

The current City Code section 10.76.010 for bicycling on sidewalks can be summarized as follows:

- Bicycling on sidewalks is **prohibited** with exceptions
- Bicycling on sidewalks is allowed in “residence districts”
- Bicycling on sidewalks is geographically prohibited within the boundary of the Downtown Plaza (K Street Mall)
- Bicycling on sidewalks is allowed when signage is installed indicating an adopted bike route
- Bicycling on sidewalks is allowed for police and other officials
- Exemption is provided for Sacramento Downtown District employees
- Where bicycling on sidewalks is allowed, All bicyclist are required to **yield** to pedestrians
- Violations of this code section is enforced by a fine of **\$5**

Summary of Proposed Amendments:

- The provisions prohibiting bicycling on sidewalks in general and allowing bicycling on sidewalks within residence districts would be removed
- Bicycling would be prohibited only on sidewalks where signs are posted
- Bicycling on sidewalks where posted signs allow riding will still be allowed
- Prohibition for bicycling on K Street Mall would be removed
- Exception for Police and other officials would remain
- Exception for Sacramento Downtown District employees would be removed
- Bicyclists will still need to yield to pedestrians and language will be added to further define proper yielding
- Penalties for Code infractions will be increased and graduated

Advantages:

- Allows for strategic enforcement where conflicts are more likely to occur
- Allows for thoughtful implementation to address areas with high potential for conflicts versus a blanket prohibition
- Allows for public input on the evaluation criteria to determine prohibited zones

Next Steps:

- Develop an internal process to identify sidewalks for signage including requests from the public
- Coordinate with Bicycle Advisory Committee and advocacy partners to establish evaluation criteria for signage
- Determine signage locations for initial rollout
- Bring ordinance changes and map to Council before January 1
- Fabricate and install signs