

# Bike Share Design Thinking Activity

Wednesday, May 18, 2022

# Agenda

- 1. Introductions
- 2. Brainstorm
- 3. Four-Step Sketch
- 4. What, Now What?

## Attendance

- Jacquie Wells
- Shan Chen
- Michael Blackwell
- Ben Cohen
- Laschelle McKay
- Nat Scroggins
- Christie Taylor
- Kimberley Thorpe
- Sue Veith
- Yolanda Hipski
- Laura Carrington

#### Brainstorm

- Participants participated in a brainstorming session utilizing the following questions.
  - What locations do you want a bike share?
    - Is this an area of need (recreation or access to jobs/services)?
    - Can community members access via bike from this location?
    - Is it safe to bike from point a to point b in this location?
  - How can we encourage or incentivize participation in the bike share program?
    - How do we ensure equitable access?
  - What issues do you predict with a bike share?
  - Who would be the key partners for a bike share in this location?
- View the results of the brainstorming session on <u>page 1 of this document</u>.

# Four-Step Sketch

- Kimberley Thorpe of Smart Wiley Wheels <u>presented information on potential bike</u> options and things to consider.
- The group reviewed this list of bike share program models.
  - Everyone was encouraged to take notes.
- Participants were given 6 minutes to sketch/list out their ideal bike share model.
  Every 2 minutes, they were encouraged to start a new idea given the instruction of asking themselves "What would be another good way to do this?"
- Everyone shared their ideal solution. This is sharing session is summarized on <u>page</u> 2 of this document.

## What, Now What?

- WHAT idea do we think we should move forward with?
  - Hybrid adapted to the location in the county
  - Ideal pilot location
    - Three Notch Trail (not necessarily where the need is, but a good safe space)
      - Benefits:
        - Safety
        - Use of the trail is an issue
      - This does not address transportation issues
    - The college
      - This is very limited and there is a lack of connection to resources without biking several miles.
    - NAS Patuxent River
      - They do not have the capacity at this time
    - First Colony Area in California
      - A lot of traffic in this area, safety is an issue
      - Better to build up to this
    - Lancaster Park/Tulagi Place transfer station/Library
      - Area of high need, but also with recreation possibilities where there is increased safety measures (parks)
      - Good compromise
      - Michael indicated that the library would be on board.
- NOW WHAT?
  - What are our next steps?
    - What type of fleet are we looking for? How many do we want to start with?
      - Regular bikes and some electric bikes?
      - Many agreed that there should be at least some electric bikes in the fleet. We would need to double check on weight capacities for the bikes.
    - Determining cost to riders.
    - Library is county property so it would need to get approved
      - Would we need to bid for vendor or could we single source it?
    - Securing funding General start up cost somewhere in the neighborhood of \$25,000.
      - Could this be a public/private partnership?
      - Community bond?
      - Grant?
    - R&P would need to be on board.