

Councillor Gu – Cycling Network

WHEREAS the Transportation Plan’s current Phase 1 Cycling network is approximately 80km and focuses on major connectors, which, while critically important for current cycle commuters and adults who do not currently commute due to lack of safe infrastructure, may risk leaving behind children;

WHEREAS personal use of modes of transportation other than the automobile will reduce GHG emissions, help Burnaby meet its climate change targets, benefit the community at large, reduce traffic congestion, improve air quality, and more;

WHEREAS the implementation of cycling paths in Town Centres is dependent on development, and is therefore piece-meal with no reliable timeframe of completion, which can endanger the safety of cyclists who utilize these paths without the knowledge of their discontinuation;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that staff provide a feasibility report for enhancing and expediting the Phase 1 Cycling network by adding safe cycling routes to schools, by developing a strategy that addresses “orphan” cycling paths, and by ensuring improved connectivity to Skytrain stations, work places, and other places of gathering; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that staff include in the report prioritization and timelines of completing the enhanced Phase 1 cycling network.

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