

**TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN
BICYCLE COMMITTEE**

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, December 16, 2015, 3:00 pm
Town Hall Auditorium**

Members Present: Roger Chauvette (Chair), Rik Ahlberg, Max Cliggott-Perlt

Members Absent: Jeff Epstein, Will Erlandson, David Moorman

Town Staff Present: Eric Larsen, DPW

Public Present: None

1. Call to order

Meeting called to order by Roger Chauvette at 3:15 PM.

2. Public Statements

None.

3. Review Minutes

Reviewed minutes and Roger pointed out several typos.

Max moved to approve the minutes of November 12, November 18, & December 2 as amended. Approved 3-0-0.

4. Conwell St. Bicycle Improvements Project update

Eric Larsen updated the committee on the Conwell St. project. He said the abutter who has been voiced objections about the project has filed a public records request.

He also said that the project improves safety on the street by narrowing travel lanes and providing dedicated separate space for bicyclists and pedestrians.

Rik researched bike counts for Conwell St. and found that the Cape Cod Commission's data for the Outer Cape Bicycle & Pedestrian Master Plan includes counts for Conwell St. Their 12-hour counts from 2014 show:

Cemetery Rd. west of Conwell St.: 103 bicycles, 62 pedestrians
Conwell St. north of Cemetery Rd.: 387 bicycles, 178 pedestrians

The document with all of the OCBPMP data is available here: <http://bit.ly/OCBPMPcounts>

The next Conwell St. public meeting will take place in January.

Eric asked if there is a tourism app and if there's a way to add maps to it. Rik said the tourism office has the iTown app but it hasn't been updated – he will follow up with the Tourism Director to see if the bike maps can be added to the web site.

5. Bikeability Report Development

Rik presented the summary of bike improvements, the network map he created to visualize all of the projects, and spreadsheets of existing and proposed bike racks in town (see attached). The bicycle network map of all these proposed projects is at <http://bit.ly/bikeptown> and bike rack map is at <http://bit.ly/ptbikepark>. These will be included as an appendix to the report that Roger will submit to the Cape Cod Commission.

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Roger noted that the climbing lanes for Bradford St. eastbound and westbound from Shank Painter are on the map but not on the list. Rik said he will add them.

Roger presented his written introduction for the report, which is based on his presentation at the last OCBPMP workshop.

6. Bike Racks Update

Eric presented a list of unused bike racks that are available to install around town. There are eight bollard racks (from the library renovation project), one 5-ft black wave rack, two 12-ft galvanized wave racks, and 2 double inverted U racks on channels (with the Bike Provincetown logo like the corral at the library), and the grid rack at the old Community Center.

Discussed the possibility of moving the grid rack to the landing at Captain Jack's; using the black wave rack at Maushope, and putting the bollard racks in the gravel area adjacent to Pepe's Wharf next to the boardwalk at Johnson St. parking lot.

Rik said he is working on a sketch for the Artist Loft for post-and-ring bike racks at the wide sidewalk in front of their building (part is town sidewalk, part is private).

Discussed the Board of Selectmen's request to install a bike rack in front of 2 Bradford St. where two parking spaces were removed at the 2015 Fall Traffic Hearing.

Max moved to install a bike rack from DPW inventory in front of 2 Bradford St. at the request of the Board of Selectmen. Second Roger. Approved 3-0-0

Discussed putting the bike rack grant application downstairs in Town Hall at Community Development where people go for permitting to see if we can get more interest in the bike rack cost sharing program.

7. Education & Enforcement

Roger said he talked to a local artist who was doing caricatures at the Canteen Holiday Market and will follow up to see if he is interested in doing art for the new brochure and education program (banners, rack cards, tablecloth, etc.). Discussed making the tone of the brochure more casual and entertaining.

Discussed whether there is any interest in starting bike club for group rides or whether the bike shops would sponsor one.

Discussed shooting a bike safety video with PTV.

Max volunteered to find out what dates are available from the Firehouse next summer.

8. Committee Membership

Will's alternate position will expire at the end of the year.

9. New Business

Rik mentioned that Scott Coffey of Coffey Men has offered to create a "benefit belt" for sale at his shop with a portion of the sale price to go to the Bicycle Committee Gift Fund. It will be one of his series of photo print belts that he sells.

10. Next Meetings

Next committee meeting is scheduled for January 13 @ 3 PM.

Next OCBPMP Steering Committee meeting will be December 17 @ Truro Town Hall.

Next Conwell St. Bicycle Improvements Project meeting will be in January.

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11. Member statements

None.

12. Adjourn

Max moved to adjourn at 4:38 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Rik Ahlberg

Attachments:

1. Bikeability Report Introduction (1 page)
2. Provincetown Bicycle Improvement Projects list (2 pages)
3. Provincetown Bicycle Network Map (1 page)
4. Existing Town Bike Racks list (1 page)
5. Proposed Town Bike Racks list (1 page)
6. Provincetown 365 Proposed Bike Parking map

INTRODUCTION

There is no doubt the volume of bicyclist here in Provincetown has seen a dramatic increase these last few years, and we feel the pressure here, perhaps, in the most bike-friendly community on Cape Cod. We are definitely a “bike-able” community.

Of course this has consequences given the nature of the interaction between pedestrians, bicyclists, motorists and truck drivers. Add to this mix the broad spectrum of reasons people ride bicycles, from prime means of transportation to athletic racing to leisurely touring with children in tow.

There is no slam-dunk solution, however, because today we face more competing interests than in the past. We need to explore all the options and then, with the wisdom of Solomon, come up with the best solutions—not just for the next few years, but for many decades to come. There is no one-size-fits-all. Among the competing values, we find: Efficiency, Safety, Privacy, Esthetics, Environmental Quality, Recreation, Education, and Cost.

We on the Bicyling Committee are also concerned about constantly re-inventing the wheel. Our Committee has been at work for the last three years, meeting with varied shareholders including MassBike, the MA-DOT, the Cape Cod Commission, the Cape Cod National Seashore, and East Coast Greenway, as well as the Bicycling/Pedestrian Committees of the Outer Cape. We are well aware that our responsibility is to create a Master Plan to be developed over time.

One thing seems pretty certain: the project will be moving forward and will affect us for many years to come. For example, In the State’s long-range plans, by 2030, all road projects will have to include provisions for bike lanes. Already this past year, the state has amended the bicycling laws closely aligned with the Pan-Mass principle: Same Road – Same Rights – Same Rules.

All of this is a long road of education informing us on how we choose to co-exist as a community with multi-modal transportation. It is not a matter of one mode over-powering the others, but a matter of integrating the various means into a networks where we can all move about safely with respect for one another.

The evolution of the Rail Trail Extension to Provincetown should be seen as part of the overall plan to improve transportation under all its modes here in Provincetown. This is a trail that will run the entire spine of Cape Cod from the Canal to Macmillan Pier. Each town will also determine bicycling networks to help visitors explore their communities, learn their history, and discover their resources.

In Provincetown our options are quite limited because we have a long narrow structure with only three competing roadways: Route 6, Route 6A, and the Rail Bed. Our choices from the Truro line to Snail Road will pretty much determine where the rest of the plans will take us.

So the following report addresses each key route in town providing the given facts, the significant considerations, the possibilities, and our present recommendations.

Sincerely,

The Provincetown Bicycling Committee 2015

Roger Chauvette, *Chair*

Rik Ahlberg

Max Cligott-Perlt

Jeffrey Epstein

Eric Larsen, *Deputy DPW Director*

David Moorman

Kevin Spoor, *Police Liason*

Provincetown Bicycle Improvement Projects

Master list of suggested bicycle projects

Interactive Map: <http://bit.ly/bikeptown>

This document: <https://drive.google.com/open?id=0ByZ78t6u89j9MI9KSVBQUk9ENWs>

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Project ID	Project Type	Area	Priority	Timing			Documented			Dec 2015 Report	Project Name	Project Description	Streets	Limit From	Limit To	Status	Notes
				1 Year	1-5 Years	10 Years	Mass Bike	OCBP MP									
1	Bike/Ped	Town							X	Bradford St Ext bike/ped lanes	Add unmarked bike/ped lanes from Province Lands Rd to West Vine St	Bradford St Ext	Province Lands Rd	West Vine St	Completed	Completed fall 2014	
2	Bike/Ped	Town							X	Province Lands Rd unmarked lane	Add paved shoulder and stripe an unmarked bike/ped lane along Province Lands Rd from Bradford St Ext to the start of the National Seashore bike lane	Province Lands Rd	Bradford St Ext	National Seashore	Completed	Completed fall 2014	
3	Bike/Ped	Town							X	Shank Painter Rd bike/ped unmarked lane	Stripe an unmarked bike/ped lane on the west side of Shank Painter Rd from Bradford St to Browne St	Shank Painter Rd	Bradford St	Brown St	Completed	Completed 2012	
4	Bike/Ped	Town						X	X	Shank Painter Rd sidewalks and bike lanes	Add sidewalks and marked bike lanes to both sides of Shank Painter Rd from Bradford St to Route 6	Shank Painter Rd	Bradford St	Route 6	Planning	Engineering study budgeted for 2016	
5	Bike	Town, Seashore							X	X	MacMillan Pier/Beech Forest connector	Add bike lanes and shared road markings from Beech Forest to MacMillan Pier	Race Point Road, Conwell St, Cemetery Rd, Alden St, Standish St	Race Point Road	MacMillan Pier	Design	In design at Seashore
6	Bike	Seashore							X	X	Motion-activated beacons at Herring Cove, Beech Forest, and Airport	Add motion-activated beacons at National Seashore path trailheads	Race Point Rd, Province Lands Rd	NA	NA	Design	In design at Seashore
7	Spot	Town							X	Commercial St 2-way travel - Install "Except Bicycles" signs on Do Not Enter signs	Install "Except Bicycles" signs under Do Not Enter signs along Commercial St	Commercial St westbound at rotary and West End parking lot	NA	NA	Planning		
8	Spot	Town							X	Commercial St 2-way travel - Paint "Except Bicycles" under all "One Way" pavement markings	Paint "Except Bicycles" under all "One Way" pavement markings	Commercial St	NA	NA	Planning		
9	Bike	Town							X	X	Bradford St Climbing Lane @ Howland St Westbound	Add a marked bike climbing lane on Bradford St westbound from Howland St to Priscilla Alden Ln	Bradford St	Howland St	Priscilla Alden Ln	Planning	
10	Bike	Town							X	X	Bradford St Climbing Lane @ Ryder St - Town Hill Westbound	Add a marked bike climbing lane on Bradford St westbound from Ryder St to Prince St	Bradford St	Ryder St	Prince St	Planning	
11	Bike/Ped	Town							X	Bradford St Climbing Lane @ Standish St Eastbound	Add a marked bike climbing lane on Bradford St eastbound from Standish St to Johnson St	Bradford St	Standish St	Johnson St	Planning		
12	Bike	Town					X		X	Commercial St sharrow	Add 2-way sharrow pavement markings along Commercial St	Commercial St	Shore Rd	Province Lands Rd	Planning	Approved by BC Fall 2015	
13	Bike/Ped	Town							X	Bradford St West End bike/ped lanes	Unmarked bike/ped lanes	Bradford St	West Vine St	Prince St	Proposed	Proposed 2012	
14	Bike	Town							X	Conwell St south sharrow	Add sharrow pavement marking along Conwell St	Conwell St	Bradford St	Route 6	Proposed	Proposed by Provincetown 365 at 2015 Fall Traffic Hearing, Suggested by resident at 2015 Year Rounders Festival	

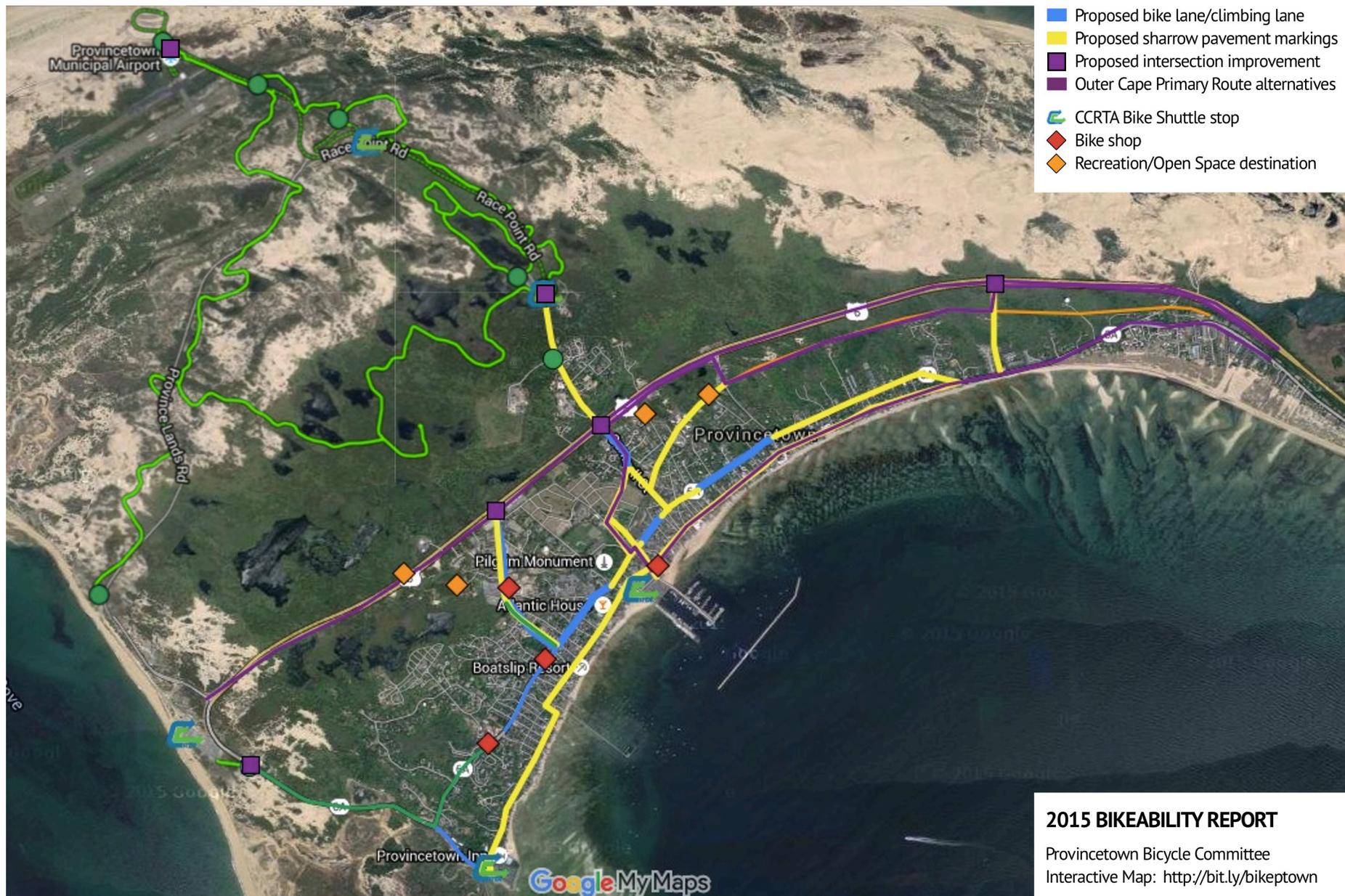
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15	Bike	Town						X	X		Shank Painter Rd bike lanes	Paint bike lanes on both sides of Shank Painter Rd	Shank Painter Rd	Bradford St	Route 6	Tabled	Tabled due to existing roadway conditions (Not enough paved road width)
16	Bike	Town					X		X		Commercial St town center bike racks	Install additional bike racks	Commercial St	Dyer St	Court St	Planning	Proposed by Provincetown 365 at 2015 Fall Traffic Hearing, Suggested by resident at 2015 Year Rounders Festival
17	Bike	Town							X		Parking lot bike racks	Install bike racks in town parking lots				Proposed	Proposed by Provincetown 365 for Johnson St lot 2015 Fall Traffic Hearing, Suggested by resident at 2015 Year Rounders Festival
18	Bike	Post Office							X		Post Office - Replace sidewalk planter with bike racks	Install bike racks on sidewalk in disused planter space	Commercial St			Completed	Completed - Bike rack installed on sidewalk 5/20/15, post box moved to planter area. Suggested by resident at 2015 Year Rounders Festival
19	Bike	Town							X		Bike lanes along Province Lands Rd from West End rotary to Seashore entrance	Construct bike lanes on both sides of Province Lands Rd from the West End rotary to the bike lanes at the Seashore entrance	Province Lands Rd	Commercial St	Moors Rd (Seashore)	Planning	Applied for MassWorks infrastructure grant in 2011, denied
20	Bike/Ped	Town					X	X	X		Reduce speed limit on Rte 6	Reduce speed limit on Rte 6 at Shank Painter Rd to 40 mph to slow cars turning from Rte 6 on to Shank Painter	Rte 6	Shank Painter Rd	Conwell St	Proposed	Suggested by P365 member
21	Bike	Town					X	X	X		Separated bike trail along Rte 6	Remove a lane of traffic on Rte 6 and build a protected, two-way bike trail	Rte 6	Howland St	Moors Rd (Seashore)	Proposed	Suggested at OCBPMP meeting in Truro & by P365 members
22	Bike/Ped	Town					X	X	X		Shared use path along Old Colony right-of-way	Convert the sand path along the Old Colony right-of-way to a paved shared use path	Old Colony Nature Trail / Rear Howland	Mayflower Ave	Howland St	Planning	Suggested at OCBPMP meetings
23	Bike	Town						X	X		Shank Painter Rd sharrows & bike lanes	Add sharrows and bike lanes within existing layout	Shank Painter Rd	Bradford St	Route 6	Proposed	Proposed by Provincetown 365 Fall 2015 Traffic Hearing
24	Bike/Ped	Town						X	X		Conwell St Bicycle Improvements Project	Add bike lanes on both sides and sidewalk on west side	Conwell St	Cemetery Rd	Route 6	Design	30% design approved by Selectmen Fall 2015
25	Bike/Ped	Town						X	X		Improve Route 6 crossing at Conwell St.	Redesign interchange with sidewalks and bike lanes	Conwell St	Route 6	Route 6	Proposed	
26	Bike/Ped	Town						X	X		Improve Route 6 crossing at Shank Painter Rd	Design a safe bike/ped crossing at Shank Painter Rd	Shank Painter Rd	Route 6	Route 6	Planning	
27	Bike/Ped	Town						X	X		Improve Route 6 crossing at Snail Rd	Design a safe bike/ped crossing at Snail Rd	Snail Rd	Route 6	Route 6	Planning	
28	Bike	Town							X		Commercial St 2-way travel - Install "Caution 2-way bike travel" signs	Install signs at cross streets	Commercial St	Bradford St	Province Lands Rd	Completed	Completed 2013
29	Bike	Town					X		X		Harry Kemp Way sharrows	Stripe fog line, paint sharrows, add wayfinding signs	Harry Kemp Way	Howland St	Conwell St	Planning	
30	Bike	Town					X		X		Harry Kemp Way bike lanes	Stripe bike lanes where width allows on Harry Kemp Way	Harry Kemp Way	Howland St	Conwell St	Planning	
31	Bike	Town					X		X		Snail Rd sharrows, crosswalk, wayfinding	Add sharrows, wayfinding signage, and a crosswalk at the Old Colony Trail	Snail Rd	Route 6	Route 6A	Proposed	
32	Bike	Town							X		Bradford St Climbing Lane @ Shank Painter Rd Eastbound	Add a marked bike climbing lane on Bradford St Eastbound from Shank Painter Rd to Prince St	Bradford St	Shank Painter Rd	Prince St	Proposed	
33	Bike	Town							X		Bradford St Climbing Lane @ Shank Painter Rd Westbound	Add a marked bike climbing lane on Bradford St Westbound from Shank Painter Rd to Franklin St	Bradford St	Shank Painter Rd	Franklin St	Proposed	

PROVINCETOWN BICYCLE NETWORK

- On-street bike lane/wide shoulder
- Seashore bike trail
- Seashore bike trail entrance
- Proposed bike lane/climbing lane
- Proposed sharrow pavement markings
- Proposed intersection improvement
- Outer Cape Primary Route alternatives
- CCRTA Bike Shuttle stop
- Bike shop
- Recreation/Open Space destination



Existing Town Bike Racks

Updated December 2015

Location #	Number of Spaces	Number of Racks	Type	Location	Status	Notes
1	10	1	Corral	Public Library bike corral		Seasonal
2	4	2	Bollard	Public Library @ Center St entrance		
3	4	1	Wave, black	Johnson St Parking Lot @ kiosk		Needs repainting
4	0	1	Wave, black	DPW storage	Available	5' wave rack (2 waves) Removed from John St Lot 12/2014 for repaving
5	8	1	Wheelbender	Tourism Office/PTV (Old Library) @ Freeman St		
6	32	4	Wave, silver	MacMillan Pier @ Municipal parking lot		
7	16	2	Wave, silver	MacMillan Pier @ Pirate Museum		
8	18	3	Wave, black	MacMillan Pier/Bus Stop Park		
9	30	5	Wave, black	Town Hall @ Commercial St		Needs repainting
10	4	1	Wave, black	Town Hall @ Bradford St		
11	7	1	Coathanger	Bas Relief Park		
12	8	2	Wave, black	Bradford St @ West Vine St		
13	10	1	Wheelbender	Provincetown Airport		
14	6	1	Wave, black	West End parking lot		
15	20	1	Wheelbender	Community Center		
16	10	1	Wheelbender	B Street Community Garden		
17	24	2	Wheelbender	Tourism Office/PTV @ fence		
18	8	1	Wave, silver	Fisherman's Wharf @ Ryder St Ext		
19	14	2	Coathanger	Ryder St Beach		
20	0	1	Wave, black	DPW storage	Available	Removed from Alden St lot 4/2015 when pay station was relocated
21	4	1	Wave, black	West End playground		
22	6	1	Wave, silver	Pilgrim Bark Park		
23	8	4	Post & ring	Bradford St @ Prince St		
24	6	1	Wave, silver	Skate Park		
25	0	1	Wheelbender	Old Community Center	Available	Relocate to Captain Jack's
26	0	2	Wave, silver	DPW storage	Available	12' wave rack (5 waves)
27	0	1	Wave, black	DPW storage	Available	5' wave rack (2 waves)
28	0	5	Bollard	DPW storage	Available	5 post & ring racks (from the Library)
29	0	2	Inverted U	DPW storage	Available	Angled double inverted U racks with connecting channels
26	10	1	Wheelbender	Provincetown Schools @ parking lot		
Spaces	267					
Locations	30					
Racks		53				

Estimates are based on existing conditions observed December 2015

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Proposed Town Bike Racks

Updated December 2015

Location #	Number of Spaces	Number of Racks	Type	Address	Status	Proposed by
1	26	3	Corral	379 Commercial St (Pearl St Landing)	Approved	Provincetown 365
2	60	6	Corral	Court St Landing	Approved	Provincetown 365
3	10	1	Corral	2 Bradford St (on-street to replace car parking)	Approved	Board of Selectmen
4	30	3	Corral	330 Commercial St (Tourism Office)		Provincetown 365
5	20	2	Corral	260 Commercial St (Town Hall)		Provincetown 365
6	6	3	Post & ring	Standish St sidewalk at Artist Loft		Provincetown 365
7	20	2	Corral	Freeman St (Tourism Office)		Provincetown 365
8	75	8	Corral	377 Commercial St (Johnson St. Lot)	Planning	Provincetown 365
9	10	1	Corral	West End Rotary - Pan Mass Challenge gift		Bicycle Committee
10	10	1	Corral	School St parking lot		Bicycle Committee
11	4	1	Wave	East End Playground	Planning	Bicycle Committee
12	4	2	Post & ring	Art House sidewalk		Bicycle Committee
13	4	1	TBD	Shank Painter Pond trailhead		Town Open Space Plan
14	4	1	TBD	Nicky's Park trailhead		Town Open Space Plan
15	4	1	TBD	Hawthorne Wildlife Sanctuary		Town Open Space Plan
16	30	3	Corral	MacMillan Pier Parking Lot (MPL)		Bicycle Committee
17	4	1	TBD	Clapp's & Duck Ponds		Town Open Space Plan
18	4	1	TBD	Old Colony Trail Nature Pathway		Bicycle Committee
19	4	1	Wave	Maushope		Bicycle Committee
20	4	1	TBD	Shank Painter Pond Rte 6 entrance		Town Open Space Plan
21	20	2	Corral	Boatslip on-street corrals		Bicycle Committee
22	4	2	Post & ring	225 Commercial St sidewalk (The Canteen)		Bicycle Committee
23	10	1	Corral	West Vine St Landing (Captain Jack's)		Bicycle Committee
24	10	1	Corral	26 Shank Painter Rd (Police Station)		Bicycle Committee
25	10	1	Corral	25 Shank Painter Rd (Fire Station) near Cemetery		Cemetery Commission
Spaces	387					
Locations	25					
Racks		50				

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Bike Rack Proposal

Sept 9, 2015 - DRAFT

