

BEFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE
METROPOLITAN SERVICE DISTRICT

FOR THE PURPOSE OF AMENDING THE)	RESOLUTION NO. 84-463
REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN TO)	
DESIGNATE UNION AVENUE/COURT)	Introduced by the Joint
(N. SCHMEER ROAD TO N. DENVER)	Policy Advisory Committee on
AVENUE) AS A REGIONAL BICYCLE)	Transportation
ROUTE (REPLACING N. VANCOUVER)	
WAY))	

WHEREAS, Through Resolution No. 83-161, the Metro Council adopted the updated Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) containing a specific Regional Bicycle Route system; and

WHEREAS, Local jurisdictions are required to identify these routes in their local comprehensive plans; and

WHEREAS, If a local jurisdiction seeks to amend the RTP-designated bicycle route it must amend its comprehensive plan accordingly and seek an amendment to the RTP; and

WHEREAS, The adopted RTP currently designates N. Vancouver Way as the Regional Bicycle Route in the segment from N. Schmeer Road to N. Denver Avenue; and

WHEREAS, As a result of the City of Portland's preliminary engineering (PE) work on the N. Vancouver Way highway improvement, it has been determined that the bicycle route designation would be more appropriate on Union Avenue/Court in this segment for reasons of bicyclist safety and cost to implement; and

WHEREAS, The designation of Union Avenue/Court as the Regional Bicycle Route in the segment from N. Schmeer Road to N. Denver Avenue is consistent with the adopted RTP policy to afford the opportunity for safe and convenient travel by bicycle between jurisdictions and to major trip attractions in the region; and

WHEREAS, The amended bicycle route segment lies wholly within the City of Portland and the new designation is supported by the Citizens' Bicycle and Pedestrian Bicycle Committee of the City of Portland; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED,

That the Metro Council hereby amends the Regional Transportation Plan to designate Union Avenue/Court as the Regional Bicycle Route in the segment from N. Schmeer Road to N. Denver Avenue and removes such designation from N. Vancouver Way.

ADOPTED by the Council of the Metropolitan Service District this 26th day of April, 1984.



Presiding Officer

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ATTACHMENT B

ESTIMATED CONSTRUCTION COST SUMMARY

	<u>Est. Construction Cost</u>
1. <u>Vancouver Way Route</u>	
• 7,900 linear feet with six-foot wide pavement section to truck route standards (x2)	\$320,300*
• striping and signing both sides of new roadway (15,800 linear feet)	
2. <u>Union Avenue/Court Route</u>	
• construct 350 linear foot bike path ramp from Vancouver Way to Union Avenue	\$37,500
• striping and signing northbound and southbound routes (15,000 linear feet)	

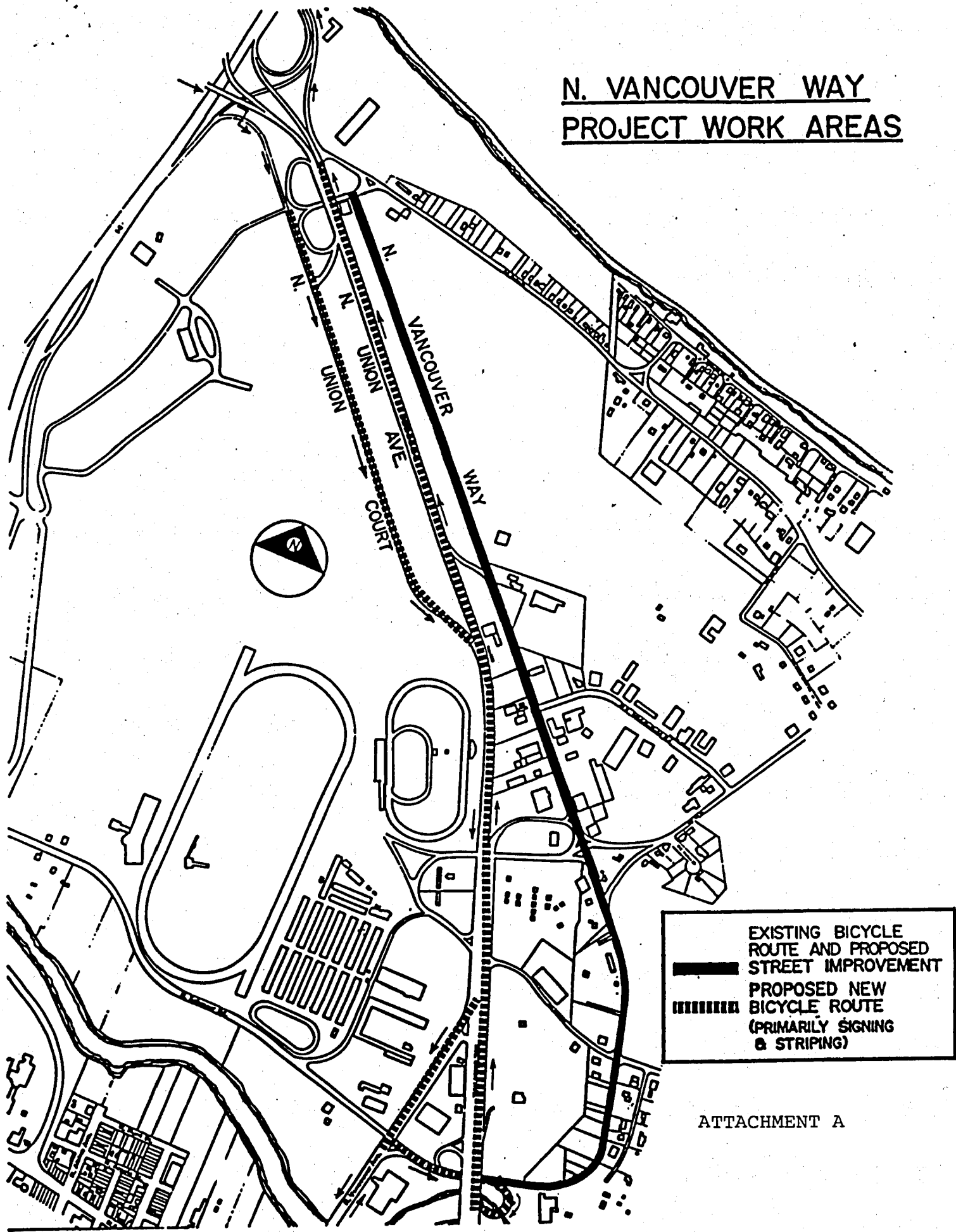
Estimated construction cost savings = \$282,800 or 88 percent.

*Does not include possible ROW cost.

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N. VANCOUVER WAY
PROJECT WORK AREAS



EXISTING BICYCLE
ROUTE AND PROPOSED
STREET IMPROVEMENT
—
PROPOSED NEW
BICYCLE ROUTE
(PRIMARYLY SIGNING
& STRIPING)

ATTACHMENT A

RESOLUTION NO. 84-463

Drawn By: S.F.N. 2/10/84

ATTACHMENT B

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<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 7,900 linear feet with six-foot wide pavement section to truck route standards (x2)• striping and signing both sides of new roadway (15,800 linear feet)	\$320,300*
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CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 84-463 FOR THE
PURPOSE OF AMENDING THE REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION
PLAN TO DESIGNATE UNION AVENUE/COURT (N. SCHMEER
ROAD TO N. DENVER AVENUE) AS A REGIONAL BICYCLE
ROUTE (REPLACING N. VANCOUVER WAY)

Date: February 29, 1984

Presented by: James Giesecking, Jr.

FACTUAL BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS

Proposed Action

This action will amend the adopted Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) to reflect the designation of Union Avenue/Court (N. Schmeer Road to N. Vancouver Avenue) as a Regional Bicycle Route. This designation replaces the N. Vancouver Way route specified in the adopted RTP.

TPAC and JPACT have reviewed this proposed amendment and recommend approval of the Resolution.

Background and Analysis

The Metro Council adopted the updated RTP in October 1983. At that time, the Regional Bicycle System was adopted as part of the RTP. As such, local jurisdictions are required to identify these routes in their local comprehensive plans. If a jurisdiction seeks to amend a designated regional bicycle route or route segment, it must consult with other affected jurisdictions, amend its comprehensive plan accordingly and seek an amendment to the RTP.

The adopted RTP currently designates N. Vancouver Way as the regional bicycle route from N. Schmeer Road to N. Denver Avenue. As a result of data produced in the preliminary engineering (PE) phase of the N. Vancouver Way highway improvement project, the City of Portland has determined that the RTP regional bicycle route designation would be more appropriate on Union Avenue/Court in this section (Attachment A).

The decision to relocate the bike route designation is based on considerations of safety and project economy. If the bike lanes were constructed on N. Vancouver Way, bicyclists would be subjected to heavy truck traffic (it is a designated truck route), several intersections and a multitude of commercial driveways. In addition, the Vancouver Way route would add \$320,300 to the estimated construction cost of the highway improvement, excluding additional

right-of-way (ROW) costs, if required (Attachment B). The replacement bicycle route on Union Avenue/Court is estimated by the City to cost \$37,500. The additional cost associated with Vancouver Way is difficult to justify when an appropriate parallel route is available.

The northbound portion of the Union Avenue/Court replacement route will originate at Schmeer Road and Vancouver Avenue and then proceed easterly to a structure that will rise to Union Avenue. On Union Avenue, the bike lane will be striped and signed on an existing 10' paved shoulder that is currently maintained by the City. The southbound portion of the route will utilize Union Court in Delta Park and later extend onto Union Avenue to the intersection of Vancouver Avenue. From the intersection, the southbound route will follow the curb along the west side of Vancouver Avenue to Schmeer Road.

This entire route segment lies within the City of Portland and does not affect neighboring jurisdictions. The City has amended the Arterial Streets Classification Plan to reflect the Union Avenue/Court route designation. In addition, the proposed change is supported by the City's "Citizens' Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee."

EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

The Executive Officer recommends adoption of the Resolution.

COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION AND RECOMMENDATION

On April 9, 1984, the Regional Development Committee unanimously recommended adoption of Resolution No. 84-463.

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