CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS AGENDA ITEM AGENDA SUMMARY FORM

DEPARTMENT: Mayor and Council

AGENDA DATE: Tuesday, June 7, 2022

CONTACT PERSON NAME AND PHONE NUMBER:

City Representative Henry Rivera, District 7- 915.212.0007

City Representative Cassandra Hernandez, District 3- 915.212.0003

DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: All Districts

STRATEGIC GOAL:

Goal 2 - Set the Standard for a Safe and Secure City

SUBJECT:

APPROVE a resolution / ordinance / lease to do what? OR AUTHORIZE the City Manager to do what? Be descriptive of what we want Council to approve. Include \$ amount if applicable.

Discussion and action on a resolution condemning the May 24, 2022 attack at Robb Elementary School in Uvalde, Texas and expressing condolences and deepest sympathies to those lost, injured and impacted by the horrific tragedy.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:

Discussion of the what, why, where, when, and how to enable Council to have reasonably complete description of the contemplated action. This should include attachment of bid tabulation, or ordinance or resolution if appropriate. What are the benefits to the City of this action? What are the citizen concerns?

On May 24, 2022, an 18-year-old armed with an assault weapon murdered 19 innocent children and two teachers and injured 17 others during a mass shooting at Robb Elementary School in Uvalde, Texas.

The City of El Paso extends its compassion, support and prayers to the families and loved ones of the victims and the entire community of the Uvalde, Texas.

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

Has the Council previously considered this item or a closely related one? N/A

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

How will this item be funded? Has the item been budgeted? If so, identify funding source by account numbers and description of account. Does it require a budget transfer? N/A

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, on May 24, 2022, an 18-year-old armed with an assault weapon, which he purchased a day after his 18th birthday, and another rifle purchased three days later, murdered 19 innocent children and two teachers and injured 17 others during a mass shooting at Robb Elementary School in Uvalde, Texas; and

WHEREAS, the United States has seen more than 200 mass shootings in 2022 alone, with 27 occurring at schools; and

WHEREAS, firearms are now the leading cause of death for American children, according to recently released data from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; and

WHEREAS, on August 3, 2019, the City of El Paso and our Sister City, Ciudad Juarez, faced a horrendous tragedy that shocked the city, state, nation and the world when a gunman traveled 11 hours through Texas to an El Paso Walmart store, killing 23 and injuring 23 others with a semi-automatic rifle.; and

WHEREAS, the City of El Paso unwaveringly condemns the senseless attack on Uvalde, Texas and all mass shootings throughout the nation; and

WHEREAS, the City of El Paso strongly affirms the urgency for immediate legislative actions to be taken at the local, state and federal level for reasonable measures that limit access to assault weapons and implement procedures to prevent future gun violence incidents; and

WHEREAS, the City of El Paso extends its compassion, support and prayers to the families and loved ones of the victims and the entire community of Uvalde, Texas.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:

That the City of El Paso condemns the May 24, 2022 attack at Robb Elementary School in Uvalde, Texas and expresses condolences and deepest sympathies to those lost, injured and impacted by the horrific tragedy.

PASSED AND APPROVED this	day of, 2022. THE CITY OF EL PASO:
	Oscar Leeser, Mayor
ATTEST:	APPROVED AS TO FORM:
Laura D. Prine	Karla M. Nieman
City Clerk	City Attorney