



Street and Alley Loading Zones and Special Issues

Preliminary Findings & Recommendations

City of El Paso

*Department of Transportation
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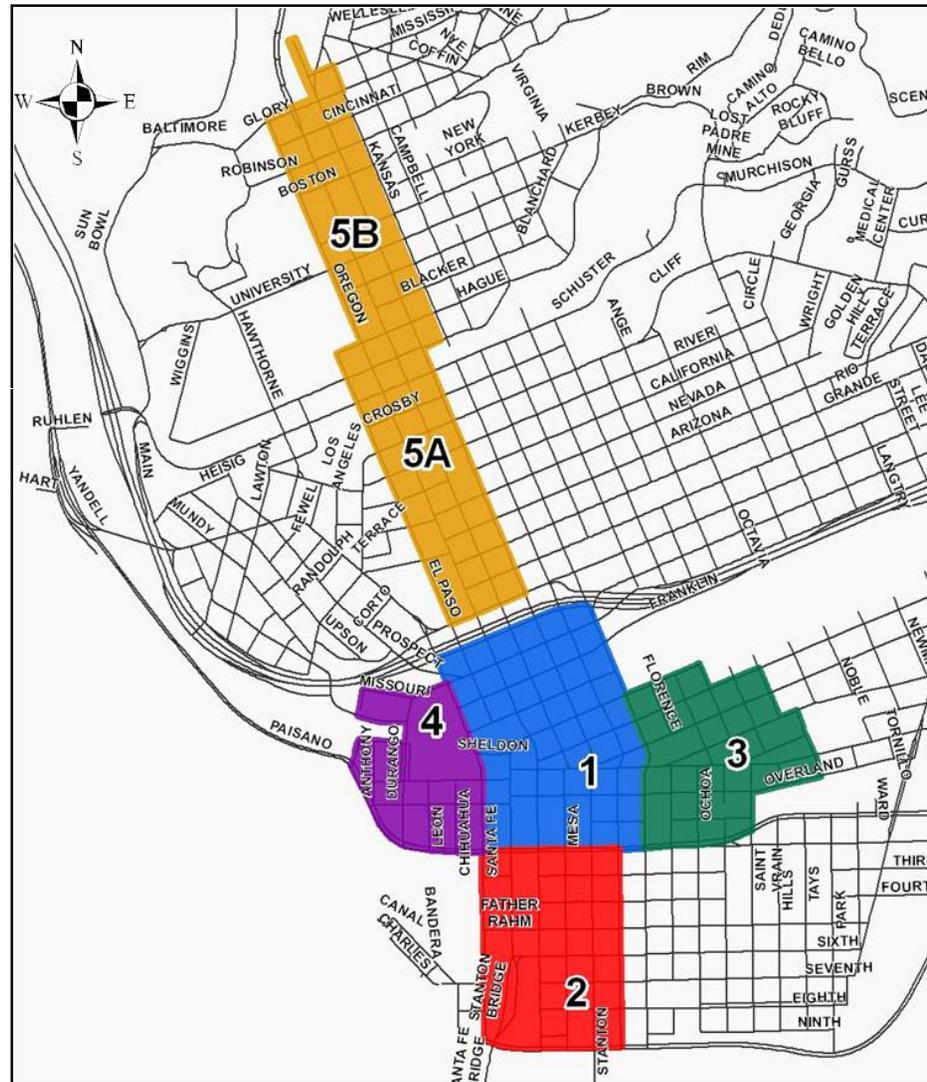


Direction from City Council

- Study Specific Locations Regarding Parking and Loading Zones in the City's Core Area
- Conduct Public Outreach
- Present Recommendations to Transportation LRC



Study Areas





Actions to date

- Inventory of all special parking and loading zones conducted from August 2010 through February 2011
- Project Update to Transportation LRC on January 3, 2011
- Public Outreach conducted February 2011 through April 2011
- Preliminary Recommendations Presented to Transportation LRC on April 14, 2011



Outreach Efforts

(February – April 2011)

Agencies/Entities:

- Municipal Court
- Police Department
- Fire Department
- Department of Public Health
- Museums and Cultural Affairs Department
- Sun Metro
- El Paso Public Libraries
- County of El Paso
- Sheriff's Department
- General Services Administration (Federal)



Store Front Open House

March 22, 2011



Outreach Efforts

(February – April 2011)

Agencies/Entities (continued):

- Mexican Consulate
- The Greater El Paso Chamber of Commerce
- El Paso Central Business Association (CBA)
- El Paso Downtown Management District (DMD)
- News Media
- Downtown Stakeholders
- Oregon Street Stakeholders



Area 5 Public Meeting

April 11, 2011



Recommendations for Parking and Loading Zones Government Agencies

STRATEGIES		USERS	Federal, State, County Bldgs & Jail	Mexican Consulate	Municipal Entities
Loading Zones	Consolidate Loading Zones		√		√
	Install Commercial Loading Zone Meters		√		√
Parking Meters	Convert all Free Parking to Meter Parking spaces		√		√
	Congestion Pricing where appropriate		√		√
Reserved Parking	Remove Reserved Parking spaces & Convert to Meter Parking spaces				√
	Maintain Reserved Parking spaces, & Charge Annual Fees for using assigned spaces		√	√ *	
	Maintain "Prisoner Unloading" Reserved Spaces, & Charge Annual Fees for using the spaces		√		√

Note: * Also add five reserved spaces on Overland Street.



Recommendations for Parking and Loading Zones Private Sectors

STRATEGIES	USERS	Media	Property/Business Owners & Residences
Loading Zones	Consolidate Loading Zones		√
	Install Commercial Loading Zone Meters		√
Parking Meters	Convert all Free Parking to Meter Parking spaces		√
	Congestion Pricing where appropriate		√
Reserved Parking	Remove Reserved Parking spaces & Convert to Meter Parking spaces		√
	Maintain Reserved Parking spaces, & Charge Annual Fees for using the spaces	√ **	√

Note: ** Located on the east side of County Courthouse Building. Also add two reserved spaces to the existing.



Recommendations on Other Issues

Residential Parking Districts

- Amend the Residential Parking District so that no Residential Parking District boundaries are within the Areas 1-5.

Alleys (Applies to All Five Areas)

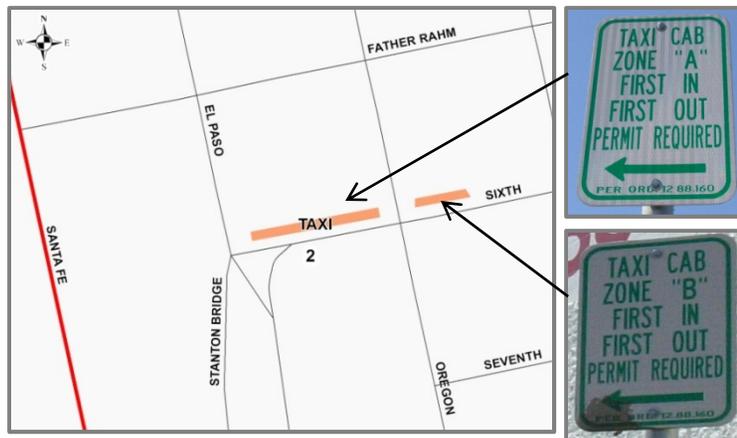
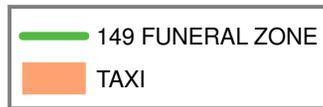
- Enforce alley use regulations & remove all unofficial Loading/No-Parking signs and markings
- Designate & mark each dumpster location
- Designate a Loading Zone in alleys of widths > 20 feet
- Evaluate the need for On-Street Loading Zone when Alley Loading Zone is available



Pending Issues

Reserved Parking Spaces

- Funeral Zone
- Taxicab Zone





Next Steps

- Proceed to Council for Direction on Recommendations
- EPDOT and IBD Finalized Plan for Implementation that includes
 - Cost
 - Impact on Parking Space Inventory
 - Schedule for Implementation
 - Legislative Changes Required
 - Public Notification



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