

Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board

Monday, February 9, 2015

5:30 – 7:15 P.M.

777 E. Waterman, Building 200
Wichita Transit Van Maintenance Facility
Conference Room
Wichita, Kansas 67202



Agenda

<u>Item</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Description</u>
1.	5:30 pm	Call to Order Jack Brown, Chairperson
2.	5:31 pm	Approve Previous Meeting Notes Jack Brown, Chairperson
3.	5:35 pm	Public Comments Jack Brown, Chairperson
4.	5:40 pm	2015 Street Maintenance and CIP Projects – Multi Modal Accommodation Alan King, Director of Public Works and Utilities
5.	6:00 pm	Bicycle Facilities Maintenance Plan – Public Works Alan King, Director of Public Works and Utilities
6.	6:15 pm	Wichita Bicycle Friendly Community Application Scott Wadle, Senior Planner
7.	6:30 pm	Wichita Bicycle Wayfinding System Plan Scott Wadle, Senior Planner
8.	6:40 pm	Wichita Bicycle Local Business Recognition Program Amy Delamaide, Board Member
9.	6:50 pm	Board Member Project Reports Jack Brown, Chairperson
10.	7:05 pm	Announcements Jack Brown, Chairperson
11.	7:10 pm	Closing Thoughts Jack Brown, Chairperson



Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board

Monday, January 12, 2015

5:30 – 7 p.m.

777 E. Waterman, Building 200
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Meeting Notes

Members Present: Jack Brown, Jane Byrnes, Barry Carroll, James Crowder, Jerry Jones, George Theoharis, Tyler Stutzman, Melany Barnes, Amy Delamaide
Members Absent: Maxine Bostic, Tom Lasater
City Staff: Scott Wadle, MAPD, Mike Armour, City of Wichita, Public Works
Guests: Alan Kailer, 7924 Birdie Lane Circle, Wichita, KS, Hoyt Hillman, Park Board & GreewWay Alliance

Item	Description
1.	Call to Order: Jack Brown, Chairperson, called the meeting to order and welcomed City staff and guest.
2.	Approve Previous Meeting Notes: Jerry Jones moved [Tyler Stutzman] to approve the December 10, 2014 meeting notes. Motion carried 9-0.
3.	Public Comments: Alan Kailer stated that he had recently moved to Wichita from Dallas. Mr. Kailer noted that he is a Licensed Cycling Instructor [LCI] and he wants to be involved in the cycling community. Hoyt Hillman noted that he is on the Park Board and the GreenWay Alliance, The members welcomed Mr. Kailer and Mr. Hillman to the meeting
4.	2014 Wichita Bicycle Master Plan Implementation Plan: Scott Wadle reviewed the Bicycle Master Plan Implementation report which is the city staff report on work the city staff has done towards implementing the plan. The biggest item discussed was that many of the ten priority bicycle projects have been pushed into 2015 (these are primarily the projects we have been reporting on and tracking each month). Scott asked the board for comments on the implementation plan. The board took no formal action; Scott will take the report to senior city staff for further review. Once the report is final, the board will distribute it with our annual report and cover letter to the City Manager and City Council .The members also discussed meeting with our appointing Council member or City Manager to discuss the board and city's 2014 accomplishments also like we did in 2014..
5.	Wichita Bicycle Friendly Community Application: The Bicycle Friendly Community Application is moving forward with letters of support being secured. The deadline for submittal is February 15, 2015. The board approved the Chairperson's letter of support for the application. The Chairperson will sign it for the board and submit it to Scott Wadle with copies to all board members.
6.	Multi-Modal Policy Implementation: The Multi-Modal policy is getting underway. The City is in process of creating a staff technical committee to start implementation of the policy. It is a work in progress right now.
7.	Board Member Project Reports: Paul Gunzleman provided an update on all of the projects he is responsible for via email to the board. There was some discussion by the board on how we should complete our project tracking. Members have some discussion of the ideas proposed at future meeting. During our project tracking reporting, Amy Delamaide proposed an idea for the recognition for businesses that incorporate bicycling or bicycles into their marketing. Amy will present her ideas at a future meeting.

	<p>1) Mt. Vernon (Theoharis): the intersection at Oliver & Mt. Vernon is being reconstructed; bike lanes will be installed in conjunction with a scheduled CIP maintenance project.</p> <p>2) Bicycle Friendly City Designation (Carroll/Jones): an application with letters of support will be submitted in the February 2015 subject to WCC approval; letters of support will be secured.</p> <p>3) Delano Bicycle Parking Plan-Phase II (Barnes): This project has been completed and will be <u>removed</u> from the tracking list.</p> <p>4) Redbud Trail (Bostic): There was a ‘successful’ bid [Cornejo] for the trail from the Canal Route to Oliver! Construction will commence and should be completed in May 2015! The next phase will be from Oliver to Woodlawn.</p> <p>5) Delano/River Vista Apartments: The Wichita City Council recently considered revised plans; Melany Barnes will track this project; Melany showed a proposed site plan via computer.</p> <p>6) Delano Brownfield Application (Carroll): The application was submitted and EPA will make an announcement in spring of 2015;</p> <p>7) Douglas Design District (Amy): the City’s Design Council has recommended approval of the concept from Washington to Grove [there is no designated funding as yet];</p> <p>8) First & Second Bikeways: (Carroll) Advertised for bids in October; the bids were over the proposed budget and will be re-bid;</p> <p>9) Multimodal Policy & Street Design Guidance (Delamaide): Amy agreed to track this project; the City Council recently approved the policy and guidance.</p> <p>10) Market & Topeka Bikeways (Carroll) Advertised for bids in October; the bids were over the proposed budget and will be re-bid;</p> <p>11) Armour Bikeway [Crowder]: The bids have been secured and the project is moving forward!</p> <p>12) Schweiter Bikeway [Crowder]: The bids have been secured and the project is moving forward!</p> <p>13) Chisholm Creek Park Multiuse Path: Jerry Jones agreed to track this project.</p> <p>14) East Kellogg Expansion Project: Tom Lasater will track this project.</p> <p>It was noted that as projects are completed, newer projects will be added to the list for tracking.</p>
8.	<p>Announcements: Jack Brown, Chairperson, asked for comments from the board.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project Tracking: Jack Brown encouraged members to continue to track their assigned projects. In addition, Jack suggested that a subcommittee be formed and meet, periodically with City staff, and then provide a summary to the full board. • Full Board: George reiterated that it is important to have a full board in attendance in order to make sound decisions. George commended the board members for their participation!
9.	<p>WAMPO Stakeholder Focus Group: The board adjourned and participated in the WAMPO ‘stakeholder focus group’ session joined by seven members of the public. Marla Mack, a third party facilitator, conducted the focus group asking seven broad-based questions about the future direction of WAMPO. Much of our members’ comments to WAMPO focused on integrating quality of life items with a focus on bike and ped facilities. The members’ comments were made mostly pertaining to WAMPO’s future regional transportation planning. The members and public knew very little about the Wichita Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (WAMPO). Kristen Zimmerman, WAMPO staff, agreed to forward basic WAMPO information to the board.</p>

There be no further business, the meeting was adjourned at **8 pm.**

Respectfully submitted,



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Barry Carroll,
WBPAB Secretary
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Wichita Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board
February 9, 2015

TO: Wichita Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board Members
FROM: Wichita-Sedgwick County Metropolitan Area Planning Department
SUBJECT: City of Wichita Bicycle Friendly Community Application
AGENDA: New Business

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board endorse submission of the proposed application.

Background: On February 5, 2013, the Wichita City Council endorsed the Wichita Bicycle Master Plan. The Plan is a guide for how the City can make it easier, safer, and more convenient to get around the City on a bicycle through the provision of bicycle related infrastructure, policies, and programs. The Plan includes a recommendation (Strategy 16) that the City of Wichita gather letters of support from the community and submit a Bicycle Friendly Community (BFC) Application to the League of American Bicyclists.

On January 13, 2014, the Wichita Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board discussed the submission of a Bicycle Friendly Community application and the consensus was to submit an application in late 2014 and to collect letters of support for the application this summer/fall.

On June 3, 2015, the Wichita City Council approved a motion to authorize staff to submit a BFC application and to solicit letters of support for the application.

On July 14, 2014, the Wichita Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board agreed by consensus to defer the BFC application until the spring of 2015.

On January 12, 2015, the Wichita Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board reviewed a draft BFC, approved the Chairperson's letter of support for the application, and agreed to review the final draft during their February meeting.

Analysis: The League of American Bicyclists' Bicycle Friendly Community program is a certification program that provides applicant communities a free opportunity for recognition, customized feedback and technical assistance. There are two application cycles per year (spring and fall). The next application deadline is February 11, 2015. The application requires information related to the community's engineering, education, encouragement, enforcement, and evaluation efforts related to bicycling. The review process involves a panel of local reviewers and later a panel of judges.

There are four levels of Bicycle Friendly Community designation, ranging from Platinum to Bronze and an Honorable Mention category. The designations are good for four years. In 2013, three communities in Kansas were recognized as BFCs by the League of American Bicyclists: Lawrence, Manhattan, Shawnee. Recognition of Wichita as a League of American Bicyclists BFC will implement Strategy 16 of the Wichita Bicycle Master Plan.

Financial Considerations: All application and renewal fees for the Bicycle Friendly Program have been waived and there are no costs to the City.

Legal Considerations: None.

Recommendation/Actions: It is recommended that the Board endorse submission of the proposed League of American Bicyclists Bicycle Friendly Community application for the City of Wichita.

Attachments:

DRAFT Spring 2015 BFC Application



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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.
- If you would like to share any documents such as a bike plan or a bike map with the reviewers, please include a link to the file either under the relevant question or in the last question of each section if there is not enough space. We recommend using a service such as TinyURL (tinyurl.com/) to shorten any long links.
- Please invite cyclists in your community to become local reviewers for your application. Interested cyclists can sign up at bikeleague.org/content/become-local-reviewer. The deadline to sign up is February 16, 2015 midnight Eastern.

Name of Community

Name of Community

City of Wichita

County/Borough/Parish

Sedgwick County

State

Kansas

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

Yes

No

Mayor or top elected official (include title)

Mayor Carl Brewer

Phone

3162684331

Email

swadle@wichita.gov

Address

455 N Main St, 10th Floor

Community Website

www.wichita.gov

BFC Contact Profile

Note: This person will receive any future BFC related communication from the League.

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

City

Wichita

State

Kansas

Zip

67202

Phone

3163524855

Email

swadle@wichita.gov

Is the BFC contact also the Bicycle Program Manager?

Yes

No

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

Yes

No

If different from above, what is the Bicycle Program Manager's contact information? Please include name, email and phone number.

If different from above, what is the contact information of the Director of your community's Department of Transportation (or equivalent). Please include name, email and phone number.

Alan King, Director of Public Works and Utilities, 316.268.4422; aking@wichita.gov

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

City of Wichita

Community Profile

1. Type of Jurisdiction

Town/City/Municipality

County

Metropolitan Planning Organization/Council of Governments

Regional Planning Organization

Rural Planning Organization

Census Designated Place (CDPs are populated areas that lack separate municipal government, but which otherwise physically resemble incorporated places.

CDPs are identified by the United States Census Bureau for statistical purposes.)

Indian Country

Military Base

Other

If other, describe (50 word limit)



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

3. Climate Average daytime temperature (in °F)

January

43

April

68

July

93

October

70

Average precipitation (in inches)

January

0.8

April

2.4

July

3.1

October

2.2

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

Total area

163.29

Water area

4.3 sq miles

Land area

159.29 sq miles

5. Total Population

386552

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

10% or less

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

2,426 people per sq. mi.

7. Median Household Income

46,011

8. Age distribution (in percent)

Under 5

8.1

Age 5-19

21

Age 20-64

59.2

Age 65+

11.8

Totals (should equal 100)

100

9. Race (in percent)

White

74.5

Black or African American

11.5

American Indian and Alaska Native

1

Asian

5

Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander

0.1

Some other race

3.6

Two or more races

4.5

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 (FTE), work on bicycle issues in your community? Learn how to calculate FTE here.

0.7

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

51-75%

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

Yes

No

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

Law Enforcement

Chamber of Commerce

Public Health



- Planning Department
- Transportation Department
- School Board
- Parks Department
- Recreation Department
- Transit Agency
- Other

If other, describe (50 word limit)

The Wichita Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board is made up of 11 citizen volunteers appointed by the council members and the City Manager. The appointees are not City employees, and represent a lot of different backgrounds / perspectives. Here are some o

12d. Name and email of Bicycle Advisory Committee Chair

Jack Brown - jbrown4@kumc.edu

13. List all bicycle advocacy groups in your community

Bike Walk 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.

Kim Neufeld kim.neufeld@sedgwick.gov 316.660.7304 1900 E. 9th St Wichita, KS 67214

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

Bike Walk Wichita

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
- Reduce car-parking demands
- Climate change/environmental stewardship concerns
- Decrease traffic congestion
- Increase tourism
- Increase property values
- Cooperation with adjacent communities
- Public demand
- Economic development
- Support Smart Growth or other growth management goals (An urban planning and transportation concept that concentrates population growth in compact walkable urban centers. Its goals are to achieve a unique sense of community and place; expand the range of transportation, employment, and housing choices; equitably distribute the costs and benefits of development; preserve and enhance natural and cultural resources; and promote public health.)
- Traffic and bicycle/pedestrian safety
- Meet local or state requirements
- Other

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

Endorsement of the Wichita Multi-Modal Policy by the City Council. The policy is a complete streets policy using a different name due to local considerations.

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)

NA

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

The City plans to accomplish the following in the next 12 months. * construct nearly 20 miles of bikeways * create a bicycle wayfinding system plan * develop a street safety education marketing plan / core program * produce an education module for the Wichita Police Department to train officers * host one or more trainings to get at least 12 individuals qualified as League Certified Instructors

Engineering

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

- Local Complete Streets policy (Ensures that transportation planners and engineers consistently design and operate the entire roadway with all users in mind - including bicyclists, public transportation vehicles and riders, and pedestrians of all ages and abilities. (National Complete Streets Coalition))
- Local bicycle accommodation policy (A policy that requires the accommodation of cyclists in all new road construction, reconstruction and resurfacing.)
- Neither

18a. When was it adopted?

It was endorsed by the City Council in December 2014

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

<http://www.wichita.gov/Government/Departments/Planning/Pages/Multi-ModalPolicyandStreetDesignGuidance.aspx>

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

- Implementation guidance
- Design manual
- Training
- Oversight by Bicycle Program Manager
- Implementation checklist
- None of the above

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

- Design manual that ensures the safe and appropriate accommodation of bicyclists in every new road project
- Streetscape design guidelines (Streetscape design guidelines can help create more diverse transportation systems and more accessible communities by improving non-motorized travel conditions and creating more attractive urban environments. (Victoria Transport Policy Institute).)
- Mixed-use zoning
- Form-based/design-based codes (A code based primarily on urban form or urban design, including the relationship of buildings to each other, to streets and to open spaces – rather than being based primarily on land use. (Palo Alto))
- Connectivity policy or standards (Requires transportation planners to establish a certain minimum amount of street intersections per mile, with some exceptions.)
- Policy to preserve abandoned rail corridors for multi-use trails
- Other
- None of the above

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

- Offer FHWA/NHI Training Course
- Hire outside consultants to train staff
- Send staff to bicycle-specific conferences/training
- APBP webinars
- Require project consultants to have bike/ped qualifications
- Adopted local design manual



- Other
 None of the above

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)
 Roads with bicycle bans
 Railroad corridors
 Other
 No significant physical barriers

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

- Bike parking ordinance for existing buildings specifying amount and location
 Bike parking ordinance for all new developments specifying amount and location
 Ordinance requiring showers and lockers in existing non-residential buildings
 Ordinance requiring showers and lockers in new non-residential buildings
 Building accessibility ordinance (Bicycles are allowed to be parked inside non-residential buildings)
 On-street bike parking/bicycle corrals (On-street bicycle parking, which is clearly differentiated from the roadway through paint, small buffers, flexible bollards or a combination of elements. It generally consists of 6-12 bicycle racks that lie either diagonal or perpendicular to the roadway. (Bike Portland))
 Ordinance that allows bike parking to substitute for car parking
 Requirement for new developments to meet (Certification by the US Green Building Council that a development's location and design meet accepted high levels of environmentally responsible, sustainable standards.)
 Developers are eligible for density bonuses for providing end-of-trip facilities (Allows developments to increase the level of density surpassing the allowable Floor Area Ratio in exchange for amenities needed by the community, e.g. bike parking.)
 Other
 None

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

- Yes
 No
 No standards

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

We do not have a comprehensive list, but know there are at least 902 bike parking spaces in Wichita

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

11-25%

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

10-25%

Higher Education Institutions

10-25%

Libraries

10-25%

Transit stations and major bus stops

10-25%

Parks & recreation centers

10-25%

Other government owned buildings and facilities

Less than 10%

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

Less than 10%

Hotels & restaurants

Less than 10%

Office buildings

Less than 10%

Retail stores

Less than 10%

Multi-family housing

Less than 10%

Public housing

Less than 10%

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

- Yes
 No

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

All

26b. Are bikes allowed inside transit vehicles?

- Yes
 Sometimes
 No

Describe (50 word limit)

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

64.1miles

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

Paved shared use paths (?10feet)

64.1miles

Natural surface shared use paths (?10feet)



Singletrack

3.5 miles

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

26-50%

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

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

2,139 miles

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?

76-90%

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?

More than 90%

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)

6.5

Shared lane markings (on roads with ?35mph speed limits)

Contra-flow bike lanes

Protected or buffered bike lanes (one-way)

Protected or buffered bike lanes (two-way)

Raised cycle tracks

We have a legacy one that has not been maintained and is not designated on our maps. It is from the early 80's.

Left-side bike lanes

Bike boulevards or Neighborhood Greenways

Wide paved shoulders (ridable surface ?4feet and minimum clear path of ?4feet between rumble strips)

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

- Road diets (A road diet entails converting a four-lane undivided roadway to a two-lane roadway plus a two-way left turn lane by removing a travel lane in each direction. The remaining roadway width is converted to bike lanes and other uses. This approach is an approved FHWA Proven Safety Countermeasure. (Road Diet Handbook))
- Area wide traffic calming (Often describes the combination of mainly physical measures (such as speed tables, lower speed limits, or shortened crosswalk distances) that reduce the negative effects of motor vehicle use and improve conditions for non-motorized street users. (FHWA))
- Speed limits 20 mph or less on residential streets
- Bike cut-throughs
- Signed bike routes
- Off-street way-finding signage with distance and/or time information
- On-street way-finding signage with distance and/or time information
- Shared Space/Home Zone/Living Street/Woonerf (A street that is designed primarily to accommodate non-vehicular traffic such as pedestrians and cyclists. Such streets also accommodate vehicles, but pedestrian and cyclists take precedence in the design process, which is communicated through signage. Often, there are curves to slow traffic, no curbs, intermittent parking, and trees and recreation areas for pedestrian use. (Living Street Alliance))
- Roundabouts that accommodate bicycles
- Advisory bike lanes (Advisory Bike Lanes give bicyclists priority on narrow roadways. Skip striping is used to show that, unlike a regular bike lane, the "advisory" bike lane may be used by motor vehicles passing each other, provided they yield to bicycles. (Portland))
- Colored bike lanes outside of conflict zones
- Bike/pedestrian overpasses/underpasses
- Removal of on-street car parking
- Speed tables to calm traffic
- Car-free/Car-restricted zones
- Other
- None

30. What percentage of arterial street centerline mileage has a dedicated space for cyclists? Please note that bike route signage, bikes may use full lane signage (R4-11), and sidewalks/sidepaths

5.8

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

- Maximum car parking standards (Addresses the problems that an oversupply of parking creates by limiting the number of parking spaces that developers can provide for their projects (Chapel Hill, NC))
- No minimum car parking standards (No minimum parking requirements for any land use.)
- Paid public parking
- Shared-parking allowances (Sharing of parking spaces between building occupancies that have different parking demands depending on the time of day or week, e.g. retail/commercial and residential (South Carolina))
- Congestion charges (A system of surcharging users of a transport network in periods of peak demand to reduce traffic congestion.)
- Prioritization of active mobility in planning and design processes
- Other
- None

32. What maintenance policies or programs ensure the on-street bicycle facilities remain 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 one week of complaint

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

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

33a. Path sweeping



Monthly

33b. Vegetation maintenance

Quarterly

33c. Snow clearance

Within 48 hours of storm

33d. Surface repair

Within one week of complaint

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

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

- Online reporting
- Hotline
- Monthly meeting
- Other
- None

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

- Most signals are timed
- Most signals are timed for bicycle speeds
- Green wave for cyclists in some locations (Several traffic signals are synchronized to provide a green light for a flow of cyclists, allowing cyclists to maintain a speed of circa 12 mph without being stopped by a red light.)
- Demand activated signals with loop detector (and marking) or bike accessible push-button
- Video or microwave detection (Sensors at intersections that determine when bikes are present and alter traffic signal patterns accordingly (Popsci))
- Bicycle signal heads (These are similar to a standard traffic signal, except that it uses red, yellow and green bike icons rather than red, yellow and green circles.)
- Colored bike lanes in conflict areas
- Advance stop line or Bike Box (The Bike Box is an intersection safety design to prevent bicycle/car collisions, especially those between drivers turning right and bicyclists going straight. It is a green (or red) box on the road with a white bicycle symbol inside.)
- Path crossing with high visibility markings or signs (Pavement markings or signs that make shared-use path crossings more visible to motorists)
- Raised path crossings (Shared-use path crossing on a speed hump/speed table, which slow traffic and make cyclists and pedestrians more visible to motorists.)
- Other
- None of the above
- No signals

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)

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

1-25%

Middle School

1-25%

High School

None

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

- Youth bike clubs
- Bike clinics or rodeos (Teaches children the skills to ride their bicycle safely in a fun and non-competitive environment, includes instruction on how to properly fit a helmet.)
- Youth recreation programs
- Helmet fit seminars
- Safety town (A program for children that teaches safety lessons about bicycles, traffic and other similar topics. The program can be held at a school or a permanent "safety town" facility.)
- Trail riding classes
- Other
- None of the above

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

- For motorists
- For cyclists
- 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.

- Public service announcements
- Share the Road educational videos on community website/TV channel
- Community newsletter/magazine article
- Information in new resident packet
- Utility bill insert
- Flyer/handout
- Info sessions/lunch seminars
- Bicycle ambassador program (Bicycle Ambassadors promote safe cycling through community organizing, education and outreach. (Transportation Alternatives))
- Newspaper column/blog on bicycling
- Dedicated bike page on community website
- Billboards
- Share the Road Signs
- Share the Road information in driver's education
- Other
- None of the above

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)

none yet, hopefully some in the spring or summer of 2015

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

none yet, hopefully some in the spring or summer of 2015

Commuter classes (one to two hour classes)

As part of bike month Bicycle Exchange offered commuter classes

Bicycle maintenance classes or workshops

As part of bike month Bicycle Exchange offered fix a flat classes



42. Do you offer regular bicycle skills 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? Tip: Enter your community name under "Connect Locally" at bikeleague.org. Then click "Find League Cycling Instructors in the top right corner of the map to see a list of active instructors.

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

na

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

- City staff
- Taxi drivers
- Transit operators
- School bus operators
- Delivery drivers
- Other
- None of the above

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

Every year the Independent Living Resource Center, Inc. hosts a I-Can Ride event to help people with disabilities learn how to ride a bike.

<http://icanshine.org/wichita-ks/>

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

The City is currently undertaking a process to * develop a street safety education marketing plan / core program * produce an education module for the Wichita Police Department to train officers * host one or more trainings to get at least 12 individuals qualified as League Certified Instructors

Encouragement

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

- Official Proclamation
- Community Rides
- Mayor-led/Council-led Ride
- Public Service Announcements
- Videos promoting bicycling on community website/TV channel
- Publish a guide to Bike Month Events
- Bike Month Website
- National Bike Challenge
- Commuter Challenge
- Bike Commuter energizer stations/breakfasts
- Car-free days (A Car Free Day encourages motorists to give up their car for a day. September 22 is World Car Free Day.)
- Open Streets/Ciclovía/Sunday Parkways (Temporary event, which closes a street or area to cars for use by pedestrians and cyclists.)
- Mentoring program for new riders
- Bike valet parking at events
- Bike to School Day
- Bicycle-themed festival/parade/show
- Public education campaign relating to cycling (e.g. with a focus on public health or environmental benefits)
- Trail construction or maintenance day
- Other
- No promotion

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
- No

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
- Mayor-led/Council-led Rides
- Videos on bicycling on community website/TV channel
- Public Service Announcements
- Trail construction or maintenance day
- Open Streets/Ciclovía/Sunday Parkways (Temporary event, which closes a street or area to cars for use by pedestrians and cyclists.)
- National Bike Challenge
- Commuter Challenge
- Business program that provides discounts for customers arriving by bicycle
- Triathlons and bicycle races
- Bike commuter events
- Car-free days (A Car Free Day encourages motorists to give up their car for a day. September 22 is World Car Free Day.)
- Publish a guide to community bicycle events
- Mentoring program for new riders
- Bike valet parking at events
- Bike to School Day
- 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
- Other
- No promotion

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

Wicked Wind 100 Pedalfest Tour de Cure Midwest Bicycle Fest Bishop's Bicycle Challenge

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



- Organize the event
- Fund event
- Contribute in-kind funding (i.e. police presence, closing roads, etc)
- Assist in promoting the event
- Other
- No support/Not applicable

If other, describe (100 word limit)

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

- Yes
- No

If yes, describe (250 word limit)

They distribute the Wichita area bicycle map at their office and in visitor packets

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

- Recreational bike clubs
- Mountain bike clubs
- Friends of the Trail groups
- National Mountain Bike Patrol
- Racing clubs or teams
- Other
- No

If other, describe (100 word limit)

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

Oz Bicycle Club; The Kansas Singletrack Society; Specs Racing Team, Prairie Travelers

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

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

Continental; Bicycle X-Change; Bicycle Pedaler; Tom Sawyer; L & M Schwinn; Lee's Bike Shop; Heartland Bicycle, Apostle Bikeworks, Bicycle x-Change East

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

- BMX track (BMX tracks are constructed out of dirt with various corners and jumps that are designed to be challenging while taking account of riders' safety.)
- Velodrome (Arena for indoor or outdoor track cycling)
- Cyclocross course (A course featuring a variety of surfaces (pavement, grass, sand, gravel, dirt, etc.) and a number of obstacles that require users to dismount and remount their bicycle.)
- Mountain bike park
- Pump tracks (A pump track is a continuous loop that can be ridden on a bike without pedaling. Tracks consist of a series of rolling bumps and banked corners that allow the rider to gain momentum and reach speeds of up to 20mph. (Bikes and Berms))
- Loop route(s) around the community
- Other
- None

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

- Yes
- No

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

- Always
- Sometimes
- Never

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?

- Yes
- No
- Launching this year

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?

- Yes
- No

If yes, list the names of the businesses and their award level. (250 word limit)

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

- Yes
- No
- No institutions of higher education

If yes, list the names of the institutions and their award level. (250 word limit)

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

- Yes
- No

If yes, describe its services (250 word limit)

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

- Grants
- Free or subsidized property/space for a duration of at least 5 years
- Contracts for services, e.g. bicycle skills or maintenance education, event support, etc
- Free bicycle safety accessories for distribution, e.g. helmets or lights
- Provision of abandoned or impounded bicycles for resale



- Free PSA or advertizing space
- Other

If the local government provides grants and/or free/subsidized property/space to the co-op/non-profit community bike shop, please list the annual value for each (in Dollar).

If other, describe (250 word limit)

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

- Trips for Kids chapter
- Earn a Bike program (Completing hands-on lessons in bike mechanics and bike safety, participants in an Earn-a-Bike Program earn credits towards a bike and a helmet.)
- Create a Commuter program (The Create a Commuter program provides basic bicycle safety education and fully-outfitted commuter bicycles to low-income adults striving to connect to work or workforce development by bicycle.)
- Other
- None

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.

- Web-based route finding service
- Smart phone app
- Printed/digital bicycle network map
- Printed/digital mountain bike trails map
- Printed/digital greenways and trails map
- None of the above

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

Enforcement

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

- A police officer is an active member of the Bicycle Advisory Committee
- Identified law-enforcement point person to interact with cyclists
- Other
- No current formal interaction

If other, describe (100 word limit)

They can contact either Captain Brian Hill (the designated contact for the Board per the former Police Chief), or the Police Department Public Information Officer James Espinoza

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

- Basic academy training
- International Police Mountain Bike Association training
- Law Enforcement Bicycle Association training
- National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Law Enforcement Training
- Completion of Smart Cycling course by one or more officers
- Presentation by League Cycling Instructor or local cyclist
- Institute for Police Training and Development bicycle training
- No training offered

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

- Helmet giveaways
- Light giveaways
- Bike lock giveaways
- Targeting motorist infractions
- Targeting cyclist infractions
- Positive enforcement ticketing (Cyclists "caught" engaging in positive behaviors, e.g. practicing personal safety or following traffic laws, are issued "tickets" – vouchers redeemable for recreational activities or food.)
- Share the road campaigns
- Other
- None of the above

65. What percentage of patrol officers are regularly on bikes?

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

- Yes
- No

If yes, describe (50 word limit)

The Sedgwick County EMS has a bicycle patrol that operates at special events (fairs, festivals, etc.)

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?

- Emergency call boxes/phones along trails
- Trail watch programs/ Trail patrols
- Street lighting on most arterials
- Street lighting on most non-arterials
- Lighting of most shared-use paths
- Stolen or impounded bikes recovery system or assistance
- Non-mandatory bike registration
- None of the above

69. Are there any local ordinances or state laws 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
- Vulnerable road user law
- Safe passing distance law



- It is illegal to harass a cyclist
- Other
- None of the above

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

- Local law requires cyclists to use side paths regardless of their usability
- Local law requires cyclists to use bike lanes when provided
- Local law requires that cyclists are required to ride as far to the right of the road as practicable without exceptions
- Local or school policies restrict youths from riding to school
- Other
- None of the above

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

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?

- Yes
- No

If yes, describe the funding source and designated amount (250 word limit)

the City CIP has a \$500,000 line item for Bike Enhancements. These can be used to implement the Wichita Bicycle Master Plan or other bikeways.

What percentage of the current plan has been implemented?

Depends what you mean. I'd say 0 for new bikeways.

Are you meeting annual target goals for implementation?

No

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

- Yes
- No

If yes, provide the link to the plan or describe. (250 word limit)

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

- Yes
- No

If yes, describe (100 word limit)

The City of Wichita and the Kansas Single Track Society have an MOU for the creation of the Air Capital Memorial Park.

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
- No

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

The City participates in the annual WAMPO bike ped counts. The counts 2014 counts showed a large increase in walking and flat numbers in bicycling.

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

- Yes
- No

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

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

- Yes
- No

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

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

- Yes
- No

If yes, please describe (250 word limit)

Triple the amount of bicycle use over the next 10 years.

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). Use the most recent table. Divide total number of cyclists ("Bicycle") by total number of commuters ("Total") and multiply by 100. Repeat for pedestrians ("Walked") and transit users ("Public transportation [excluding taxicab]").

Bicycling (in %)

0.4

Walking (in %)

1.5

Transit (in %)

0.7

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.)

0.2

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).

2-5 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

Middle School

High School

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



400

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

5

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

- Yes
 No

If yes, describe (250 word limit)

Implement the Wichita Bicycle Master Plan and provide better facilities for bicycling, along with safety programs, and education.

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

- Yes
 No

If yes, please describe your methodology and recent results. (250 word limit)

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

- Yes
 No

If yes, describe the policy/program and the results. (250 word limit)

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

- Yes
 No

If yes, describe the program and the results. (250 word limit)

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

- Yes
 No

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

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

- Yes
 No
 Not applicable

If yes, describe (250 word limit)

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

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 made a significant investment in bicycle facilities, with more than 60 miles existing. The City has completed the design of eight additional bicycle projects, and expects to construct them in 2015 - expanding the network by approximately 20 miles.

Reason Three (250 word limit)

The City of Wichita has created the Wichita Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board (2013); endorsed the Wichita Multi-Modal Policy, a complete streets policy (2014); and endorsed street design guidelines within two years. The creation of the board and institutionalization of accommodating people bicycling will have long-term benefits for bicycling in Wichita.

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 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 more bicyclists and different types of bicycle trips.

Aspect Two (100 word limit)

There are opportunities for enhanced education of roadway users, especially the required and recommended behaviors for all roadway users. Education is included as a strategy in the City of Wichita Bicycle Master Plan and a funded initiative will help to address this community challenge.

Aspect Three (100 word limit)

The community also has a challenge of enhancing public participation in all aspects of local government. One opportunity is to increase knowledge about how local government operates, who is responsible for what, how decisions are made, how resources are programmed, and how individuals can get involved.

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

- Yes
 No

If yes, describe (250 word limit)

There are many different things that we can do to take our community to the next level.

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

- Yes
 No

If yes, describe (250 word limit)

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 website