

Complete & Green Streets

A LEGISLATIVE OVERVIEW



CITY OF CLEVELAND

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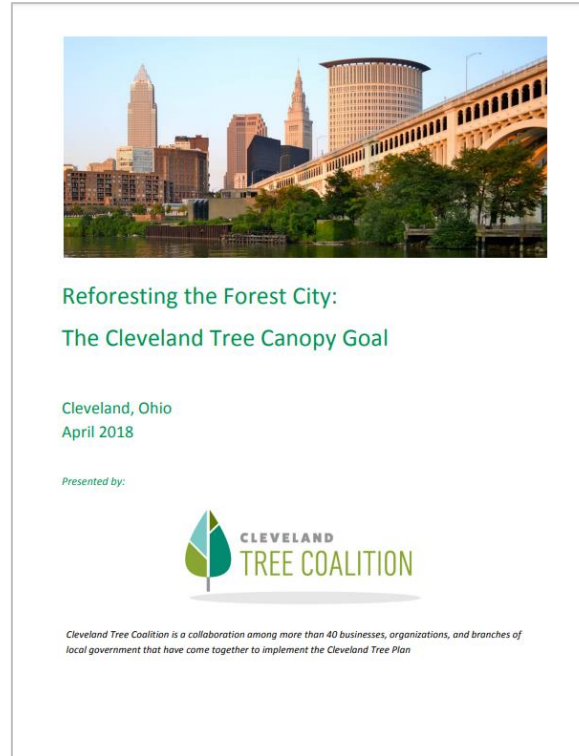
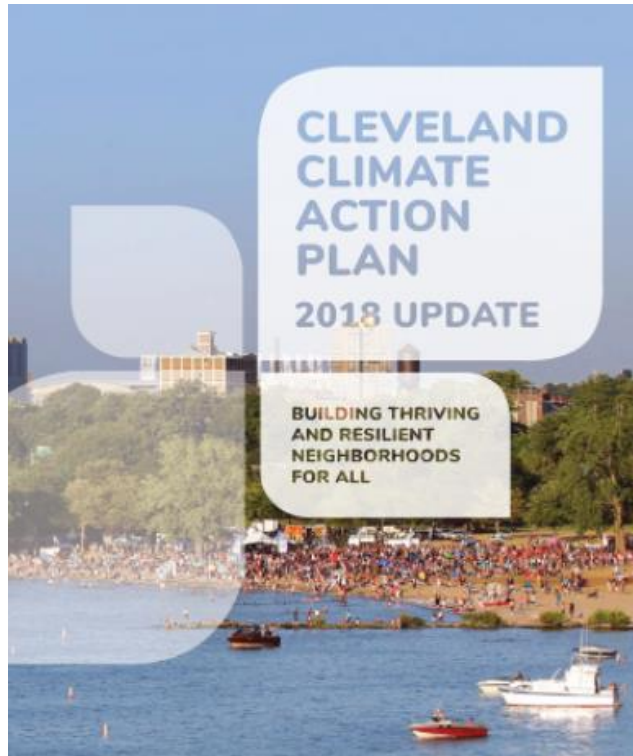
Complete & Green Streets

Complete & Green Streets is a policy framework for ensuring consideration of all road users and environmental impact in the roadway project design process.



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Complete & Green Streets represents a policy and process mechanism to align City priorities within roadway projects.



What are Complete and Green Streets?

According to the National Complete Streets Coalition

Definition: ensuring that streets are **safe for people of all ages and abilities** that **balance the needs of different modes**.

Accomplished through: a “policy, systems, and environment approach” that integrates people and place in **planning, design, construction, operation, and maintenance** of our transportation networks.



Alignment with the Infrastructure and Jobs Act (IIJA)

The IIJA, Section 11206 requires that **States and MPOs use 2.5 percent of their planning and research funds for Complete Streets activities** that will increase safe and accessible transportation options.



FHWA Alignment with Complete & Green Streets

- **FHWA focus areas:**

1. Improve data collection and analysis
2. Support rigorous safety assessment
3. Accelerate adoption of standards and guidance
4. Reinforce safety for all users
5. Make Complete Streets FHWA's default approach



Citation: Moving to a Complete Streets Design Model: A Report to Congress on Opportunities and Challenges, March, 2022



Concepts Related to Complete Streets

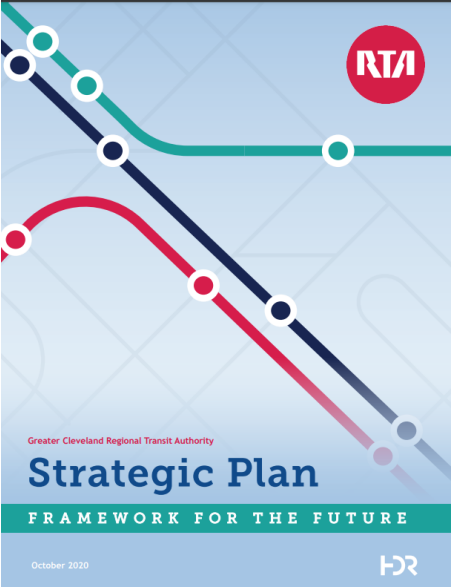


- **Transportation Equity**
 - Age
 - Race
 - Gender
 - Disability
 - Income
 - Mode

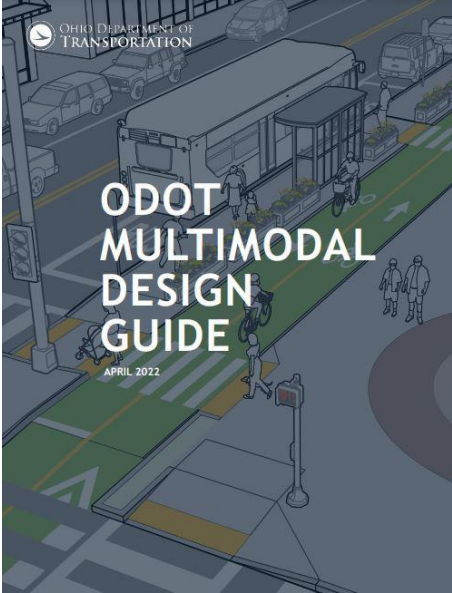


Concepts Related to Complete Streets

- **Multi-Modal Transportation Planning**
 - Inclusion of modes in addition to single-occupancy vehicles in transportation planning efforts



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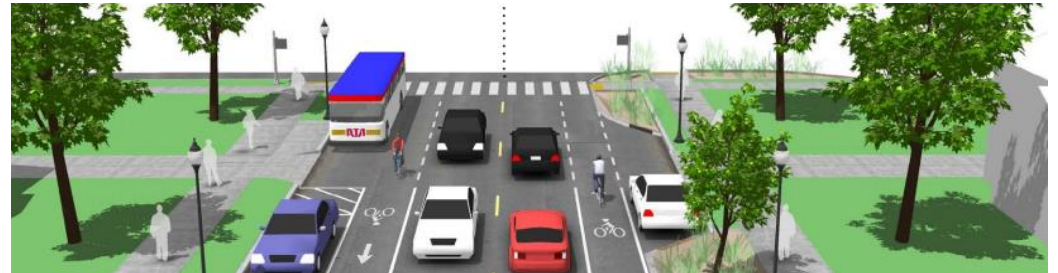
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- **Context Sensitivity:**
 - Originated from transportation engineering disciplines
 - Customizes projects for their specific physical setting

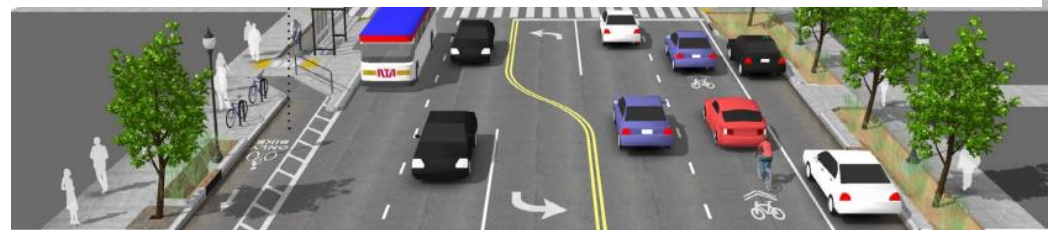
Small Neighborhood Streets



Medium Streets



Large Commercial Streets



Source: Cleveland Complete and Green Streets Typologies Plan



Concepts Related to Complete Streets

- **Healthy Communities:**
 - The physical design of your community affects your health
 - Students are more active with sidewalks and bike-friendly routes
 - Air quality and respiratory health are improved when people can walk to where they need to go



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2. Streets with dedicated accommodations for every mode
3. Inclusive of the entire street right-of-way



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The new Complete & Green Streets Ordinance will:

- Update the City of Cleveland's 2011 Complete and Green Streets Ordinance.
- Incorporate additional green and multimodal elements in roadway projects.
- Increase opportunities for stakeholder input into roadway projects.
- Expand stakeholder understanding of roadway project development.





Update the City of Cleveland's 2011 Complete and Green Streets Ordinance

- The Director of the Mayor's Office of Capital Projects & Director of Planning develop a Complete & Green Streets Policy (different from the Ordinance).
- The Complete & Green Streets Policy is an internal procedure to operationalize provisions of the Ordinance.
- With passage, the 2011 Complete & Green Streets Ordinance will be repealed and replaced.





Incorporate additional green and multimodal elements in roadway projects

- The City must publicly post standards and guidelines used to inform green and multimodal elements in roadway projects.
- City Planning must create and regularly update a citywide Active Transportation Plan.
- An inter-disciplinary staff team convenes regularly to discuss roadway project elements.





Increase opportunities for stakeholder input into roadway projects

- A 10-person Transportation Infrastructure Advisory Committee (TIAC) is newly established as an advisory committee for Complete & Green Streets project elements.
- The TIAC will convene quarterly to review and provide input on upcoming roadway projects.





Expand stakeholder understanding of roadway project development

- Any TIAC input that cannot be incorporated into the roadway project will be posted publicly as an exception.
- The Mayor's Office of Capital Projects & City Planning will publish an annual report for Complete & Green Streets.



Existing Roadway Development Process



MOCAP's Current Project Validation Process

The New Complete & Green Streets Approach



MOCAP's Current Project Validation Process

New steps with Complete & Green Streets update

Committee Composition

Inter-departmental staff team

- Capital Projects
- Division of Traffic Engineering
- City Planning
- Water Pollution Control
- Division of Streets
- Parks and Maintenance
- Public Safety
- Sustainability

TIAC Membership

- Mayoral appointment (Vision Zero co-chair)
- Council appointment (Vision Zero co-chair)
- ODOT
- NOACA
- GCRTA
- NEORSD
- Advocacy representative
- Disability rights representative
- Two (2) residents with experience in the area of Complete & Green Streets



Next Steps

- Pursue Active Transportation Plan (grant submitted April 2022; TBA July 2022)
- Complete Streets training for city staff (May 2, 2022)
- City Planning Commission approval (May 6, 2022)
- Council committee hearings & legislation passage
- 60 days: Establish Complete & Green Streets Policy
- 90 days: Appoint members to TIAC by Council and Administration
- Within 6 months: Convene TIAC on a quarterly basis



Questions?



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