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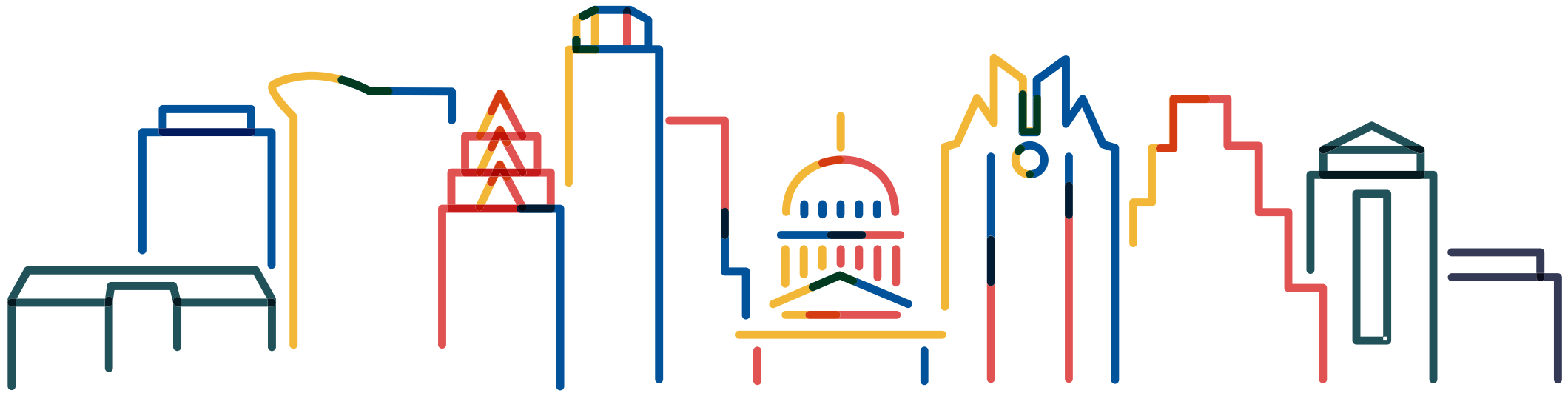


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Transportation Criteria Manual Update

January 28, 2021



TCM Update Overview

The criteria presented in the updated Transportation Criteria Manual provide a foundation or starting point for engineering design decisions. The criteria presented in the manual are based largely upon the standards, guidelines and policies set forth by the American Association of State Highway and Transportation (AASHTO), National Association of City Transportation Officials (NACTO), and the Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE).

Summary of Significant Changes:

- Prioritized safety for sustainable modes of travel (peds, bikes, etc.)
- Modernized criteria to be in line with current local & national best practices
- Introduced flexible design to account for existing conditions
- Updated criteria for analysis of development transportation impacts



2017

2019

Project Timeline



2018-2020

2020

November 2020

Early 2021

Spring 2021



Internal and External Input & Review

Internal Draft Refinement

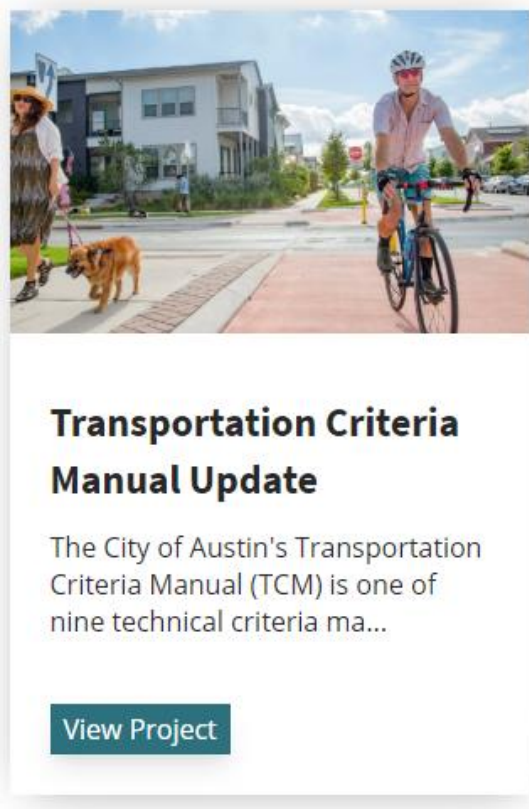
Public Concurrence (Comment Period)

Final Document Refinement

Formal Rules Posting Process (Including Public Review & Comments)



Public Feedback



- Public comments were received through the months of November and December 2020.
- Over 1,200 comments were received both through the SpeakUp! Austin website and through the TransportationCM email account.
- Comments were reviewed and analyzed by staff and our consultants.
- How are we responding to major comment themes...



Section 2: Street Cross Sections

Will be adding an alternative configuration for flipping the raised bicycle facility & the street tree zone to reflect highly constrained corridor conditions.

Street tree placement and soil requirements will be updated to include additional detail.

Sections 3 & 5: Geometric Design & Bikeways

Will be addressing smoothness and design of bicycle facilities in figures and criteria to reflect 18 mph design speeds.

Tapering and curve widenings will be clarified.

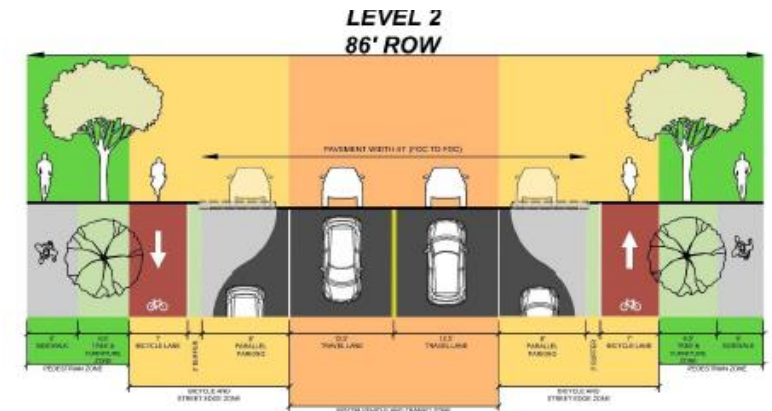


Figure 2-15 – Level 2 86' Street (Parking Both Sides)

Section 6: Transit

Placeholder language for future rail transit design criteria related to Prop A will be added.

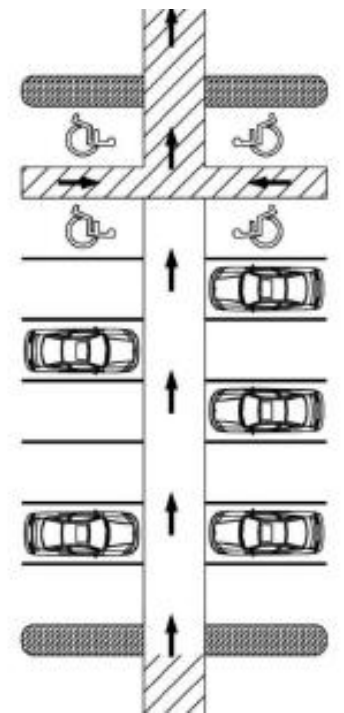
Section 9: Parking

Separate criteria & exemptions will be added for structured parking design.

Section 10: Comprehensive Transportation Review

Street Impact Fee (SIF) will be referenced to clarify the interplay between Street Impact Fees + Transportation Demand Management (TDM) + Transportation Impact Analysis (TIA) + Rough Proportionality (RP).

TDM + TIA thresholds will be revised, and more robust TIA scoping requirements will be included.



Next Step: Rules Posting Process

Updated draft TCM will be submitted for interdepartmental review in early February.

Public draft will be released in the Spring for review and comments.

Staff will revise in late spring/early summer for final submission for adoption.



Stay Involved!

- SpeakUp Austin Website: bit.ly/ATXTCM
 - Staff will post updates to this website as we go through the Rules Posting Process
- Project Newsletter: bit.ly/TCMlist
- Email: TransportationCM@austintexas.gov

Next Public Comment Period: Spring 2021

