

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

Candidate: Jan Stick	
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?	I believe we need to look at the work and recommendations of the Transit Plan and Bicycle Plan to see what we can start implementing immediately and what are other actions moving forward. I like the bike paths and lanes the city has been working on over the last number of years. I think we can do more to connect different neighbourhoods. The paved paths are also great for walkers, parents with strollers and those with mobility concerns using scooters, or electric wheelchairs. Everyone should be able to access safe paths to our green spaces or river easily.
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?	I do know it becomes more difficult to ride on the roads as snow builds up along curbs – pushing cyclists into traffic. Better clearing on the roads might be one option, or better clearing of the available paths around town. I think it would be important to talk to citizens and groups such as yours to get ideas of how we can improve cycling opportunities year round.
3. If elected, what would you do to expedite the implementation of Whitehorse's new Bicycle Network Plan?	If elected, this is something that we would have to prioritize as a team. If we are to be serious about this being a liveable city, then we need to address transit concerns with a global view – not just looking at cars, buses and parking. I would love to see more business's and government buildings providing better bike stands or indoor spaces to store bikes safely. I would like to see more designated bike lanes throughout Whitehorse.
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?	I am not in favour of a parkade, which this money has often been earmarked for. I think we could do more, if this money was used on a variety of projects addressing biking, walking, and transit.

5. <i>On the lighter side:</i> have you ever...	
• Commuted to work / school / for errands on a bike?	Yup
• Ridden a fatbike?	Nope
• Ridden with a young child?	Sure have
• Ridden an electric bike? or	Nope
• Ridden a unicycle?	Not successfully!