

Bike Plan Update 2004
Comments
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Acknowledgements

Include SF BAC

Executive Summary

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Use of word “should” : can we make a stronger statement? How can we hold the city accountable for getting these implementations done?

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6. Create taskforce to reduce # of stolen bikes

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Action 2.12 How will DPW know to sweep “whenever there is a n accumulation of gravel, glass, sand, etc.” will there be a patrol of these areas?

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Change all “shoulds” to will

Page VIII

Take out “whenever feasible” we should be able to walk or bike over any bridge. Period.

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Action 5.8 Add a bike education section to Drivers Ed in high school.

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Educate motorists (including SFPD!) about signaling turns and how this affects cyclists safety. So many drivers don’t signal turns or lane changes. It is hard to predict where they are going.

Introduction

Travel time to work: does this include the time it takes to find parking? What about traveling car with traffic? Not clear on this study.

Chapter 2 Bike Network

Action 2.14 Enforce street work to use safer temporary patches (no deep potholes while work is in progress) very dangerous!

Action 2.17 Allow bikes on sidewalks as required. !!!

Amend Congestion Management Regulations and Revise LOS Section to include acknowledgement of the environmental benefits of cycling, walking and transit use.

Enforce the Steel Plates section... is this law yet?

Fix Broadway tunnel problem

Chapter 3 Bike Parking

Action 3.10 I wholeheartedly agree. This is like asking wheel chair users to not bring their chairs into buildings. I don’t understand why bikes are not allowed in buildings. Especially where there is no safe parking.

Class 1 bike parking should be free where ever auto parking is free or where ever bikes are not allowed in buildings. Duh!

Chapter 4 Transit and Bridge Access

Action 4.21 Make BART have a bike car like Caltrain does. BART is not set up for bikes. Having a bike on board with no place to secure it is both uncomfortable and dangerous. BART should designate part of a car (near the front of the train, for safety) to bikes, by removing seats and installing bungeed racks as Caltrain has done.

Also, expand service so that people with bikes can use BART during commute hours so that they can get to work like everybody else. Especially since there is no bike access on the Bay Bridge, this is absolutely necessary. Make BART stations easier to move around in with bike (ticket gate does not accommodate bikes easily)

Action 4.7, Action 4.8

Bike access on ALL BRIDGES including West span of Bay Bridge (it is just dumb to have bike path only on half of a bridge ie: treasure island to east bay.)

Action 4.1 yes, designs should be made to accommodate bikes on muni to make it safe and convenient for all riders.

Caltrain access increase number of bike cars on baby bullets.

Upgrade BART Bike station access and parking

Golden Gate Bridge

As more and more people bike we need to organize Peds and bikes—a very dangerous combination.

1. stripe east walkway to show direction of travel
2. make direct access available to bikes on west side to have less bike/ped conflict.

Chapter 5 Education

Action 5.31 Great idea

Education General Public

Add Competitive cyclists to list of population groups

Coexist Campaign

NEEDS CORRECTION!

CVC permits bicycles to use the full lane where otherwise not safe
NOT only where warning signs are installed!!

Action 5.7

Cycling should also be promoted as Sport

Possible topics to be addressed in **adult bicycling education** classes include:

Add: Bike Racing links to www.ncnca.org

Chapter 6 Enforcement

6.4 Cyclists need recognition under the law as road users. On par with motor vehicles

*need to pass on right

*need protection from Dooring

Enforcement of non signal use for lane changes and turns

Education of police officers

Have some kind of reporting mechanism on website for violations against bikes

6-11 “many officers are still not aware of all the rights bicyclists have to use City streets as provided by the CVC”

EDUCATE SFPD

Chapter 7 Promotion

Bike racing

Add dates for Giro di SF (Labor day) Presidio Criterium late September.

See: www.ncnca.org for more information and complete calendar