

These bikes are owned by three separate entities: Lime-Bike, ofo and Spin, who are technically referred to as "bike-share operators". The bikes are available for you, the public, to use via an application on your smart phone. Aurora was the first city in Colorado to host dockless bike sharing.

Bike Sharing



within a system's services area, as shown on photo at top. However, as noted with the two photos on left and right, not everyone has the understanding of where to park the bike when done using it.



Bicycle sharing is an innovative transportation program, ideal for short-distance, point-to-point trips providing users with the ability to pick up a bicycle from one location and leave it at another

Behind The City Scene

What are all those green and yellow bicycles doing around town? I recently asked the same question based upon complaints from constituents about them lying on the ground and being left on private property. Apparently a 3 Council Member Committee approved the program but it was never previewed with the entire City Council. In response to a request from me I have learned the following.



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Specific questions about the program can be directed to Brenden Paradies at 303-739-7266. Based upon the complaints I have received, I have asked this year's Chairperson of the City Transportation Committee to place a review of this program on a future agenda. In response, I have been informed that this issue will be heard at the February meeting of the Committee. It is unfortunate that the bikes are seen lying on the ground. I am not sure if they have been left like that by the last rider or just knocked over by others. My opinion is that this program is well intentioned but needs a timely review of the impacts it is having on our community. *(See photos at right)*

With the new year my Ward meetings are up and running again. Every third Thursday at the Ecotech School on S. Abilene at 6:30pm. Your opportunity to hear about great programs and ask me questions about our City government.

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2018 Ward IV Town Meetings — held on the third Thursday of each month from 6:30 to 8:30 pm at EcoTech Institute, 1400 S. Abilene St., unless otherwise noted.