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Downtown Langley (City of Langley) September 14 2013

Approximate number of walkable storefront blocks = 18 (the end point on the western edge is unclear)

Criterion	Points available	Points scored	Comments
Availability of housing choices within walking distance, including seniors' housing; housing in village core	20	16	Choice, affordability, live-work opportunities, large rental stock, assisted living for seniors, all within walking distance. However, there is little housing in the core.
Transit hub with frequent service (i.e. ≤ 15 minutes) along diverse routes	12	8	
Area plan or strategy; municipal policies to promote mixed-used development; incentives or mechanism to create mixed-use development; funding for infrastructure and beautification	12	9.5	Lots of planning; some upgrading needed on the ground
Everyday services for residents e.g. food market, drug store, clothing, dry cleaning	10	7.5	
Access to trails, walkable waterfront or heritage neighbourhood	8	4	Prospects are bleak to the north, but City is promoting walk along Nikomekl River
Public amenities: arts centre, recreation, library, museum, seniors' or community centre	8	6	Rec centre, City Hall, arts council space, seniors centre, police
General aesthetic appeal/ambience	6	3	A charming core; busy arterials plus expanses of parking lot and vacant land all around
Variety of modest-cost dining for employees, families	5	4.5	
Office space for local professional services	4	4	
Quick access (walk, bike or transit) to next village	4	3	Willowbrook area malls
Sidewalks to standard	3	3	
Effective business improvement association	3	3	Significant focus on community and neighbourhood links
Availability of pre-school care	2	1.5	
Outlets for local artists and craftspeople	2	2	
Bicycle racks or bicycle parking	1	1	
Bonus points: parking meters	2	0	
TOTAL	100	76	