

One-Way Streets End Sunday

One-way streets are all but gone from downtown Santa Cruz.

City crews have been working for a week removing all but the skeleton of the one-way system. This will be scrapped early Sunday morning.

Voters last month rejected the one-way streets on Pacific, Front, and River street extension in a referendum election. They have been in effect since June 1961.

"We've been working all week, removing 16,000 lineal feet of centerline," Field Services Director Donald Bruce said today. "We're putting back about 8000 feet."

Cost of conversion is estimated at \$9000.

Two-way traffic will return to all downtown streets, although several will be modified.

The planted island at the post office plaza will continue to plug Front street. Northbound traffic will be limited to a right turn onto Water street. Southbound traffic will be limited to cars turning back off Pacific.

Right turns will be prohibited from Third street to Front street on beach hill. Left turns will be permitted at Soquel-Pacific.

Two-way traffic has never

been tried on River street extension through the redevelopment area.

Left-turn signal lights are being added at the River-Water intersection. However, they, like the rest of the two-way system, will not go into effect until Sunday morning.

"We'll start conversion at 1 a.m. and hope to have it completed by 6 a.m.," Bruce said.

Traffic bars will be removed from the lower end of Pacific avenue and the entrance to Front street north of Cooper (so-called parking lot 7).

Direction of diagonal park-

ing stripes on the west side of Front street will be changed.

Monday morning, necessary meter head changes will be made. They will be taken out of bus zones. Some shifting is needed at the ends of blocks.

Councilmen Tuesday accepted official results of the referendum election.

"With regrets," groused John McBain.

Mayor Bert Snyder said he feels there will be a popular clamor for return to one-way streets.

Norman Lezin asked facetiously if there is any way to roll up the one-way stripes.