

Figure 8.4 Building design guidelines. (a) Possible variables for building design guidelines and (b) an example: Nassau-Fulton, New York.

design objective has been to define the character of the public realm – streets, squares and other open spaces – and to obtain a sense of unity and/or diversity.

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The Case Studies

The case studies focus almost entirely on precinct design. It is at this level that the nature of urban designing is clearest. The one new town that is included,