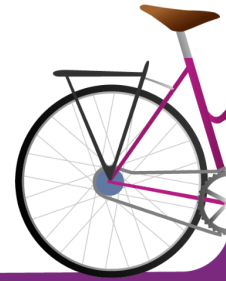




2022 BC Municipal Elections

Candidate Questionnaire



HUB Cycling West Vancouver Municipal Election Candidate Survey - Long Answers

We asked candidates four 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. What have you done, or will you do to advocate in support of active transportation infrastructure in your city and why?
2. What piece of bike infrastructure is needed next in your city?
3. What will you do to help achieve BC Road Safety Strategy's Vision Zero? (the ultimate goal of zero traffic fatalities and zero serious injuries.)
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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David McCosh

What have you done, or will you do to advocate in support of active transportation infrastructure in your city and why?

Nothing yet as I seek my first term in office.

What piece of bike infrastructure is needed next in your city?

I live on a cycling route (Bellevue) in West Vancouver which is restrictive but a good first step.

What will you do to help achieve BC Road Safety Strategy's Vision Zero? (the ultimate goal of zero traffic fatalities and zero serious injuries.)

Listen to the options toward achieving this goal.

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

Haven't familiarized myself with it yet.

Additional comments

Noted and will deliberate.

Scott Snider

What have you done, or will you do to advocate in support of active transportation infrastructure in your city and why?

Ensure our roadways are properly maintained and repaired to make sure they are safe for all users.

What piece of bike infrastructure is needed next in your city?

Educate our residents what is already in place supporting active transportation.

What will you do to help achieve BC Road Safety Strategy's Vision Zero? (the ultimate goal of zero traffic fatalities and zero serious injuries.)

Safer roadways Make our roads safer for travel by repairing and properly maintaining them. Removing visual obstruction that present hazards.

Tyler Blair

What have you done, or will you do to advocate in support of active transportation infrastructure in your city and why?

I'm advocating for an e-bike low interest loan program (with income qualification) for West Vancouver residents - billed to their property tax bill.

What piece of bike infrastructure is needed next in your city?

Separated bike lane going West/East.

What will you do to help achieve BC Road Safety Strategy's Vision Zero? (the ultimate goal of zero traffic fatalities and zero serious injuries.)

I would like to see 40km/hr speed limits on side streets with no centre line.

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 lane use and social equity. The others require some balanced thought.

Additional comments

I'd like to see Translink consider smaller Micro buses to link lesser served areas to main transit lines.

Mary-Ann Booth (Mayor)

What have you done, or will you do to advocate in support of active transportation infrastructure in your city and why?

As Chair of North Shore Connects, I am committed to implementing 13 priorities to improve transportation and reduce congestion including expanding and improving the safety and appeal of transit, pedestrian and cycling networks; and bringing rapid transit from Metrotown to Park Royal as soon as possible.

What piece of bike infrastructure is needed next in your city?

More separated bike lanes starting with completion of the one east of Lions Gate Bridge to Capilano Road.

What will you do to help achieve BC Road Safety Strategy's Vision Zero? (the ultimate goal of zero traffic fatalities and zero serious injuries.)

Make a motion to Council and the Police Board to commit to review the Strategy and report on resources and actions for implementation.

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

We have adopted many of the focus areas including 30km slow streets, safe routes to school, piloting an e-bike share program with the other North Shore municipalities, rebuilding the final dangerous section of the Spirit Trail over the Capilano River. I agree with all the focus areas and don't disagree with any.

Alexis Chicoine

What have you done, or will you do to advocate in support of active transportation infrastructure in your city and why?

For 7 years now I have been advising all 3 municipalities on the North Shore on the built environment (housing, parks, streetscapes, shared pathways, access to transit) - I'm the Vice Chairman, Advisory Committee on Disability Issues (ACDI). We have worked directly with the planners on how to best design the active transportation infrastructure to keep the pedestrian and active transportation lanes safe and separate. I'm in a wheelchair, which can hook up to an e-system called a front-drive. I can go 25km/hr. I am keen on having these "bike" lanes separate, so I too can keep pedestrians safe and I can be safe from car traffic.

What piece of bike infrastructure is needed next in your city?

In West Vancouver & across the North Shore we need to create separated bike lanes from the shared Spirit Trail pathway. The Spirit Trail is becoming an unsafe pathway, as e-systems (bikes, scooters, etc) and road bike racers are going faster and faster. Encouragement for the users who prefer to go at fast speeds need to be enhanced, so they move to using these dedicated lanes.

What will you do to help achieve BC Road Safety Strategy's Vision Zero? (the ultimate goal of zero traffic fatalities and zero serious injuries.)

In my committee work with the ACDI we have created a design with the planners, which keeps cars, bikes and pedestrians separated in a way that is inclusive and effective for all. Instead of simply advising on these ideas, I can now work directly with the District planners AND all stakeholders (HUB included) to see an inclusive design become a standard.

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

I endorse much of your platform. It's the parking regulations I'm concerned about, as West Vancouver is on a steep mountainside. Parking needs vary based on location of a development. Along transit routes, yes limit parking, but buildings which don't have much transit infrastructure (Horseshoe Bay for example) may need more capacity. Also because I drive a van with a side ramp I'm very strong on the fact that parking can be removed in some developments, but never the required amount for people with disabilities.

Additional comments

I really am a huge supporter active transportation. It's an efficient, affordable, safe, climate-friendly way to get around. It has the capability to create more physically active people, neighbourhoods and communities.

Ken Schultze

What have you done, or will you do to advocate in support of active transportation infrastructure in your city and why?

I will advocate for safer, accessible transportation infrastructure by ensuring it is planned for in local area plans. By providing safe, separated bike lanes, it gives individual a transportation choice and opportunity to leave the car at home. Activ

What piece of bike infrastructure is needed next in your city?

The next piece of bike infrastructure needed in West Vancouver is a completed Spirit Trail.

What will you do to help achieve BC Road Safety Strategy's Vision Zero? (the ultimate goal of zero traffic fatalities and zero serious injuries.)

I will help to achieve this goal by keep transportation solutions human-centric. Transportation needs to be accessible and safe regardless of the mode.

Additional comments

West Vancouver has unique topographical challenges, but many opportunities to focus on bike infrastructure in flatter areas which connect residents to key community hubs.

Nora Gambioli

What have you done, or will you do to advocate in support of active transportation infrastructure in your city and why?

I have worked for 11 years as a municipal councillor in support of active transportation infrastructure; safer and wider sidewalks, separated bike lanes, expanding our Spirit Trail, cycling network studies, Strategic Transportation plan, etc, because active transportation improves the health of residents, the belonging they feel, and decreases traffic congestion in our community.

What piece of bike infrastructure is needed next in your city?

separated lanes east of Lions Gate Bridge to Capilano Road

What will you do to help achieve BC Road Safety Strategy's Vision Zero? (the ultimate goal of zero traffic fatalities and zero serious injuries.)

Support the provision of separated bike lanes in our urbanised centres and major destinations

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

I endorse all of the focus areas; reducing street parking for cars will be the most challenging point to try to implement in my community.

Additional comments

Improving active transportation in my community is a very slow and challenging task; HUB can support us in this by continuing to watch council agendas and providing input prior to relevant decisions.

Elaine McHarg

What have you done, or will you do to advocate in support of active transportation infrastructure in your city and why?

I am not a sitting Councillor so my advocacy has been more as a member of the public and through my work. My professional role includes facilitating discussion on hope, dreams and aspirations for the community as well highlighting areas of need. Part of this has been to include cycling as part of a complete mobility plan and to include questions regarding cycling in WV as part of our public consultation.

What piece of bike infrastructure is needed next in your city?

We need more separated spaces for cyclists, vehicles and drivers to all feel safe. The area along Marine Drive on the west side can be particularly dangerous especially with larger groups.

What will you do to help achieve BC Road Safety Strategy's Vision Zero? (the ultimate goal of zero traffic fatalities and zero serious injuries.)

Designated pathways & sidewalks, slow streets, build awareness of the rules of the road for different types of mobility, and improved lighting all areas I would support.

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

I support all areas of the cycling platform. The question becomes how to afford it and ensure the implementation can be best planned.

Additional comments

Thanks for what you do. A comprehensive mobility plan requires all parties to understand how they fit into the overall systems of transportation/mobility. My husband and son commute by bike into the city and I appreciate the attention to safety in planning.

Mark Sager (Mayor)

What have you done, or will you do to advocate in support of active transportation infrastructure in your city and why?

I am an active cyclist and want to find ways to create much safer biking in our community. My dream is to create a world class cycling path from West Vancouver to Whistler

What piece of bike infrastructure is needed next in your city?

safe cycle routes

What will you do to help achieve BC Road Safety Strategy's Vision Zero? (the ultimate goal of zero traffic fatalities and zero serious injuries.)

I really appreciate your BC road safety strategy but please understand West Vancouver presents some challenges given our topography. We will need to work together to amend to ensure we can realistically achieve true improvements.

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 much of the platform but sorry not every point is achievable in West Vancouver. I do not wish to make promises which may not be achievable.

Additional comments

Thanks for supporting cycling and keeping these issues in front of us. All the best