



RECOMMENDATION

Bicycle Advisory Council

Recommendation Number 20170516-04B: Bicycle Access at Drive Through Facilities

WHEREAS, the Bicycle Advisory Council (BAC) provides input to City of Austin elected officials, boards and commissions, and staff members on matters concerning bicycling safety and accessibility; and

WHEREAS, under state and local law, bicycles are entitled to all the rights of the road that apply to a motor vehicle, including access; and

WHEREAS, the BAC recognizes that businesses and other entities that offer drive-through service to motor vehicles can currently, and often do, choose to deny service to bicyclists wishing to utilize the same drive through facility;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the BAC recommends that the City of Austin create, adopt, and provide ongoing enforcement of code amendments, city ordinances, policies or similar with the effect of requiring that:

- a) When a drive-through facility is open for motor vehicle access the business or entity must allow bicyclists to utilize that same facility; or
- b) The business or entity may provide bicycle racks or similar secure bicycle parking so that bicyclists can park and access their facility as a pedestrian AND maintain operating hours for their pedestrian entrance(s) that begin no later and close no earlier than their drive-through facilities.

Date of Approval: May 16, 2017

Vote: 8-0, with BAC member Rebecca Brenneman absent

Attest:

Sophia Benner, BAC Chair