Pedestrian Friendly Urban Development

Walkable Places & Transit Oriented Development
Ordinances are tools that create new rules to promote pedestrian friendly development along designated streets. These rules are designed to encourage higher density, mixed uses, walkability and multimodal transportation.

Promotes Higher Density and Mixed Uses
Both ordinances allow the building to be built closer to the street to have more buildable area for the development. This encourages higher density and mixed uses.

Reduces Sidewalk Interruptions & Obstructions
By reducing the number of curb cuts and their width along a street or a block, the interaction between cars and people is reduced. By requiring an unobstructed sidewalk, there will be no obstructions for pedestrians such as fire hydrants and light poles. This encourages walkability.

Promotes Multimodal Transportation
With the Walkable Places elements, multimodal transportation is more likely to happen.

Priority to People
By having the parking area on the back, the separation between the sidewalk and the building is reduced. This encourages direct pedestrian access from the building to the sidewalk giving priority to people over cars.

Create Interesting & Safer Walk
By having a minimum requirement for openings and windows on the ground floor and a minimum number of doors that connect to the sidewalk, the interaction between the private and public spaces is increased. This creates a safer public space with “eyes on the street” and an interesting walk.

Encourage Walkability
Walkability is encourage by having a sufficient pedestrian realm width with a minimum unobstructed sidewalk, safety buffer to locate trees and elements that provide shade.