

**Mequon- Thiensville Joint Bicycle/Pedestrian Committee
Bicycle Rack Recommendations – adopted 08/02/2018**

The M/T Joint Bicycle/Pedestrian Committee continues to work toward improving bicycle and pedestrian access in our communities. In an effort to create a unified aesthetic for placement and design of bicycle racks in new and existing developments (commercial or residential) the Committee recommends that when bicycle racks are being considered as part of an overall project design plan, the following tips and guidelines are offered for the installation of bicycle parking on private or public property:

Bicycle Parking Recommendations:

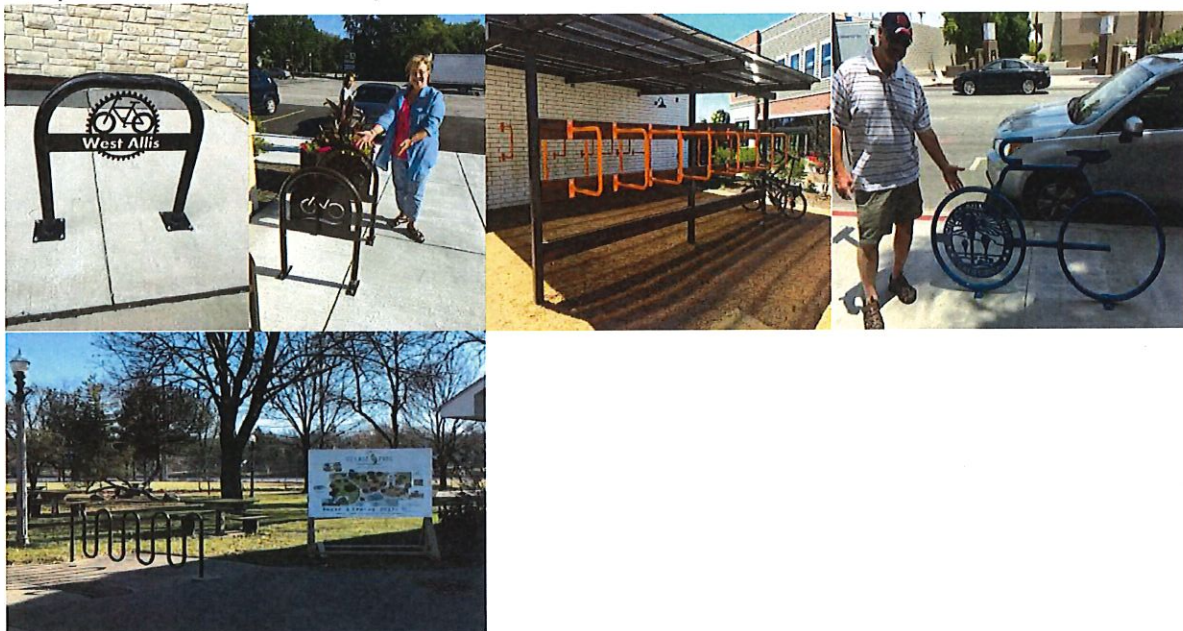
- Place bike parking as close to building entrances as possible to make traveling by bike convenient and increase security.
- Provide lighting for bike parking areas, as needed, to increase safety and deter theft.
- Install bike parking that supports the frame of the bike, not just the wheel.
- Install bike parking that is compatible with a variety of locks and is simple to use.
- Keep bike parking areas clean and maintained.
- Provide cover and protection from the elements as necessary.

Bicycle Rack Design Recommendations:

The committee recommends the use of an Inverted-U bicycle rack, as they are simple to use, easy to maintain, and creates visual continuity throughout the community. They are low maintenance and accommodate a variety of locks. They also lend themselves well to customization and branding. **See sample photos for suggestions**. It is recommended that any bicycle rack that is installed should:

- Permit the locking of the bicycle frame and one (1) wheel to the rack.
- Support the bicycle in a stable position.
- Accommodate cable locks and "U" locks including removing the front wheel and locking it to the rear fork and frame.

Samples of Recommended Bicycle Racks:



Photos courtesy of John Liegeois