



Bicycle Advisory Council (BAC)

Recommendation 20180821-05B: Information Gathering Regarding Bicycle Parking Policy

WHEREAS, the purpose of the BAC is to advise the City of Austin on all matters relating to the use of the bicycle;

WHEREAS, missing or inadequate bicycle parking reduces the number of people able to safely ride bicycles and creates hazardous pedestrian pathways which may also create barriers for people with disabilities;

WHEREAS, departments under the purview of the City Manager and City Council are responsible for providing safe and equitable access to all methods of transportation.

WHEREAS, new innovations such as dockless mobility devices are increasing in number, putting pressures on existing bicycle parking infrastructure;

WHEREAS, City of Austin Land Development Code §25-6-656 Bicycle Parking Fund outlines the existence of the fund and its administration;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the BAC requests a written response from city staff within 30 days to be followed by a briefing to the full BAC at the earliest possible date:

- Advise who is currently responsible for collecting and administering the Bicycle Parking Fund;
- Advise of the current balance of the Bicycle Parking Fund;
- Advise whether the program described on the City of Austin Bicycle Parking webpage derives funds from the Bicycle Parking Fund;
- Report the cumulative total amount of money that has been collected from businesses in lieu of meeting bicycle parking minimums;
- Report whether or not bicycle parking has been built at the addresses at which the funds were encumbered as well as the date which money collected was or must be returned;
- Advise of the “grandfathered” cutoff date for current bicycle parking requirements;
- Advise how existing bicycle parking requirements are incorporated into the infrastructure permitting and code enforcement process, as well as who is the responsible party for ensuring compliance;
- Advise what barriers, if any, exist in enforcing compliance with bicycle parking requirements;
- Advise what current training for city staff exists for bicycle parking requirement permitting and enforcement.

Date of Approval: August 21, 2018

Record of the vote: 7-0 with Louviere-Ligons and Lentz absent

Attest:

Kathryn Flowers, BAC Vice Chair