

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

**DEPARTMENT:** Development Services Department, Planning Division

**AGENDA DATE:** Introduction: May 22, 2007  
Public Hearing: June 5, 2007

**CONTACT PERSON/PHONE:** Chuck Kooshian, 541-4632

**DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED:** 3

**SUBJECT:**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2025 PROPOSED THOROUGHFARE SYSTEM AS DETAILED IN THE MAP ATLAS OF THE PLAN FOR EL PASO AND ITS RELATED DOCUMENTS AS ORIGINALLY APPROVED BY THE EL PASO CITY COUNCIL IN 1999, AND AS SUBSEQUENTLY AMENDED, TO REMOVE CLARK DRIVE AND DALE ROAD.

**BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:**

See attached report.

**PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:**

On March 3, 2007, City Council made the request to remove Clark Drive from the MTP in response to the request from Saint Pius to install a speed hump on the arterial.

**AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:**

N/A

**BOARD / COMMISSION ACTION:**

**Clark Removal:**

Development Coordinating Committee (DCC) – Unanimous Approval Recommendation  
City Plan Commission (CPC) – Approval Recommendation (5-0)

**Dale Removal:**

Development Coordinating Committee (DCC) – Unanimous Approval Recommendation  
City Plan Commission (CPC) – Approval Recommendation (4-0)

\*\*\*\*\*REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION\*\*\*\*\*

**LEGAL:** (if required) N/A

**FINANCE:** (if required) N/A

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:** Kelly Carpenter

**APPROVED FOR AGENDA:**

**CITY MANAGER:** \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2025 PROPOSED THOROUGHFARE SYSTEM AS DETAILED IN THE MAP ATLAS OF THE PLAN FOR EL PASO AND ITS RELATED DOCUMENTS AS ORIGINALLY APPROVED BY THE EL PASO CITY COUNCIL IN 1999, AND AS SUBSEQUENTLY AMENDED, TO REMOVE CLARK DRIVE AND DALE ROAD.**

**WHEREAS**, *The Plan for El Paso* was formally adopted by the City Council on April 27, 1999, pursuant to the provisions of Section 213.002 of the Texas Local Government Code as the Comprehensive Plan for the City; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Comprehensive Plan serves as a general guide for the future growth and development of the City to promote public health, safety and welfare; and

**WHEREAS**, its adoption was based on the recommendation of the Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee following numerous public meetings and working sessions; and,

**WHEREAS**, a well planned transportation system is a key element for improving quality of life, by balancing neighborhood concerns with provision of access for commerce and mobility for personal travel; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Development Coordinating Committee (“DCC”) has recommended a change to the 2025 Proposed Thoroughfare System Map contained within *The Plan for El Paso* to provide the most beneficial relationship between the uses of land and circulation of traffic throughout the City; and,

**WHEREAS**, the recommendation of the DCC was submitted to the City Plan Commission for its review, and the City Plan Commission has recommended the adoption of the change to the Year 2025 Proposed Thoroughfare System map as herein enumerated; and,

**WHEREAS**, the City Council finds that the adoption of *The Plan for El Paso* and its changes to the thoroughfare alignments as herein enumerated will have no negative impact upon the public health, safety, morals and general welfare of the City,

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

That the 2025 Proposed Thoroughfare System, as detailed in the Map Atlas of *The Plan for El Paso*, is herein amended as described below and as more particularly shown in the attached and incorporated Exhibit “A”.

**Central Planning Area**

- Amend the 2025 Major Thoroughfare Plan by deleting Clark Drive from Papago Drive to Trowbridge Avenue.

**Mission Valley Planning Area**

- Amend the 2025 Major Thoroughfare Plan by deleting Dale Road from North Loop Drive to Orgain Way.

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PASSED AND APPROVED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2007.

**THE CITY OF EL PASO**

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John F. Cook  
Mayor

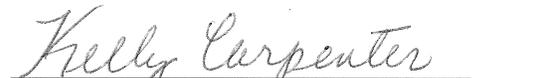
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Richarda Duffy Momsen, City Clerk

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

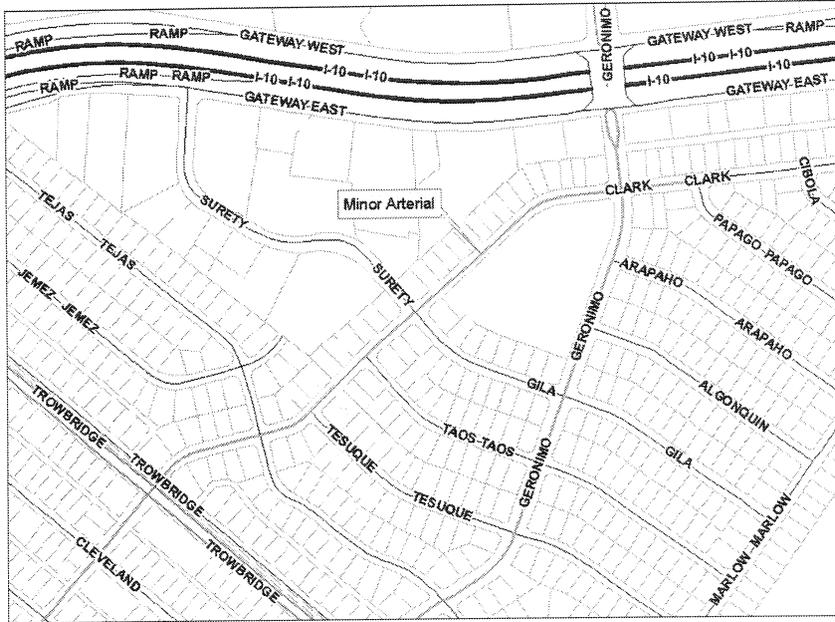
  
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Lupe Cuellar  
Assistant City Attorney

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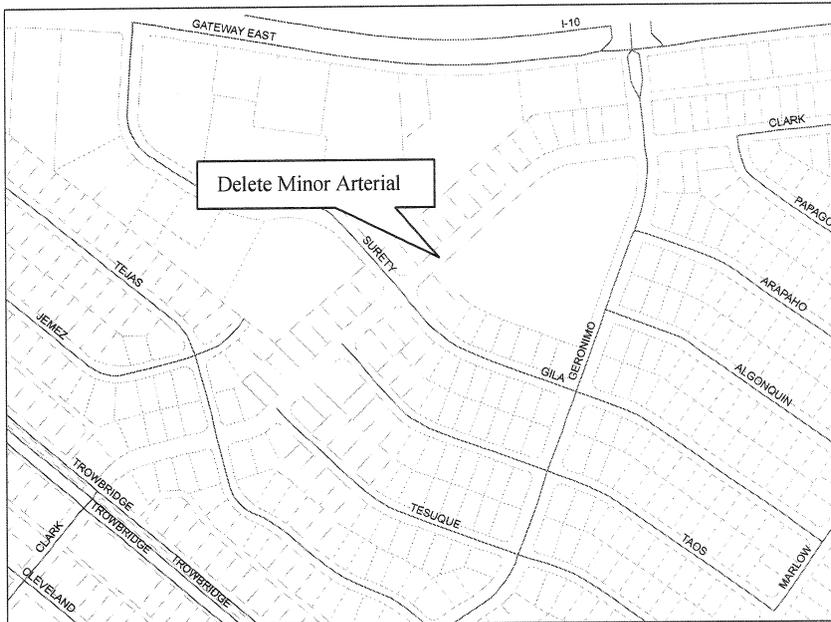
  
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Development Services Department

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**Exhibit A**

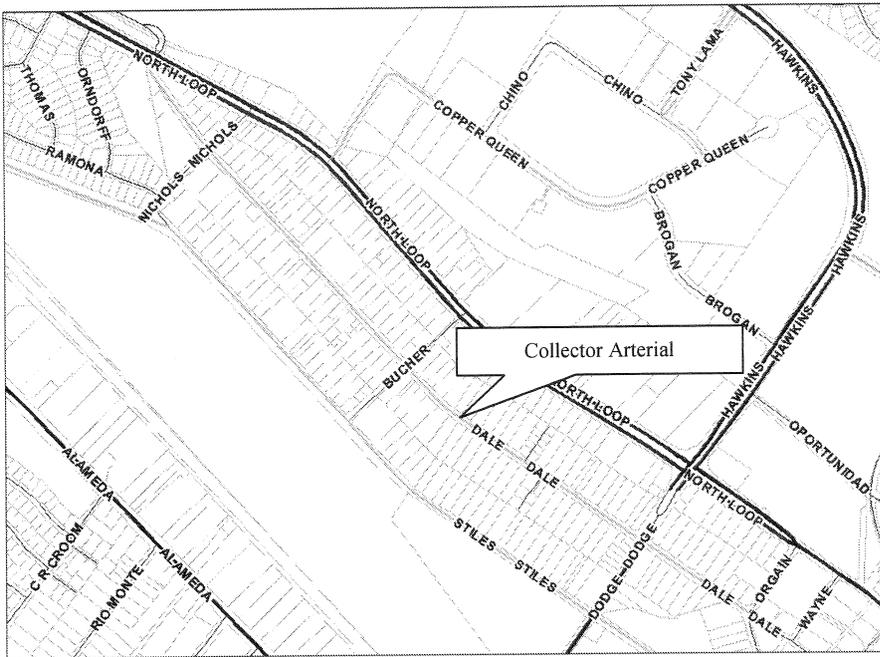


**Figure 1 (above): Existing Major Thoroughfare Plan**

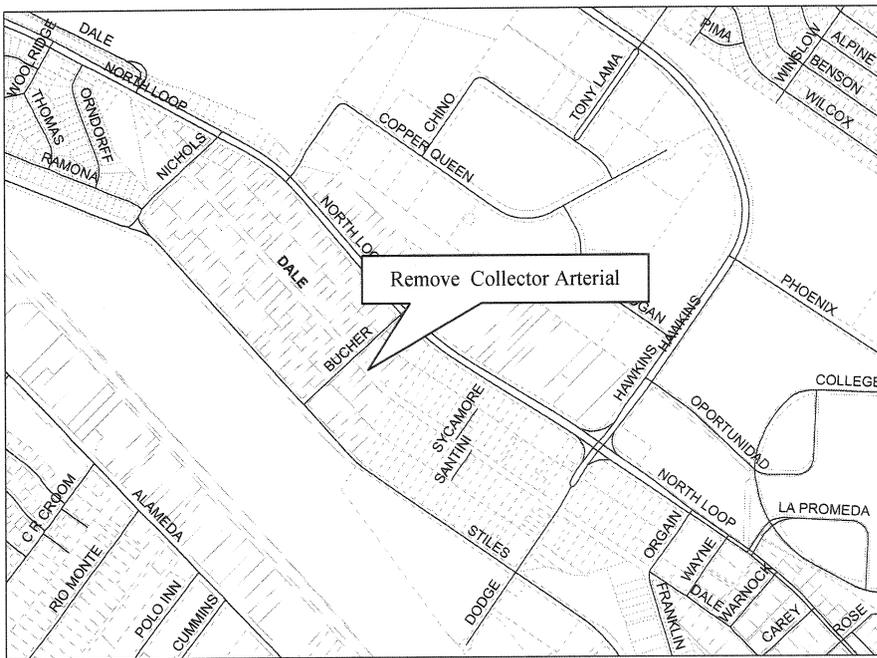


**Figure 2 (above): Proposed Amendment to Major Thoroughfare Plan**

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**DEVELOPMENT SERVICES**  
**PLANNING DIVISION**

**MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** May 14, 2007

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

**FROM:** Chuck Kooshian, Lead Planner

**SUBJECT:** **Clark Drive and Dale Road**

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The City Plan Commission (CPC), on April 19, 2007, voted **5-0 and 4-0** to recommend **APPROVAL** of removing Clark Drive and Dale Road, respectively, from the Major Thoroughfare Plan, concurring with Staff's recommendation.

The CPC found that this removal is in conformance with The Plan for El Paso and the 2025 Proposed Thoroughfare System. The CPC also determined that this removal from the MTP protects the best interest, health, safety and welfare of the public in general.

There was no opposition to this request.

**Attachments:** City Plan Commission Backup for Clark Drive, City Plan Commission Backup for Dale Road

## **City Plan Commission Backup Major Thoroughfare Plan Amendments**

### Removal of Clark Dr. from Major Thoroughfare Plan as a Minor Arterial

#### **Background:**

Clark Dr. is currently designated as a minor arterial on the Major Thoroughfare Plan from its intersection at Papago to its termination at Delta. It is not currently built to the standards of a minor arterial.

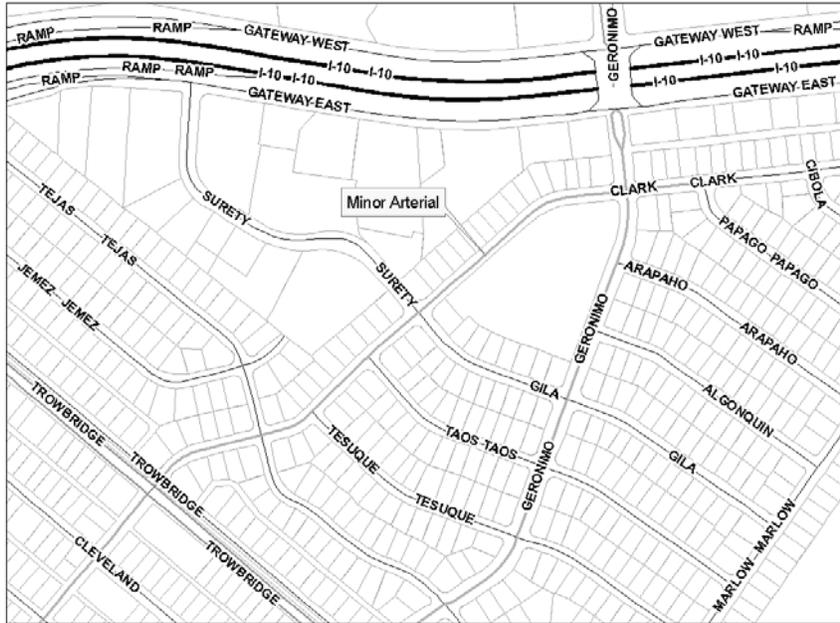
#### **Request:**

A request was received by City Council to remove the minor arterial designation from the MTP. The request was brought forth as a result of Saint Pius' request to place a speed hump on Clark. According to the Traffic Department's guidelines for Neighborhood Traffic Management, a speed hump cannot be placed on an arterial street.

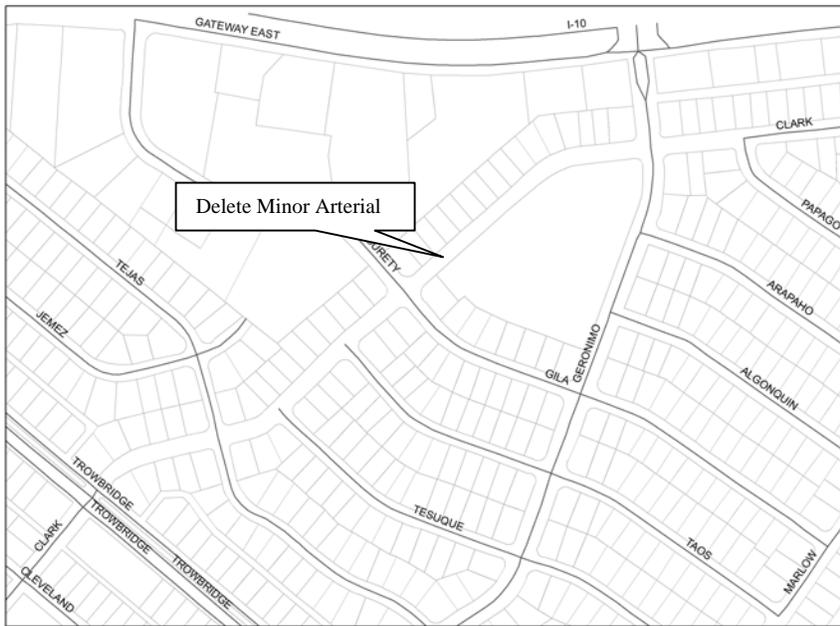
#### **Analysis:**

The Travel Demand Model total projected volumes for the year 2025 in the Clark/Geronimo corridor are shown to be below the capacity for local streets. Therefore, Clark Dr. is not needed as a minor arterial.

**Recommendation:** The DCC recommended removing the portion of the Clark, between Papago and Trowbridge from the MTP on the basis that it was not needed to handle the amount of traffic shown in the Travel Model.



**Figure 1 (above): Existing Major Thoroughfare Plan**



**Figure 2 (above): Proposed Amendment to Major Thoroughfare Plan**

## **City Plan Commission Backup Major Thoroughfare Plan Amendments**

### **Removal of Dale Road from Major Thoroughfare Plan as a Collector Arterial**

#### **Background:**

Dale Road is currently designated as a collector arterial on the Major Thoroughfare Plan from its start at North Loop to its intersection at Orgain. It is not currently built to the standards of a collector arterial.

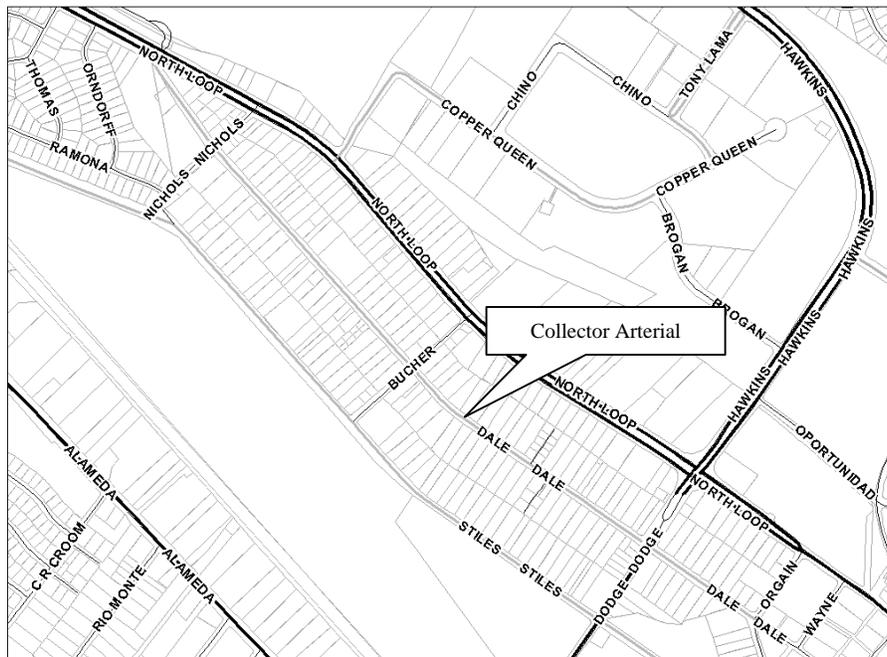
#### **Request:**

A request was received by the Traffic Department to remove the minor arterial designation from the MTP. The request was brought forth in response to informal requests for traffic calming.

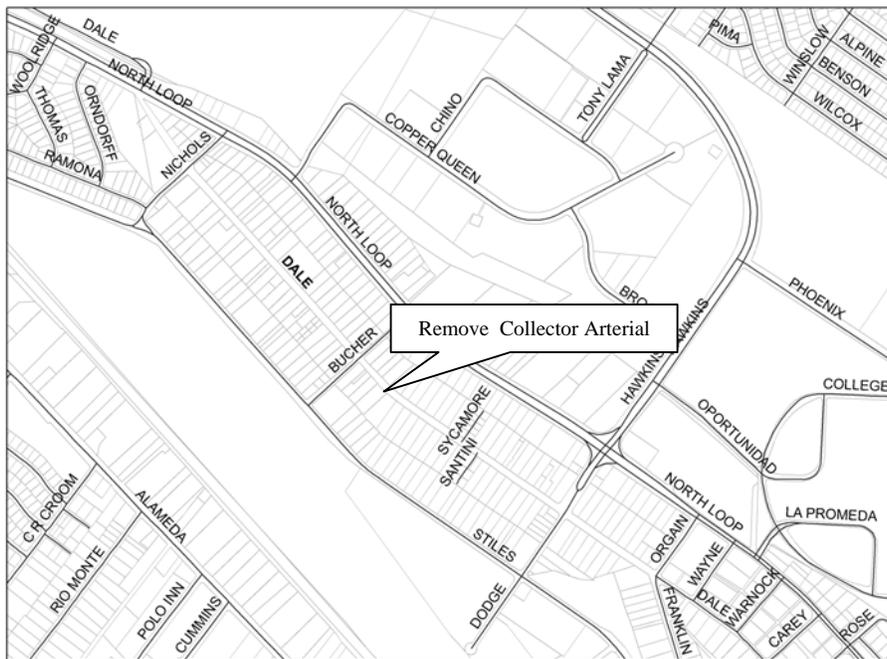
#### **Analysis:**

The Travel Demand Model total projected volumes for the year 2025 on Dale Road are shown to be below the capacity for local streets. Therefore, Dale Road is not needed as a collector arterial.

**Recommendation:** The DCC recommended removing Dale Road's collector arterial designation from the MTP on the basis that it was not needed to handle the amount of traffic shown in the Travel Model.



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**Figure 2 (above): Proposed Amendment to Major Thoroughfare Plan**