



## **Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee Annual Work Plan Topic Request Form**

Requestor Name:

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Proposed Topic Title:

Bicycle parking and security

Background and Discussion: Please provide justification regarding how this topic pertains to the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee's roles and responsibilities:

Having one's bike stolen is one of the most discouraging things that can happen. We heard a year ago that 259 reported thefts occurred in the City of Santa Clara in a one-year period, and bicycle theft is likely under-reported.

Bicycle parking is relatively inexpensive, especially when it is planned into new construction or renovations. Bicycle lockers, especially e-lockers, are convenient, allowing the secure, covered storage of accessories like lights, bags, and helmets, without having to remove them from the bike.

Let's make this a recurring topic. I suggest revisiting it annually, unless there's a particular opportunity or event to discuss. I'd like to make sure that the BPAC and staff talk about opportunities to improve bicycle parking throughout the city, to weigh in on where to put proposed additions, and to get an update on whether what we have is working.