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

DEPARTMENT: **Transportation**

AGENDA DATE: **Introduction 4/26/2011; Public Hearing: 5/3/2011**

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DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: 8

SUBJECT:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 12 (VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC), CHAPTER 12.44. (STOPPING, STANDING AND PARKING GENERALLY), SECTION 12.44.050 (ANGLED-PARKING – OFFSET PARKING) OF THE EL PASO CITY CODE TO ALLOW ANGLE PARKING IN THE CENTRAL TRAFFIC DISTRICT AND THE FIVE POINTS TRAFFIC DISTRICT. THE PENALTY BEING AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 12.85.110 (FINES AND FEES) OF THE EL PASO CITY CODE.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:
Current city code does not allow for offset angled parking within the Five Points and Central Traffic Districts. The City is exploring options as part of the New Urbanism concept of narrower streets as a means of calming traffic, and by allowing offset-angled parking has the potential to decrease drivable lanes down to 10 feet in width.

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:
N/A

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:
N/A

BOARD / COMMISSION ACTION:
Enter appropriate comments or N/A

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

DEPARTMENT HEAD: _____

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ORDINANCE NO. _____

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WHEREAS, the City Council may by resolution determine what streets may be designed by curb setbacks within the right-of-way to accommodate angled parking; provided; however, that no such curb setback shall be permitted upon any street within the central traffic district nor the five points traffic district as described herein; and,

WHEREAS, that no such curb setbacks shall be provided within the right-of-way of any street which carries more than four thousand vehicles per average day, nor upon any street which carries more than five hundred vehicles per hour for any consecutive three hours of any average day; and,

WHEREAS, currently the Code does not allow angle parking within the central traffic district nor the five points traffic; and,

WHEREAS, the city desires to allow angle parking within the central traffic district nor the five points traffic;

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

Section 1. That Title 12, Vehicles and Traffic, Chapter 12.44, Stopping, Standing and Parking Generally, Section 12.44.050, Angled-Parking – Offset Parking, Paragraph A, of the El Paso City Code shall be and hereby is amended as follows:

12.44.050 Angled-Parking – Offset Parking

A. That the City Council may determine by resolution what streets may be designated by curb setbacks within the right-of-way to accommodate angled parking; provided however, that no such curb setbacks shall be provided within the right-of-way of any street which carries more than four thousand vehicles per average day, nor upon any street which carries more than five hundred vehicles per hour for any consecutive three hours of an average day.

Section 2. Except as expressly herein amended Title 12 (Vehicles and Traffic), Chapter 12.44 (Stopping, Standing and Parking Generally) of the El Paso City Code shall remain in full force and effect.

PASSED AND APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 2011.

THE CITY OF EL PASO

_____
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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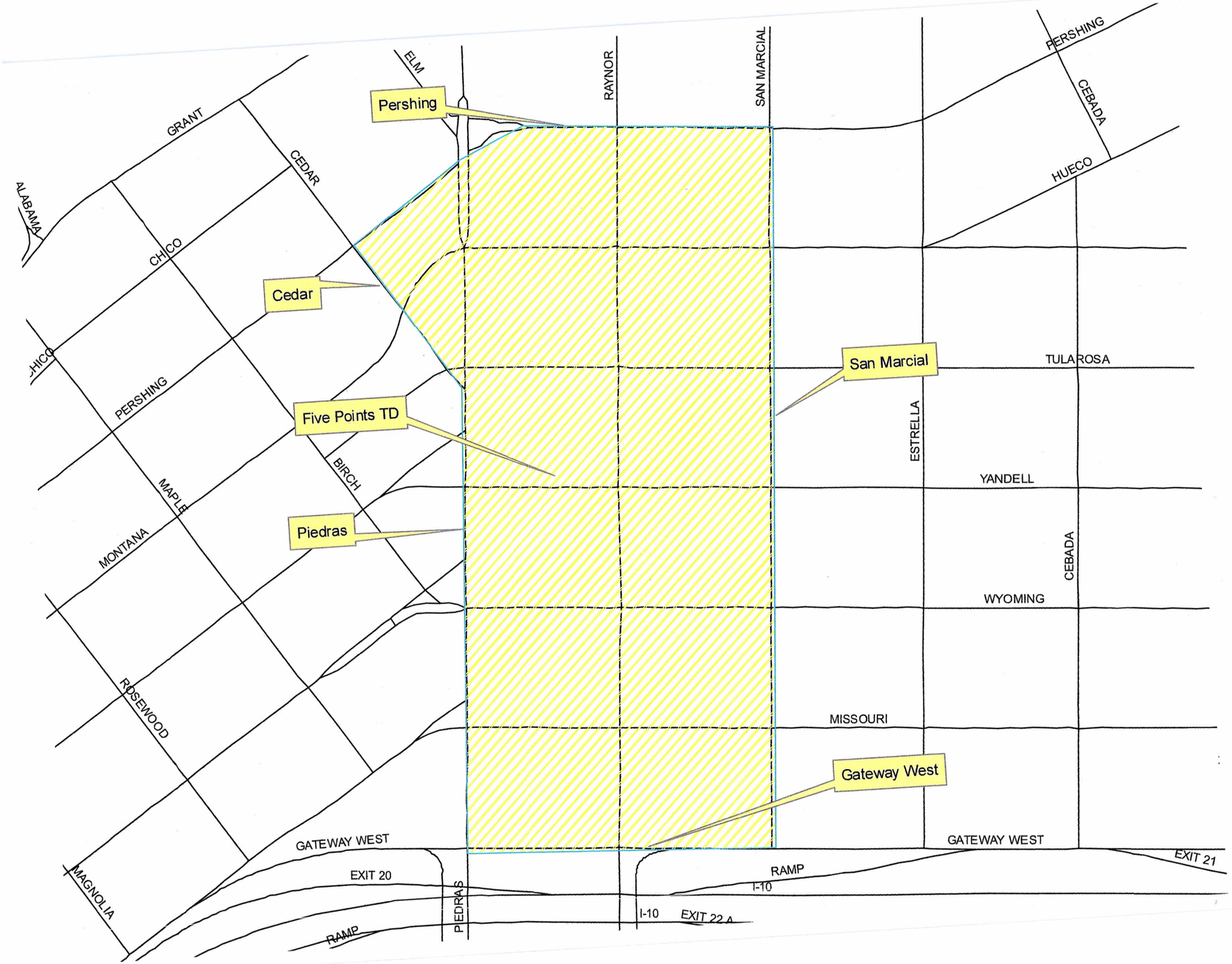
Ted Marquez, P.E.
Deputy Director for Department of Transportation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