

Memorandum

City of Lawrence

Public Works

TO: Diane Stoddard, Interim City Manager
CC: Scott McCullough, Director of Planning & Development Services
Mark Thiel, Assistant Public Works Director
Mark Hecker, Assistant Director of Parks & Recreation
FROM: Jessica Mortinger, Senior Transportation Planner
DATE: October 10, 2015
RE: LiveWell Community Wellness Grant Bike Repair Stand Grant Proposal

Summary

The Lawrence - Douglas County Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC) recommends the City apply for a LiveWell Community Wellness Grant to install four (4) bike repair stands throughout Lawrence.

Background

In March, the Public Works Department installed a bike repair stand at City Hall, near the bike parking on the east side of the building near the east entrance. The repair stand and air pump includes all the tools necessary to perform basic bike repairs and maintenance, from changing a flat to adjusting brakes and derailleurs. Hanging the bike from the hanger arms allows the pedals and wheels to spin freely while making adjustments.

The idea of a bike repair station was supported by the BAC and recommended for pilot installation at city hall. The City Hall bike repair stand was selected as the first test location based on its proximity to downtown, the Kansas River Levee Trail and for its visibility to potential users. The City Hall bike repair stand has been popular with bicyclists stopping to air their tires. The tools have held up well and the BAC is interested in expanding the access to bike repair stands along bikeways in Lawrence. There are two other known bike repair stands in Lawrence, at the community Mercantile and at the Ambler Student Recreation Fitness Center. The next 4 top suggested locations include: Burroughs Creek Trail parking on 15th Street (near playground), the North Lawrence Levy Trail Head Parking Lot, Rotary Arboretum Trail parking for SLT, and Library Plaza – near parking garage (these locations are mapped on page 2.)

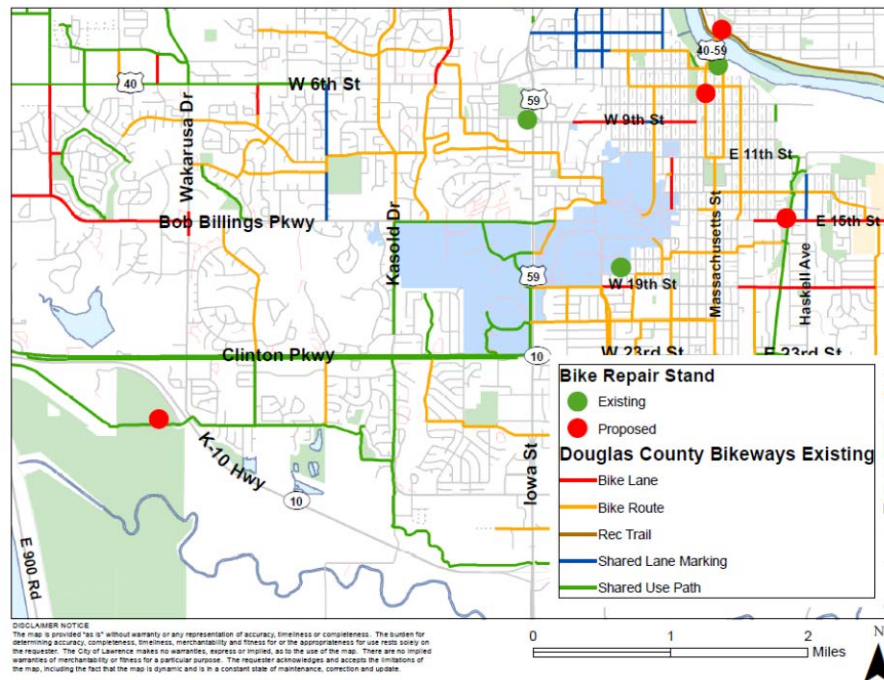
Project Description

Each bike repair stand includes all the tools necessary to perform basic bike repairs and maintenance, from changing a flat/airing a tire to adjusting brakes and derailleurs. Hanging the bike from the hanger arms allows the pedals and wheels to spin freely while making adjustments. The stand also has a QR



Bike Repair Stand Locations

The grant seeks projects that make policy, systems or environmental change to improve the health of Douglas County residents by making it easier for people to eat healthy foods and be physically active. Bike repair stands are an environmental improvement that increases



Implementation Costs Budget

Total Installation - \$1,200

Total Cost - \$7,044

Stand & Pump Costs: LiveWell Grant Request - \$4,383, Lawrence Public Works - \$1,461

Staff Recommendation

Action

Direct staff to apply for a LiveWell Community Wellness Grant to seek partnership in funding bike repair stands, as appropriate.