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March 13, 2026

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Keith R. Sydnor
Council President Brencis D. Smith
Laurel City Councilmembers

FROM: Timothy H. Miller, Director, Department of Public Works

SUBJ: 2026 Bikeway Master Plan Update

The Department of Public Works has completed a comprehensive update to the 2016 Bikeway Master Plan (City's most recently adopted). This revised edition successfully implemented routes while introducing strategic new pathways designed to enhance network connectivity across the City.

The Department of Public Works convened six sessions of the Bikeway and Pedestrian Citizens Advisory Committee between 2025 and 2026. Outlined below are the meeting dates, executive summaries, and formal recommendations submitted by the Committee.

Meeting #	Date	Summary	Recommendations
1	April 8, 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Cherry Lane Bikeway Concept Study presentation by DPW staff- Application for Grant Funding for the Cherry Lane Bikeway design- Most recent Bikeway Master Plan presentation by DPW staff.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- The Committee discussed the need for future bike lanes development to focus on Bikeway connectivity.
2	June 10, 2025	*** Canceled due to no quorum ***	None
3	August 5, 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Election of the Chair and Vice Chair- Updated Committee members on status of Cherry Lane Bikeway Design Grant	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Committee members discussed making a recommendation to Council to



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		- Committee members have been requested to cast their votes on the preferred design alternative for the Cherry Lane Bikeway during the upcoming meeting.	reach to other jurisdictions for future possible Bikeways.
4	September 17, 2025	- The vote for Cherry Lane Bikeway design alternatives was taken. - Committee members were invited to provide recommendations on potential roadway segments for inclusion in the upcoming Bikeway Master Plan.	- The Committee recommended the City implement a combination of alternative # 2 and #3.
5	October 22, 2025	- DPW working with KCI on concept study based on committees suggested combination of alternative #2 and #3	- Committee members recommended state roadway MD198/Gorman Ave. between 8 th and 7 th to bikeway plan. (SHA owned ROW)
6	January 14, 2026	- Master plan first draft revisions completed.	None

Please find the Department of Public Works updated revisions for February 2026 outlined below:

- **Data Integration:** All datasets have been comprehensively reviewed and updated to ensure they reflect the most current information available.
- **Bike Plan Road Segment Data:** Table #1 on page 14 has been revised to align with the current strategic plan and latest segment analytics.
- **Cost Estimate Adjustments:** The cost estimate section has been recalibrated using the most recent unit pricing derived from the City's latest solicitations and competitive bids, that includes cost for bike racks, concrete pads, thermoplastic pavement marking and symbols, and signages.



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- **Bikeway Revisions:** The following proposed City Bikeways have been modified as follows:

8th Street

8th Street, from Montgomery Street to Montrose Avenue, is incorporated into the City's Bikeway Master Plan as a designated shared-use path.

St. Mary's Place

The entire St. Mary's Place corridor is added to the City's Master Plan to facilitate a shared-use path connection between the proposed 8th Street and Main Street bikeways.

Dorset Road

The proposed bikeway limits for Dorset Road have been extended to encompass the entire corridor, establishing a shared-use path connection between Brooklyn Bridge Road and Old Sandy Spring Road.

Montgomery Street

The proposed bikeway limits for Montgomery Street have been extended to the intersection of 8th Street and St. Mary's Place as a shared-use path.

Marshall Ave

A new bikeway proposal for Marshall Avenue, extending from Staggers Road to Bowie Road, has been added to the Master Plan as a shared-use path.

Clubhouse Boulevard

The proposed bikeway at Clubhouse Boulevard has been revised from its original design to a dedicated on-road bike lane.

Cypress Street

Cypress Street is added to the Master Plan to extend the existing on-road bike lane from Oxford Drive to Westmeath Drive. Due to limited right-of-way width, this segment will be a shared-use path. This addition effectively connects the Mulberry Street bike lane to the existing hiker/biker trails at Wellington and Van Dusen Road.

Westmeath Drive



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Westmeath Drive is added to the Master Plan as a shared-use path to connect the proposed Cypress Street bikeway to the existing hiker/biker trail at Van Dusen Road.

Laurel Park Drive

The Laurel Park Drive bikeway is added to the Master Plan as a shared-use path to complete the connection between Westmeath Drive and the Van Dusen Road hiker/biker trails. This infrastructure will provide critical multi-modal access for residents of the new Oaks at Laurel development (84 townhouses) currently under construction at Park Center Drive.

Given that the majority of the proposed routes in the revised Bikeway Master Plan consist of shared-use paths, the Department of Public Works has the in-house capacity to begin implementation this spring.

It is noted the City has been awarded a \$200,000 state grant to initiate the 65% design phase for the Cherry Lane Bikeway, following the 2023 concept study by KCI Technologies, Inc. We are currently awaiting the final execution of the grant agreement from the State. Furthermore, the Department of Public Works intends to incorporate on-road bicycle lanes as part of the Stagers Road Capital Improvement Program, scheduled for implementation in Fiscal Year 2026.

Should you have any questions or desire further information, please contact Tim Miller at (301) 725-0088, extension 3206.

Sincerely,
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Documents attached:

- Revised 2026 Bikeway Master plan
- Revised 2026 Bikeway Map