

## Background

### 2008 Comprehensive Plan:

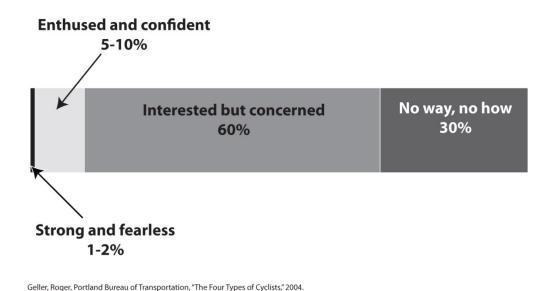
- Encourage active transportation and expanding transportation options
- Develop and maintain a complete and connected bikeway system.
- Increase the bicycle mode share
- □ Bikeway spacing:
  - Bike lanes or trails at 1 mile spacing
  - Bikeways at ½ mile spacing

## Bikeways Accessible to Everyone

□ Trip Purpose

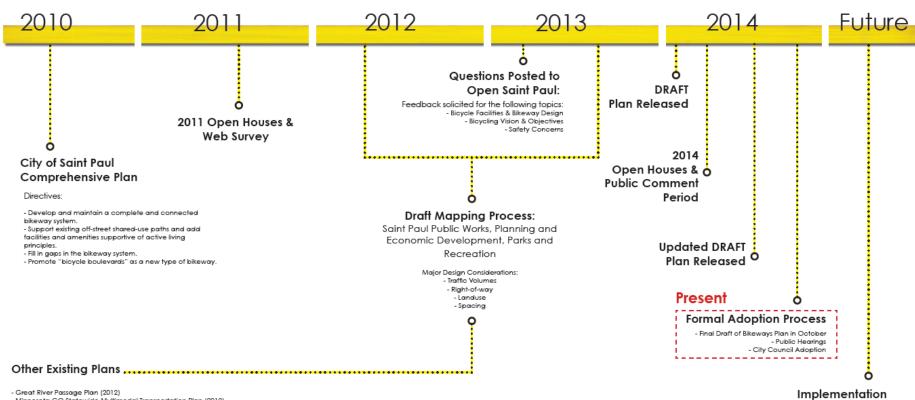
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Bicyclist Typology





### Timeline



- Great River Passage Plan (2012)
- Minnesota GO Statewide Multimodal Transportation Plan (2012)
- Parks and Recreation System Plan (2010)
- Bike Walk Central Corridor Action Plan (2010)
- City of Saint Paul Complete Streets Resolution (2009)
- Ramsey Count 2030 Comprehensive Plan (2009)
- MnDOT Bikeway Facility Design Manual (2007)
- MnDOT Bicycle Modal Plan (2005)
- Small Area Plans and District Plans as adopted within the comprehensive plan

### Written Feedback From:

### 10 District Councils

District 1 – District 1 Community Council

District 4 - Dayton's Bluff Community Council

District 5 – Payne Phalen District 5 Planning Council

District 9 – Fort Road Federation

District 10 – Como Community Council

District 11 – Hamline Midway Coalition

District 12 – Saint Anthony Park Community Council

District 13 – Union Park District Council

District 14 – Macalester-Groveland Community Council

District 15 – Highland District Council

### 9 Groups & Organizations

- Desnoyer Park Improvement Association
- Friends of the Parks and Trails
- Hayden Heights Block Club
- Lafeyette Park Commuter Team
- Macalester College
- Saint Paul Smart-Trips / Women on Bikes
- Saint Paul Area Chamber of Commerce (SPACC), Building Owners and Managers Association (BOMA), & Wabasha Partners (joint statement)
- Sprockets
- Town and Country Club

### Individual Statements

- 377 Total Statements
  - 60 Open House Statements
  - □ 173 Open Saint Paul
  - □ 144 Emails to Staff

Some individuals are represented more than once.

## Comments from Individuals

Characterization of the Statement	Number of Written Statements Received	Percent of Total Statements
Support the draft Bikeways Plan as is. No recommendations or concerns were stated.	106	28%
Support the draft Bikeways Plan, but offered recommendations for improvement or expressed a concern.	223	59%
Did not specifically state support or opposition to draft Bikeways Plan, but offered recommendations or expressed a concern.	35	9%
Opposed to draft Bikeways Plan.	13	3%
TOTAL INDIVIDUAL STATEMENTS	377	-

### Themes from Draft Plan Comments

- Complete the Grand Round. (92 statements, 60 specific to Pelham Blvd, 7 specific to Mississippi River Blvd, and 6 Specific to Wheelock Pkwy)
- Improve bicycle connections to and through downtown to promote safety, connectivity, ridership, and economic activity. (91 statements)

Additional details in Appedix E of the draft bike plan.

# Facility Type Groups

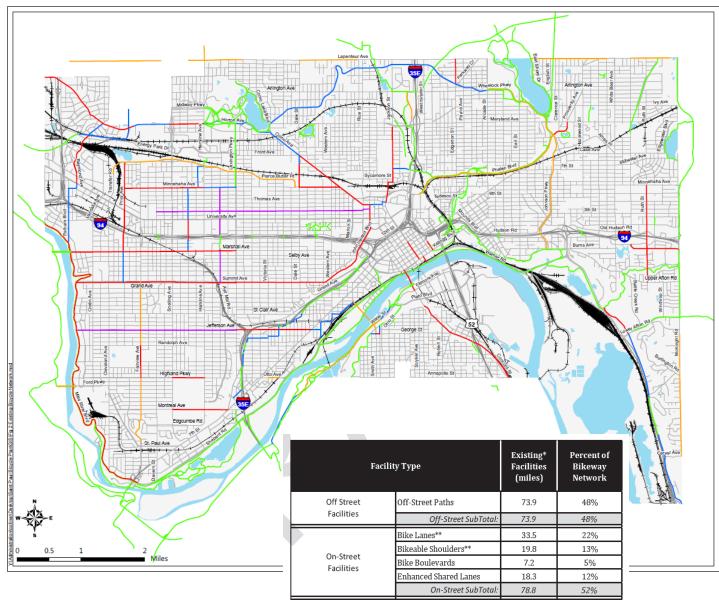
- Off-Street Paths
- In-street Separated Lanes
- □ Bicycle Boulevards
- Enhanced Shared Lanes













#### Legend

- Off-Street Path
- Bike Lane
- Shoulder
- Enhanced Shared Lane
- Bicycle Boulevard
- ----- Freight Railroad



Figure 2 Existing Bicycle Network

\*This table excludes bikeways that are planned, funded, or under construction, but not yet open for public use.

152.7

100%

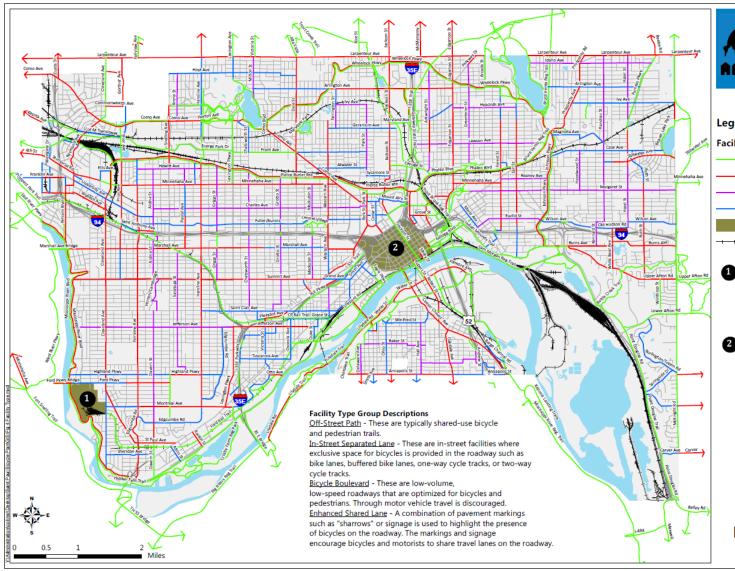
TOTAL

\*\*This table reports total miles of roadway, not mileage of lanes. Roadways with bike lanes on one side of the street only are not differentiated from roadways with bike lanes on both sides.

## Expanding the Bicycle Network

F	Facility Type	Existing Facilities (miles)	Proposed Facilities (miles)	Total Facilities (miles)	Percent of Bikeway Network
Off Street	Off-Street Paths	74	56	130	37%
Facilities	Off-Street SubTotal:	74	56	130	37%
On-Street Facilities	In-Street Separated Lanes*	53	60	113	33%
	Bicycle Boulevards	7	39	46	13%
	Enhanced Shared Lanes	18	40	59	17%
	On-Street SubTotal:	<i>7</i> 9	139	218	63%
TOTAL		153	195	348	100%

<sup>\*</sup>This table reports total miles of roadway, not mileage of lanes. Roadways with bike lanes on one side of the street only are not differentiated from roadways with bike lanes on both sides. Existing mileage inclues bikeable shoulders. All corridors that currently have bikeable shoulders are proposed to transition to other facility types.





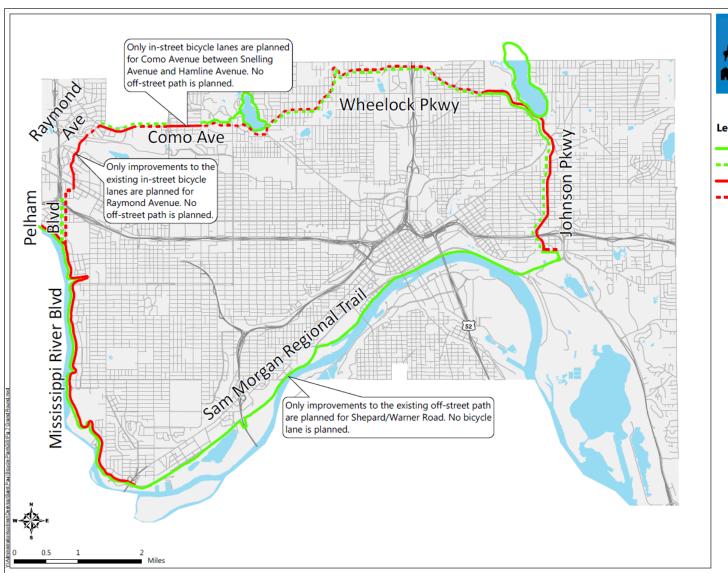
#### Legend

#### **Facility Type Group**

- Off-Street Path
- In-Street Separated Lane
- Bicycle Boulevard
- **Enhanced Shared Lane**
- Areas for Additional Study
- ---- Freight Railroad
- Ford Site Bicycle facilities are to be planned in conjunction with other site planning related to anticipated redevelopment. A plan for bikeways through the site should be complete in 2016.
- Downtown Loop The Bicycle Plan recommends a "loop and spur" bicycle network throughout the downtown area. One portion of the "loop" will be located on Jackson Street. A study is underway to refine the appropriate alignments for other portions of the loop and connections to existing and planned bikeways outside of downtown. The alignment is anticipated to be finalized by the end of 2015.



Figure 4 Planned Bicycle Network **Facility Type Group** 





#### Legend

Existing Off-Street Path

=== Planned Off-Street Path

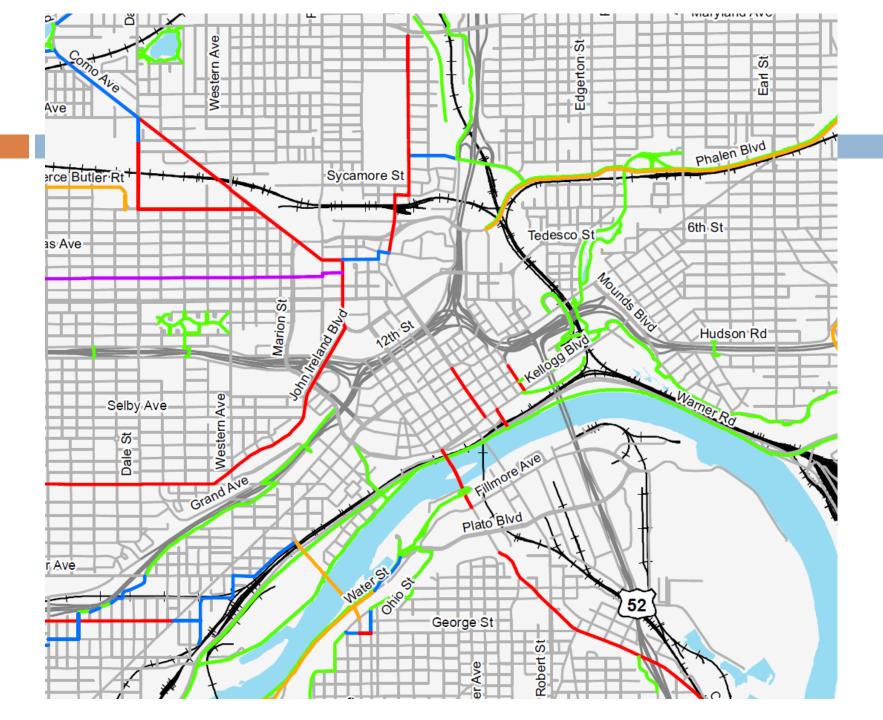
Existing In-Street Lane

Planned In-Street Lane



Figure 7 Planned Grand Round Improvements





# Loop & Spur Concept



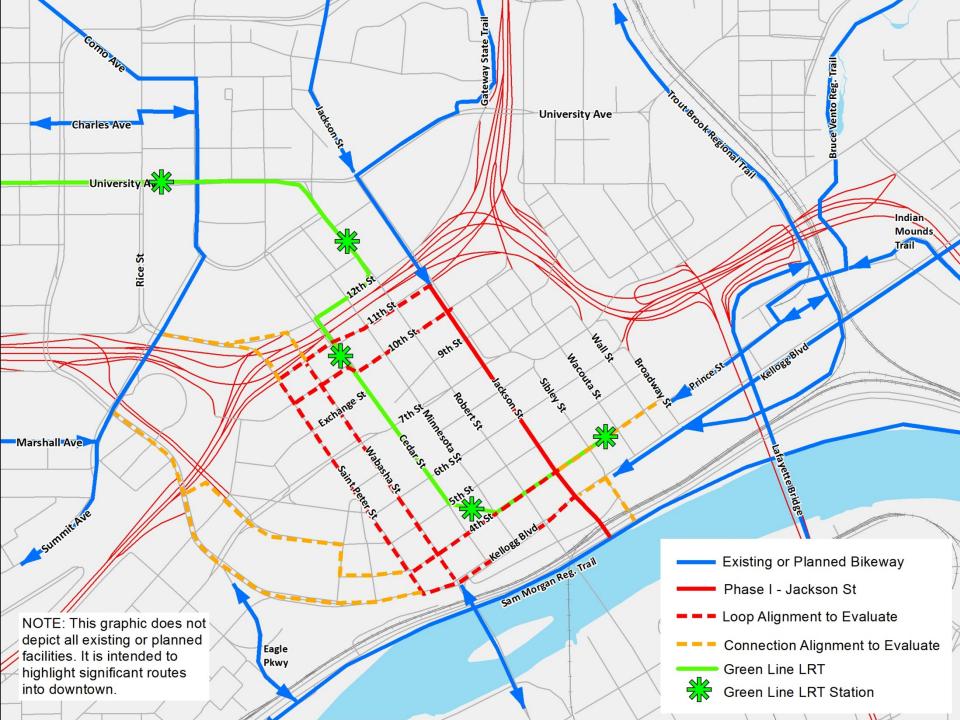
## Indianapolis Cultural Trail











## Benefits of an Off-Street Loop Trail System

- □ Unique & Bold
- Connects existing trail facilities to each other and to downtown
- All of downtown will be within three blocks from the loop
- Activity centers will be connected
- Easily identifiable for infrequent users and tourists





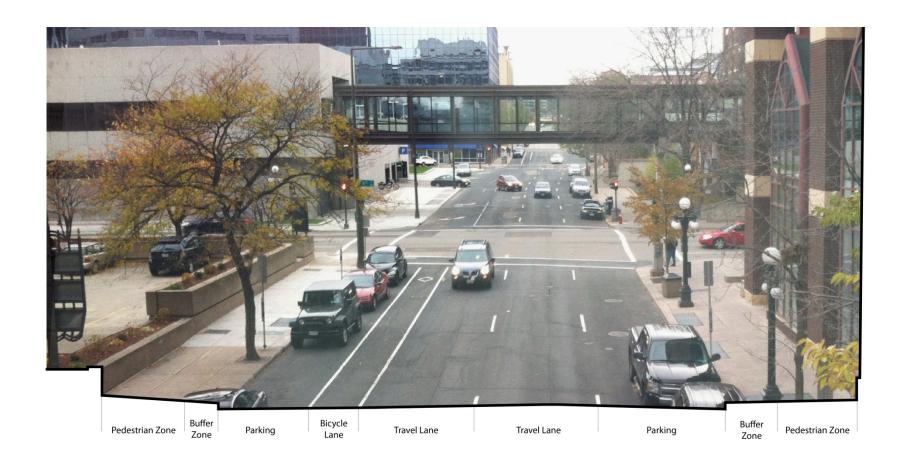
### Benefits of Off-Street Trail Facilities

- May best accommodate new or casual cyclists
- "8 to 80" facility type
- Presents opportunity for full streetscape enhancement
- Facilitates two-way bike traffic on one street, limiting impacts to fewer corridors
- Makes new connections in Regional Trail network





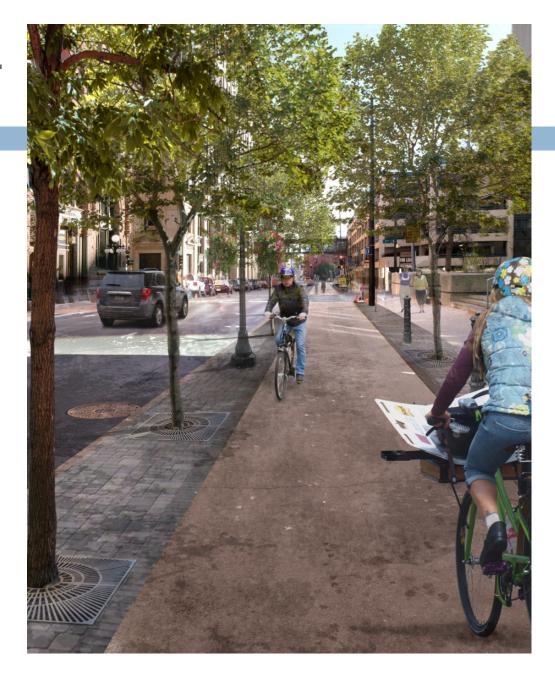
## Jackson Street: Before



## Jackson Street: After



## Jackson Street



# What if I don't want to use a path?

Shared lane markings



## Adoption Timeline (Tentative)

- □ 10/6/2014 Transportation Committee
- □ 10/17/2014 Planning Commission
- □ 12/5/2014 Public Hearing at Planning Commission (8:30 AM, Room 40A, City Hall)
- 1/12/2015 TENTATIVE Transportation Committee (Final Approval)
- 1/24/2015 TENTATIVE Planning Commission (Final Approval)
- February 2015 City Council

### 8-80 Fund

- Mayor's proposed 2015 Budget
  - \$8 Million Jackson Street full Reconstruction 2nd St to 11th St.
  - \$450K Downtown bike loop planning & possible temporary demonstration

## Questions?

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