



City of El Paso – City Plan Commission Staff Report

Application Type: Amendment to the 2025 Proposed Thoroughfare System
CPC Hearing Date: February 7, 2013
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Location: West of Oregon Street, north of San Antonio Avenue, and east of Santa Fe Street

Representative District: 8
Plan El Paso Designation: G1 – Downtown and O1 – Preserve

Neighborhood Associations: El Paso Central Business Association

Applicant: City of El Paso
Representative: Mills Plaza Promenade, LLC

APPLICATION DESCRIPTION

Review and adoption of amendment to the City of El Paso’s 2025 Proposed Thoroughfare System for the area located west of Oregon Street, north of San Antonio Avenue, and east of Santa Fe Street. The request is to amend the 2025 Proposed Thoroughfare System as follows:

- Delete a portion of Mills Avenue from Oregon Street to San Francisco Street currently designated as a Minor Arterial;
- Delete a portion of El Paso Street from San Francisco Street to the northerly intersection with San Antonio Avenue currently designated as a Minor Arterial;

The City of El Paso is proposing this change to the 2025 Proposed Thoroughfare System in order to allow for a downtown pedestrian plaza. A vacation request has been submitted concurrently for the aforementioned portion of Mills Avenue. A traffic impact study is required per El Paso Municipal Code (EPMC) Section 19.09.030.B, although that requirement was waived by the Traffic Engineer per EPMC Section 19.18.010.B.1.

Plan El Paso defines the applicable street types as follows:

Arterials are intended to provide the highest level of service at suburban speeds for the longest uninterrupted distance with some degree of access control. Arterials, therefore, provide higher levels of vehicle mobility and lower levels of land access.

Plan El Paso – Transportation Goals:

Overall Goal: The City of El Paso wishes to become the least car-dependent city in the Southwest through meaningful travel options and land use patterns that support walkability, livability, and sustainability. Over time, El Paso will join the ranks of the most walkable and

transit-rich metropolitan areas in the country.

Goal 4.2: El Paso's thoroughfares will form a well-connected network of complete streets that support driving, walking, bicycling, and public transit.

Policy 4.2.4: In Compact Urban area, walkability will be prioritized with wide sidewalks, shade, alleys, and street-facing access to adjacent land uses.

TRANSPORTATION WORKING GROUP

The Transportation Working Group recommends *approval* of the proposed amendments to the 2025 Proposed Thoroughfare System.

Transportation Planning:

Transportation Planning recommends approval of the proposed amendment to the 2025 Proposed Thoroughfare System.

El Paso Department of Transportation:

No comments received.

City Development Department:

No comments received.

Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT):

No comments received.

El Paso Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO):

No comments received.

Sun Metro:

No comments received.

Attachments:

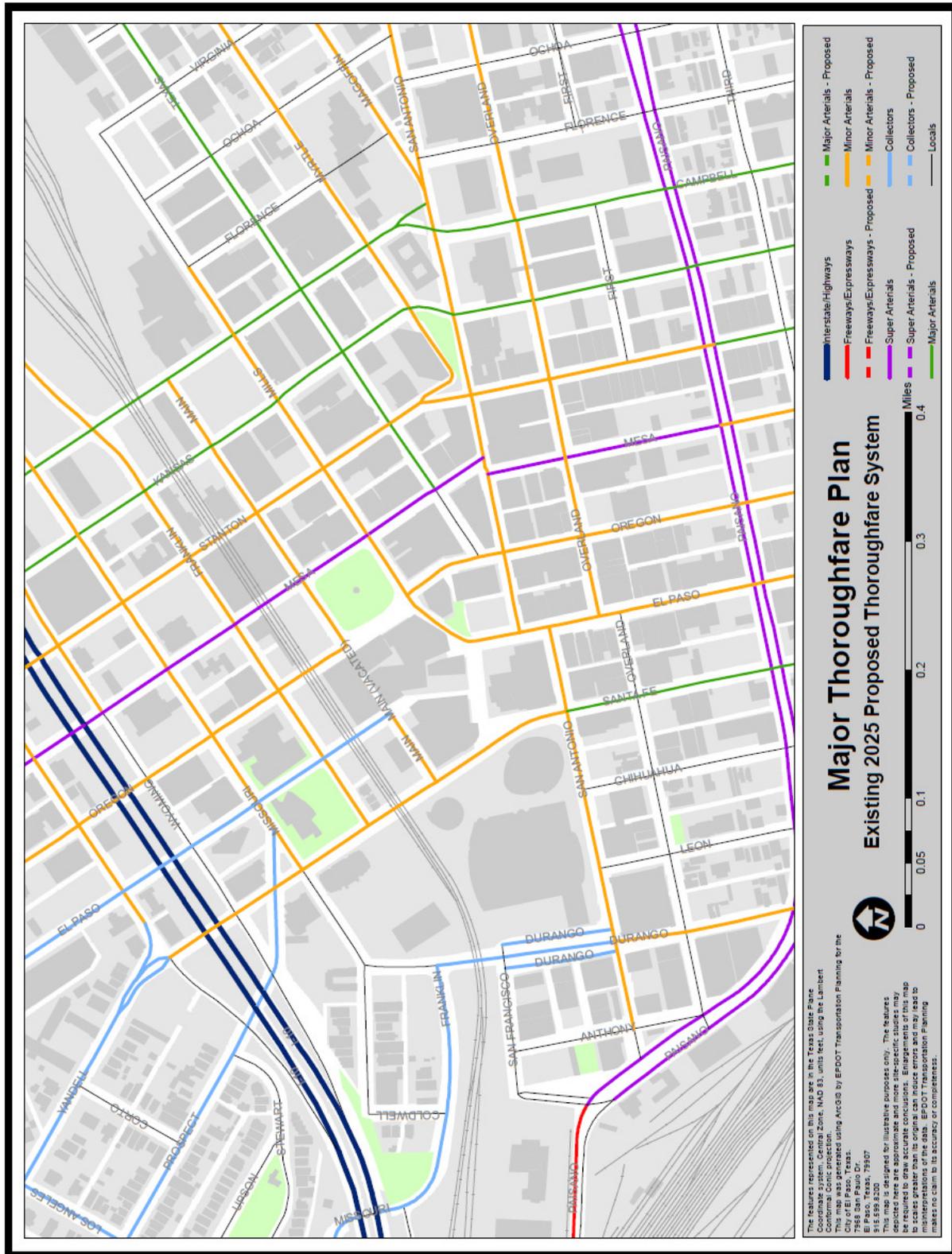
Attachment 1: Location map – existing 2025 Proposed Thoroughfare System

Attachment 2: Aerial map – existing 2025 Proposed Thoroughfare System

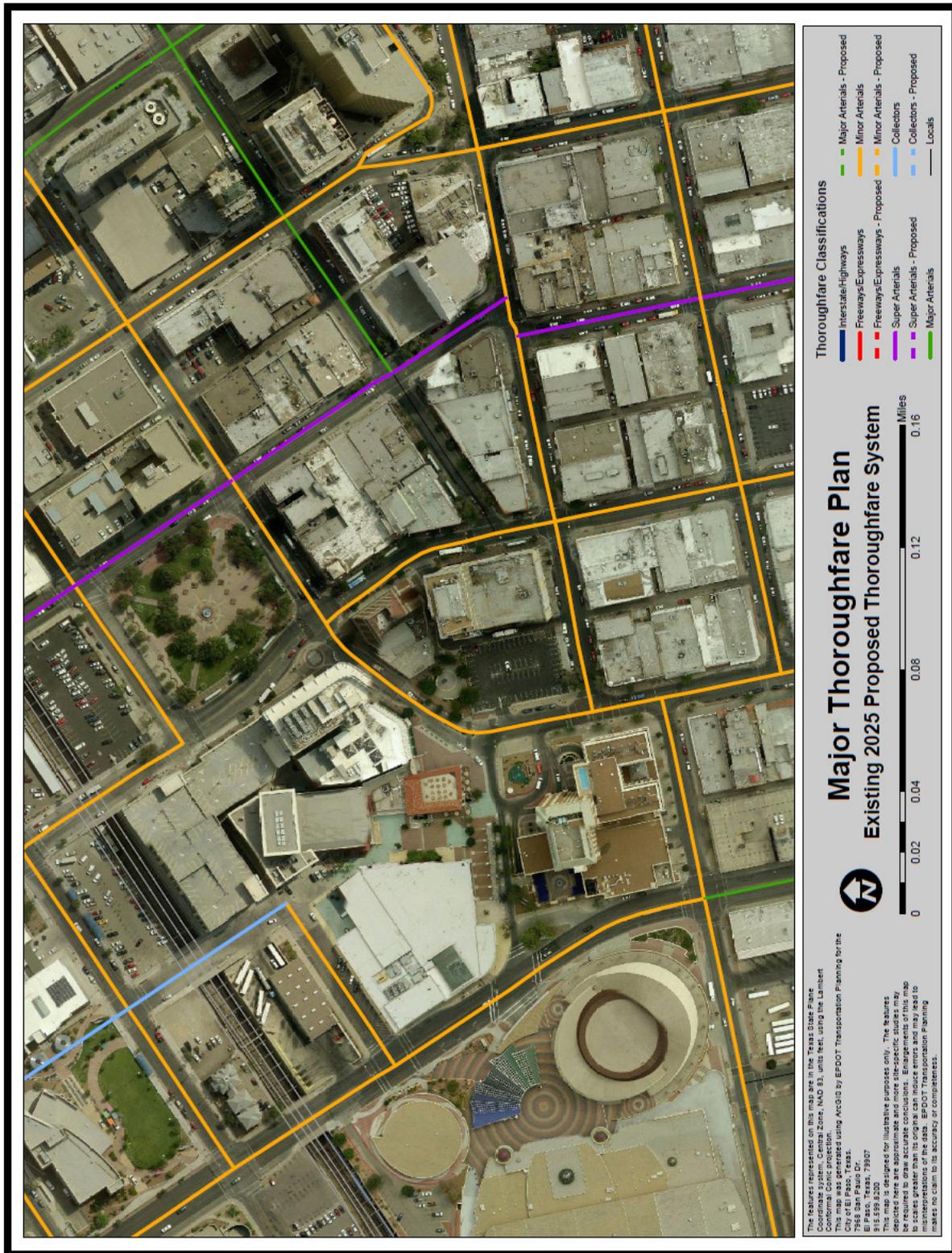
Attachment 3: Location map – recommended 2025 Proposed Thoroughfare System

Attachment 4: Aerial map – recommended 2025 Proposed Thoroughfare System

ATTACHMENT 1



ATTACHMENT 2



ATTACHMENT 4

