BIOGRAPHY
Gabe Klein

Gabe Klein is the former DOT director under Mayor Rahm Emanuel’s administration in Chicago and former Director of the District DOT under Mayor Adrian M. Fenty. In Washington he launched Capital Bikeshare, the first large-scale bikeshare system in the US, and in Chicago he later launched Divvy, which is now the largest bikeshare system in the US.

Before entering the public sphere, Gabe honed his creativity and leadership skills working for startups, including Zipcar, where he served as Vice President for four years. He also wrote a business model for the first point-to-point car sharing concept and co-founded the first all-natural multi-unit food truck company in the US.

In 2015, Gabe joined Fontinalis Partners as a Special Venture Partner on their new fund. He continues to advise a number of technology and mobility companies, including Transit Screen and Phone2Action, where he provides leadership on strategy. He is on the boards of NACTO and Streetsblog. Gabe and his work have been featured in many major news outlets, including the New York Times, Washington Post, Washington Business Journal, Bloomberg, and many more. He is the author of Start-Up City: Inspiring Private and Public Entrepreneurship, Getting Projects Done, and Having Fun published by Island Press.