

CITY OF TORRANCE

INTEROFFICE COMMUNICATION

DATE: September 8, 2011

TO: Transportation Committee
Via: ~~Jeffery W. Gibson, Community Development Director~~ 
FROM: Jill Crump, Planning Associate

SUBJECT: Review of the Final Draft of the South Bay Bicycle Master Plan

The Transportation Committee reviewed the draft of the South Bay Bicycle Master Plan at their August 9, 2011 meeting. Some of the comments made by the committee members included the availability of potential funding sources to implement the proposed bikeways and other amenities such signs and street markings; technical questions such as the removal of on-street parking to accommodate a bike lane; and general comments about the City's financial liability if grant-funding sources do not become available to implement the proposed bikeway improvements.

Notably in Chapter 2, some of the objectives have been modified to include words like "consider" and "explore", rather than "require". This is a favorable change, as it allows each city to implement goals and policies that best suit the needs and abilities of each community.

The Traffic Commission met and reviewed this Final Draft of the South Bay Bicycle Master Plan at their September 6, 2011 meeting. The item and supplemental material, Attachment A, contains the email comments from the Traffic Commissioners, as well as the public. Also included is Attachment B, which is a PowerPoint presentation handed out to the Commissioners by Ms. Marissa Christensen, Bicycle Master Plan Initiative Director.

Some of the comments made by the Traffic Commission included the potential funding sources to implement the Plan and the ability for the Traffic Commission to review and comment on future proposed bikeways. The Commission was pleased to see some of the language changed from "requirements" in the previous draft, to "considerations" in the Final Draft.

Staff is seeking comments and concurrence from the Committee to forward the Final Draft of the South Bay Bicycle Master Plan to the City Council for their approval.

ATTACHMENT A: September 6, 2011 Traffic Commission Item
 B: PowerPoint Handout from Marissa Christensen, the South
 Bay Bicycle Master Plan Initiative Director

Traffic Commission Meeting
September 6, 2011

Agenda Item No. 7a

TO: Traffic Commission
FROM: Gregg D. Lodan, AICP, Planning Manager
SUBJECT: Review Final Draft of South Bay Bicycle Master Plan

RECOMMENDATION

The Community Development Director recommends that the Traffic Commission review the Final Draft of the South Bay Bicycle Master Plan and concur with staff's recommendation to forward the Traffic Commissioners' comments, along with the Final Draft Bicycle Plan, to the City Council for their review and approval.

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

The Traffic Commission reviewed the Draft Bicycle Plan at their August 1, 2011 meeting. A variety of comments were provided by the Commissioners regarding the Draft Bicycle Plan. Some comments included the availability of funding sources to implement the new proposed bikeways and amenities; the placement of and type of bikeways and amenities proposed on specific streets; the proposed policy language; and the timeline for implementation of this Plan. Comments from the public were also received by the Traffic Commission.

The City Council Transportation Sub-committee reviewed and made comments to the Draft Bicycle Plan at their August 9, 2011 meeting, and asked staff to return with the Final Draft Bicycle Plan in September. The City Council Transportation Sub-committee will be reviewing the Final Draft Plan and providing their comments at their September 13, 2011 meeting.

The Traffic Commission was provided the on-line link to the Final Draft Bicycle Plan on August 15, 2011, for their review, in preparation for this meeting.

The Commission is encouraged to offer their comments on all aspects of the Final Draft of the South Bay Bicycle Master Plan. These comments will be forwarded to the City Council Transportation Sub-Committee at their September 13, 2011 meeting, and also to the City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

JEFFERY W. GIBSON
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

By 

Gregg D. Lodan, AICP
Planning Manager

ATTACHMENTS:

A) Correspondence

Semaan, Ted

From: Kathy Green [kathleenfgreen@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, August 18, 2011 10:40 PM
To: Semaan, Ted
Cc: Crump, Jill
Subject: Re: FW: RE: South Bay Bike Plan - Final Draft!

Ted & Jill,

I've reviewed the final draft attached, and have no truly profound comments to offer. Only thought/observation I had was in regards to the proposed location of bike locker in southeast area, Madison & Lomita.... seemed like odd spot, I would assume a larger employer/facility would be a more likely place for employees using the locker, to commute, so I would have placed it further east on Lomita, between Torrance Memorial Hospital and Hughes/L3 com facility, and the larger manufacturing/future Hospital parking facilities...

Kathy Green

On Mon, Aug 15, 2011 at 1:24 PM, Semaan, Ted <TSEMAAN@torranceca.gov> wrote:

Hello Traffic Commissioners,

Below please find the link to the "Final Draft" of the South Bay Bicycle Master Plan. Please review and provide your comments to staff (myself and Jill Crump) at your earliest convenience. This is the Draft that you will be discussing at the September 6th Traffic Commission meeting.

In as much as the September meeting will provide the public meeting opportunity for you to voice your comments, staff would like to receive your comments earlier to forward to Ms. Christiansen in advance of the meeting, if available. This will provide Ms. Christensen the opportunity to review your comments as well as provide feedback and/or insight in response to those comments.

We look forward to receiving your input.

Sincerely,

Ted

From: Marissa Christiansen
Sent: Monday, August 15, 2011 12:18 PM
To: Semaan, Ted
Cc: Crump, Jill
Subject: Re: RE: South Bay Bike Plan - Final Draft!

Ted,

The link to the SBBC website where the individual chapters have been uploaded is below. This is probably the best and most convenient link to forward around. Thanks!

<http://www.southbaybicyclecoalition.org/south-bay-bicycle-master-plan-review-copy/>

Regards,

Marissa Christiansen

South Bay Initiative Director

Los Angeles County Bicycle Coalition

Semaan, Ted

From: David Sargent [tonianddave1@verizon.net]
Sent: Friday, August 26, 2011 6:40 PM
To: Semaan, Ted; Crump, Jill
Subject: Comments on Final Bike Plan

Ted and Jill,

I hope these comments aren't too late to be of use. Today is the first day I had time to review the final plan. I reviewed the Introduction, Chapter 2 (Goals, Objectives, ...) and Chapter 9 (Torrance).

In Chapter 2, I'm glad to see many of the very demanding ideas have been softened with language like, "as feasible and as costs will allow."

In Chapter 9, there is an obvious typo in the third line of 9.5.1 where the text says, "... and Table 9-14 displays the cost to implement the proposed network in the City of Manhattan Beach ..." Clearly this should be Torrance. (I hope all the tables reflect Torrance and not MB.)

On page 37 of Chapter 9, Torrance Project #1 is discussed. Maybe I didn't did deeply enough but some of the jargon used in the Proposed Improvements section reads like a foreign language. "Convert a road diet to convert a cross-section ..." takes a lot of decoding as does, "Construct bulbouts with high visibility crosswalks." I looked at some of the pictures and I think I figured it out but if these things aren't defined up front somewhere, they should be.

By the way, this "road diet" is described as a traffic calming measure. I see the reduction of two traffic lanes down to one as a traffic CONGESTING measure and don't like it! Some of the cities on the hill did that and grand bottlenecks resulted. Just try driving Palos Verdes Drive North during rush hour! When I think of a traffic calming measure I think of a stop sign or speed pillow in a residential area - not the loss of a traffic lane. I think that particular "improvement" needs some rethinking.

OK, I'll get off of my soap box.

Hope these comments are of some use.

Dave

Semaan, Ted

From: Sue Siani [suesiani@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, August 29, 2011 6:06 PM
To: Semaan, Ted; Crump, Jill
Subject: SB Bicycle Plan

Ted and Jill,

I'm pretty happy with how my comments from the last draft were handled.

As for the proposed Project #1 on Cabrillo Ave, at this point I would have to say I'm not in favor of going to one lane each direction from Torrance Blvd. to Plaza del Amo. Seems rather draconian to disrupt that much car traffic in favor of a bike lane. I travel that street every day on my way to the freeway so I'm pretty familiar with the traffic patterns. Two big concerns (other than the fact that I don't want to be slowed down on my commute :-)

- 1). The on street parallel parking on Cabrillo already causes traffic in the affected lane to come to a complete stop when someone is attempting to park. I suppose if it went to one lane, this could be mitigated somewhat by having a much wider single lane (or by changing the parking approach).
2. My biggest concern is the back up of traffic on Cabrillo caused by the train crossing Cabrillo just North of Sepulveda. As it is right now, significant backups are caused from the stretch that is single lane from the train tracks to Plaza del Amo (something that is now even further exacerbated by the new stop sign at Lincoln). Once cars can get to that 2 lane section of Cabrillo between Plaza del Amo and Torrance Blvd., the traffic opens up ok. If the entire section was reduced to one lane, the traffic backup that resulted every time the train went by would be very significant in both directions. This seems to be a poor tradeoff of cars vs. bicycles.

I think the stretch between Plaza del Amo and Torrance could be handled better with sharrows.

Thanks,
Sue

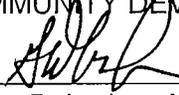
Traffic Commission Meeting
September 6, 2011

TO: Traffic Commission
FROM: Gregg D. Lodan, AICP, Planning Manager
SUBJECT: SUPPLEMENTAL #1 TO AGENDA ITEM 7a

Correspondence was received after the item was prepared and distributed is attached herewith for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

JEFFERY W. GIBSON
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

By 
Gregg D. Lodan, AICP
Planning Manager

Attachment:
A) Public Correspondences

Semaan, Ted

From: Robert Rudolph [robert@networkerservices.net]
Sent: Monday, September 05, 2011 5:10 PM
To: Semaan, Ted
Subject: FW: South Bay Bicycle Master Plan - Public Review Open Now!

Hi Ted,

My basic concerns in the new draft remain the same as the previous draft, specifically in the policy section: 1.2.3, 1.4.5, 1.4.6,

Thanks,
Robert

From: Robert Rudolph [mailto:robert@networkerservices.net]
Sent: Sunday, July 17, 2011 11:39 AM
To: 'Semaan, Ted'
Subject: RE: South Bay Bicycle Master Plan - Public Review Open Now!

Hi Ted,

Attached are some items marked up with comments that can lead to further discussions. I used the comments area in the PDF's to add remarks, let me know if you have any trouble reading them.

Areas that concern me most about the plan also included any mandatory implementation required from private property owners. Property owners should be offered incentives and rewards for their cooperation, not penalties, fines and added expenses. Can the city take the lead in implantation then study the results first before we change any codes. (5-10 years)

I believe that certain biking usage samples noted in the report are inconclusive and further studies that include all practical hours in a 7 day week are required to establish actual patterns of bikers. Also bike trends change; kids grow up and move away, weather conditions change, people change jobs or become unable to ride for whatever reasons. The assumption here is that you'll see an increase in bike usage. What is that increase going to be? What is our reference point for measurement? Are there any examples or long term studies for reference?

Is it possible to include some exclusivity with class 1 bike routes in Torrance? I noticed the limited number of these routes in the proposed plan and only one existing short half-mile route at Torrance Beach. If we are reviewing or have development plans underway for new types of transportation systems such as people movers or rail systems, can class 1 bike lanes be added here at the same time? Are there any grants available for class 1 bike lanes?

Sincerely,

Robert Rudolph

Traffic Commissioner
City of Torrance

From: Semaan, Ted [mailto:TSEMAAN@TorranceCA.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, June 14, 2011 12:02 PM
To: David Sargent ; Doug Walter; Karen Glavin; Kathleen F. Green; Richard Tsao; Robert Rudolph; Sue Siani (suesiani@gmail.com)



South Bay Bicycle Master Plan Community Workshops

The Draft plan is ready, come tell us what you think!

Refreshments will
be provided!

All workshops are from 7-9:30 PM unless noted.

Date	City	Location
6/20	Manhattan Beach	Joslyn Community Center - 1601 N Valley Drive
6/23	Hermosa Beach	Clark Building - 861 Valley Drive, 7:30 PM - 9 PM
6/27	Torrance	Katy Geissert Library Community Room - 3301 Torrance Blvd
6/28	El Segundo	Joslyn Center - 339 Sheldon Street
6/29	Lawndale/Gardena	Nakaoka Community Center - 1670 West 162nd Street
7/11	Redondo Beach*	Redondo Beach Performing Arts Center, 1935 Manhattan Beach Blvd, 7 PM - 9 PM

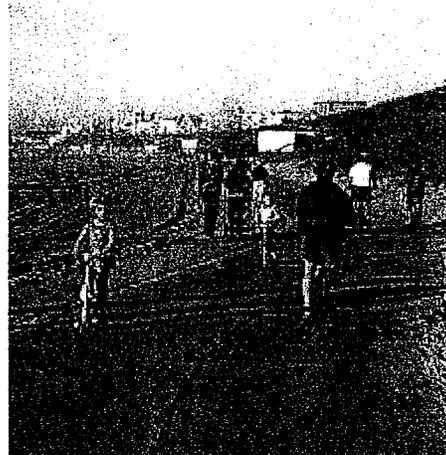


* Includes presentation by national livability expert Dan Burden, sponsored by Healthways | Blue Zone Vitality City

Please join us at an upcoming workshop to preview the draft plan and provide your input.

Public involvement from the previous workshops has helped shape the bikeways proposed for YOUR CITY. This is the final round of workshops before the plan is presented to your city council, so don't miss this one!

The plan is available for viewing after June 13th at:
www.SouthBayBicycleCoalition.org



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Regards,
Marissa Christiansen
South Bay Initiative Director

Semaan, Ted

From: Brian McCarthy [mccarthb@gmail.com]
Sent: Sunday, September 04, 2011 11:16 PM
To: Semaan, Ted
Cc: marissa@la-bike.org
Subject: South Bay Bicycle Master Plan

Dear Commissioners,

I understand that you have an opportunity to review the South Bay Bicycle Master Plan at an upcoming meeting. I am writing to strongly urge you to support the approval of this plan in its entirety.

The plan addresses the safety, environmental and connectivity issues our city so greatly needs and reflects the community's desires. I also am aware that approval of this plan will open up the City to additional funding, which seems imperative in these trying times.

I am excited to see that Manhattan Beach has joined six other cities in this endeavor and am proud to be part of a community that is taking a necessary step forward. I hope that we can be an example to the other six communities by demonstrating enthusiasm and support for this unique and important effort!

While I currently ride my bicycle to a number of destinations in Torrance. I would be able to do so more often and more frequently with the approval and implementation of this plan.

Sincerely,
Brian McCarthy
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Semaan, Ted

From: Dean Francois [savethestrand@yahoo.com]
Sent: Friday, September 02, 2011 1:04 PM
To: Semaan, Ted
Subject: Bicycle Masterplan-No Harbor Dr. Bike Path-9/6 Commission meeting
Attachments: sh1.pdf; sh2.pdf; sh3.pdf; sh4.pdf; sh5.pdf; sh6.pdf; sh7.pdf

Dear commissioners:

Please ensure that you have received and read our previous correspondence regarding the bicycle master-plan. You should already have on file a petition signed by 387 residents, many of whom are from Torrance, that support a bicycle master-plan but only if the 1-way bike path on one side of Harbor Drive in Redondo Beach is removed. Attached are 7 more pages of signatures from concerned residents. This dangerous and costly proposal with complicated traffic signals in 3 close intersections will use up scarce funds for other more well intentioned projects in the city of Torrance.

When your city council transportation committee members met, both council members Numark and Rhilinger expressed concern over this aspect of the plan. Council member Rhilinger questioned the bike coalition representative about the fact that this affects Torrance residents as well and her desire to get the coalition to work this problem out. As a former police captain, she understands that this element of the plan will not work. It will require enormous police enforcement which will not always be present and cyclists will not want to wait for long red lights at these intersections and instead be heading into traffic running red lights. She understands the dangers that this represents. The coalitions response was that the details get worked out later and this is only a small part of the master-plan.

The details are very important here. We know we do not have to wait for them later. And the master-plan only has a few class 1 bike routes in the whole south bay so this is a very important element, not to be overlooked by the bigger picture.

Please recommend to the City Council that they should pass the master-plan with a changed to remove the class 1 designation and improve the current class 2 bike lanes on Harbor Drive.

Please recommend that correspondence be made to the city commissions and city council of Redondo Beach that they should pass the master-plan with a change to remove the class 1 designation and improve the current class 2 bike lanes on Harbor Drive .

Do not be pressured into thinking you have to pass the plan the way outside consultants who do not live here

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Semaan, Ted

From: kwlaird@gmail.com on behalf of Kevin Laird [Kevin_Laird@ACM.org]
Sent: Friday, September 02, 2011 12:04 PM
To: Semaan, Ted
Cc: marissa@la-bike.org
Subject: South Bay Bicycle Master Plan

Dear Commissioners,

I understand that you have an opportunity to review the South Bay Bicycle Master Plan at an upcoming meeting. I am writing to strongly urge you to support the approval of this plan in its entirety.

The plan addresses the safety, environmental and connectivity issues our city so greatly needs and reflects the community's desires. I also am aware that approval of this plan will open up the City to additional funding, which seems imperative in these trying times.

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Sincerely,

Kevin W. Laird
8028 Regis Way
Los Angeles, CA 90045

Semaan, Ted

From: Karen Hasson [Karen.Hasson@verizon.net]
Sent: Friday, September 02, 2011 5:55 AM
To: Semaan, Ted
Subject: Southbay Bicycle Master Plan

Hi,

I live in Redondo Beach and bicycle commute to work in Lorita, riding through the city of Torrance on a daily basis. I also shop, go to the farmers market and go to church in Torrance on Sundays, by bicycle.

The South bay Bicycle Mater Plan is a comprehensive body of work that will benefit all stakeholders and provide the City of Torrance additional findings.

Please vote yes on the Southbay Bicycle Master plan.

Thank you,

Karen Hasson
Teacher and resident of Redondo Beach.

Semaan, Ted

From: edlt@earthlink.net
Sent: Friday, September 02, 2011 5:40 AM
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Sincerely,
Efrain De La Torre
2603 175th Street
Torrance, CA 90504
Sent on the Sprint® Now Network from my BlackBerry®

Semaan, Ted

From: Doug Walter [tracomm7.11@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, September 01, 2011 1:13 PM
To: Semaan, Ted; Crump, Jill
Subject: Bikes

Hi all,

I apologize for not being prompt on this but my leisure life keeps getting in the way. Having read over the final "final draft it appears that the language has been lightened. The fact of whether or not we give this our blessing or not is moot. Before it sounded almost like this will be a mandate not options that some would like implemented. I believe I'll approve this version and of course my fellow commissioners are welcome to convince me otherwise on anything I may have missed.

As ever,

Doug

Semaan, Ted

From: JOHN WILCOX [johnwilcoxrealty@verizon.net]
Sent: Wednesday, August 31, 2011 9:55 PM
To: vwesson@elsegundo.org; Semaan, Ted
Cc: Marissa@LA-Bike.org
Subject: South Bay Bike Plan

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Sincerely,
John Wilcox
462 Rosecrans Ave
Manhattan Beach

Semaan, Ted

From: Dale Mooney [dmooney1@socal.rr.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 31, 2011 7:45 PM
To: Semaan, Ted
Subject: South Bay Bicycle Master Plan

Dear Commissioners,

I understand that you have an opportunity to review the South Bay Bicycle Master Plan at an upcoming meeting. As a Torrance resident who commutes to work in Manhattan Beach daily by bicycle, I would like to strongly urge you to support the approval of this plan in its entirety.

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I am excited that Torrance has joined with six other cities in this endeavor and am proud to be a part of a community that is taking a necessary step forward. I hope that Torrance can be an example to the other communities by demonstrating enthusiasm and support for this unique and important effort!

Sincerely,
Dale Mooney
1751 W 242nd Place
Torrance, CA 90501

Semaan, Ted

From: Mitch Levine [mitch8400@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 31, 2011 5:12 PM
To: Semaan, Ted
Subject: Bike Plan

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Sincerely,
Mitch Levine
4626 Cathann Street
Torrance

Semaan, Ted

From: Bill Fournell [fournwi@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 31, 2011 5:10 PM
To: Semaan, Ted
Cc: Marissa Christiansen
Subject: South Bay Bicycle Plan Support

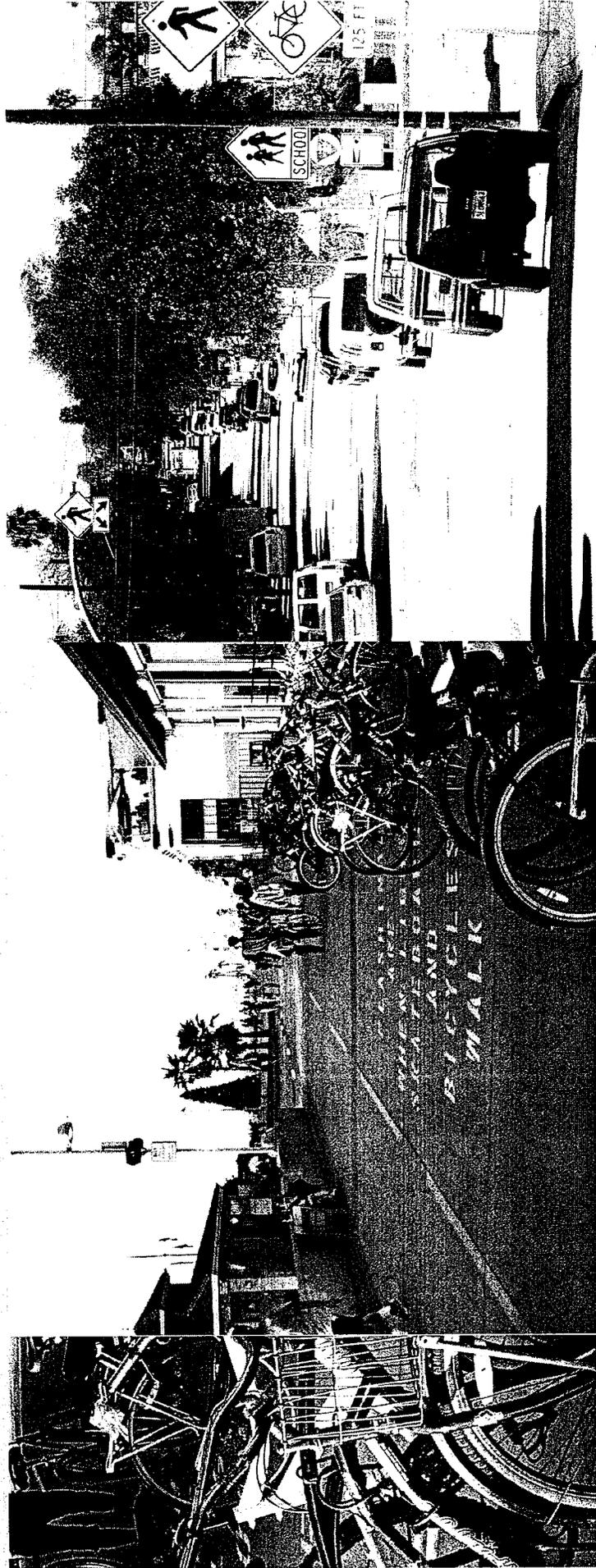
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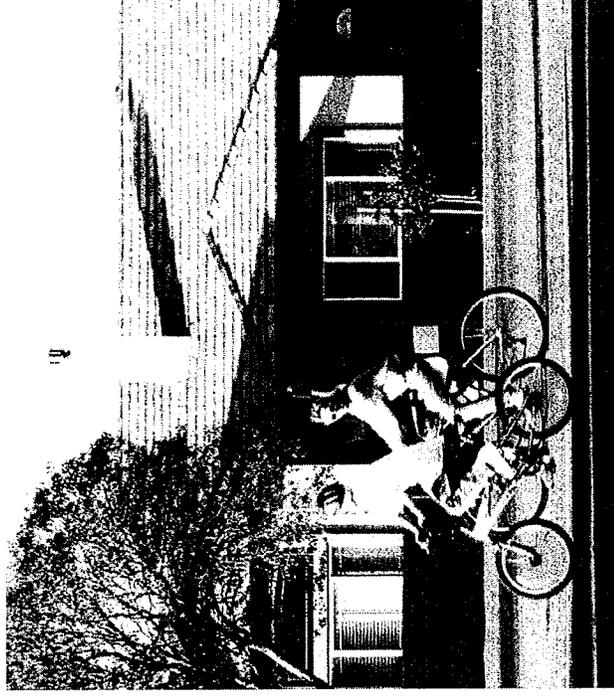
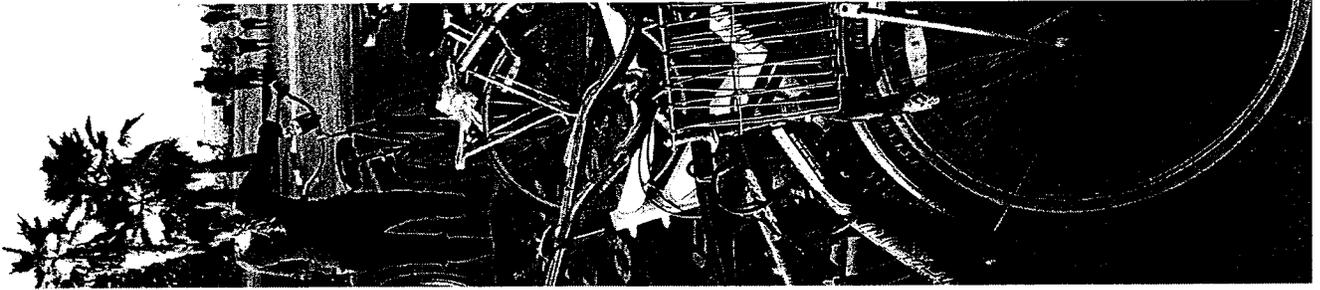
Sincerely,
Bill Fournell
594 27th Street
Manhattan Beach, CA 90266



Plan Purpose

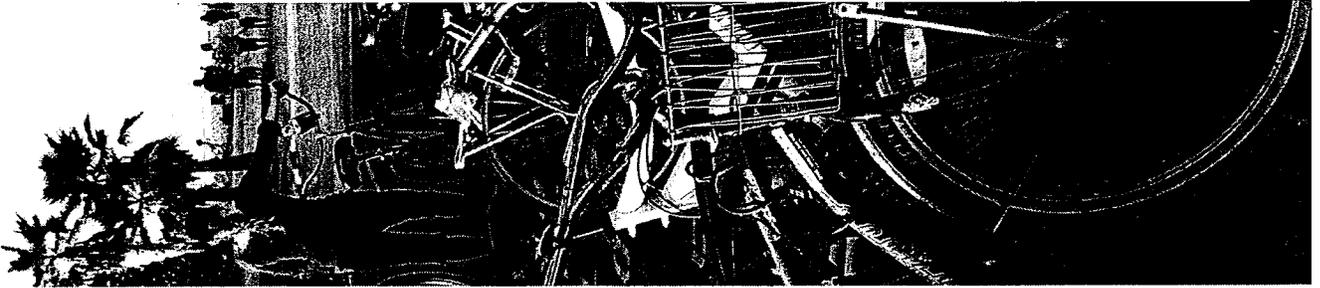
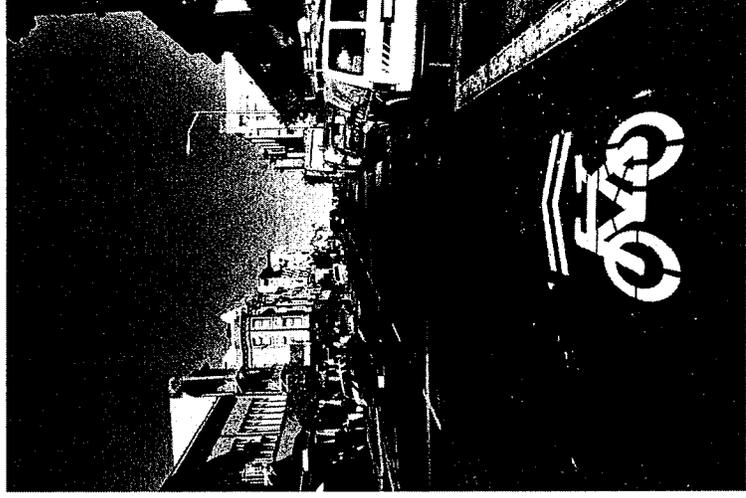
Guidelines, policies and a unified vision for the following priorities:

- Regional connectivity
- Encourage new bicyclists
- Support active transportation
- Improve road safety



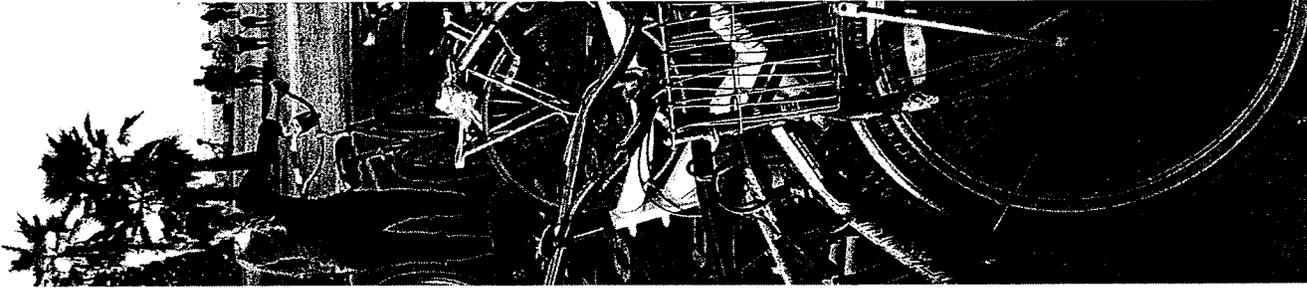
Plan Benefits

- Grant funding
- Property values, business revenues, job creation (Toronto, Indianapolis IN, Seminole FL, Fort Worth TX, Baltimore MD)
- Increased bike ridership – If you build it they will come! (Portland OR, New York NY, Boulder CO)
- Increased road safety for all users (Davis CA, San Francisco CA, Vancouver, New York)

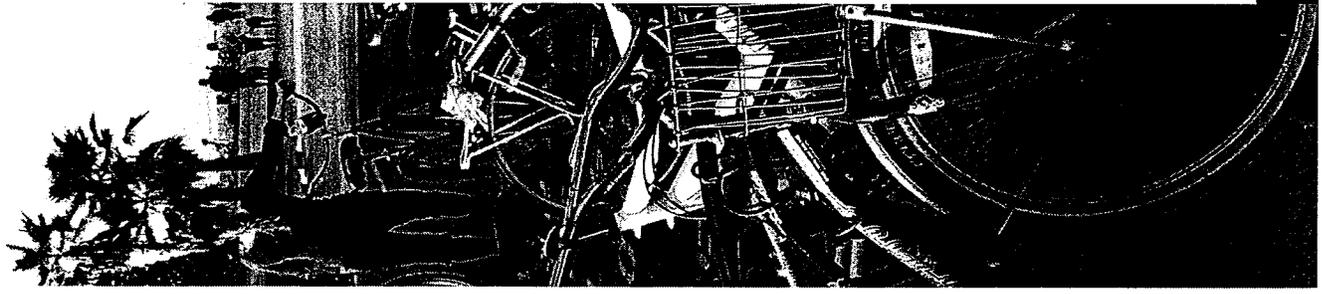
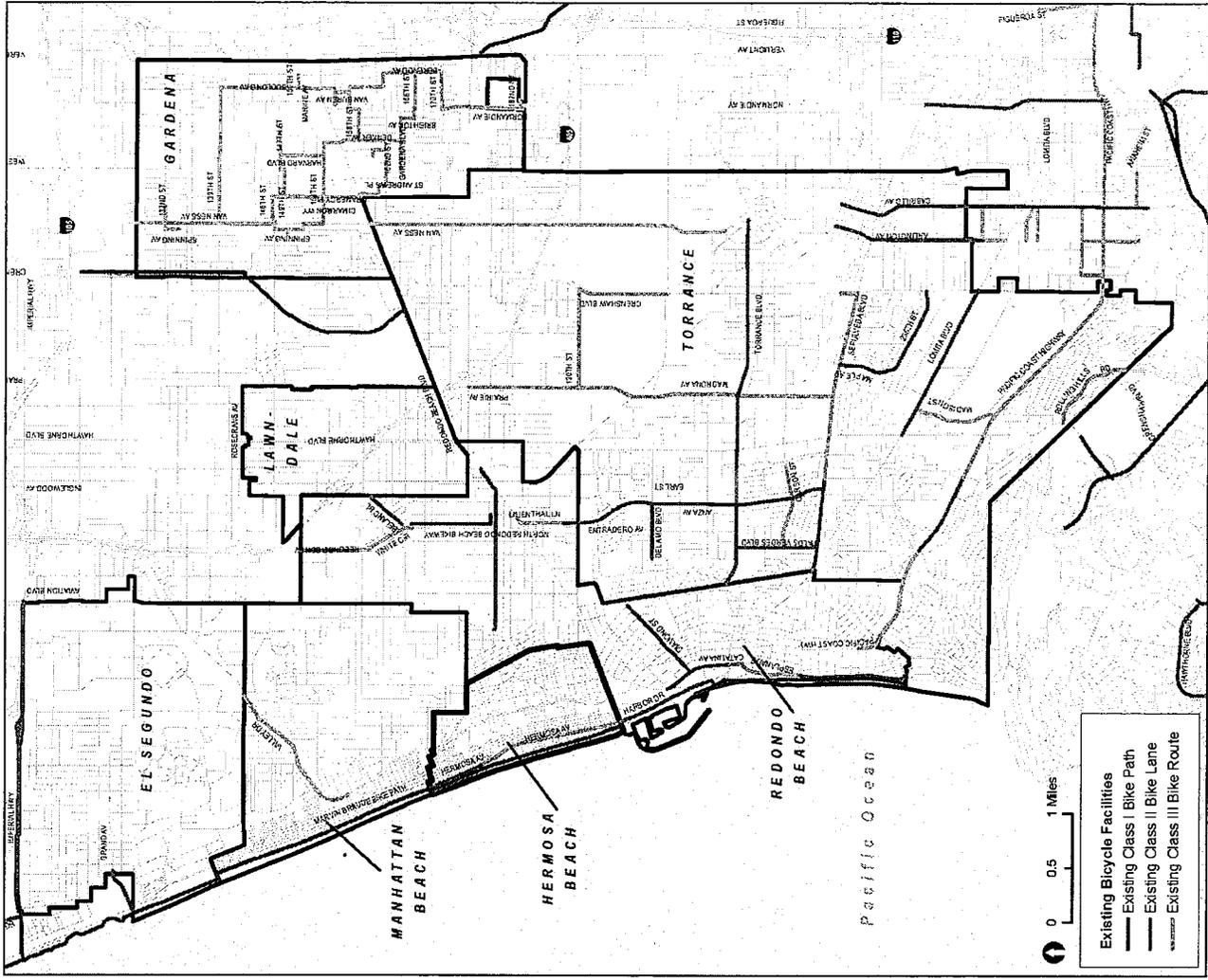


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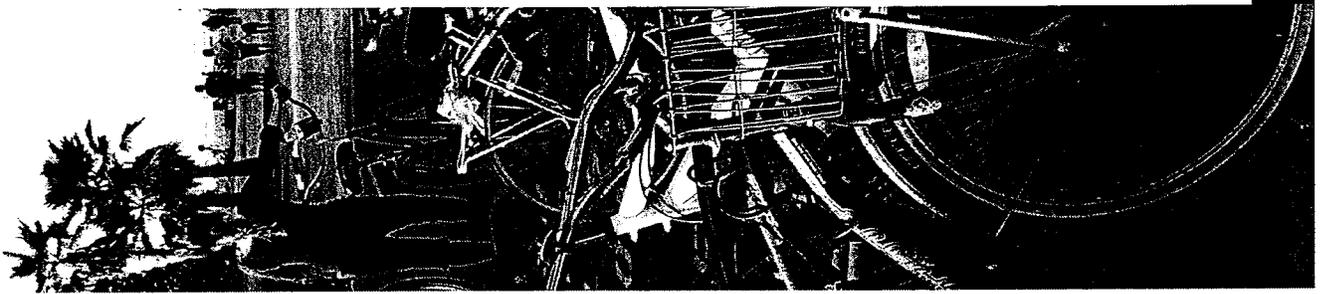
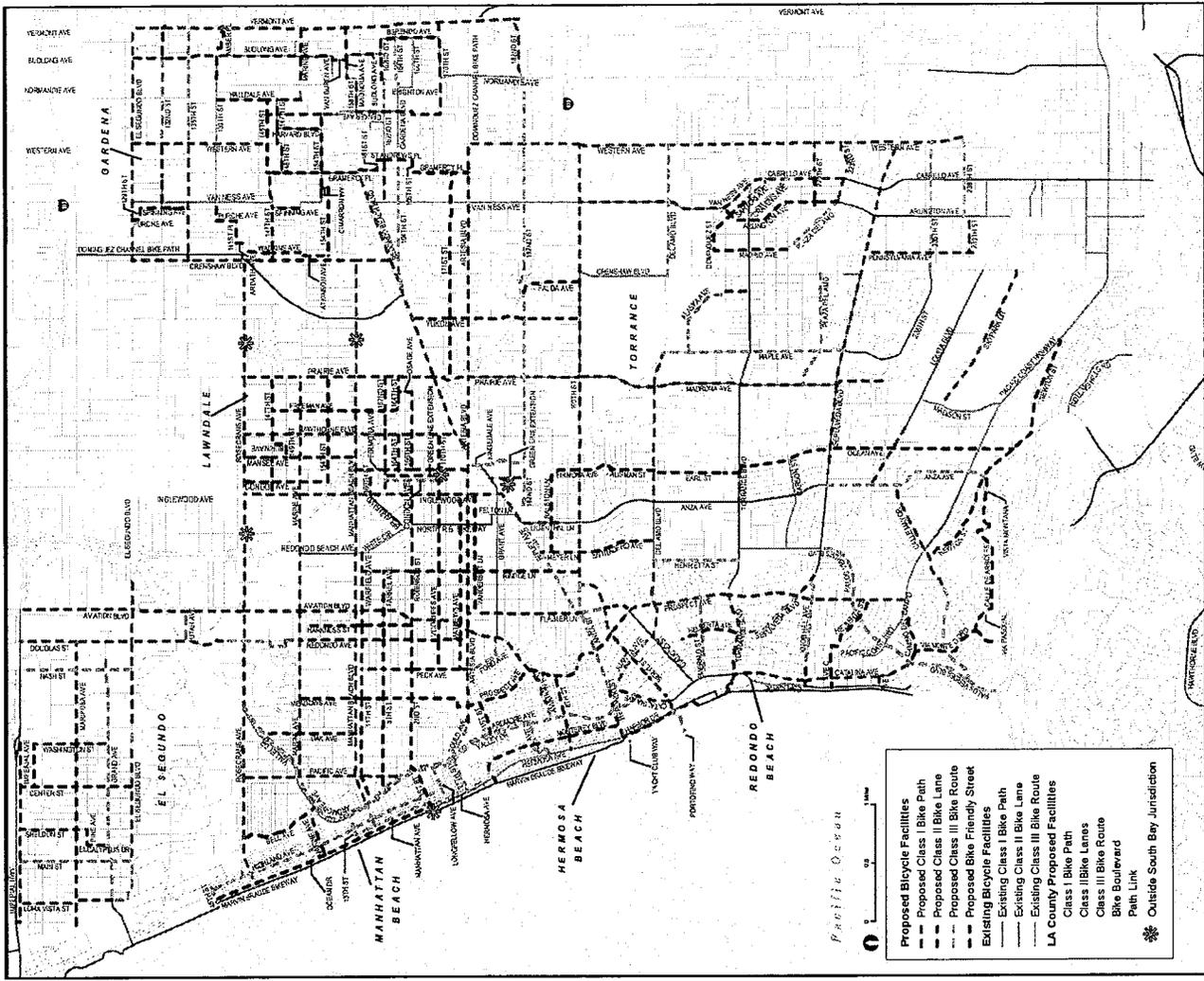
- Federal
 - Highway Safety Improvement Program
 - Community Transformation Grant
- State
 - Bicycle Transportation Account
 - Safe Routes to School
- Regional
 - Metro Call for Projects
 - Measure R, Proposition A/C
- Other
 - Bikes Belong
 - Public/private partnerships



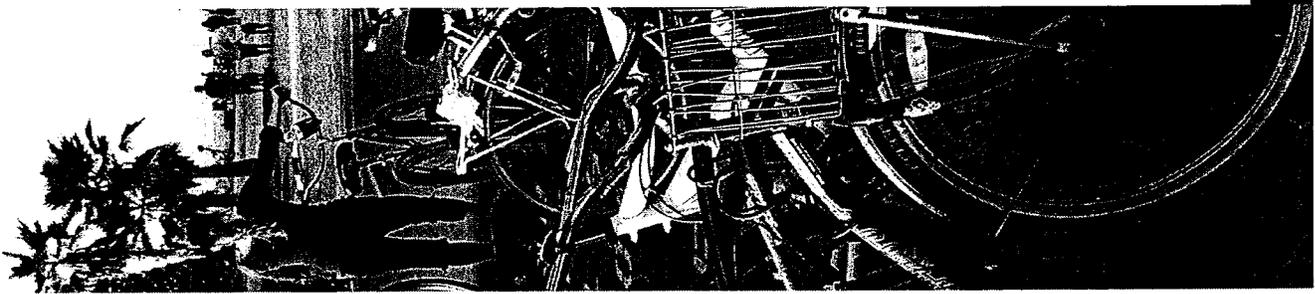
Existing Network



Proposed Network



Proposed Network



City	Existing Mileage	Proposed Mileage	Roadway Mileage	20 Year Implementation Cost*
El Segundo	5.8	21.3	84.8	\$1,589,000
Gardena	15.7	31.3	114.7	\$1,170,000
Hermosa Beach	5.1	9.4	44.3	\$269,000
Lawndale	0.0	19.7	44.1	\$1,008,000
Manhattan Beach	3.2	31.0	105.3	\$1,153,000
Redondo Beach	14.1	38.1	128.0	\$1,895,000
Torrance	29.3	63.0	355.4	\$2,449,000
TOTAL	73.2	213.8	876.6	\$9,533,000

*Cost based on 2011 dollars

Plan Benefits

- More money for the City
- Increased property values and business revenues
- Healthier community
- More bikes on the road
- Safer roads

