



City of Wichita Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board

Monday, January 13, 5:30 – 7:30 P.M.

777 E. Waterman, Building 200
Wichita Transit Van Maintenance Facility
Conference Room

Agenda

<u>Time</u>	<u>Description</u>
5:30 pm	Call to Order Jack Brown, Chairperson
5:31 pm	Volunteer for Meeting Notes Jack Brown Chairperson
5:33 pm	Provide Project Tracking Reports by Board Members Jack Brown, Chairperson
5:40pm	Approve December Meeting Notes Jack Brown, Chairperson
5:50 pm	Approve 2014 Annual City Work Plan for Implementation of the Bicycle Master Plan Scott Wadle, Planning Department
6:15 pm	Approve 2013 Annual Report Letter from the Board Jack Brown, Chairperson
6:30 pm	Identify next steps - Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board Letterhead Jack Brown
6:40pm	Adopt Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board Bylaws Tom Lasater
7:10 pm	Recommendation to City Council for City of Wichita League of American Bicyclists Bicycle Friendly Community Application Scott Wadle, Planning Department
7:15 pm	Closing Thoughts Jack Brown, Chairperson
7:20 pm	Public Comments Jack Brown, Chairperson

Notice – City Council Members may attend this meeting.

Wichita Bicycle Master Plan - 2014 Annual Implementation Work Plan

In order to meet the needs of Wichita residents for actions to improve conditions for bicycling in Wichita - as expressed through multiple meetings, surveys, and plans; City of Wichita stakeholders developed the Wichita Bicycle Master Plan (Plan). The civic plan was endorsed by the City Council on February 5, 2013. The Plan Strategy 29 recommends that the City produce an annual implementation work plan and seek approval of it by the Wichita Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board in order to ensure year to year progress toward implementing the Plan. This document is the City's annual implementation work plan for 2014, approved by the Wichita Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board at their _____ meeting.

2014 Implementation Actions

- Install 14 miles of bike lanes (measured using the street center line)
- Install 10 miles of shared lane markings (measured using the street center line)
- Install 1 mile of shared use paths
- Install 10 miles of bicycle boulevards
- Install 60 bicycle racks
- Install path and roadway intersection signs at 20 intersections
- Construct the following on-street bicycle and/or sidepath facilities as part of other transportation projects in the CIP
 - 135th, Kellogg to Onewood – 10' sidepath
 - 135th, Maple to Central – 10' sidepath
- Apply for funding in the City's 10-year Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for the Bike Enhancements line item in order to design and/or develop on-street and/or sidepath bicycle facilities
- Apply for funding in the 4-year WAMPO Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for at least one (1) high priority bicycle facility project
- Apply for City CIP funding for design and/or development of one top priority stand alone off-street bicycle facility (shared-use paths) project
- Sweep on street bicycle facilities coincident with the sweeping of the larger streets (dependent on the volume of competing demands experienced throughout the year), as follows:
 - Residential streets (including any on-street bike facilities): 1-3 times/year (depending on location)
 - Arterial streets (including any on-street bike facilities): 8 times/year
 - Core-area streets (including any on-street bike facilities): 2 times/week
- Repaint bike lanes coincident with the repainting of pavement markings on the larger streets (as needed and dependent on the volume of competing demands experienced throughout the

year). City staff members approximately 7 miles of on-street bike facility markings will be inspected, and repainted as needed in 2014.

- Apply for funding for the following major improvement/maintenance project(s)
 - Chisholm Creek Park paths
- Provide one professional training opportunity related to bicycle facilities and bicycle related issues
- Provide two public events with educational components
- Publish a memo identifying the bicyclist and motorist behaviors that compromise bicycle safety and related enforcement priorities.
- Apply for League of American Bicyclist's Bicycle Friendly Community designation
- Develop a Routine Accommodation Policy
- Develop street design guidance for Wichita streets
- Develop updates for the Wichita-Sedgwick County Subdivision Regulations
- Develop a policy for installing facilities that are isolated segments for endorsement
- Develop a policy for reserving space for future facilities (e.g. space for bike lane that is added later)
- Publish an annual report tracking implementation progress
- Publish 2015 Annual Implementation Work Plan
- Assist with development of an update to the Delano West Douglas Avenue Bicycle Plan
- Assist with the development of a recommended update for the list of priority bicycle on- and off-street facilities in the Wichita Bicycle Master Plan
- Create one bicycle video and air it on Channel 7



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Application Tips

- The application will be referring to your type of jurisdiction as "community" throughout the application due to the great variety of types of jurisdictions applying, which does not include bicycle amenities, services and other resources outside your boundaries.
- The word limits for open ended questions are just guidelines as the system is actually using a character limit. Ensure that your entered text does not get cut off, even if you stay within the word limit.
- Ensure to log out using the Log Out button. Closing the browser will not log you out completely and will trigger a warning that another user is logged in next time you sign in. If this occurs, and you are certain that no other user is logged in at the same time, you can just disregard the warning and it will disappear within 24 hours.
- At the end of the application, you can upload any documents that you would like to provide in support of your application, including at least five high resolution photos (1-2MB). You can submit up to 5 files at the time and there is no limit on how many files can be submitted. Please note that the files will upload immediately to a separate server and will not appear as an attachment.

Name of Community

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City of Wichita

County/Borough/Parish

Sedgwick County

State

Kansas

Has the community applied to the Bicycle Friendly Community program before?

No

If yes, what was the result of the community's last application?

If designated, what year was your community first awarded a Bronze or higher award?

Mayor or top elected official (include title)

Mayor Carl Brewer

Phone

3162684331

Email

cbrewer@wichita.gov

Address

455 N Main St, 1st Floor

Website

www.wichita.gov

BFC Contact Profile

Note: This person will receive any future BFC related communication and will be listed as the contact person for the community on the award web profile, if designated.

Name of BFC contact

Scott Wadle

Title

Senior Planner

Department

Wichita-Sedgwick County Metropolitan Area Planning Department

Employer

Wichita-Sedgwick County Metropolitan Area Planning Department

Address

455 N Main St, 10th Floor

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Wichita

State

Kansas

Zip

67202

Phone

3162684331

Email

swadle@wichita.gov

Is the BFC contact also the Bicycle Program Manager?

No

If no, does your community have a Bicycle Program Manager?

No

If different from above, what is the Bicycle Program Manager's contact information (email and phone)?

Applicant name and email, if different from BFC contact or Bicycle Program Manager contact

Community Profile

1. Type of Jurisdiction

Town/City/Municipality

2. For purposes of comparison, would you describe your community as largely

urban

3. ClimateAverage daytime temperature (in °F)

January

43

April

68

July



93

October

70

Average precipitation (in inches)

January

43

April

68

July

93

October

70

4. Size of community (in sq. mi.)

Total area

163.59

Water area

4.3

Land area

159.29

5. Total Population

382368

5a. College/University student population (during semester)

10% or less

6. Population Density (Person per sq. mi. of land area)

2400.4

7. Median Household Income

45625

8. Age distribution (in percent)

Under 5

8

Age 5-17

18.6

Age 18-64

61.9

Age 65+

11.5

Totals (should equal 100)

100

9. Race (in percent)

White

71.9

Black or African American

11.5

American Indian and Alaska Native

1.2

Asian

4.8

Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander

0.1

Some other race

6.2

Two or more races

4.3

Totals (should equal 100)

100

Hispanic or Latino (of any race)

15.3

10. How many government employees (including the Bicycle Program Manager), expressed in full-time equivalents, work on bicycle issues in your community?

1

11. What percentage of the community's Bicycle Program Manager's time is spent on bicycling issues?

N/A

12. Do you have an officially recognized Bicycle Advisory Committee?

Yes

12a. How often does it meet?

Monthly or more frequently

12b. How many members serve on the committee?

11

12c. Which of the following groups are represented or regularly attend the Bicycle Advisory Committee? Check all that apply.

User Group, Public Health, Planning Department, Other

If other, describe (50 word limit)

Medical Reserve Corps, students, local businesses, people who bicycle, people who walk,

12d. Name and email of Bicycle Advisory Committee Chair

Mr. Jack Brown

13. List all bicycle advocacy groups in your community

Bike Walk Alliance Wichita, Health and Wellness Coalition of Wichita

13a. List the name and email of the primary contact for each bicycle advocacy group. If a primary contact is the applicant or BFC contact, list an alternative contact.

Bike Walk Alliance Wichita: Barry Carroll (bwawichita@gmail.com), Health and Wellness Coalition of Wichita: Mim McKenzie (mim@ymcawichita.org)

13b. Do you contract with any advocacy groups for services or programs? Check all that apply.

No

13c. List all advocacy groups that are working with you on this application.

N/A

14. What are the primary reasons your community has invested in bicycling? Check all that apply.



Improved quality of life, Improving public health, Community connectivity, Transportation options, Public demand, Traffic and bicycle/pedestrian safety

15. What was your community's most significant achievement for bicycling in the past 12 months? (500 word limit)

In February 2013, the Wichita Bicycle Master Plan was endorsed by the Wichita City Council. This plan provides guidance for the development and implementation of bicycle projects and programs for the City of Wichita. Over 4,000 people participated in the plan's creation, resulting in a vision that reflects the values and priorities of the people it intends to serve.

16. If you have applied to the BFC program before, describe any improvements that have occurred for cycling in your community since your last application. (500 word limit)

N/A

17. What specific improvements do you have planned for bicycling in the next 12 months? (250 word limit)

Local bicycle routine accommodation policy, wayfinding system plan, partnership with law enforcement to increase enforcement of bicyclist and motorist behavior, and the development of eight new bikeway designs

Engineering

18. Does your community currently have any of the following policies in place? Check all that apply.

Neither

18a. When was it adopted?

N/A

18b. Provide a link or attach a copy of this legislation or policy

N/A

18c. What tools are in place to ensure implementation? Check all that apply.

None of the above

19. Does your community currently have any of the following additional policies in place? Check all that apply.

Streetscape design guidelines

20. How do you ensure your engineers and planners accommodate bicyclists according to AASHTO, MUTCD and NACTO standards? (Check all that apply.)

Hire outside consultants to train staff, Send staff to bicycle-specific conferences/training, APBP webinars

21. Which of the following significant physical barriers to cycling exist in your community? Check all that apply.

Major highways, Bridges that are inaccessible or unsafe for cyclists, Tunnels that are inaccessible or unsafe for cyclists, Large body of water (e.g. river), Railroad corridors

22. How do you ensure that there are end-of-trip facilities for bicyclists? Check all that apply.

None

23. Do your standards for bike parking conform with APBP guidelines?

No standards

24. What is the total number of public and private bike parking spaces in your community?

400 - approximate

24a. What percentage of bike racks conform with APBP guidelines?

26-50%

24b. Of the total bike parking available, please specify the percentage of bike parking spaces that are:

Bike lockers

None

Parking spaces in bike depots (i.e. Bikestation)

None

Parking spaces in bike corrals (on-street bike parking)

None

25. Approximately what percentage of the following locations has bike racks or storage units? Answer all that apply.

Public and private schools

76-90%

Higher Education Institutions

More than 90%

Libraries

76-90%

Transit stations and major bus stops

26-50%

Parks & recreation centers

10-25%

Other government owned buildings and facilities

26-50%

Event venues (e.g. convention center, movie complex)

51-75%

Hotels & restaurants

10-25%

Office buildings

10-25%

Retail stores

10-25%

Multi-family housing

Less than 10%

Public housing

Less than 10%

26. Does your community have transit service (bus, light rail, heavy rail)?

Yes

26a. What percentage of buses are equipped with bike racks?

All

26b. Are bikes allowed inside transit vehicles?

No

27. What is the centerline mileage of the existing off-road bicycle network within your community?

66.2

27a. How many miles of the following off-road bicycle accommodations do you have? Answer all that apply (in centerline miles)

Paved shared use paths (?10feet)

62.7

Natural surface shared use paths (?10feet)

Singletrack

3.5

27b. What percentage of all natural surface trails and singletrack are open to bicyclists?

1-25%



27c. What are the exceptions? (100 word limit)

City of Wichita - Wichita Wild designated sites, including Pawnee Prairie Park, Oak Park, Chisholm Creek Park

28. What is the centerline mileage of your road network (including state owned and private roads)?

2217

28a. What is the street network density of your road network? (centerline miles of road per sq. mi. of land area)

10.1 - 15.0

28b. What percentage of roads has posted or design speeds of 25mph and lower?

1-25%

28c. What percentage of roads has posted or design speeds of 35mph and higher?

11-25%

28d. What percentage of the existing on-street bicycle network meets or exceeds current AASHTO, MUTCD and NACTO standards?

51-75%

28e. List your existing on-road bicycle accommodations that meet or exceed AASHTO, MUTCD and NACTO standards. Answer all that apply (in centerline miles)

Conventional bike lanes (ridable surface ?4feet)

Shared lane markings

Contra-flow bike lanes

Protected or buffered bike lanes (one-way)

Protected or buffered bike lanes (two-way)

Raised cycle tracks

Left-side bike lanes

Bike boulevards or Neighborhood Greenways

29. What other ways have you improved conditions for bicyclists? Check all that apply.

Signed bike routes, Bike/pedestrian overpasses/underpasses

30. What percentage of arterial streets has dedicated space for cyclists (e.g. bike lanes, paved shoulders ?4feet, cycle tracks, etc)?

31. Which of the following broader transportation policies and programs are in place in your community? Check all that apply.

No minimum car parking standards , Paid public parking , Shared-parking allowances

32. What maintenance policies or programs ensure the on-street bicycle network (including shoulders) remains usable and safe? Select all that apply.

32a. Street sweeping

Same time as other travel lanes

32b. Snow clearance

Same time as other travel lanes

32c. Pothole maintenance

Within 24 hours of complaint

32d. Describe any other maintenance policies or programs for the on-street bicycle network (including shoulders). (100 word limit)

N/A

33. What maintenance policies or programs ensure the off-street bicycle network remains usable and safe? Select all that apply.

33a. Path sweeping

Monthly

33b. Vegetation maintenance

Annually

33c. Snow clearance

Never

33d. Surface repair

Within 24 hours of complaint

33e. Describe any other maintenance policies or programs for the off-street bicycle network, if applicable. (100 word limit)

N/A

34. Is there a mechanism in place for cyclists to identify problem intersections or areas to traffic engineers and planners? Check all that apply.

None

35. How do you accommodate cyclists at intersections in your community? Check all that apply.

None of the above

36. Describe any other amenities or infrastructure improvements that your community provides or requires that create a comfortable and attractive bicycling environment. (500 word limit)

N/A

Education

37. What percentage of your public and private schools offer bicycle education, e.g. through a Safe Routes to School or similar program?

Elementary

None

Middle School

None

High School

None

38. Outside of schools, how are children taught safe cycling skills? Check all that apply.

Bike clinics or rodeos , Helmet fit seminars, Safety town

39. Do you have a ticket diversion program? Check all that apply.

No

40. What have you done in the last 18 months to educate motorists and bicyclists on sharing the road safely? Check all that apply.

Community newsletter/magazine article, Dedicated bike page on community website

41. How many times per year are the following adult bicycling education classes held within your community? Answer all that apply.

Traffic Skills 101 classes or equivalent (full-day training course, including classroom and on-bike instruction)



Cycling Skills classes (three to four hour classroom training courses)

Commuter classes (one to two hour classes)

2

Bicycle maintenance classes or workshops

5

42. Do you offer regular Smart Cycling courses for your community engineers and planners that include on-bike instruction and in-traffic cycling?

No

43. Has your community hosted a League Cycling Instructor seminar in the past two years?

No

43a. How many League Cycling Instructors are there in your community?

43b. List League Cycling Instructors that have taught at least one class during the past 12 months. (250 word limit)

N/A

44. Which of the following groups of professional drivers have training that includes information on sharing the road with cyclists? Check all that apply.

None of the above

45. Describe any efforts your community has made to ensure your education programs reach traditionally underserved populations, particularly seniors, women, youth and adult minorities and non-English speakers, and persons with disabilities of all ages. (250 word limit)

N/A

46. Describe any other education efforts in your community that promote safe cycling. (500 word limit)

During Wichita Bike Month in May, education classes are held throughout the Wichita community. These classes are open to anyone to participate and are held at multiple locations throughout Wichita. Classes include bike safety clinics, commuter clinics, and maintenance classes.

Encouragement

47. How do you promote National Bike Month/your own dedicated Bike Month? Check all that apply.

Official Proclamation, Community Rides, Public Service Announcements, Videos promoting bicycling on community website/TV channel, Publish a guide to Bike Month Events, Bike Month Website, Commuter Challenge, Bike Commuter energizer stations/breakfasts, Bike to School Day

47a. What percentage of the population participate in Bike Month events?

Less than 5%

47b. Do you actively promote Bike to Work Day or other bicycle commuting incentive programs?

Yes

If yes, describe (500 word limit)

City of Wichita participates in a partnership with other local organizations to organize and promote Bike Month. This effort is coordinated by a planning team, which is hosted by the Health and Wellness Coalition of Wichita.

47c. Approximately what percentage of the community workforce do you reach on Bike to Work Day?

1-25%

48. How do you promote bicycling outside of your official Bike Month? Check all that apply.

Community and charity rides, Triathlons and bicycle races, Bike valet parking at events, Bicycle-themed festivals/parades/shows, Public education campaign relating to cycling (e.g. with a focus on public health or environmental benefits), Community celebration/ride each time a bicycle project is completed

49. List the signature cycling events that occur in your community. (250 word limit)

Bike Month, Ozsome Bike Fest, Tour De Cure: Wichita, Johnson's Garden Center CycloCross Race, Miller Maurader's Monster Mash, Sunflower Suffrage Ride - Wichita, PedalFest, Patriotic Club Pedal, Bishop's Bicycle Challenge, SPECS Wichita Riverfest Criterium Race, Bicycle X-Change Criterium Race, Kansas Adaptive Cycling Omnium, Ride of Silence - Wichita, Tour de Hangar, Christmas Lights Cruise, Big Ring Dirt Road Race Series, Critical Mass Wichita

49a. How does the municipality sponsor or actively support these events?

Assist in promoting the event

50. Does your local tourism board or chamber of commerce promote bicycling in your area?

Yes

If yes, describe (250 word limit)

Go Wichita helped with distribution of the Wichita area bicycle maps.

51. Are there cycling clubs in your community? Check all that apply.

Recreational bike clubs, Mountain bike clubs, Racing clubs or teams

51a. List the names of the clubs. (500 word limit)

Oz Bicycle Club; The Kansas Singletrack Society; Specs Racing Team

52. How many specialty bicycle retailers (shops dedicated primarily to selling bikes and bike-related equipment) are there in your community?

9

52a. List their names. (250 word limit)

Continental; Bicycle X-Change; Bicycle Pedaler; Tom Sawyer; L & M Schwinn; Pork Chopped Bicycles; Lee's Bike Shop; Heartland Bicycle

53. Which of these bicycling amenities do you have in your community? Check all that apply.

BMX track , Mountain bike park

53a. Is there a skate park in your community?

Yes

If yes, do bikes have access to the skate park?

Always

54. Are there opportunities to rent bicycles in your community?

Yes

55. Does your community currently have a bike sharing program that is open to the general public?

No

55a. If yes, please provide details about the system below.

How many bikes are in the system?

How many stations are in the system?

How many trips are being made annually?

56. Do you have any current League of American Bicyclists designated Bicycle Friendly Businesses in your community?

No

57. Do you have any current League of American Bicyclists designated Bicycle Friendly Universities in your community?

No

58. Does your community have a bike co-op or non-profit community bike shop?

No

58a. If yes, does the co-op/non-profit community bike shop receive support from the local government?

59. Does your community have youth recreation and/or intervention programs centered on bicycling? Check all that apply.

Other

If other, describe (100 word limit)



The Park and Recreation Department has offered bicycle clinics as part of its recreation programming during Bike Month.

60. What mapping and route finding information is available for your community, which has been updated in the last 18 months? Check all that apply.

Online bike map outlining existing bike infrastructure (by type), public restrooms and other bicycle amenities, Printed bike map outlining existing bike infrastructure (by type), public restrooms and other bicycle amenities

61. Describe any other programs or policies your community has to encourage cycling. (500 word limit)

N/A

Enforcement

62. How does your police department interact with the local cycling community? Check all that apply.

No current formal interaction

63. What kind of training is offered to police officers regarding traffic law as it applies to bicyclists? Check all that apply.

International Police Mountain Bike Association training

64. What enforcement programs that target improving cyclist safety are in place? Check all that apply.

None of the above

65. What percentage of patrol officers are on bikes?

None

66. Are any other public safety (e.g. EMS) employees on bikes?

No

67. Do police officers report cyclist crash data or potential hazards to traffic engineers and planners to identify sites in need of safety improvements for cyclists?

Yes

68. Which of the following safety services and amenities are available in your community?

Street lighting on most arterials

69. Are there any local or state ordinances that protect cyclists? Check all that apply.

Specific penalties for failing to yield to a cyclist when turning, It is illegal to park or drive in a bike lane (intersections excepted), Penalties for motor vehicle users that 'door' cyclists, Ban on cell phone use while driving, Ban on texting while driving, Photo enforcement for red lights and/or speed, Safe passing distance law

70. Do your local ordinances place any restrictions on cyclists? Check all that apply.

Local law requires that cyclists are required to ride as far to the right of the road as practicable without exceptions

71. Describe any other enforcement programs or policies relating to cycling. (500 word limit)

N/A

Evaluation and Planning

72. Does your community have a comprehensive bicycle master plan or similar section in another document?

Yes

72a. If yes, please provide details about the plan below.

Provide a link to the plan or describe. (250 word limit)

<http://www.wichita.gov/Government/Departments/Planning/Pages/Bicycle.aspx>

When was it passed or most recently updated?

February 5, 2013

Is there a dedicated funding source for implementation?

No

What percentage of the current plan has been implemented?

1

Are you meeting annual target goals for implementation?

Yes

73. Do you have a trails master plan that addresses mountain bike access?

No

74. Is there formal cooperation between the mountain biking community and the community recreation and planning staff?

No

75. Does your community have an on-going bicycle counting and/or survey program that allows for long-term trend analysis of cycling trips (e.g. participation in the National Bicycle and Pedestrian Documentation Project)?

Yes

If yes, please describe the most recent results. (250 word limit)

2012: Are available online at the WAMPO website. They showed roughly equal numbers of weekend and weekday riders.

75a. If yes, do the counts capture the gender of cyclists?

No

76. Does your community routinely conduct pre/post evaluations of bicycle-related road projects?

No

77. Does your community establish target goals for bicycle use, e.g. a certain level of bicycle mode share?

No

78. What is the most current journey-to-work data for your community? Tip: Search for topic B08301 (Means of Transportation to Work) for your community on the American FactFinder website (Advanced Search). Choose the most recent data set available for your community. Divide the total number of bicycle/pedestrian/transit commuters by the total number of commuters and multiply the result by 100.

Bicycling (in %)

.01

Percentage of bicycle commuters who are women (See topic B08006. Choose the most recent data set available for your community. Divide the total number of women bicycle commuters by the total number of bicycle commuters and multiply the result by 100.)

15.3

Walking (in %)

1.4

Transit (in %)

.4

79. What is the average commuting distance to work for residents of your community? Tip: This data is not available nationally and needs to be collected locally (or estimated).

5-10 miles

80. What percent of children commute to school by bicycle? Tip: This data is not available nationally and needs to be collected locally.

Elementary

5

Middle School

5

High School

5

81. How many cyclists have been involved in a crash in your community in the past five years involving a motor vehicle?

226

81a. How many cyclist fatalities have occurred in your community in the past five years involving a motor vehicle?



3

81b. Do you have a specific plan or program to reduce these numbers?

No

82. Do you measure the Bicycle Level of Service of roads and/or intersections?

No

83. Do you have community-wide trip reduction policies or programs?

No

83a. Does the program use individualized marketing to identify and support current and potential bike commuters in your community?

No

84. Have you done an economic impact study on bicycling in your community?

No

85. Do you have a mechanism to ensure bicycle facilities, programs and encouragement efforts are implemented in traditionally underserved neighborhoods?

No

86. Describe any other programs or policies that your community uses to evaluate and/or plan bicycling conditions, programs, and facilities. (500 word limit)

City of Wichita Parks, Recreation, and Open Space (PROS) Plan

Final Overview

87. What are the three primary reasons your community deserves to be designated a Bicycle Friendly Community?

Reason One (250 word limit)

In February 2013, the Wichita City Council unanimously endorsed the City of Wichita Bicycle Master Plan as a guide for future planning and decision making regarding public infrastructure investments, operations, and policies. This Plan is a ten-year guide for the development and implementation of bicycle projects and programs for the City of Wichita, and it was created with the input of over 4,000 individuals through surveys, volunteer committees, and community events. The Plan establishes goals, objectives, actions, priorities, and performance measures to improve bicycling in Wichita.

Reason Two (250 word limit)

The City of Wichita has a number of existing bicycle facilities and projects, both on-street and off-street, and has multiple bicycle facilities under development. Eight additional bicycle projects, all of which are identified as part of the priority bicycle network in the Wichita Bicycle Master Plan, have been authorized by the Wichita City Council for design work.

Reason Three (250 word limit)

Wichita is a unique example of a Midwest manufacturing community providing bicycling as a viable transportation option.

88. What are the three aspects of your community most in need of improvement in order to accommodate bicyclists?

Aspect One (100 word limit)

Wichita's built environment for bicycling persists as a barrier to bicycling. While community-guided efforts are underway to improve bicycle facilities as laid out in the City of Wichita Bicycle Master Plan, the bicycle network needs to be expanded further to fully accommodate bicyclists.

Aspect Two (100 word limit)

Educational opportunities are lacking in the City of Wichita. Education of bicyclists of all ages and backgrounds is needed, as well as education for other modes of transportation (i.e. motor vehicle drivers) on how to safely negotiate with bicyclists. Education is included as a strategy in the City of Wichita Bicycle Master Plan.

Aspect Three (100 word limit)

Safety of bicyclists needs to be enhanced to accommodate bicyclists in the City of Wichita. Key to enhancing safety are: 1) improvements in the built environment; 2) education of all modes of transportation on how to safely share the road; and 3) enforcement of unsafe behaviors that contribute to collisions between bicycles and other vehicles. Safety is included as a strategy in the City of Wichita Bicycle Master Plan.

89. Has completing this application made you more aware of what your community needs to do to be bicycle friendly?

Yes

If yes, describe (250 word limit)

It has helped to make us more aware of what is needed and some approaches to help accomplish them.

90. Are you planning any new projects based on your completion of the Bicycle Friendly Community application?

No

Submit any documents that you would like to provide in support of your application, including at least five high resolution photos (1-2MB) here. You can submit up to 5 files at the time and there is no limit on how many files can be submitted. By submitting photos, the League of American Bicyclists has the right to use your photos to promote bicycling. Please note that the files will submit immediately and will not appear as an attachment.

We often get requests for model BFC applications from aspiring communities. Would you be willing to share your application?

Yes

How did you hear about the BFC program?

League of American Bicyclists website