



**Project #15-036
Bicycle & Pedestrian Master Plan**

PHASE 3 REVIEW

REPORT SUMMARY...

<i>Project Name:</i>	Logan City Bicycle & Pedestrian Master Plan
<i>Proponent/Owner:</i>	Community Development Department / Logan City
<i>Project Address:</i>	Citywide
<i>Request:</i>	Specific Plan Adoption
<i>Type of Action:</i>	Legislative
<i>Date of Hearing:</i>	August 13, 2015
<i>Submitted By:</i>	Russ Holley, Senior Planner

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Planning Commission recommend **approval** to the Municipal Council for the adoption of the Logan City Bicycle & Pedestrian Master Plan.

REQUEST

The request is to adopt, by resolution, a version of the Logan City Bicycle & Pedestrian Master Plan (BPMP), which is a citywide comprehensive master plan that is meant to guide policy and resource allocation by city leaders for future infrastructure improvements, education programs and encouragement techniques for better walking and bicycling opportunities throughout the city.

GENERAL PLAN

Specific planning documents are important to the overall vision and success of the Logan City General Plan. Figure 1.1 shows the role of specific plans as taking the overall goals and objectives expressed in the General Plan and further studying and defining them for practical implementation. Air Quality and Parks and Recreation are two topics within the General Plan and are related to this master plan that indicate the need for further specification and strategies to help improve our air quality situation and increase trail networks.

PHASE 3 REVIEW

At the request of the Planning Commission, staff is preparing a three-phased presentation to break the large master plan document into smaller more manageable review sections. The first phase will focus on the vision statement, plan goals, existing policies, inventory, demographics and needs analysis. The second phase will focus on program and infrastructure design recommendations. The third phase will focus on cost and implementation.

The plan focuses on Education, Encouragement, Empowerment and Evaluation to properly prepare users for urban active transportation and create a successful bicycling and pedestrian program here in Logan City. This plan breaks the layout and network design into either a linear improvement or a spot improvement. The implementation phase strategizes the best way to sequence improvement installations with a composition of prioritization tables intended to identify the most important projects for pedestrians and bicycles that will generate the highest number of users. Filling in the gaps in existing routes, proximity to schools and transit, along with public support factor into when and how an improvement is installed. Funding and budgetary issues are analyzed and recommendations are made in an attempt to create the most bang for the buck.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION AND SUMMARY

Staff would recommend that the Planning Commission forward a recommendation of approval to the Municipal Council.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

A series of public outreach and comment opportunities were conducted as part of the plan development process. These comments have been documented and integrated into the plan. Concerning this specific Planning Commission docket item and the legal notification process, no comments were received as of the time the staff report was prepared.

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION

Legal notices were published in the Herald Journal on 7/19/2015, posted on the Utah Public Meeting website on 7/13/2015, and noticed in a quarter page ad on 7/15/2015.

AGENCY AND CITY DEPARTMENT COMMENTS

No comments have been received.

RECOMMENDED FINDINGS FOR APPROVAL

The Planning Commission bases its decisions on the following findings:

1. Utah State Law authorizes local Planning Commission to recommend resolution changes to the legislative body (Municipal Council).
3. The proposed Logan City Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan will outline steps to improve walking and bicycling opportunities in the City, resulting in better overall health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Logan.
4. The Logan City General Plan identifies the need and importance of specific planning documents in Figure 1.1.
5. For citizens that do not have automobile transportation options, walking and bicycling are basic means of mobility and should be seriously considered in the overall transportation system.

This staff report is an analysis of the application based on adopted city documents, standard city development practices, and available information. The report is to be used to review and consider the merits of the application prior to and during the course of the Planning Commission meeting. Additional information may be revealed by participants at the Planning Commission meeting which may modify the staff report and become the Certificate of Decision. The Director of Community Development reserves the right to supplement the material in the report with additional information at the Planning Commission meeting.