

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

**DEPARTMENT:** Planning & Inspections Department  
**AGENDA DATE:** Regular Consent Agenda: April 21, 2015  
**CONTACT PERSON/PHONE:** Joaquin Rodriguez, 212-1608,  
rodriguezjx3@elpasotexas.gov  
**DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED:** District 2

**SUBJECT:**

A resolution authorizing the city manager to take the necessary steps to change the name of the street known as Yaqui Way to Southwest University Way. Subject Property: North of Montana and East of Geronimo Drive Applicant: Southwest University  
**SUNC15-00001 (District 2)**

**BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:**

See attached staff report.

**PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:**

None

**AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:**

The applicant is required to pay for the cost to manufacture and install new street signs

**BOARD / COMMISSION ACTION:**

City Plan Commission (CPC) – Unanimous approval on March 23, 2015

\*\*\*\*\*REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION\*\*\*\*\*

**LEGAL:** (if required) N/A

**FINANCE:** (if required) N/A

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:** Mathew McElroy, Director  
Planning & Inspections Department



APPROVED FOR AGENDA:

CITY MANAGER: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

**RESOLUTION**

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:**

That the El Paso City Council hereby renames the street currently known as Yaqui Way to Southwest University Way in its entirety, which is located within the City of El Paso, County of El Paso North of Montana Avenue and East of Geronimo Drive, further described on Exhibit "A" attached hereto in compliance with the El Paso City Code 19.15.140(A)(3), and authorizes the City Manager to take the necessary steps to change the name as herein described.

**APPROVED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2015.

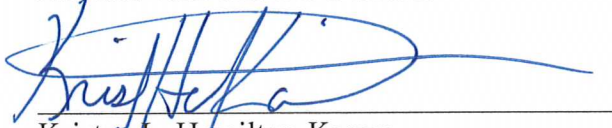
**CITY OF EL PASO**

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Oscar Leeser  
Mayor

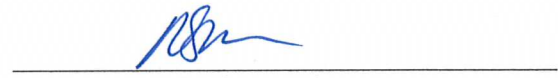
**ATTEST:**

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Richarda Duffy Momsen  
City Clerk

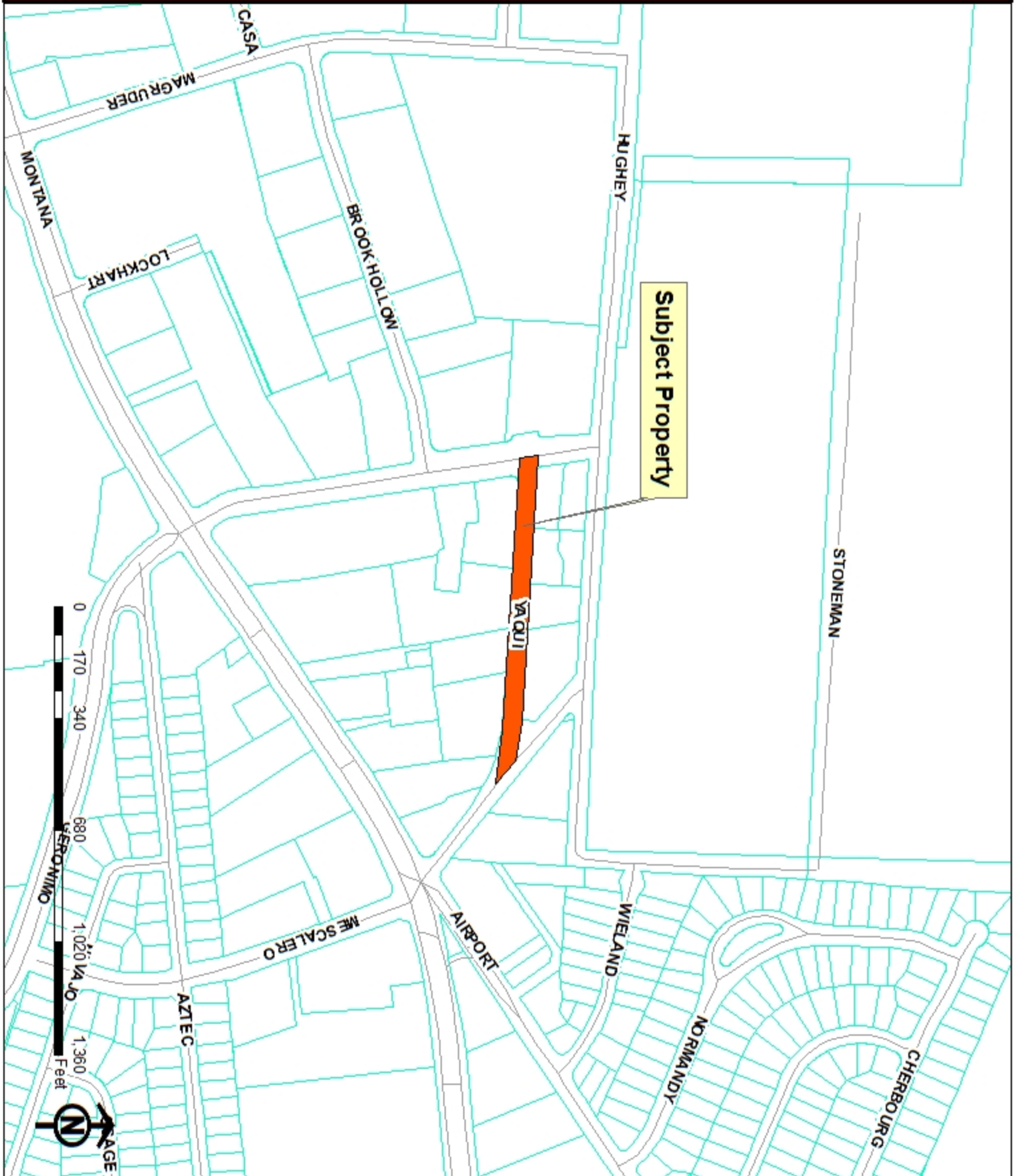
**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

  
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Kristen L. Hamilton-Karam  
Assistant City Attorney

**APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:**

  
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Mathew S. McElroy, Director  
Planning & Inspections Department

# YAQUI WAY STREET NAME CHANGE



## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** April 14, 2015

**TO:** The Honorable Mayor and City Council  
Tommy Gonzalez, City Manager

**FROM:** Joaquin Rodriguez, Planner

**SUBJECT:** Street Name Change SUNC15-00001 (Yaqui Way to Southwest University Way)

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An application was made to the City by Southwest University to change the name of Yaqui Way to Southwest University Way. All parcels, save one, are now owned by the applicant; the owner of the remaining property is in support of the change and has provided an affidavit to that effect.

The proposed street name change was scheduled for the City Plan Commission (CPC), on March 23, 2015. The CPC recommended **approval** of the proposed street name change, despite opposition from the 911 Emergency District.

The recommendation is based on city staff receiving no opposition from the public or any other reviewing departments in regards to this application and the applicant owning all but one parcel along the street in question.

**Property Owners/Applicant:** Southwest University.

**Attachments:** Staff Report



## *City of El Paso – City Plan Commission Staff Report*

**Case No:** SUNC15-00001 – Yaqui Way Street Name Change  
**Application Type:** Street Name Change  
**CPC Hearing Date:** March 26, 2015  
**Staff Planner:** Joaquin Rodriguez, (915) 212-1608,  
rodriguezjx3@elpasotexas.gov  
**Location:** North of Montana and East of Geronimo  
**Acreage:** N/A  
**Rep District:** 2  
**Existing Use:** Street, Local  
**Existing Zoning:** N/A  
**Proposed Zoning:** N/A  
**Nearest Park:** Normandy City Park (.2 mi)  
**Nearest School:** Ross Middle School (.1 mi)  
**Park Fees Required:** N/A  
**Impact Fee Area:** N/A  
**Property Owner:** City of El Paso  
**Applicant:** Southwest University  
**Representative:** Salomon Chavira

### **SURROUNDING ZONING AND LAND USE**

**North:** A-O/sc (Apartment/special contract)  
**South:** C-4/sc (Commercial/special contract)  
**East:** A-2 (Apartment)  
**West:** C-4/sp (Commercial/special contract)

**PLAN EL PASO DESIGNATION:** G4 Suburban Walkable

### **APPLICATION DESCRIPTION**

The applicant proposes to change the name of Yaqui Way to Southwest University Way. Yaqui Way is a single block in length (approximately 942 ft) between Geronimo Drive and Mescalero Drive, north of Montana within Central El Paso. The applicant has acquired all parcels fronting Yaqui Way except for one, the owner of the remaining parcel has agreed to the change and has provided an affidavit to that effect. If approved, the applicant will be responsible for the cost to manufacture and install new street signs.

## **DEVELOPMENT COORDINATING COMMITTEE**

The Development Coordinating Committee recommends **denial** of this application in accord with comments from the El Paso County 911 District and 19.15.140.A.2(a) which states:

- a. *Preliminary street names shall be shown on the preliminary plat and final street names shall be approved with the final plat and shown on the recorded plat. Street names shall not conflict with or duplicate any existing street name within the City or County of El Paso. Conflict may be based on the following:*
  - i. *Close pronunciation to another street name;*

### **Planning Division Recommendation:**

Planning has no objections to the application.

### **City Development Department - Land Development**

No Objections.

### **Parks and Recreation Department**

No comments received.

### **El Paso Water Utilities**

EPWU does not object to this request.

### **General**

2. There are existing water and sanitary sewer mains along the existing Yaqui Way.
3. Please notify EPWU once the Street Name is officially changed to Southwest University.

### **Sun Metro**

Sun metro does not oppose to this street name change request from existing Yaqui Way to proposed street name Southwest University Way.

### **El Paso Department of Transportation**

EPDOT has expressed no objections to the application. Cost estimate for the manufacture and installation of 2 street name signs is \$185.76. Cost estimate attached.

### **El Paso County 911 District**

**Recommends denial.** The 911 District is concerned that there could be confusion if Yaqui Way is changed to Southwest University namely because of the currently existing Southwest University Park. The district is concerned that in case of an emergency the street may be confused with the park which is at least 5 miles away.

**El Paso Fire Department**

No comments received.

**Central Appraisal District**

No comments received.

**El Paso Electric Company**

No comments received.

**Texas Gas Company**

No comments received.

**Additional Requirements and General Comments:**

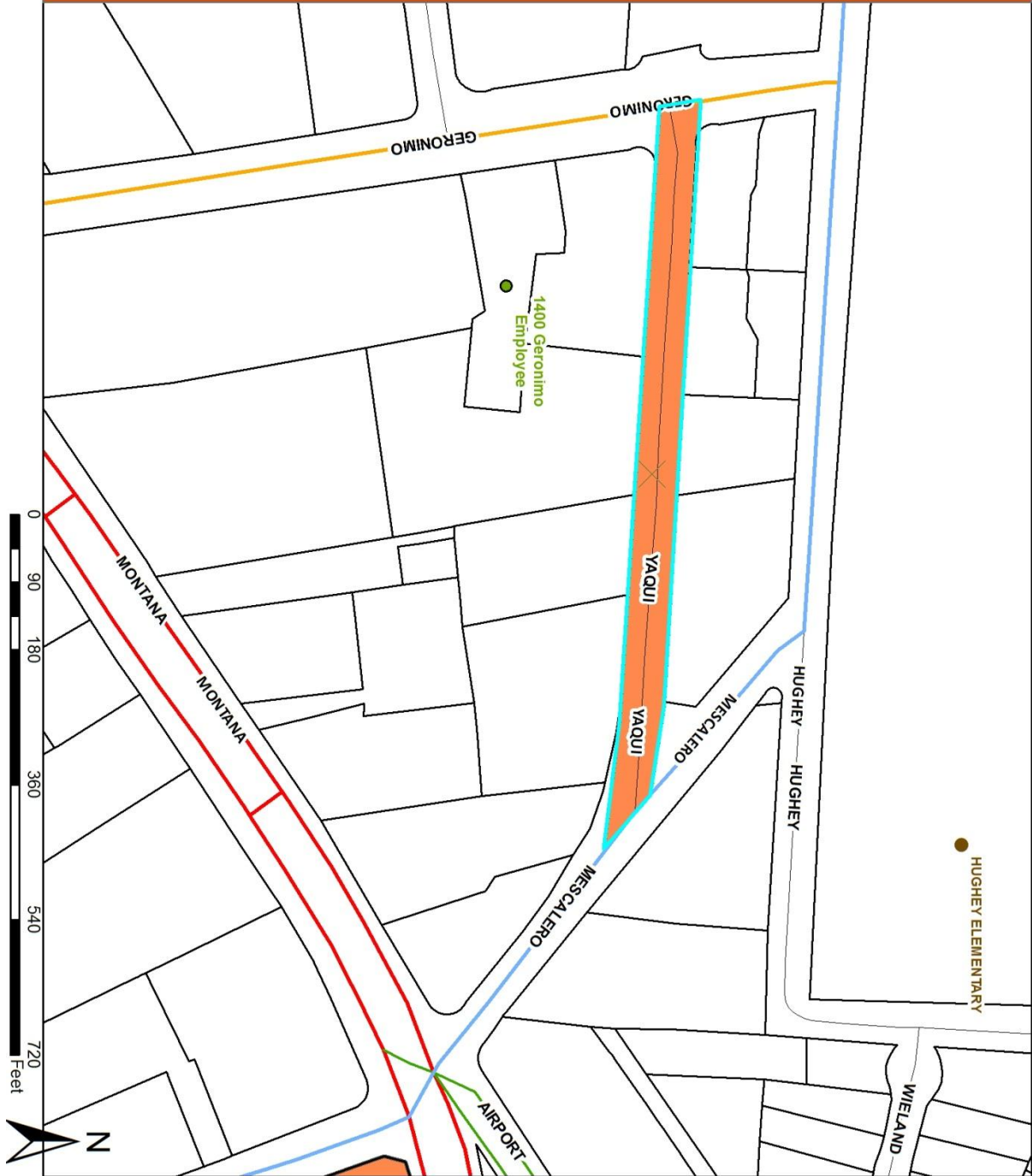
1. Submit to the City Development Department – Planning Division the following prior to recording of the subdivision.
  - a. Current certified tax certificate(s)
  - b. Current proof of ownership
  - c. Release of access document, if applicable
  - d. Set of restrictive covenants, if applicable
2. Every subdivision shall provide for postal delivery service. The subdivider shall coordinate the installation and construction with the United States Postal Service in determining the type of delivery service for the proposed subdivision. In all cases, the type and location of delivery service shall be subject to the approval of the United States Postal Service.

## **Attachments**

1. Location map
2. Application
3. Affidavit from Property Owner, Casa Automotive
4. EPDOT Cost Estimate

Attachment 1

# Yaqui Way Street Name Change



Attachment 2

SUNC15-00001



**Application for a Street Name Change**

**Please Print**

Date: 10-8-14

Applicant's Name: Southwest University

Applicant's Address: 1414 Geronimo Dr.  
El Paso, TX. 79925

Telephone Number: (Home) 915 449 0001 (Work) 915 929 3231

Existing Street Name: Yaqui Way

Proposed Street Name: Southwest University Way

Reason for Request: See letter attached!

Every Yaqui way building is now owned by southwest University except for Casa, consent enclosed. Any other property in front has a Geronimo address.

Applicant's Signature: [Signature]

Fee: \$2,120.00 (Non-Refundable)

(For Office use only)



RECEIVED  
FEB 12 2015

Date Accepted: \_\_\_\_\_ Accepted By: [Signature]

City Development Department  
El Paso, Texas | P.O. Box 1890 | El Paso, Texas 79950-1890 | (915) 541-4024

VICTOR M. SERRANO  
ATTORNEY AT LAW  
806 ANGE ST. STE . 101  
EL PASO, TEXAS 79902  
(915) 929-3231

Monday, February 02, 2015

City Development Department  
811 Texas  
P.O. Box 1890  
El Paso, Tx. 79950-1890


Re: Request for proposed street renaming

Dear Ladies and/or Gentlemen:

Southwest University hereby requests the street renaming of Yaqui Way to Southwest University Way.

Southwest University's administrative offices are located on the corner of Geronimo Drive and Yaqui Way, moreover, several classroom buildings are currently located one block North of the administrative offices. The proposed street name change will unify all of Southwest University's buildings into one central campus and it would prevent any confusion by current students and future students. Thank you very much for your attention in this very important matter. Should you have any questions, do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,

  
Aztrid Alvillar  
Legal Assistant  
806 Ange Ste. 101  
El Paso, Texas 79902

**Attachment 3**

**REQUEST FOR A STREET NAME CHANGE**

**AUTHORIZATION FROM PROPERTY/BUSINESS OWNER**

I, JUSTIN LOWENFIELD the owner of the subject property/business located on the segment of the street proposed for a name change, authorize to submit this application and represent me in this request before the City Development Department of El Paso County.

Business Name: Casa Automotive

Property address: 6140 Yaqui Way, El Paso, Tx. 79925

Business owner's name: JUSTIN LOWENFIELD

Business owner's signature: 

Date 1-20-15

The following documents are included herein and are made part of this application and were presented to business owner for approval and clearance:

Completed application form

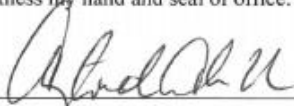
Location Map

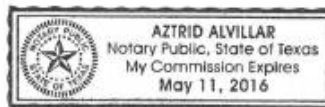
Name and mailing address of all property owners located along the segment of the street proposed for a name

Change or designation of a memorial street name.

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that all information contained herein and the attached documents are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Sworn to and subscribed before me by on this day 26 of Jan in the year 2015, to certify which witness my hand and seal of office.

  
Notary Public, State of Texas



**Attachment 4**

**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
TRAFFIC DIVISION  
COST ESTIMATES**

Project: Street Name Change

DATE: March 12, 2015

SCOPE: INSTALLATION OF TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES

<b>PROJECT COST SUMMARY</b>	
<i>TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES</i>	<i>\$128.00</i>
<i>PAVEMENT MARKINGS</i>	
<i>LABOR/MATERIAL COST</i>	<i>\$48.92</i>
<i>ADMINISTRATIVE COST</i>	<i>\$8.85</i>
<b><i>TOTAL PROJECT COST</i></b>	<b><i>\$185.76</i></b>
<i>Dept. ID : 532</i>	<i>Fund : 1000</i>
<i>Account No. : 405067</i>	<i>Division/P Code: 3202/P3254</i>

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Report by: Keith Bennett  
Traffic Control Planner

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Released by: Rudy Pini, P.E.  
Division Manager



# Recommendation & Public Input

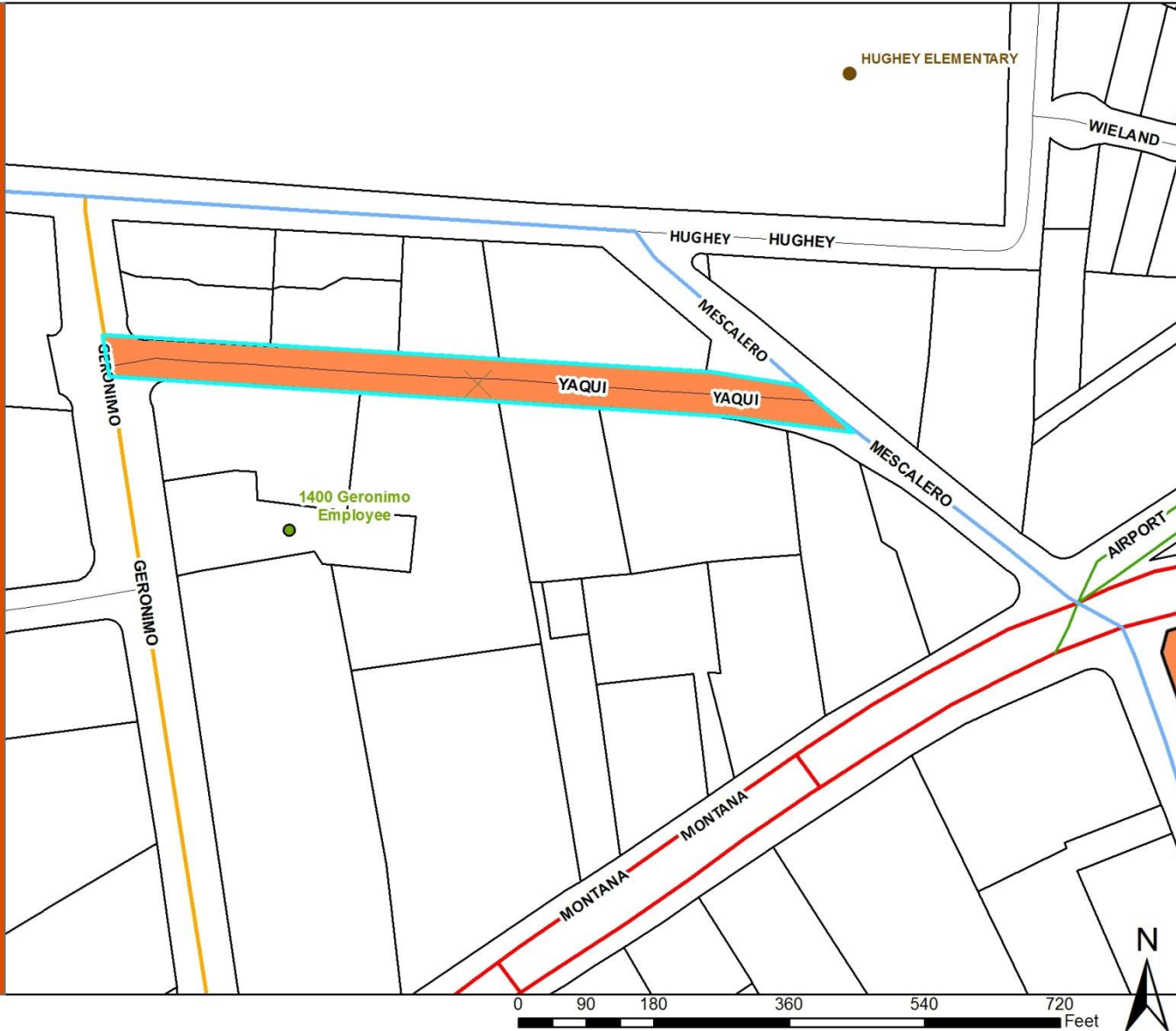
- **Planning & Inspections Recommendation:** Approval
- **CPC Vote:** Unanimous Approval 3/23/2015

## Strategic Goal #3 – Promote the Visual Image of El Paso

- 3.1 Provide Business Friendly permitting and inspections
- 3.2 Improve the visual impression of the community



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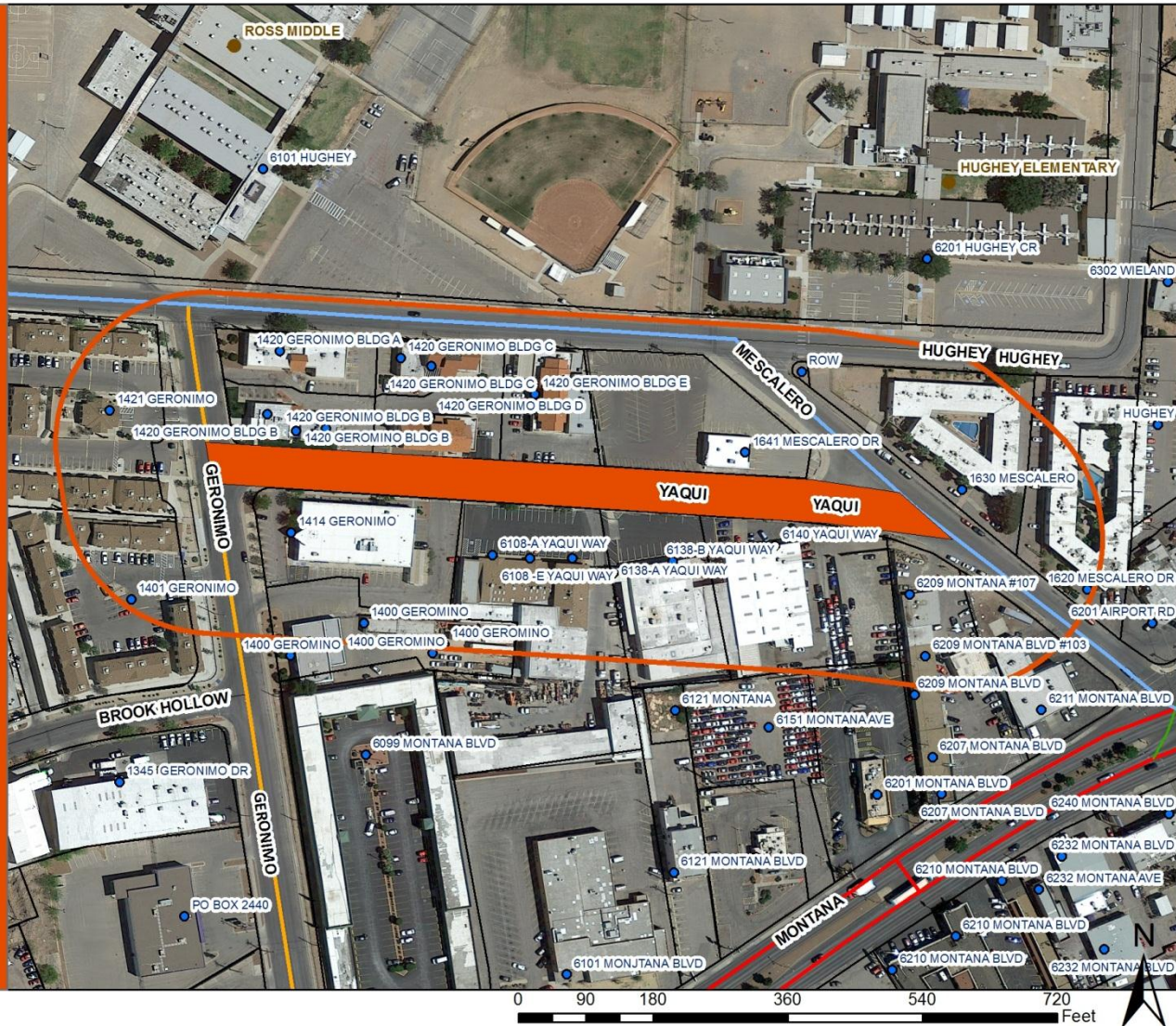


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# Yaqui Way Street Name Change





## Neighborhood Input

- 1 Phone Call in Support from Casa Motors
- El Paso County 911 District opposed the request.
  - Confusion with Southwest University Park
- No other departments registered opposition