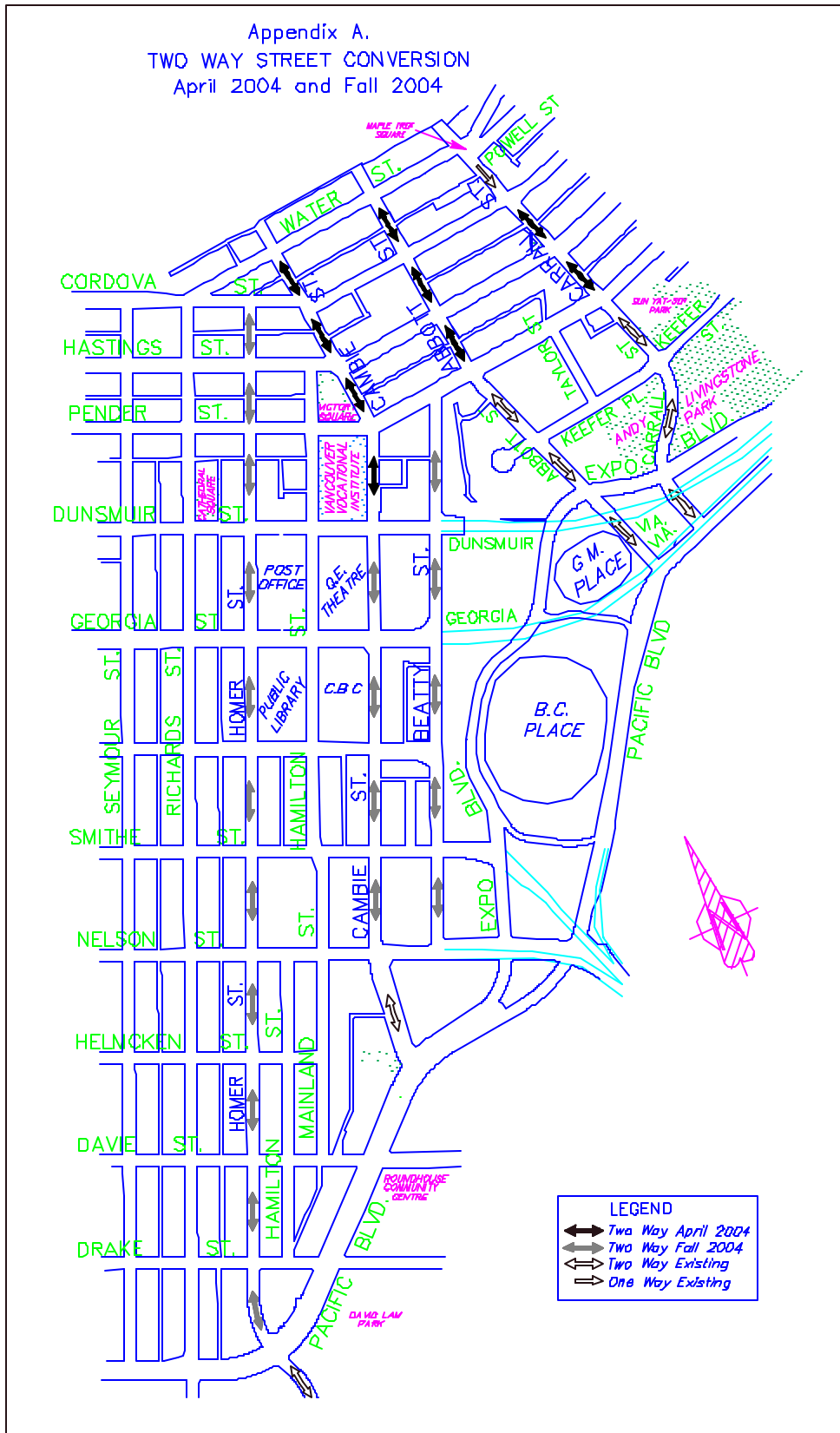


Appendix A.
 TWO WAY STREET CONVERSION
 April 2004 and Fall 2004



Appendix B

January 6, 2004

Dear Resident/Business Owner:

RE: Conversion of Streets from One-Way to Two-Way Traffic Flow

In July 2002, City Council approved the conversion of five streets from one-way to two-way traffic flow, as part of the Downtown Transportation Plan. These streets are: Homer, Cambie, Beatty, Abbott and Carrall. We plan to begin these conversions in April of this year, starting with Abbott, Carrall and the north end of Cambie. A map on the reverse of this letter shows the streets scheduled for conversion in April.

Abbott Street and **Carrall Street** are already two-way between Pacific Boulevard and Pender Street. The extension of two-way traffic flow, further north on these streets, will provide more direct routes to local destinations and reduce confusion for drivers visiting the area for the first time. This is particularly important given the many visitor attractions in the area, such as: Gastown, Chinatown, the two stadiums, Science World and the seawall.

However, one block of Carrall Street, between Maple Tree Square and Cordova Street, will remain one-way. The existing street geometry and traffic flow into and out of Maple Tree Square already poses challenges for both drivers and pedestrians and the introduction of two-way traffic on Carrall Street, at Maple Tree Square, would not improve the situation.

Cambie Street, between Water and Dunsmuir Streets, will also be converted in April. This will improve tour bus access to Gastown and can be done in advance of the remaining blocks of Cambie Street, without compromising traffic circulation or safety.

Existing parking and loading regulations will, for the most part, remain unchanged on all of the streets. Where changes are needed, occupants of the adjacent properties will be consulted. The introduction of two-way traffic will result in fewer turning restrictions overall, but one **left turn restriction** is being proposed to address safety concerns at the intersection of Pender and Cambie, as shown on the reverse. Additional left turn restrictions may be necessary along the Hastings Street corridor to deal traffic capacity concerns, but these will be evaluated after new traffic patterns stabilize on the converted streets and installed only where conditions warrant.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the planned traffic changes, please call me at the number below. Every effort will be made to find workable solutions to any potential problems, so that the conversion of Abbott, Carrall and Cambie Streets to two-way traffic flow is a benefit to the downtown community. I look forward to hearing from you in the coming weeks.

Yours truly,

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