

Code Assistance

The Code Assistance program helps local governments update local regulations to promote efficient land use and transportation choices, with an emphasis on pedestrian- and bicycle-friendly development.

Code assistance projects can be done in one or two phases. Two-phased projects start with an assessment of the current land development regulations, followed by the preparation of code amendments for consideration by local decision makers. One-phased projects are for communities that don't need an evaluation because they have a clear idea of what changes are needed and start with the code amendments.

Projects are usually carried out by consultants hired by TGM to work directly with local governments, though DLCD staff can also provide direct assistance. Cash or in-kind match is not required, but local staff must actively participate in and support the project.

Typical Projects

Code assistance projects typically address pedestrian-friendly design standards, mixed-use development, land-efficient development, housing, right-sizing parking, and development procedures, among other topics. Projects must further TGM objectives and cannot be solely housekeeping projects.

How to Apply

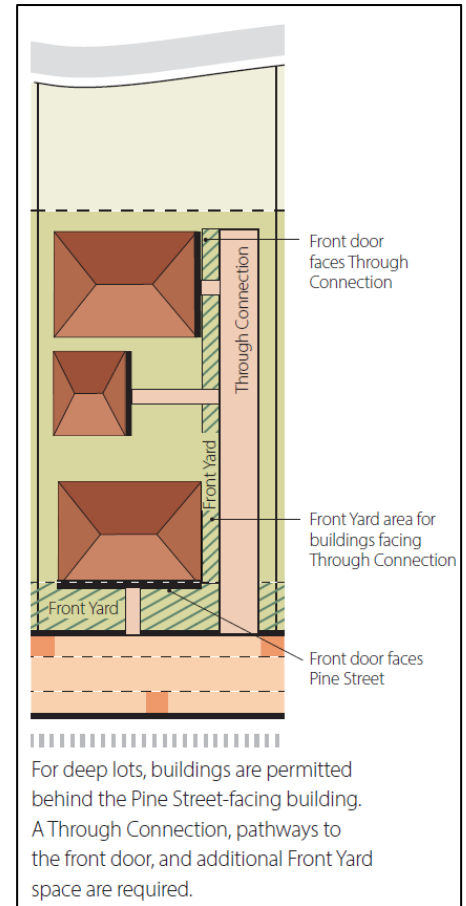
Applications are taken on a rolling basis. Interested cities should send a letter that includes the following information:

1. The specific issue or problem in your community that a code assessment or update of plan and code language would address;
2. How a code assistance project would carry out TGM objectives;
3. What the end product of code assistance would be; and
4. Previous and ongoing land use and transportation planning projects that have a bearing on a code assistance project.

Include a separate letter or resolution from decision makers (i.e., a city council or mayor) showing support for the project.

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