# BICYCLING IMPROVEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

City of Fort Collins
Bicycle Advisory Committee
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Bike Fort Collins' intent is to maintain a fluid list of intersections and road facilities that represent opportunities for improving the bicycling experience for all.



#### **Three Additional Opportunities**

- Riverside Avenue (Prospect Road & Riverside Avenue)
- Kechter Road (Between Timberline Road & Ziegler Road)
- Mulberry Street (Between City Park Avenue & Bryan Avenue)

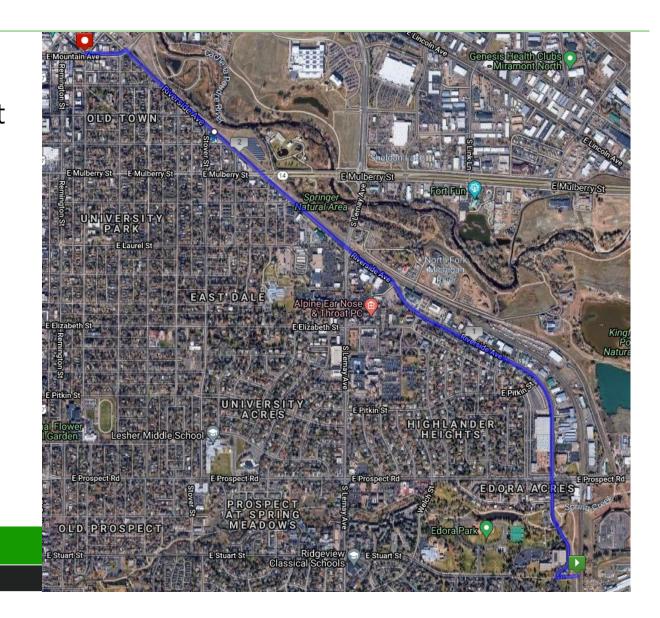


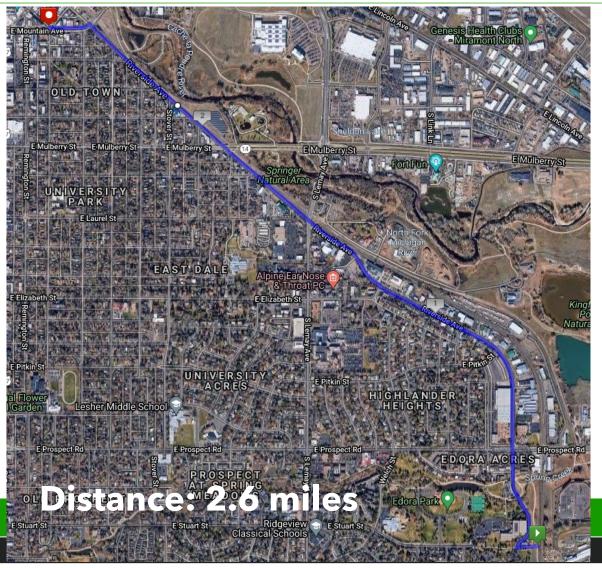
Cyclist

 Experience
 (WB
 Riverside):



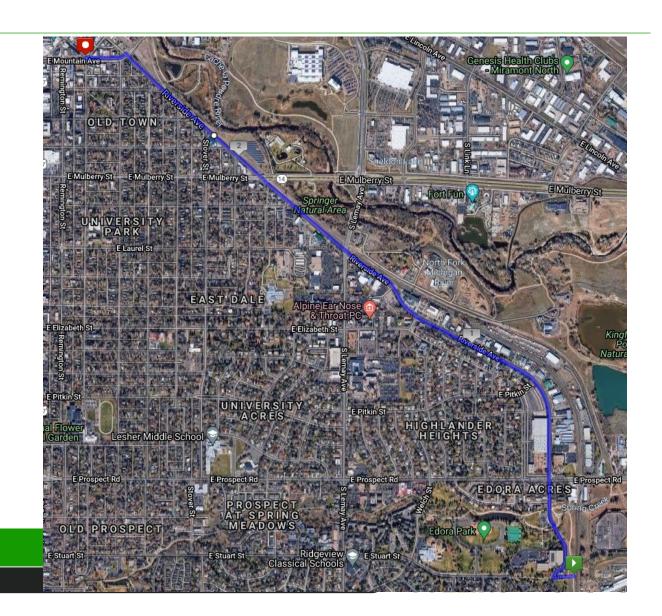
- Opportunity:
  - Put Riverside Avenue on a road diet
  - Great opportunity to incent and encourage bicycling by creating a more direct route into the downtown district by bicycle
  - Shorter distance and less time traveling in from SE of downtown

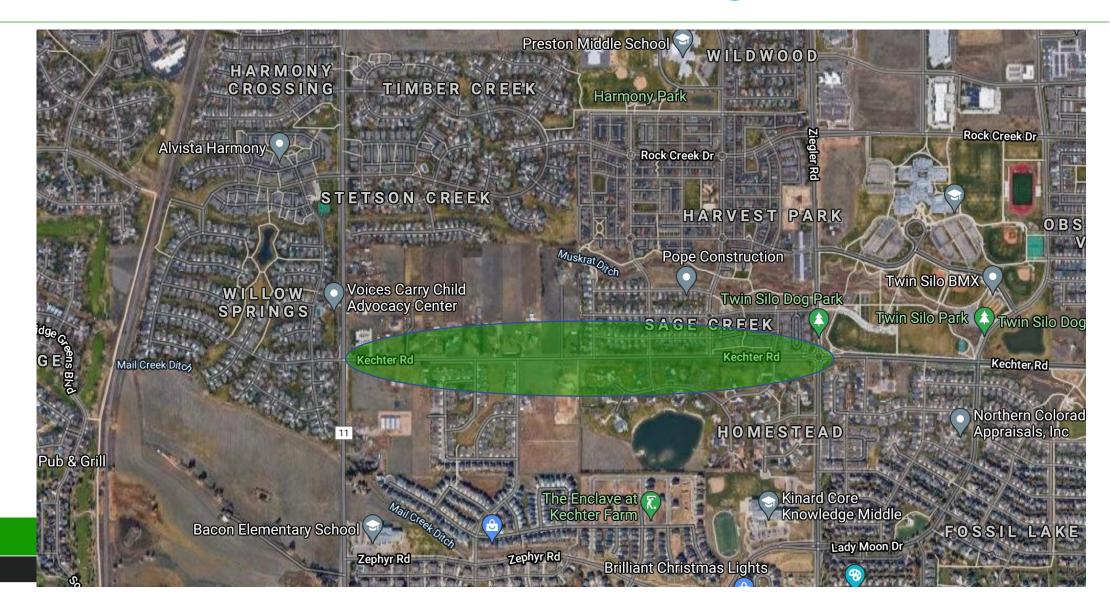






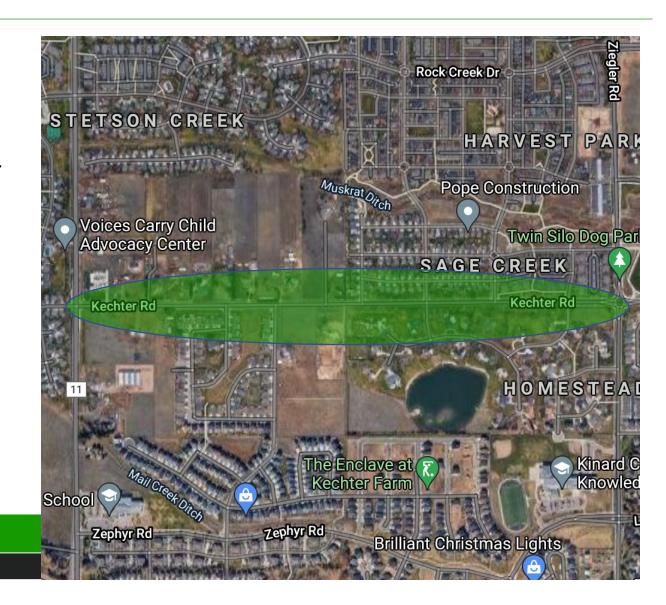
- Considerations:
  - Average Daily Traffic (ADT) counts?
    - By day? Daypart
    - Intuitively, traffic never feels heavy enough to warrant a four-lane road
  - Prospect & Riverside Intersection
  - Between Mulberry & Mountain





#### Opportunity:

- This stretch could/should be an integral bicycle connector to Twin Silos Park, and east-west commuter corridor
- However, does not have good contiguous bike lanes
- Scenarios of "Bike lanes to nowhere" in both directions



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 Kechter):

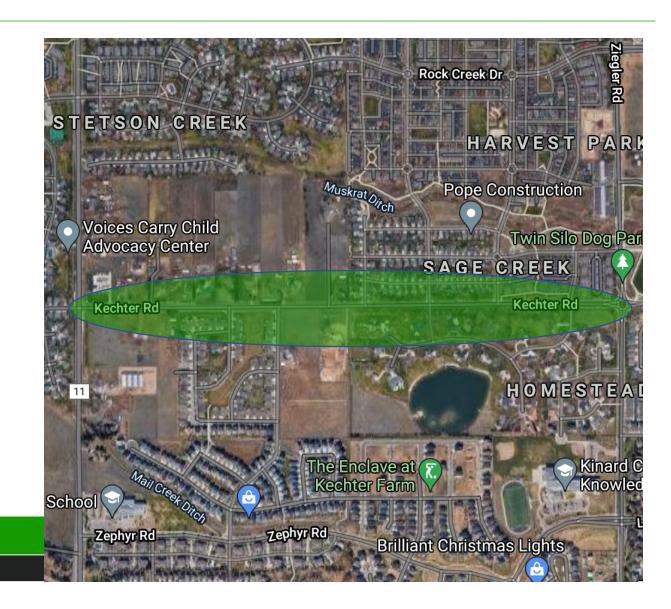


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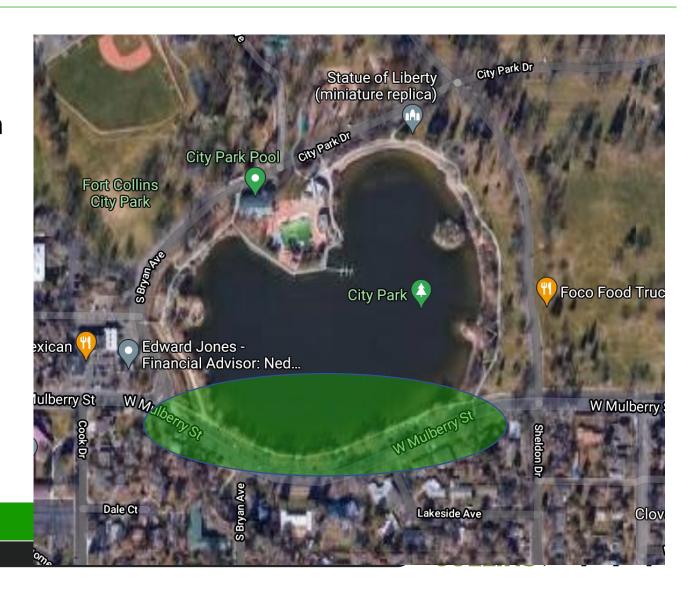
- Considerations:
  - It's clear that bike lanes have been added as redevelopment occurred
  - How do we connect undeveloped sections?
  - How do we ensure connection in similar scenarios going forward?



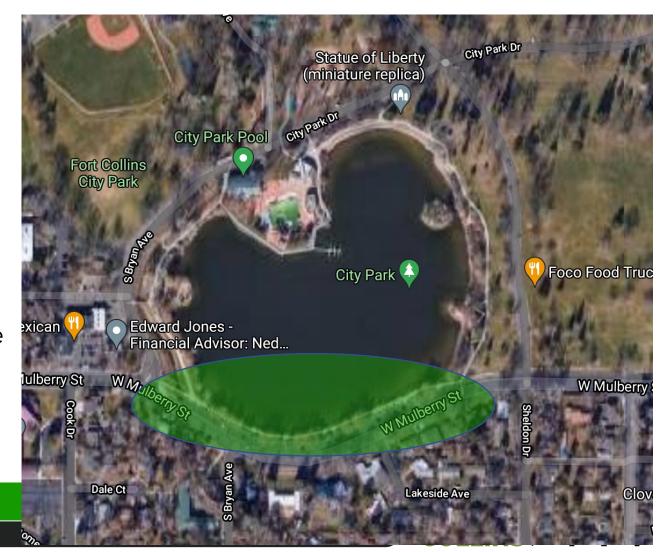




- Opportunity:
  - The bike lane has reported conflict and potential conflict with parked cars, and other amenityusers
  - Also reports of consistent debris blocking or impeding the lane



- Ride-Around-Town (RAT) Ride:
  - Evening of May 6<sup>th</sup>
  - 10 attendees from community
  - Notes captured:
    - This route creates conflict between cyclists and pedestrians sharing the same sidewalk. The bike lane/sidewalk is not maintained and debris tends to collect in large quantities. A popular fishing spot, cars tend to back up to the lake and create an obstruction for cyclists and pedestrians alike.



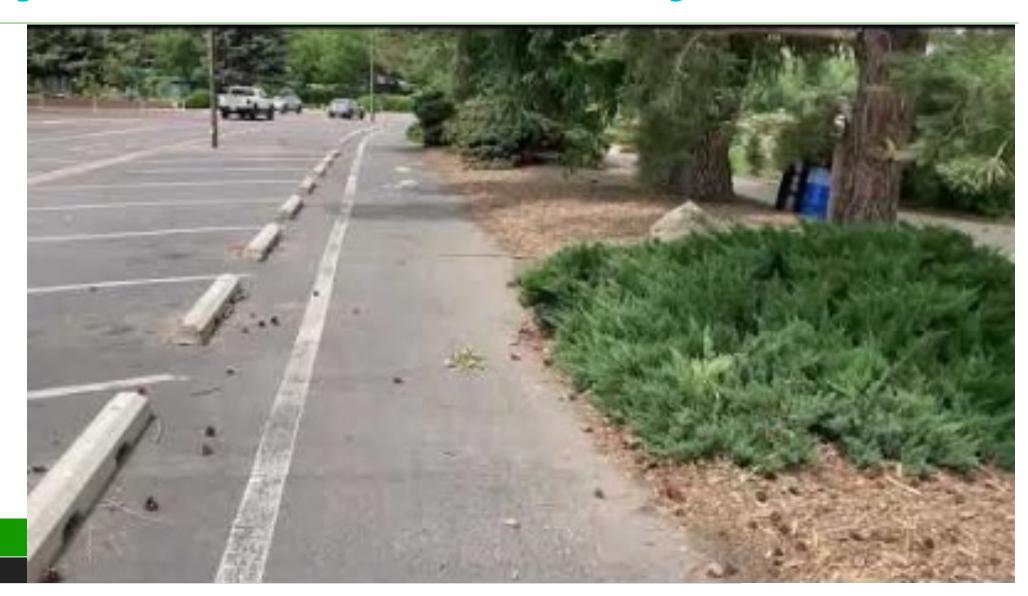
#### Survey Results:

- Nearly 55% of respondents\* cited having had conflict or right-of-way confusion
- "People setting up fishing gear in the bike lane."
- "People parked in the bike lane and mulch covering lane."
- "Cars parked beyond the parking blocks, partially blocking the lane in front of the cars. Pedestrians exiting their cars and walking into the bike path without seeing bikes."

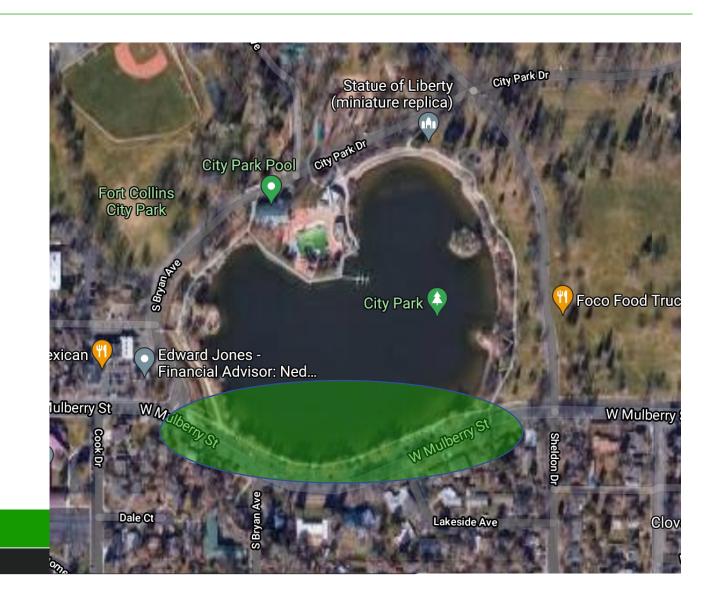


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 Experience
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 Mulberry):



- Considerations:
  - Create wider bike lane
    - Cut back vegetation
  - Paint bike lane green
  - Better communicate bike lane's existence
    - Improved signage
  - More frequent sweeping



#### Miss Anything?

- Are there any intersections or road facilities that we've missed?
  - Let us know-can add to the list and/or highlight and present on the intersection/road facility at a future meeting.



#### **THANK YOU**

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