

Vermont Land Use Planning Implementation Manual Topic Paper Information and Resources

6. Design Review (4 pages)

Importance of good design in encouraging development that benefits the community – including design standards or guidelines in development review – community design techniques – form-based zoning.

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Examples:

- Bennington *Design Standards for PC District* - <http://www.bennington.com/government>
- *Design Guidelines for Manchester's Commercial and Historic Districts* - <http://www.town.manchester.vt.us/> (click on "Forms")
- Burlington series of *Design Review Guides*, presented by topic - <http://www.ci.burlington.vt.us/planning/dguide/guides.html>
- Putney *Visualizing Density Study* (click on Documents then select Planning Commission) - <http://www.putneyvt.org/main.php>

Resources:

- *Visual Resources* page from Land Use and Transportation Connections -- Experiences from Northwest Vermont webpage - <http://www.transportation-landuse.org/pages/tools/visual.htm>
- *Scenic Resources Overlay District* page from Land Use and Transportation Connections -- Experiences from Northwest Vermont webpage - <http://www.transportation-landuse.org/pages/tools/scenic.htm>
- *Vermont Interstate Interchange Planning and Development Design Guidelines*, (2004) VT Department of Housing and Community Affairs - <http://www.dhca.state.vt.us/Planning/InterstateInterchange.htm>
- *Growing Smarter - Best Site Planning for Residential, Commercial & Industrial Development*, Vermont Forum on Sprawl - <http://www.vtsprawl.org/Resources/publications/publicationsmain.htm>