

2014-18 Bicycle Infrastructure Plan
Transportation Committee
June 5, 2014

CYCLING: LET'S RESTART THE CONVERSATION. TOGETHER.



## February 5, 2014 Motion

### This report responds to the motion requesting:

"Administration provide ... A proposed 2014-2018 implementation plan for new bike infrastructure, including recommendations for an enhanced public engagement strategy and public education programs ... by the end of June, 2014"

# Subsequent report on evaluation of existing routes is due Fall 2014



## **Presentation Highlights**

- A Bicycle infrastructure implementation plan for 2014-2018
  - Focus on major routes in the central area and funding/building high quality infrastructure
- Enhanced public engagement approaches
  - Public has more direct influence on decisions
- Expanded public education approaches







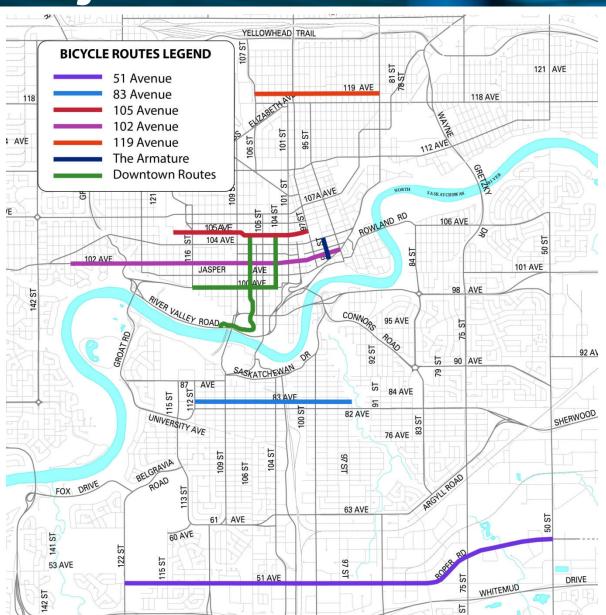


## **Major Routes**

- High existing use, access to major destinations, collision history, and frequently requested
- High quality infrastructure
- The locations and designs for the routes are determined through the consultation process; the Bicycle Transportation Plan is the guide/starting point
- Construction will require approval of funding as part of Capital Budget (and coordination or slight tweaks to renewal priorities)



# **Major Routes: 2014-2018**





## **Neighbourhood Routes**

- Do not impact parking or vehicle travel lanes
- Existing low traffic volumes and speeds which are comfortable for cycling
- Sharrows and signs added for wayfinding, increasing awareness, and guiding cyclists to safer crossings of major roads
- Constructed with Neighbourhood Renewal
- Consultation for 2014 routes already completed



## Other Bicycle Infrastructure

#### **Shared Use Paths**

- Constructed as part of roadway and LRT projects in new and existing areas where appropriate
- Projects for 2015-2018 could include upgrades to existing high use paths (e.g. Saskatchewan Drive)

## Safety Improvements & Support Infrastructure

- Intersection Safety Improvements to increase safety of cyclists crossing intersections or major roads
- Monitoring equipment to increase quantity of data & reduce costs
- Bike rack request program and bike corral program to support business areas

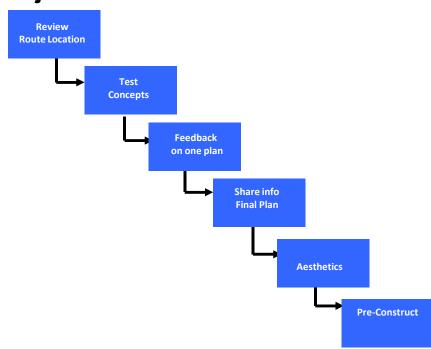


# Public Engagement Approaches

#### **Connector Bike System**

# Review Route Location Test Concepts Feedback on one plan Share info Final Plan Aesthetics (If required) Pre-Construct

#### **Major Bike Grid**



- Neighbourhood System part of Building Great Neighbourhoods
- Some routes will be more conducive to reviewing options than others
- Controversy will continue to be part of these projects



## Public Education – Address Gaps

#### **Local Education**

- Street Team
- In-person contact @ neighbourhood level

#### **Mutual Benefits**

- More effort needed
- Marketing to supplement traditional communications









## **Direction Needed:**

## That Committee recommend to City Council:

 Approval of enhanced public engagement strategies as outlined in the report.

## That Committee approve recommendation to:

 Focus on Major Bike Routes, Neighbourhood Bike Routes, shared-use paths and other improvements included in Attachment 1 and Defer the consultation and evaluation on the 121 Avenue and 76 Avenue bicycle routes



## **Next Steps**

- Consultation on Strathcona and Downtown Routes
- Fall 2014 Report
  - Evaluation of 106 Street, 40 Avenue,
    95 Avenue Routes
- Capital Budget Submissions
  - 6 Major Bike Routes, SUPs, Safety & Support Infra.
- 2015 Operating Budget
  - Public Education Service Package

