# Bike Racks Finance Committee Presentation May 2016

#### Why do we need bike racks?

- We want to be a bicycle-friendly town (see BOS 2016 Policy Goals & the 2000 LCP)
- Recommendations to add bike racks at recreation areas and town landings are included in the 2012 Open Space & Recreation Plan and the 2012 Harbor Plan
- Existing racks in the town center don't meet demand
- Bikes blocking sidewalks are a recurring issue
- With a fifth bike shop opening this spring, there will be more than 3,000 rental bikes
- Over 300 bicycles per hour use Commercial Street in the peak season
- We have the highest rate of year-round bicycle commuting to work in the state.



#### What's the Plan?

#### **Establish Baseline**

- ✓ Inventory existing bike racks
- ✓ Identify possible new locations
- ✓ Develop standards based on best practices & local conditions

#### **Expand Capacity**

- ➡ Phase 1: Focus on adding racks on town land in the town center between Dyer St. and Atlantic Ave.; Redeploy DPW bike rack inventory
- Phase 2: Expand racks on public land and outside of the town center at recreation and municipal destinations
- Phase 3: Add racks in parking lots and seasonal on-street locations.

#### Institutionalize

- Promote public/private partnership through the Bicycle Committee cost sharing program;
- Establish maintenance & replacement schedule;
- Identify stable grant funding for new racks;
- Work with the Planning Board on guidelines for bike parking in Site Plan Review
- Identify town staff resources for ongoing support.

### **Inventory Existing Racks**

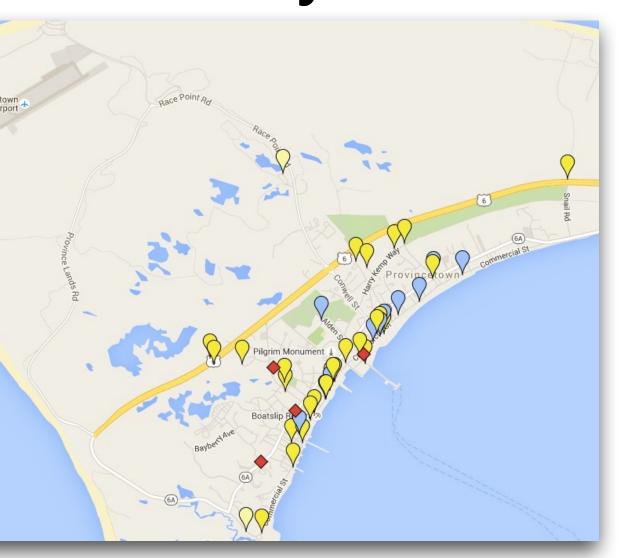


- Identified over 700 bike parking spaces throughout town and the Seashore
- 250 spaces are townowned (dark green)
- Remaining racks are in the Seashore (blue) or on private property (white) but available for public use.

Map: <a href="mailto:bit.ly/ptbikepark">bit.ly/ptbikepark</a>



### **Identify Possible Locations**



- Locations identified through Bicycle Committee meetings, Provincetown 365 survey, Open Space & Recreation Plan, and Harbor Plan
- Yellow = Public land
- Blue = Private property

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### **Develop Standards**



Inverted U racks for surfacemount and seasonal locations Directional signage for Commercial Street

Bollard racks for in-ground locations

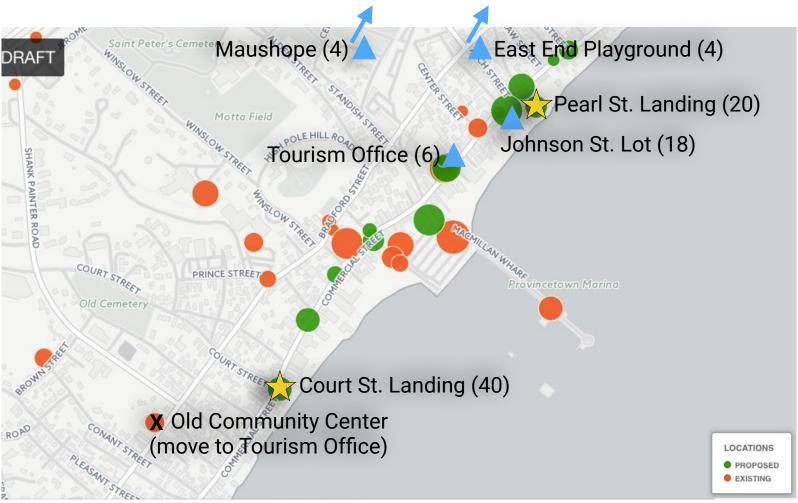
Sign sample courtesy of Provincetown DPW Standards based on Association of Bicycle & Pedestrian Professionals guidelines

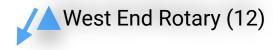
#### Spring 2016: New spaces for 104 bikes

PHASE 1

Redeploy DPW inventory: 44 spaces

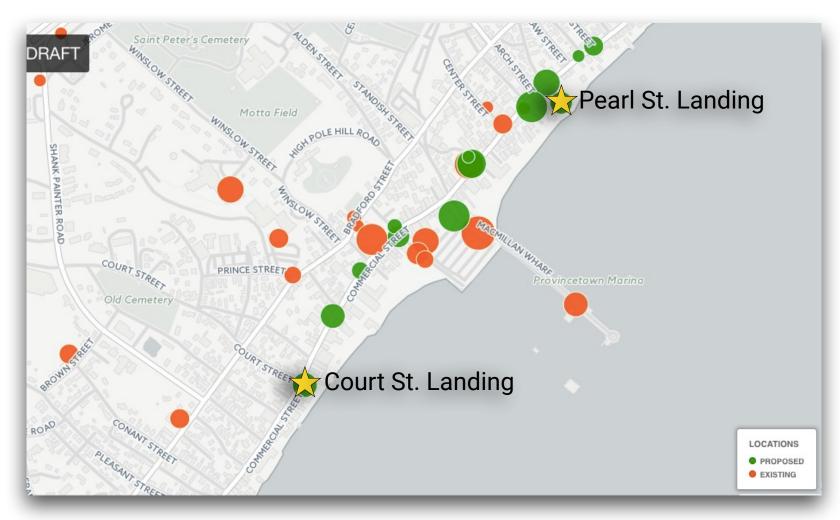
New purchase: 60 spaces





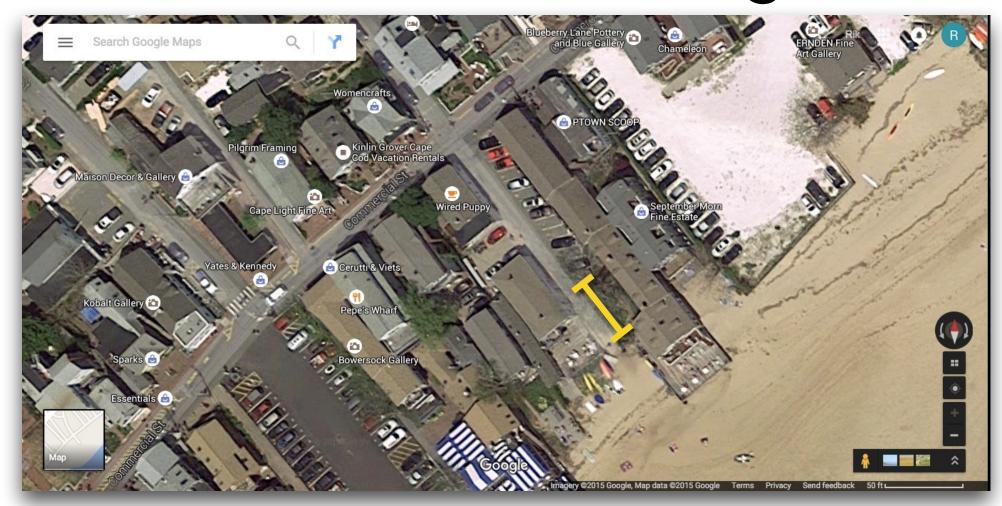


#### **New Bike Rack Locations**





### Pearl St. Landing





### Pearl St. Landing Concept



### Court St. Landing



### Court St. Landing Concept



### **Funding Request**

Finance Committee funds: \$2,500

Bicycle Committee funds: \$2,562

Total estimated expense: \$5,062

This will purchase 6 Saris 2460G bike racks @ \$777 each including shipping



### **Future Funding Sources**

- MassDOT Complete Streets grants (if town adopts a Complete Streets policy)
- Cape Cod Commission Bike Rack Program
- Visitor Services Board enhancement grants
- Community Preservation Committee's Open Space & Recreation grants
- Parking Fund
- Bicycle Committee budget
- PeopleForBikes Community Grant program



### Challenges

- Administrative overhead for small grants is a barrier to applying for grant funding
- Bicycle Committee grant program is not well known and has had limited success (only 2 completed installations)
- Coordination for approvals among town boards, departments, and multiple jurisdictions is cumbersome and very time consuming
- Funding sources may have restrictions including location, types of racks, and vendors that can be used
- Reliance on volunteer efforts creates gaps in continuity
- Limited DPW resources for installation and maintenance.

## Bike Racks Phased Approach





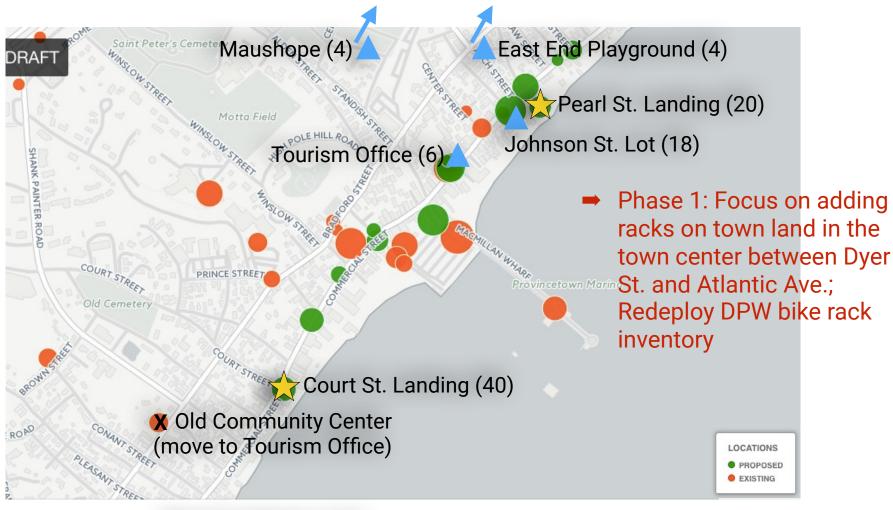
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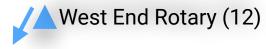
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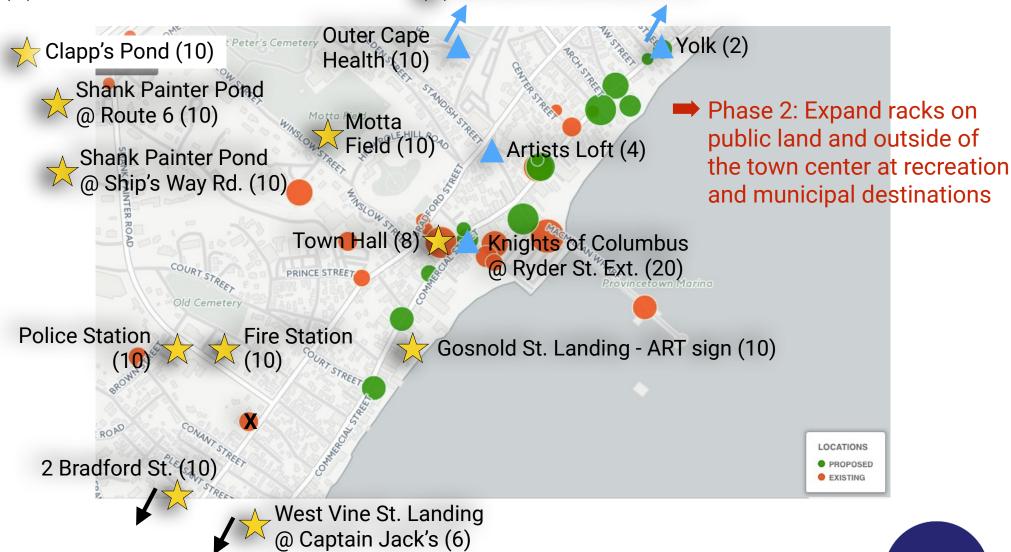
#### Fall 2016: New spaces for 150 bikes

PHASE 2

A Bike Committee Grant: 36 spaces

New purchase: 114 spaces

Hawthorne Sanctuary (10)



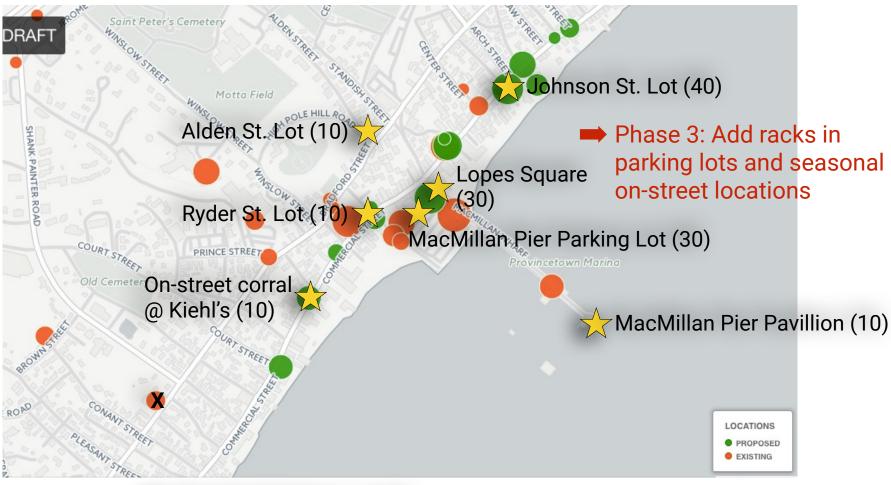


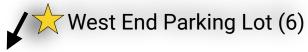
#### Fall 2017: New spaces for 146 bikes

PHASE 3

Bike Committee Grant: \_\_\_ spaces

New purchase: 146 spaces







#### Summary

Phase 1: 104 spaces \$5,062 FY2016

Phase 2: 150 spaces \$12,000 FY2017

Phase 3: 146 spaces \$12,000 FY2018

Total: 400 spaces \$29,062 invested

Combined with the existing 250 spaces, this brings us up to 650 bike parking spaces.

