

Crosswalk/RRFB Policy

Overview

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 - Definitions/Costs/Applications
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 - Definitions/Costs/Applications
 - PHB (Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon)
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Purpose

- Purpose of Crosswalk Policy
 - Provide a uniform set of guidelines for the installation of crosswalk treatments
 - Establish when and where crosswalk treatments are appropriate
 - Identify standards for school crosswalk signage & striping
 - Identify requirements for the installation of crosswalk treatments



Need

- Need for Crosswalk/RRFB Policy
 - No current policy or consistent standards
 - Approval of crosswalk treatments not uniformly applied
 - Based on anecdotal observation versus analysis
 - Too many...lose their effectiveness
 - MUTCD states "Regulatory and warning signs should be used conservatively because these signs, if used to excess, tend to lose their effectiveness."

Treatment Options

- Types of Crosswalk Treatments
 - Signage and Striping
 - Markings to provide guidance for vehicles & pedestrians to and within signalized intersections and approaches to non-signalized non-stop-controlled intersections or designated crossings
 - RRFB (Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon)
 - Pedestrian activated warning devices to enhance pedestrian crosswalks at uncontrolled intersection crossing locations
 - PHB (Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon)
 - Special type of beacon used to warn and control traffic at un-signalized locations
 - HAWK (High-Intensity Activated crossWalk beacon)



Crosswalk Treatments

Signage & Striping



\$575

RRFB



\$8,000

PHB



\$35,000 - \$200,000

*Costs do not include installation

Existing Signage & Striping

- Intersections
- Mid-Block
 - In conjunction with RRFB's/PHB's
- Within school zones



Existing RRFB's

- Sandcreek Dr, South of 56th Ave
- 60th/Kearney St
- 60th/Krameria St
- Holly St/65th Ave
- 72nd/Olive St
- 72nd/Niagara St
- 96th/Eagle Creek
 Pkwy

- Chambers Rd btwn
 104th and Heartland Dr
- 104th/Revere St
- Landmark Dr/106th Ave
- Potomac St/106th Ave
- Oakland St/112th Ave
- 117th/Chambers Rd



Existing PHB's

- No Existing PHB's in the City
- 56th/Niagara would have been an appropriate location for one



Notional Process & Procedure

- Requests
 - Documents existing practice
- Warrants
 - Signage & Striping
 - Compilation of various guidelines and standards
 - Refers to CDOT's preference for School Zone Signage and Striping
 - RRFB's
 - Compilation of various guidelines and standards
 - PHB's
 - Refers to existing MUTCD warrants
- Installation
 - Documents location of existing standards



Requests

- Can be initiated by anyone
- Need to know time and location of perceived problem
 - Engineering will pull necessary data and run warrants
- Coordinated between Police Department and Engineering Division
 - Fire included when necessary



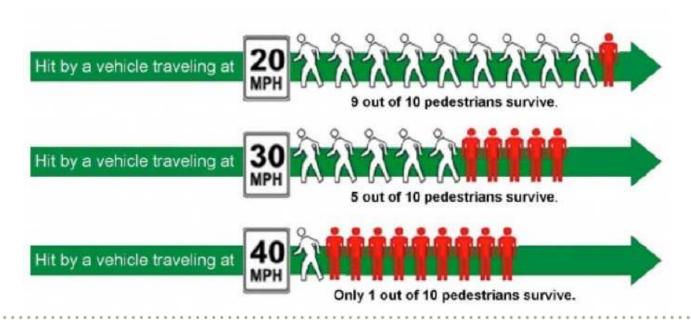
Warrants

- Based on guidelines, standards and existing practices taken from:
 - MUTCD
 - FHWA
 - CDOT Design Guide
 - CCD's Uncontrolled Pedestrian Crossing Guidelines
 - Best Practices from local municipalities
- Modified to balance standards and existing requests/concerns



- Marked Crosswalk Warrants (Must meet all)
 - 1. Speeds less than 45mph
 - Next protected crossing more than 300 feet away
 - 3. Pedestrian counts and type of pedestrians
 - 4. Must meet vehicle stopping sight distance
 - Must have adequate gaps in traffic for peds to cross

- Warrant 1: Is the 85th percentile speed less than 45 mph?
 - For speeds 30 mph or higher, additional treatments must be considered, such as: enhanced signage/striping, pedestrian warning devices, pedestrian refuge islands, and/or rumble strips.





- Warrant 3: Does the pedestrian count exceed 20 pedestrians during any two hours of the day, where each child under 16, senior, or person with reduced mobility counts twice.
 - Typically, 20 pedestrians per hour are required to consider installation of a marked crosswalk (where vulnerable users count as 1.33 pedestrians)
 - FHWA
 - CDOT
 - City and County of Denver
 - City of Lakewood

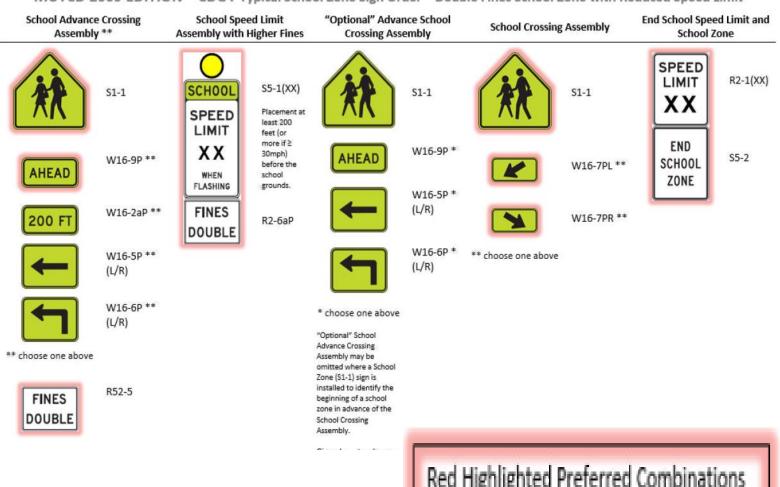


- Warrant 5: Are adequate gaps provided?
 - MUTCD states:
 - "when the delay between occurrences of adequate gaps becomes excessive, students (pedestrians) might become impatient and endanger themselves by attempting to cross the street during an inadequate gap."



School Crosswalk Signage

MUTCD 2009 EDITION - CDOT Typical School Zone Sign Order - Double Fines School Zone with Reduced Speed Limit



Red Highlighted Preferred Combinations



RRFB Warrants

- RRFB Warrants (must meet marked crosswalk warrants 3, 4, and 5 plus 2 RRFB warrants below)
 - Pedestrian must cross less than 5 through lanes of traffic
 - 2. Minimum daily traffic volume of 3,000 vehicles per day (vpd) and maximum of 12,000 vpd



PHB Warrants

- Taken directly from the MUTCD
- Based on number of pedestrians, major street volume and distance a pedestrian must cross.



Installation

- Striped Crosswalks Follow C3 Standards and Specifications
- RRFB's Follow criteria in FHWA's interim approval for RRFB's (IA-21)
- PHB's Follow criteria in MUTCD

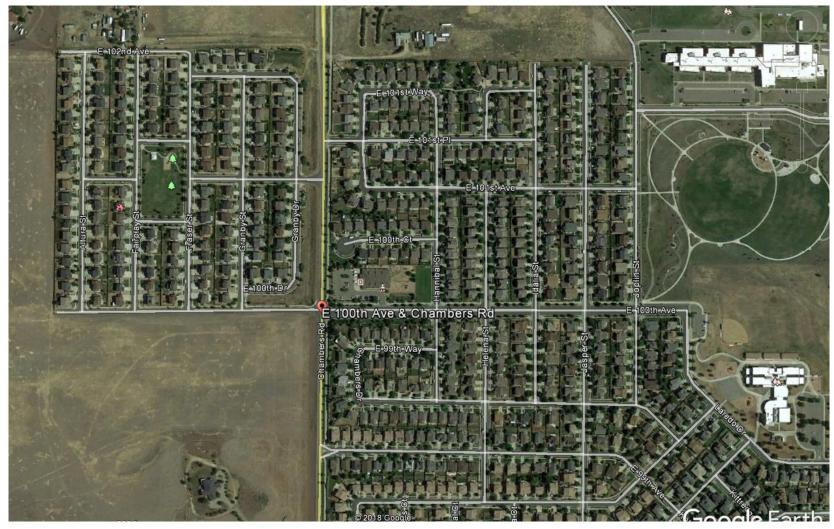


Example Warrant Studies

- Chambers / 100th
- Landmark / Parkside
- Landmark / 103rd
- Reunion Parkway / 105th
- Walden /104th
- Revere / 104th
- HWY 2 / 67th



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Marked Crosswalk Warrants (must meet all)

• Warrant 1: 85th Percentile speeds

• Warrant 2: Next protected crossing **Yes**

• Warrant 3: Volume of pedestrians **Yes**

Warrant 4: Stopping sight distance

Warrant 5: Adequate gaps

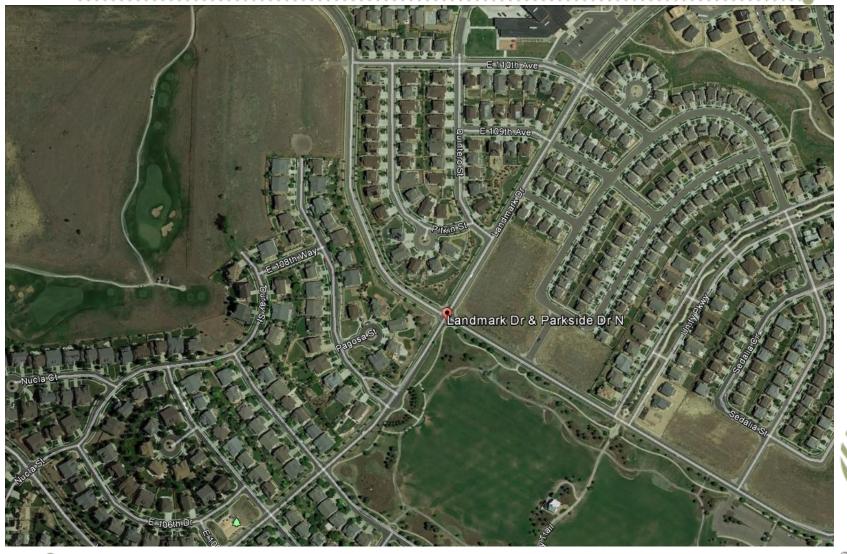
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Warrant 1: Number of travel lanes

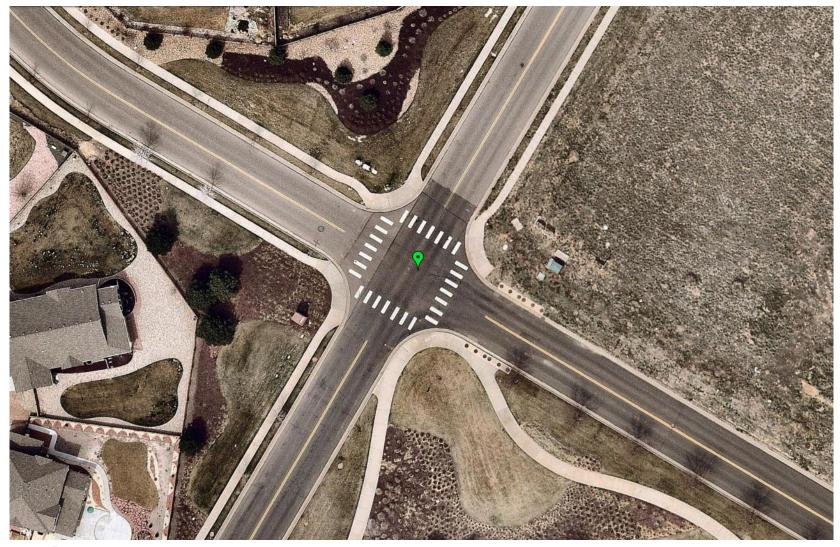
Warrant 2: Daily traffic volume

Yes

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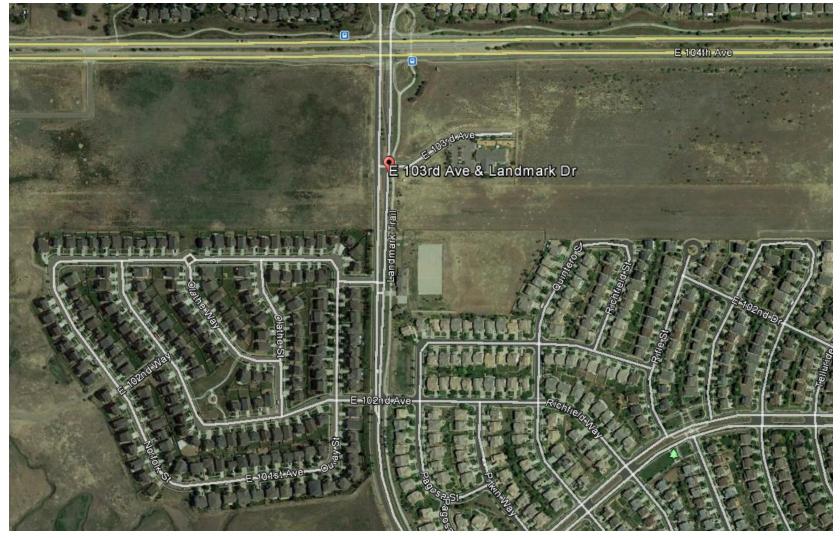
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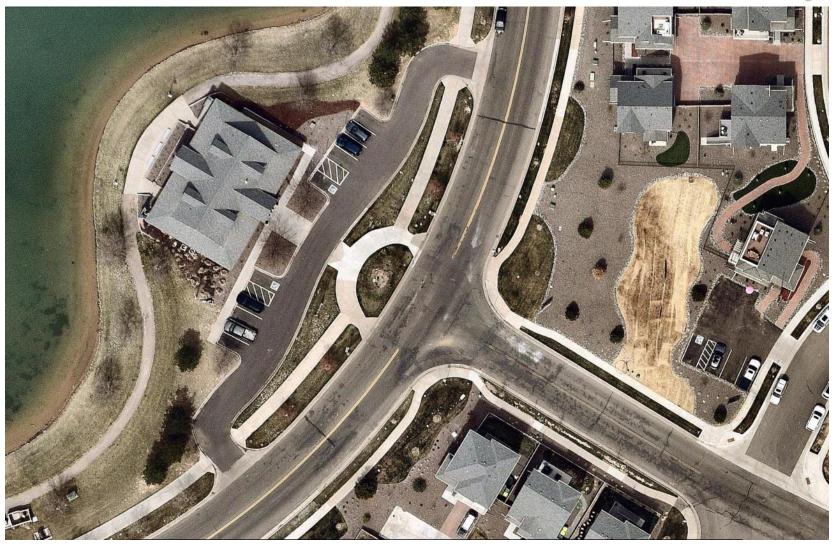
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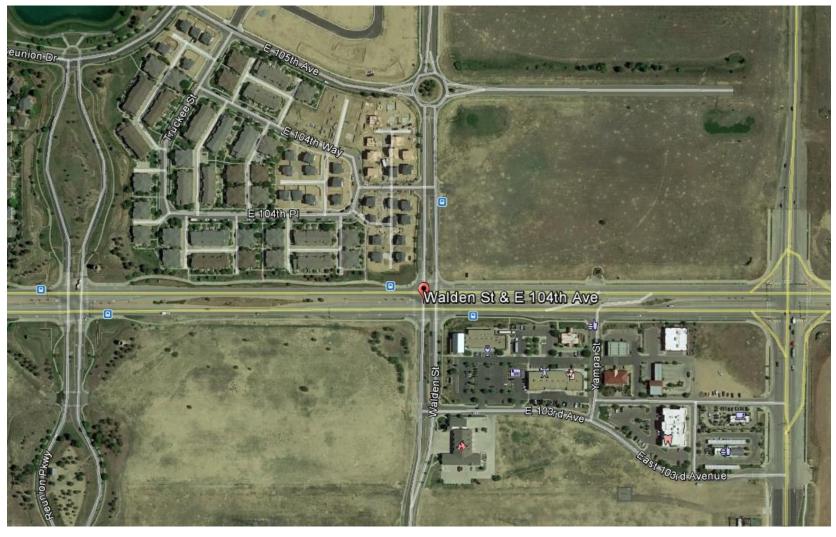
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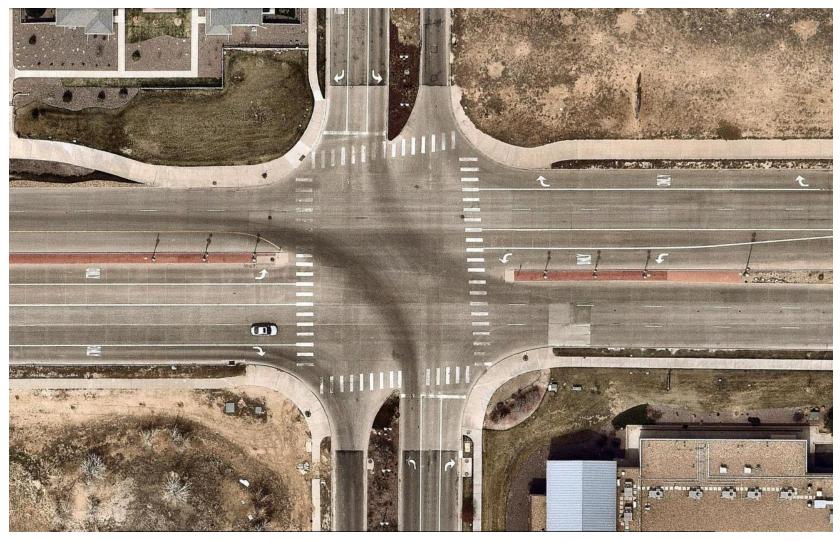
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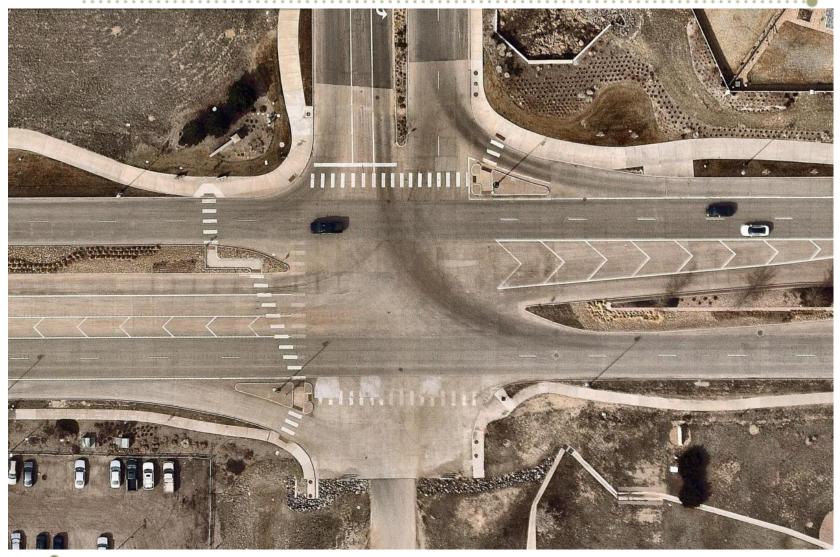
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104th Ave & Revere St



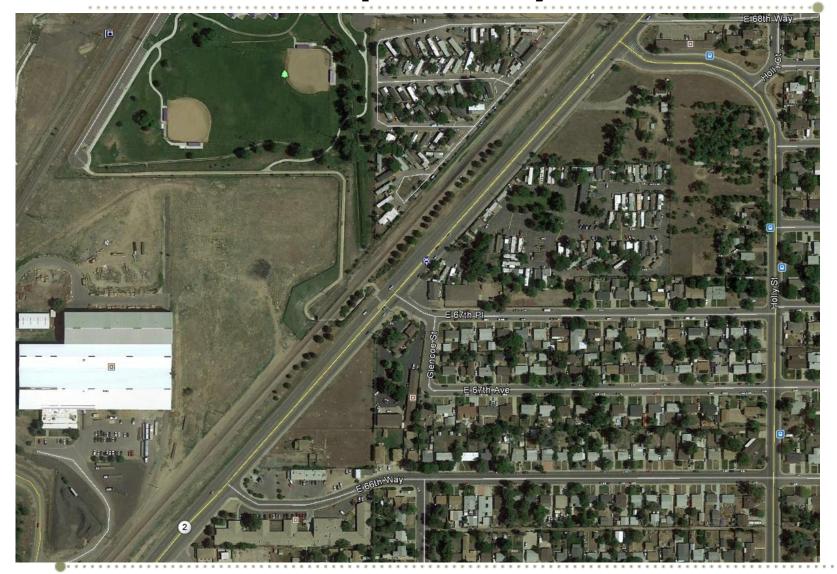


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Questions & Discussion



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School Flashers



