

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

DEPARTMENT: Planning & Economic Development Department

AGENDA DATE: May 3, 2011

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DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: All Districts

SUBJECT:

A Resolution amending the City of El Paso's Design Standards for Construction Manual, Section 3 (Streets), to require a minimum sidewalk width of 6 feet on street cross sections 3-1 through 3-9.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:

In line with Smart Growth principles, this resolution amends the City's Design Standards for Construction Manual, Section 3 (Streets), to require a minimum sidewalk width of 6 feet on street cross sections 3-1 through 3-9. The change affects major arterials, minor arterials, boulevards, non-residential collectors, residential collectors, multi-family & commercial/industrial and local residential streets.

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

On November 30, 2010, the El Paso City Council approved moving forward with a Smart Growth implementation Plan. Items can be expected throughout April, May and then throughout the rest of the calendar year.

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

N/A

BOARD / COMMISSION ACTION:

Both DCC and CPC recommended approval.

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

LEGAL: (if required) N/A

FINANCE: (if required) N/A

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Mathew S. McElroy
Deputy Director-Planning & Economic Development

APPROVED FOR AGENDA:

CITY MANAGER: _____ **DATE:** _____

RESOLUTION

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 by guiding the future growth and development of the city in accordance with The Plan for El Paso and by encouraging the orderly and beneficial development of the city through appropriate growth management techniques and by establishing reasonable standards of design and procedures for subdivisions and resubdivisions of land in order to further the orderly layout and use of land; and,

WHEREAS, on June 3, 2008, the City Council of El Paso passed a Resolution adopting a Design Standards for Construction Manual that will be used by developers subdividing property within the City of El Paso and the City’s Extra Territorial Jurisdiction; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted a Resolution on January 6, 2011 detailing the relationship between the built environment and obesity and directed the City Manager to recommend subdivision code changes code changes to increase opportunities for physical activity; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that providing pedestrian friendly paths, to include adequate sidewalks, will encourage more use of such paths and opportunities for physical activity; and,

WHEREAS, requiring a minimum sidewalk width of 6 feet will serve to achieve pedestrian friendly paths and increase physical activity;

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

That the City of El Paso’s Design Standards for Construction Manual, Section 3 (Streets), require a minimum sidewalk width of 6 feet on street cross sections 3-1 through 3-9, as illustrated in Attachment A.

ADOPTED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2011.

THE CITY OF EL PASO

ATTEST:

John F. Cook, Mayor

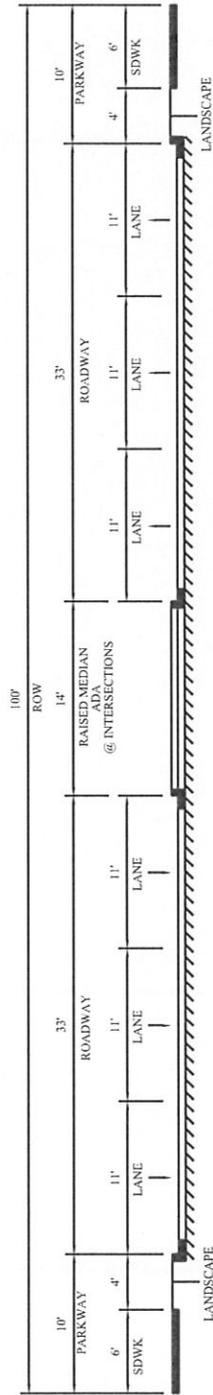
Richarda Duffy Momsen, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

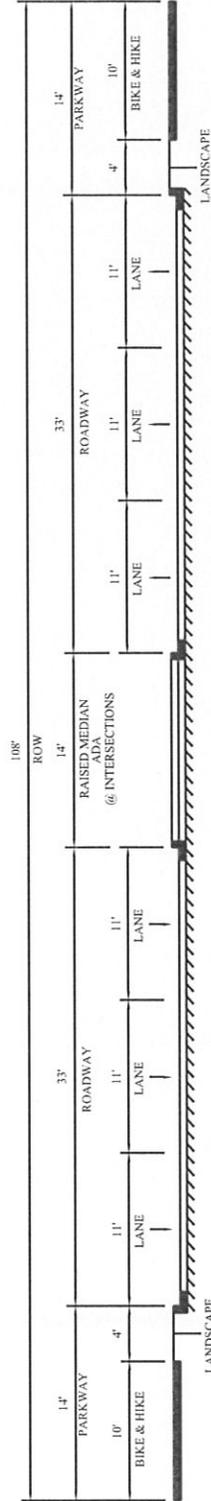
Lupe Cuellar
Assistant City Attorney

Mathew McElroy, Deputy Director
Planning and Economic Development



MAJOR ARTERIAL STREET

SIX (6) LANES



MAJOR ARTERIAL STREET WITH BIKE\HIKE

SIX (6) LANES



TITLE 19 SUBDIVISION ORDINANCE
ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

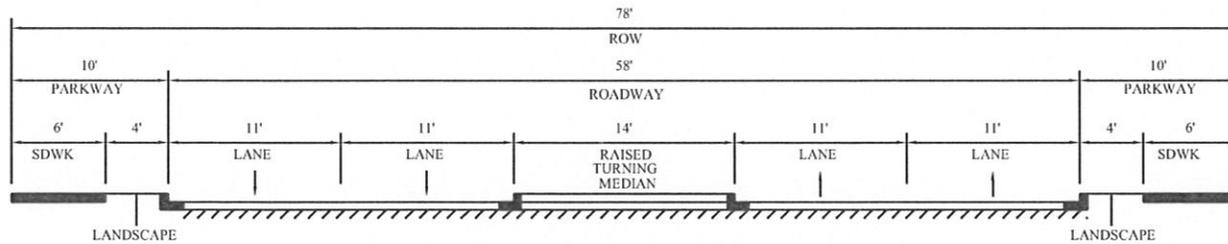
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STREET CROSS SECTIONS

3-1

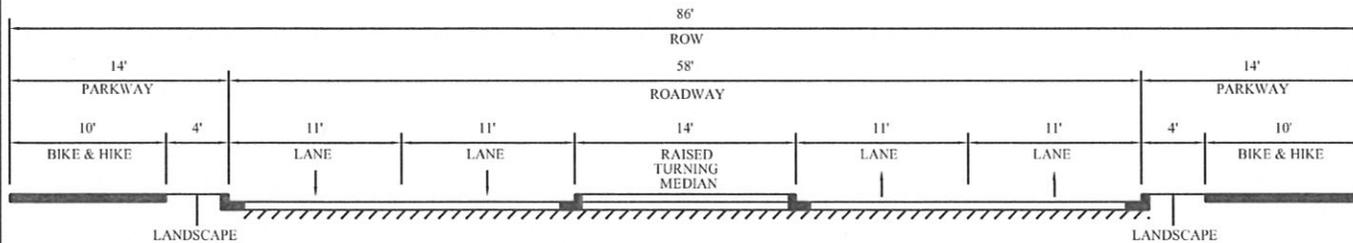
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MINOR ARTERIAL STREET

FOUR (4) LANES



MINOR ARTERIAL STREET WITH BIKE\HIKE

FOUR (4) LANES



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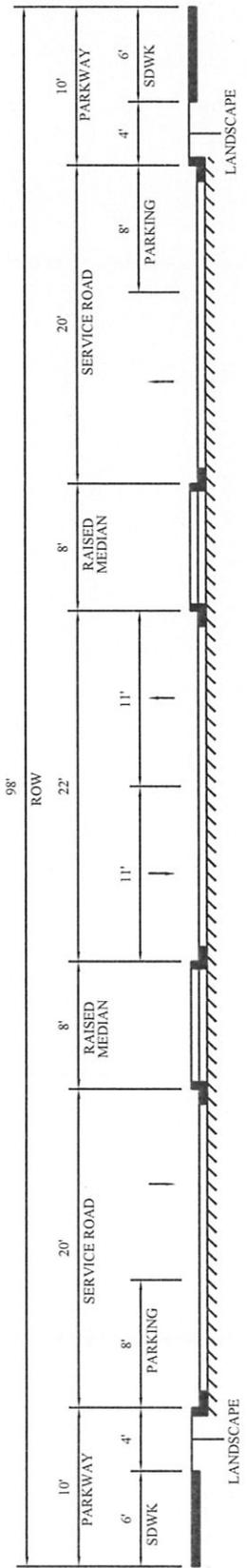
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STREET CROSS SECTIONS

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BOULEVARD

CAN BE DESIGNED TO PROVIDE FOR ANGLE PARKING



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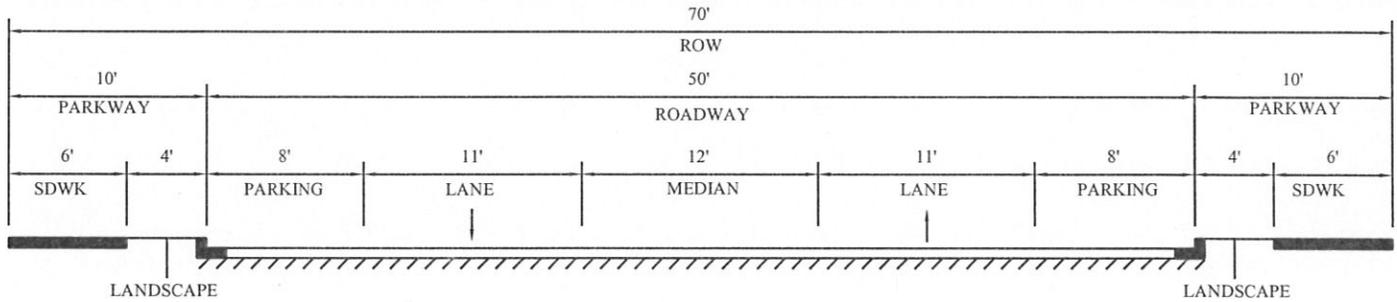
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STREET CROSS SECTIONS

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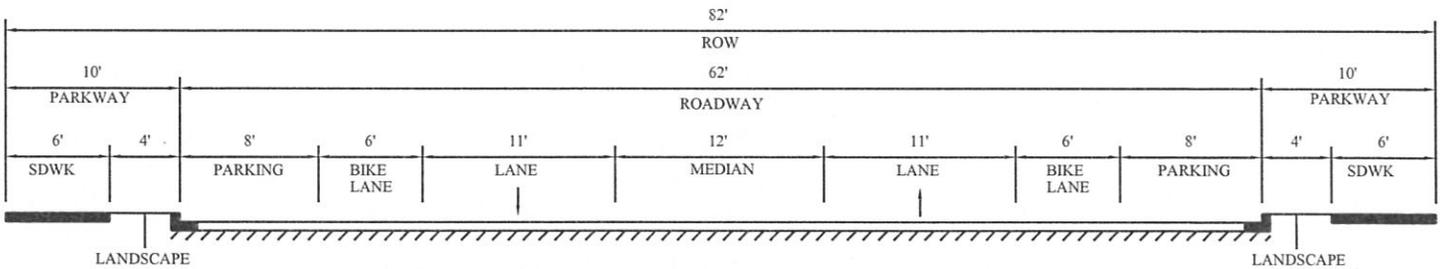
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NON-RESIDENTIAL COLLECTOR

CAN BE DESIGNED TO PROVIDE FOR ANGLE PARKING
MEDIAN MAY BE RAISED



NON-RESIDENTIAL COLLECTOR WITH BIKE LANES

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MEDIAN MAY BE RAISED



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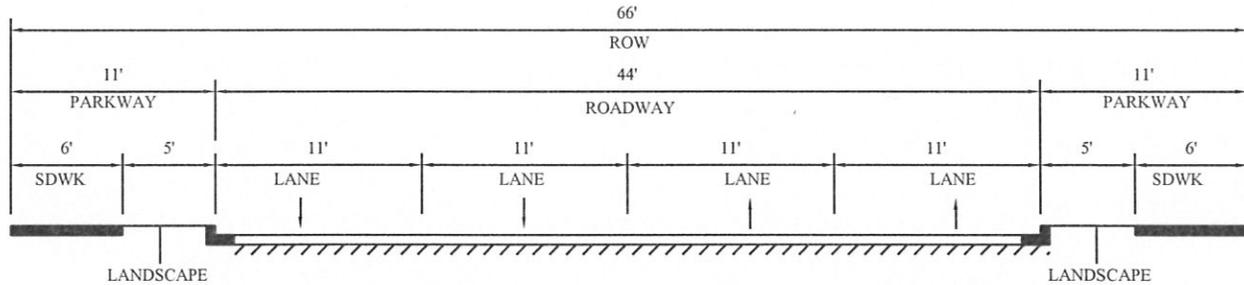
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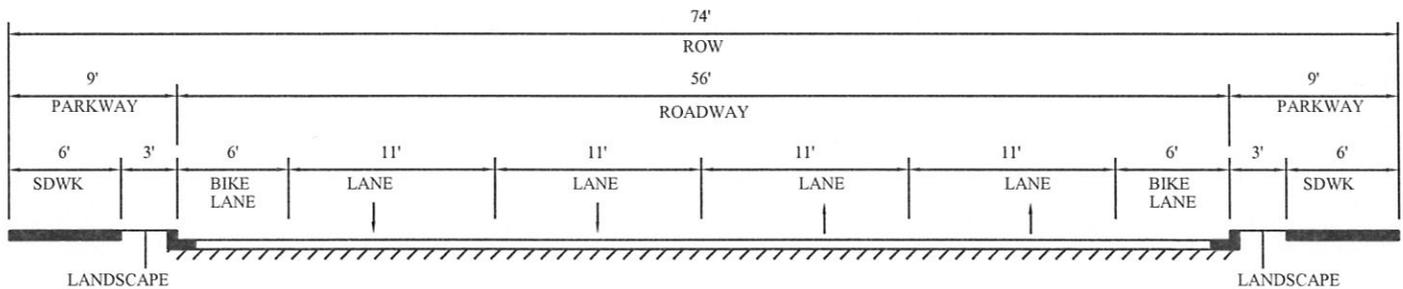
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NON-RESIDENTIAL 4 LANE COLLECTOR



**NON-RESIDENTIAL 4 LANE COLLECTOR
WITH BIKE LANES**



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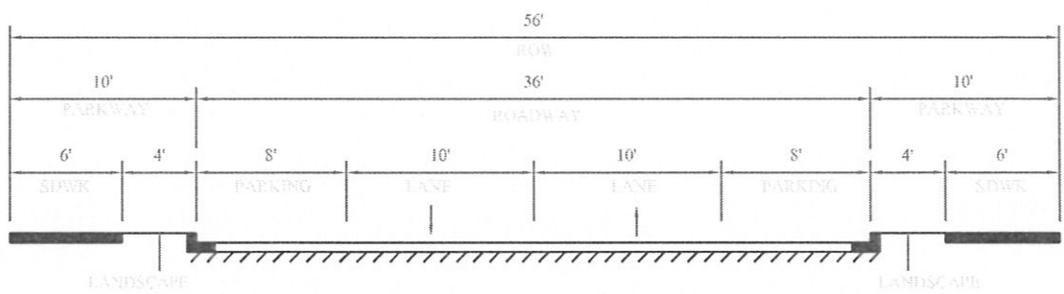
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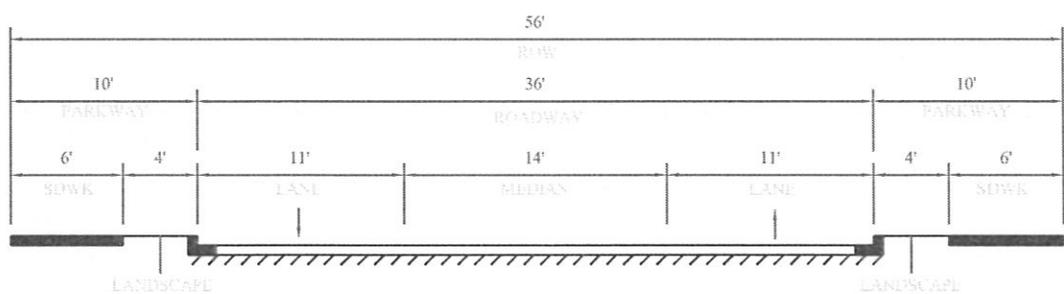
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RESIDENTIAL COLLECTOR

CAN BE DESIGNED TO PROVIDE FOR ANGLE PARKING



RESIDENTIAL COLLECTOR TWO (2) LANES

CAN BE DESIGNED TO PROVIDE FOR ANGLE PARKING



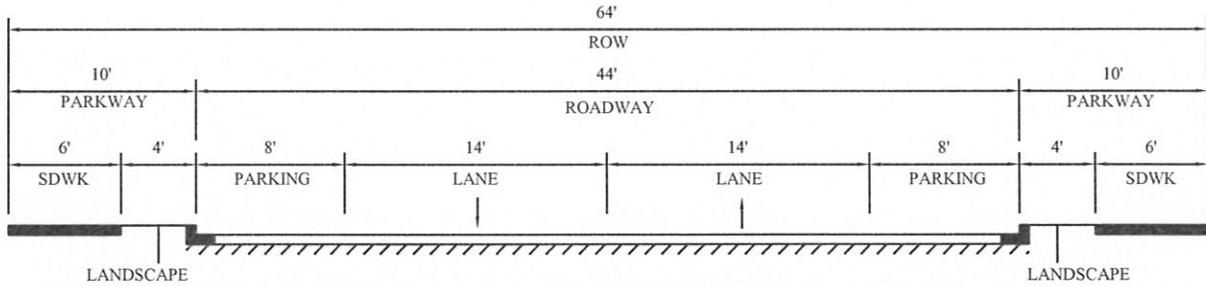
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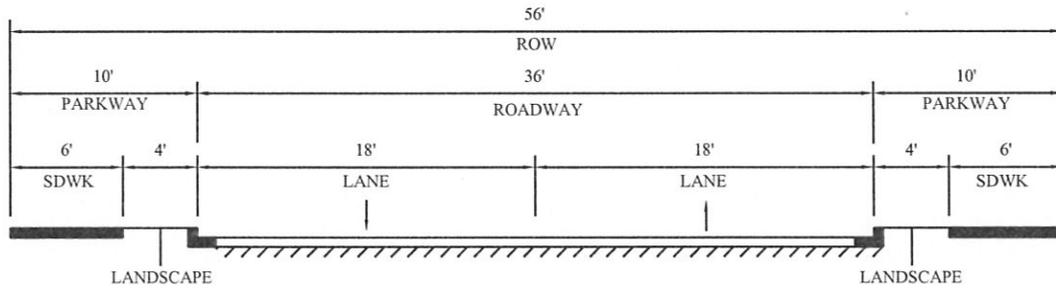
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MULTI-FAMILY & COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL

CAN BE DESIGNED TO PROVIDE FOR ANGLE PARKING



MULTI-FAMILY & COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL

LOCAL STREET 2

CAN BE DESIGNED TO PROVIDE FOR ANGLE PARKING



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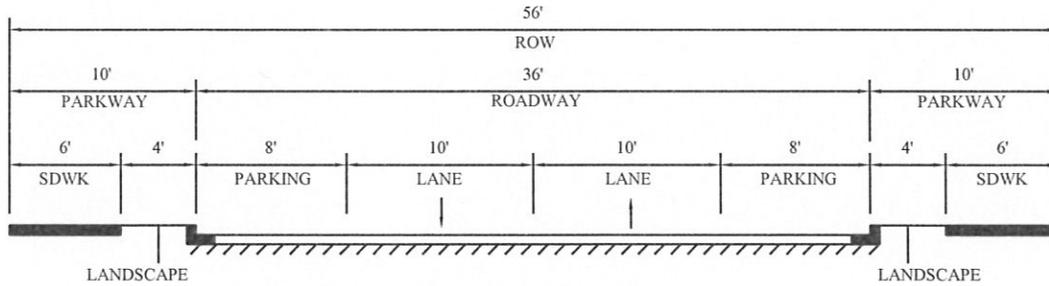
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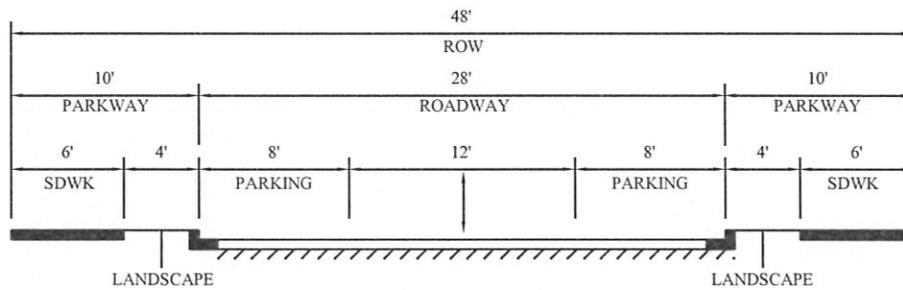
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36' LOCAL RESIDENTIAL 1

NOTE: CROSS SECTIONS ARE MINIMUM, STANDARD REQUIREMENTS



28' LOCAL RESIDENTIAL 2

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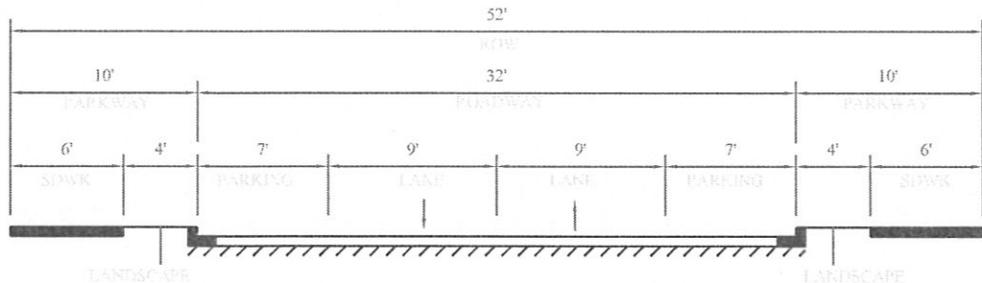
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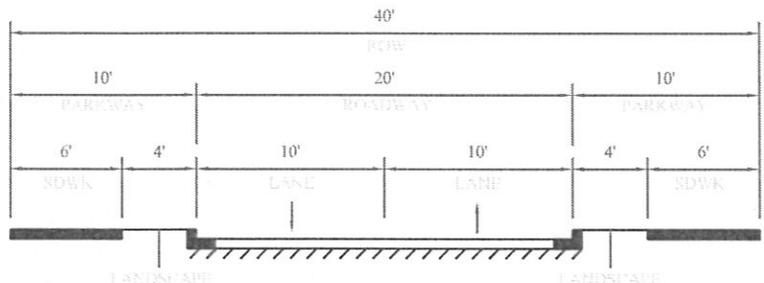
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32' LOCAL RESIDENTIAL 3

NOTE: CROSS SECTIONS ARE MINIMUM. STANDARD REQUIREMENTS



20' RESIDENTIAL LANE NO PARKING



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