LEGISLATIVE REVIEW COMMITTEE ("LRC")
Meeting Action Report

Committee: Transportation

Members: City Representative Emma Acosta (Chair)
City Representative Susie Byrd
City Representative Steve Ortega
City Representative Carl Robinson

Date of Meeting: August 25, 2011

I. Presentation, discussion and action regarding the inventory of unpaved streets by district, a process for prioritization and a timetable for paving these streets.

Summary:
The unpaved right of way program has primarily focused on unpaved alleys over the last four years. During the budget hearings City Council asked staff to review the inventory of unpaved streets and consider redirecting funds from unpaved alleys to unpaved streets. Criteria for ranking unpaved streets were provided as well as the inventory. The LRC reviewed the candidate list. Staff was directed to:

- Continue to utilize FY 2012 and FY 2013 funds for alley paving;
- Commence the preliminary outreach for paving northern section of Ethel, Ranger Terrace, Hanley Circle and Chariot Way and to identify funding beginning in FY 2014; and
- Update the inventory list to remove streets from the unpaved street inventory that are paper platted and generate an additional list of those platted streets that very unlikely of ever being constructed due to geographic or social issues that would preclude logical development

Action Taken:
The LRC voted 4-0 to proceed with the unpaved alley list and to identify funding in FY 2014 to pave the four streets recommended by staff.

Disposition:
The recommendation of the LRC will be reported to the full City Council.

SUBMITTED BY:

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City Representative Emma Acosta, District 3
Chair, Transportation LRC

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Jane Shang, Deputy City Manager
City Manager – Mobility Services

City of El Paso

Unpaved Rights of Way 2012-13

El Paso Department of Transportation

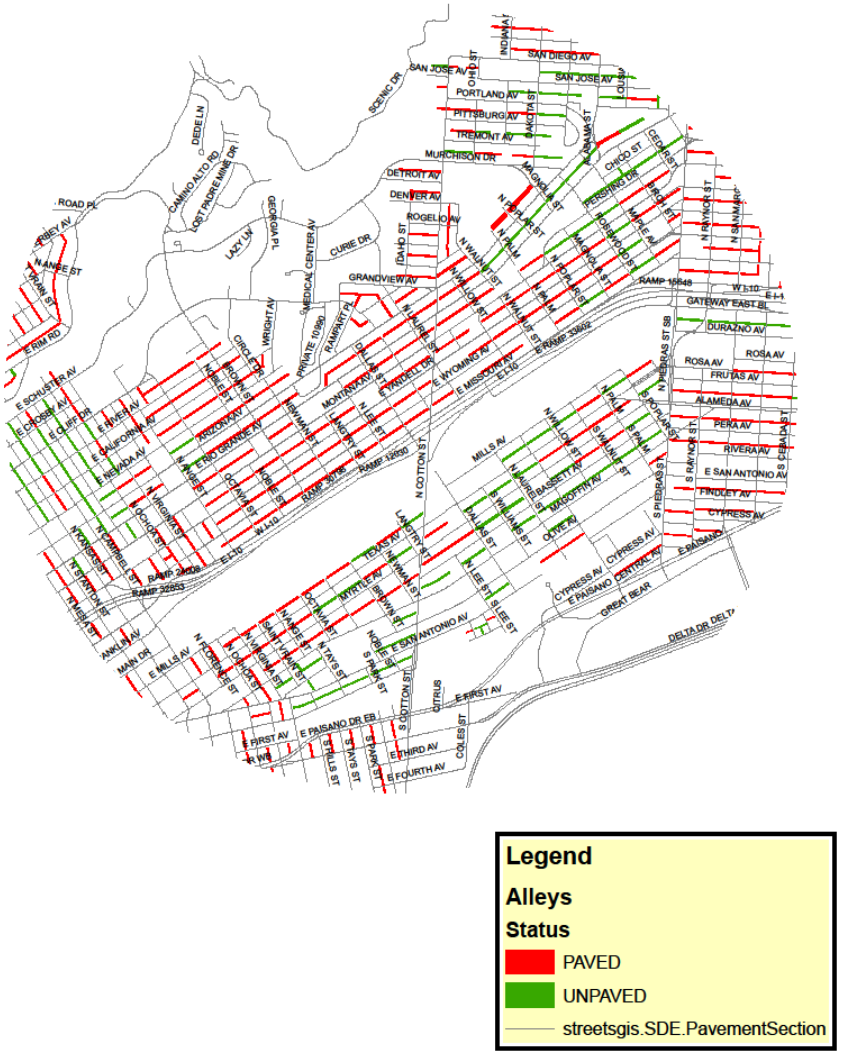
Program History

- The project has primarily focused on unpaved alleys over the last four years.

- The following slide illustrates the status and pending work on the unpaved alley project

Unpaved Rights of Way 2012-13

Unpaved Alleys within this area are candidates for this project. Final selection of the project alleys is pending coordination and completion of utility work and upgrades.



Alley Inventory

Alleys	Total SY	Total Length	Total Miles
1593	1,512,682	699,464	132

	Number	SY	Length	Miles	%
Paved	1,146	1,066,572	485,982	92	69%
UnPaved	447	446,110	213,482	40	31%

- Following previous direction, this was the identified project area for the next unpaved ROW project.
- Coordination with utilities and the project bidding process has been placed on hold to allow reconsideration of the scope of the upcoming unpaved ROW project.
- This project was intended to pave 30 unpaved alleys in the target area, expending the 2012-13 budget of $1,000,000.

Program Direction

- During the FY12 budget approval process, City Council discussed the option of redirecting funds for Unpaved Rights of Way from unpaved alleys to unpaved streets.

Redirecting Focus to Unpaved Streets

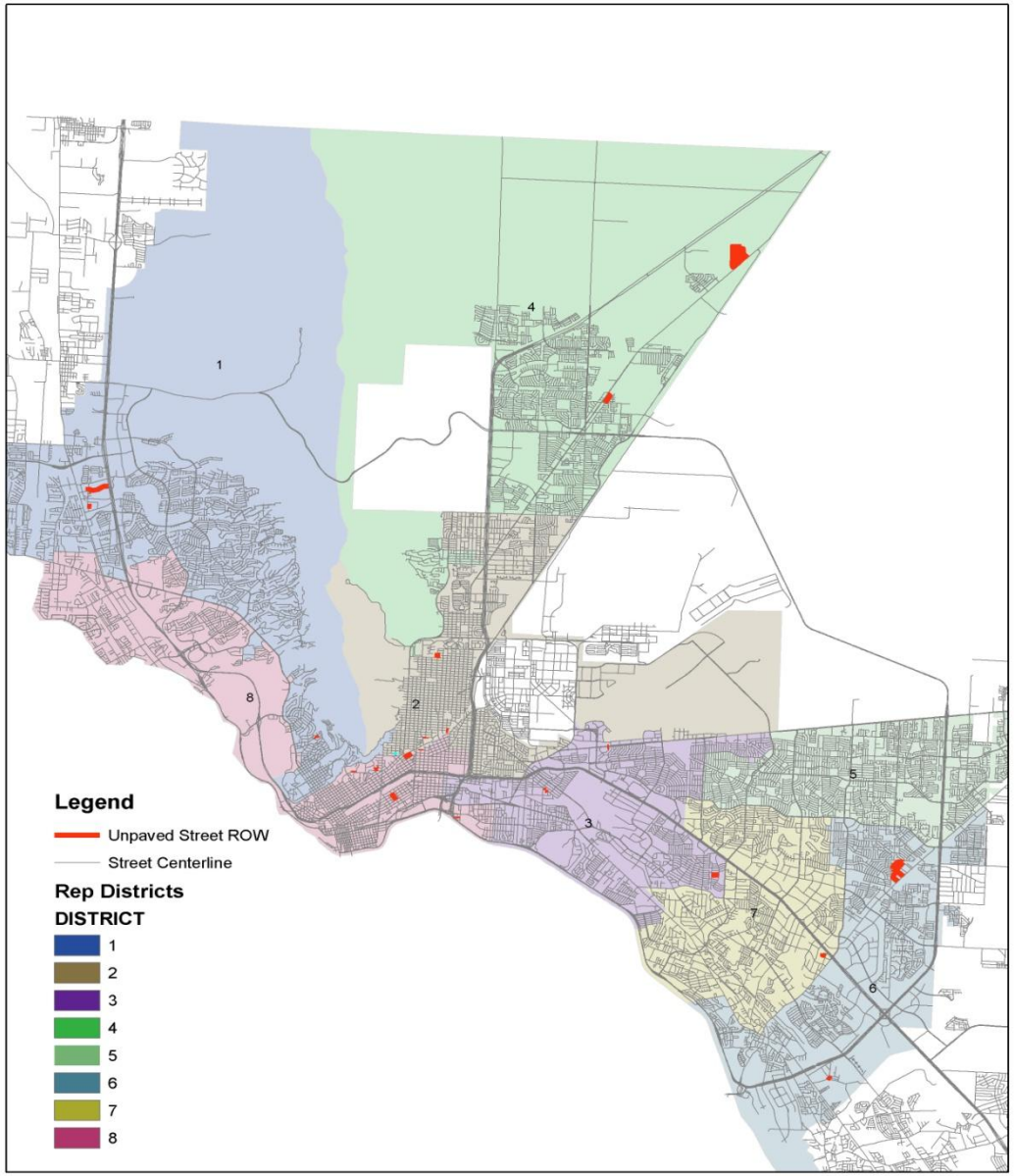
✓ Selection Criteria for unpaved streets

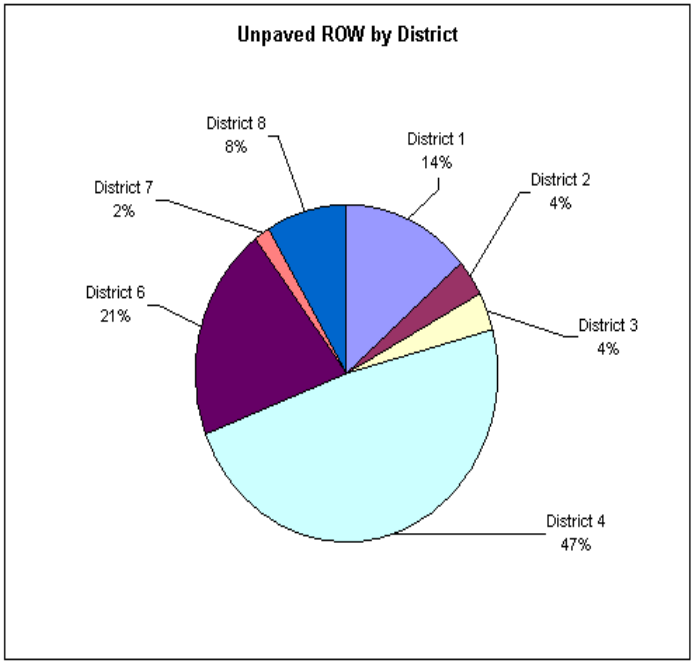
- Prioritize streets that provide primary access to homes.
- Restrict street list to locations that are achievable within the current budget.
- Prioritize streets that provide primary access to the greater number of parcels.
- Prioritize streets that provide a network connectivity benefit.
- Less priority is given to all non-constructed roadways and sections that will be developed in the future through the subdivision process.
- Less priority given to all streets that should be grouped together in a larger project.

Unpaved Street Inventory

Rank	Street	From	To	Length	District	Engineering Findings
1	RANGER TR	Tower Trail	Dead End	531	7	not platted – annexed 1955
2	ANNIE RD	Ethel	Dead End	458	1	not platted – property annexed 1977
3	CHICO ST	Maple	Cedar	941	8	platted as Arizona Street (Bassett's Addition) – filed 1905 – 1889 charter
4	HANLEY CR	Tampa	Cul de Sac	167	3	platted (Womble Addition 2nd Addition) – filed 1951 – annexed 1948
5	CHARIOT WY	Mesita	Dead End	243	1	
6	ETHEL	Edgar	Dead End	490	1	not platted – property annexed 1987
7	ROLLINS	Cul de Sac	Dead End	220	1	platted (Haron Estates) – filed 1972 – annexed 1987
8	AURORA AV	Russell	Dead End	238	2	not platted – property annexed 1907
9	KATHY AV	Landgren	Ferrell	419	6	platted (Richard Lee Subdivision) – filed 1954 – annexed 1955
10	LAUREL ST	Texas	Magoffin	991	8	platted (First Filed Map of Cotton Addition) – filed 1908 – 1889 charter
11	O'DONNELL	Dyer	Dead End	3174	4	platted (Future Land Subdivision) – filed 1957 – annexed 1978
12	TREMONT AV	Dakota	Dead End	70	2	platted (Highland Park) – 1889 charter
13	LEE SHANNON DR	Susan Jean	Dead End	459	1	not platted – annexed 1987
14	ATLANTA AV	Idaho	Dead End	240	8	platted (3rd Amended Map of Highland Park Add) – filed 1928 – 1889 charter
15	SANTA CLARA CT	Le Paz	Venado	827	3	platted (Sageland Addition) – filed 1956 – annexed 1955
16	TRACY PL	Cliff	Dead End	190	8	platted (Highland Park Addition) - 1889 charter
17	MARTINEZ ST	Laredo	Dead End	198	8	
18	RAYNOR ST	Douglas	Dead End	131	8	
19	SAN MARCIAL ST	Copper	Dead End	182	2	platted (Manhattan Heights) – filed 1912 – part of the City charter (1907)
20	SUNGLOW AV	Avalon	Dead End	150	3	
21	EDGAR	Ethel	Frontage Road	2437	1	not platted – property annexed 1978/1987
22	O'DELL	O'Donnell	Dyer	1528	4	platted (Future Land Subdivision) – filed 1957 – annexed 1978
23	O'HARA	O'Donnell	Dyer	1744	4	platted (Future Land Subdivision) – filed 1957 – annexed 1978
24	PHEASANT RD	Sun Valley	Dyer	1308	4	platted (Parkland Addition) – filed 1947 – annexed 1953
25	O'ROURKE	O'Donnell	Dyer	1309	4	platted (Future Land Subdivision) – filed 1957 – annexed 1978
26	O'BRIAN	O'Hara	Dead End	1130	4	platted (Future Land Subdivision) – filed 1957 – annexed 1978
27	O'RILEY	O'Donnell	Dyer	1098	4	platted (Future Land Subdivision) – filed 1957 – annexed 1978
28	KUNA LOOP	Diamond Head	Diamond Head	2940	6	platted (Hawaiian Estates #2) – filed 1968 – property annexed 1977
29	O'BRADY	O'Riley	Dyer	968	4	platted (Future Land Subdivision) – filed 1957 – annexed 1978
30	O'CONNOR	O'Malley	Dyer	1340	4	platted (Future Land Subdivision) – filed 1957 – annexed 1978
31	PALI	Diamond Head	Zaragoza	1643	6	platted (Hawaiian Estates Unit One) – filed 1962 – annexed 1977
32	O'MALLEY	O'Connor	Dead End	933	4	platted (Future Land Subdivision) – filed 1957 – annexed 1978
33	O'TOOLE	O'Bryan	O'Connor	841	4	platted (Future Land Subdivision) – filed 1957 – annexed 1978
34	DIAMOND HEAD	Kuna Loop	Zaragoza	1546	6	platted (Hawaiian Estates #1 Replat) – filed 1964 – property annexed 1977
35	JUSTUS	Pierce	Lincoln	639	2	eastern portion of ROW platted (Amended map of Morningside Heights Addition) – filed 1915 – annexed 1947

Current Inventory by Representative District





Please note:

✓ There are numerous "paper" platted streets within the City Limits.

✓ Data based on street length

Candidate List based on Selection Criteria

Unpaved Streets					
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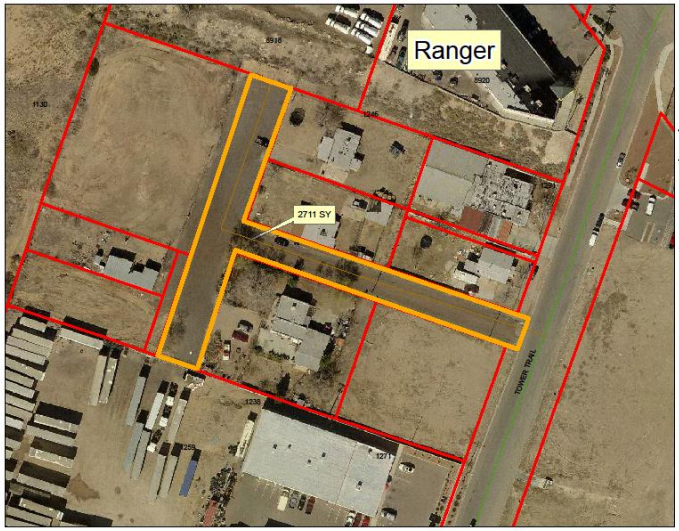


Ranger:

- Provides Access to residential and commercial lots
- Area may require drainage system and design

Chico:

- Provides Access to residential and commercial lots
- Conflicts with Railroad Right of Way

Candidates

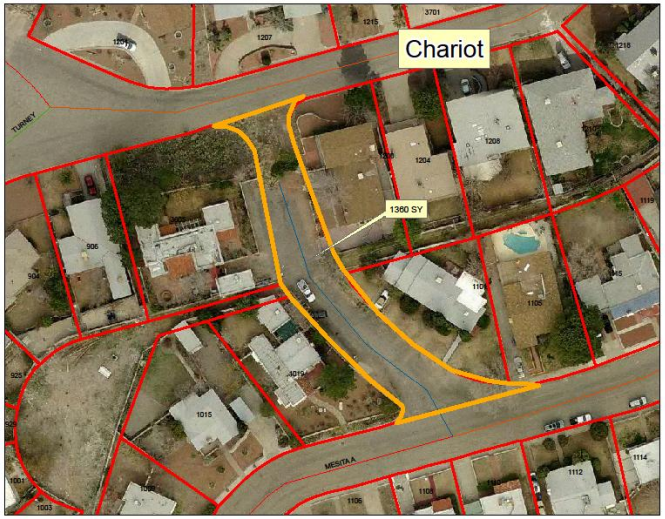
Annie:

- Provides Access to residential and commercial lots
- Area may require drainage system and design
- Area is not platted and parcel ownership is unknown

Hanley:

- Provides Access to residential lots
- Area will require drainage system and design

Candidates



Chariot:

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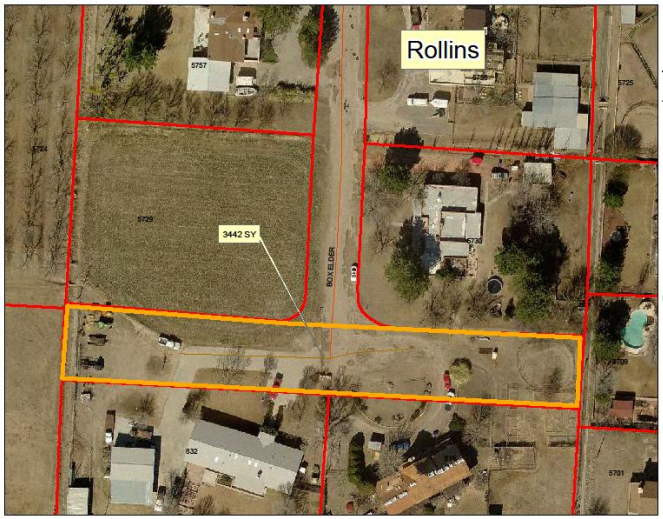
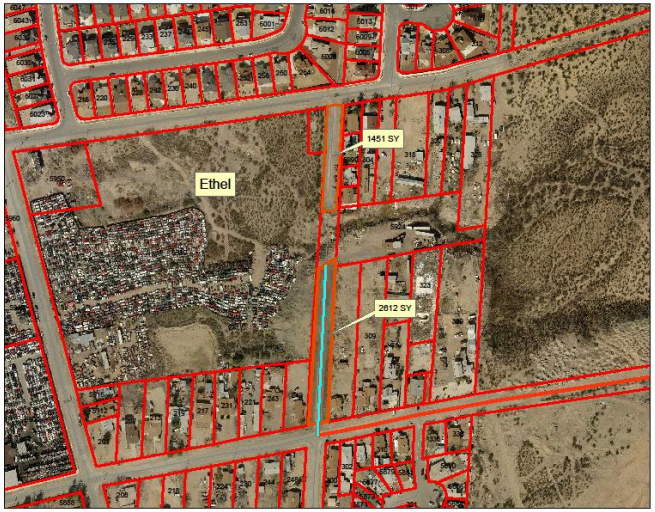
- Area will require drainage system and design



Rollins:

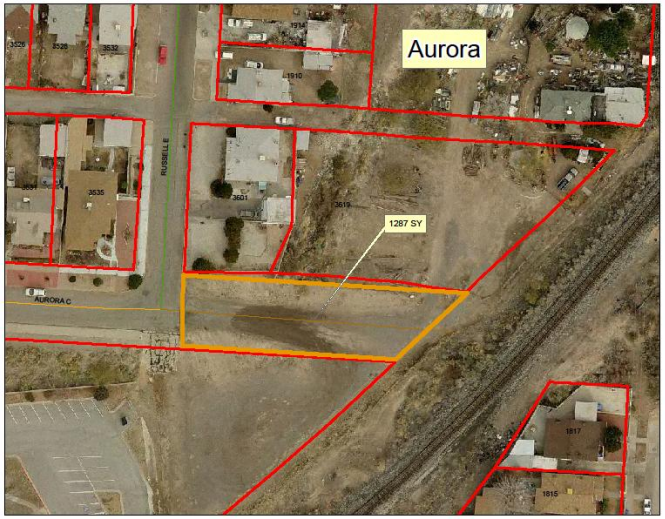
- Provides Access to residential lots
- Area may require drainage system, design and is currently “on-site” ponding area
- Possibly vacate to adjacent owners

Candidates



Ethel:

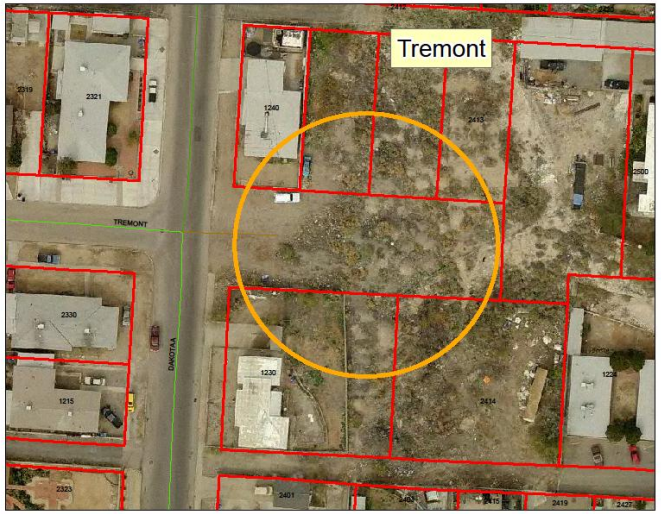
- Provides Access to residential
- Area will require drainage system and design
- May be included in Montoya CIP



Aurora:

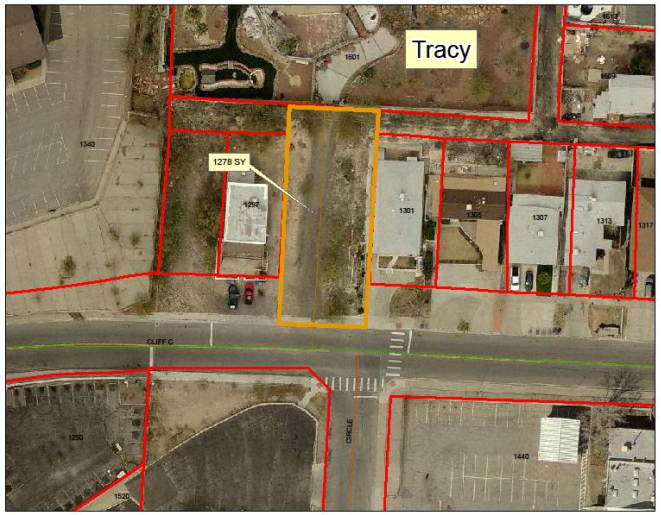
- Provides Access to residential lots
- Area may require drainage system and design

Candidates



Tremont:

- Provides Access to residential lots
- This roadway would be improved by the property owners when these lots are developed
- Area may require drainage system and design



Tracy:

- Provides Access to residential lots
- Area may require drainage system and design

Candidates

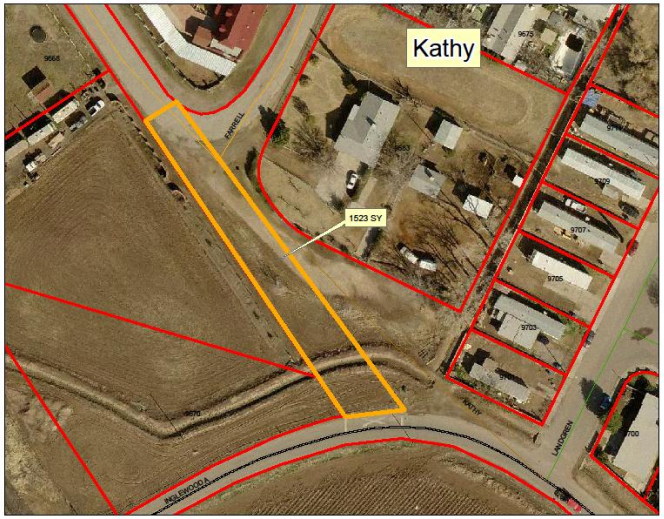
San Marcial:

- Area provides alley access to 2 lots

Raynor:

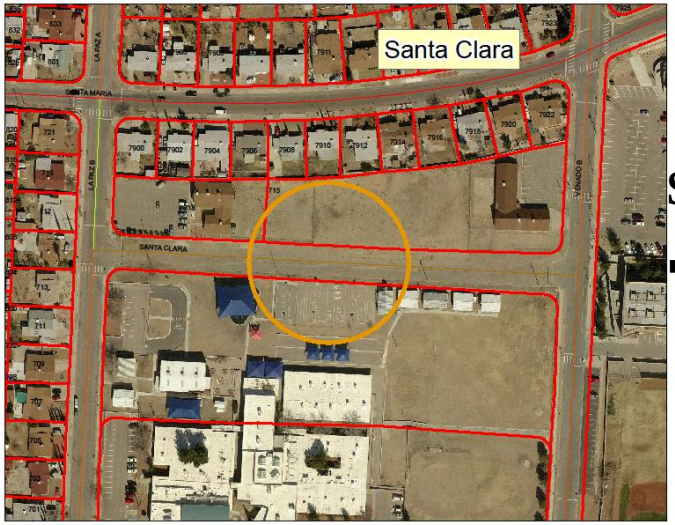
- Provides Access to residential lots
- Area may require drainage system
- May conflict with Railroad Right of Way

Candidates



Kathy:

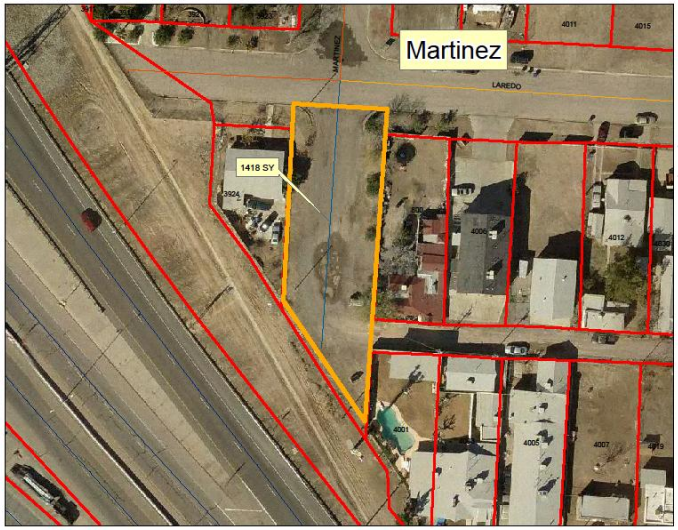
- Would provide network connectivity
- Possible conflict with irrigation lateral
- Would require design



Santa Clara:

- Possibly vacate to adjacent owners

Candidates



Martinez:

- Provides access to residential lots

Program Direction

- Current funding is $500,000 for FY2012 and $500,000 for FY2013
  - The unpaved street project should be able to start once bid is awarded and contract documents have been prepared.
  - The unpaved alley project has been halted but $1,000,000 can complete approximately 30 alleys.
- Shall the focus for use of these funds be unpaved streets or unpaved alleys?

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Thank you

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Department of Transportation Unpaved Right of way selection Procedure
Accepted by City Council Feb. 23, 2010

All unpaved alleys in the city are inventoried and evaluated according to various factors to allow the City of El Paso to objectively compare them and make informed plans for performing maintenance and reconstruction activities. The alleys are scored based on the following factors and each is given a weight based on their importance.

Objectives:

1. Improve Service to the traveling public
2. Reduce Maintenance costs to the City
3. Protect Utilities and Services
4. Reduce dust
5. Improve aesthetics

Criteria:

Rank	Criteria	Weight
1	Work Reports	33%
2	Distance	27%
3	Age	20%
4	Service Requests	13%
5	Completion	7%
6	Infill Development	*

Work Reports:

Locations are given a score based on the amount of work that has been performed in the area by the Department of Transportation Maintenance crews. Areas that have had more maintenance requirements receive a higher weight. Paving these areas lessens the amount of maintenance required in these areas allowing resources to be used elsewhere.

Distance:

Locations are given a score based on the distance of the location from the mountains. Areas closer to the mountains are subject to greater amounts of runoff and higher runoff velocities, which create washouts and other safety and maintenance issues.

Age:

Locations are given a score based on the age of the area. Older areas are given a higher weight. The reason for this is older areas are more likely to not meet current design standards, need more maintenance and be in need of redesign/reconstruction. Age is determined by when the subdivision was platted and accepted.

Service Requests:

Locations are given a score based on the number of service requests entered into the Cityworks database. Areas generating more requests indicate more activity and need for maintenance.

Completion:

Locations are given a score based on how many areas remain to be completed in a given geographic area. Areas that are nearly completed are given a higher weight. Completion is a factor for consideration since un-paved surfaces contribute to increased maintenance in adjacent areas. Completion of a geographically contingent zone also increases the efficiency of the Department's maintenance efforts.

Infill Development:

Locations will be rehabilitated on as funded basis by policy to be determined.