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CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS
AGENDA ITEM DEPARTMENT HEAD'S SUMMARY FORM

DEPARTMENT: Development Services Department

AGENDA DATE: CCA Introduction 1/19/10; Public Hearing 1/26/10

CONTACT PERSON/PHONE: Eduardo Garcia 541-4638

DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: All Districts

SUBJECT:
An Ordinance amending Title 19 (Subdivisions), Chapter 19.15 (Roadways), Section 19.15.110 (Street Width and Design) of the El Paso City Code to remove 36 foot wide paving widths on local, single family residential streets. The Penalty as provided in Chapter 19.42 of the El Paso City Code.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:
See attached Ordinance.

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:
The City Council on December 22, 2009 directed Planning Division to make an amendment to Title 19 (Subdivisions), Chapter 19.15 (Roadways), Section 19.15.110 (Street Width and Design) to remove the 36' foot wide paving widths on local, single family residential streets.

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:
N/A

BOARD / COMMISSION ACTION:
Development Coordinating Committee (DCC) –No DCC action.
City Plan Commission (CPC) – No CPC action.

**********REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION**********

LEGAL: (if required) N/A

FINANCE: (if required) N/A

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Victor Q. Torres
Director, Development Services

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APPROVED FOR AGENDA:

CITY MANAGER: _____ **DATE:** _____

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ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 19 (SUBDIVISIONS), CHAPTER 19.15 (ROADWAYS), SECTION 19.15.110 (STREET WIDTH AND DESIGN) OF THE EL PASO CITY CODE TO REMOVE 36 FOOT WIDE PAVING WIDTHS ON LOCAL, SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL STREETS. THE PENALTY AS PROVIDED IN CHAPTER 19.42 OF THE EL PASO CITY CODE.

WHEREAS, Title 19 (Subdivisions) of the El Paso City Code (the "Code") was adopted to promote the health, safety, morals and general welfare of the community; and,

WHEREAS, the Subdivision Ordinance helps guide the physical development of the community by promoting orderly and healthful design, and particularly by providing adequate public facilities; and,

WHEREAS, City Council has determined that 36 foot wide paving width on local single family residential streets should no longer be allowed; and,

WHEREAS, the El Paso City Council finds that the amendments proposed herein will further protect and provide for the public health, safety, morals and general welfare of the community, and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:

Section 1. That Title 19, Subdivisions, Chapter 19.15 (Roadways), of the El Paso City Code be amended as follows:

1. Section 19.15.110 (Street width and design), Table 19.15-3: Widths/Design Required by Street Type, of the El Paso City Code is amended as follows:

Section 2. Except as herein amended, Title 19, Subdivisions, of the El Paso City Code shall remain in full force and effect.

PASSED AND APPROVED this _____ of _____ 2010

THE CITY OF EL PASO

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John F. Cook, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Richarda Duffy Momsen
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Lupe Cuellar
Assistant City Attorney

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

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Mathew McElroy Deputy Director
Development Services Department -
Planning Division

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	Street Type	Minimum Right-of-Way Width*	Min. Utility Right-of-Way Width*	Minimum Paving Width*	Median Width	Design Requirements	Sidewalk Required (See Section 19.21)	Additional Requirements
Arterial	Minor	76'/86'	9'/14'	44'+ 14' turn lane	14'	The minimum centerline radius shall be sufficient to accommodate a design speed of 45 miles per hour. All arterials shall have an improved median unless an exception is granted due to existing conditions or traffic issues	Yes, 5 ft on property line or 10' hike/bike 5' walk on Boulevard	Roadways designated on City or MPO Bike Plan shall comply with DSC cross section including bike facilities.
	Major	98'/108'	9'/14'	66'+ 14' turn lanes	14'			Roadways designated on City or MPO Bike Plan shall comply with DSC cross section including bike facilities.
	Boulevard	96'	9'	62'	8'/8'			
Collector	Residential	54'	9'	36'	14' Option	Additional right-of-way and paving width may be required on approaches to collectors, arterial streets and freeways. The minimum centerline radius shall have a design speed of 35 miles per hour.	Yes, 5 ft on property line	Roadways designated on City or MPO Bike Plan shall comply with DSC cross section including bike facilities.
	Non-residential 4 lanes	68'/80'	9'	50'/62'	12'			Roadways designated on City or MPO Bike Plan shall comply with DSC cross section including bike facilities.
Local	Multifamily, Commercial, Industrial	54'/62'	9'	36'/44'	NA	The minimum centerline radius shall be have a design speed of 30 miles per hour except for L-shaped (90º) intersections		Roadways designated on City or MPO Bike Plan shall comply with DSC cross section including bike facilities.
Local, Single Family	Local 1	48'	9'	30'	NA	The minimum centerline radius shall have a design speed of 30 miles per hour on a Local 1 and 25 miles per hour on a local 2, 3, or 4 except for L-shaped (90º) intersections.	Yes, 5 ft on property line	Blocks shall be less than or equal to 640 feet in length.
	Local 2	46'	9'	28'	NA			Blocks shall be less than or equal to 640 feet in length. Facing lots shall be 45 feet or wider with two car driveways minimum 18 feet in width or with rear entry from alleys.
	Local 3 **	50'	9'	32'	NA			NA
	Lane	38'	9'	20'	NA			Lanes may be used where the block length is less than or equal to 400' and the lots are greater than 20,000 square feet and driveways are minimum 18 feet in width.

* Minimum Right of Way, Utility, and Paving Width Standards: Paving Width: Measured to face of adjoining curbs. Boulevard arterials, residential and nonresidential collectors and multifamily streets may be utilized for angle parking provided additional right-of-way is provided so that all other measurements in this table are met. Minimum Utility Right-of-Way Width: Where all public and private utilities are required or provided within street right-of-way. This is the minimum combination width behind the curb of the right-of-way and any easements. More may be required if additional utilities are to be provided. (See Section 19.14.020, Utility location policies.) Intersections: ROW at intersections shall be flared to accommodate the exclusive right turn lanes and other improvements as required in the TIA or as shown in the typicals in the DSC. On major and minor arterials, the flaring shall also accommodate 24 foot medians to provide for future dual left turn lanes.

** In addition to all of the requirements provided in Chapter 19.48 exceptions that propose an increase to the minimum right-of-way width and minimum paving width may require the submittal of a traffic calming plan as approved by the Traffic Engineer or Designee .

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DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT
PLANNING DIVISION

MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 11, 2010

TO: The Honorable Mayor and City Council
Joyce A. Wilson, City Manager

FROM: Eduardo Garcia, Lead Planner

SUBJECT: **Title 19 Amendment**

The City Council on December 22, 2009 directed Planning Division to make an amendment to Title 19 (Subdivisions), Chapter 19.15 (Roadways), Section 19.15.110 (Street Width and Design) to remove 36-foot wide paving widths on local, single family residential streets.

The City Council determined that the Title 19 Amendment protects the best interest, health, safety and welfare of the public in general; and that the amendment will have no effect on the natural environment, social economic conditions, and property values in the vicinity and the city as a whole.

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