

Memorandum

TO: City Council Workshop
FROM: David Yang , Staff Engineer
DATE: June 15, 2026
SUBJECT: Discussion with bikeways and trails committee
**ITEM
NUMBER:** 1.a
SECTION: GENERAL BUSINESS

REQUESTED MOTION

The city council and bikeways and trails committee will be holding a joint meeting to review the committee's recent activities and discuss future goals.

INTRODUCTION

The bikeways and trails committee continues to focus their efforts on the development and promotion of the city's trails and bikeways through community engagement and discussions, along with hosting the annual Tour de Trails. In addition, the committee is actively reporting maintenance needs and identifying deficiencies in the trail network throughout the city, providing feedback on local and regional roadway projects impacting non-vehicular transportation, and educating residents on bicycle safety and state statutes at community events such as Springfest and the Slice of Shoreview.

Since the last joint meeting with the city council in the fall of 2024, the committee has been involved in a variety of projects alongside their primary responsibilities as an advisory group to the city council. In 2025, the committee partnered with Chippewa Middle School to pursue funding to address the significant lack of bicycle racks to meet student demand at the school. Despite having been unable to secure funding for the project, the initiative brought the issue to light within the community. In 2026, the committee, in partnership with Gallery 96, was awarded grants from the Shoreview Community Foundation and Ramsey Washington Metro Watershed District to complete a mural in the Highway 96 tunnel, located next to the community center's lower level parking lot. This project is intended to bring community members together, make the space more inviting, deter vandalism, foster a share sense of local identity, bring attention to local waterways, and enhance the overall atmosphere of Commons Park.

Along with these accomplishments, the committee has had a successful impact on the implementation of three items from their trail wish list, with another scheduled to be completed in 2026. The committee has long advocated for these improvements at the local and county levels for several years, along with gathering community feedback and channeling it to staff. The committee's trail wish list is attached.

In addition to their trail wish list, the committee has drafted a memo to the city council proposing infrastructure upgrades to improve safety for all forms of transportation in

Shoreview in response to input from community interactions. The intention of this document is to serve as a guide for the city council and staff as they work on the 2050 comprehensive plan and future projects. The committee's memo is attached.

Over the next two years, the committee will continue to focus on fulfilling their primary responsibilities by taking on initiatives to improve trail accessibility, user safety, and user experiences. The committee will also continue to adapt their engagement strategies and focus to align with the current state of non-vehicular transportation, regulations, local user needs, and city council priorities. The committee's two-year work plan for 2027-2028 is attached.

DISCUSSION

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the city council discuss the goals of the bikeways and trails committee and provide guidance.

ATTACHMENTS

[BTC Trail Wish List 03-05-2026.pdf](#)

[Memo to City Council re Safety Features v.3.pdf](#)

[BTC 2027-2028 Work Plan.pdf](#)