

1 **BILL NO. 2012-24**

2 **ORDINANCE NO. _____**

3 AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL THE CODE CHAPTER PERTAINING TO THE MASTER PLAN
4 OF STREETS AND HIGHWAYS AND REPLACE IT WITH A CHAPTER PERTAINING TO
5 PLANNED STREETS AND HIGHWAYS, AND TO PROVIDE FOR OTHER RELATED
6 MATTERS.

6 Proposed by: Flinn Fagg, Director of Planning

Summary: Repeals the Code chapter pertaining
to the Master Plan of Streets and Highways and
replaces it with a chapter pertaining to planned
streets and highways.

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9 THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS DOES HEREBY ORDAIN
10 AS FOLLOWS:

11 SECTION 1: Title 13, Chapter 12, of the Municipal Code of the City of Las Vegas,
12 Nevada, 1983 Edition, is hereby repealed in its entirety.

13 SECTION 2: Title 13 of the Municipal Code of the City of Las Vegas, Nevada, 1983
14 Edition, is hereby amended by adding thereto a new Chapter 12, consisting of Sections 10 to 170,
15 inclusive, set forth below:

16 **13.12.010:** The purpose of this Chapter is to establish guidelines for planned streets and highways
17 that correspond to and are in conformance with the elements of the City's Master Plan that pertain to
18 transportation and streets and highways.

19 **13.12.020:** The Planned Streets and Highways Map and the schedule of exceptions designated as
20 "Schedule 13-1A" that are attached to the Ordinance codified in this Chapter (Ordinance No. ____),
21 together with subsequent amendments thereto, are hereby adopted by reference and made a part of this
22 Chapter as if fully set forth herein. In this Chapter, the Planned Streets and Highways Map shall be
23 referred to as the "Map" and Schedule 13-1A as "Schedule 13-1A."

24 **13.12.030:** "Planned streets and highways" shall denote streets and highways of importance to the
25 City and on which preference is given to the through movement of traffic. Planned streets and
26 highways shall consist of the following streets and highways designated as such on the Map and on
27 Schedule 13-1A:

28 (A) All highways designated as Federal highways;

1 (B) All highways designated as State highways, including the corresponding
2 frontage roads;

3 (C) Section line roads designated by the Planning Commission; and

4 (D) Other streets and highways, existing or proposed, that have been so designated
5 in order to carry out the purposes of this Chapter.

6 **13.12.040:** For the purposes of function, the planned streets and highways designated as such on
7 the Map and on Schedule 13-1A are the following:

8 (A) Major thoroughfare:

9 (1) Freeway: A divided highway with one-hundred-fifty-foot-wide
10 minimum right-of-way and classified as “controlled access”; a high-speed road with grade-separated
11 interchanges.

12 (2) Expressway: A divided highway with a one-hundred-fifty foot-wide
13 minimum right-of-way and classified as “limited access”; a high-speed road with at-grade, cross-
14 traffic intersections.

15 (B) Primary thoroughfare:

16 (1) Parkway arterial: A street or highway which has a minimum right-of-
17 way width of one hundred twenty feet; an existing or potential design capacity of three or more travel
18 lanes of traffic in each direction, divided by a landscape median; and, within the right-of-way, nineteen
19 feet on each side of the roadway reserved for sidewalks and landscape.

20 (2) Primary arterial: A street or highway which has a minimum right-of-
21 way width of one hundred six feet and an existing or potential design capacity of three travel lanes of
22 traffic in each direction, divided by a raised median with left turn pockets. A primary arterial within
23 a proposed development that is adjacent to existing improvements may have a lesser right-of-way
24 width if the Director of Public Works, pursuant to LVMC 19.04.010, has determined that the complete
25 streets standards set forth in Chapter 19.04 need not apply to that primary arterial street.

26 (C) Secondary thoroughfare:

27 (1) Major collector: A street or highway which has a minimum right-of-
28 way width of eighty 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.

13.12.050: Minor streets shall include all streets not designated as planned streets and highways on the Map and on Schedule 13-1A.

13.12.060: (A) For the purposes of function, minor streets are classified as follows:

(1) Minor collector: A street which has a minimum right-of-way width of sixty feet which collects traffic from local streets and distributes it to major collector or arterial streets.

(2) Residential street: A street with which is designed to carry residential traffic between minor collectors.

(3) Local street: Any street which is designed to carry a combination of light commercial and residential traffic between minor collectors, major collectors and primary arterials that does not function as a collector or arterial.

(4) Local access or service road: A street or that portion of a major or secondary thoroughfare lying outside the principal roadway designed to provide frontage for individual lots and which primarily carries traffic having a destination or origin on the street itself.

(B) The locations of minor streets are not shown on the Map and on Schedule 13-1A, but such streets shall be subject to any provisions of this Chapter that apply to minor streets.

13.12.070: Except as otherwise provided in this Chapter, the minimum right-of-way widths which shall be provided for planned streets and highways shall be as follows:

Classification	Minimum Right-of-Way Width (feet)
Major thoroughfare	
Freeway or expressway	150
Primary thoroughfare	
Parkway arterial	120
Primary arterial	106 (subject to LVMC 13.12.040(B)(2))
Secondary thoroughfare	
Major collector	80

13.12.080: Exceptions to the right-of-way minimums set forth in LVMC 13.12.070 shall be as shown on the Map and described on Schedule 13-1A.

1 **13.12.090:** The minimum right-of-way (property line) radii requirements and curblane radii
2 requirements for intersections of planned streets and highways shall be in accordance with City
3 Standards, as defined in the most recent editions of the Uniform Standard Specifications for Public
4 Works Construction Off-Site Improvements, Clark County, Nevada, and the Standard Drawings for
5 Public Works Construction Off-Site Improvements, Clark County, Nevada. However, the minimum
6 right-of-way radii for intersections of planned streets and highways within the area bounded by Eighth
7 Street, Main Street, Bonanza Road and Charleston Boulevard shall be ten feet.

8 **13.12.100:** It is intended that the right-of-way widths set forth in LVMC 13.12.070 represent
9 minimum requirements only and that wider rights-of-way or larger radii distances be provided where
10 design criteria indicate the need therefor. In such cases, the wider rights-of-way shall be indicated on
11 the Map and on Schedule 13-1A.

12 **13.12.110:** The City Council may grant exceptions to the minimum right-of-way widths required
13 by this Chapter, in addition to those described in this Chapter, where such exceptions are deemed
14 necessary. Any proposed exceptions shall be processed as in the case of a General Plan Amendment
15 under Title 19. Exceptions approved by the City Council shall thereafter be indicated on the Map and
16 on Schedule 13-1A.

17 **13.12.120:** With respect to any planned street or highway located on a section line, the section line
18 shall be the centerline unless the City Council establishes a different centerline by means of an
19 application processed as in the case of a General Plan Amendment under Title 19. With respect to any
20 proposed or existing planned street or highway which does not follow a predetermined line, the
21 location of the centerline in each case shall be established by action of the City Council by means of
22 an application for approval of a special design. Such an application shall be processed as in the case
23 of a General Plan Amendment under Title 19. In the case of a centerline established by Council action
24 under this Section, the centerline shall thereafter be indicated on the Map and described on Schedule
25 13-1A, except that in master planned communities subject to a development agreement, centerlines
26 that are described in the development agreement need not be reflected on Schedule 13-1A.

27 **13.12.130:** The layout of subdivisions and setback requirements on land adjacent to planned streets
28 and highways and minor streets, and the right-of-way widths of planned streets and highways and

1 minor streets, are set forth in the subdivision, building and zoning regulations contained in this Code.
2 These rules and regulations have been prepared in order to further promote and aid in the development
3 of planned streets and highways and minor streets, and for other purposes.

4 **13.12.140:** All buildings or structures to be built along any planned street or highway shall be set
5 back from the centerline of any existing or proposed planned street or highway a distance equal to one-
6 half the proposed right-of way width, plus the distance required by the particular zone in which the
7 property is located, unless an ordinance is adopted to establish a distance other than one-half the
8 proposed right-of-way width. With respect to any building or structure located at any intersection
9 described in LVMC 13.12.090, the foregoing setback requirements shall be increased to conform to
10 the property line radius specified in that Section.

11 **13.12.150:** Whenever the owner or developer of property which abuts any proposed or existing
12 planned street or highway (other than a freeway or expressway) is required by this Code, or by any
13 other law or regulation, to dedicate land for a planned street or highway, the dedication shall consist
14 of one-half the proposed right-of-way width, unless a different dedication width is designated on the
15 Map and on Schedule 13-1A. Where the same person owns or develops the property on both sides
16 of any proposed or existing planned street or highway, the required dedication shall be the entire right-
17 of-way width. Any such dedication shall include, in addition to the above requirements, any additional
18 right-of-way necessary:

19 (A) To conform to the property line radius as described in LVMC 13.12.090; and

20 (B) To conform to the requirements of the most recent version of the Clark County
21 Area Uniform Standard Drawing 201.1.

22 **13.12.160:** In the event of any discrepancy between the Map and Schedule 13-1A, the Director of
23 Public Works is authorized to determine which document is correct. The document that is determined
24 not be correct shall be corrected, or the documents otherwise reconciled, as follows:

25 (A) By administrative action of the Director where the document that is correct has
26 been properly adopted; or

27 (B) By means of LVMC 13.12.170, otherwise.

28 **13.12.170:** The City Council may amend the Map and Schedule 13-1A from time to time by means

1 of ordinance or resolution. Any amendment shall first be processed as in the case of a text amendment
2 under Section 19.16.220 of the Unified Development Code.

3 SECTION 2: If any section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph, sentence, clause or
4 phrase in this ordinance or any part thereof is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid or
5 ineffective by any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity or
6 effectiveness of the remaining portions of this ordinance or any part thereof. The City Council of the
7 City of Las Vegas hereby declares that it would have passed each section, subsection, subdivision,
8 paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase thereof irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections,
9 subsections, subdivisions, paragraphs, sentences, clauses or phrases be declared unconstitutional,
10 invalid or ineffective.

11 SECTION 3: All ordinances or parts of ordinances or sections, subsections, phrases,
12 sentences, clauses or paragraphs contained in the Municipal Code of the City of Las Vegas, Nevada,
13 1983 Edition, in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

14 PASSED, ADOPTED and APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 2012.

15 APPROVED:

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17 By _____
18 CAROLYN G. GOODMAN, Mayor

19 ATTEST:

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21 BEVERLY K. BRIDGES, MMC
City Clerk

22 APPROVED AS TO FORM:

23 Val Steed 5-22-12
24 Date

1 The above and foregoing ordinance was first proposed and read by title to the City Council on the
2 _____ day of _____, 2012, and referred to a committee for recommendation, the
3 committee being composed of the following members _____
4 _____; thereafter the said committee reported favorably on said ordinance on the
5 _____ day of _____, 2012, which was a _____ meeting of said
6 Council; that at said _____ meeting, the proposed ordinance was read by title
7 to the City Council as first introduced and adopted by the following vote:

8 VOTING "AYE": _____
9 VOTING "NAY": _____
10 ABSENT: _____

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APPROVED:

By _____
CAROLYN G. GOODMAN, Mayor

ATTEST:

BEVERLY K. BRIDGES, MMC
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