

SCOPING REPORT FOR A COMPREHENSIVE CYCLING STRATEGY

Purpose: Develop a comprehensive cycling strategy that identifies actions The City will take in the short, medium and long term in order to make Calgary a bicycle-friendly city for all – a city where cycling is a great option for transportation and recreation purposes.

Resources: Transportation Planning will lead the development of the strategy with support from Parks. Input will be required from the other business units related to particular actions.

Engagement Strategy: Engagement for the development of a comprehensive cycling strategy will adhere to the cornerstones of The City of Calgary's engage! policy: accountability, inclusiveness, transparency, commitment and responsiveness.

Administration will use two parts of the engage! spectrum including "Listen and Learn" and "Consult".

Administration, in addition to gathering information from cyclists and the general public, will form an external stakeholder committee to advise administration on the development of the cycling strategy. The committee will consist of representatives from various cycling organizations including, but not limited to, Calgary Pathway and Bikeway Advisory Council (CPAC), Bike Calgary, Calgary tour de nuit Society and Elbow Valley Cycle Club (EVCC). The committee will also have members from the general public that are not affiliated with any cycling organization.

Contents of Cycling Strategy:

Part 1 – Vision, Guiding Principles and Objectives

- Restatement of policies from the CTP/MDP and guiding principles from the 2001 Pathway and Bikeway Plan.

Part 2 – 10-year review (1999-2009)

- Review of last 10 years in relation to cycling:
 - Cycling trends and influencers
 - Data about cycling in Calgary
 - Achievements to date
 - Top cycling-related issues
 - Best practices from other cities

Part 3 – Implementation Strategy

- Develop recommended actions that support The City's ability to plan, design, build, operate and maintain a successful bicycle network.
- Develop recommended actions to encourage bicycle use, increase acceptance and understanding among roadway and pathway users, reduce the frequency and severity of bike accidents and reduce conflicts between cyclists, pedestrians and motorists.
- Recommended actions will identify:
 - timelines for implementation (focus on short and medium term actions)
 - project costs (capital and operating),
 - business unit(s) responsible for leading and supporting the action

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Part 4 – Funding Programs

- Identify funding sources and resource requirements for the implementation of key short and medium term actions.

Part 5 – Monitoring

- Develop targets and performance measures to monitor the success of actions recommended in the comprehensive cycling strategy. Targets and performance measures will align with the 2009 Calgary Transportation Plan & Municipal Development Plan.
- Develop a timeline for how and when to report back to Council with a status on the recommended actions.

Appendix – Engagement Strategy

- Process and list of stakeholders