# City of Houston
# Bicycle Advisory Committee
# Infrastructure Subcommittee

Meeting to be held virtually via Microsoft Office Teams
**Wednesday, June 3, 2020 2:30 – 4:30pm**

**Online Meeting Link:** Join Microsoft Teams Meeting

**Call-In Option:** +1 936-755-1521 **Conference ID:** 172 644 268#

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Comments received via email before 2:00pm on June 3, 2020 will be read into the record during public comment.

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## Agenda

Discussion Regarding the Following Items:

1. Chair's Report
2. Public Comment
3. Update on Mayor's COVID-19 Slow Streets Initiative
4. Bikeway Project Updates
5. Planning for 500 Miles of Bikeways Workshop Development
6. Brays and White Oak Bayou Detours
7. Future Agenda Items
    a. Bike Counters
    b. Bikeway Evaluation Process
    c. Bikeway Maintenance Strategy
8. Announcements

**DRAFT Minutes of the Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC)**
**Infrastructure Subcommittee**

**June 3, 2020**
Meeting held in
Virtual via Microsoft Teams
2:30 p.m.

**Call to Order**
In absence of Chair Maya Ford and Vice Chair Clark Martinson, David Fields Chaired the meeting. The meeting was called to order at 2:34pm.

**BAC Members Present**
Tom Compson
Lisa Graiff
Yuhayna Mahmud
Mike van Dusen
Ana Ramirez Huerta
Oni K Blair
Amar Mohite
Veon McReynolds
Ian Hlavacek
David Fields

**Other Interested Parties in Attendance:**
Matt Deleon, TxDOT
Susan Jaworski, H-GAC

**1. CHAIR'S REPORT**
The Chair's Report was given by Assistant Director David Fields. Fields emphasized our work goes towards the goal where everyone can travel without fear. This overlaps with our goals of equity, education, and enforcement, with an emphasis that areas that have been neglected in the past get extra attention in the future.

**2. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Susan Jaworski, Senior Planner for Ped/Bike at H-GAC introduced herself and is looking forward to collaborating.

Maryland Keys, Shadow Lake HOA (read by Melissa Beeler)

Alberto Mog (Read by Melissa Beeler)

Gisele (Read by Melissa Beeler)

**3. UPDATE ON MAYOR'S COVID-19 SLOW STREETS INITIATIVE**
David Fields provided the update. PD has reached out to communities for pilot projects for slow streets and road diets. The current budget is constrained; Public Works is inventorying to see what projects can be completed with less. After the pilots, the City will reach out to communities that have shown interest in projects. The City is focusing efforts on neighborhoods that want them.

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**4. UPDATE ON BIKEWAYS IN DESIGN AND UNDER CONSTRUCTION**
Staff Member Melissa Beeler gave an update on Build 50 Projects.

**5. PLANNING FOR 500 MILES OF BIKEWAYS WORKSHOP DEVELOPMENT**
Staff Member Melissa Beeler presented. The purpose of the proposed workshop is to coordinate planning and selection for bikeway projects to achieve 500 miles of high-comfort bikeway in Houston by 2025. The workshop will split participants into groups geographically, with each group focused on one section of the city. The groups will identify gaps in current bike infrastructure and potential short-term projects and routes. Groups will also identify potential opportunities for collaboration and funding and refine proposed network connections prior to public review. The Subcommittee is also asked to consider a pre-workshop where participants determine guiding principles, existing conditions, and prioritization criteria for new projects.

**6. BRAYS AND WHITE OAK BAYOU DETOURS**
Concern is the Brays Bayou detour at Telephone Rd. runs along Wayside shopping areas and crosses I-45. Additional safety concerns are present due to narrow sidewalks and the detour itself being difficult to understand and navigate. The committee proposes to have a working group to look further into the legal requirements for detours and best practices for detour signage. Lisa Graiff, Yuhayna Mahmud, and Tom Compson agreed to be a part of the working group.

**7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**
Bike Counters: Ana Ramirez said there will be three online trainings for bike counters hosted by TxDOT. Dates are July 23, July 29, August 4. Times are to be announced.

Wayfinding: Madeline P. suggested wayfinding for Brays bayou trail be added to a future agenda.

**8. ANNOUNCEMENTS**
Matt Deleon announced that the Lifesavers National Conference is hosting some of their sessions as webinars. The Bike Safety webinar is June 26.

Ana Ramirez Huerta announced the dates for TxDOT's bike count trainings.

**9. Adjournment**
There being no further business brought before the Committee, David Fields adjourned the meeting at 4:46pm.

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# Bicycle Advisory Committee
# Infrastructure Subcommittee

## BAC Mission

To advise and make recommendations to the commission and the director on issues related to bicycling in the city including, but not limited to, amendments to the Bike Plan, bicycle safety and education, implementation of the Bike Plan, development of strategies for funding projects related to bicycling, and promoting public participation in bicycling.

## BAC Vision

By 2027, the City of Houston will be a Safer, More Accessible, Gold Level Bike-Friendly City

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Microsoft Teams

# Committee Member Attendance

Toloria Allen
Adam J. Williams
Neil Bremner
Sandra Rodriguez
Capt. Kristine Anthony-Miller
Beth Martin
Tom Compson
Clark Martinson
Lisa Graiff
Jessica Wiggins
Yuhayna Mahmud
Maya Ford
Judith Villarreal
Amar Mohite
Mike van Dusen
Ana Ramirez Huerta
Oni K Blair
Alejandro Perez
Robin Holzer
Veon McReynolds
Ian Hlavacek
David Fields
Juvenal Robles

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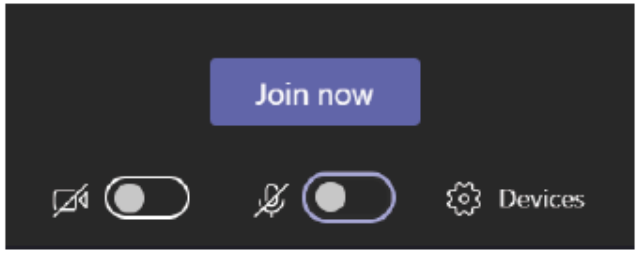


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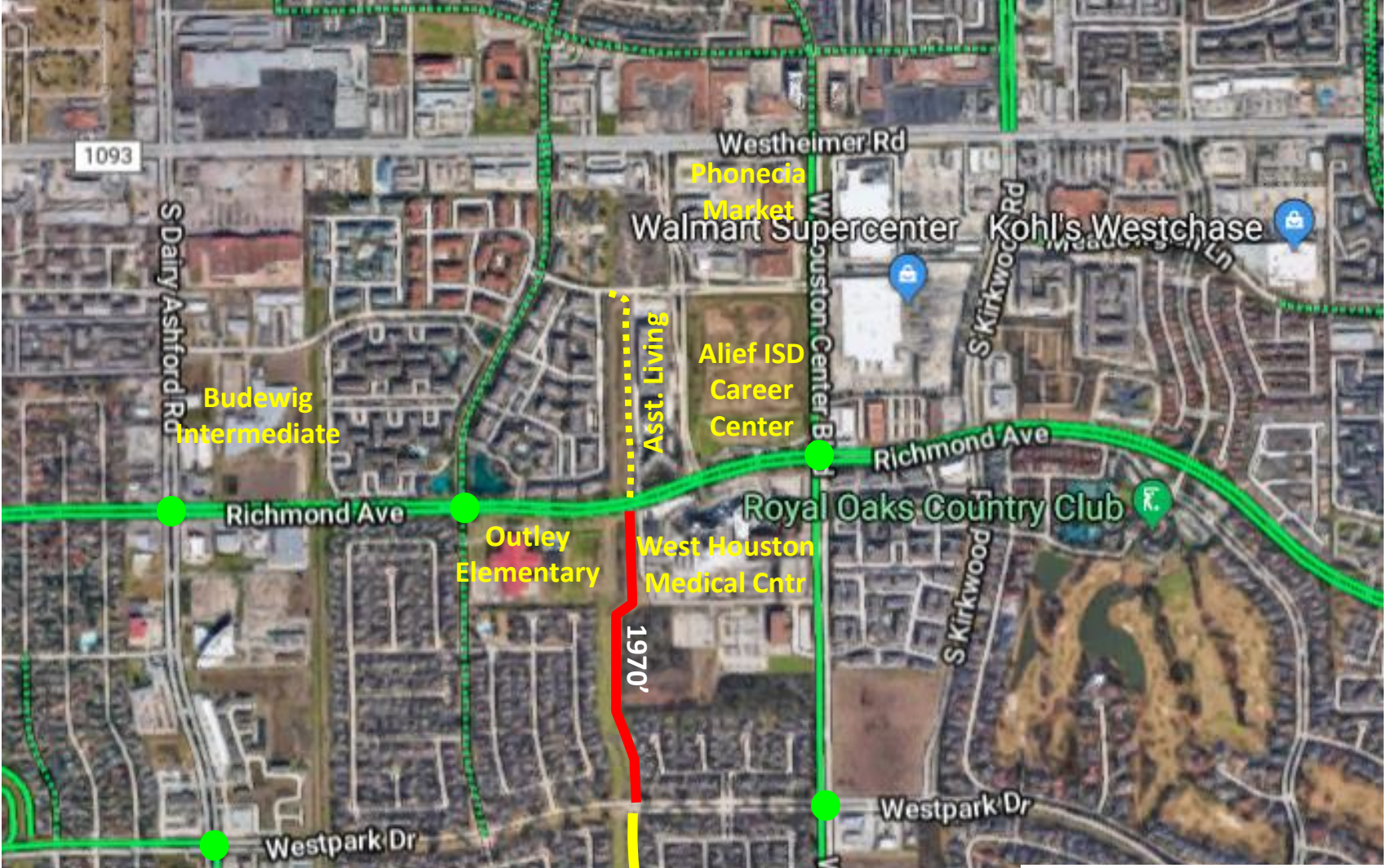
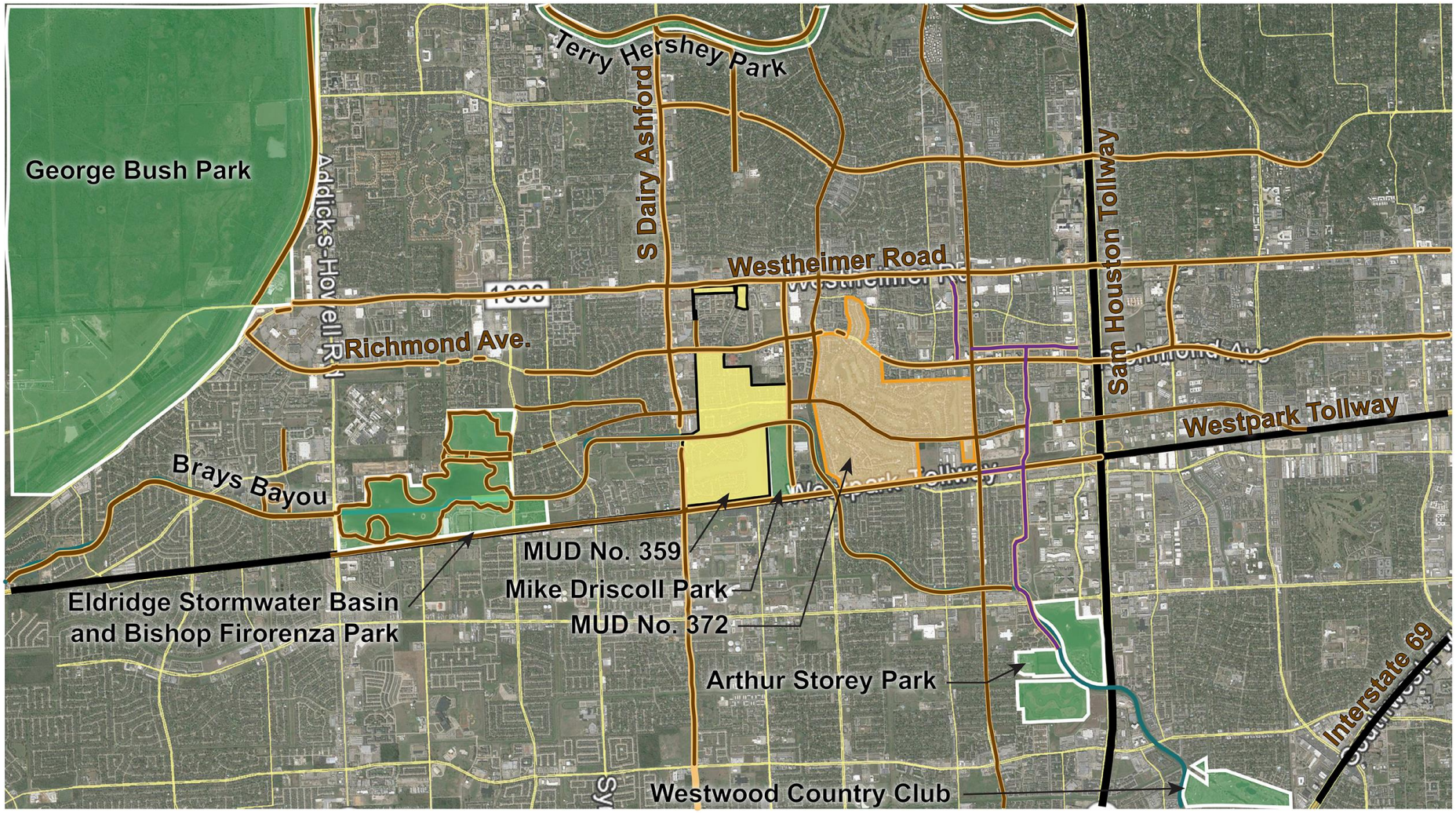



Green Dots = Signal Lights
Yellow Dotted Line = 2021 Brays Bayou Trail
Yellow Solid Line = COH/HOA/MUD Connector Trail
Red Solid Line = Proposed HPB or Pct 3 Trail

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# MUD No. 359 Local Trails and Parks Map

**Legend**

- MUD No. 359
- Municipal Utility Districts
- Parks
- Brays Bayou
- Trails
- Westchase Trails

TALLEY LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS
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# Update on Mayor's COVID-19 Slow Streets Initiative

David Fields, AICP

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# Bikeway Project Updates

Melissa Beeler, AICP

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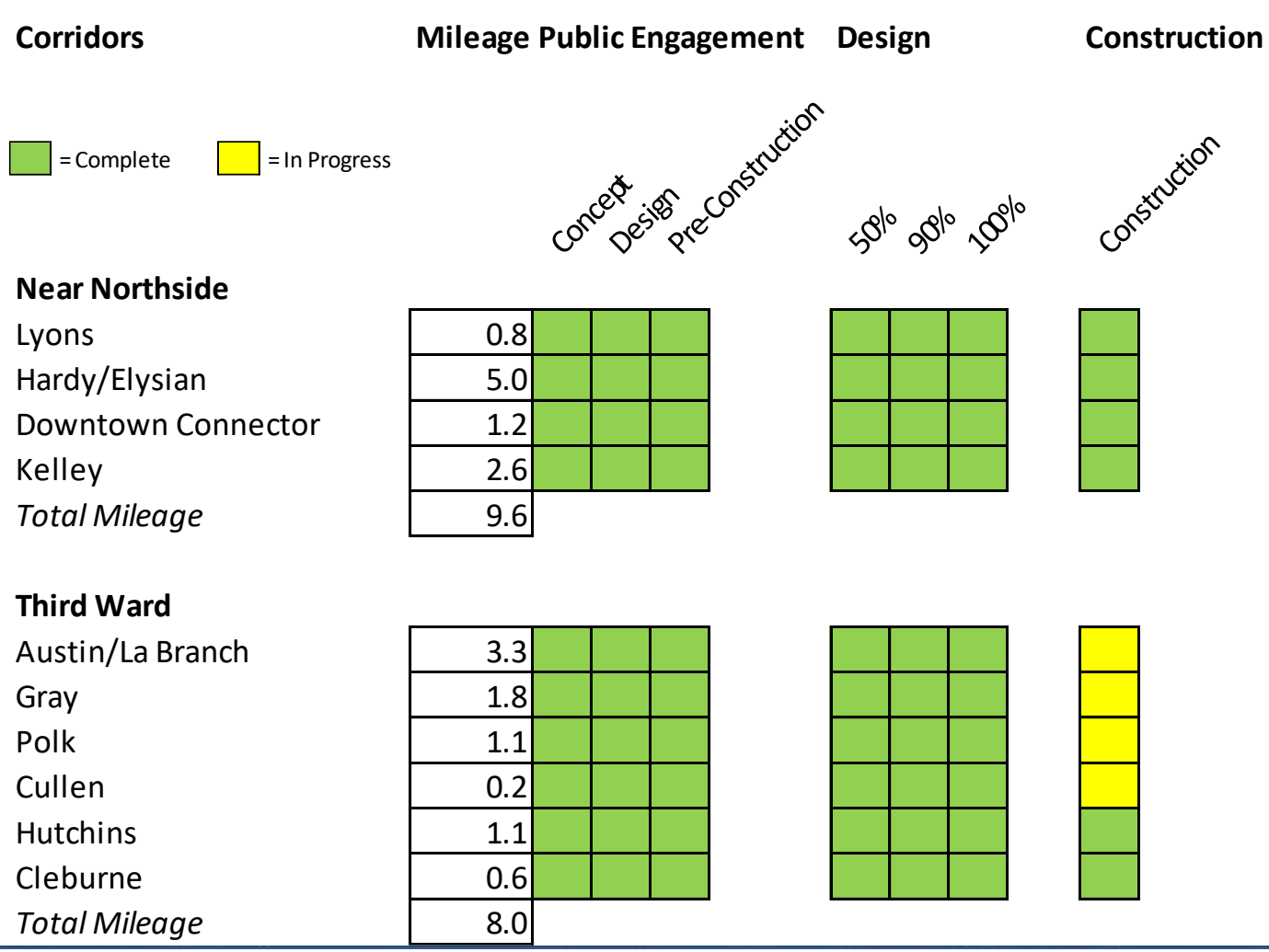
# Bikeway Implementation Status

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# Bikeway Implementation Status

= Complete = In Progress

| Corridors | Mileage | Public Engagement | | | Design | | | Construction |
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| | | Concept | Design | Pre-Construction | 50% | 90% | 100% | Construction |
| **CIP Funded** | | | | | | | | |
| Acres Home | 13.5 | | | | | | | |
| Patterson | 1.4 | | | | | | | |
| 11th | 2.2 | | | | | | | |
| N Main | 1.6 | | | | | | | |
| Quitman | 0.6 | | | | | | | |
| *Total Mileage* | 19.3 | | | | | | | |
| **Future Precinct 1** | | | | | | | | |
| Southeast/MLK | 5.2 | | | | | | | |
| Northeast Houston | TBD | | | | | | | |

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| **METRO** | | | | | | | | |
| Cavalcade Phase 1 | 1.3 | ■ | ■ | ■ | ■ | ■ | ■ | ■ |
| Cavalcade Phase 2 | 0.6 | ■ | ■ | ■ | ■ | ■ | ■ | |
| Leeland | 0.6 | ■ | ■ | ■ | ■ | ■ | ■ | ■ |
| Quitman | | ■ | | | ■ | | | |
| *Total Mileage* | 2.5 | | | | | | | |

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# Planning for 500 Miles of Bikeways Workshop Development

Melissa Beeler, AICP

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# Build to 500 Miles Workshop

**Purpose:** Coordinate planning and selection of bikeway projects to achieve 500 miles of high-comfort bikeway in Houston by 2025.

**Outcomes:** Determine number of miles needed to reach 500 miles. Collaboratively determine plausible extensions of high-comfort bikeway network to further Houston Bike Plan's goals. Identify possible funding and implementation partners to gain funding commitments. Engage community stakeholders and the public in a meaningful way to jumpstart engagement and outreach.

# Stakeholders

- BAC members
- HPW
- PDD
- TIRZs & Management Districts
- HPARD
- Houston Parks Board
- Harris County
- Major employers
- Super Neighborhood and Civic Club leaders
- Very interested public
- CM offices
- Who else?

# Pre-Workshop

- Prior to meeting, organize invited stakeholders in groups to ensure reps from as many different entities as possible are in each group. Have local community leaders represented in each group geographically.
- Gather all data and supplemental information you will need to reference for the workshop.
- Consider holding a 45-minute pre-meeting/webinar within a week of the workshop with invited stakeholders to go over the task at hand, provide key data or other supplemental info, and answer any questions.

# Workshop

- Gather participants together to introduce the purpose, outcomes and activities for the day. Remind them of key info from the pre-meeting.
- Separate into groups. Each group will take on a sector or quadrant of the city, led by a facilitator sharing Google Earth(?).
  - Facilitator will have existing and programmed high-comfort layer, all Bike Plan layers, transit nodes, schools, land use, community centers, etc. They may also have Census data of the area to toggle on/off (demographics, job centers, etc.) for the City. Vision Zero HIN?
  - Facilitator identifies a group member to report out when we return to the full group.

# Workshop

- Facilitator will ask the group to work towards the following, using the data as necessary. Facilitators will add bikeway lines to the map and points of key destinations and features in the area. If using Webex, people can provide their own annotation if they feel comfortable doing so.
    - Identify gaps in the high-comfort network in your area
    - Identify potential short-term routes (using the Bike Plan layers) to transit, schools, bayous, etc.
    - Who could be potential funding partners?
    - How can we best partner with the community to design and construct these projects?

# Workshop

- Return as a full group and each group report out about their bike network
- Next Steps:
  - The full group should somehow be able to vet and comment on each group's network.
  - Refine network additions, merge and put online for public review and feedback.
  - Package potential future projects as it makes sense (e.g. Texas Medical Center projects, etc.)
  - Meet with potential partners and funders (CMs, TIRZs, etc.) to form agreements.
  - Begin engagement on funded packages.

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# Next Meetings

**Education Subcommittee**

June 24, 2:30-4:30pm, Location TBD

**Bicycle Advisory Committee**

July 22, 2:30-4:30pm, Location TBD

**Infrastructure Subcommittee**

August 26, 2:30-4:30pm, Location TBD