Implementation, Already

Livable Streets

Implementation Strategies

- 1. Pedestrian Standards
- 2. Pedestrian Districts
- 3. Connectivity Standards
- 4. Preventing Street Bloat

Pedestrian Standards

Implementation Strategy 1

Strategy 1. Pedestrian Standards

Pedestrian Standards Based on "Pedestrian Science"

- A. Pedestrian Typology
- B. Pedestrian Environment Typology

Pedestrian Typology (Who are these people?)



Types of Walking

- Rambling
- > Utilitarian Walking
- > Strolling, Lingering
- Promenading
- > Special Events











Pedestrian Environment Typology

(Where are all the people?)





Strategy 1. Pedestrian Standards

Pedestrian Environments

"Pedestrian Friendly"

Pedestrian Environment Continuum

Pedestrian Place/District

Pedestrian Supportive Environment

Pedestrian Tolerant Environment

Pedestrian Intolerant Environment

Pedestrian Place

- Commercial, recreational or institutional setting (not residential)
- Gathering place identifiable as a PLACE
- Significant pedestrian presence
- Motor vehicles can be present, but may not dominate
- Substantial supportive transportation systems required (parking, transit, bike)

















Pedestrian Supportive

- Commercial, recreational, institutional or residential setting – most but not all land uses
- May include gathering PLACES
- Pedestrians present at busy times
- Motor vehicles can be present, but may not dominate

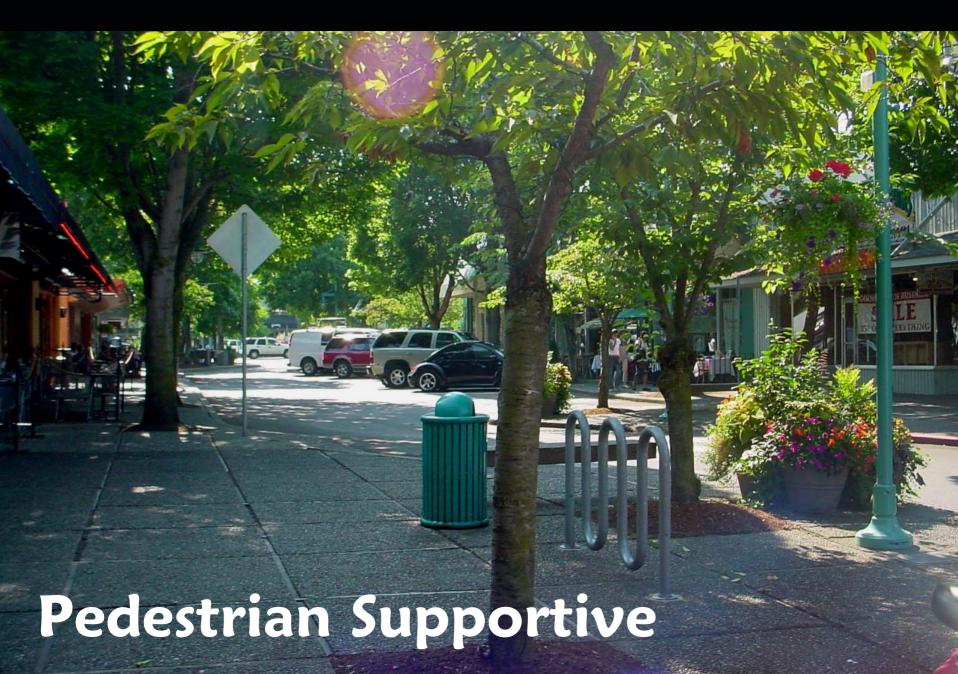








Kirkland, WA









Pedestrian Tolerant

- All land uses except freeway and limited special uses (airport runway, garbage dump, etc.)
- Utilitarian walking and rambling only
- Motor vehicles are present and tend to dominate





Pedestrian Tolerant



Pedestrian Intolerant

- Any land use
- Very little if any walking
- Motor vehicles dominate
- Unsafe, unpleasant



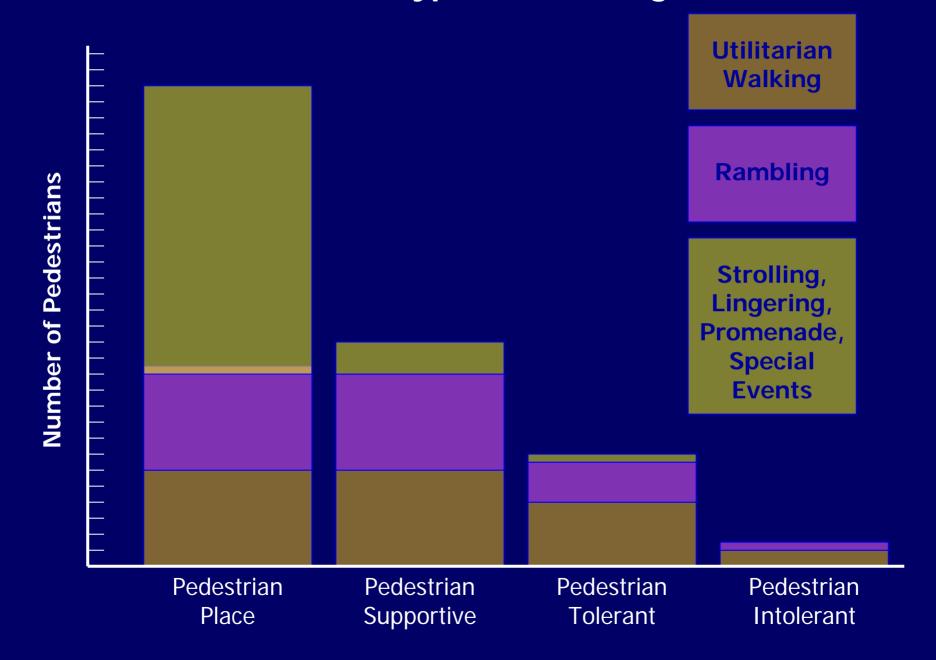




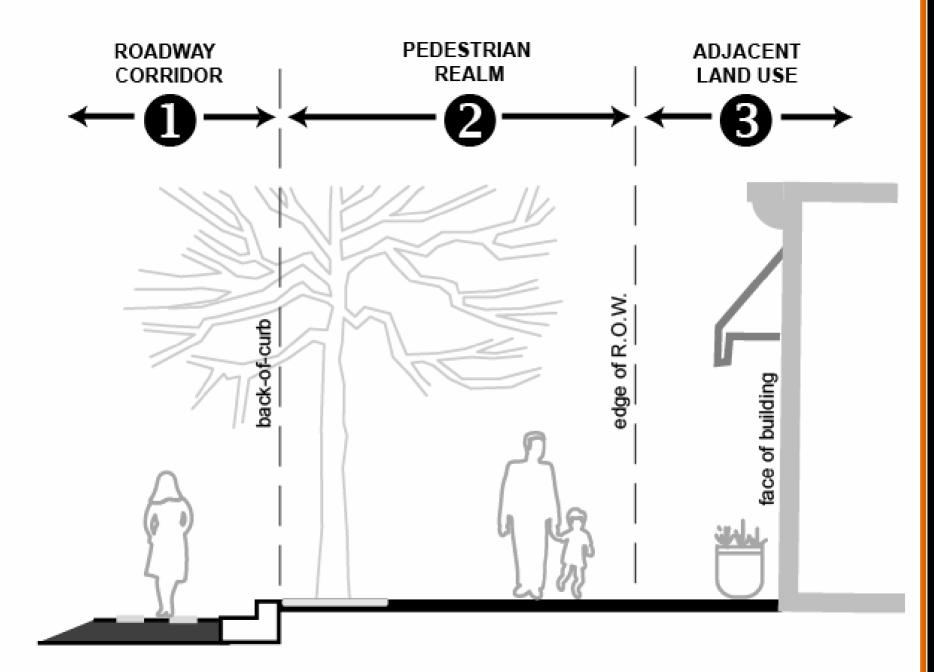


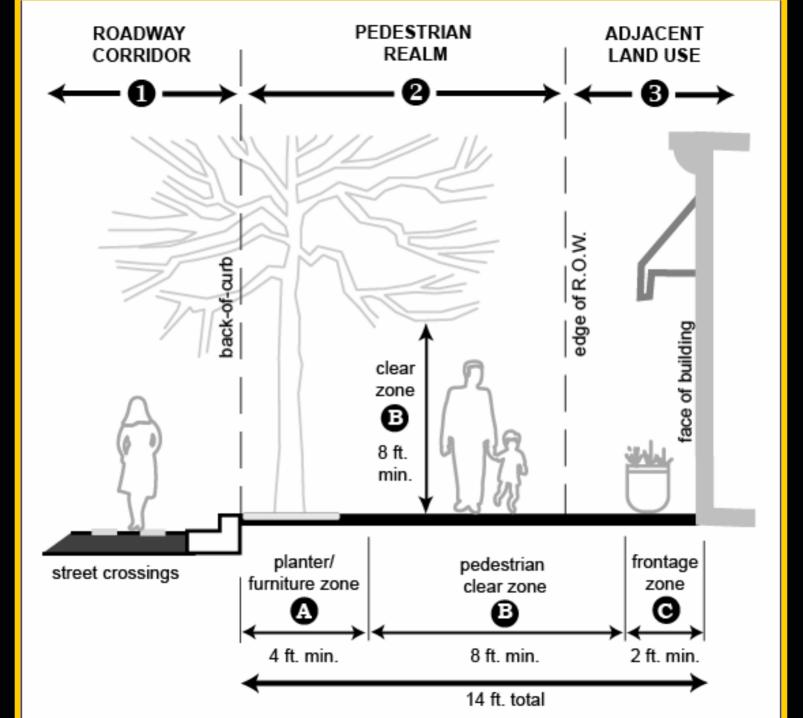


Walk Environments and Types of Walking



Setting Pedestrian Standards













Pedestrian Tolerant

Pedestrian Supportive

Pedestrian Place

O	U Roadway Corridor						
Physical Characteristics	Vehicular Traffic	Various combinations of the following characteristics create roadway comidors that discourage pedestrian use: • high traffic volumes (> 25,000 ADT) • high travel speeds (posted >35 mph)	Roadway corridors become more tolerant when traffic characteristics are: moderate traffic volumes (15,000 – 25,000 ADT) moderate travel speeds (30-35 mph)	The following roadway characteristics combine to support pedestrian activity: moderate volumes (typically 5,000-15,000 ADT) slower travel speeds (25-30 mph)	The following combination is required to create public spaces that function as pedestrian destination areas: • low traffic volumes (< 5,000 ADT) • slow travel speeds (< 25 mph)		
	Other Roadway Lanes	Typically no on-street parking. No bicycle lanes.	Typically no on-street parking. The presence of bicycle lanes helps to buffer and separate pedestrians from vehicular traffic.	Parking is provided on one or both sides of street. The presence of bicycle lanes helps to buffer and separate pedestrians from vehicular traffic.	If a street goes through a destination area, parking may be provided on both sides of street. Slow vehicular traffic speeds mean bicycle lanes are usually not required.		
	Curb Type	No curb.	Rolled or extruded curb.	Vertical curb.	bicycle lanes are usually not required. • Vertical curb.		
Säl	Delineated Street Crossings	No marked crosswalks provided. Pedestrians must cross several lanes at once. Curb radii are >30'	Marked, signed crossings with high- visibility ladder style crosswalks. Number of lanes to cross at once is limited to 4. Right-turn slip lanes with porkchop islands shorten crossing distances. 30' max. curb radii	High-visibility crosswalks, potentially with use of texture, pattern and/or color. Number of lanes to cross at once is limited to 3. Small curb radii of 15'-25' shorten crossing distances and slow traffic.	Crossings include texture, pattern, color and/or traffic calming measures such as raised speed tables or curb extensions. Number of lanes to cross at once is limited to 2. Small curb radii of 5'-15' shorten crossing distances and slow traffic.		
Pedestrian Crossings	Traffic Signals	No signals. Or no walk phases within signalized intersections.	Pedestrian signal indications for walk phases. Timing allows clearance intervals for a pedestrian to cross street at average walking speeds of 3.5 - 4 ft/sec.	Pedestrian activated signals with short cycle lengths and longer walk intervals. Timing allows elderly and slower moving pedestrians to cross street at walking speeds of 2.5 - 3 ft/sec. Use of Leading Pedestrian Intervals (LPI) or Delayed Vehicle Green lights.	Pedestřian activated signals are oriented to give priority to pedestrian movements. Use of LPI signals, countdown signals, or exclusive pedestrian intervals. Alternatively, signals may not be necessary due to slow traffic speeds.		
	Grid/Block Length and/or Mid-Block Crossings	Crossing frequency is 528' - 1320' No mid-block crossings provided.	Crossing frequency is 330' – 528' Mid-block crossings marked and signed.	Crossing frequency is 250' – 330' Hot response pedestrian signals. Curb extensions or neckdowns where on-street parking is present. Median refuge islands if >4 lanes or where center turn lanes present.	Crossing frequency is < 250' Mid-block street crossings are an integral part of pedestrian destination zones, with priority given to pedestrian movements through design.		

Figure 4.a

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Pedestrian Intolerant



Pedestrian Tolerant



Pedestrian Supportive



Pedestrian Place

that line the street

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Physical Characteristics	Sidewalk Presence	Local streets have no sidewalks. Arterial streets have sidewalks on only one side of street.	Local streets have sidewalks on only one side of street Arterial streets have sidewalks on both sides.	All streets have sidewalks provided on both sides	All streets have sidewalks provided on both sides with supplemental traffic-calming measures
	Sidewalk Location and Width	Sidewalks lacking, or provided immediately back of curb. Walkway width < 5'	Sidewalks provided immediately back of curb. Walkway width 5' min.	Walkway separated from vehicular traffic by a 5' sidewalk planting strip. Sidewalk 6'-8' wide to accommodate passing and pairs of pedestrians walking side by side. Next to transit stops, sidewalks are 10' wide and extend to street at boarding spot.	The pedestrian realm includes a sidewalk planting strip/pedestrian furnishings zone next to street, a walk/talk zone, and a shy zone next to buildings. Through walkway space 8'-10' wide; overall sidewalk width 10-30' to provide space for pedestrian amenities.
	Sidewalk Planting Strip	None.	None.	5' minimum, ideally with overstory street trees 20'-30' on center, with clear sight distance triangles at intersections and crossings.	5' – 10' with overstory street trees in parkway planting strips, or none if tree wells and supplemental planters are provided within wide sidewalks, with clear sight distance triangles.
Pedestrian Amenities	Transit Stops	No furniture groupings provided.	Benches provided at transit stops.	Shelters, benches and trash receptacles provided at transit stops.	Transit stops and amenities are integral in the design of pedestrian places.
	Pedestrian Furnishings	None.	No furnishings along streets not on transit routes.	Pedestrian furniture groupings located intermittently along non-transit streets. Pedestrian wayfinding provided.	Pedestrian furniture groupings, sculpture, drinking fountains, decorative fountains, wayfinding, etc. are located throughout.
	Lighting	None.	High angle highway lamps, such as cobra heads.	Commercial districts have both: High angle lamps. Additional low angle street lamps for improved lighting at ground level.	Pedestrian places have: Overall street lighting. Low placement of tungsten lamps. Additional light emitted from stores

Figure 4.b







Pedestrian Tolerant



Pedestrian Supportive



Pedestrian Place

8	3 Adjacent Land Use						
Physical Characteristics	Mix of uses	Single Use	Often single-use	Limited mixed-use	At least three distinct, complimentary uses within immediate walking distance		
	Building Relationship to Street	35' min. setbacks, with buildings often set back much farther than minimums Public space height to width ratio < 1:4	0' min. setbacks, with buildings often set back much farther than minimums Height to width ratio 1:4 – 1:2	■ Buildings placed at maximum setbacks or build-to lines ≤ 20' ■ Height to width ratio of 1:2	Buildings placed at maximum setbacks or build-to lines 0' to 2' Height ratio of 1:2 min. and 1:1 max.		
	Building Design	Buildings typically one-story, < 35' ht. Solid street walls with no doors and windows facing street No pedestrian protection from elements.	One- or two-story, < 35' ht. Solid street walls with infrequent doors and windows. No pedestrian protection from elements.	Three- or four-stories, 40' – 52' ht. Transparent window area along much of ground floor façade Awnings provided over entrances.	 Three- to five-stories, 40' – 60' ht. Porous street frontages with frequent doors and windows inviting pedestrians inside. Awnings or arcades provided along building length for pedestrian shelter from sun/rain. 		
Pedestrian Access	Off-Street Parking Requirements	Large surface lots >50,000 sq. ft. located in front of buildings.	Smaller surface lots located in front or on sides of buildings, not to exceed 20,000 sq. ft. in size.	Surface parking required to be at rear of building, or provided above, below, or centrally contained within parking structures.	Parking provided within parking structures.		
	Landscape Buffers and Screening	Heavy landscape screening with hedges separating private property from street frontages. Solid walls or high privacy fences separating land uses from streets.	Moderate landscape screening with breaks in landscaping for pedestrian access. Intermittent use of privacy fences to screen views but not limit pedestrian access from street.	Canopy shade streets with supplemental plantings provide pedestrian scale and interest level. Low and/or open fencing to define public-private space, with frequent and well-placed access points.	Urban form of Pedestrian Places requires no landscape buffering. Canopy shade streets with supplemental plantings provide pedestrian scale and interest level.		
	Pedestrian Access To Front Door of Buildings	No pedestrian access provided across parking lots or through landscape buffers and/or fencing.	Parking lots include internal sidewalks or walkway areas striped across pavement at spacings >250'. Likewise, infrequent access points through buffers spaced >250'	Priority given to frequent and direct pedestrian access every 150'-250' through buffers and across parking lots through design treatments such as colored and textured walks, speed table driveway crossings, etc.	No large parking lots, no landscape buffers, no fencing. Direct, convenient, inviting and interesting pedestrian access provided from sidewalks to adjacent buildings.		

Figure 4.c



Location #1		Pedestrian Intolerant	Pedestrian Tolerant	Pedestrian Tolerant Pedestrian Supportive Pe	
0	Roadway Characteristics:	☐ High volume, high speed☐ No on-street parking	☐ Moderate volume, moderate speed	☐ Moderate volume, low speed	□ Low volume, low speed
	5-2002 CO	or bicycle lanes	☐ Bicycle lanes	☐ Parking and bike lanes	☐ On-street parking
	Pedestrian Crossings	☐ Block length > .10 mile ☐ Unmarked, must cross >4 travel lanes	 □ Block length 330' - 528' □ Minimal markings, across ≤4 lanes 	☐ Block length 250' - 330' ☐ Highly visible markings, across ≤3 lanes	☐ Block length < 250' ☐ Textured, colored, across ≤2 lanes
2	Sidewalk Characteristics:	☐ Incomplete, or only on one side of arterial	☐ One side of local streets, both sides of arterials	☐ Both sides of all streets	☐ Both sides all streets, peds have priority
		<5'wide, located back-of-curb	□ ≥5' wide, located back-of-curb	□ ≥6' wide, separated from curb by ≥5' planting strip	□ ≥8' wide, plus space for furnishings
	Pedestrian Amenities	□ None	☐ Benches at transit stops	☐ Transit shelters, frequent benches, trash receptacles, outdoor dining areas	Frequent furnishings, sculpture, fountains, pedestrian lighting
3	Land Use Characteristics:	☐ Single use, large parcels, large setbacks, large parking lots in front	Single use, moderate size parcels, moderate setbacks, small parking lots in front	☐ Limited mixed-use, smaller parcels, small setbacks, no parking lots in front	☐ Mixed use, narrow deep parcels, build-to lines, no parking lots in front
		 One-story buildings with blank walls 	☐ 1 or 2-story buildings with infrequent doors/windows	☐ 2 to 4 stories with frequent doors/windows	☐ 3 to 5 stories, with most frontage being windows
	Pedestrian Access	Landscape buffers and parking lots separate buildings from street	☐ Ped access provided every 250' through buffers and parking lots	No landscape buffering required, building entrances accessible from sidewalks	☐ Direct, inviting and interesting views and access from sidewalks

Pedestrian Tolerant

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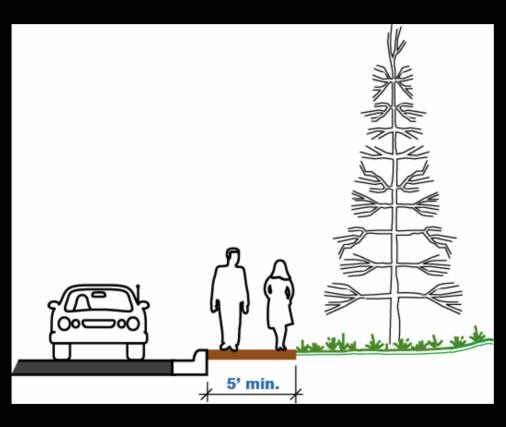












Key Design Criteria

- 5' min. walkway width.
- Sidewalks often attached to curb.
- Moderate volume and moderate speed roadways.
- Often single land use.
- 1:10 1:4 building height to width ratio.
- Pedestrian grid spacing <1/10 mile.
- Vehicles have priority over pedestrians.

Pedestrian Tolerant Sidewalks

Pedestrian Supportive Environments

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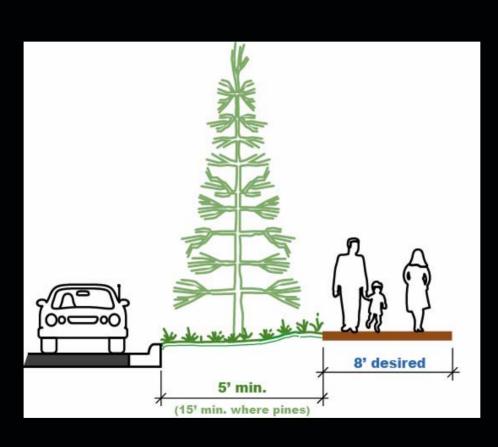






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Pedestrian Supportive Sidewalks

Key Design Criteria

- 6'-8' sidewalks.
- Walkways buffered from traffic by planting strip.
- Moderate volumes and slower traffic speeds.
- Limited mixed-use.
- 1:4 1:2 building height to width ratio.
- Pedestrian grid spacing at 250'-330'.

Pedestrian Places

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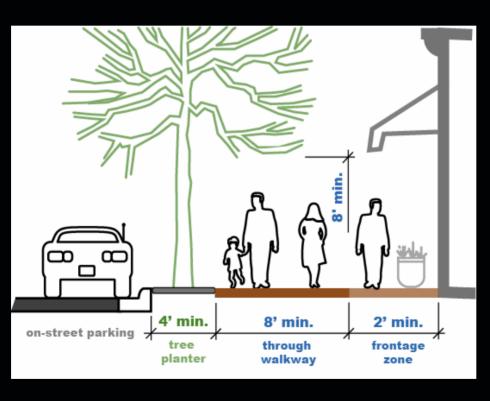












Pedestrian Place Sidewalks

Key Design Criteria

- 10'-30' sidewalks/plazas provide space for pedestrian amenities.
- Shade trees in tree wells.
- Low volume and slow speed streets.
- Mixed-use, with at least 3 complimentary activities.
- ▶ 1:4 1:1 max. building height to width ratio.
- Pedestrian grid spacing <250'.</p>
- Pedestrians have priority over vehicles.

Pedestrian Districts

Implementation Strategy 2

Pedestrian Districts (Where are the places?)

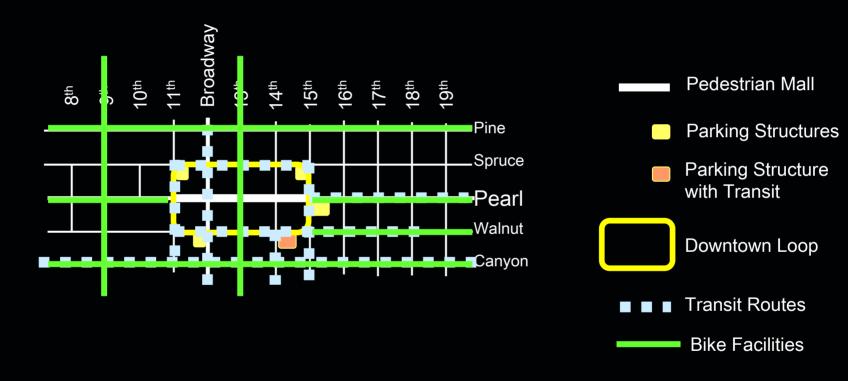


Pedestrian Districts

- People are drawn to the center
- The center will have an axis
- Walk range from the axis is limited
- Sources of pedestrians:
 - Parked cars
 - Nearby residential
 - Transit
 - Nearby lodging



Pearl Street Pedestrian Mall

















Strategy 2. Pedestrian Districts

Boulder's pedestrian mall works because ...

Strategy 2. Pedestrian Districts

... it is supported by a balanced multimodal transportation system





The entire city is not going to be "pedestrian friendly"...

...addressing this problem requires setting priorities.







Successful TODs Must Be Pedestrian Districts



Connectivity Standards

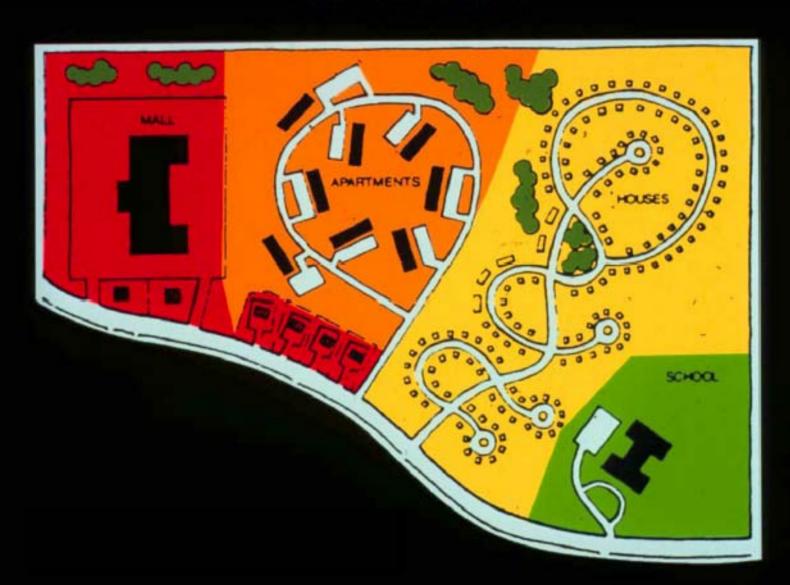
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Connectivity

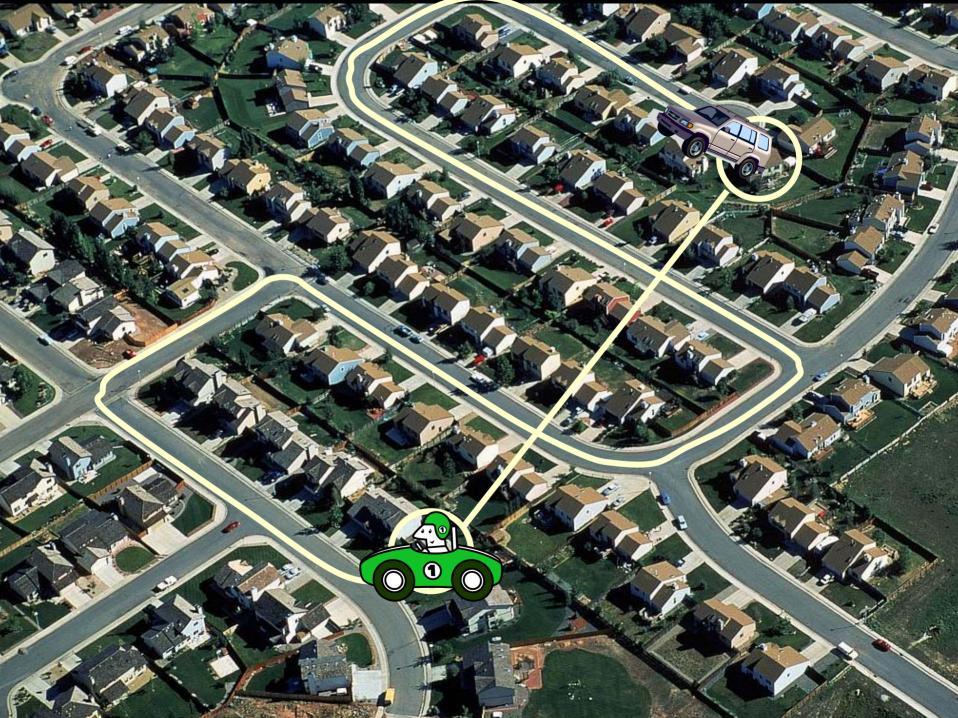
(Why is it so hard to get anywhere?)



Conventional









Mobility Impacts of Poor Connectivity

- Massive, congested arterials
- Increased VMT/household
- > Transit voids
- Inactive living
- Poor emergency service access
- Reduced travel safety

Strategy 3. Connectivity Standards



To achieve a higher rate of traffic flow, you plan corridors

To achieve better mobility, you plan networks



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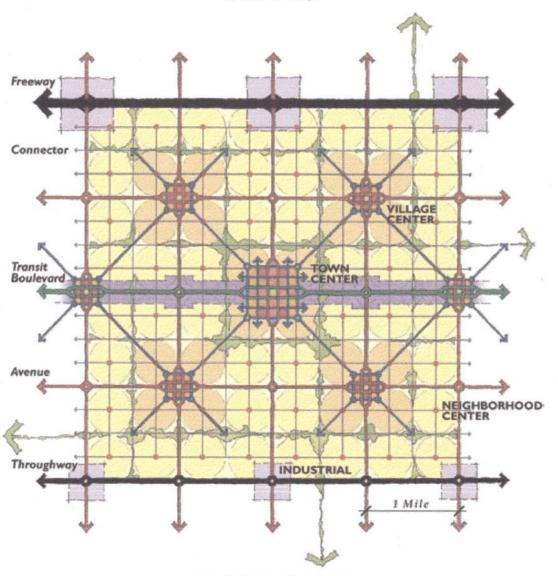


Illustration 1: The Urban Network

Example

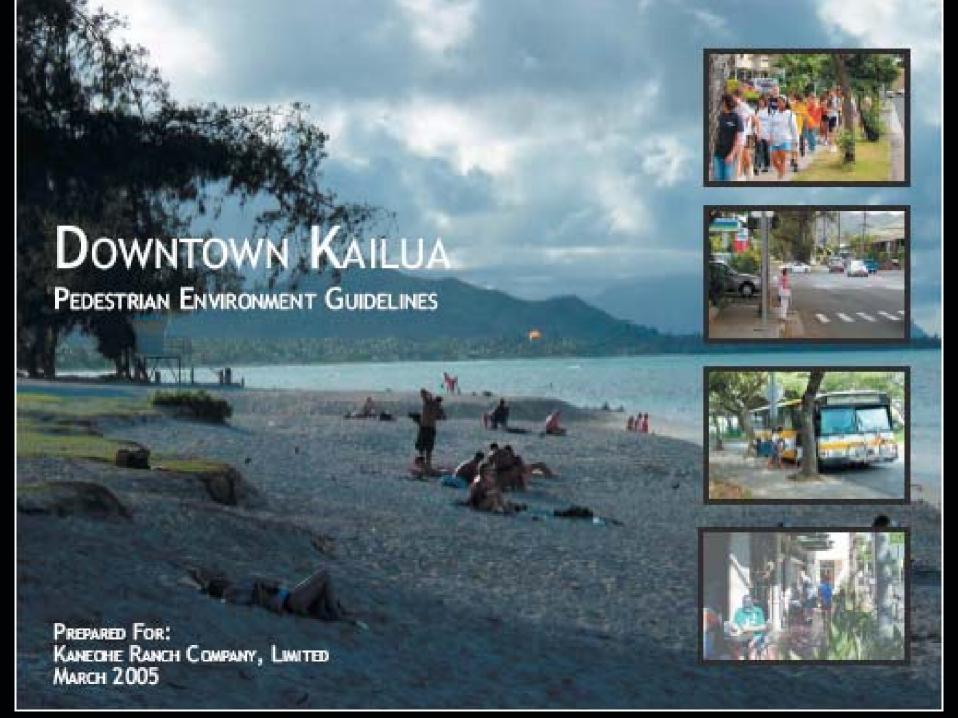
Street Network Standards

Street Type		Facility	Spacing	Intersections & Blocks		
		Range	Optimal	Range	Optimal	
Boulevard	Center Lanes	2,640' –	5,280'	660' – 2,640'	1,320'	
	Side Lanes	2 miles		330' – 1,320'	660'	
Avenue, Connector		660' – 2,640'	1,320'	220' - 528'	330'	
Street & Drive		225' - 528'	330'	220' - 528'	220 - 330'	

Example

Connectivity Standards

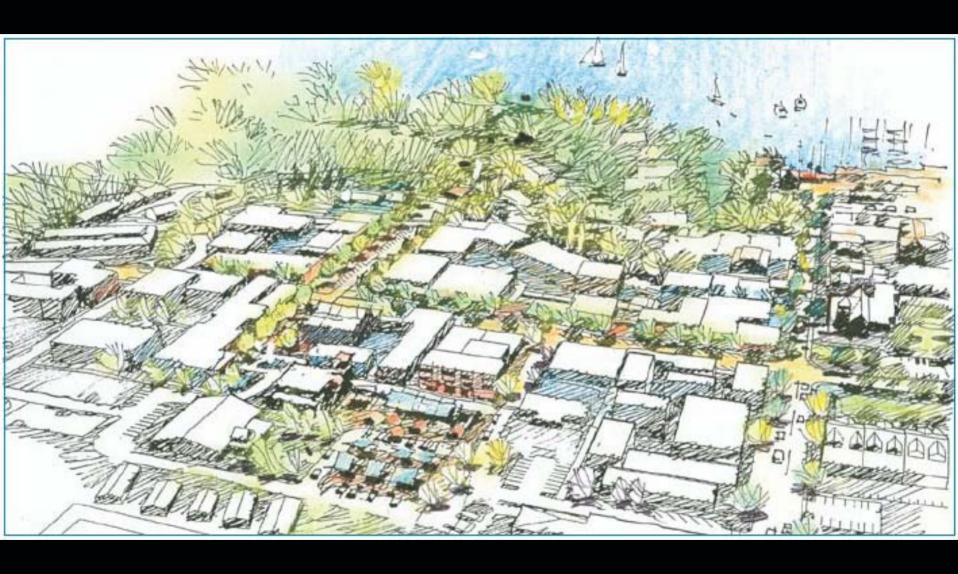
Measure	Standard	Methodology	
Minimum Connectivity	1.4	Links/Nodes – excl. perimeter links	
Intersections/ Square Mile	250	Incl. perimeter intersections	
Maximum Block Perimeter	1500'	Measured at R/W line	
Block Length	Max 500'	Centerline to centerline	
Proximity	65%	% of DUs within ¼ mile of village nodes	
Resiliency	Max 10%	% of parcels inaccessible with one street blocked	







Winslow (Bainbridge Island)



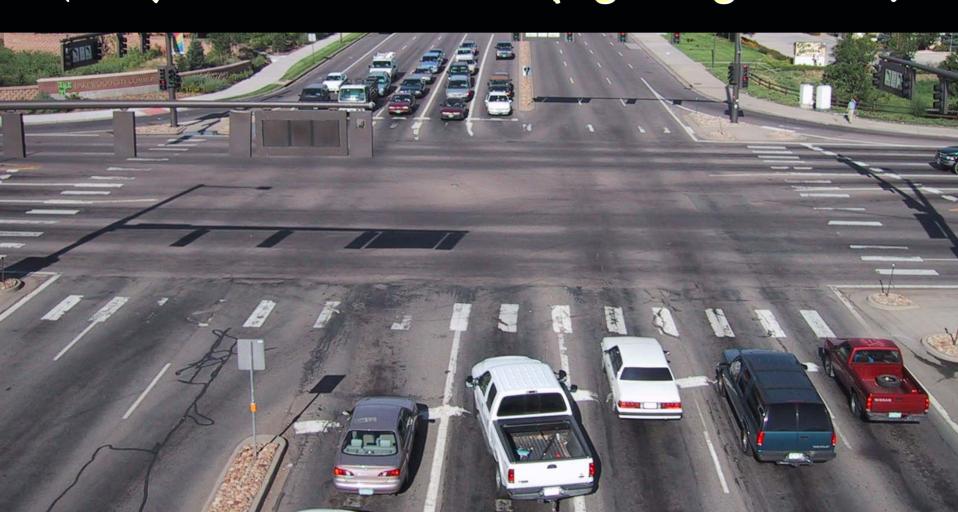


Preventing Street Bloat

Implementation Strategy 4

Preventing Street Bloat

(Why do the streets keep getting wider?)



Strategy 4. Preventing Street Bloat

Redmond, WA

Transportation Master Plan



Calculation of R/W Maximum for Ultimate Build Out

		Maximum	Median	Intersection	On-Street	Sidewalks	Bicycle	Max. Mid-	Max. Mid-	Max
		Through	or Center	Turn	Parking		Lanes	Block Curb-	Block	Intersection
		Lanes	Turn Lane	Lanes				to-Curb Width	R/W	R/W
Principal Arterial (4)	config	4	1	3	0	2	2			
	feet	48	12	36	0	26	8	71	97	133
Principal Arterial (2)	config	2	1	2	0	2	2			
	feet	24	12	24	0	26	8	47	73	97
Minor Arterial (4)	config	4	1	2	2	2	2			
	feet	48	12	24	14	26	8	85	111	135
Minor Arterial (2)	config	2	1	1	2	2	2			
	feet	24	12	12	14	26	8	61	87	99
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	feet	48	12	24	14	26	8	85	111	135
Collector Arterial (2)	config	2	1	1	2	2	2			
	feet	24	12	12	14	26	8	61	87	99
Connector	config	2	0	1	2	2	0			
	feet	24	0	12	14	26	0	41	67	79
Local	config	2	0	0	2	2	0			
	feet	24	0	0	14	26	0	41	67	67

Lane Width 12 General purpose, turn lanes, and center median

Curb & Gutter 1.5 Outside of curb to inside of gutter pan

Parking Lane 7

Sidewalks 13 Includes buffer

Bike Lanes 4 Exclusive of gutter pan

Redmond, WA

Transportation Master Plan

	Maximum	Maximum Mid-	Maximum Mid-	Maximum
Classification	General Purpose	block Curb-to-	block Right of	Intersection Right
	Lanes	Curb Width	Way	of Way
Principal Arterial (4)	4	71′	97′	133′
Principal Arterial (2)	2	47′	73′	97′
Minor Arterial (4)	4	85′	111′	135′
Minor Arterial (2)	2	61′	87′	99′
Collector Arterial (4)	4	85′	111′	135′
Collector Arterial (2)	2	61′	87′	99′
Connector Street	2	41′	67′	79′
Local Street	2	41′	67′	67′

Follow-Up Information

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