

TABLE 1: Overview of League of American Bicyclists Recommendations and Proposed Action Steps

Recommendation	Action Steps
ENGINEERING	
Increase of bike parking	Bike parking is on the referral list to the Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Public Works Committee and is expected to be heard in late Summer 2014. Update of bike parking facilities inventory is in progress; staff is recommending the evaluation of additional types of bike racks to complement city standards. Staff is also planning to use the engageGNV platform to collect input on bike parking needs.
Expansion of cycling network including a diversity of facility types and wayfinding signage	Several projects both on/off-street are identified pending availability of funding; projects are included in the sales tax list and staff continues to seek funding opportunities through grants or development contributions through the Transportation Mobility Program Area (TMPA) program. Funding is also needed for the implementation of a comprehensive wayfinding signage system. Implementation of the bike boulevard system is underway.
Mechanism to report hazards and maintenance of roadways	Currently hazards can be reported through the Public Works website. Staff will evaluate options to increase accessibility of the tool including optimization of Google search and placement of additional links on the city's website and mobile application. In addition, staff is evaluating a 311 system for implementation that would facilitate reporting of hazards. Significant roadway resurfacing projects are planned with the additional funding allocated in the City's Capital Improvement Plan and as part of the proposed sales tax that will improve conditions for all users.
Reduction of speeds to 25 mph in the downtown, around schools and shopping centers, and in neighborhoods and use of traffic calming devices.	Staff will evaluate the downtown area and the vicinity of other activity centers for the feasibility of lowering speed limits and will coordinate with GPD as appropriate on enforcement needs. There is currently a moratorium on the implementation of traffic calming devices.
EDUCATION	
Outreach and access to schools.	The City has a robust outreach program that for years has focused on school age children. The program is currently being evaluated and restructured to incorporate high schools, increase coordination with the University of Florida and Santa Fe College, and increase adult education opportunities.
Adult education.	
ENCOURAGEMENT	
Promote a variety of events throughout the year.	City staff is working closely with local cycling advocacy groups and FDOT to facilitate the organization of local events such as the Celebration of Cycling and the OpenStreets planned for October 2014; and a bike boulevard event planned for the Fall.
Launch a bike share system.	Staff continues to coordinate with the University of Florida to evaluate feasibility of implementation of a coordinated system. UF student government has funding for implementation and is currently evaluating different options. There is currently no funding allocated in the CIP for a bike share system.
Bicycle Friendly Business program.	Information will be added to the city's bike/ped website about the bicycle friendly business program and outreach will be conducted to encourage participation. Coordination with local advocacy groups will also aid in this effort.
Bicycle Friendly University program.	Staff will share information with University staff as part of the on-going meetings. The City Commission could send a letter to the University encouraging their participation in the League of American Bicyclist program as part of a collaborative effort with the City.
ENFORCEMENT	
Enhance lighting along paths.	Currently there is no funding dedicated for lighting enhancements for bike facilities. Programmed roadway projects along Depot Ave and SW 6th St include lighting improvements that will enhance adjacent trails.
Regulations and enforcement to protect cyclists.	Staff will work with GPD and the City Attorney's office to determine feasibility of implementation or modification of existing regulations and will develop an action plan.
EVALUATION & PLANNING	
Increase bike staffing levels.	Public Works implemented a different approach to maximize use of available staff resources and strengthen the bike/ped program. The 'Active Transportation Team' was formed to identify and recommend solutions to improve access and safety, assist with design and plan reviews, and to develop a bike action plan to consolidate the different bike efforts and further strengthen the vision for the establishment of a balanced transportation system. The team is multi-functional comprised of Public Works staff in planning, engineering, traffic operations, and bike/ped; invitations were submitted to other departments to further complement the team.
Develop a bike plan.	
Establish targets and enhance data collection.	Data collection mechanisms were implemented in 2014 allowing the establishment of a base line for trail usage and roadway bike usage. This will help monitor trends over time and to evaluate effectiveness of strategies and investments to incentivize cycling and walking. Funding is needed to expand the count program.