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[MPC Comment] Parking lots.

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I was invited to submit comments regarding the availability of bicycle parking. Bicycle parking is basically something to chain a bicycle to. It needs to be any sort of a loop or pole structure, or even an anchored railing which the bike can't be lifted off of, and it should be in a widely visible and preferably shaded place. It also needs to be away from cars and out of the way of pedestrians and places employees need, for example jockeying long trains of shopping carts. There needs to be about one available spot per 30 car parking spaces at current usage, more near UT.

The shade could be provided by shade trees if people would start planting large trees in parking lots, rather than the senseless barricades planners now design into them. Parking lots are a major source of traffic congestion, and adjacent parking lots controlled by selfish property owners must be required to provide means of going from one to another without requiring people to drive out on to the main street. There's nothing wrong with short cuts. Eventually I would like to see some of them partly roofed over with solar cells along with the shade trees to keep cars cool in the summer.

Thanks,

Martin

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