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BICYCLE AND TRAILS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
Wednesday, December 21, 2016 - 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
City Hall, 200 Lincoln Ave

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
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4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM NOVEMBER 16,2016
5. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE FLOOR
6. COMMUNICATIONS FROM OTHER AGENCIES
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 - b. MPO Report (Erick Aune)
7. INFORMATION, DISCUSSION & ACTION
 - a. Acequia Trail Rufina to South Meadows Project Update Status (Leroy Pacheco)
 - b. Status Update of Fiscal Year 2016/17 CIP Trail Projects Recommendation (Leroy Pacheco)
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11. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CHAIR
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**BICYCLE AND TRAILS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
CITY HALL – CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
December 21, 2016 – 5:30 PM – 7:30 PM
MEETING MINUTES**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Councilor Joseph Maestas, Chair called the Bicycle and Trails Advisory Committee meeting to order at 5:35 pm in the City Council Chambers, Santa Fe, New Mexico. Roll call constitutes a quorum.

2. ROLL CALL

Present:

Councilor Joseph Maestas, Chair
Paul Cooley
James Ronald Pacheco
Joseph A. Abbatacola
Gretchen Grogan
Tomas Rivera
Shelley Robinson
Jennifer Wellington
Frank Herdman

Excused:

Staff & Others Present:

Leroy Pacheco, Staff Liaison
Claudia Horn, Design Office
Linda Vigil, Stenographer
Justin Green, Citizen
Dick Lemon, Citizen
Stephen Newhall, Adventure Cycling

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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5. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE FLOOR

Mr. Justin Greene (611 Campana Place) asked that the BTAC Committee review the bicycle access in the area where the new project of Hyde Road was approved. The project is scheduled to be on the agenda of the next Planning Commission meeting in January. Mr. Greene would like to see BTAC give their input

beforehand. Mr. Greene submitted a map with his recommended trails and his verbal statement. (See Exhibit A and B)

Mr. Dick Lemon (438 San Pasqual discussed the lack of bike racks in the downtown area. Mr. Lemon assessed the area and counted roughly 35 places where he believes they can be placed. He would be willing to find the funding for it and perhaps have an artistic aspect to it. (See Exhibit C)

Councilor Maestas asked that Mr. Lemon stay for the MPO Report which may include some information.

6. COMMUNICATION FROM OTHER AGENCIES

a. Santa Fe Conservation Trust

Mr. Rogers was not available tonight to report however his report is included. (See Exhibit F)

b. MPO Report

Mr. Aune explained to Mr. Lemon that this was looked into before. There were ideas to place a sleeve attached to the parking meters for bicycles. There is also a pilot project for a bike corral.

Mr. Herdman shared an idea from his recent trip to Durango. Ms. McDonald will email to the group.

Mr. Abatacola thanked Mr. Lemon for his idea. He would like to merge artistic ideas in it.

Mr. Rivera stated in Tucson they make bike racks with old bike parts. Chainbreakers would be happy to supply parts.

Mr. Lemon explained he can find the funding he will just need help with the process.

Mr. Abatacola discussed the signage for the Route 66 route. Adventure cycling has some maps and the bike parking areas can be put there.

Councilor Maestas briefly discussed the issue on Hyde Park Rd. there is not any information on the master plan yet.

A discussion was held about the hazards in that area. Mr. Aune explained the resolution with the Federal, State and City entities that will work together on bike facilities.

Councilor Maestas asked if the MPO could draft a resolution to request the projects be placed on the map. Mr. Aune explained if there more detail to it, the code would compel the developer to work on it.

Mr. Greene would like to see a 30-day extension on the final approval. Ms. McDonald explained the item can be discussed by the Chair of the Committee however it is not an action item on tonight's agenda.

Ms. Wellington asked if NMDOT still has the bike and pedestrian coordinator that could attend the next meeting. Mr. Aune stated the position is vacant and posted today.

Councilor Maestas stated he will work with Mr. Aune offline to get bike lanes on the master plan for the Hyde Park Rd. area.

Mr. Aune stated the MPO has been working with the GIS staff and the City who invested in an interactive app that is available on the website. It will be useful and there are layers on transportation data. Mr. Aune is meeting with the City to see what phases of the master plan it can show. Mr. Aune discussed the app has parking and transit data on it.

Councilor Maestas asked if they are to use FTA codes. Mr. Aune states the staff activities coincide with the work of the committee.

Councilor Maestas asked about the estimates given in 2012 and how the amounts can be amended. Mr. Aune stated the amounts are somewhat predicable. NMDOT wants them to spend down the money and then start over.

A brief discussion was held about the app and if bus stops are included. Mr. Rivera would like to see it work along with that app.

Mr. Aune shared an idea on a bicycle playground and a family map with the Committee. (See Exhibit D and E).

A discussion was held about the areas that can possibly be used. Councilor Maestas stated the Committee is interested in this idea. Mr. Aune stated the next step is to meet with the Parks Department and brainstorm further. Ms. Wellington states it would be great for instructors.

7. INFORMATION, DISCUSSION & ACTION

a. Acqueia Trail Rufina to South Meadows Project Update Status

Mr. L. Pacheco provided the Committee with an update on the project. (See Exhibit G) The project is at a 15% schematic design phase. The ENN was held in November as part of the work. Tonight the design team is here to give an update.

Ms. Claudia Horn with Design Office gave a brief overview. A map was shown on the overhead projector and are part of Exhibit G.

Ms. Horn explained the trail will go up to Diablo Canyon for the Southside residents to use. The trail goes along the right of way on Rufina. There was a resolution that terminated that area but it could be used for a trail. There is a portion not owned by the city that needs to be acquired.

Ms. Horn explained the neighborhoods are dense, with roughly 800 homes. The trail would benefit a lot of residents. The Historic maps shows it is a low spot there are drainage issues and wants to address the issues in the design.

A discussion was held about the traffic in the area and the designs for speed humps. Mr. Cooley discussed the curb cuts in some areas and the difficulty in transitioning on them.

Mr. L. Pacheco discussed the need for the trail project and the simple designs. There will be an estimate for the drainage issues and the re-appraisal of lots needed to acquire.

A brief discussion was held about the TAP process and the NMDOT applications that will be reviewed in February.

Mr. Herdman asked about the area that connects to the River Trail. Mr. L. Pacheco explained the parcel was purchased by a church and will give an easement.

Ms. Wellington asked about the budget figures for the Arroyo Chamisos Trail and why it is so high. Mr. L. Pacheco stated he will discuss on the next item.

b. Status Update of Fiscal Year 2016-17 CIP Trail Projects Recommendation

Mr. L. Pacheco provided an update on the projects pending and available budget. (See Exhibit H) There are three projects that are ready to begin.

Mr. L. Pacheco reviewed the list and discussed the stages they are in at this time. There is one issue with a homeowner's association. An offer was made and declined, Mr. L. Pacheco stated it was decided to focus on the Maclovía park project instead.

Mr. L. Pacheco stated the Arroyo Chamisos project is complete, the money was moved from another bond to complete.

Mr. L. Pacheco showed a photo on the overhead projector of the concrete slabs needed to fit on the underground columns for the Rail Trail project. Right now it is on winter suspension until the weather warms up. The bids will open in February and the design is complete.

Mr. L. Pacheco stated design is complete for the wayfinding trail.

Mr. L. Pacheco explained the Tierra Contenta Trail is at 80% design. There are 5 private property parcels that need to be acquired.

Mr. L. Pacheco explained the Canada Rincon Trail is at 15% schematic design. The Reserve has hired Jennifer Jenkins who will represent them. Mr. L. Pacheco stated they will meet with Ms. Jenkins and will finishing it up.

Mr. L. Pacheco stated the MRC Trail is being led by the County and the City will match the funds.

Mr. L. Pacheco explained the spreadsheet which shows the business units used. He recommendation to finish the projects with design.

Mr. Pacheco asked what does the Rail Trail involve. Mr. L. Pacheco stated it is a small triangular area.

Mr. L. Pacheco recommends the surplus be used to complete the 2 bridges, the Wayfinding and Rail Trail projects.

Councilor Maestas asked about the TAP application and if the project on San Felipe will affect it. Mr. L. Pacheco does not think there is a requirement that the right of way be supported.

Mr. L. Pacheco suggested also focusing remaining money into Canada Rincon.

Mr. Cooley asked about Tierra Contenta as it will service more people.

Mr. Herdman discussed his concern with using the funds for the Northwest Quadrant project as an option. He spoke to the public and interacted with them, it would be inappropriate to now move bond money to another project.

Mr. L. Pacheco explained it is not out of bounds legally to move bond money into needed projects that are ready to go. City Council manages the money and approves them.

Councilor Maestas suggests to exclude the Northwest Quadrant funds and he would like a consensus from the group.

Mr. Pacheco agrees to the point made about moving funds but also sees it is valuable to complete the projects that are ready to begin.

Ms. Wellington asked if the schools have been included. Mr. L. Pacheco stated they have given permission to use the lands.

Councilor Maestas suggest the total to exclude the Northwest Quadrant project and be used to fund the Harrison, Rail Trail and Wayfinding Trails. (\$444,186)

MOTION: Mr. Pacheco moved to utilize the surplus amount *excluding the Northwest Quadrant project* and use it towards the Harrison to NM School for the Deaf, Rail Trail and Wayfinding Trails with a second from Ms. Wellington.

DISCUSSION BEFORE VOTE:

Mr. L. Pacheco states there might be a slight error but the funds can be used to prioritize the projects.

Mr. Cooley stated his concern with the Rail Trail. He doesn't see it as urgent. Mr. Rivera agreed.

VOTE:

Voice vote carries, all in favor.

- 8. BTAC SUB COMMITTEE UPDATES**
 - **Outreach & Education**

 - **On Road Subcommittee**

Mr. Abbatacola reported the Subcommittee met with City staff to clarify the process of being a subcommittee. A copy of the report is attached. (See Exhibit I)

Mr. Newhall will spearhead the Rt. 66 signage project. A copy of an example will be emailed. They would like to have a hint of Santa Fe to the signs.

Mr. Newhall informed the Committee that they are all welcome to ride the route to count the signs that will be needed. The ride will need to be made in both directions to decide which intersections needs signs. Mr. Pacheco, Mr. Cooley and Ms. Wellington are all interested.

Mr. Abbatacola would like to meet with Councilor Maestas to get a better understanding of the bonding cycle.

9. STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

10. COMMITTEE COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. River reported that the Chainbreakers Holiday event was a success. There was over 200 people in attendance and 32 bikes were given away.


11. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CHAIR

Councilor Maestas states he is still working with the county and other department Directors to create an outdoor economy. He would like to with the Committee a Merry Christmas and Happy Holiday.

12. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Bicycle and Trails Advisory Committee the meeting was adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

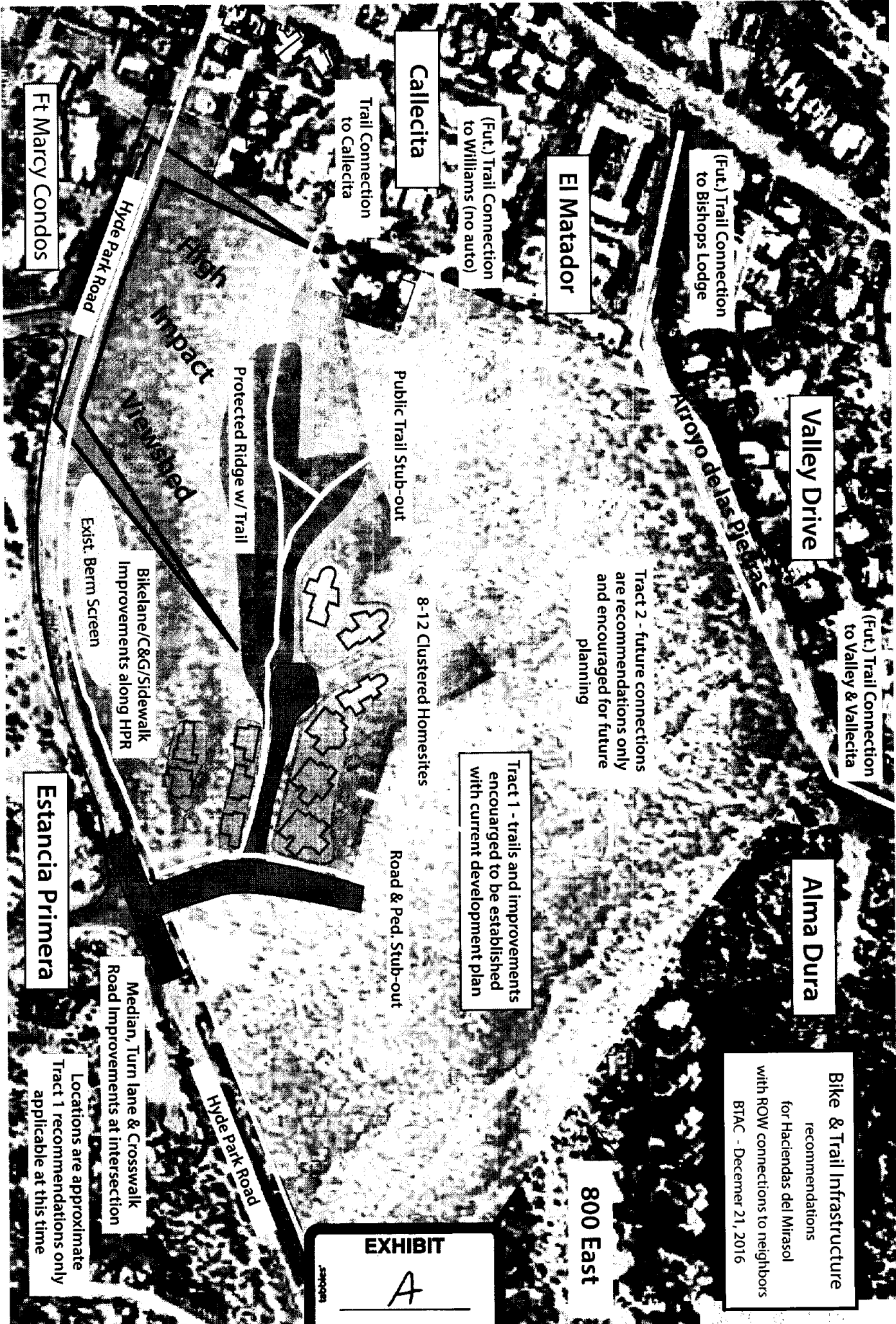
SIGNATURES



Councilor Joseph Maestas, Chair



Linda Vigil, Stenographer



Valley Drive

Alma Dura

El Matador

Callecita

Ft Marcy Condos

(Fut.) Trail Connection to Valley & Vallecita

(Fut.) Trail Connection to Bishops Lodge

Tract 2 - future connections are recommended for future planning

Tract 1 - trails and improvements encouraged to be established with current development plan

8-12 Clustered Homesites

Road & Ped. Stub-out

Public Trail Stub-out

Protected Ridge w/ Trail

Bikelane/C&G/Sidewalk Improvements along HPR

Exist. Berm Screen

Median, Turn lane & Crosswalk Road Improvements at intersection

Estancia Primera

Bike & Trail Infrastructure recommendations for Haciendas del Mirasol with ROW connections to neighbors BTAC - Decemer 21, 2016

800 East

Hyde Park Road

Hyde Park Road

High Impact Viewshed

EXHIBIT A

Locations are approximate Tract 1 recommendations only applicable at this time

BTAC meeting December 21, 2016

Thank you for listening to this petition.

I ask for time to review the upcoming plans for the Haciendas del Mirasol development along Hyde Park Road. It is a large parcel at 28 acres and has established trails that could be lost in the current plan.

Safety is an issue along Hyde Park Road as well.

There have been accidents. As recently as two weeks ago.

Safety and speeding are real issues. 58 MPH in 45. 38 MPH in 25.

There is no margin of error on Hyde Park Road. For bikes or pedestrians.

Many people signed petition and testified at City Council last week regarding bike safety along Hyde Park Road

Proposed plan take away long established trails in the foothills along Hyde Park Road.

Critical public connections from ridge to arroyo and into neighborhoods will be lost.

I request that you ask the Planning Commission to postpone the final development plan review until BTAC can complete its study and recommendations for trails, pedestrian and bicycle facilities on and across the 28 acres property. Review is to be placed on the agenda for the next BTAC meeting in January. A set of recommendations or endorsement of proposed plans will be delivered to Planning Commission by its February meeting.

Staff is encouraged to look at stub outs and public trail easements that could connect to neighboring properties and utilizing existing trails from ridge to arroyo.

Hyde Park Road is very important to the system and needs attention for speed and safety issues. Cycling is dangerous along the entire stretch and a bike lane appears necessary. Staff should look into expediting bicycle improvements along Hyde Park Road for safety.



Downtown biking

Background

Very few people bicycle downtown to shop or socialize. Yet, biking fits our values of supporting downtown commerce, avoiding car use if possible and helping citizens live a healthy life.

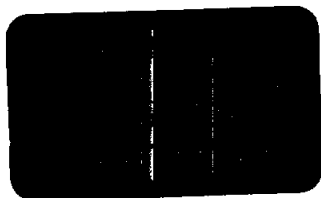
If more of us would try biking around town the habit will spread. But a major impediment to popular biking is that there are few, very few places downtown to park and lock bikes. In the business quadrant from the Plaza, north and east, there are 6 existing bike stands, 2 being at the library away from the street and sidewalk. That leaves a net of 4 for that major area of commerce and government.

In that sector there are 35 ideal spots to put a simple stand, one on each block. These sites avoid pedestrian traffic, do not impair a car opening its passenger door, and invite rather than discourage access to the merchants we want to support. The spots often are at yellow/green painted curbs or by established sidewalk trash receptacles.

The sites were picked with particular care not to make merchants nervous. Merchants likely don't yet know that bicycling customers are prime. They are local and likely repeating and they come targeted to a certain store or block. Shrewd shop owners will want the stand nearby.

We would like the racks to have color and perhaps shapes which attract the eye. Not fancy, and not expensive; maybe only interesting colors, subtle or not subtle. At the least the stands could reflect the fact santa fe is about beauty. Perhaps they could be designed by various sponsors such as one particular block or nearby businesses or downtown organizations.

Putting bike parking downtown is a win for everyone. It is our job to do the creating, implementing and financing of the project.



The steps done and to do

1. Assemble basic info (other city's projects, costs, proposed sites, type of facilities)

Done: connect with the city of Portland (see detailed packet)
determine cost of racks
map specific sites in the pilot area.

2. Gather a team (bike coalitions, business leaders, bike shops, city transportation, park and rec/police) to keep things going in the right direction. Right now, this is a one person project but that is not good enough. Diverse views and energies are a must. The planning and implementing will be fun and have an uplifting and durable result for our town.

3. Arrange funding (foundations, city, donors)

DONE

A local foundation has agreed to fund the pilot project with support from others.

4. Find artist(s) for racks and graphic designer for presentation materials
5. Approach merchants near the parking spots
6. City permits
6. negotiate and sign contracts with suppliers
7. Install racks (with tons of publicity)

8. **Celebration**

An Event

Prototype for positive change

Bikers gathering from away

News, mags

Follow-on

Expand racks to all downtown

Expand to lower income residential shopping corridors

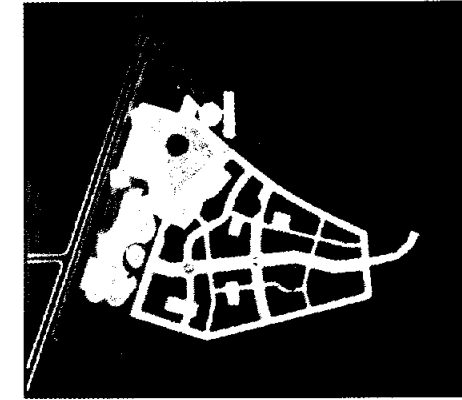
Add to the works of others including collecting and distributing used bikes, maybe organizing a group of volunteer bike chaperons when it helps get someone out biking.

BICYCLE/TRAFFIC PLAYGROUNDS: A Place to teach kids to love their bikes

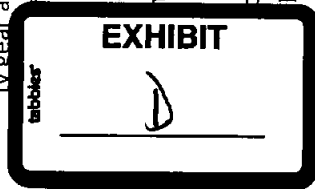
WHAT: A dedicated space designed where riders of all abilities can safely learn how to ride within the context of our local roadway and multi-use trail environment. Design characteristics are reduced in size to match a child's perspective and provide realistic traffic simulation with features that may include traffic lights, roundabouts, road signs, street markings, bike paths, sharrows, and more.

WHY: In the United States there are no comprehensive and consistent bike education programs. Thankfully local police and fire departments such as those in Santa Fe host "Bicycle Rodeos" as a means to promote bicycle safety, provide helmets and other safety gear and a means for youth to engage with public officials in a positive environment. A Bicycle playground may provide a consistent location for safety, public school, non-profits and local parents to host youth in an environment where they encourage to return again and again.

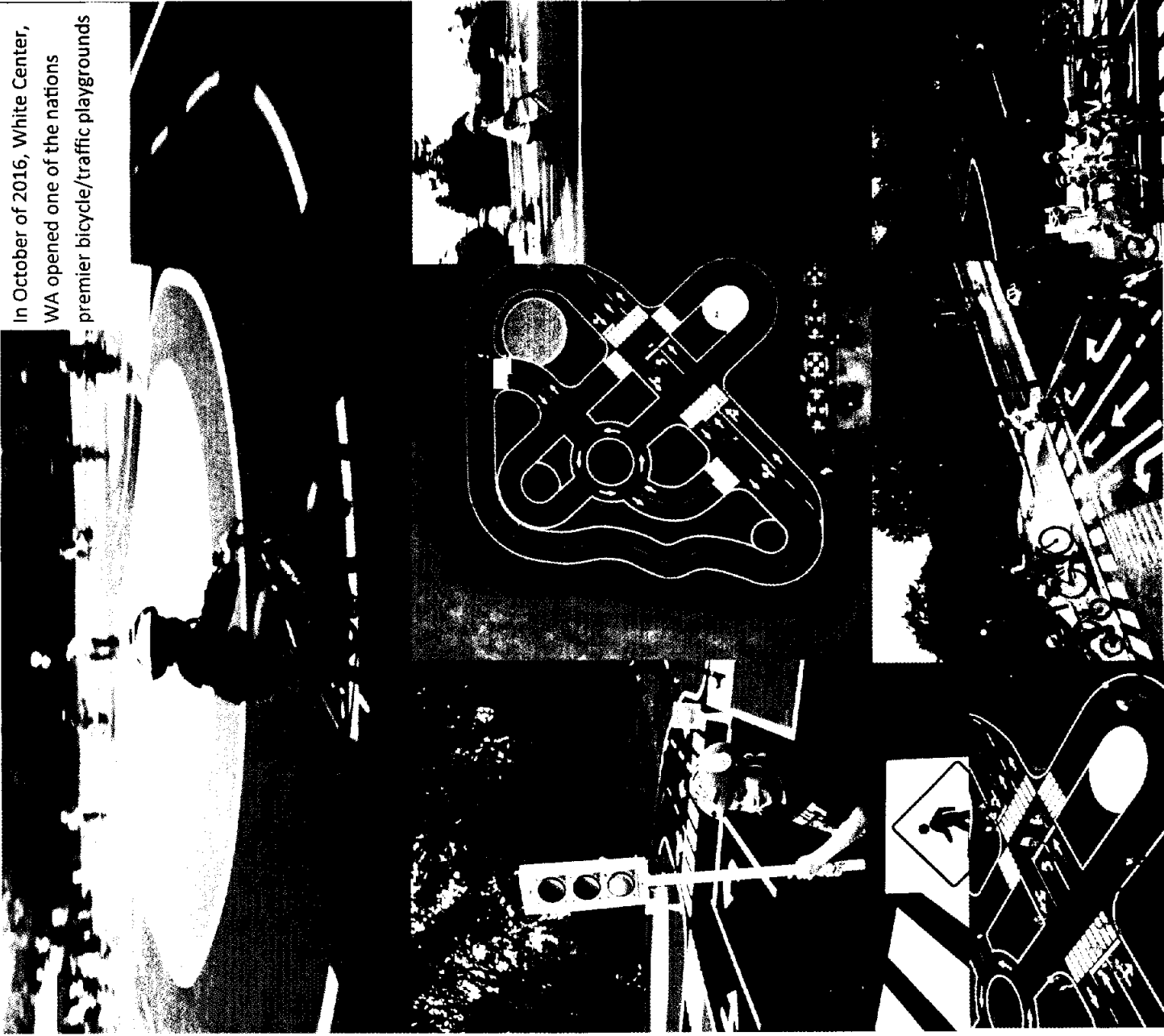
Clearly indicated that parents worried about children's welfare are reluctant to allow their children to bike to school or to other neighborhood amenities; yet



biking and walking to school are both proven methods to increase children's health and school performance.



EXHIBIT



In October of 2016, White Center, WA opened one of the nation's premier bicycle/traffic playgrounds

Ashbaugh Park Bicycle Playground/Traffic Garden Conceptual



BENEFITS

- Ample Parking including ADA
- LOW WATER USE
- Centralized Location
- SF Fire Department in Proximity

- Existing under utilized paved structures
- .65 Mile In-Park Loop Trail
- Direct access to Acequia Trail
- Attractive tree canopies and grass
- Existing electric infrastructure/Access
- Security Quarters
- Potential partnership with Indian School

Cost: Variable depending on size, design elements, lighting,... Estimate between \$250K and \$700K

