

City of Bloomington APlanning and Transportation Department

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Linda Bailey 120 Park Avenue, 14th Floor New York, NY 10017

Letter of Endorsement for the NACTO Urban Street and Bikeways Design Guides

Dear Linda,

The National Association of City Transportation Officials' *Urban Street Design Guide* represents a vision for forward thinking city street design. The design guide recognizes that prosperous cities are those that acknowledge the relevance of public spaces and those which have allocated sufficient land to street development, a task previously unmet by conventional design guidelines.

Bloomington, Indiana is considered a leader in bicycle infrastructure planning and development. This document is consistent with and supportive of Bloomingtons' long term direction on street design and community planning. With that said, Bloomington fully endorses the NACTO *Urban Street Design Guide* as an indispensable and effective tool for designing thoughtful and comprehensive streets and public spaces.

The City of Bloomington, Indiana joins you in endorsing active, and livable streets and recognizes the importance of the livability of our streets for pedestrians, bicyclists, drivers, and transit users. We endorse the guide and look forward to it guiding our future projects alongside the NACTO *Urban Bikeways Design Guide*.

Sincerely

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