

Department of Transportation

POLLY TROTTENBERG, Commissioner

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Linda Bailey Executive Director National Association of City Transportation Officials 120 Park Avenue, 23rd Floor New York, NY 10017

Dear Linda:

The New York City Department of Transportation (NYCDOT) is pleased to endorse the National Association of City Transportation Officials' (NACTO) *Transit Street Design Guide*. As our city continues to grow, the design of our streets plays an increasingly critical role in the quality of bus service, safety of passengers traveling to and from stops, and mobility of the entire network. This guide will help NYCDOT as we design our streets to accommodate record population, employment, and tourism numbers, and as we work with partners to plan for the BQX Streetcar.

NYCDOT is proud to be a leader on innovative transit street design, but we know that in order to keep raising the bar we need to learn from best practices around the country. The *Transit Street Design Guide* provides a framework for city agencies, community members, advocates, and developers to use in designing streets that support transit. Together with NACTO's *Urban Street Design Guide*, the *Transit Street Design Guide* provides a road map for how we can design streets that enhance transit mobility, improve safety, and serve as vibrant public spaces.

The City of New York officially endorses the NACTO *Transit Street Design Guide* as an integral and effective tool for designing safe, multimodal, livable streets.

Sincerely,

Polly Trottenberg

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