



AGENDA MEMO - PLANNING

CITY COUNCIL MEETING DATE: JUNE 17, 2015

DEPARTMENT: PLANNING

ITEM DESCRIPTION: APPLICANT/OWNER: CITY OF LAS VEGAS

**** STAFF RECOMMENDATION(S) ****

<i>CASE NUMBER</i>	<i>RECOMMENDATION</i>	<i>REQUIRED FOR APPROVAL</i>
GPA-58319	Staff recommends APPROVAL.	

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**** STAFF REPORT ****

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Transportation & Streets and Highways Element will be amended by incorporating a number of downtown streets into City's Master Plan of Streets and Highways. An exception is being requested to allow certain 60-foot wide streets within Symphony Park to be classified as Major Collectors, which typically have a minimum right-of-way width of 80 feet. The Southeast Sector Master Plan of Streets and Highways Map (Map 2A) will also be updated to reflect the proposed changes.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

<i>Related Relevant City Actions by P&D, Fire, Bldg., etc</i>	
04/15/09	The City Council adopted Ordinance No. 6038, the Transportation & Streets and Highways Element.
05/12/15	The Planning Commission unanimously voted to recommend APPROVAL on a General Plan Amendment (GPA-58319) request for to amend the Master Plan of Streets and Highways to add 6th Street, 7th Street, 8th Street, 9th Street, 10th Street, 11th Street, Carson Avenue west, Bridger Avenue west, Clark Avenue west, Promenade Place, City Parkway south and Symphony Park east and west as Collector Streets, Ward 3 (Coffin) and Ward 5 (Barlow) [PRJ-58551].

<i>Neighborhood Meeting</i>	
05/06/15	A neighborhood meeting was held on May 6, 2015 and no members of the public were in attendance.

ANALYSIS

The Transportation & Streets and Highways Element will be amended by incorporating a number of downtown streets into City's Master Plan of Streets and Highways. The Southeast Sector Master Plan of Streets and Highways Map (Map 2A) will also be updated to reflect the proposed changes. This update is required in order to improve downtown traffic circulation and to permit these roadways to be eligible for outside improvement funding.

All of the street additions are proposed as Major Collectors, which are defined by LVMC 13.12.106 as streets or highways which have a minimum right-of-way width of 80 feet and an existing or potential design capacity of two travel lanes of traffic in each direction, with a center turn lane or a raised median with left turn pockets. The streets within the downtown core (6th through 11th Street) are all 80 feet in width and meet the requirements of a Major Collector.

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The streets within Symphony Park are 60 feet in width and an exception is being requested for the classification of these streets as Major Collectors. LVMC 13.12.110 allows for the approval of an exception to the right-of-way widths identified in LVMC 13.12.106 when such exceptions are deemed necessary. This exception is necessary and justified because these streets within Symphony Park are specially designed 60-foot right-of-ways to back of curb, which allow for the full width of the street to be utilized for traffic purposes. Upon construction, these 60-foot wide streets will exhibit the same design functionality as an 80-foot Major Collector. If this exception is approved, Schedule 13-1A will be subsequently updated as required by LVMC 13.12.110.

The following streets are requested to be included as planned streets on the Southeast Sector street classification map:

Location	Proposed Street Classification	ROW Width
6 th Street, between Bonneville Ave and Stewart Ave	Major Collector	80 Feet
7 th Street, between Bonneville Ave and Stewart Ave	Major Collector	80 Feet
8 th Street, between Bonneville Ave and Clark Ave; and between Bridger Ave and Stewart Ave	Major Collector	80 Feet
9 th Street, between Fremont Street and Stewart Ave	Major Collector	80 Feet
10 th Street, between Bonneville Ave and Stewart Ave	Major Collector	80 Feet
11 th Street, between Bonneville Ave and Stewart Ave	Major Collector	80 Feet
Carson Avenue West, between City Pkwy and Grand Central Pkwy	Major Collector*	60 Feet
Bridger Avenue West, between Promenade Place and Grand Central Pkwy	Major Collector*	60 Feet
Clark Avenue West, between South City Pkwy and Grand Central Pkwy	Major Collector*	60 Feet
Symphony Park Avenue, Eastbound, between South City Pkwy and Grand Central Pkwy	Major Collector*	60 Feet
Symphony Park Avenue, Westbound, between South City Pkwy and Grand Central Pkwy	Major Collector*	60 Feet
Promenade Place, between Bonneville Ave and Carson Ave West	Major Collector*	60 Feet
South City Parkway, between Grand Central Pkwy and West Clark Ave	Major Collector*	60 Feet

*with approved exception to LVMC 13.12.106

NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS NOTIFIED

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NOTICES MAILED

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