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Dear Janette

Endorsement of Global Street Design Guide by Auckland, New Zealand

This letter is to confirm that on the 2nd of May 2017, the Auckland Council endorsed the vision and principles of the Global Street Design Guide, as prepared by the Global Designing Cities Initiative.

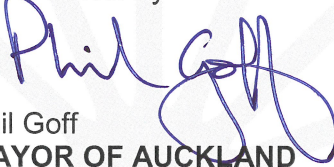
The vision and principles, held by The National Association of City Transportation Officials and set out in the Design Guide, are consistent with Auckland's own guidance.

Auckland has a longstanding involvement with the Global Designing Cities Initiative and is proud to be a member of its global network and to have provided three of the Guide's case studies. As transportation, planning and design leaders, we recognise that city streets demand a unique approach unmet by traditional highways designs. The guidance, vision, and flexibility articulated in the Guide set out a new and important direction for cities, one that Auckland supports.

The Global Street Design Guide has directly informed Auckland Council's transport arm, Auckland Transport, forthcoming Auckland Urban Street and Road Design Guide. This document is, in effect, an Auckland-specific version of the Global Guide, taking local context into account and is part of the overarching Transport Design Manual which is due to be published by Auckland Transport in September 2017.

By endorsing the vision and principles of the Guide, Auckland Council recognises its value as an integral and efficient aid for designing safe and sustainable streets and public spaces. This reaffirms our city's commitment to Auckland's own version of this design approach. Auckland Council anticipates demonstrating the Guide's application through the next phase of our transformed urban streets.

Yours sincerely


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