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"The best streets in the world's villages, towns, and cities—whether modest or grand—continually remind one that simplicity is part of the recipe for success in this art. The advice of Victor Dover and John Massengale, their historic examples and their own designs, reflect that simplicity."

—**From the Foreword by HRH The Prince of Wales**

"*Street Design* is a lucid, practical and altogether indispensable guide for envisioning and creating vibrant 21st century towns and cities. It should be required reading for every local political leader, planner, architect, real estate developer and engaged urban citizen in America."

—**Kurt Andersen, host of *Studio 360* and author of *True Believers***

"We are going to start walking around the places we live again, and as that occurs and becomes normal, we will rapidly redevelop a demand for higher quality in building at the human scale."

—**From the Afterword by James Howard Kunstler**

"Your charrette traveling library must include the important Street Design book by Victor Dover and John Massengale."—**Bill Lennertz, Executive Director, National Charrette Institute**

"What an amazing resource! For those who wish that my book, *Walkable City*, had pictures, this is the book for you. If either your work or your play includes the making of places, you will find *Street Design* to be an invaluable tool." —**Jeff Speck, AICP, CNU-A, LEED-AP, Hon. ASLA**

Written by two accomplished architects and urban designers, this user-friendly street design manual shows both how to design new streets and enhance existing ones. It offers step-by-step instruction and shares examples of excellent streets, examining the elements that make them successful as well as how they were designed and created. Topics also include strategies for shaping space in the public right-of-way through correct building height to street width ratios, terminated vistas, landscaping, and street geometry. This book is a valuable resource for urban designers, planners, architects, and engineers.

With guest essays from: Kaid Benfield, David Brussat, Javier Cenicacelaya, Hank Dittmar, Andres Duany, Douglas Duany, Emily Glavey, Chip Kaufman, Ethan Kent, Marieanne Khoury-Vogt, Léon Krier, Gianni Longo, Thomas Low, Laura Lyon, Chuck Marohn, Paul Murrain, John Norquist, Stefanos Polyzoides, Gabriele Tagliaventi and Erik Vogt.

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