

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

**DEPARTMENT:** Department of the City Manager  
Development & Infrastructure Services

**AGENDA DATE:** June 20, 2006

**CONTACT PERSON/PHONE:** Patricia D. Adauto, Deputy City Manager  
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**DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED:** All Districts

**SUBJECT:**

Discussion and action on a proposed CicloVia pilot program to be City sponsored and held during the month of September 2006, and authorizing the City Manager to take all necessary actions to implement the pilot program.

**BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:**

CicloVia is an event that reserves portions of major thoroughfares on Sunday mornings for bicycles, skaters and pedestrians. Its popularity is growing, and recently Ciudad Juarez hosted such an initiative in 2003. It was hugely successful with over 60,000 participants each Sunday. City Manager Joyce Wilson tasked staff with looking into the feasibility of hosting such a program locally, and designated a technical Working Group to bring forward needed recommendations. The Working Group consists of the Departments of Development Services, Engineering Services, Street, Environmental Services, Parks & Recreation, Police, Fire, Sun Metro and Legal.

During the course of the last two months, the Working Group has been meeting to bring forward its recommendations. To begin, an evaluation and selection of a preferred route was necessary. At least four recommended route options were considered. Upon a determination of the recommended route (Scenic Drive/Alabama Street), a more detailed analysis was conducted that includes the following: a land use study to identify churches, commercial businesses, and other critical establishments that would be impacted by a Sunday closure of the thoroughfares; identification of properties with sole access from the closed portions of the thoroughfares; transit routes impacted; opportunity for closing one or both directional travel lanes on the thoroughfares; departmental costs for traffic control, staffing, etc. to hold event; identification of any impediments/issues/concerns with a route; event scheduling (length of pilot study, day, time, etc.); and any other information that would be helpful in determining the feasibility of the program.

The Working Group recommends a launch date for the pilot program of September 3, 2006 within the preferred route of Scenic Drive/Alabama Street. Each Sunday in September (4 weeks), certain rights-of-way will be closed between the hours of 7:00 am and noon. It is estimated that the costs of hosting the pilot program will be fully reimbursed through private donations to the effort. A more detailed explanation of the analyses conducted will be given as part of the presentation made.

**PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:**

N/A

**AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:**

N/A

**BOARD / COMMISSION ACTION:**

The Transportation Services Legislative Review Committee, at its meeting on June 9, 2006, took no action on this item and instead forwarded its consideration to the full body of City Council. Due to the criticality of a

September pilot launch, City Council direction on the project is necessary to allow adequate time for organizing and marketing the event.

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

**LEGAL:** (if required) \_\_\_\_\_ **FINANCE:** (if required) \_\_\_\_\_

**SECTION HEAD:**

**APPROVED FOR AGENDA:**

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

Alabama Scenic Route

	Number	Unit Cost	Hours	Unit Cost	Total
Traffic Control Devices					
Alabama					
38 intersections 2 units/intersection					
Type III barricades	76	\$ 2.00		\$	152.00
Signs	76	\$ 1.45		\$	110.20
Sign Stand	76	\$ 0.85		\$	64.60
2.8 miles @ 106 units/mile					
Barrels (every 50 feet)	300	\$ 1.50		\$	450.00
dividers (every 50 feet)	300	\$ 1.50		\$	450.00
Rim Road					
Type III barricades	50	\$ 2.00		\$	100.00
Signs	50	\$ 1.45		\$	72.50
Sign Stand	50	\$ 0.85		\$	42.50
Barrels (every 50 feet)	100	\$ 1.50		\$	150.00
Labor				\$	5,200.00
				\$	6,791.80 Round to \$
				<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 10,000.00</b>
1 Gator unit w/ two Firefighters (1 Lt & 1 FST)					
				\$	538.33
4 Bicycle units-four Firefighters (2 Lts & 2 FSTs)					
				\$	1,076.66
2 Ambulances - four Firefighters (2Lts & 2 FSTs)					
				\$	1,076.66
1 Officer representative @ CP (Battalion Chief)					
				\$	360.26
Total for Fire Dept:					
				<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 3,051.91</b>
Police					
31 officers					
29 regular 2 supervisors					

31 vehicles  
8 motorcycle, 14 cars, 1 RV, 8 bicycles

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**Total \$ 11,251.14**

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**Total \$ 450.00**

Porta Potties

**Total \$ 1,176.00**

Street sweeping  
sweeper  
supervisor

**Total \$ 825.00**

**Grand Tot: \$ 26,754.05**