

**Whitehorse Urban Cycling Coalition:
2018 Candidate Questions - Whitehorse Municipal Election**

Candidate: Mike Gladish	
1.	Given that a substantive portion of Whitehorse's population does not have the privilege to operate a private automobile, what are your suggestions to address the transportation inequity of our community's built environment?
	<p>Transit – make it more appealing by updating for wireless service and trip planning. Ensure that bus stops are accessible and attractive. Follow Stantec recommendations [Transit Master Plan] for improvements.</p> <p>Many people are not physically able to use a bike, especially in winter. Focus should be on transit for the demographic that it is inferred in this question.</p>
2.	More Whitehorse residents are choosing cycling as a year-round transportation option. What are your thoughts regarding prioritizing winter maintenance for vulnerable road users?
	<p>Allow use of sidewalks where safety is an issue and snow windrows are covering bike lane. Promote use of Riverfront trail and 6th avenue.</p> <p>Priority for snow removal should be bus lanes. We should start thinking about changing priority from cars to pedestrian/cycle routes, but that is not going to happen right away.</p> <p>Bikers should consider using bus option when conditions are hazardous.</p> <p>Bikers need to be responsible for their own safety re: lights and route choice.</p> <p>Winter conditions require vigilance from drivers and common sense for cyclists.</p>
3.	If elected, what would you do to expedite the implementation of Whitehorse's new Bicycle Network Plan?
	<p>Work to include the following in the operating budgets for next 3 years:</p> <p>Improve bike path connection at Industrial Road</p> <p>Connect Two Mile Hill to Riverfront Trail in vicinity of Chilkoat Way or Spook Creek.</p> <p>Initiate bike path from WB to Marwell</p>
4.	What are your thoughts on using the Parking Reserve Fund to improve Active Transportation considering that almost every bike used to commute to work frees up a parking space for someone else?
	<p>Good idea. Could be used for bike lockers, bike path connection improvement, ie Two Mile and Industrial, and so on. I don't think it should be used to build a Parkade. That is a 1960's solution that is outdated.</p>

5. <i>On the lighter side:</i> have you ever...	
• Commuted to work / school / for errands on a bike?	yes
• Ridden a fatbike?	yes
• Ridden with a young child?	yes
• Ridden an electric bike? or	no
• Ridden a unicycle?	no