Study and Analysis of Traffic Problems in Ramallah and Al_Beireh City Center

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## Case Study

$\checkmark$ Studying the current situation and existing problems of the traffic system in Ramallah and Al-Beireh CBD area.
$\checkmark$ Collection a required data from different resources.
$\checkmark$ Analysis of collecting data using traffic programs.
$\checkmark$ Trying to find the best solution for each links and nodes problems.

## Study area

$\checkmark \quad$ Study area was selected to be Ramallah and Al-Beireh CBD area.
$\checkmark$ Most congested intersections and links were included in study in CBD area.


## Why this Study Area was selected ???

$\checkmark$ The most congested area in the city of Ramallah and Al-Beireh cities, because it connects all parts of the cities with each other.

$\checkmark$ Concentration of public transportation parking inside CBD area.


Distribution of Public Transportation Stations in Study Area.

## Literature Review

$\checkmark$ No periodic studies that needs to meet the development of transportation system in the study area.
$\checkmark$ The last study was in 2009, and the source study was Universal Group for Engineering and Consulting.
map of Previous Study in year 2009 .


## Literature Review

$\checkmark$ All data at intersections in the study area were collected manually in 2012 and not to rely on previous studies.
$\checkmark$ The previous data was used only to estimate the traffic flow in the future, and to determine the growth rate that used in design the level of service.

## Collected Data

$\checkmark$ Traffic flow:

1. Vehicles movements.
2. Crossing Pedestrian.
$\checkmark$ Intersections and Links Dimensions.
$\checkmark$ Accident Data.
$\checkmark$ Traffic control signs.

## Traffic Flow - Vehicles movements

$\checkmark$ Collection a vehicle movements at all bounds at intersections was in November and March in year 2012.
$\checkmark$ Time of collection data was selected as an estimated Peak time during a day.
$\checkmark$ It was noticed that the peak time are mainly at PM period, exactly with the end of working hours and schools.

## Calculations of vehicles movements include:

$\checkmark$ Peak Hour (PH).
$\checkmark$ Peak Hour Volume (PHV).
$\checkmark$ Peak Hour Factor (PHF).
$\checkmark$ Percent of Heavy Vehicles (HV).
$\checkmark$ Average Daily Traffic (ADT).
$\checkmark$ Design Hourly Volume (DHV).


## Traffic Hour at Peak Hour

| Intersection | Peak hour |  | Northbound |  |  | Southbound |  |  |  | Eastbound |  |  |  | Westbound |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Name | From | To | L | T | R | L | T |  | R | L | T | T | R | L | T | R |
| Intersection I-1 | 01:45 | 02:45 | 394 | 124 | 295 | $\ldots$ | - | .. | $\ldots$ | 125 | 27 | 75 | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 456 | 171 |
| Intersection I-2 | 01:15 | 02:15 | 54 | 26 | 40 | 91 | 96 |  | 80 | 95 | 22 | 29 | 56 | 62 | 258 | 28 |
| Intersection I-3 | 01:30 | 02:30 | 537 | $\ldots$ | 324 | 320 | 38 |  | 369 | $\ldots$ |  | .. | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |
| Intersection I-4 | 01:15 | 02:15 | .... | 456 | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | 52 |  | .... | $\ldots$ |  | .. | $\ldots$ | 355 | $\ldots$ | 178 |
| Intersection I-5 | 01:00 | 02:00 | 145 | 113 | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 38 |  | 120 | 73 | 111 |  | $\ldots$ | 163 | 119 | 160 |
| Intersection I-6 <br> (1) | 01:45 | 02:45 | $\ldots$ | .... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | .. | .... | 380 |  | .. | 167 | 436 | 264 | 274 |
| Intersection I-6 <br> (2) | 01:45 | 02:45 | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | .... | $\cdots$ | .. | 112 | $\ldots$ |  | .. | $\ldots$ | .... | 628 | $\ldots$ |
| Intersection I-7 | 12:45 | 01:45 | ... | 319 | .... | .... |  |  | .... | 73 |  | .. | .... | .... | .... | 425 |
| Al-Manarah Roundabout | Peak hour |  | Al-Irsal Street |  |  | Al-Nahda Street |  |  |  | Al-Mughtaribeen |  |  |  | -------------- |  |  |
|  | 01:15 | 02:15 | L | T | R | L | T | R | R.R | L.L | L | T | R | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ |
|  |  |  | 187 | 95 | 183 | 164 | 164 | 78 | 165 | 190 | 84 | 388 | 251 | .... | .... | $\ldots$ |

## Traffic Volume Calculations for intersections

| Intersection No. | Peak Hour | Peak Hour Volume (Veh/hr.) | Max. 15 min Volume | Peak Hour Factor | Average Daily Traffic (Veh/day) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| I-1 | 01:30-02:30 | 1618 | 427 | 0.94 | 20225 |
| I-2 | 01:15-02:15 | 1115 | 289 | 0.96 | 13940 |
| I-3 | 01:30-02:30 | 1561 | 426 | 0.92 | 19515 |
| I-4 | 01:15-02:15 | 1608 | 412 | 0.97 | 20100 |
| I-5 | 01:00-02:00 | 1569 | 397 | 0.97 | 19615 |
| I-6 (1) | 01:00-02:00 | 1160 | 295 | 0.98 | 14500 |
| I-6 (2) | 01:30-02:30 | 770 | 205 | 0.94 | 9625 |
| I-7 | 12:45-01:45 | 817 | 223 | 0.92 | 10215 |
| I-8 | 01:15-02:15 | 1949 | 501 | 0.97 | 24360 |

## Example of intersection Calculations

Calculations of traffic
Movements at intersection
I-2 at Al-Nahda Street


## Peak Hour Volume (PHV) at each Intersections



## Pedestrian Study

$\checkmark$ Basis of Pedestrian classification based on the age of the pedestrian.
$\checkmark$ These categories are classified as:

1. Less than 20 years.
2. Between 20-50 years.
3. Greater than 50 years.


## Pedestrian Study

$\checkmark$ Collection of pedestrian flow data was at intersection that pedestrian intersect each approach.
$\checkmark$ calculations of Pedestrian flow are concentrated to find the peak hour volume for pedestrians that intersect approaches.

## Pedestrian Calculations Summary at each intersection

| Intersection \# | Peak hour |  | Pedestrian <br> Peak Hour <br> Volume | Pedestrian Peak <br> Hour Volume |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | To | $01: 30$ | $02: 30$ | 424 |
| I-2 | $01: 30$ | $02: 30$ | 1254 | 0.90 |
| I-3 | $01: 30$ | $02: 30$ | 744 | 0.95 |
| I-4 | $01: 30$ | $02: 30$ | 679 | 0.87 |
| I-5 | $01: 30$ | $02: 30$ | 875 | 0.94 |
| I-6 | $01: 30$ | $02: 30$ | 1089 | 0.98 |
| I-7 | $01: 00$ | $02: 00$ | 932 | 0.92 |
| I-8 | $01: 45$ | $02: 45$ | 501 | 0.94 |

## Example of Pedestrian Study at each Approach

Calculations of Pedestrian
Movements at intersection
I-3 at Al-Quds Street


## Accident Data

$\checkmark$ Accident Data is an a clear indication of traffic safety in the study area.
$\checkmark$ Accident data were collected manually from the Palestinian Traffic Police in Ramallah and Al_Beireh city.
$\checkmark$ The Accident Data were collected to year 2011, and found that was 1651 accident in the study area.

## Accident Data

$\checkmark$ There was many problems are faced during collecting data, its summarized as:

1. Unavailability of computerized accident data and only on the books written information.
2. An emphasis and difficulty on giving information of accident data.


## Calculations of Accident Rates

$\checkmark$ Calculations of accident rates are different between Nodes and Links.
$\checkmark$ On Nodes: calculation of accident rates are based on The rate per million of entering vehicles (RMEVs) at intersections.
$\checkmark$ On Links: calculation of accident rates are based on The rate per 100 million vehicle Kilometers (RMVKm).

## Calculations of Accident Rates

$\checkmark$ In calculation of accident rates, An Average Daily Traffic (ADT) are needed in calculation.

ADT are calculated from the equation:

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\mathrm{ADT}=\frac{D H V}{K}, \quad \text { where: }
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$\checkmark \mathrm{k}$ is a factor and taken in Ramallah and Al_Beireh City to be equal (0.08).
$\checkmark$ DHV is assumed to be equals of Peak Hour Volume (PHV).

## Distribution of Crashes in Study Area

Distribution of Crashes in Ramallah and Al-Beireh CBD area

## Legend

- Accident Ramallah

Ramallah and AI-Beireh
RGB

Sum of Crashes: 114 Crashes in Year 2010


Scale: 1:5,000


## Distribution of Crashes in Study Area

Distribution of Crashes at Links and Nodes in Ramallah and Al-Beireh CBD Area

Sum of Crashes.
114 Crashes in Year 2010

## Legend

* Links_Accidents
* Intersections_Accidents


Scale: 1:5,448

## Accident Rates at Nodes

## Calculation of Accident

Rates at specified nodes in the study area


## Accident Rates at Nodes

| Node No. | No. of Accident | Average Daily Trafific (ADT) <br> (Veh / day) | Crash Rate (RMEVs) <br> $\%$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 7 | 20225 | 0.95 |
| 2 | 11 | 16840 | 1.79 |
| 3 | 12 | 19515 | 1.68 |
| 4 | 11 | 20100 | 1.5 |
| 5 | 9 | 19615 | 1.26 |
| 6 | 7 | 14500 | 1.32 |
| 7 | 5 | 10215 | 1.34 |
| 8 | 3 | 24360 | 0.34 |
| 9 | 9 | 18750 | 1.31 |
| 10 | 6 | 13450 | 1.22 |
| 11 | 3 | 10925 | 0.75 |

## Accident Rates at Links



## Accident Rates at Links

| Link No. | Number of Accident | Peak Hour Volume <br> (Veh/day) | Average Daily <br> Traficic (ADT) | Length of Link <br> (Km) | Accident Rate <br> (RMVKm) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 4 | 700 | 8750 | 0.24 | 522 |
| 2 | 1 | 1241 | 15515 | 0.17 | 104 |
| 3 | 3 | 1075 | 13440 | 0.19 | 322 |
| 4 | 2 | 1113 | 13915 | 0.16 | 246 |
| 5 | 4 | 1430 | 17875 | 0.5 | 122 |
| 6 | 0 | 1216 | 15200 | 0.12 | 0 |
| 7 | 0 | 1201 | 15015 | 0.10 | 0 |
| 8 | 0 | 696 | 8700 | 0.14 | 0 |
| 9 | 1 | 398 | 4975 | 0.12 | 459 |
| 10 | 0 | 533 | 6665 | 0.07 | 0 |
| 11 | 0 | 913 | 11415 | 0.10 | 0 |
| 12 | 0 | 740 | 9250 | 0.20 | 0 |
| 13 | 2 | 817 | 10215 | 0.18 | 298 |
| 14 | 0 | 335 | 4190 | 0.13 | 0 |
| 15 | 0 | 724 | 9050 | 0.10 | 0 |
| 16 | 1 | 644 | 8050 | 0.17 | 200 |

## Causes of Crashes

Accident Causes can be classified based on its type as:
$\checkmark$ rear end collision
$\checkmark$ Angle collision
$\checkmark$ side collision
$\checkmark$ head-on collision
$\checkmark$ High speed and didn't stop on signal
$\checkmark$ Rollover collision
$\checkmark$ Pedestrian collision
$\checkmark$ fixed object collision

## Side Collision



## Causes of Crashes

## Distribution of Crashes in Ramallah and Al-Beireh CBD Area

Sum of Crashes:
114 Crashes in Year 2010 Accidents Types:

Fixed Object Collision: 7 Crashes Rollover Collision: 6 Crashes High Speed Collision: 8 Crashes Head on Collision:25 Crashes Side Collision: 14 Crashes Angle Collision:13 Crashes Rear end Collision: 18 Crashes Pedestrian Collision:22 Crashes

## Legend

$\star$ Fixed_Object_Collesion
$\star$ Rollover Collesion
$\star$ High_Speed_Collesion
$\star$ Head_on_collesion
Side_Collesion
$\star$ Angle_Collesion
Scale: 1:5,448
Meters

* Rear End_Collesion

$\begin{array}{llll}04080 & 160 \quad 240 \quad 320\end{array}$


## Accident Percentage based on types

| Symbols | Types | No. of <br> Accidents | Accident <br> $\%$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | Rear end collision | 18 | 15.78 |
| 2 | Angle collision | 13 | 11.40 |
| 3 | Side collision | 14 | 12.28 |
| 4 | Head-on collision | 25 | 21.92 |
| 5 | High speed and didn't stop on | 8 | 07.02 |
| 6 | signal |  |  |
| 7 | Rollover collision | 6 | 05.26 |
| 8 | Pedestrian | 22 | 19.30 |
|  | Fixed object | 7 | 06.14 |
|  | Sum of accidents | 114 | 100 |

## Density of Traffic Accident at Nodes and

## Links.

Crashes Density in Ramallah and Al-Beireh CBD Area

## Traffic Control signs

$\checkmark \quad$ Traffic control signs are the best way to regulate the traffic and prevent conflicts.
$\checkmark \quad$ In the study area there are no signalized intersection and all of intersections have a stop control signs.
$\checkmark$ Most of traffic signs in the study area are to determine the directions of vehicles movements, pedestrian cross walking, and distribution of Parking and public transportation.


## Example of Traffic Signs Study at intersection and connected links

Studying of Traffic Signs
at Al-Manarah Roundabout (I-8).


## Road Inventory

studying of road inventory are important to identify the properties of roads:
$\checkmark$ Intersections and Links dimensions.
$\checkmark$ number of lanes.
$\checkmark$ direction of vehicle movements
$\checkmark$ availability of parking places on the roads.

## Example of Road Inventory

| Approach <br> Direction | Directions | Number <br> of Lanes | Approach <br> Width $(\mathrm{m})$ | Sidewalk <br> Availability | Parking at <br> the street |  |  |
| :---: | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| North | One Way | 1 | 7.60 | Yes | Yes | Yes | No |
| East | Two Way | 2 | 10.00 | Yes | Yes | No | Yes |
| South | One Way | 2 | 8.80 | Yes | Yes | No | No |
| West | Two Way | 2 | 10.00 | Yes | Yes | Yes | No |

Intersection Dimensions, Traffic Volumes, and Sidewalk availability at intersection I-1 at Al-Nahda Street.


## Data Analysis

$\checkmark$ Data Analysis is the way to know the current situation of roads based on level of service at intersections.
$\checkmark$ Data Analysis also includes knowing the effects of accident rates on traffic safety in the study area.

## Data Analysis

$\checkmark$ Analysis of traffic data to find the Level of Service (LOS) by using a software Programs.
$\checkmark$ Programs were used to analysis data are Highway Capacity Solution (HCS 2000) and SYNCHRO 8.0 Programs.


SYNCHRO 8.0 and HCS 2000 face Programs.

## Level of Service at existing conditions

$\checkmark$ After analysis, noticed there are a Weak level of service at intersections. The most was (LOS F) that indicates to high congestion and delay and must to search for solutions to reduce traffic congestion and to improvement traffic safety.

| Intersection No. | Peak Hour | North Bound |  |  | East Bound |  |  | South Bound |  |  | West Bound |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | L | T | R | L | T | R | L | T | R | L | T | R |
| I-1 | 01:30-02:30 | D | D | D | F | F | --- | --- | --- | - | --- | F | F |
| I-2 | 01:15-02:15 | B | B | B | F | F | F | A | A | A | F | F | F |
| I-3 | 01:30-02:30 | F | --- | F | - | --- | --- | F | F | F | --- | --- | -- |
| I-4 | 01:15-02:15 | --- | F | --- | --- | --- | -- | --- | F | --- | C | --- | B |
| I-5 | 01:00-02:00 | F | F | --- | B | --- | B | --- | F | F | A | A | A |
| I-6 (1) | 01:00-02:00 | --- | --- | --- | --- | F | F | --- | --- | --- | F | F | F |
| I-6 (2) | 01:00-02:00 | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | B | --- | E | --- |
| I-7 | 12:45-01:45 | --- | F | --- | C | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | F |

## Traffic Signal Warrants Evaluation

$\checkmark$ One of the most effective ways of controlling traffic at an intersection is the use of traffic signals.
$\checkmark$ The most important factors that determines the need for traffic signals at a particular intersection is the intersection's approach traffic volume
$\checkmark$ other factors such as pedestrian volumes and crash experience may also play a sufficient rule.


## Traffic Signal Warrants Evaluation

$\checkmark$ All Warrants for all intersections are calculated manually and by using SYNCHRO 8 program.
$\checkmark$ Warrant 1 (eight hour vehicular volume) was not considered because of no eight hour volume accounted at all intersections and no previous eight hour volume account available data.

SYNCHRO 8.0 Program for Checking Warrants for Signal Traffic.


## Check of Warrants for using Traffic Signals

| Intersection \# | Warrant 1 | Warrant <br> 2 | Warrant $3$ | Warrant <br> 4 | Warrant 5 | Warrant <br> 6 | Warrant 7 | Warrant <br> 8 | Warranted Or Not? |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Intersection I-1 | $\mathrm{N} \backslash \mathrm{A}$ | Met | Met | Not Met | Not Met | Not Met | Not Met | $\mathrm{N} \backslash \mathrm{A}$ | Yes |
| Intersection I-2 | $\mathrm{N} \backslash \mathrm{A}$ | Not Met | Met | Not Met | Not Met | Not Met | Not Met | $\mathrm{N} \backslash \mathrm{A}$ | No |
| Intersection I-3 | $\mathrm{N} \backslash \mathrm{A}$ | Not Met | Not Met | Not Met | Not Met | Not Met | Not Met | $\mathrm{N} \backslash \mathrm{A}$ | No |
| Intersection I-4 | $\mathrm{N} \backslash \mathrm{A}$ | Not Met | Met | Not Met | Not Met | Not Met | Not Met | $\mathrm{N} \backslash \mathrm{A}$ | Yes |
| Intersection I-5 | $\mathrm{N} \backslash \mathrm{A}$ | Not Met | Met | Not Met | Not Met | Not Met | Not Met | $\mathrm{N} \backslash \mathrm{A}$ | Yes |
| Intersection I-6 | $\mathrm{N} \backslash \mathrm{A}$ | Not Met | Not Met | Not Met | Not Met | Not Met | Not Met | $\mathrm{N} \backslash \mathrm{A}$ | No |
| Intersection I-7 | $\mathrm{N} \backslash \mathrm{A}$ | Not Met | Not Met | Not Met | Not Met | Not Met | Not Met | Not Met | No |

## Check of Warrants for using Traffic Signals

$\checkmark$ Intersections I-3 and I-6 did not warranted but it was necessary to design a Signal Traffic to avoid conflict points at intersections due to geometrical design.
$\checkmark$ Number of Warranted intersections are 6 intersections, and need to design a Traffic Signals.

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\begin{gathered}
\text { Intersection } \\
\text { Problems and } \\
\text { suggested solutions }
\end{gathered}
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## Intersection Problems and suggested solutions

$\checkmark$ During the study of intersections and data collection, many problems at intersections were noticed.
$\checkmark$ These problems are varied from geometric problems such as the design of radii for curves to Non-compliance with traffic rules such as a parking presence at intersections.
$\checkmark$ There are also some problems such as availability of traffic signs and their conditions, distributions, and where it placed to be visible to all people.

## Intersections curves radii

$\checkmark$ Current conditions for Radii for each curves of intersections were measured by taken the length of curve and found the radius on AutoCAD program.
$\checkmark$ this radii were compared with the minimum required radii and check which it need to editing or not.

## Example of Existing radii at intersections and minimum required radii



## Example of Existing radii at intersections and minimum required radii

Existing and minimum required Radii for Intersection I-6 at Main Street near Rokab Ice-Cream

| Intersection I-6 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Side | Existing Data |  |  | Design Vehicle | Minimum Required Data |  |  |  | Required Editing |
|  | Angle of Turn (Degree) | Curve Type | Radius (m) |  | Curve Type | Radius (m) | Offset (m) | Taper $\mathrm{L}: \mathrm{T}$ |  |
| NE1 | 85 | Simple | 10.00 | P | Simple With Taper | 10.00 | --- | --- | No |
| NW1 | 95 | Simple | 3.10 | P | Simple With Taper | 9.00 | --- | --- | Yes |
| NE2 | 80 | Simple | 3.50 | P | Simple With Taper | 10.00 | --- | --- | Yes |
| NE2 | 95 | Simple | 2.40 | P | Simple | 9.00 | --- | --- | Yes |
| SW | 120 | Simple With Taper | 12.30 | SU | Simple With Taper | 9.00 | 1.00 | 10:1 | No |
| SE | 85 | Simple | 9.70 | SU | Simple | 10.00 | --- | --- | Yes |
| SEE | 155 | Simple | 7.10 | SU | Simple With Taper | 9.00 | 1.30 | 8:1 | Yes |

## Lanes Width and pedestrian sidewalk problems

## Intersection I-1: Al-Nahda Street beside Busses

## station.

$\checkmark$ First problem is entry the vehicles into taxi's station near Al-Manarah Roundabout at East Bound. This vehicles enter the station in reverse direction to traffic movement that leads to conflict points and congestion.


## Suggested Solution:

$\checkmark$ The best solution was to add a signal traffic to avoid conflict points and congestion and to regulate traffic movements. To do this it was necessary to add a new lane to EB lanes to be 4 lanes. These lanes must be divided by raised curb channelization. This is achieved by taking a lane width from Al-Beireh municipality cultural center and also remove an unlicensed seller beside street, and return sidewalk to the back.

$\checkmark$ The second problem is Busses Station movements inside the intersection and presence of busses that make a conflicting points when enter and exit the station.
 (Buses)

## Suggested Solutions:

$\checkmark$ To avoid conflict points due to Busses Station movements inside intersection; it must consider the correlation between the movements of Busses Station and all intersection movements. So the movements of Busses station will be signalized and added to North Bound phases. Also must prevent through movement of busses station to avoid conflict point. It must also edit the lane width and separation movements for East Bound direction by adding channelization and editing sidewalk width to appropriate design.


## Intersection I-2: Al-Nahda Street beside Busses

## station.

$\checkmark$ The most important problem at this intersection is school crossing students from AlFriends School and dangerous of them because of high velocity of vehicles at this intersection and the congestion that occurs when student's parents come to take their children.


## Suggested Solutions:

$\checkmark$ To avoid the dangerous that results from school crossing of street with high velocity vehicles; it is suggested to set a fence beside pedestrian sidewalk and the students will walking along sidewalk and cross north bound side that have low traffic volume. And some students will waiting their parents at east side by keep parking away from


## Intersection I-3: Al-Quds Street near Jordan Bank.

$\checkmark$ The most important problem at this intersection is the conflict point between through movement from South Bound and left movement from North Bound that caused also mainly the delay at intersection.


## Suggested Solution:

$\checkmark$ because of difficulty of regulate traffic movements by traffic signs. It must install signal devices that control the movements caused conflicts. The movements will be included in installing traffic signal devices are North Bound left, and South Bound through and right.


## Intersection I-4: at Al-Irsal Street near Taxi

## Station:

$\checkmark$ First problem is entry the vehicles into Busses station. These busses and taxis enter the station in reverse direction to traffic movement that leads to conflict points and congestion.

$\checkmark$ The best solution was to install a signal traffic to avoid conflict points and congestion and to regulate traffic movements. To do this it was necessary to add anew lane to NB lanes to allow enter to busses station by using separately lane. This is achieved by taking a lane width from reducing sidewalks width

$\checkmark$ Second problem is taxis station beside the intersection, its entrance from West Bound and exist from North side.

## Suggested Solutions:

$\checkmark$ To avoid conflict point at the intersection due to taxis station, it's preferred to move the exit of this station away of intersection and channelization the movement from West Bound to separate the signal traffic movements from unsignalized movements.


## Intersection I-5: Al-Irsal Street near Al-Najmah Center.

$\checkmark$ The most important problem at this intersection is the conflict point between traffic movements enter the intersection that caused delay and increase accident rate.


## Suggested Solutions:

$\checkmark$ It must install signal devices that control the movements at intersection to avoid conflict points. Also it's suggested to converge South approach to be near to intersection to reduce Red time interval for North Bound phase.


## Intersection I-6: Main Street near Rokab Ice-

## cream.

$\checkmark$ The most important problem at this intersection is the conflict point between through movement from South Bound and left movement from North Bound that caused also mainly the delay at intersection.


## Suggested Solutions:

$\checkmark$ After check if the intersection need installing signal devices, the result was unnecessary to use traffic signals. But because of difficulty of regulate traffic movements by traffic signs. It must to install signal devices that control the movements caused conflicts. Also it's preferable to remove the channelization that exist inside the intersection that are no need after installing traffic signal.


## Intersection I-7: At George Street near Traffic Police Station.

$\checkmark$ The most important problem at this intersection is the presence of Traffic Police Station near intersection and illegal parking of Police vehicles at intersection.


## Suggested Solutions:

$\checkmark$ The first step is to move away all parking police vehicles at intersection and using the nearest parking beside Al-Manarah Roundabout to avoid congestion. And to avoid conflicting point due vehicle movements, suggested solution is to separate the movement from East Bound and North Bound with continuous marking.



Calculations of Cycle Length at Signalized Intersections

## Calculations of Cycle Length

$\checkmark$ Traffic control devices (TCD) must be use at intersection to reduce the number conflict points to satisfy the safety and minimum delay.
$\checkmark$ Cycle length: is composed of the total signal time to serve all of the signal phases including the green time plus any change interval. Longer cycles will accommodate more vehicles per hour but that will also produce higher average delays

## Example of Calculation of Cycle Length at

 Warranted Intersections:Calculation of Cycle Length at intersection I-5 at Al-Irsal Street near Al-Najmah Center.


Green Interval and LOS for Intersection I-5 at Al-Irsal Street near Al-Najmah Center


## Summary of Cycle Length Calculations at

 Warranted intersections:| Intersection <br> No. | No. of <br> Phases | Cycle Length <br> (Sec.) | Green <br> Interval (Sec.) | Level of <br> Service (LOS) | Delay <br> (Sec.) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| I-1 | 3 | 115 | 90 | E | 52.4 |
| I-3 | 2 | 90 | 75 | D | 24.2 |
| I-4 | 2 | 90 | 45 | C | 13.1 |
| I-5 | 4 | 120 | 90 | E | 51.0 |
| I-6 | 2 | 75 | 60 | C | 20.5 |

## Level of Service (LOS) before and after

 analysis of suggested solutions:$\checkmark$ After Analysis the suggested solutions, it is supposed to improve Level of Service (LOS).

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S=s f /\left(1+a(v / c)^{b}\right)
$$

$\checkmark$ Improve LOS leads to reduce delay and congestion in study area.


Level of Service

## summary of Level of Service (LOS) at all approaches

 in the intersections studied before and after editing:| Direction | North Bound |  |  |  | East Bound |  |  |  |  |  | South Bound |  |  |  |  |  | West Bound |  |  |  |  |  |
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| I-1 | D D D | C | B | B | F | F | - | C | D | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | F | F | - | D | D |
| I-2 | A A A | A | A | A | F | F | F | D | D | D | B | B | B | B | B | B | F | F | F | E | E | E |
| I-3 | F - F | C | C | B | - | - | - | - | - | - | F | F | F | C | C | B | - | - | - | - | - |  |
| I-4 | - F | - | C | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | F | - |  | C | - | C | - | B | C | - | A |
| I-5 | F F - | D | D | - | B | - | B | D | - | D | - | F | F | - | E | E | A | A | A | E | E | E |
| I-6(1) | - - - | - | - | - | - | F | F | - | C | C | - | - | - | - | - | - | F | F | F | B | C | C |
| I-6(2) | - - - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | B | - | - | B | - | E | - | - | E | - |
| I-7 | - F | - | E |  |  | - | - |  | - | - |  | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | F | - | - |  |

## Conclusion and Recommendation

In every work there are an end line, so this chapter will guide the readers to use this useful project and enable them to build on it. So any person who wants to follow up this work and build up on this project can keep this chapter in his mind.

## Conclusion:

$\checkmark$ This project did not have all required data for performing completed operation analysis at intersections, so it is needed from the municipality to complete the missing data on this project to save time and money.
$\checkmark$ Excel sheet were used to the procedure for calculating the PHF, PHV, Peak time and others for each movements, approach, and whole intersection. So these sheets are effective in analysis and they save time of analyzers and give them a good view for the movements.
$\checkmark$ Traffic safety is one of the main issues in transportation systems management because it gives an indications about critical location in the CBD area.

## Conclusion:

$\checkmark$ To satisfy and mobility the objectives of safety for pedestrian, it suggested to use a signal devices at warranted intersection and using a fence at sidewalk in high speed vehicle streets such as Al-Nahda Street.
$\checkmark$ The most cause of congestion in Ramallah and Al-Beireh CBD area is precedence of public transportation inside this area.
$\checkmark$ Growth rate at Ramallah and Al-Beireh CBD area is increasing rapidly and no places to Expansion of Street and CBD area, it is caused an increasing congestion at this area.

## Recommendations:

A review of the existing conditions in Ramallah and Al-Beireh Cities indicates that it is needed to properly study and analyze traffic flow in the roadway network, to obtain detailed information about the streets and intersection, and to get a clear vision of the problems facing transportation at all.

## Recommendations:

$\checkmark \quad$ unsignalized intersection should be evaluated for traffic signal warrants to ensure that the recommended traffic control can match the future needs.
$\checkmark \quad$ Re Design of intersection geometry that includes:

1. Lanes Width.
2. Sidewalk Width.
3. Radii of curves.
$\checkmark \quad$ Installing and re distribution of traffic signs.
$\checkmark \quad$ Prohibit an illegal Parking at intersections.
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