

## Transportation Commission

### Follow-up to People for Bikes Submission – provided with March 20, 2019 meeting materials

Commissioner questions submitted after the meeting, and staff responses, are provided below.

- 1. Quick question on the People For Bikes submission. The answer submitted for "Marked Bike Boulevards" has .6 miles completed as of 2017, and 1.5 new miles planned for completion in 2019. Is this accurate? To my knowledge, Ann Arbor has no existing "Marked Bike Boulevards." I'm also unaware of any plans to complete 1.5 miles of Bike Boulevard this year.**

We have looked at the numbers more closely based on this inquiry and we have determined that some information was incorrect in the City's People for Bikes application. Additional detail below:

#### **New 1.5 miles**

This represents the First, Ashley and William Street Project. A classification error was made on the application. The 1.5 miles should have been added to the "*Protected Bike Lane*" *Number of new miles planned for completion in 2019* category, and was incorrectly placed in the *Proposed Bike Boulevard* category.

#### **Completed 0.6 miles**

This represents Washington from Revena to Third. At the time the application was completed staff was still working towards installing a component of a bicycle boulevard as part of the utility work planned for Washington. The data entered on the application was consistent with staff's thinking at that time. However, the bike boulevard implementation was later determined to be a larger topic, and was entered in the CIP as a separate project. As such, the bike boulevard was not completed with the Washington Street utility work.

#### **Next steps**

Based on what we learned from these questions, staff contacted *People for Bikes* to explain and correct the data. The *People for Bikes* response is provided below:

**From:** Jennifer Boldry <[doch@peopleforbikes.org](mailto:doch@peopleforbikes.org)>

**Sent:** Thursday, March 28, 2019 11:58 AM

**To:** TSE, Matthew <[MTSE@a2gov.org](mailto:MTSE@a2gov.org)>

**Subject:** Re: Thank you for submitting the PlacesForBikes City Snapshot

Hi Matthew,

Sounds like great news for Ann Arbor - thanks so much for sharing!

*The data in the City Snapshot is meant to reflect plans through the end of 2019. Additionally, the City Ratings have been finalized for 2019. As a result, we aren't able to change Ann Arbor's City Snapshot data at this time.*

*The upside is that when you report for 2020, your network and/or acceleration score will go up depending on whether those facilities are planned or built by the end of the year.*

*Thanks for reaching out and keep up the good work!*

*Sincerely,*

*Jennifer*

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*On Thu, Mar 28, 2019 at 9:01 AM TSE, Matthew <[MTSE@a2gov.org](mailto:MTSE@a2gov.org)> wrote:*

*Hi Jennifer,*

*I submitted a CitySnapshot for the City of Ann Arbor back in mid-January. Recently, it was brought to my attention that a couple of projects have been shifted around and that the bicycle boulevard plans we reported in this year's snapshot are transitioning to a two-way protected segment planned for 2020 instead.*

*If changes to our application are possible, the following gives a more accurate depiction of the city's plans for 2019:*

- Marked bike boulevards planned in 2019: 0 mi*
- Protected bike lanes planned in 2019: 0.75 mi*

*Thank you,*

*Matt"*

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