

Legislation Text

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Referred to: Parks & Recreation

**Whereas,** Appleton has been recognized by the League of American Bicyclists as a Bicycle Friendly Community. And

**Whereas**, communities as vibrant as Appleton are a destination for residents and visitors alike a place where people don't just live and work, but thrive. And

Whereas, riding a bike is a healthy, fun and safe activity. And

**Whereas,** Appleton has currently, 14.3 centerline-miles of bike lanes and are planning to add an additional 9.3 miles over the next five years. And

**Whereas,** Appleton has 8.0 miles of side paths (paths located in road rights-of-way that run parallel to roadways). We are planning to add at least an additional 2.3 miles over the next five years. And

**Whereas,** Appleton has 9.2 miles of public trails, which includes Apple Creek, North Island, Providence, Newberry, and Highview Trails. And

**Whereas,** we are planning to add in the next 3-10 years: The Trolley Trestle Trail from Atlas Mill to Pullmans, Lutz Park to Vulcan Heritage, Foremost Trestle Trail and Lawrence University connection, Riverview Gardens connecting Veterans Park to Olde Oneida Street and Newberry Trail, and Plamann Park to Apple Hill Trail. And

Whereas, bicycle advocates have fought hard for the right to the road and continue to shape our traffic laws to better accommodate people on bikes and all multimodal transportation choices, And

**Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved** that Appleton continues to grow our biking and walking community and plans to employ a shared employee in 2017 between Departments of Public Works and Park and Recreation to develop new programs, seek and apply for grants, enhance accommodations, and continue to make the City of Appleton a more bicycle and pedestrian friendly community.

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City of Appleton