

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

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DEPARTMENT: Engineering Department, Traffic Division
AGENDA DATE: March 13, 2007
CONTACT PERSON/PHONE: Ted Marquez, 541-4035 
DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: District 8

SUBJECT: ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 12 (VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC), CHAPTER 12.88 (SCHEDULES), SECTION 12.88.200 (SCHEDULE XVII--RESTRICTIONS ON PARKING IN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS), OF THE EL PASO CITY CODE, TO REVISE ZONE A(2): NO PARKING, SEVEN A.M. TO SIX P.M., MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY, TO AMEND AN ADDITIONAL AREA BOUNDED BY WEST YANDELL DRIVE, FEWEL STREET, MUNDY DRIVE, LAWTON DRIVE, MISSOURI AVENUE, PORFIRIO DIAZ STREET, MAIN STREET AND FERN WAY. THE PENALTY BEING AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 12.85.110 (VIOLATION--PENALTY) OF THE EL PASO CITY CODE.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:

The Engineering Traffic Division has received sporadic requests from the residents in this area to have a Residential Parking district. This ordinance will expand the boundaries currently under the Residential Parking District to speed the process for other petitions submitted for Residential Parking in this area. The Engineering Traffic Division will install the "No Parking, Residential Parking" signs as the petitions are submitted to this department and our field investigations is being conducted. It is the recommendation of the Engineering Traffic Division that this ordinance be approved.

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION: N/A

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING: See attached cost estimate.

BOARD / COMMISSION ACTION: N/A

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

LEGAL: (if required) _____ **FINANCE:** (if required) _____

DEPARTMENT HEAD: 
(Example: if RCA is initiated by Purchasing, client department should sign also)
Information copy to appropriate Deputy City Manager

APPROVED FOR AGENDA:
CITY MANAGER: _____ **DATE:** _____

ORDINANCE NO. _____

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BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:

- 1. That Title 12 (Vehicles and Traffic), Chapter 12.88 (Schedules), Section 12.88.200 (Schedule XVII, Restrictions on parking in residential districts), of the El Paso City Code shall be and hereby is amended to read as follows:

ZONE A: No parking, seven a.m. to six p.m., Monday through Friday:

2. Beginning at the intersection of the centerline of West Yandell Drive with the southeast curbline of Fewel Street;

• Thence southwest along the northeast curbline of Fewel Street to its intersection with the northeast curbline of Mundy Drive;

• Thence northwest along the northeast curbline of Mundy Drive to its intersection with the west curbline of Lawton Drive;

• Thence south along the west curbline of Lawton Drive to its intersection with the south curbline of Missouri Avenue;

• Thence west along the south curbline of Missouri Avenue to its intersection with the east curbline of Porfirio Diaz Street; and,

• Thence south along the east curbline of Porfirio Diaz Street to its intersection with the northeast curbline of Main Street.

• Thence northwest along the northeast curbline of Main Street to its intersection with the southeast curbline of Fern Way;

• Thence northeast along the southeast curbline of Fern Way to the northeast edge of the alley immediately northeast of Main Street;

- **Thence northwest along the northeast edge of the alley to its intersection with the centerline of West Yandell Drive;**
- **Thence east along the centerline of West Yandell Drive to the point of beginning.**

2. Except as expressly herein amended, Title 12 (Vehicles and Traffic), Chapter 12.88 (Schedules), Section 12.88.200 (Schedule XVII, Restrictions on parking in residential districts.), of the El Paso City Code shall remain in full force and effect.

PASSED AND APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 2007.

CITY OF EL PASO:

John F. Cook
Mayor

ATTEST:

Richarda Duffy Momsen
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Lupe Cuellar
Assistant City Attorney

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

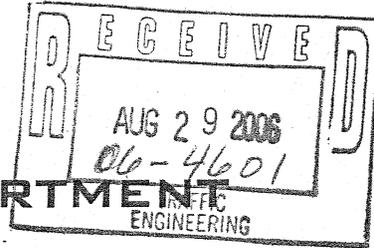
R. Alan Shubert, P.E., C.B.O.
City Engineer

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ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT



RESTRICTED PARKING PETITION

In accordance with City of El Paso ordinance 12.44.280 (Restrictions on parking in residential districts in which commercial and industrial uses are not permitted).

We the residents of block(s) _____ subdivision Sunset Heights request that the City of El Paso conduct a study in the area where homes are fronting the following streets: Prospect, Miramon, Upson, Lawton, and Yandell to determine if our neighborhood qualifies for said restriction.

We certify that 100% of the residents within the proposed area endorse the formation of a Residential Parking District and understand the policies and procedures we must abide by under the restriction. **Vehicles must be registered in the El Paso County. Parking Tags cost six dollars and must be renewed every year. A Residential Parking District does not guarantee parking spaces in front of one's home. For questions regarding this matter, contact Alonzo Soto at 541-4046.**

Please return your petition to the Engineering Department Traffic Division on the 6th Floor.

ADDRESS	PRINT NAME	SIGNATURE
1004-DUNN PROSPECT	GEORGINA HERNANDEZ	<i>[Signature]</i>
1002 PROSPECT	DAVID MARTIN	<i>[Signature]</i>
1008 Prospect	Juan F. Flores	<i>[Signature]</i>
1008 Prospect	Oscar O. Molina	<i>[Signature]</i>
1020 Prospect	Ruben Morales	<i>[Signature]</i>
1014 Prospect St	MARIA SALVADOR	<i>[Signature]</i>
1002 prospect	ALBERT ENRIQUE	<i>[Signature]</i>
410 Lawton Dr.	MARIA G AVALOS	<i>[Signature]</i>
410 Lawton Dr.	NEPTALI AVALOS	<i>[Signature]</i>
1001 Upson Dr.	Stacie Gowdy	<i>[Signature]</i>
1033 Upson #1	Frankie Sweetnam	<i>[Signature]</i>
1033 Upson #1	Glenna Thiel	<i>[Signature]</i>



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RESIDENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT PETITION

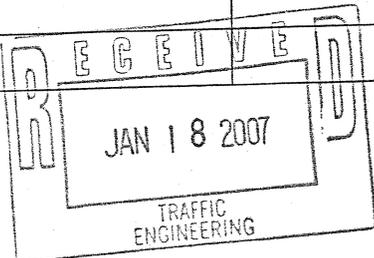
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We the residents of block(s) _____ subdivision Sunset Heights request that the City of El Paso conduct a study in the area where homes are fronting the following streets: Upson to determine if our neighborhood qualifies for said restriction.

We certify that 100% of the residents within the proposed area endorse the formation of a Residential Parking District and understand the policies and procedures we must abide by under the restriction. Vehicles must be registered in the El Paso County. Parking Tags cost six dollars and must be renewed every year. A Residential Parking District does not guarantee parking spaces in front of one's home. For questions regarding this matter, contact Alonzo Soto at 541-4046.

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ADDRESS	PRINT NAME	SIGNATURE
1026 Upson Dr.	Marylou Quintana	<i>[Signature]</i>
1024 Upson Dr.	Carolina Hernandez	<i>[Signature]</i>
1020 Upson Dr. Apt B	Nhema Escandon	<i>[Signature]</i>
1016 Upson Dr.	Michael J. Alvarez	<i>[Signature]</i>
1020 UPSON DR APT B	Gabriel Escandon	<i>[Signature]</i>
1032 UPSON DR	ISAAC VILLALVA	<i>[Signature]</i>



JOHN COOK
MAYOR



JOYCE WILSON
CITY MANAGER

CITY COUNCIL
ANN MORGAN LILLY, DISTRICT 1
SUSANNAH M. BYRD, DISTRICT 2
J. ALEXANDRO LOZANO, DISTRICT 3
MELINA CASTRO, DISTRICT 4
PRESI ORTEGA, JR., DISTRICT 5
EDDIE HOLGUIN JR., DISTRICT 6
STEVE ORTEGA, DISTRICT 7
BETO O'ROURKE, DISTRICT 8

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

February 5, 2007

TO: Lupe Cuellar, City Attorney Assistant
THRU: Irene Ramirez, P.E., Assistant City Engineer *IR*
FROM: Ted Marquez, P.E., Traffic Engineering Division Manager *T.M.*
SUBJECT: Residential Parking District – Zone A

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It is requested that an ordinance be drafted amending Title 12 (Vehicles and Traffic), Chapter 12.88 (Schedules), Section 12.88.200 Schedule XVII—(Restrictions on parking in residential districts) to include the following change in Zone A;

Amend:

2. Beginning at the intersection of the centerline of West Yandell Drive with the east curbline of Lawton Drive;
Thence south along the east curbline of Lawton Drive to its intersection with the northeast curbline of Upson Drive;
Thence southwest to the intersection of the west curbline of Lawton with the southwest curbline of Upson Drive;
Thence northwest along the southwest curbline of Upson to its intersection with the centerline of West Yandell Avenue;
Thence northeast along the centerline of West Yandell Drive to the point of beginning.

To read:

2. Beginning at the intersection of the centerline of West Yandell Drive with the southeast curbline of Fewel Street;
Thence southwest along the southeast curbline of Fewel Street to its intersection with the northeast curbline of Mundy Drive;
Thence northwest along the northeast curbline of Mundy Drive to its intersection with the west curbline of Lawton Drive;
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Thence east along the centerline of West Yandell Drive to the point of beginning.

The Engineering Traffic Division has received requests from several residents in the Sunset Heights Neighborhood directly south of the existing Residential Parking District, to have Blue Tag parking signs installed on their street. Often times, when we explained the petition process, specified an area to be contacted, and the waiting time involved, most constituents felt reluctant to undertake this initial task. In an attempt to reduce the work required and waiting time for this type of request, we recommend expanding the boundaries of the Residential Parking District – Zone A to the listed streets. This would allow the Traffic Engineer to authorize sign installations once adequate support within a specified area is verified. We solicited input on this proposal from the neighborhood by mailing letters to the residents in the affected area. As of 2/05/07, we have received 11 responses in support of the expansion, and 1 opposed. At this time, the Traffic Division recommends amending the ordinance to allow for a quicker and easier application process for installing Blue Tag parking signs.

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AS/as
FIR #06-4601
C: Engineering Department, Traffic Division, Location File

Soto, Alonzo

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From: Soto, Alonzo
Sent: Friday, December 01, 2006 11:15 AM
To: 'gloria najera'
Cc: Bennett, Keith D.
Subject: RE: Parking Restrictions

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Dear Gloria,

Thank you for your response. It's unfortunate that you received our notice one day prior to the listed deadline. Over one-hundred letters were mailed on November 15, 2006 to the Sunset Heights residents, and I have been receiving responses since November 16, 2006. Setting a time frame is a necessary technicality, but let me assure you, I will continue to document responses up to the day that this proposal is discussed by City Council, which may be 3 to 4 more weeks.

We understand the hardships experienced by UTEP students from the time they enroll, and begin attending, until they finish. There are even residents who sympathize and oppose this parking restriction. The source of the parking problem may be UTEP serves a large population of students that commute and look for free parking in the nearby residential areas. The City of El Paso has received a vast number of complaints about blocked driveways and alleys. The most common complaint is local residents, some of whom are elderly or disabled have to park several blocks from their homes because UTEP students take all the nearby parking spaces. Even when they get to move their vehicles by their homes in the evening, they have to eventually drive somewhere the following morning. When they return home, most of their street is full of parked vehicles and the cycle continues until the students go on vacation in the winter and summer. These complaints are what lead to the creation of the Residential Parking District and as the students are displaced further and further, we get more requests for installation of the signs prohibiting parking to everyone, except local residents who purchase a Blue Tag permit.

The City is aware UTEP is constructing a parking garage that will be completed soon, but as enrollment continues to grow, it is not guaranteed to alleviate the parking problems experienced by the residents. As a compromise to the original proposal to expand the existing Residential Parking District throughout the entire Sunset Heights subdivision, we decided to reduce the affected area to what you see in your notice. This is the area where we have heard the most requests for the signs. Please remember, even if the proposed expansion is approved, there will still be a petition process per block, verification, and flexibility to accommodate the residents who want the signs and those who don't want the signs.

I'm documenting responses by mail addresses, and I can't find your name in my list. Please provide your full mailing address and I will mark you down as a resident opposed to the expansion of the Residential Parking District.

-----Original Message-----

From: gloria najera [mailto:glnajera@hotmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, November 30, 2006 11:59 PM
To: sotoax@elpasotexas.gov
Subject: Parking Restrictions

Dear Alonzo Soto,

I live in the 900 block of Upson. I recently received a letter about parking restrictions. First, I would like to note that this letter was received ONE day prior to the deadline set for responses. Second, I am a UTEP student and walk to school everyday. I have never had a parking problem outside my apartment. I know for a fact that the whole building is against any parking restrictions for UTEP students. As a students, I am aware of all the expenses that students have to pay. Third, the UTEP parking garage is supposed to be done by sometime next semester, which means that the parking problem will only last a few more months. I hope that you will take into consideration my opinion as both a resident of the area being petition and UTEP student.

Gloria

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CITY ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

TRAFFIC DIVISION

COST ESTIMATES

SUBDIVISION: Residential Parking District Expansion - Zone A

DATE: 2/26/2007

SCOPE: INSTALLATION OF TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES / PAVEMENT MARKINGS

PROJECT COST SUMMARY

TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES	\$420
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PAVEMENT MARKINGS	
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LABOR COST	\$203
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ADMINISTRATIVE COST	\$31
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TOTAL PROJECT COST	\$654
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Dept. ID : 32010287
Account Number : 503203

Fund : 01101
Location / Class : 32000

RECEIPT OF PAYMENT IS REQUIRED PRIOR TO ISSUANCE OF WORK ORDER


Report by: Alonzo Soto


Release by: Ted Marquez/P.E.
Traffic Engineer Division Manager

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RANDOLPH

Existing Residential Parking
District - Zone A

HEISIG

FANDELL W

PROSPECT

MIRAMON

FEWEL

MUNDY

UPSON

MISSOURI

PORTO DIAZ

MAIN

LAWTON

In Favor
Opposed

Proposed boundary
expansion for Zone A



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SCHUSTER

RANDOLPH

Existing Residential Parking
District - Zone A

HEISTG

FANDELL W

PROSPECT

MIRAMON

FEWEL

MUNDY

UPSON

MISSOURI

PORTERIO DIAZ

LAWTON

MAIN

In Favor
Opposed

Proposed boundary
expansion for Zone A

