



NASHUA, NH COMPLETE STREETS POLICY AUDIT

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SAFETY:								
Are there provisions for traffic calming, such as tree lined streets, chicanes, narrow streets, speed bumps or tables, etc?								
Are provisions made to ensure pedestrian right-of-way and safety in crosswalks?								
Is pedestrian street/trail lighting required?								
Is bicycle/pedestrian/trail/wayfinding signage required?								
Are there standards for the development of trails in both rural and urban locations?								
Are there any existing access or mobility considerations, including ADA compliance such as a 5' minimum for sidewalks?								
Is there a plan/mechanism to ensure that surfaces are maintained in all seasons?								
Is there an inventory of sidewalk conditions, encroachments, (telephone poles, branches, lamp posts) and drainage and a mechanism to address deficiencies?								
Is there a standard to ensure that all street markings and signs are high contrast and is there a maintenance plan in place?								
Is there a standard for timing and placement of crossing signals to allow sufficient time for people with slower walking speeds (such as children and the elderly) to cross the street?								
Are bulb-outs present to minimize crossing distance on wider streets/larger intersections?								
Are there requirements for textured pavement at crosswalk entrances?								
Are there audible crossing signals?								
Is there a plan for snow removal on sidewalks?								
Is there a plan for snow removal at transit stops?								
LAND USE:								
Are single and multi-unit residential, commercial, and light industrial uses allowed in the downtown area?								
Are single and multi-unit residential and commercial uses allowed in higher density residential areas?								
Are mixed use buildings promoted throughout the city?								
Are farm stands allowed as an accessory use?								
Are farmers markets allowed?								



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Are community gardens allowed?								
Are street vendors allowed?								
Is on-street parking encouraged or required?								
Is overnight parking permitted?								
TRANSPORTATION:								
Are there regulatory incentives to encourage development or enhance the viability of public transit within 1/4 mile of downtown and higher density neighborhoods?								
Are standards in place to ensure neighborhoods are walkable with safe sidewalks and trail systems throughout the community?								
Is there a plan in place for future improvements, development, and maintenance for sidewalks, bike lanes and trails?								
Are there safe routes to school plans in place?								
Is there an inventory of priority sidewalks surrounding schools and a plan for snow removal?								
Are plans and regulations in place to incorporate bicycle lanes and sharrows?								
Are plans and regulations in place to incorporate public transit facilities?								
Are plans and regulations in place to incorporate park and ride facilities?								
Are transit stops, designated bus pullouts, and coordination with NTS required as new development occurs?								
Are bike racks required in new private developments?								
Are bridges required to have sidewalks or shoulders?								
Are transit shelters or street furniture at transit stops encouraged?								
Is there a plan in place to prioritize quadrant funds for sidewalk maintenance?								
Is there a maintenance plan to re-mark bike paths and crosswalks?								
DESIGN:								
Are there provisions to ensure both sidewalk and bike lane connectivity?								
Are standards set for curb cut frequency?								



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Are there standards for public facilities that provide restrooms, drinking water, and seating?								
Are there standards in place for safe, secure, and accessible playgrounds?								
Are roadway design standards in place to incorporate street furniture, public art and murals?								
Are standards in place for street trees, planters, buffer strips, or other environmental enhancements such as drainage swales within the area?								
Are there requirements for buried utilities (lines/poles)?								
Are standards in place to ensure ADA requirements are addressed such as tip downs at curbs and audio enhanced crosswalks?								
Are there provisions such as pedestrian refuges or raised medians on roads with multiple lanes?								
Are there minimum widths established for roadways?								
Are there minimum widths established for sidewalks?								
Are different design standards in place to adequately address context from rural to urban complete streets?								
Are there standards in place for other measures such as angled crosswalks, chicanes and speed tables?								
Are varied streetscape materials encouraged or required to enhance the pedestrian experience?								
SITE SPECIFIC DESIGN								
Are there minimum and maximum building setbacks?								
Are there minimum and maximum parking requirements?								
Are parking areas encouraged to be located in the side and rear of sites?								
Are main entrances required to be located with access from street rather than from the side or rear of the site?								
Are there requirements for buildings to be located near the front of the lot and close to the ROW?								
Are green design features such as gardens and courtyards required or recommended in new developments?								
Are there requirements to locate sidewalks in all new development and / or redevelopments?								
Are there provisions to promote neighborhood connectivity?								
Are pocket parks encouraged in both new and redeveloped sites?								