SPOKANE	Bicycle Advisory Board Tuesday December 21, 2021 – 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM TELECONFERENCE
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	Board Briefing Session:
6:00 – 6:20	<ol> <li>Approve November 2021 Minutes</li> <li>Liaison Reports</li> <li>Chair Report</li> <li>Staff Report</li> </ol>
	Workshops:
6:20 – 7:30	<ol> <li>Division Connects Update and Active Transportation Survey         <ul> <li>Jason Lien, Spokane Regional Transportation Council</li> </ul> </li> <li>Downtown Parking Meters: Options for Conversion to Bike Racks         <ul> <li>Matthew Williams, City of Spokane Parking Services</li> </ul> </li> <li>Construction Detour Subcommittee Update - Group</li> </ol>
	Next BAB meeting is scheduled for Tuesday January 18, 2022

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### Bicycle Advisory Board - Minutes

November 16, 2021 City Council Briefing Center Meeting Minutes: Meeting called to order at 6:00 PM by Grant Shipley

### Attendance:

- Board Members Present: Grant Shipley (Chair), Pablo Monsivais, Rhonda Young, Mike Bjordahl, Taylor Stevens, Charlie Greenwood, Satish Shrestha
- Board Members Not Present: Jason Oestreicher
- Quorum Present: yes
- Staff Members Present: Colin Quinn-Hurst, Inga Note

### Public Comment:

Jeff Sevela commented that the centennial trail connector in West Central along Summit seems to be a success. He has seen a number of users on the trail including both bicyclists and pedestrians.

### Briefing Session:

Minutes from the October 20, 2021 meeting approved unanimously.

- 1. Liaison Report -
  - Grant Shipley reported the Citizen Transportation Advisory Board (CTAB) discussed the difficulty of doing chip seals on roads and that some projects that require chip seals have been pushed to next year.
  - Rhonda Young reported that the Plan Commission Transportation Subcommittee (PCTS) met on November 2. The Spokane Regional Transportation Council (SRTC) gave an update on the Horizon 2045 long range plan for the region. One of the take-aways from the presentation was that there are still preservation and maintenance projects that need funding. The Roadways of Significance special project process was also discussed during the meeting.

### 2. Chair Report -

• Grant Shipley reported that he met the Mayor, and she is going to move his reappointment request on to the City Council.

### 3. Staff Report -

- Colin Quinn-Hurst gave an update on current and continuing bike projects in the City.
- He also reported that a construction detour subcommittee will be formed from the BAB in the upcoming month.

### Workshops:

- 1. Fish Lake Trail Bridges Update
  - Presentation provided by Staff
  - Questions asked and answered
  - Discussion ensued

Note: Minutes are summarized by staff. A recording of the meeting is on file with Planning Services.

- 2. University District Active Transportation Planning
  - Presentation provided by Gonzaga Design Studio
  - Questions asked and answered
  - Discussion ensued

### Meeting Adjourned at 7:30 PM

Next Bicycle Advisory Board Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, December 21, 2021

### DIVISIONCONNECTS – A TRANSPORTATION & LAND USE STUDY IN THE NORTH DIVISION STREET CORRIDOR



**What:** DivisionConnects is a collaborative 2-year transportation and land use study, led by Spokane Regional Transportation Council (SRTC) and Spokane Transit Authority (STA), in partnership with the City of Spokane, Spokane County, and WSDOT.

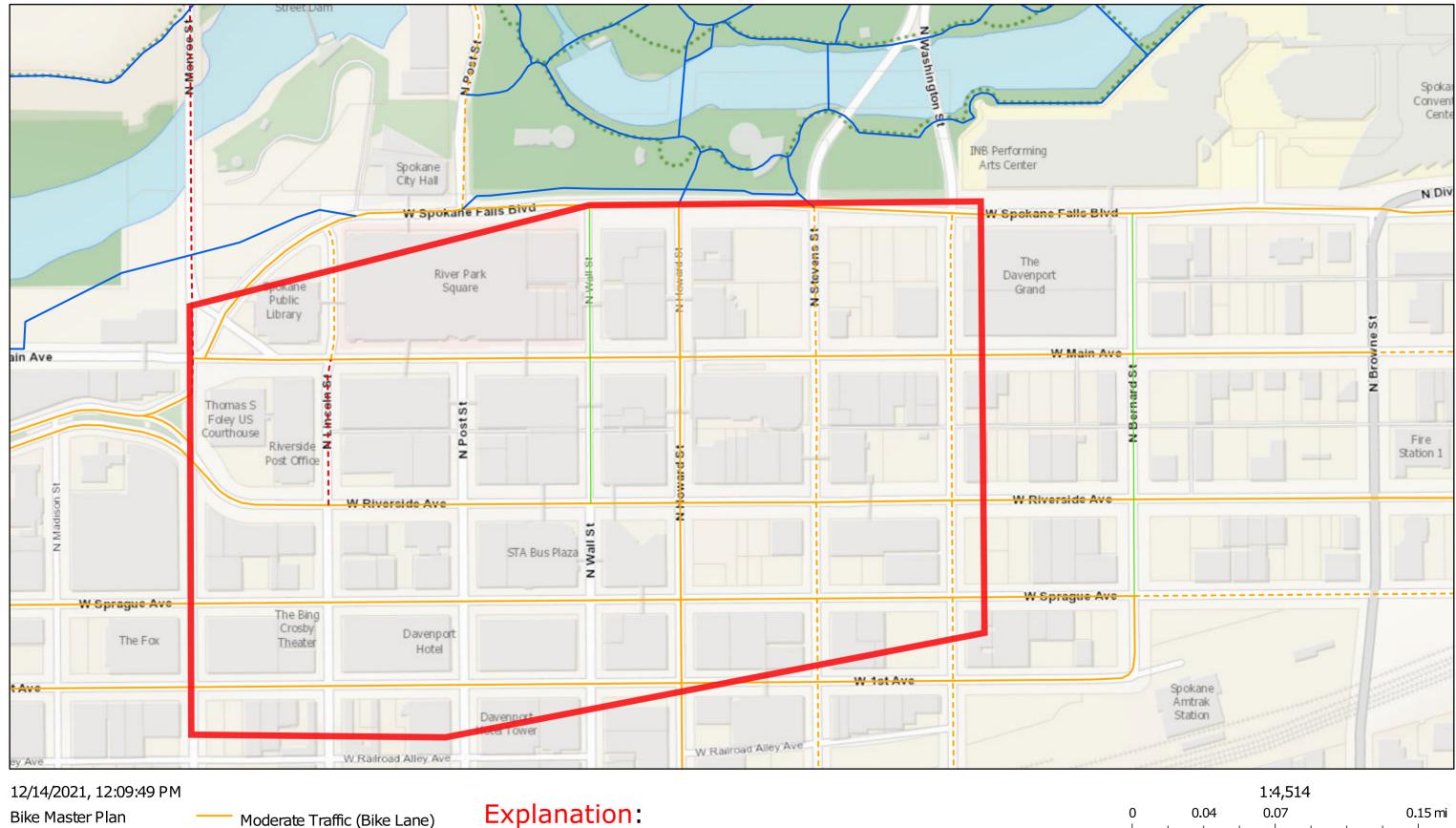
The first phase of the study concluded in Spring 2021 and identified a preferred alternative for bus rapid transit (BRT) along Division Street (connecting downtown Spokane to past the North Division 'Y'). The second and final phase of the study, currently underway, is looking at land use opportunities that can leverage the future transit investment as well as supportive active transportation connections along and through the Division Street corridor.

**How to Participate:** The study currently has two online opportunities available to learn more and provide input:

- Land Use StoryMap & Questionnaire This StoryMap looks for feedback on areas along Division Street that may have potential for future land use improvements in alignment with BRT investment. Response deadline extended to December 24.
- Active Transportation Map & Questionnaire Open through December 31, this map displays
  potential active transportation projects within the study area (for people walking, biking, or
  rolling) and asks for feedback on what the community sees as higher priority projects.

Links to these public engagement opportunities, as well as additional study information, are accessible through the project website – <u>divisionconnects.org</u>. Final study recommendations will conclude in Spring 2022.

## Downtown Bike Rack Locating 12.21.21



- Bike Friendly Route Moderate Traffic (Shared)
  - Shared Use Path High Traffic (Shared)

Downtown parking meters will be consolidated in the general zone marked red. This provides an opportunity to adapt meter poles to bike racks in this zone. Approximately 160 meter poles will be available for conversion.

It is anticipated that funding is available to convert 40-50 of these to bike racks. What are the highest priority locations and block faces?



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### **Examples: Bike Rack/Parking Meter Pole Conversions**

<u>Spokane Arts</u> is willing to partner on procuring a locally-designed artistic version, and is looking for feedback on design parameters to make these racks functional, secure and useful.

\***Note:** Depending on feedback, poles could be removed completely if other bike rack types are preferred. That could result in more expensive racks, reducing the number of bike racks installed.















## DRAFT

December 7, 2021

Dear City of Spokane Public Works and Spokane City Council,

Please consider the following input from the City of Spokane's Bicycle Advisory Board (BAB) regarding construction detour accommodations for people walking, bicycling and using non-automotive mobility devices on City sidewalks, bike lanes, and shared-use paths. This feedback carries out the Bicycle Advisory Board's guiding legislation (SMC 04.16.20) to provide advice to the mayor and the city council and departments and offices of the City on matters relating to bicycling.

Members of the BAB have identified concerns with construction obstructions and many of the signed pedestrian and bicycle detours around these projects. Obstructions consisted of construction itself blocking the sidewalk or bikeway itself, but also take the form of signage, equipment and materials rom adjacent projects. Challenges with the detours included absent, minimal or confusing traffic control for people walking, biking and using other accessibility devices.

This is primarily a concern due to the safety impacts of forcing people walking and bicycling to abruptly merge with auto-traffic or undertake extensive out-of-direction. These situations often create unpredictable or dangerous conditions for all roadway users and associated crashes cost our community both monetarily and socially in the lives of those impacted.

In support of the City of Spokane's Street Design Standards, which state that detour accommodations should be equivalent to or better than the facilities that have been obstructed, the BAB requests:

- Development and adoption of standard guidelines for temporary traffic control for pedestrian and bicycle facilities, in support of:
  - o Detours that are equivalent or comparable to the facility being blocked,
  - Safe and consistent channelization around work zones,
  - Consistent advance noticing of upcoming sidewalk and bikeway detours at a level consistent with noticing for drivers.
- The BAB respectfully requests the opportunity to review draft guidance that may be developed.

Thank you very much for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

City of Spokane Bicycle Advisory Board

### **References and Examples**

### Albuquerque, NM

https://www.cabq.gov/municipaldevelopment/documents/construction-documents/example-trafficcontrol-plans/typicalrightlanestripedbikelaneclosure.pdf

Portland, OR

https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/ORPORTLAND/bulletins/1b5312b

### Seattle, WA

<u>https://www.seattle.gov/Documents/Departments/SDOT/About/DocumentLibrary/TrafficControlManu</u> al/VII.BicycleAccess.pdf

https://www.seattle.gov/Documents/Departments/SDOT/About/DocumentLibrary/TrafficControlManu al/VI.PedestrianAccessControlandProtection.pdf

### Vancouver, BC

<u>https://vancouver.ca/files/cov/construction-on-pedestrian-facilities-guide.pdf</u> https://vancouver.ca/files/cov/construction-on-bicycle-routes-guide.pdf

### Vermont Department of Transportation

https://vtrans.vermont.gov/sites/aot/files/operations/documents/traffic/VTrans%20PedBike%20WZ%2 0Guide%20-%20July%202018%20%281%29.pdf