

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

AGENDA DATE: March 1, 2022
PUBLIC HEARING DATE: March 15, 2022

CONTACT PERSON(S) NAME AND PHONE NUMBER: Joaquin Rodriguez, 915-268-5148

DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: ETJ

STRATEGIC GOAL: Goal 7 - Enhance and Sustain El Paso's Infrastructure Network

SUBGOAL: N/A

SUBJECT:

ADOPT an ordinance to amend the 2025 Major Thoroughfare plan to delete a portion of Bill Burnett Dr, a proposed north/south connection between Mercantile Ave and Paseo del Este BLVD.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:

The requested change is associated with a subdivision application approved conditionally by the City Plan Commission on August 12, 2021. Approval of this amendment will satisfy the condition of that approval.

Bill Burnett drive is a minor arterial directly east of the city limits in the city's ETJ. The surrounding development is primarily industrial and institutional.

Private and public development directly north of the proposed alignment prevents any future extension Bill Burnett Dr north of Paseo Del Este Blvd. As such, the connection would have minimal impact on the overall connectivity of the surrounding street network. Additionally, due to topography of the surrounding area, Paseo del Este Blvd was constructed in a highly non-linear alignment, which impedes the ability to locate a major intersection along its alignment.

The Federal Highway Administration recommends an ideal spacing of 1 mile between arterial roadways in fully developed areas. Removing the north/south connection of Bill Burnett would result in a spacing of approximately 1.8 miles. However, due to the limited development potential of a large portion of the surrounding area based on deed restrictions and other large institutional property owners in the area, namely SISD, it is unlikely that the density in the area will ever necessitate the connection proposed for deletion.

After extensive coordination with reviewing departments, analysis of existing and trending development in the area, and consideration of the submitted traffic impact analysis staff recommends approval of the proposed amendment.

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

City Plan Commission Approval (Unanimous): Feb 10, 2022

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

N/A

HAVE ALL AFFECTED DEPARTMENTS BEEN NOTIFIED? YES NO

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT: CID - Planning
SECONDARY DEPARTMENT: Planning & Inspections

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

DEPARTMENT HEAD:

Gvette Hernandez

For

Sam Rodriguez P.E.

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2025 PROPOSED THOROUGHFARE SYSTEM, AS INCORPORATED INTO PLAN EL PASO, TO DELETE THE FUTURE EXTENSION OF BILL BURNETT DRIVE FROM MERCANTILE AVENUE TO PASEO DEL ESTE BOULEVARD.

WHEREAS, *Plan El Paso* was formally adopted by the City Council on March 6, 2012, 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, the 2025 Proposed Thoroughfare System map is contained within the City’s Comprehensive Plan and contemplates all proposed arterials; and

WHEREAS, a well planned transportation system, including any and all proposed arterials, is a key element for improving the quality of life, by balancing neighborhood concerns with provision of access for commerce and mobility for personal travel; and

WHEREAS, the adoption of the Comprehensive Plan was based on the recommendations of the Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee following numerous public meetings and working sessions; and

WHEREAS, the City Plan Commission has recommended the adoption of the change to the 2025 Proposed Thoroughfare System map as herein enumerated; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the adoption of *Plan El Paso* and its changes to the thoroughfare alignments as herein enumerated 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 incorporated in *Plan El Paso*, is herein amended as described below and as more particularly shown in the attached and incorporated Exhibit “A”.

That the following changes shall be made to the 2025 Proposed Thoroughfare System, as incorporated in *Plan El Paso*:

- Delete the future extension of Bill Burnett Drive from Mercantile Avenue to Paseo Del Este Blvd.

(Signatures begin on following page)

ORDINANCE NO. _____

ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 20__.

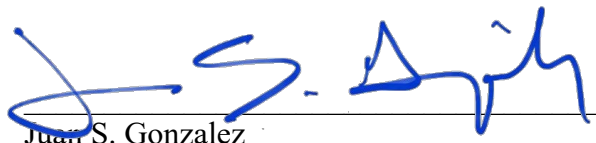
THE CITY OF EL PASO:

Oscar Leeser
Mayor

ATTEST:


Laura D. Prine
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Juan S. Gonzalez
Senior Assistant City Attorney

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

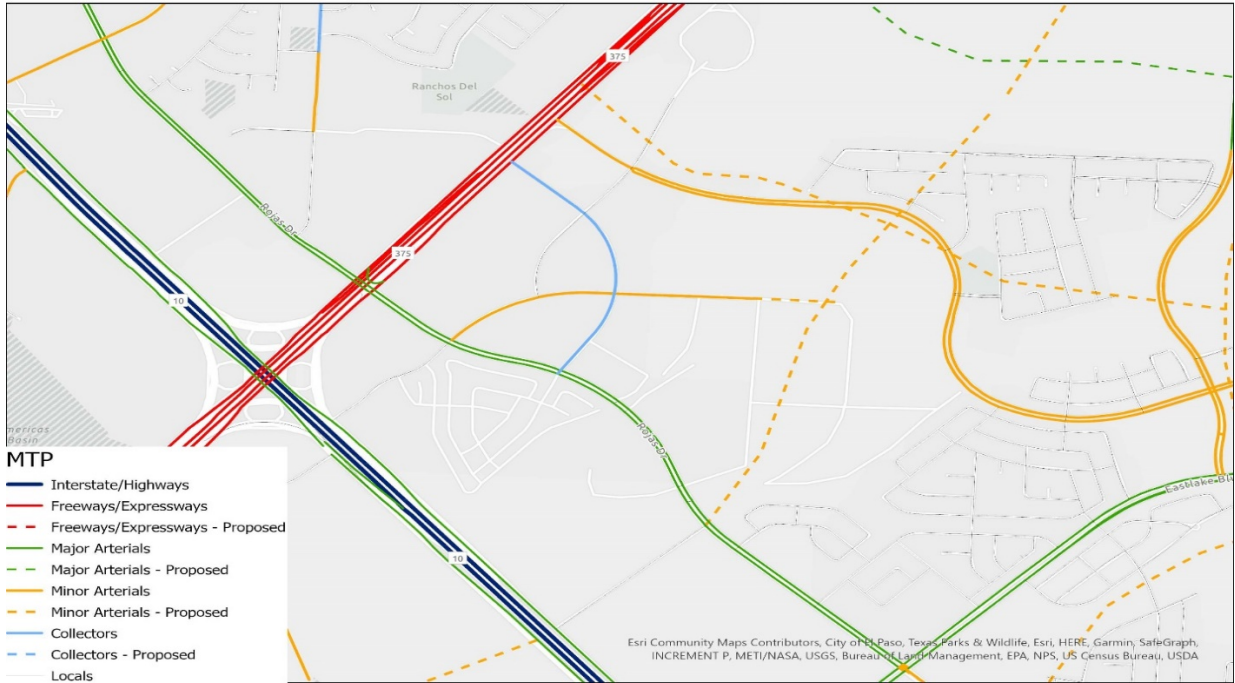


For Samuel Rodriguez, P.E.
City Engineer

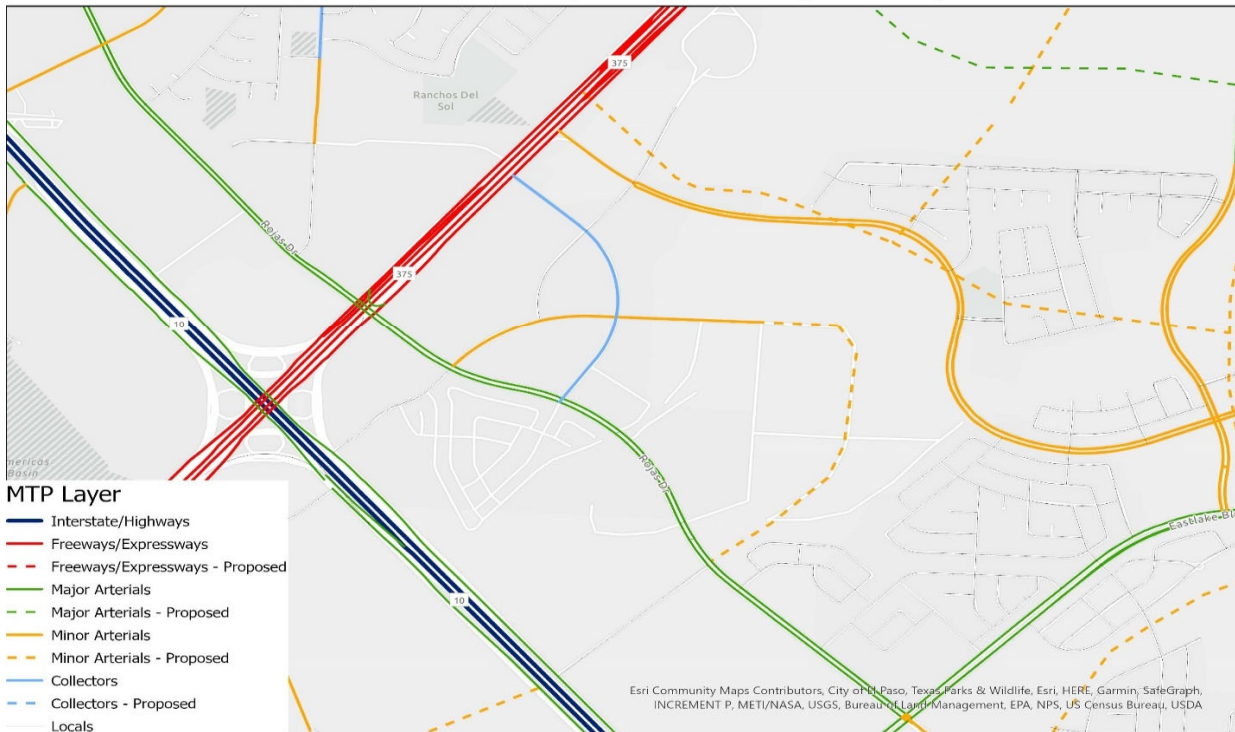
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Exhibit "A"

Major Thoroughfare Plan Existing 2025 Proposed Thoroughfare System



Major Thoroughfare Plan Requested 2025 Proposed Thoroughfare System



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