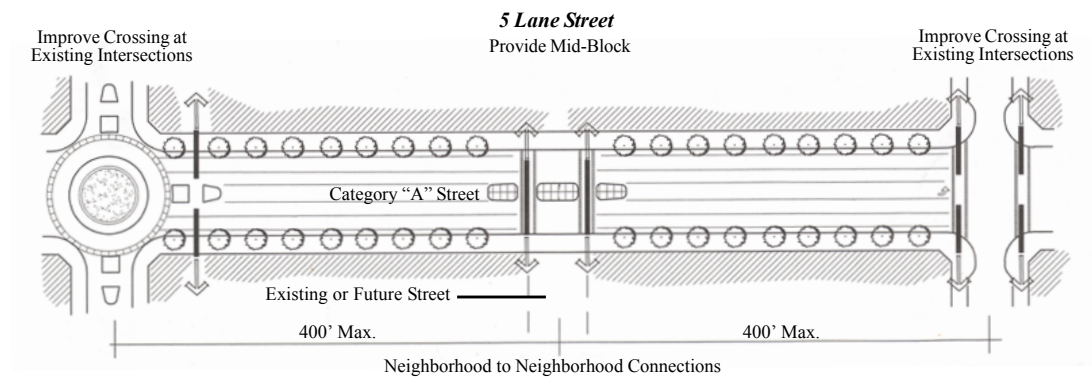


Pedestrian Environment: Crossing Area

TOOL 14 – Crossing Category “A” Streets

Design Issues

Neighborhood boundaries are often formed by arterial streets with five to seven lanes. For pedestrians, neighborhood-to-neighborhood connectivity requires crossing these streets. This can be a difficult and dangerous crossing, particularly when existing intersections are uncontrolled or widely spaced at 800 feet or more. Widely spaced intersections encourage random and unpredictable mid-block crossings, requiring pedestrians to judge distance and speed of oncoming traffic and cross at walking speeds that may be beyond their physical abilities.



NTM Considerations

- Mitigation measures should include improvements to uncontrolled intersections and well-designed and visually clear mid-block crossing points between existing intersections (see tools 11 and 12).
- See Summary Table 5.2 for measures to improve pedestrian crossing.