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SUMMARY OF PLANNING BOARD ACTION

Subject: Draft Bicycle and Pedestrian Action Plan

Meeting Date: August 17, 2004

Recommendation: The Planning Board recommends the Council adopt the Draft Bicycle and Pedestrian Action Plan, with the following comments:

- The Board believes the pros and cons of the proposal to pave the Battle Branch trail should be studied carefully. The Board as a whole is conflicted on the issue, and agrees it is a sensitive issue. While paving of the trail would improve access for the public, it could also impact adversely a sensitive environmental area.
- The Board suggests adding more explanation of the process of choosing priorities and how the Plan would be implemented based on the Plan's goals and objectives.
- Land use, density, and destinations should be factors in setting priorities for implementation.
- Publicizing the advisory routes is a good idea.

Vote: 7-0

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