



CITY OF ORLANDO

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Mr. David Vega-Barachowitz
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National Association of City Transportation Officials (NACTO)
55 Water St. 9th Floor
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RE: Letter of Endorsement for the NACTO Urban Bikeway Design Guide

Dear Mr. Vega-Barachowitz,

On behalf of the City of Orlando, I am pleased to write this letter of endorsement for the National Association of City Transportation Officials (NACTO) Urban Bikeway Design Guide. I am most appreciative of NACTO's Urban Bikeway Design Guide, because it offers communities across America a state-of-the-art practice tool for designing safer, more attractive, and sustainable streets that accommodate and encourage bicycling.

NACTO's Urban Bikeway Design Guide will become an integral part of this nation's balanced transportation system, as well as give bicyclists the ability to choose multi-modal travel options by developing the connectivity needed to link several modes of transportation to the regional and national transportation networks. I am very pleased that NACTO's Urban Bikeway Design Guide was written by an experienced team of national and international experts and guided by the transportation, streets, and public works departments of fifteen of the largest cities in the United States.

The NATCO Urban Bikeway Design is one among several critical infrastructure designs in the nation that support safe, secure, efficient, and improved community sustainability and quality of life for residents and visitors throughout the United States. Perhaps most importantly, the designs are proving effective in reducing car-bicycle conflicts and crashes, lowering both crash-related injury and death rates. This letter of support conveys our commitment to promote safer and more comfortable riding conditions which attract unprecedented numbers of bicyclists diverse in age, gender, and skill level, and also demonstrates our unified vision to provide a network of multi-modal transportation choices for commuters.

Respectfully,

Buddy Dyer
Mayor

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