Sevilla’s rapid bike network expansion was bolstered by strong public opinion and prioritized connectivity over perfection.

1. **Rapid network expansion focusing on connectivity.** Sevilla went from almost no bike facilities to a city-wide network in just a few years. In 2007 alone, the city built 40 miles of protected bike lanes.

2. **Popular public support bolstered strong political will.** Overwhelming support for bicycle infrastructure enabled the city to proceed quickly and boldly. 5,000 parking spots were removed to make way for the network.

3. **Demand for cycling requires improvement and expansion.** Sevilla’s newest bike lanes are wider to accommodate greater demand, and have more separation from pedestrians. Railings and seating prevent people at bus stops from crossing into the cycle track.

**HELPFUL RESOURCES:**

Learn more about the development of Sevilla’s bikeway network, discover the importance of legibility in network planning, and read about how Sevilla’s story confirms the safety in numbers theory for bicycling.

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