# CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS AGENDA ITEM AGENDA SUMMARY FORM

**DEPARTMENT:** Mayor and Council

AGENDA DATE: November 21, 2023

CONTACT PERSON NAME AND PHONE NUMBER: Representative Art Fierro, (915) 238-6842

DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: All

**STRATEGIC GOAL:** Goal 4 Enhance El Paso's quality of life through recreational, cultural and educational environments.

## 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 to approve a resolution recognizing November as Epilepsy Awareness Month.

#### **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?

Epilepsy a neurological disorder marked by sudden recurrent episodes of sensory disturbance, loss of consciousness, or convulsions, associated with abnormal electrical activity in the brain. There are currently 292,900 Texans, 47,200 of those being under the age of 17, who have been diagnosed with epilepsy.

## PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

Has the Council previously considered this item or a closely related one? Yes, June 6, 2023 council recognized June as Post Traumatic Stress Disorder Month.

#### 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, Epilepsy the fourth most common neurological disorder that causes seizures and can affect anyone no matter what their race, gender, age, education or socioeconomic status; and

**WHEREAS,** There are currently 292,900 Texans, 47,200 of those being under the age of 17, who have been diagnosed with epilepsy; and

**WHEREAS,** The CDC reports one-third of people receiving treatment can still experience seizures highlighting the need to increase research and medical attention; and

WHEREAS, Acknowledging epilepsy is a diverse condition characterized by various types and manifestations of seizures is crucial for developing informed and compassionate communities; and

**WHEREAS**, Recognizing the month of November as Epilepsy Awareness Month provides a platform to educate people and address the challenges faced by those living with epilepsy and promotes inclusiveness for those navigating this medical condition

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the City of El Paso recognizes November as Epilepsy Awareness Month to emphasize the importance of support towards the individuals affected and remove the stigma.

**APPROVED** this \_\_\_\_\_\_day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

CITY OF EL PASO:

Oscar Leeser, Mayor

ATTEST:

Laura D. Prine City Clerk

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:** 

Joyce Garcia Assistant City Attorney