Green Bicycle Pavement Markings

You may have noticed some new green paint on 67th Avenue West as you approach Bridgeport that was added as part of our recent improvements to 67th Avenue West (pictured below).



As this somewhat of a new feature within the City, we want to provide an explanation of what it's all about. The green pavement coloring does not add any additional legal responsibilities but is intended to make the bike facilities more obvious or conspicuous in busy intersections. The green paint for the bike lane was also extended across the southbound lanes behind the crosswalk to allow bicyclists to shift to the proper lane to safely make a turning movement at a red light. This is known as a "bike box" and without this feature a bicyclist who wished to make a left turn from the bike lane could potentially become in conflict with a vehicle in the adjacent lane who travels straight through the intersection. Vehicles must stop and wait behind the bike box until they are allowed to make a legal movement through the intersection. Providing bicyclists this space improves their visibility and better communicates their intentions to drivers to avoid accidents.