



CITY OF EL PASO

Entertainment Venues and Swimming Pool Rental Enforcement Update

February 3, 2026

Purpose

Provide an update to the City Council on our enforcement of the rental of residential properties for:

- Party Halls/Entertainment Venues
- Swimming Pools



Swimming Pools

Municipal Code definitions and requirements:

	Residential	Commercial
Zoning Definition	20.02.1066 - "Swimming pool (noncommercial)"...intended for recreational purposes and for the exclusive use of the residents of a residential use and their private guests.	20.02.1064 - "Swimming pool (commercial)"...intended for recreation purposes and open to the public upon payment of a fee.
Licensing	License not required.	License required. Must have items such as depth markers, annual water testing, safety equipment, minor supervision, ADA requirements, and comply with parking requirements.

Chapter 20.02

Proposed Amendment

Strengthen Municipal Code (20.02.286) to include:

- "Dancehall" means any place the principal purpose of which is the furnishing of facilities for dancing. **Use of residential properties for dancehalls or entertainment venues is prohibited.**

Chapter 20.02

Proposed Amendment

Strengthen Municipal Code (20.02.1066) to include:

- "Swimming pool (noncommercial)" means any portable or permanent structure containing a body of water twenty-four inches or more in depth and containing one hundred fifty cubic feet (one thousand one hundred twenty-two gallons) or more of water and intended for recreational purposes and for the exclusive use of the residents of a residential use and their private guests. **Swimming pool (noncommercial) shall not be rented, except that private swimming lessons may be given under the home occupation use.**

Communications Outreach

Notification began Spring 2025

- Community presentations to key stakeholders/Council's community meetings
- Create dedicated webpage
www.elpasotexas.gov/code-enforcement/enforcement/venues-and-pools/
- Door Hangers
- Press Releases
- Social Media Ads
 - Standard postings
- Traditional Media
 - Interviews
 - Story Pitches
- City TV and YC5
- Neighborhood Associations
- Council Newsletters
- Radio PSAs
- Targeted mailers/letters to existing listings



Entertainment and Pool Venue Enforcement Findings:

Enforcement Data	District 1	District 2	District 3	District 4	District 5	District 6	District 7	District 8
Calls for Service	17	1	6	11	5	9	7	1
Pool Cases	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Entertainment Cases	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Parking Citations	4	0	0	5	0	0	3	0
Other Violations Found	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0

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Accountability, **P**eople