Tybee Island – Bicycle Friendly
Diane Schleicher, City Manager
APPLICATION CRITERIA

• Engineering
• Education
• Encouragement
• Enforcement
• Evaluation and Planning
ENGINEERING

8 miles of designated marked & signed bicycle route

Tybee has approximately 36 paved and unpaved roads.
ENGINEERING

2 miles of bicycle route is dedicated to a bicycle boulevard
ENGINEERING - Bicycle Racks – Off Street
ENGINEERING - Bicycle Racks – next to beach access
ENGINEERING

Bicycle Racks: On Street

Bicycle Rack Donated by Dean Morrison
ENGINEERING - Bicycle Racks – Commercial Zoning

City adopted an ordinance that allows a business to substitute one required parking space for a bicycle rack that accommodates at least 8 bicycles.
ENGINEERING - Signage
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More Signage
ENGINEERING
Marked man hole covers on bicycle route with green reflectors to aid in bicycling at night.
**EDUCATION** - Bicycle route map on city bicycle web page & on local tourism council web page. Bicycle rental businesses give out the map visitors/customers.
EDUCATION

Regular Helmet Safety and Fit Clinics. SafeKids does regular classes at the local YMCA day camps during the summer.
EDUCATION - Youth Bicycle Rodeo
ENCOURAGEMENT

“Bike to Work Week” in May of each year and “Bicycle Month” during May of each year.
ENCOURAGEMENT - Community Rides
Tybee to Savannah Ride
ENCOURAGEMENT - Community Rides - Annual Joyce Harrison Memorial Poker Ride
ENCOURAGEMENT

Community Rides - YMCA Anniversary Ride
ENFORCEMENT

Police Department is involved in the bicycle community educational and rides for support and sponsor their own events where the officers distribute bicycle helmets to children who don’t have helmets after they have been properly fitted.

The Tybee Island police officers have been trained by a Savannah Bicycle Campaign Member who is a LCI on proper bicycle fit.

Currently, officers have bicycle helmets to give to youth under the age of 16 years old in order to gain compliance to the state law.

Police department has an active bicycle registration program to deter bicycle thefts.
EVALUATION & PLANNING

The city manager attended “Workshop on Wheels” in 2009.
EVALUATION & PLANNING

A Tybee Island police officer completed Traffic 101. In addition, the city manager completed Traffic 101 & 201 and the League Certified Instructor Course to become a LCI in 2010.
PLANNING & EVALUATION

Tybee elected officials and staff attended the Georgia Bicycle Summit in 2010.
EVALUATION & PLANNING

City applied for a grant in 2010 and has been awarded a TE Grant from GDOT to building a off-road bicycle/pedestrian trail to connect the current bicycle route with western most portion of the city.
PLANNING & EVALUATION

City conducted a survey in early 2010 to gather information and input from the Tybee bicycling community:

70% of Tybee bicyclists are over 46 years old.

87% of Tybee bicyclists ride 2 or more miles to get to their destination.

65% of Tybee bicyclists never wear helmets when riding.
BENEFITS OF BICYCLE FRIENDLY DESIGNATION

• Recognition
• Promotion
• Benchmarking
• Technical Help
• Inspiration
RECOGNITION
PROMOTION
BENCHMARKING — How is the city and local bicycling community improving the bicycling experience on Tybee from year to year? The Tybee Island Bicycle Friendly Committee meets monthly.
TECHNICAL HELP — from the league and local bicycle advocacy organizations.
INSPIRATION

**Current** - Memorial Park Bicycle/Pedestrian Path

**Potential** - a smooth bicycle/ped path like the one in Jaycee Park Bicycle/Ped Path
INSPIRATION

**Current** - project condition

**Potential** - smooth developed bicycle/pedestrian trail with the new grant award
INSPIRATION

**Current** - 2 lane bridges to Tybee with no bicycle/pedestrian lanes

**Potential** - 4 lane bridges to Tybee with protected bicycle/pedestrian lanes
Questions?