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The National Association of City Transportation Officials Global Designing Cities Initiative has recently produced the Global Street Design Guide. This new publication represents a vision for world-class city street design that will meet the goals of city leaders and the needs of urban communities. As transportation, planning, design, and public health leaders, we find ourselves today in the midst of unprecedented change, as the demands placed upon our streets and the desires of our citizens have set in motion a new paradigm for and perception of the street itself.

The Global Street Design Guide offers a concrete vision for improving the safety and livability of our streets for pedestrians, bicyclists, drivers, and transit users. City streets demand a unique approach unmet by conventional design guidelines. The guidance, vision, and flexibility articulated in the Global Street Design Guide instigate a new and important direction for cities. We see the Guide as an indispensable tool in planning modern city streets, especially as we work toward a common vision with our partners at all levels of government.



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On behalf of Vital Strategies, New York, USA, which officially endorses the Global Street Design Guide as an integral and efficient tool for designing safe and sustainable streets and public spaces.