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Dear President Sadik-Khan

SUBJECT: Urban Street Design Guide

Thank you for the opportunity to review the Urban Street Design Guide. The Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT) will include the guide in our Acceptable Standards for Project Design Policy and Project Delivery Network as an additional resource for reference in city street design.

The National Association of City Transportation Officials' Urban Street Design Guide represents a vision for city street design that could meet the goals of our city leaders and the desires of our communities. Today as transportation leaders, we find ourselves in the midst of unprecedented change, as the demands placed upon our streets and the desires of our citizens have set in motion a new paradigm for and perception of the street itself. Pressures from public health to climate change to mobile technology are together reshaping and redefining our profession, while at the same time opening opportunities for innovation.

At a time when we are striving to react to these trends, the Urban Street Design Guide offers concepts for improving the safety and livability of our streets for pedestrians, bicyclists, drivers, and transit users. The Urban Street Design Guide is an additional tool that provides guidance, vision, and flexibility in city street design.

Sincerely,

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