CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS
DEPARTMENT HEAD'S SUMMARY REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION (RCA)

DEPARTMENT: **Engineering**

AGENDA DATE: **August 28, 2007; Public Hearing on September 4, 2007**

CONTACT PERSON/PHONE: **R. Alan Shubert, P.E. (541-4423)**
DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: 6 and 7

SUBJECT:

This ordinance amends the City's 2025 Major Thoroughfare Plan to include Lee Trevino extension between North Loop Drive and Border Highway (Loop 375) connecting through Padres Drive.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:

The proposed alignment was discussed at the Transportation Legislative Review Committee at its August 13 and 20, 2007 meetings. The Committee voted unanimously to recommend this segment of Lee Trevino be included in the City's plan as the only option for extension. Previously proposed alignments were eliminated from consideration through Council's April action and the LRC recommended this extension. Additional environmental work will have to be undertaken should Council approve this ordinance and the federally-required consultative process with stakeholders, termed consulting parties will begin.

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

In April 2007, Council directed staff to reassess the Lee Trevino extension and set parameters as to an acceptable alignment. The new alignment ties into the existing interchange at Padres and Loop 375 and minimizes the number of properties affected by the extension.

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

Amending the City's MTP does not necessitate funding. However, the project becomes eligible for federal funds for design and construction. Upon Council direction, staff can pursue those funds through the El Paso Metropolitan Planning Organization.

BOARD / COMMISSION ACTION:

N/A

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

LEGAL: (if required) _____ **FINANCE:** (if required) _____

OTHER: _____
(Example: if RCA is initiated by Engineering, client department should sign also)
Information copy to appropriate Deputy City Manager

APPROVED FOR AGENDA:

CITY MANAGER: _____ **DATE:** _____

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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 ADD A PROPOSED LEE TREVINO EXTENSION FROM NORTH LOOP DRIVE AND CONNECTING TO BORDER HIGHWAY (LOOP 375) THROUGH PADRES DRIVE.

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 recommendations 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, in April 2007, the City Council directed staff to reassess the previous removal of the Lee Trevino extension from the plan; and

WHEREAS, A Legislative Review Committee, after conducting public meetings, recommended to restore the Lee Trevino extension to the plan employing an alignment not previously considered; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the adoption of *The Plan for EI Paso* and its changes to the thoroughfare alignments as herein presented will have no negative impact upon the public health, safety 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 detailed in the attached and incorporated Exhibit "A."

Mission Valley Planning Area
Representative District 6 & 7

- Amend the major thoroughfare plan to include a proposed Lee Trevino extension as a major arterial with bike lanes between North Loop Drive and Border Highway (Loop 375) connecting through Padres Drive. Details are shown in the map included in Exhibit A.

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PASSED AND APPROVED this _____ day of _____, **2007.**

THE CITY OF EL PASO

_____
John F. Cook
Mayor

ATTEST:

_____
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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Alan Shubert, PE, City Engineer
Engineering Department

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Exhibit A

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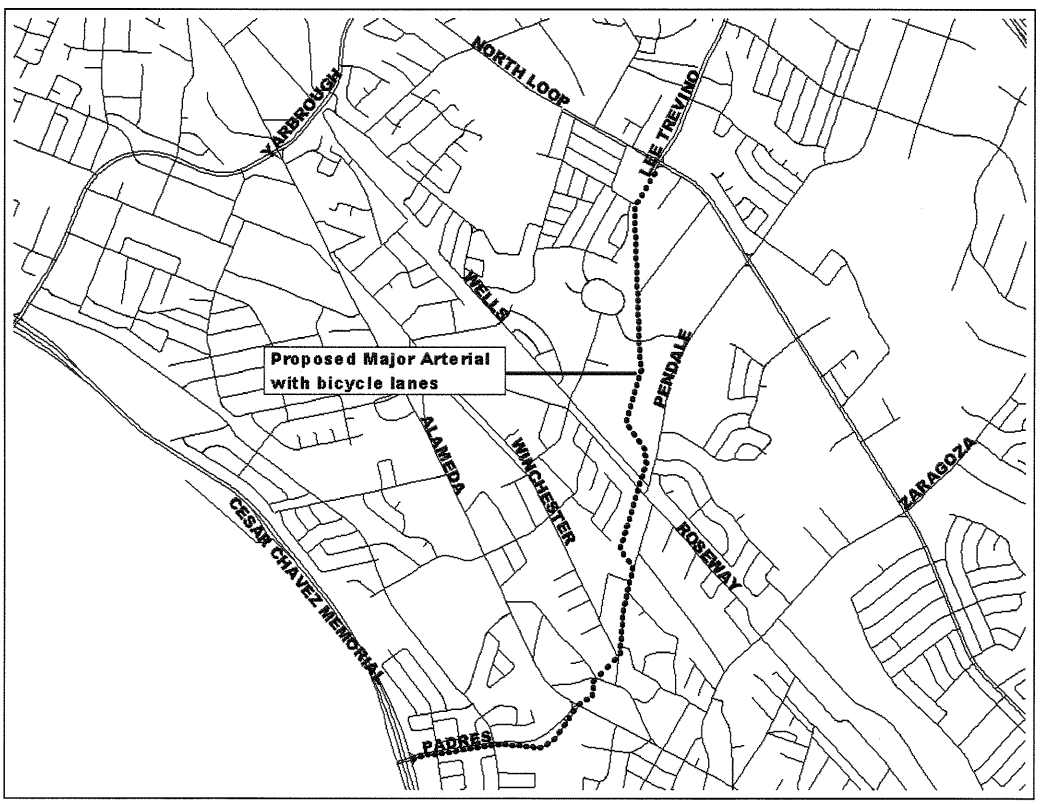
Current Major Thoroughfare Plan

Proposed Major Thoroughfare Plan