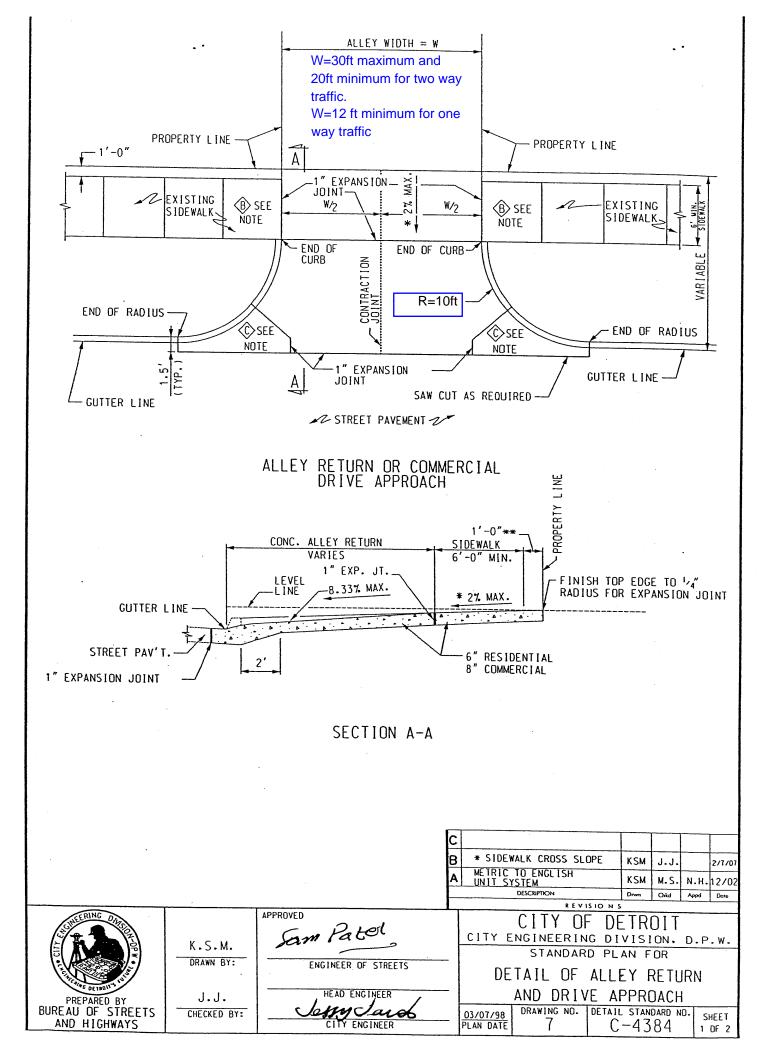


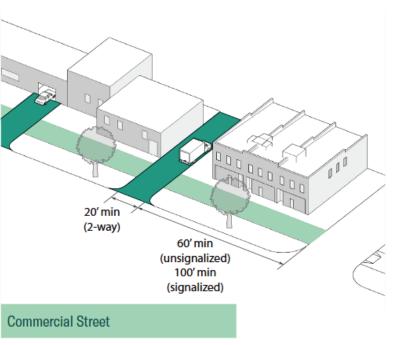
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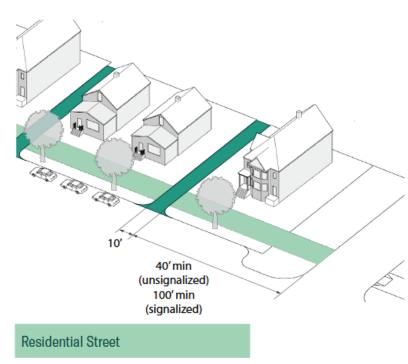


# Driveways

Driveways provide access to private property from public streets. Driveways should be designed to reduce conflict between vehicles and people on sidewalks and between vehicles and people on bikes, buses, and other vehicles in the roadway.



## **Driveway Accessibility & Visibility**



### Requirements

- Follow City ordinances for driveway quantity, installation, and permitting.
- Maintain the Pedestrian Zone as a level and continous path across driveways.
- New or reconstructed commercial driveway openings shall not exceed 30' and shall not be less than 20' for a two-way drive nor less than 12' for a one-way drive. The radius of the driveway shall be maximum 10' unless justification is provided.
- Set driveways back 100' from railroad crossings right of way and signalized intersections, under high traffic conditions, or where two-way bikeways are present.
- Set back residential driveways at least 40' from unsignalized intersections and commercial driveways at least 60'.
- Where bikeways are present, locate parking 20' from driveways on commercial and high-volume streets and 5' from driveways on residential streets. Prevent parked cars

from blocking views of people on bikes with pavement markings and vertical delineators.

### Considerations

- Only use driveways when alley or shared access points are not available; consolidate or minimize driveways on commercial and downtown street types.
- Consolidate driveways during reconstruction or retrofit projects where alternate access is available in coordination with owner.
- Minimize commercial driveway apron radii to 2' where a bikeway runs adjacent to sidewalk.
- Provide cautionary yield signs, convex mirrors, and/or audible warnings at driveways with limited sight distances and at high-use driveways, particularly downtown.
- Mark bike lanes at driveways according to City pavement marking standards.

### **Additional Resources**

Detroit Driveway Approaches and Curb Cuts