

April 7, 2016

To: South Addition Community Council

From: Bike Anchorage

Re: Request for approval of a Resolution supporting a bike counter totem near the intersection of the Lanie Fleisher Chester Creek and Tony Knowles Coastal Trails at Westchester Lagoon

- Whereas, encouraging the public to ride bikes has health, safety, economic, and many other positive benefits;
- Whereas, the intersection of the Lanie Fleisher Chester Creek and Tony Knowles Coastal Trails at Westchester Lagoon is publically perceived as one of the busiest multi-use trail intersections in Anchorage;
- Whereas, Bike Anchorage strives to:
 - Make Anchorage bicycle-friendly by creating a vibrant, livable and healthy city where it is safe and practical to go by bike;
 - Advocate for safe routes through the city for children, recreational riders, bike commuters and many others;
 - Educate children, motorists, and bicyclists to make Anchorage a safer place for everyone;
 - Encourage people to go by bike, especially those that are either new to biking or only occasionally go by bike.
- Whereas, Anchorage community organizations and municipal and state agencies have identified a need for more bike data;
- Whereas, Bike Anchorage is granted funds through Anchorage Park Foundation and working with Anchorage Parks and Recreation and Traffic departments;
- Whereas, the bike totem project will encourage Anchorage residents to go by bike more often and experience the Lanie Fleisher Chester Creek and Tony Knowles Coastal Trails;
- Whereas, this bike totem will activate families, neighbors, visitors and commuters near Westchester Lagoon with the need for improved safety in, extended ownership of, and responsibility for, bike safety in Anchorage;
- Whereas, improvements to parks is a cornerstone part of Anchorage Park Foundation Challenge Grants.
- Therefore, be it resolved that the South Addition Community Council supports the proposed bike totem at Westchester Lagoon that includes installation of the totem.

Jeffrey Manfull, President



Passed this day, April 21, 2016