

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING EL PASO CITY CODE TITLE 20 (ZONING), CHAPTER 20.02 (GENERAL PROVISIONS AND DEFINITIONS), ARTICLE II (DEFINITIONS) TO ADD A DEFINITION FOR SHORT-TERM RENTAL. THE PENALTY IS AS PROVIDED FOR IN CHAPTER 20.24 OF THE EL PASO CITY CODE.

WHEREAS, Title 20 (Zoning) of the El Paso City Code was adopted to promote the health, safety, morals and general welfare of the community; and,

WHEREAS, the City Plan Commission after a public hearing recommends approval of the proposed amendment; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council after a public hearing has determined this amendment is in the best interest of the public and will promote the public health, safety, and welfare of the City;

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

SECTION 1. That Title 20 (Zoning), Chapter 20.02 (General Provisions and Definitions), Article II (Definitions), of the El Paso City Code be amended to add the following definition:

20.02.870.5 Short-Term Rental. "Short-term rental" means any residential use, including a single-family home, duplex, an accessory structure, or a unit in an apartment/multifamily residential building, mixed use residential building, or condominium building, or any portion thereof, used for lodging accommodations to occupants for a period of less than 30 consecutive days.

1. A short-term rental does not include a bed and breakfast.
2. The zoning standard for the base residential use shall apply to the short-term rental.

SECTION 2. Except as herein amended Title 20 (Zoning) of the El Paso City Code shall remain in full force and effect.

ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2026.

THE CITY OF EL PASO

Renard U. Johnson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Laura D. Prine, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Senior Assistant City Attorney

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