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Saint Paul Bicycle Plan Update

Saint Paul City Council, April 17, 2024



Timeline

Summer 2021 – beginning of 2024

Into April 2024
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Jun - Aug
Internal outreach

Jan 2022 – Jan 2023
Draft network updates,
network prioritization

Draft plan engagement
April - July

SUMMER

WINTER

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FALL

2022

2023

Public Outreach
Aug – Nov

Aug – Q1 2024
Final Plan updates
& adoption

Phase 1 Engagement

Phase 2 Engagement

Background



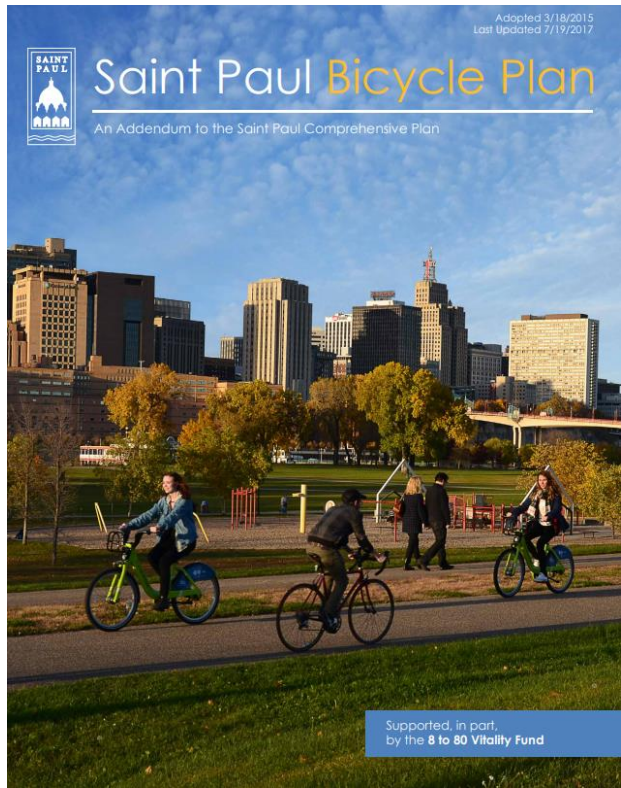
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2015 Saint Paul Bicycle Plan

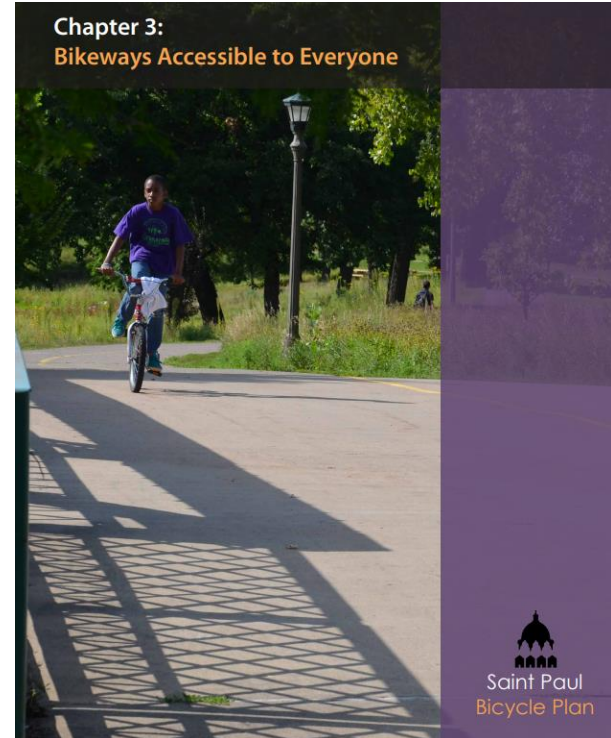
- Adopted in March 2015
- Provides direction for the development of a network of bicycle facilities
- Highlights engagement process between 2011 and 2014
- Updated in 2017 to include CCB and Grand Round
- Recommends additional updates





How is the Plan used?

- To guide development of the network when opportunities arise
 - Mill & Overlay projects
 - Street reconstructions
 - New development
 - Transit projects
- As a reference for other planning efforts





What are our biking and transportation goals?

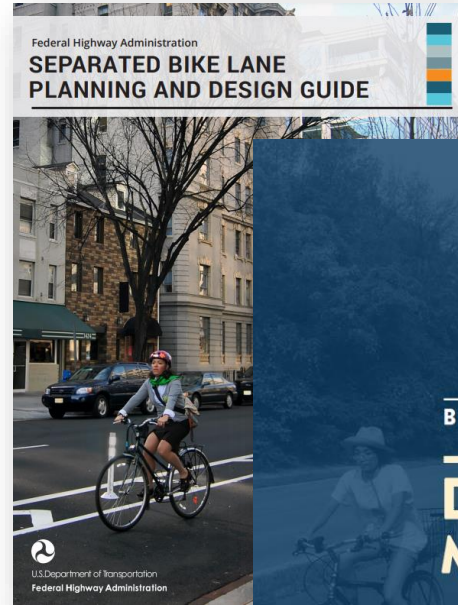
- Improve safety for people riding bikes
- We want more and *new* bikers riding
- We want to limit our impact on climate change
- We need to accommodate the movement of more people as our city grows





What is the focus of the update?

- Separated bikeways should be expanded across the city
- Incorporate recent work, identify new projects and priorities
- Policy guidance for maintenance and operation of network



Engagement



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Recommendations of the Plan



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Legend

Facility Type

- Off-Street Path
- In-Street Separated Lane
- Bicycle Boulevard
- Enhanced Shared Lane
- Corridor for Additional Study
- Corridor for Additional Study of Enhanced Shared Lanes
- Area for Additional Study
- Transit Station Connectors
- Freight Railroad

- 1** Ford Site - Bicycle facilities are to be planned in conjunction with other site planning related to anticipated redevelopment.

Facility Type Group Descriptions

Off-Street Path - These are typically shared-use bicycle and pedestrian trails.

In-Street Separated Lane - These are in-street facilities where exclusive space for bicycles is provided in the roadway such as bike lanes, buffered bike lanes, one-way cycle tracks, or two-way cycle tracks.

Bicycle Boulevard - These are low-volume, low-speed roadways that are optimized for bicycles and pedestrians. Through motor vehicle travel is discouraged.

Enhanced Shared Lane - A combination of pavement markings such as "sharrows" or signage is used to highlight the presence of bicycles on the roadway. The markings and signage encourage bicycles and motorists to share travel lanes on the roadway.

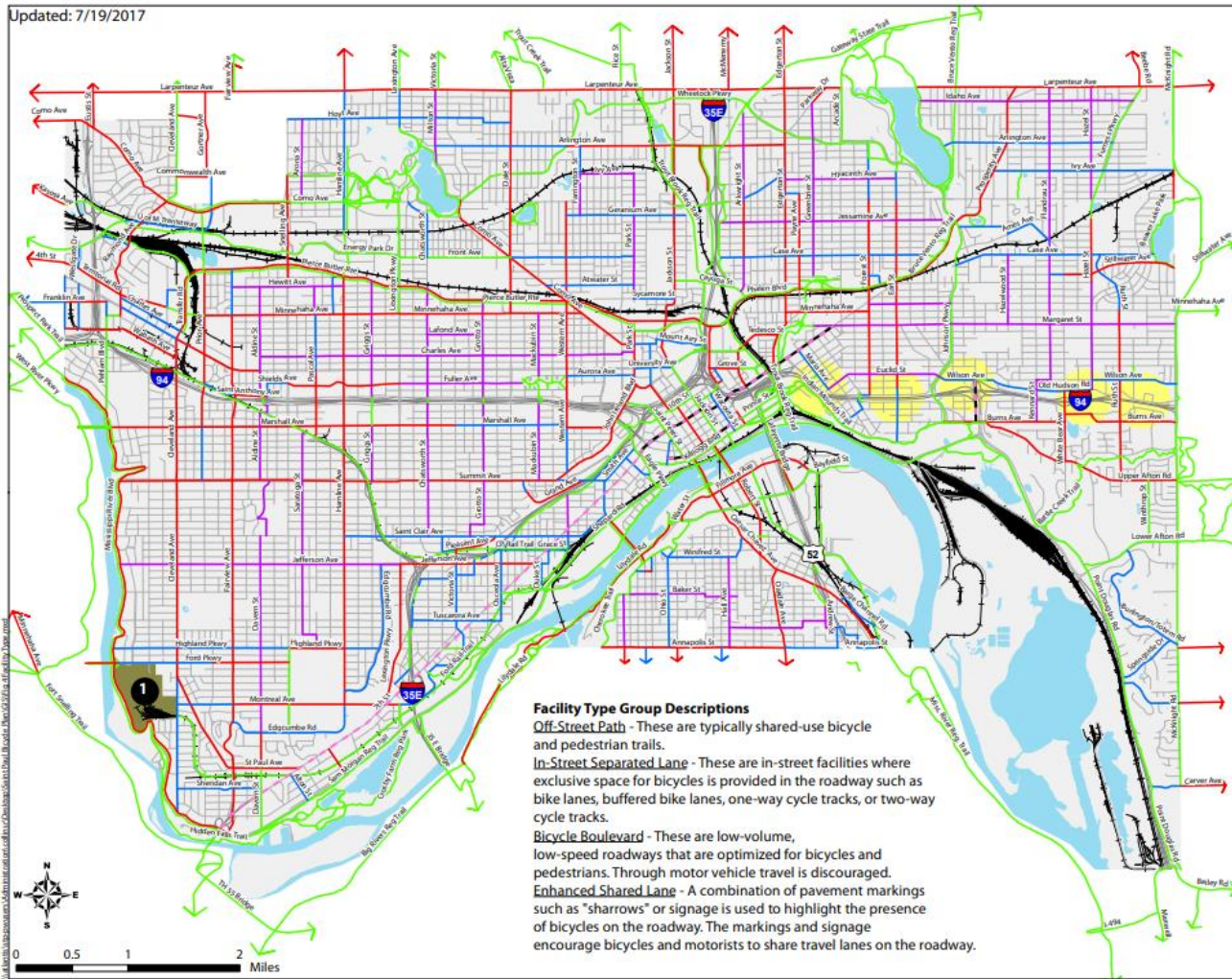


Figure 4
Planned Bicycle Network
Facility Type Group



2024 Bicycle Plan Bikeway Types – same as current Plan

Group 1
Shared Lane



Group 2
Bicycle Boulevard

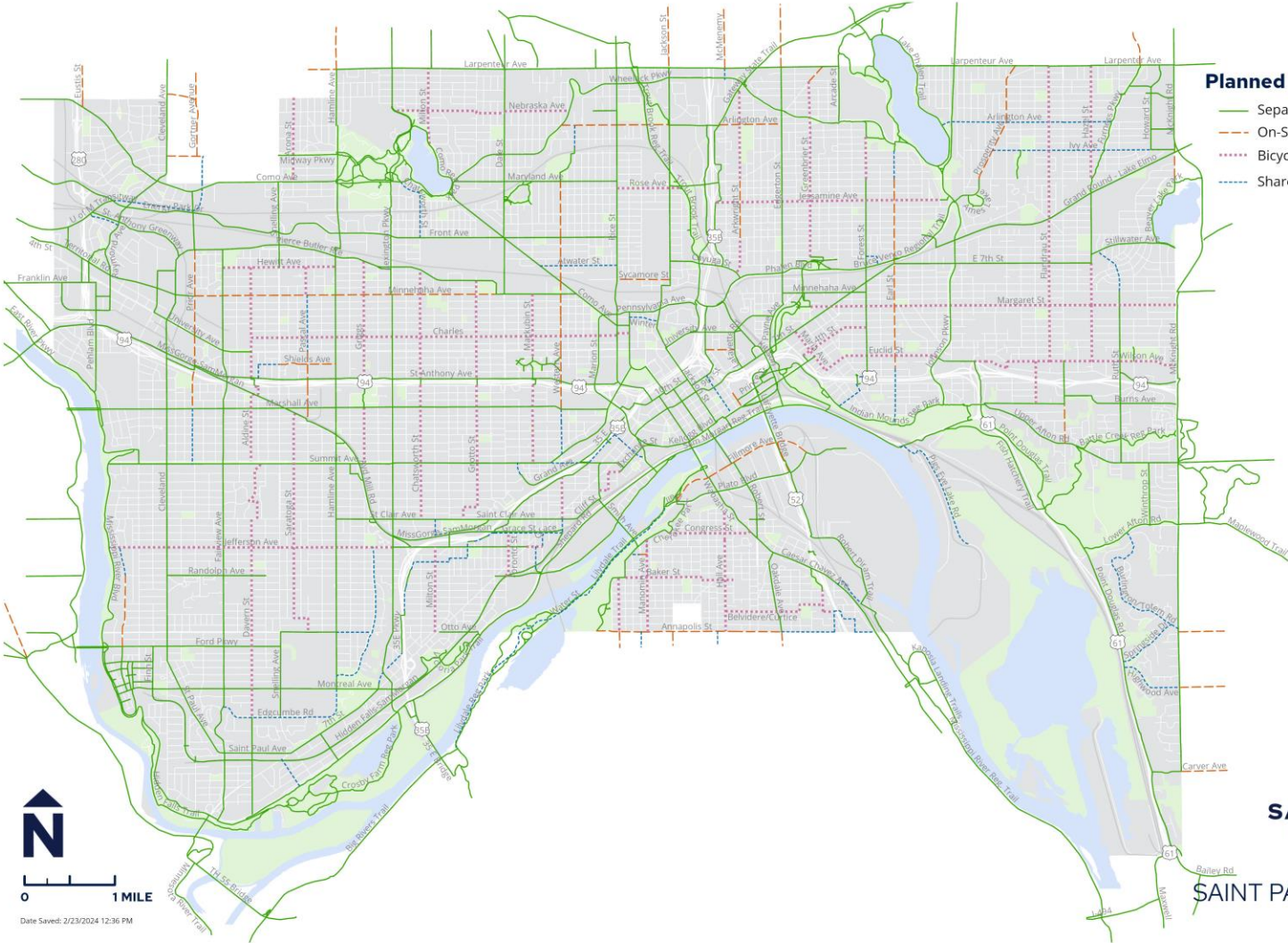


Group 3
Bike Lanes



Group 4
Separated Bikeways &
Paths





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Compared to the 2015 Plan, what does this new Plan include?

- A planned bicycle network moving away from striped on-street bicycle lanes to separated bikeways
- Updated opportunities for building bikeways in the shorter term (next 10 to 20 years)
 - Common Cent street reconstructions
- Stronger policy direction for maintenance of our bike network



What does the new Plan not include?

- Dedicated funding sources for construction of the bicycle network
- Dedicated funding sources for maintenance of the network
- A timeline for full implementation
- Specific designs of streets on any single project
- An estimate for the cost of any single project
- Engagement strategy projects

Planning Commission resolution re: Maryland in Ward 6

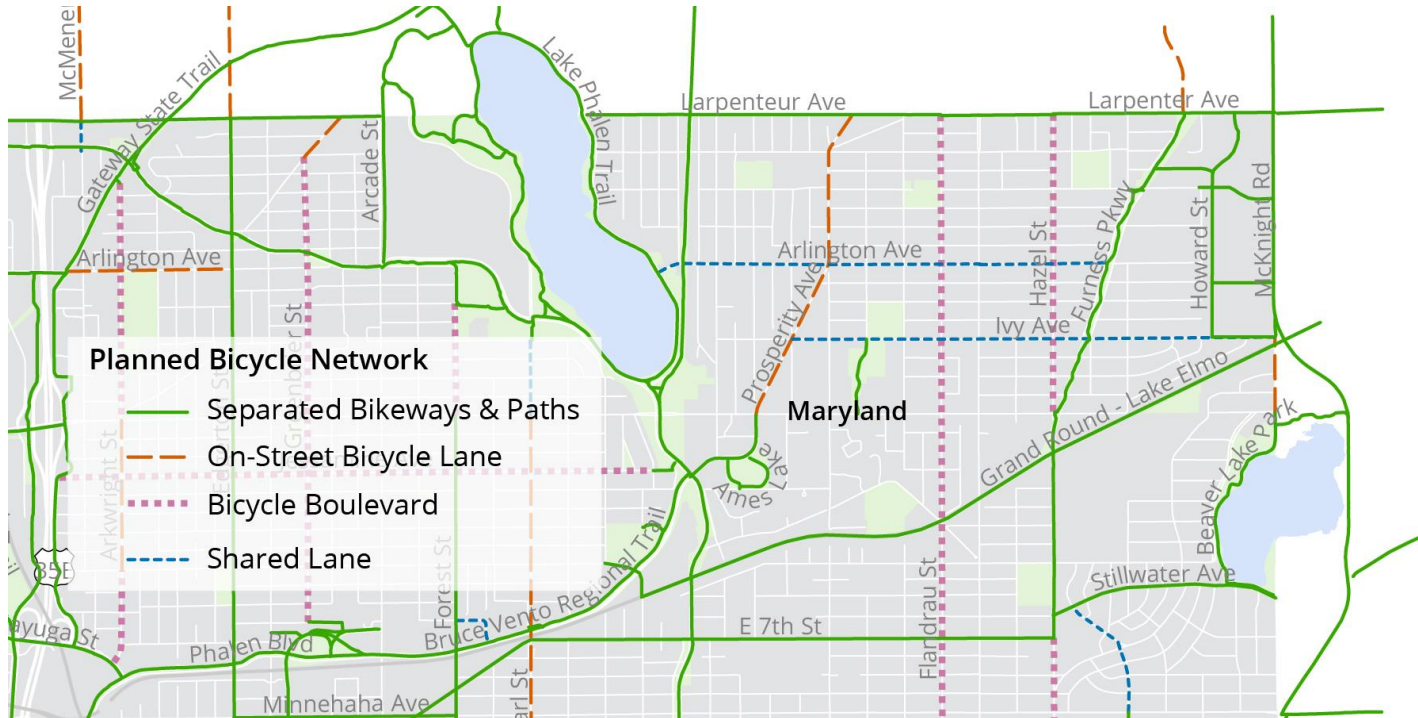


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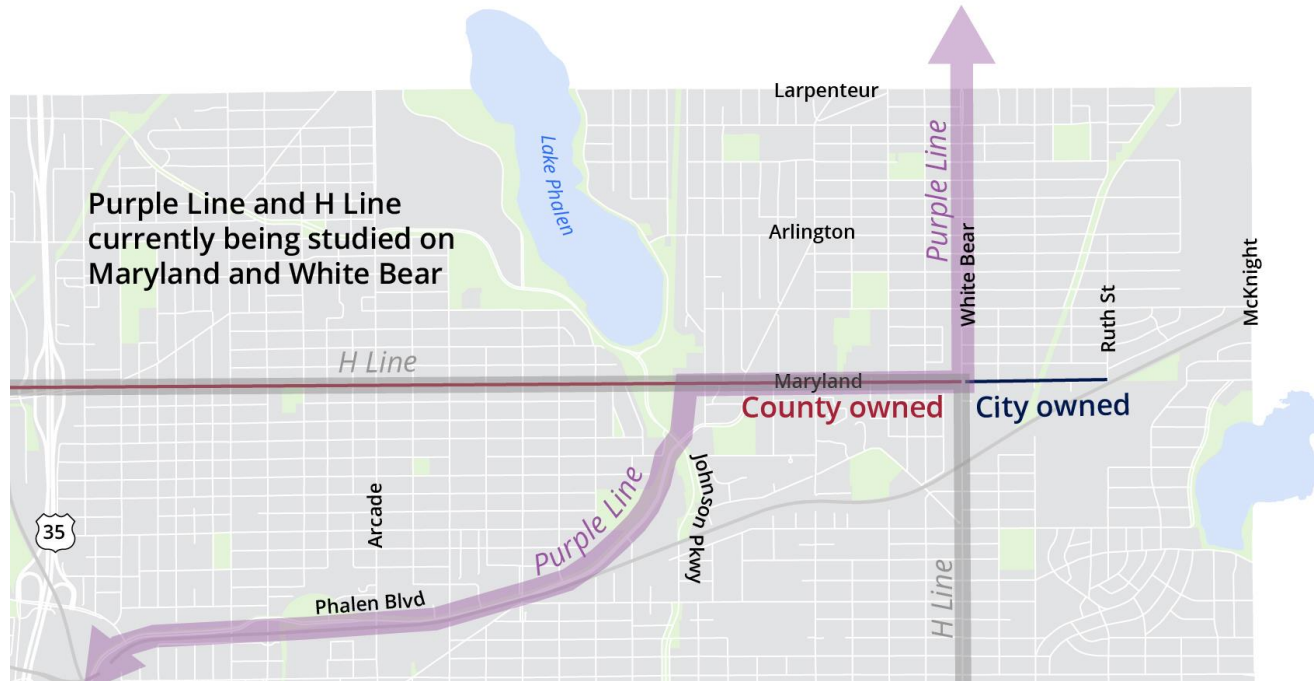


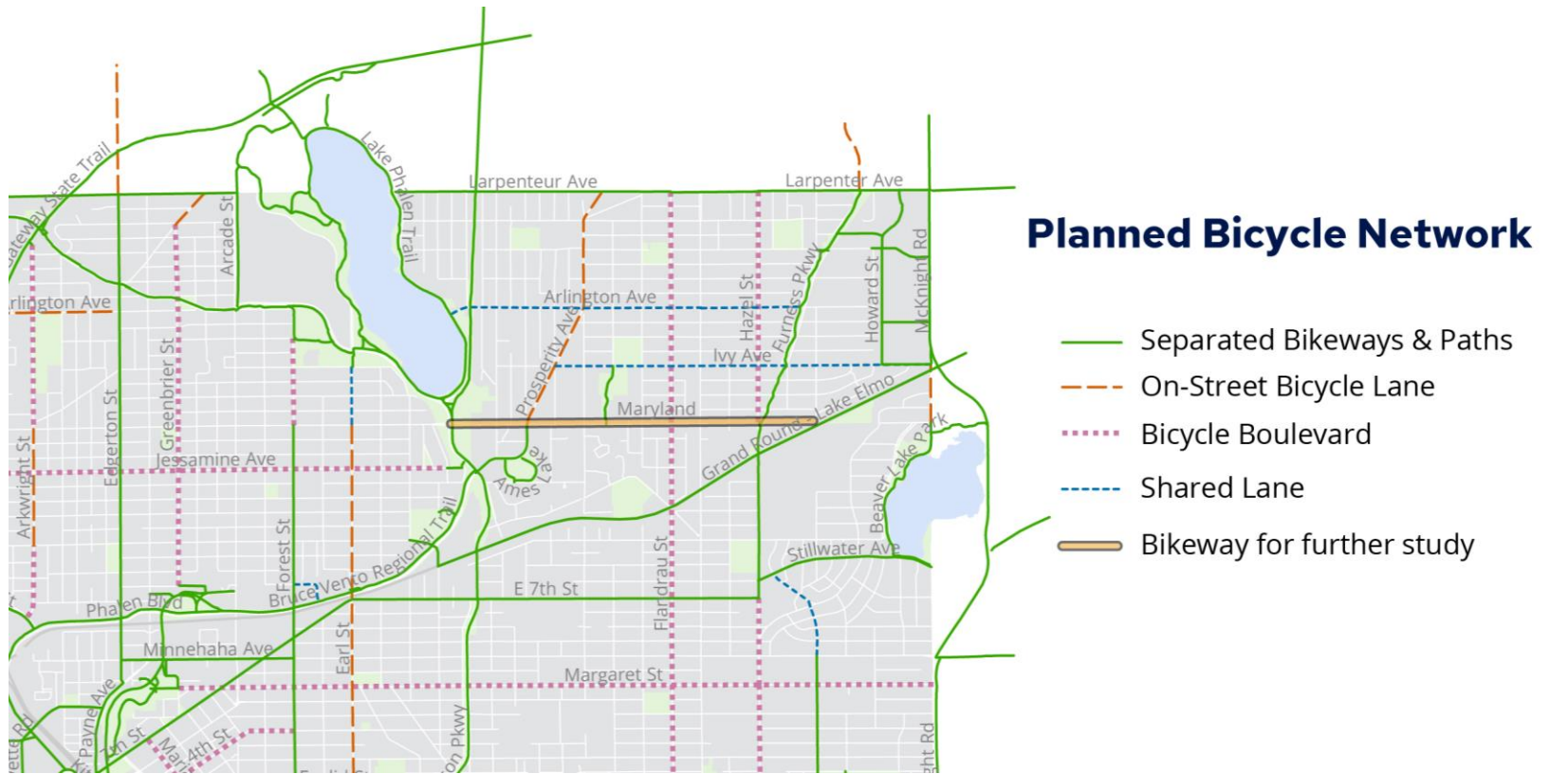
Planned Bicycle Network, February 2024 Bicycle Plan





Planned transitways and road ownership





1. A new line be added to the Planned Bicycle Network map on Maryland Avenue east of Johnson Parkway, in a manner that recognizes and prioritizes transit planning processes in that segment

Next steps



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What happens next?

- The Bicycle Plan sets a vision for the future
- More engagement, more detailed design
- Updates of this Plan in ten years

Thank you

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