

Reduced automobile dependence

SLLc4 | Possible 8 points

Intent

Encourage development in locations that exhibit superior performance in providing transportation choices or otherwise reducing motor vehicle use.

Requirements

Option 1

Locate project on a site with transit service of 20 or more easily accessible transit rides per week day. The number of points available for increasing transit service is indicated in the table below. The total number of rides available during weekdays is defined as the number of buses or streetcars stopping within a ¼ mile walk distance of at least 50% of the project's dwellings and business entrances, and the number of bus rapid transit buses, light rail trains, heavy passenger rail, and ferries stopping within a ½ mile walk distance of at least 50% of the project's dwellings and business entrances;

OR

Option 2

Locate project within a region served by a Metropolitan Planning Organization AND within a transportation analysis zone where annual Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) per capita or single occupancy vehicle (SOV) driving mode share has been demonstrated by MPO research derived from a household transportation survey to be no more than 80% of the average of the metropolitan region as a whole. The research must be derived from transportation surveys conducted within ten years of the date of submission for LEED for Neighborhood Development certification. Additional credit may be awarded for increasing levels of performance, as indicated;

OR

Option 3

Locate the project such that 50% of the dwelling units and business entrances are within a ¼ mile walk distance of at least one vehicle that is available through a vehicle-sharing program, and publicize the availability and benefits of the vehicle-sharing program to project occupants. If the project will add more than 100 dwelling units and/or employees to the neighborhood, at least one additional vehicle for every 100 dwelling units and/or employees must be available and the parking space must be dedicated as part of the project. Where new vehicle locations are created, a vehicle share program must commit to providing a vehicle to the location for at least three years. (1 point)

Points earned under Options 1 and 2 may not be combined. A point from Option 3 may be earned independently, or be added to those earned under Options 1 and 2 for a maximum of 8 points.