



Two-way Street Conversions



Advantages

- May reduce vehicle speed
- May improve neighborhood character
- May create economic development opportunities

Disadvantages

- Introduces more vehicle, bicycle, and pedestrian conflicts
- Reduces through traffic capacity
- May impact bicycle lanes and parking

DESCRIPTION:

Two-way street conversions involve changing the operation of a one way street to two way traffic. One-way couplets were historically established to provide greater capacity for traffic moving into and out of downtown areas. As travel patterns have changed and urban neighborhoods have become more established many cities are converting one-way couplets into two, two-way streets.

APPLICATION:

Two-way street conversions are most appropriate in areas where long established one-way couplets are no longer needed to accommodate the peak hour traffic demand or in areas where changing the character of the street is seen to have a positive neighborhood or economic development benefit. Two-way street conversions involve the reconstruction of traffic signals, signing, and striping.

Effectiveness Scorecard

	Speed	
	Volume	
	Cut-through	
	Crashes	
	Emergency Vehicle	
	Pedestrian	
	Bicycle	
	Noise	
	Cost	\$\$\$\$

Very Good
 Good
 Fair
 Poor
 Not Applicable



Quick Glance

