

Public Feedback on Proposed 14th/15th/16th Streets Bikeway Improvements

Feedback from Loring Park Outreach Efforts

Notes on Meeting Comments (*notable responses in italics*):

Desired Qualities

- Improvements to the pavement marking on the Loring Bikeway bike path between Groveland and 15th – there is no clear space for pedestrians and it's marked for 2-way bicycle traffic.
- Improvements to the Lyndale/Hennepin crossing for bicyclists, both for east-west thru movements and turning movements onto the bike paths.
- Pedestrian crossing at 15th & Oak Grove (*PW staff expressed this is not probable with this particular project*).
- A southwest Loring Park entrance that is aesthetic and functional for bicyclists and pedestrians.
- Public gathering spot at southwest Loring Park entrance (*Park Board staff expressed some concern about protests at this intersection – which require a permit – they have had to ask people to leave previously*)
- Old diagonal markings on 15th Street were nice because they slowed motor vehicles down (*PW staff said that “sharrows” similar to Bryant Avenue markings would be explored as an alternative*)
- Effective signs on 15th Street so that when the pavement markings are snow-covered in winter there is still evidence of a bikeway

Undesired Qualities

- Dooring accidents on 15th Street, caused by motorists opening driver side doors and bicyclists riding in the “door zone.”

Miscellaneous Items

- Regarding possible bike lanes on Vineland, the Walker Art Center may be interested in having the street narrowed to bring the Sculpture Garden and Walker Art Center closer (to ease length of pedestrian crossings)