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Dear Matthew:

The National Association of City Transportation Officials' (NACTO) *Transit Street Design Guide* represents a vision for world-class transit streets—providing a framework for cities to grow without slowing down. Today, transit is returning to its central place in the life of cities. Millions of people are using buses, streetcars, and light rail every day, and our street design is shifting to give transit the space it deserves. With innovative planning, our streets can not only move incredible numbers of people, but also serve as great places to be.

The *Transit Street Design Guide* is a blueprint for the future of mobility in cities, providing the key for unlocking street space and safely moving people to where they want, and need, to be. The guidance, vision, and techniques shown in the Guide will allow our planners, engineers, and community members to speak the same language and work toward a common goal: toward safe, efficient, and desirable city streets in all of our neighborhoods.

Los Angeles County is making one of the largest investments in North America into a world class transit system that is affordable and equitable. As we open new transit lines, above and below ground, we have an unprecedented opportunity to redefine mobility for everyone. The *Transit Street Design Guide* outlines a recipe for great streets that serve all modes.

On behalf of the City of Los Angeles, the Los Angeles Department of Transportation officially endorses the NACTO *Transit Street Design Guide* as an integral and effective tool for designing modern streets for the future of our cities.

Sincerely,

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