



Providence Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission

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Staff Report: Bike Share Station Discussion *(For Action)*

Presented at March 22, 2018 BPAC meeting

Project Background

The City of Providence Department of Planning and Development seeks comments from the BPAC regarding locations for bike share stations throughout the city.

The City conducted three open houses on March 19 and 20 in partnership with JUMP Bikes staff to collect input from Providence residents on station locations for the semi-dockless electric-assist bikeshare system launching in the city at the end of the summer 2018. The capital costs for the system are funded through the TIGER grant shared by the City and RIPTA for the Downtown Transit Connector, as well as sponsorships. There will be 400 bikes initially at 40-50 stations. City staff worked with JUMP staff to suggest more than 80 locations where a station might make sense. These locations were presented on maps at the open houses and attendees were encouraged to place stickers on the maps to vote for either the suggested locations or additional locations that were not already shown. Attendees suggested 50 additional locations beyond those initially shown.

Voting for bikeshare locations continues until April 1 online at

<http://wikimapping.com/wikimap/JUMPprovidence.html>.

Early results from online voting show 70 people voting in the 2 days since voting opened. Of those, 42 or 60% identified as male, 23 or 33% identified as female. Home zipcodes with at least 2 people voting from them include 02909 and 02906 (12 each), 02903 and 02908 (8 each), 02860, 02905, and 02907 (4 each), and 02920 (2 people).

Respectfully submitted by Alex Ellis.