the City of Langley?

Not sure

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I endorsed all focus points

Val van den Broek

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It will have to be done as per Translink & MOTI planning policies

What will you do to ensure that the City of Langley bike lanes connect seamlessly with infrastructure in the Township and Surrey?

Make sure the transportation plan reflects that

What piece of bike infrastructure is needed next in the City of Langley?

a safer bike lane/traffic separation on Hwy 10

HUB Cycling has released a Cycling Platform. Which focus areas and points do you endorse, and which ones do you disagree with?

I agree with it all especially land use

Additional comments?

I'd love to hear your suggestions for improvements to langley city

Nathan Pachal

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I've been a strong advocate for AAA infrastructure over my last two terms on council. Our new OCP is centred around making walking and cycling a preferred mode of travel to connect people to places within our community, and to transit to connect us to other parts of the region. I will continue to advocate for investing in active transportation infrastructure.

What will you do to ensure that the City of Langley bike lanes connect seamlessly with infrastructure in the Township and Surrey?

Yes

What piece of bike infrastructure is needed next in the City of Langley?

We need to connect the 203rd Street and Glover cycling tracks. We received funding from TransLink to be doing this and will be voting on that on September 20th. We also need to make an AAA connection between the Brydon area and Downtown. Of course, we also want to support Metro Vancouver on their regional cycling network.

HUB Cycling has released a Cycling Platform. Which focus areas and points do you endorse, and which ones do you disagree with?

I support you platform though if we are building fully protected and separated cycling infrastructure on 200th Street and 208th Street, you likely wouldn't need to make them 30km/h streets.

Gurjit Dhillon

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Provide more bikes limited lanes

What will you do to ensure that the City of Langley bike lanes connect seamlessly with infrastructure in the Township and Surrey?

More brain storming

What piece of bike infrastructure is needed next in the City of Langley?

Air stations

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Need further clarifications

Additional Comments

Get rid of the bottlenecks. More overpasses for train flow .

David Stingl

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Work closely with the Township and the City of Surrey to ensure that the bike infrastructure put in place in the City of Langley works well with their existing and future projects. Ensure that we include cycling infrastructure in all future development and infrastructure projects.

What will you do to ensure that the City of Langley bike lanes connect seamlessly with infrastructure in the Township and Surrey?

Work closely with the Township and the City of Surrey to ensure that the bike infrastructure put in place in the City of Langley works well with their existing and future projects.

What piece of bike infrastructure is needed next in the City of Langley?

We need a secure bike parking facility. Probably more than one but lets start with at least one.

HUB Cycling has released a Cycling Platform. Which focus areas and points do you endorse, and which ones do you disagree with?

I endorse the overall premise of the Cycling Platform but also do believe that we need to be cautious when it comes to removing current parking spots etc. We have to balance a current lack of overall parking availability in downtown Langley.

Additional Comments

I believe that one of the most important things we can do right now is to help get "real" people involved in politics that aren't afraid to make some hard decisions and whose primary concern is not only about getting re-elected. I'm not looking for a career in politics, I care about the City of Langley and want to help be the change that's needed. Once I make a commitment, I follow through. I believe for those reasons I would be a good choice for your vote.

Leith White

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First - ensure there is meaningful consultation

What will you do to ensure that the City of Langley bike lanes connect seamlessly with infrastructure in the Township and Surrey?

Yes

What piece of bike infrastructure is needed next in the City of Langley?

I would need to engage in some consultation with with various parties and stakeholders before answering this question

HUB Cycling has released a Cycling Platform. Which focus areas and points do you endorse, and which ones do you disagree with?

I support in principle all of the focus areas of HUB's Cycling Platform

Additional Comments

My support for active transportation extends to the use of e-scooters for example and other forms of mobility transportation

Delaney Mack

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I feel putting in more secure bike parking points would promote the use of bikes more within the city. I feel that more bike paths are important, but I do not feel that we should not replace our laneways with bike lanes. We should be able to accommodate both drivers and bikers with good planning.

What will you do to ensure that the City of Langley bike lanes connect seamlessly with infrastructure in the Township and Surrey?

Assessing the best routes to connect bike lanes and proceed with the implementation, while being considerate of roadway needs.

What piece of bike infrastructure is needed next in the City of Langley?

More secure bike parking points.

HUB Cycling has released a Cycling Platform. Which focus areas and points do you endorse, and which ones do you disagree with?

"I endorse promotion of healthy lifestyle choices (for people and the planet), and I appreciate the need to ensure that people have safe passage. I agree that as the cost of living rises along with inflation, biking provides a more cost effective commuting option.

Additional Comments

I disagree with the reduction in parking to promote the use of bikes as I worry that it will alienate those with mobility issues and our seniors, especially in the downtown core where parking is already an issue. This also applies to repurposing traffic lanes into bike lanes. I feel we can plan better to accommodate all needs, while not alienating anyone unintentionally. "

I put "increase" to the budget for biking infrastructure, however I am not confident on how much is currently being spent on this infrastructure. Overall I know that we can make improvements, but I would need more information before I could answer that question more accurately. If I had the option I would have selected, "not sure".

Thank you for your consideration and hopefully for your vote. I can be reached at vote@mackforlangleycity.ca with any additional questions or for clarifications.

Shelley Coburn

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I will work with council to advocate Translink to ensure they do it right and don't just leave us half done like in the case of Surrey Central. Asking staff for frequent updates will help keep council aware of where the planning is at and also will give us a voice in the planning process.

What will you do to ensure that the City of Langley bike lanes connect seamlessly with infrastructure in the Township and Surrey?

Working closely with neighbouring municipalities will be crucial. Having been on the Board of Education for 8 years I know what it is like to be treated as an after thought to the decisions made by other governments. If we want to make sure something happens we have to be proactive in the planning. The City of Langley is sandwiched between Surrey and TOI and so a regional committee would make sense.

What piece of bike infrastructure is needed next in the City of Langley?

Secure locking stations.

HUB Cycling has released a Cycling Platform. Which focus areas and points do you endorse, and which ones do you disagree with?

I pretty much can endorse all of it and the only thing I really disagree with is the speed limits on bike routes. I think where this can be done, where it makes sense, then yes, but there are cases where it does not.