The reconfiguration of Merrimon Avenue from a four-lane street to a three-lane street with bike lanes is supported by more than 15 years of local, regional, and statewide plans and policies. It is also supported by published design guidance from the Federal Highway Administration and AASHTO.

City of Asheville		Federal Highway Administration	
<b>√</b>	Complete Streets Policy (2012)	<b>√</b>	Safe Systems / Vision Zero
$\checkmark$	Comprehensive Bicycle Plan (2008)	<b>√</b>	Bikeway Selection Guide
$\checkmark$	Asheville in Motion (2016)	✓	Bike/Ped Design Flexibility Policy
✓	Comprehensive Plan (2018)	<b>√</b>	Road Diet Informational Guide
French Broad River MPO		AASHTO	
<b>√</b>	Complete Streets Policy (2013)	✓	Green Book
$\checkmark$	Comprehensive Transportation Plan (2008)	✓	A Guide to Achieving Flexibility in Highway Design
$\checkmark$	Metropolitan Transportation Plan (2020)		
$\checkmark$	Congestion Management Process (2018)		
NCDOT			
<b>√</b>	Mission (Current)		
$\checkmark$	Context Sensitive Solutions (2003)		
$\checkmark$	Complete Streets Policy (2009, 2019)		
<b>√</b>	Complete Streets Planning & Design Guidelines (2012)		
$\checkmark$	Vision Zero Policy (2015)		
$\checkmark$	WalkBikeNC Plan (2013)		
$\checkmark$	Transportation-Health Policy (2012)		
$\checkmark$	Executive Order 246		
$\checkmark$	AECOM Traffic Study (2021)		