

## NEWS RELEASE

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### **Embracing 'Complete Streets' design principles in Nanaimo**

*Building roads that move people - not just cars*

#### **Summary**

The City of Nanaimo is currently undertaking the creation of a Complete Streets Policy, guidelines, and updated cross-sectional road standards. Complete Streets are designed and operated to enable safe and comfortable road use for all, regardless of age or ability. These guidelines will not transform the City overnight, but they will help ensure we focus on building a better and safer Nanaimo for pedestrians, cyclists, transit users, and motorists.

Interested in learning more and wanting to chat in person? Wanting your opinions and concerns heard? The City needs your input! A project webpage has been posted, a specific project email has been created, a survey made available, and a number of community events lined up to gather as much information as possible.

This Saturday, March 23rd from 1-4pm, the project manager will be at Woodgrove Centre to chat with the community about 'Complete Streets Guidelines' & the 'Metral Drive Complete Street Utility & Corridor Upgrades'.

Check the website often for project updates and to find out when we will be out in the community.

*Strategic Link:* Environmental Responsibility, Active Lifestyle

#### **Key Points**

- The City is seeking public input for the development of the Complete Streets Guidelines. The survey details and link can be found on the project webpage.
- Come chat with City Staff about the project this Saturday, March 23rd, 1-4pm at Woodgrove Centre. Check the website for a list of other upcoming dates and locations.
- Email [completestreets@nanaimo.ca](mailto:completestreets@nanaimo.ca) to provide additional information or to ask questions.

#### **Quotes**

"Developing the Complete Streets Policy and Guidelines are key components to ensure we have streets that are safe and comfortable for all users. We need to hear from the residents of Nanaimo to find out what cross-sectional elements and variations are important. This will allow us to make more informed choices with street upgrades."

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