Austin Transportation Department



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January 30, 2017 To Stakeholder, Property Owner, or Resident:

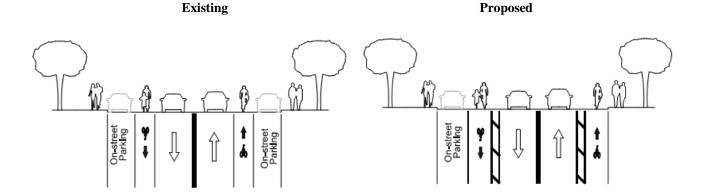
E 5th Street from San Saba Street to Shady Lane is scheduled for routine street maintenance (road resurfacing and restriping) within the next six months. By coordinating with this maintenance, the Austin Transportation Department (ATD) has the opportunity to make safety and mobility improvements for all road users with little to no effect on project cost and duration. You are receiving this notification because you live on and/or own property adjacent to E 5th Street in Austin, Texas or are otherwise registered as a stakeholder in the area.

E 5th Street desde San Saba Street hasta Shady Lane tiene programado mantenimiento rutinario de calles (reasfaltado y señalización de piso) dentro de los seis próximos meses. Al coordinar con dicho mantenimiento, el Departamento de Transporte de Austin (ATD por sus siglas en inglés), tiene la oportunidad de llevar a cabo mejoras en movilidad y seguridad para todos los usuarios de las vías con impactos bajos o nulos en cuanto al costo y duración del proyecto. Usted está recibiendo esta notificación porque vive o es propietario de predios adyacentes a E 5th Street en Austin, Texas o está registrado de como persona interesada por diferentes motivos.

ATD is assessing restriping options that could improve safety and mobility for all road users. E 5th Street is part of the Lance Armstrong Bikeway and provides east-west connectivity for bicycles, access to Brooke Elementary School, and access to southeast Austin via the Montopolis Bridge. ATD is improving this identified bicycle route, as directed by the Austin City Council per City Ordinance No. 20141106-118 (The Austin Bicycle Plan). A total of 109 crashes have occurred on this section of E 5th Street in the last 11 years, 13 involving a pedestrian or bicyclist. Pedestrian crossings will be evaluated as part of this project.

Based on this information, the typical proposed striping along E 5^{th} Street from San Saba Street to Shady Lane will have a parking lane and buffered bike lane on the north side of the street and a buffered bike lane on the south side of the street, as shown in Figure 1.

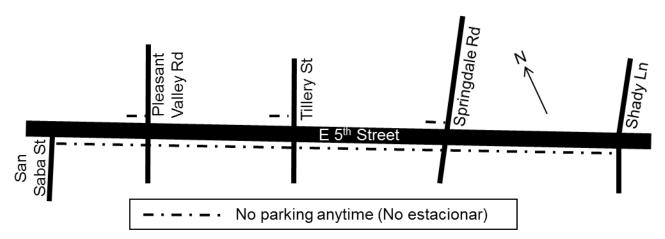
Figure 1 – Typical Cross Sections for E 5th Street – San Saba Street to Shady Lane



In order to add bicycle facilities on E 5th Street, on-street motor vehicle parking will be prohibited at certain locations as listed below and in Figure 2.

- **E** 5th **Street** (from San Saba Street to Shady Lane) prohibit parking on the south side of the street (~2300 ft. currently prohibited). Repaint parking on north side of street to gain ~10% additional parking.
- **E** 5th Street (at Pleasant Valley Road, Tillery Street, and Springdale Road) prohibit parking ~150 ft west of each intersection for right turn lanes.

Figure 2 – E 5th Street Road Project Area



In order to ensure the most appropriate allocation of street space, ATD is seeking feedback from local residents and other users of this street prior to determining final plans. You can obtain additional information about this mobility project and provide feedback at an open house on **Tuesday**, **February 14**, **2017 from 6 pm to 7 pm at the Cepeda Branch Library**, **651 N Pleasant Valley Road**, **Austin**, **Texas 78702**. Feedback based on local experience frequently results in improvements to initial project proposals. If necessary, modifications to this proposal can be made after input is received at the open house.

If you cannot attend this open house and have questions or comments, please contact Mike Schofield at 974-7834 or Mike.Schofield@austintexas.gov.

Sincerely,

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