

MINNEAPOLIS PROTECTED BIKEWAY PLAN

City plan calls for 55 new miles of protected bikeways!

The Minneapolis City Council has approved a Protected Bikeway Update to the Minneapolis Bicycle Master Plan. The update calls for 55 new miles of protected bikeways, 44 of which are scheduled to be built before 2020!

What are Protected Bikeways?

A protected bikeway is a bike route that has a physical barrier between where people bike and where people drive, and is also separate from the sidewalk.

TYPES OF PHYSICAL

SEPARATION INCLUDE:



A CONCRETE CURB



PLASTIC POSTS OR BOLLARDS



PLANTERS OR PARKED CARS

Benefits of Protected Bikeways



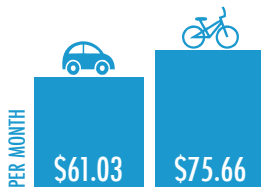
"I FEEL COMFORTABLE BIKING HERE"

65% WITH PROTECTED BIKEWAY VS. 13% WITH NO BIKEWAY

Many **more people feel comfortable** in protected bikeways.

GOOD FOR BUSINESSES

People who arrive to a business on bike **visit more often and spend more money** overall each month.



SAVE ON HEALTHCARE COSTS

13 POUNDS



The average amount of **weight people lose** during their first year of bicycle commuting.

KEEP MINNEAPOLIS

a national leader in bicycling

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Minneapolis ranked 4th among the 70 largest U.S. cities with the highest share of bicycle commuters.

↑ 180%
from 2000-2010

The number of **bicycle commuters** in Minneapolis

81% INCREASE

in the number of **bicyclists** using the Plymouth Avenue Bridge **after protected bicycle lanes** were installed.

WOMAN POWER

The Twin Cities has one of the nation's **highest rates of women bicyclists**: 41% vs. the national average of 24%.



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Recommended near-term bikeway projects

Protected Bikeway Update to the Minneapolis Bicycle Master Plan

Figure 2: Priority Protected Bikeways with Existing Protected Bikeways and Bike Boulevards

