

Minutes - Delta HUB Committee Meeting
Thursday, June 4th, 2015 – 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
Ladner Pioneer Library (Meeting Room)

1. Introductions/Attendees

Patrick (Chair), Alex C., Aaron, Nancy, Alex G., Karon, Bruce, Roel, Lucy, Sandra, Jack, John W., Jon B., Brad, Linda, Charles

New attendees: Charles is the Director of Lands at Tsawwassen First Nation. Aaron is an architecture student, working with Alex G. on the Ladner Crosstown Greenway concept. Lucy and Linda are both active recreational cyclists from Tsawwassen.

2. Review/approval of minutes from last meeting

Minutes approved.

3. Update: Transportation Technical Committee (TTC), Corporation of Delta

- In 2014, Delta HUB was invited to participate in Delta's internal TTC Committee to represent community cycling interests. The TTC includes representatives from Delta Engineering, Delta School District, Delta Police, Climate Action, ICBC, and MoTI.
- Patrick, Sandra and Neil attended the May 27th TTC meeting to introduce Delta HUB, and present the Spot Improvement List.
- Delta Engineering was pleased with the preparation of the detailed list, and confirmed that they would like to review the items with HUB.
- Delta HUB was invited to contact the School District in the fall to be a delegation at their Green Subcommittee and, potentially, at the School Board.
- **Action:** In September, Patrick will connect with the Delta School District to arrange a proposed Delta HUB delegation to the Green Subcommittee.

4. Update: Safety/Routes Subcommittee

Route Assessments/Spot Improvements:

- The current Spot Improvement List was provided to the Corporation of Delta.
- Building-out the list in North Delta is an on-going priority (Tim Y. prepared and submitted a reference report for North Delta, which documents several challenges).
- **Action:** The Subcommittee will continue adding North Delta cycling conditions to the list. Outreach will continue with individual North Delta contacts and Team Coastal.

Delta Routes Map Revision:

- Delta provided Delta HUB with the first draft of the Delta Routes Map Revision.
- On June 2, the Subcommittee met to review the draft. The draft maps were marked-up, and a consolidated list of comments were assembled.
- The draft maps were reviewed by the Committee, and feedback was documented. Many comments related to the draft's legibility, clarity and categorization.
- **Action:** The comments will continue to be collected, and a consolidated list from Delta HUB will be provided to the Corporation of Delta next week.

5. Update: Local/Regional Infrastructure Subcommittee

Highway 17 Widening Project

- Delta Mayor Lois Jackson and Chief Bryce Williams of TFN submitted a joint letter to MoTI, requesting an overpass at the Hwy 17 and 52nd intersection (MLA Vicki

Huntington previously contacted the Ministry in support of the overpass).

- Delta HUB was informed that, after an assessment, the Ministry of Transportation has confirmed that an overpass is not required at the intersection.
- On May 12th, the Working Group met to review the updated plan from Ivanhoe Cambridge, which identified provisions for cyclists and pedestrians in and around the Tsawwassen Mills site. Karon T. and David H. (ICBC Road Safety Engineer) participated in the meeting to provide a safety perspective.
- Delta HUB compiled an inventory of “Key Questions” relating to the potential conflict zones for cyclists in the area of 52nd Street and Hwy 17.
- Sandra and Patrick met with Vicki Huntington to introduce Delta HUB, and provide a copy of the Key Questions. Vicki’s office is aiming to arrange a meeting with the Regional Director of MoTI to discuss community concerns.
- **Action:** Patrick will follow-up with Vicki Huntington’s office regarding a future meeting with MoTI.

TFN

- Charles explained the challenge of planning for improvements at a location where several jurisdictions intersect (TFN, Delta, and the Province/MoTI). He clarified that all of the infrastructure improvements happening are on TFN lands.
- There will be multi-purpose paths running through the community for non-commuter cyclists, including the designated path along the Mills section of 52nd Street.
- Implementations such as “green paint wait boxes” at conflict zones may be suitable, and should be discussed with the project lead (Ivanhoe Cambridge).
- There are no plans to run a multi-use path all the way along 52nd (i.e. from Hwy 17 to 28th). Beyond the North Collector Road, 52nd will continue to be a rural road.
- The Tsawwassen Mills Shopping Centre is proposing to have a locker room for commuter cyclists (employees); additional cycling features will be shared with HUB.
- “Sharrow” signage will be employed (indicating shared lanes for motorists/cyclists).
- TFN is still in discussions with Translink about transit service to the area. Some of the bus pull-outs identified on the Ivanhoe plan (along Hwy 17) may not occur.
- While trucks servicing the shopping malls may be using both 52 Street and the new Salish Sea Drive, the timing of deliveries will mostly be done at night.
- Charles can bring design drawings to the next Delta HUB meeting (or earlier).
- **Action:** Patrick to contact TFN about viewing the design drawings for Hwy 17/52nd.

BC Ferries

- Following the meeting with the Tsawwassen Terminal Manager (David Hamilton), Delta HUB compiled a list of concerns, questions and suggestions from Committee members about the cycling infrastructure along the causeway and at the terminal.
- The list was provided to BC Ferries for their consideration and response.
- **Action:** Patrick will share any feedback from BC Ferries’ (a response from BC Ferries was received on June 5th).

Other

- Alex C. provided Delta HUB with a copy of the CRD “Pedestrian and Cycling Master Plan Design Guidelines”. These are TAC best practices that may be referenced in road safety evaluations and recommendations by Delta HUB.
- It was suggested that Delta HUB request to be a delegation at a future Delta Parks & Recreation Commission meeting. The purpose would be to introduce Delta HUB, and discuss strategic initiatives that may be important to the community (for instance, options to improve safe cycling and connectivity along River Road West).

6. Update: Education & Engagement Subcommittee

Delta Chamber – Cycling Brochure

- Delta HUB provided the Chamber with a draft of trail ideas for their proposed “Experience Delta Cycling” brochure. The draft highlighted sample routes on three different local cycling maps (Ladner, Tsawwassen and North Delta).
- The Chamber will follow-up about the brochure once their summer students begin.

Delta Chamber – Visitor Booths

- The Chamber provided a listing of 7 events where the summer Visitor Booths will be shared with Delta HUB. The venues include the Ladner Market, Southlands Market, North Delta Market, and Déjà vu Market at Wellbrook Winery.
- It is proposed that one HUB rep will be at each venue (shifts are 2 to 3 hours).
- A sign-up sheet was distributed at the Committee meeting, and will also be shared electronically with active Committee members.
- At the Visitor Booths, it is proposed that HUB will have a laminated map of each neighbourhood to engage with locals about their preferred routes and concerns.
- HUB confirmed that t-shirts are now available, which can be worn at the events (t-shirts are \$10 each with HUB membership; \$20 without).
- **Action:** Patrick will send the list of venues/dates to active Delta HUB members for sign-up. Once confirmed, the list will be provided to the Chamber.

Southlands Bike-In

- Brad provided an update on progress for the September Bike-in; so far, there has been strong response from local organizations about group fund-raising in connection with the event.
- **Action:** Brad will connect with Delta HUB about potential involvement re: bike safety.

7. Other Updates

Tour de Delta

- Nancy provided an update about the upcoming Tour de Delta (July 10, 11, 12).
- If any Delta HUB Committee members are interested (or interested in sharing information about) billeting a Tour de Delta racer, please connect with Nancy Watson at watson_n@hotmail.com, or by phone: 604.940.8743.

Ladner Crosstown Greenway Concept

- Alex G. updated the Committee on the Ladner Crosstown Greenway concept. Over 60 responses were received from his online survey, revealing favorable attitudes towards biking as a mode of transportation in Ladner.
- More information about the concept, survey, and some renderings are available on Alex’s webpage for the Greenway: http://issuu.com/alex_gaio/docs/project_summary

Letter to Mayor and Council – Development on 47A, Ladner

- Delta HUB submitted a letter to Mayor and Council regarding a rezoning proposal on 47A Street in Ladner. The project proposed reducing the road allowance on 47A to allow for a sidewalk and parking, but no bike lane (which had been contemplated).
- 47A is a key connector road for cyclists between Ladner Village and River Road West, and the OCP/Ladner Area Plan supports such cycling connections (the rezoning was defeated by Council on various grounds).

- **Action:** Write to Delta's Community Planning Advisory Committee re: inclusion of cycling infrastructure in new developments along key network routes (such as 47A).

Letter of Introduction – Marina Garden Estates, Ladner

- Delta HUB sent a copy of the Letter of Introduction to the Marina Garden Estates developer (Captains Cove Marina and Polygon).
- The goal is to support enhanced cycling infrastructure as new projects seek development approval.

HUB “Ungap the Map” Initiative

- HUB is working on a regional infrastructure prioritization initiative called “Ungap the Map”. Through outreach with Local Committees, a list of key projects is being developed for consultation with the Province (and Local government, as applicable).
- To complete the list for Delta, HUB is looking for 2-4 volunteers to meet over the summer (possibly one session)
- If any Committee members are interested, please contact Patrick (or email Colin Stein directly at Colin@bikehub.ca)

Meeting adjourned at 8:55pm

Next Committee Meeting:

- When: Thursday, September 3rd, 2015 at 7pm
- Where: (*To be confirmed closer to date)