Bicycle Parking Program
Existing Facilities & Planned Installations

Transportation Commission
February 12, 2015
Agenda

- Program Background
- Existing Bicycle Parking
- Installation Guidelines
- Planned Installations
Tonight’s Discussion
Downtown Streetside
Bicycle Racks

Other Bicycle Parking
Secure Commuter Parking,
Private Racks Outside Downtown
“Like motorists, bicyclists require secure and conveniently located facilities for bike storage at destinations.”
Policy

– **TR-76**: Promote and facilitate the effective use of non-motorized transportation.

– **TR-77**: Consider pedestrians and bicycles along with other travel modes in all aspects of developing the transportation system.
Policy

- **TR-14**: Require new development to incorporate physical features designed to promote use of alternatives to single-occupant vehicles, such as... (4) Bicycle parking, showers, secure storage facilities, lockers, and related facilities.

- **TR-84**: Secure sidewalk and trail improvements and easements, and on-site bicycle parking and storage consistent with the Pedestrian and Bicycle Transportation Plan through the development review process.
Policy

- **UD-40**: Ensure that sidewalks, walkways, and trails are furnished, where needed and appropriate, with lighting, seating, landscaping, street trees, trash receptacles, public art, bike racks, railings, handicap access, newspaper boxes, etc., without interfering with pedestrian circulation.
Funded CIP Program

PW-W/B-56: Pedestrian and Bicycle Access Improvement Program

– Design and construct small projects that make a big difference:
  – Sidewalks
  – Trails
  – Lane markings
  – Wayfinding signs
  – Bicycle parking
Existing Facilities

Downtown Bicycle Racks by Owner
- Blue: Maintained by Transportation Dept
- Orange: Privately Maintained
- Green: Maintained by Parks Dept
Existing Facilities

- **107**: Total number of Downtown bicycle racks
  - **72**: Maintained by the Transportation Department
  - **17**: Maintained by Parks, Sound Transit, King County
  - **18**: Privately maintained

- **380**: Total estimated bicycle capacity Downtown
  - **252**: Provided by the Transportation Department
Existing Bicycle Racks

High Rail

- Installed by Transportation Dept since 2005
- 69 Downtown locations
  - 54 maintained by Transportation
- Most common rack type
- Accommodates up to 4 bikes
Existing Bicycle Racks

Bicycle Circle

- Installed by Transportation Dept in 2012
- 17 Downtown locations
  - All maintained by Transportation
- Compact footprint
- Improved aesthetics
Existing Bicycle Racks

Coffee Cup

- Installed by Transportation Dept in 2009
- 3 originally installed
  - 1 remains installed today
  - 2 removed due to instability
Removed Bicycle Racks

**Cindy and Clyde**

- Installed by Transportation Dept in 2009
- All have been removed due to unstable mounting
Other Bicycle Racks

Coat hanger

- Installed by Parks Dept and private property owners
- 6 Downtown locations
- Accommodates up to 4 bikes
Other Bicycle Racks

Undulating

– Privately installed/maintained
– 3 Downtown locations
– Accommodate up to 6 bikes
Other Bicycle Racks

Spiral

- City Hall
- 2 adjacent racks
- Together accommodate about 6 bikes
Other Bicycle Racks

Post and Ring

- Privately installed/maintained
- 5 Downtown locations along Bellevue Way NE, NE 2nd St, and NE 4th St
- Accommodate up to 2 bikes
Other Bicycle Racks

Double Hoop

- Privately installed/maintained
- 1 Downtown location: Park Metro Apartments
- Accommodates up to 2 bikes
Installation Guidelines

– Racks installed by the Transportation Department conform to APBP Bicycle Parking Guidelines (2002)
  – Support the bicycle frame in at least two places
  – Prevent the wheel from tipping over
  – Enable the frame and wheels to be secured with a U-lock
  – Place at least 30 inches from adjacent racks
  – Ensure rack is well anchored to prevent theft or damage
Installation Guidelines

  – Location Considerations
    – Bicycle parking demand
    – Proximity and adjacency to entrances of short-term destinations
      – E.g. civic buildings, retail, cafes, restaurants, theatres, and residential buildings
    – Convenience to the destination
    – Visibility to nearby bicycle routes
Installation Guidelines

  - Placement Considerations
    - Do not create an obstacle or hazard
    - Avoid fire hydrants
    - Align with other sidewalk features (e.g. street trees, benches)
    - Allow two feet of clearance around the rack
    - Installation contractor provides
2015 Planned Rack Installations

- Contract with Urban Racks
  - $10,000 | 2014–2017
  - Fabrication, delivery, installation, and maintenance

- Custom Bellevue Inverted U
  - $205 per unit
  - Approximately 36 total racks under contract
2015 Planned Rack Installations
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- **28:** Potential new locations currently identified
  - Currently reflect staff analysis
  - No public input received following Oct. 2014 “It’s Your City”

- **20:** New racks to be installed by Spring 2015
  - **13:** New locations
  - **7:** Replacements for previously removed racks
2015 Potential Installation Locations

106th Ave NE north of NE 10th St
Flywheel, Belcarra Apartments
2015 Potential Installation Locations

NE 10th St west of 103rd Ave NE
Orvis, Paule Attar Salon, Core Power Yoga
2015 Potential Installation Locations

110th Ave NE south of NE 10th St
Esthetique Nail & Spa, Metropolitan Condos
2015 Potential Installation Locations

111th Ave NE at NE 11th St
Avalon Bellevue Apartments
Next Steps

- Finalize planned installation locations
  - Public, Commission input encouraged
- Urban Racks to complete fabrication, delivery
  - Delivery anticipated in February/March
- Notify property owners of impending installations
  - Coordinate to determine specific placement of racks
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