

Date: February 24, 2026

To: Carolina Beach Town Council

From: Rodney Kidd, Chair, CB Bike and Pedestrian Committee

RE: Committee Goals for 2026

The Bike and Pedestrian Committee met on February 16th, 2026, to discuss ongoing goals for the upcoming year.

1. Bicycle Friendly Community Application. In 2025, Town Council approved the submission of the Bicycle Friendly Community Application so that Carolina Beach can be certified as a Bicycle Friendly Community through the League of American Bicyclists. The Committee is working with CB staff on completing the application which is due on June 17, 2026.
2. Carolina Beach Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan. In 2025, the Committee worked on updating and consolidating the two Bicycle and Pedestrian plans with CB staff and VHB Consultants. This plan was finalized in April 2025. The Committee would like to present Town Council with recommended priorities for master plan implementation. The Committee will review projects that can be done without NCDOT approval and that would provide the most benefit to the Town's citizens and tourists. The Committee recognizes that some projects listed in the plan are already underway. This would be an ongoing process based upon funding availability and completion of existing projects.
3. BikeWalk Summit. BikeWalk NC selected Carolina Beach to host the annual BikeWalk Summit in 2026. BikeWalk NC is a membership-based statewide advocacy organization promoting non-motorized transportation choices for residents of and visitors to NC. The Committee will coordinate with the Kure Beach Bike and Pedestrian Committee as well as BikeWalk NC to organize the meeting. It will be held in September and is a multi-day conference with attendees from across the state.
4. Carolina Beach Event Bike Racks. The Committee will continue to support large events by placing extra bike racks at the Boardwalk. This has been successful for the Kite Festival and other events.
5. Tour de Island. The Kure Beach Bike and Pedestrian organized an annual island-wide bike ride which originated in 2024. The Committee will coordinate with Kure Beach to organize and volunteer for the event.
6. NC Police Department Bike Rodeo. The Committee has worked with the CBPD in past years to provide a traffic garden which teaches kids the rules of the road for bicycles. The Committee intends to do this again in 2026.
7. RodeoBike Buses/Traffic Garden. The Committee volunteers in community educational opportunities geared toward biking, pedestrian safety, and trail maintenance.