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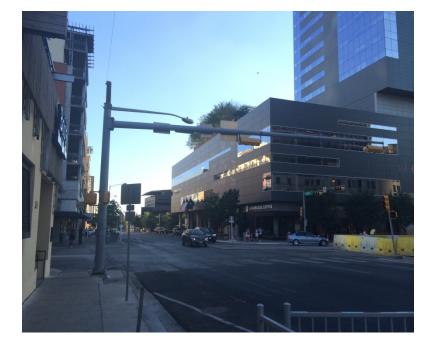
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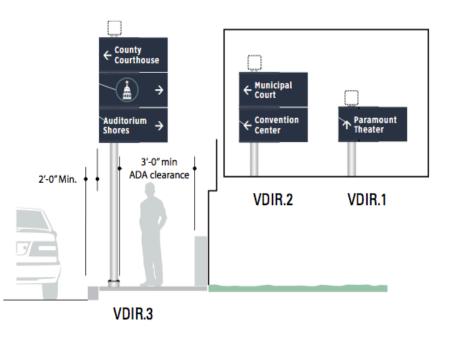
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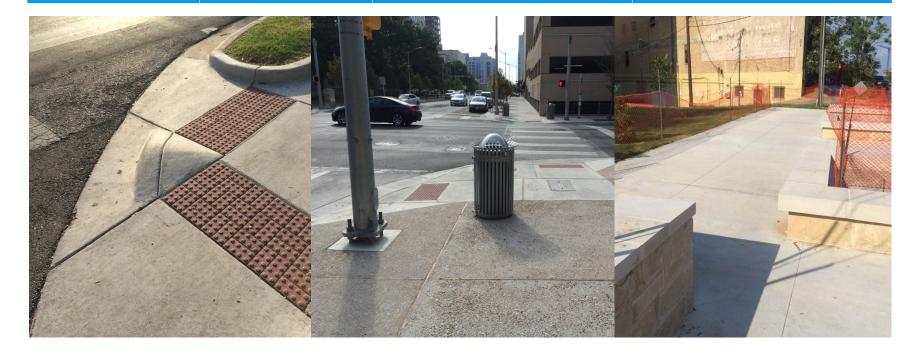
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An important component of walkability is whether street connections exist in order to travel efficiently between origins and destinations.

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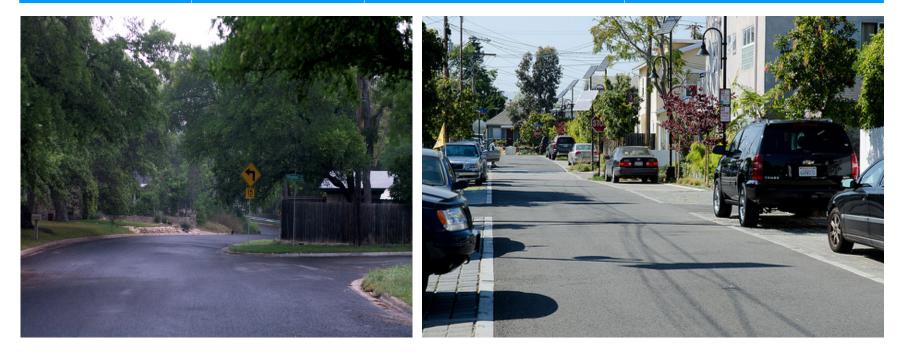


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Northfield Area – missing sidewalks





TO PEDESTRIANS

Sidewalk Master Plan

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The Code Approach Alternatives report:

- > three possible frameworks or approaches to revamping our code
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Outreach and Education has already started...

Q: I'm concerned about the impact on affordability. Does this policy create expensive new code requirements that every project needs sidewalks, bike lanes, transit, street trees, and so forth?

No. <u>The Complete Streets Policy creates no new regulations.</u> The current requirements in City code still apply. Every street is not being required to add a bike lane, sidewalks, or street trees. As the policy states: "All roadways and routes need not be optimized for all modes."

Expanding peoples' choices of safe, affordable and attractive travel modes has a positive impact on household affordability. By making transit, biking, and walking realistic options, we can help people save on the costs of owning and operating a car, or eliminate a family's need to own two cars.

Q: What about future changes to codes and ordinances?

The policy establishes a review period through Sept. 15, to identify any potential conflicts with existing City codes, ordinances, and manuals. It calls for public outreach and education for community groups, involved professionals, and the development community. Everyone will be invited to comment during the review period.



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