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Memorandum

DATE:

December 12, 2007

TO:

Mayor and City Council Members

FROM:

Economic Advisory Commission

CC:

Darin Atteberry, City Manager

Mike Freeman, Chief Financial Officer

RE:

EAC Bicycle Advisory Committee Recommendation

The Economic Advisory Commission (EAC) recommends that the City Council appoint a Bicycle Advisory Committee whose charge is to develop a comprehensive community bike plan. As part of this plan, the EAC recommends that the Bicycle Advisory Committee study the ongoing economic benefits of implementing the Bike Plan and its proposed projects. The EAC believes that the efforts to date in promoting biking in Fort Collins have positively impacted our economic health, but there is little quantitative evidence to support this belief. The Bicycle Advisory Committee could significantly advance our understanding of the relationship between economic health and a world class biking community.

Thank you for considering this recommendation