

# City of Port Moody Report/Recommendation to Council

Date: July 5, 2021

Submitted by: Transportation Committee

Subject: Sasamat Greenway – Safe and Active Transportation Corridor

#### Purpose

To provide Council with information regarding a resolution passed by the Transportation Committee to consider the creation of a Sasamat Greenway.

#### Recommended Resolution

THAT the report dated July 5, 2021 from the Transportation Committee regarding Sasamat Greenway – Safe and Active Transportation Corridor be received for information.

# Background

At the June 24, 2021 Transportation Committee meeting, the Committee received a delegation from the HUB Cycling TriCities Local Committee regarding the creation of a Sasamat Greenway to provide safe and active transportation for the area and connectivity to Rocky Point, Old Orchard, Belcarra Park, and Sasamat Lake. After discussion, the Committee passed the following resolution:

#### TC21/014

THAT a review of the costs and feasibility for the design and construction of a Sasamat Greenway be undertaken as recommended in the letter dated May 12, 2021 from HUB Cycling regarding Sasamat Greenway – Safe Active Transportation Corridor.

#### Discussion

HUB Cycling's TriCities Local Committee is a group of local volunteers focused on improving cycling infrastructure in the community and who feel that the creation of a Sasamat Greenway is an opportunity for the City of Port Moody to lead in environmental sustainability, while enhancing residents' quality of life and improving road safety.

The delegation provided information about the challenges and safety concerns related to visitors' access to Sasamat Lake and Belcarra Park, noting that the existing infrastructure does not provide a continuous route between locations in Port Moody and these popular regional parks, and forces pedestrians and cyclists to share the road with cars. The delegation also provided information on options for trail placement, separated pathways, viable partners, and

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how the proposed Sasamat Greenway aligns with Metro Vancouver and Port Moody long-term priorities.

The Committee discussed the item, noting the need for safe cycling routes in the City and suggested that a concept plan for improving Bedwell Bay Road, 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue, and portions of loco Road for all users should be prioritized.

### Other Options

- 1. THAT the report dated July 5, 2021 from the Transportation Committee regarding Sasamat Greenway Safe and Active Transportation Corridor be referred to staff for information.
- 2. THAT the report dated July 5, 2021 from the Transportation Committee regarding Sasamat Greenway Safe and Active Transportation Corridor be referred to staff for action.

# Financial Implications

Further information on financial implications would be provided by staff should this report be referred to staff for action.

## Communications and Civic Engagement Initiatives

Further information on communication and civic engagement requirements would be provided by staff should this report be referred to staff for action.

## Council Strategic Plan Objectives

Consideration of the creation of a Sasamat Greenway aligns with the 2019-2022 Council Strategic Plan Objective of providing people with a variety of options to move through and around Port Moody safely and efficiently.

#### Attachment

- 1. Letter, HUB Cycling, Sasamat Greenway Safe and Active Transportation Corridor, dated May 12, 2021.
- 2. Presentation, HUB TriCities Cycling Committee, Sasamat Greenway, dated June 2021.

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# **Report Approval Details**

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Attachments:	<ul> <li>Attachment 1 - Letter, HUB Cycling, Sasamat Greenway – Safe and Active Transportation Corridor, dated May 12, 2021.pdf</li> <li>Attachment 2 - Presentation, HUB TriCities Cycling Committee, Sasamat Greenway, dated June 2021.pdf</li> </ul>
Final Approval Date:	Jul 19, 2021

This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

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