



# TOWN OF FAIRFAX

## STAFF REPORT

### November 5, 2014

**TO:** Mayor and Town Council

**FROM:** Garrett Toy, Town Manager 

**SUBJECT:** Approve temporary bike racks in downtown at Broadway and Bolinas during the weekends

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#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Direct staff to do everything necessary and appropriate to place temporary bike racks in the loading zone on Broadway at the intersection of Bolinas Road during the weekends.

#### **DISCUSSION**

Councilmembers Goddard and Reed requested the Council consider installing temporary metal bike racks on the weekends at the corner of Broadway and Bolinas Road. On the weekends, the area is inundated with bicycles outside the businesses in that area, creating an impasse for pedestrians on the sidewalk.

Specifically, staff would place bike racks in the yellow zone on Broadway in front of the Coffee Roastery. The concept is that staff would place temporary bike racks (currently stored outside Town Hall) in the loading zone on Friday afternoon and remove them on Monday morning. We would also temporarily convert the parking space adjacent to the bike racks into a yellow zone, which would allow the pizza delivery drivers to park there in the evenings.

Staff recalls the Marin County Bicycle Coalition (MCBC) had spoken to the businesses along Broadway in the past regarding permanent bike racks in the existing loading zone, but MCBC did not obtain consensus from the businesses on the issue. Staff has not had any recent conversations with the businesses.

There are logistical issues to be resolved by staff, such as transporting the racks, signage, noticing, and safety. The temporary placement of racks would allow the businesses, staff, and the Council to evaluate its usefulness and impacts to the adjacent area. This information would be helpful in any future discussions to make the bike racks permanent.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT**

None