



MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and Council

CC: Marc A. Ott, City Manager
Robert Goode, P.E., Assistant City Manager

FROM: Robert Spillar, P.E., Director, Austin Transportation Department
Howard Lazarus, P.E., Director, Public Works Department

DATE: January 20, 2016

SUBJECT: **Right of Way Activity Moratorium – March 8th – 21st, 2016**

Rob Spillar
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During specific times of the year the City of Austin will issue an activity moratorium to right of way projects, to ensure that sidewalks and traffic/bicycle lanes are accessible for our citizens as well as any large influx of out-of-town guests trying to navigate our streets. This provides contractors and City operational divisions an opportunity to focus on cleaning up work sites and minimize work areas in order to avoid traffic disruptions.

The purpose of this communication is to inform you that, as done previously, a moratorium is being issued for permitted activities in the downtown area starting March 8th and will run through March 21st, 2016, at the conclusion of the South x Southwest Special Event.

The primary area of influence affected by this moratorium will be bounded by Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. to Oltorf St. and Mopac Expy. to Chicon St., known as the Downtown Austin Project Coordination Zone (DAPCZ). There could be secondary areas, along corridors with hotels and high activity centers that will be closely monitored to determine if the moratorium area of influence needs to be extended.

Like last year, a review process will be implemented for Capital Improvement Projects in the DAPCZ area to determine if they may be exempt from total moratorium or stop work, based on review by the Director of Public Works and the Director of Transportation. If you need any additional information or assistance, please contact Rob Spillar, Director, Austin Transportation Department at 512-974-2488, or Howard Lazarus, Director, Public Works Department at 512-974-7190.