

## Bicycle Master Plan Public Hearing Draft Work Session #6

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### DESCRIPTION

At this worksession, Staff will seek the Planning Board's approval to transmit the Planning Board Draft (Attachment A) to the County Council and the County Executive. Attachment B is the plan Appendix. Attachment C and Attachment D identify the changes that the Planning Board made to the Public Hearing Draft. Attachment E summarizes the Planning Board's decisions regarding comments received on the Public Hearing Draft.

### DISCUSSION

Staff recommends one additional change to the Planning Board Draft to remove the Willard Ave sidepath between River Road and the Willard Avenue Trail, shown in the Bethesda-Chevy Chase (East) map on page 242 of Attachment A. The Brookdale Community Association requested that this bikeway be removed, since it would likely require removing on-street parking in a residential community. Planning staff supports removing this bikeway since an existing parallel path is located in the Willard Avenue Neighborhood Park, a short distance away.

Additionally, MCDOT requested several new pages be added to the Bicycle Facility Design Toolkit (Appendix B). Staff is working with a consultant to complete these pages and we anticipate they will be complete around May 4<sup>th</sup>. Appendix B includes placeholders for these pages which will be replaced once the actual pages are complete. The draft pages are included as Attachment F.

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Approve the attached document as the Planning Board Draft of the Bicycle Master Plan for transmittal to the County Council and the County Executive.

### NEXT STEPS

After the Planning Board's approval, Staff will transmit the approved Planning Board Draft, along with the Appendix, to the County Council and the County Executive. The County Council is expected to hold a public hearing in July 2017, followed by the T&E Committee and Council worksessions and the Council's

approval of the final master plan in the fall 2018. The final step in the master plan process will be Commission adoption of the Plan approved by the County Council.

**ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment A – Planning Board Draft Bicycle Master Plan

Attachment B – Planning Board Draft Bicycle Master Plan Appendix

Attachment C – Redline Version of Bicycle Master Plan

Attachment D – Numbered Redline Edits

Attachment E – Final Responses to Public Testimony

Attachment F – Draft Additional Pages for Bicycle Facility Design Toolkit