

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

**DEPARTMENT:** Engineering Department, Traffic Division  
**AGENDA DATE:** CCA 07/20/2010, Public Hearing 07/27/2010  
**CONTACT PERSON NAME AND PHONE NUMBER:** Ted Marquez, 541-4035  
**DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED:** All Districts

**SUBJECT:**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 12 (VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC), CHAPTER 12.40 (SIZE, WEIGHT AND CLASS RESTRICTIONS), SECTION 12.40.020 (TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE - ESTABLISHED AUTHORITY TO REVISE AND ESTABLISH TRUCK ROUTES) BY ELIMINATING THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE AND REQUIRING THE TRAFFIC ENGINEER TO ESTABLISH AND REVISE TRUCK ROUTES SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY CITY COUNCIL; THE PENALTY BEING AS PROVIDED IN CHAPTER 12.84 (VIOLATIONS – PENALTY) OF THE EL PASO CITY CODE.

**BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:**

This ordinance deletes all references to the "Transportation Committee." The Engineering Department has made attempts to organize the Transportation Committee for the purpose of reviewing truck and hazardous cargo routes but there have not been any appointments made by Council. By direction of the City Manager, staff recommends utilizing the Transportation Legislative Review Committee to handle this function when the need arises in lieu of creating another committee.

**PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:**

N/A

**AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:**

N/A

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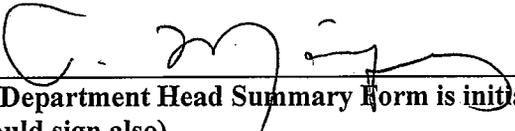
**BOARD / COMMISSION ACTION:**

This item was presented the Transportation Legislative Review Committee in October 2008, and the committee recommended reforming the "Transportation Committee."

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

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:**

  
(If Department Head Summary Form is initiated by Purchasing, client department should sign also)

*Information copy to appropriate Deputy City Manager*

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

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

**Section 1.** That Title 12 (Vehicles and Traffic), Chapter 12.40 (Size, weight and class restrictions), Section 12.40.020 (Transportation Committee – Established Authority to Revise and Establish Truck Routes) of the El Paso City Code shall be and hereby is amended to read:

12.40.020 Establishment and revision of truck routes.

The traffic engineer is authorized and required to establish truck routes and make periodic reviews of established truck routes within the city limits. The traffic engineer shall submit written recommendations to the City Council for all establishment, changes, alterations, elimination and improvements of truck routes based on changing conditions and factors affecting the need for such routes in such places and in such number as may be determined to be of the greatest benefit and convenience to the public. The City Council shall approve the truck routes by amendments to Section 12.88 (Schedules).

**Section 2.** That Title 12 (Vehicles and Traffic), Chapter 12.40 (Size, weight and class restrictions), Section 12.40.090A (Vehicles restricted to truck routes – exceptions) of the El Paso City Code shall be and hereby is amended to read:

12.40.090 A. Vehicles restricted to truck routes—Exceptions

Vehicles whose origin or destination lies outside the city limits, which dimensions exceed those stated in Section 12.40.030B, shall use the streets and parts of streets listed in Schedule VIII Section 12.88.080 and no others.

**Section 3.** Except as expressly herein amended, Title 12 (Vehicles and Traffic), Chapter 12.40 (Size, weight and class restrictions), of the El Paso City Code shall remain in full force and effect.

**PASSED AND APPROVED THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_ 2010.**

THE CITY OF EL PASO:

ATTEST:

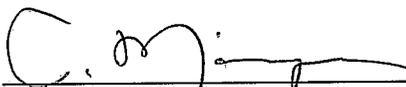
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John F. Cook, Mayor

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Richarda Duffy Momsen, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

  
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Mark Shoemith  
Assistant City Attorney

  
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Ted Marquez, P.E.,  
Assistant City Engineer