



STAFF REPORT

DATE: December 9, 2019

TO: Planning Commission
FROM: Ben Prchal, City Planner
AGENDA ITEM: Driveway Ordinance – Additional Curb Cuts
REVIEWED BY: Ken Roberts, Planning Director

BACKGROUND

The City reviewed Code Language pertaining to driveway curb cuts in 2018. During that review it was determined if a lot was able to meet specific conditions then a second curb cut could be allowed. One of the main limiting factors to this is the road classification. Additional access would not be allowed for lots that face a collector or arterial roadway.

REQUEST OF THE COMMISSION

Would the Commission considering the allowance of additional curb cuts onto roadways that are not under the jurisdiction of the City?

PROPOSAL DETAILS/ANALYSIS

During the review in 2018 Public Works and Engineering Staff indicated that there is a general lack of support for second curb cuts, as there is more potential for damage to city streets and curbs and more cost involved during street work projects. However, the intent of the proposed ordinance change would be to allow additional curb cuts onto streets that are not maintained by the City. With this being the case the issue of maintenance and increased cost during resurfacing does not necessarily fall to the City.

Local Roadways – Generally consist of township roads or local City streets with the intent of directing traffic to specific neighborhoods.

Arterials – These roads are larger highways or roads offering high speed mobility.

Collectors – Can be divided into either major or minor collectors. These can be either City or County roadways which connect neighborhoods. Minor collectors are more or less limited to within the neighborhood.

Proposed Change.

The change would allow properties to have additional curb cuts if the controlling road entity approves the request. This would only apply to roads that are not under the jurisdiction of the City.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Since the change will not have an impact on City controlled streets there a fiscal impact is not expected.

RECOMMENDATION:

- Recommend approval as proposed
- Recommend approval with amendments
- Recommend denial

ATTACHMENTS:

1. **Ord. 08-206** amending City's driveway ordinance
2. Map 7-1 Street Map (*From Comp Plan*)