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Rezoning Application for Arbutus Corridor ODP Amendments

A few comments from a bike rider who uses the Greenway six times a week. The Greenway is brilliant and is much used BUT some of the improvements are flat out dangerous.

Between Broadway and 16th there are several white metal posts in the middle of the Greenway, apparently intended to separate bikes from pedestrians. Those (idiotic) posts are very dangerous, as bike riders approaching an intersection have to be aware of bikes going their direction, oncoming bikes, pedestrians using the Greenway both ways, vehicles crossing the intersection, pedestrians crossing the intersection AND those (idiotic) white posts. When riding through the intersection, there is too much too keep track of, and it is all too common to find riders swerving at the last minute to avoid those (idiotic) posts. The (idiotic) posts serve a very limited purpose in separating bikes and pedestrians, but cause far more grief than they solve. I note that the (idiotic) posts are repeatedly bent at their base, I can only assume because someone is colliding with them. The (idiotic) posts make no more sense than placing STOP signs in the middle of roadways. STOP signs belong at the corners of intersections, NOT in the middle of the road.

ALSO the corner cuts on intersections are getting better but they still tend to funnel bikes directly into oncoming pedestrians or oncoming motor vehicles (see for eq. West 49th, which is an invitation to disaster).

It would be nice if your engineers asked people who actually use the Greenway their opinion based on actual usage before installing such items as (idiotic) posts and hazardous curb cuts.

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Please consider this point.

I would have thought that at least part of the triangular area at Fir and 2nd Avenue would be needed to provide a wide sweeping turn, if the proposed streetcar down the Arbutus Greenway is to connect with the existing streetcar route from Granville Island to Science World – a critical infrastructure link.

Cheers

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