



## Request for City Council Committee Action From the Department of Public Works

**Date:** January 19, 2010

**To:** Honorable Chair, Transportation & Public Works Committee

**Subject:** **Bicycle Presentations**

**Recommendation:**  
Receive and File

**Prepared by:** Shaun Murphy, NTP Project Coordinator, 333-2450

**Previous Directives:**  
None

**Approved by:**

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Steven A. Kotke, P.E., City Engineer - Director of Public Works

**Presenters:** Jon Wertjes, Shaun Murphy

### Reviews

Permanent Review Committee (PRC):	Approval	<b>NA</b>	Date
Civil Rights Affirmative Action Plan	Approval	<b>NA</b>	Date
Policy Review Group (PRG):	Approval	<b>NA</b>	Date

**Financial Impact**  
None

### Background

Two bicycle-related trips were recently taken by Public Works employees. Presentations on those trips will be given at the T&PW meeting.

Jon Wertjes traveled to Portland, Oregon from October 1 to 3, 2009 to participate in the chartering of the Progressive Bicycle Cities Coalition (PBCC). This 3-day gathering established a framework to advance technology and innovation in urban bicycle transportation systems, as well as guide national policy, standards, and best practices to support these systems. The outgrowth of this trip resulted in NACTO (National Association of City Transportation Officials) to create the "City's for Cycling" outreach and efforts. The City of Portland donated travel expenses.

Shaun Murphy embarked on a five-day transportation study tour of urban bicycle facilities in the Netherlands and Germany from August 30 to September 3, 2009. The trip was a study of state-of-the-art practices in European bicycle planning, engineering, and design. The Bikes Belong Foundation covered the expenses of the tour.