

# Westminster, CO

## Bicycle Master Plan

**Type:** Bicycle Master Plan

**Size:** 34 square miles

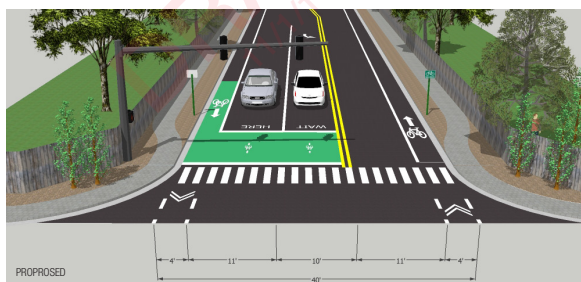
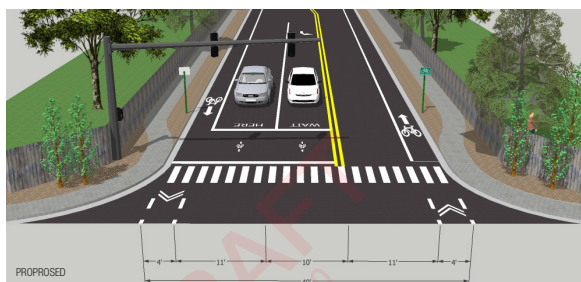
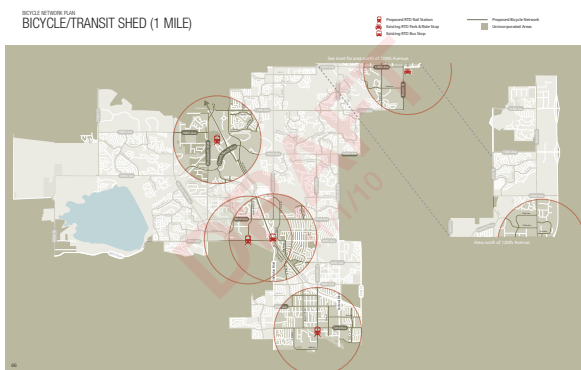
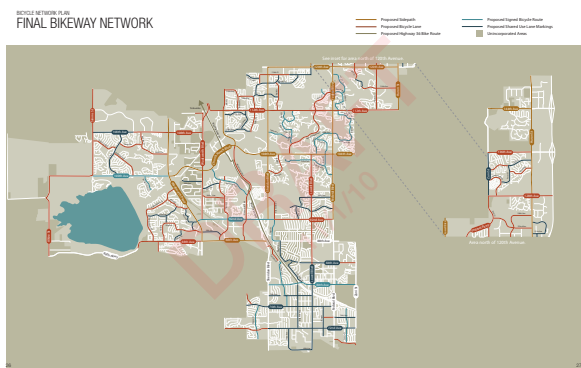
**Status:** Complete, awaiting approval

With The City of Westminster and its citizens, The Street Plans Collaborative is completing the City's first bicycle master planning effort.

With over 100,000 residents, Westminster plays a key role in advancing sustainable transportation for the entire Denver metro region. The City presently maintains an extensive 74-mile shared use path network, but has not yet implemented a viable network of on-street bikeways. Moreover, wayfinding remains difficult and the city's principal network of arterial streets makes bicycling very uncomfortable for all but the most experienced bicyclists.

The Westminster 2030 Bicycle Master Plan introduces five new contextually appropriate bikeway types to make the city friendlier for all bicyclists. The proposed network is designed to connect all major commercial centers, residential neighborhoods, recreation amenities, and the city's transit hubs, which will feature commuter rail in the near future. The network is also designed to connect to all planned and existing bikeways in neighboring municipalities, thereby contributing to a robust regional bikeway system.

TSPC employed an innovative public outreach effort that included a dynamic website integrated with a strong social media interface. The project website, [bikewestminster.org](http://bikewestminster.org), included a news blog, public input mapping tool, a twitter feed, and links to the project Facebook page and all relevant local and regional planning documents. This strategy helped the planning team garner input from those unable to attend the two bicycle summits, thereby enabling the planning team to recommend a bikeway network sensitive to a diverse community of Westminster bicyclists.



Standard collector-arterial intersections may be retrofitted with Bicycle Lanes and Bicycle Boxes. Bicycle Boxes may also be equipped with Signal Detection equipment and other countermeasures, such as peg-a-tracking. Cities like Portland have discovered that Bicycle Boxes can be enhanced by the use of colored pavement.