

Textured Pavements... (cobblestone, brick pavement, stamped pavement)

Textured and colored pavement includes the use of stamped pavement or alternate paving materials to create an uneven surface for vehicles to traverse. They me be used to emhasize either an entire intersection or a pedestrian crossing, and are sometimes used along entire street blocks.

Textured pavements are good for "main street" areas where there is substantial pedestrian activity and noise is not a major concern.

Advantages:

- Textured Pavements can reduce vehicle speeds over an extended length
- If designed well, they can have positive aesthetic value
- Placed at an intersection, they can calm two streets at once

Disadvantages:

- · They are generally expensive, varying by materials used
- If used on a crosswalk, they can make crossings more difficult for wheelchair users and the visually impaired

Effectiveness:

· No data has been compiled on the effects of textured pavements

Similar Measures:

- Textured pavements are often combined with Speed Tables, Raised Crosswalk, and Raised Intersections
- Textured pavements are occasionally combined with Speed Humps

Cost Estimate(s):

· Varies by materials used and the amount of area covered



Gainsville, FL - This textured pavement is combined with diagonal parking and neckdowns at the corners.



Seattle, WA - This textured pavement covers an entire downtoan street block and the two endpoint intersections. It is also combined with neckdowns, though they are not pictured.



Winter Park, FL - This is a street with textured pavement and parallel parking.

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Montgomery County, MD - This textured pavement consists of evenly-placed brick, armaged in both a grid pattern and a diagonal pattern. The result is a smoother ride, less noise, and less of an effect on speeds..

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