



City of San Antonio

Agenda Memorandum

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In Control: Transportation and Mobility Committee

DEPARTMENT: Office of the City Auditor

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COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Citywide

SUBJECT:

Review of the TCI Bike Master Plan

SUMMARY:

A briefing to discuss the City Auditor's Office review of the TCI Bike Master Plan.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

In September of 2011, the City Council passed the Bike Master Plan to promote the implementation of proposed bike facilities throughout the corridors of the city. The City's goal of the plan was to increase ridership for daily travel and improve cycling safety by making the bike network accessible, direct, and continuous.

The plan recommended 881 miles of bike facilities to be implemented across San Antonio. See chart below for a summary of recommended bike facilities.

2011 Bike Master Plan Recommendations

Facility Type	Description (See Appendix A)	Count	Miles
Separated Bike Lane	Physical barrier between bike facility and vehicle lane	30	12
Buffered Bike Lane	Additional painted buffer	24	22
Bike Lane	Striped, includes pavement markings and signage	922	585
Cycle Track	Protected, outside of the pavement, exclusively for bikes	7	3

Multi-Use Path	Protected, outside of the pavement, shared w/ pedestrians	74	118
Sharrow	Includes pavement markings and signage	68	29
Signed Route	Signed facility with no pavement markings	191	74
Shoulder	Striping with no bike pavement markings	29	38
TOTAL		1,345	881

Also included in the plan was an implementation strategy to identify methods for strengthening the execution of the recommended bike facilities. The goals of the implementation strategy were to dedicate funding, obtain political commitment, and establish partnerships to implement the facilities and programs in the plan. Additionally, listed below are the initial objectives of the implementation strategy:

- Increase staffing and funding for appropriate areas of the city to implement the goals and objectives of the 2011 Bike Master Plan.
- Institutionalize bike planning through new or revised policies, code amendments, operating procedures, and citizen advisory committees.
- Engage and coordinate with other departments, agencies, and organizations to leverage resources and strengthen implementation efforts.
- Periodically monitor implementation progress and update the Bike Master Plan on a regular basis.

ISSUE:

The Office of the City Auditor conducted a review of the status of the 2011 Bike Master Plan managed by the Transportation and Capital Improvements Department (TCI). The request included validation of the completed bike facilities along with comparing the bike facilities to the initial 2011 Bike Master Plan. The objectives were:

- Validate the current bike facilities and mileage reported by TCI.
- Compare the 2011 Bike Master Plan to the list of completed bike facilities to identify how many of the originally proposed miles were actually implemented.
- Identify the criteria and methodology utilized in determining the implementation or rejection of proposed bike facilities.

ALTERNATIVES:

This item is for briefing purposes only.

FISCAL IMPACT:

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RECOMMENDATION:

Staff will present a briefing on this item subject to possible action by the committee.