

Walk Audit

Go block-by-block, and answer the following. (If traveling in pairs/groups, have one person mark any problem spots on a map.) Think about whether the elderly, children, and those with limited mobility would be able to safely travel on this street.

Street/intersections:

Campaign: _____

Date/time of day: _____

Overall assessment:

To get the overall assessment, average the assessments from the following sections. (☹=not pedestrian friendly, ☺=very pedestrian friendly.) While subjective, this rating will give you an idea of which blocks are currently most walkable—and which areas need a walkability boost.

Is the sidewalk...

Present on both sides of street? Y N

Continuous? Y N

Wide enough (at least five feet)? Y N

In good condition (level, without significant cracks or other tripping hazards)? Y N

Blocked or obstructed in any way? Y N

• If Y: is the obstruction permanent or temporary? Y N

Interrupted for cars at any point (driveways, loading zones)? Y N

• If Y: how many times?

Separated from the street, visually or physically (by trees, parking, etc)? Y N

• If Y: what is separating the sidewalk from the street?

Overall sidewalk assessment:

How is the walking experience?

Shaded spots (from trees, awnings, etc)? Y N

Place(s) to sit (benches, low walls, etc)? Y N

Lighting? Y N

Greenery (landscaped / natural)? Y N

People / activity in surrounding buildings? Y N

Wayfinding signage? Y N

Variety of destinations accessible on or just off the block? Y N

• If Y: list what is accessible.

Do you feel comfortable? Y N

• Why/Why not?

Do you feel safe? Y N

• Why/Why not?

Are there other people on the street? Y N

• if Y: about how many? What are they doing?

Overall experiential assessment:

What are the road conditions?

Marked traffic speed: _____

Traffic volume: _____

Number of lanes: _____

Does the road seem like an appropriate width for its environment? Y N

Driver behavior:

• Are drivers obeying the speed limit? Y N

• Are drivers obeying traffic signals? Y N

Are drivers yielding to pedestrians? Y N

Overall road assessment:

Do the intersections have...

Curb cuts/curb ramps? Y N

• If Y: is there a textural change to indicate cut/ramp? Y N

Marked crosswalks? Y N

Traffic signs/signals? Y N

• If Y: is there a stop sign, traffic signal, or other? Y N

Pedestrian signals? Y N

• If Y: how long was the signal cycle?

• If Y: were there associated sounds for the visually impaired? Y N

Enough visibility to see approaching vehicles? Y N

Bonus pedestrian features (curb extensions, median islands, etc)? Y N

• If Y: what are these features?

Overall intersection assessment:

Any additional features?

Transit stops? Y N

• If Y: do the stops have seating/shelter? Y N

Bike lanes/cycle tracks? Y N

Bike share stations? Y N

Bike parking? Y N

Parks, plazas, or other public spaces? Y N

Public art? Y N

Other (list)? _____

Is there anything you have not mentioned that distinguishes this street: making it especially useful, safe, comfortable, and/or interesting?

What is this street missing to make it a more useful, safe, comfortable, or interesting place to walk?