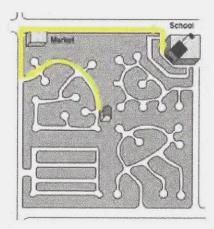
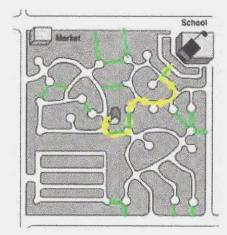
## chapter six





A typical suburban neighborhood with fenced yards and no pedestrian facilities.



A typical suburban neighborhood with minor pedestrian facilities to assist walking or biking to the store, park, or school.

recreation paths, are also important parts of the City's bike network and link these key bike commuter corridors to the rest of the community.

## POLICIES AND ACTION ITEMS: BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN TRANSPORTATION

The following policies have been adopted as part of the Master Transportation Plan to increase cycling and pedestrian activity as viable transportation modes.

- » Create a definition and applicability for a citywide "Complete Streets" policy.
- » Major roadway improvements for roads identified on the Primary Bike Network-Commuter Route Map should be designed with on-street bike lanes by reducing landscape buffers by up to 5' where right-ofway allows.
- » All roads on the Primary Bike Network-Commuter Route Map should be evaluated for low-cost alternatives to road widening for bicycle and pedestrian accommodations.
- » Review codes and development practices to identify development requirements to address connectivity in and through neighborhoods, especially for pedestrian and bicycles.
  - Remove physical barriers for bike and pedestrian facilities in and around neighborhoods
  - Increase connectivity for bikes and pedestrians to neighborhood commercial centers, parks, and schools
  - Where possible, require pedestrian and bike connections in neighborhoods that contain cul-desac and dead-end streets

- » Review codes and development practices to incorporate bike parking standards for commercial and multi-family residential developments.
- » Coordinate the Master Transportation Plan with other regional and local bike and pedestrian planning efforts, including:
  - > Capital Improvement Program
  - > City of Virginia Beach Subdivision Ordinance
  - City of Virginia Bikeways and Trails Plan updates and amendments
  - Hampton Roads Transportation Planning Organization
- > Commonwealth of Virginia on statewide trails
- > East Coast Greenway

The East Coast Greenway is a developing 3,000 mile trail network linking the East Coast from Maine to Florida. The trail will likely make its way through Hampton Roads in the mid-to-long range future. The City will continue to work with this non-profit group to coordinate the City's role in their plan.