

Suggestions for Improving Traffic and Pedestrian Safety in Stevenson
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COMPLETED ITEMS

1. Install stationary radar feedback signs (flashing radar speed limit signs) at both ends of town.
2. Place hand-held yellow pedestrian crossing flags at both ends of crosswalks for pedestrian use at all mid-block crossings.
3. Add hand-held pedestrian crossing flags at the two crosswalks at the west end of town.
4. Repaint the crosswalks on 1st Street and 2nd Street.
Complete. All of 1st Street crosswalks are redone by the City's Public Works Department each year.
5. Install two "Truck Route" signs on 2nd Street west of town.

Other Ideas Considered (Not Implemented)

1. Install "Pedestrian Crossing" warning signs in the center strip of mid-block crossings.
Did not do because of maintenance concerns including interfering with snow plowing.
2. Spray paint "25 mph" on the road on 1st Street and 2nd Street.
WSDOT would not allow on 2nd Street. 1st Street expected to be done by May 1, 2016.
3. Install blinking lights in front of fire hall and EMS.
City Council removed from consideration - not necessary as long as 1st Street stop sign remains.
4. Add a stop light or stop sign on 2nd Street.
Contacted WSDOT - WSDOT will not allow on SR14.
5. Install pedestrian activated in-ground flashing lights in the busiest 2nd Street crosswalks.
Council removed from consideration as recommended by WSDOT and the Public Works Director. The WSDOT Engineer strongly advised against it – he saw several deaths in Eastern Washington when they were using in-ground flashing lights as crosswalk markers.
6. Install pedestrian activated crossing lights on all 2nd Street crosswalks.
Council dropped this idea after further discussion. Concerns against too many lights destroying the small- town feel of downtown Stevenson.
7. Further investigate radar ticketing. Contact other cities to see if the program pays for itself.
Dropped from further consideration due to cost. (Annual cost of approximately \$57,000 would require approximately 1,200 tickets per year to pay for itself).