# CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS AGENDA ITEM DEPARTMENT HEAD'S SUMMARY FORM

AGENDA DATE: October 22, 2024

CONTACT PERSON(S) NAME AND PHONE NUMBER: Tony Nevarez, (915) 212-7301

**DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED:** All Districts

**STRATEGIC GOAL:** No. 1 - Create an Environment Conducive to Strong sustainable Economic

Development

**SUBGOAL:** 1.4 Grow the core business of air transportation

#### SUBJECT:

Discussion and action on a Resolution authorizing the submission of an application to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Airport Zero Emissions Vehicle and Infrastructure Pilot (ZEV) grant program requesting an estimated amount of one million five hundred thousand dollars (\$1,500,000.00) with an estimated match of one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000.00) from Airport enterprise funds, and that the City Manager, or designee, be authorized to establish the funding sources and make any necessary budget transfers and execute any and all documents necessary for execution of this grant agreement. Funding source: FAA Grant and Airport Enterprise funds for the FY 2025 Electric Fleet and Charging Infrastructure Project.

## **BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:**

The El Paso International Airport (EPIA) is initiating the transition of its fleet vehicles and passenger shuttles to electric vehicles (EVs). In its grant application, EPIA will request funding for two new electric shuttles, three electric vehicles, and the purchase and installation of three charging stations. The proposed EVs will either replace or augment the aging fleet used in the Airport's Field Maintenance, Operations, and Warehouse sections, as well as shuttle services. The vehicles selected for replacement perform essential routine tasks, yet they are between 9 and 29 years old, leading to decreased reliability.

This project builds on EPIA's success transitioning to more sustainable operations as demonstrated by prior grant awards. Projects include the installation of LED lights in the terminal (\$5M FAA ATP grant), solar panels on the ConRAC (\$3M FAA AIP grant) and short-term parking (\$1.75M Dept. of Energy appropriations), and public EV chargers (\$15M FHWA Charging and Fueling infrastructure Grant).

## **SELECTION SUMMARY:**

N/A

## **CONTRACT VARIANCE:**

N/A

#### **PROTEST**

N/A

## PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

N/A

## AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

Amount: \$1,650,000.00

Funding Source: FAA Grant and Airport Enterprise

Account: 562-62330-580260-3080/3010

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**DEPARTMENT HEAD:** 

Tony Nevarez, CM, ACE, IACE Interim Director of Aviation El Paso International Airport

## RESOLUTION

## BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:

That the Director of Aviation be authorized to sign and submit a grant application and related documentation to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and be designated the official representative of the City of El Paso to act in connection with the application process for the Airport Zero Emissions Vehicle and Infrastructure Pilot (ZEV) grant program.

That upon approval and issuance of such grant by the FAA, the City Manager, or designee, be authorized to accept and sign the grant agreement, any related grant modifications, and other necessary documents when the form and substance of those documents have been reviewed and approved by the City Attorney's Office, and that such authorization will include the ability to accept and sign multiple agreements and documents, as the FAA grant may be issued in various disbursements;

That the City Manager, or designee, be authorized to approve and sign any budget transfers needed to establish appropriations in connection with this grant.

The total grant amount shall include a federal estimated share of \$1,500,000.00 and an estimated match of \$150,000.00 to be paid for with Airport Enterprise Funds, totaling \$1,650,000.00 for the FY 2025 Electric Fleet and Charging Infrastructure Project.

day of October 2024

	CITY OF EL PASO
ATTEST:	Oscar Leeser, Mayor
Laura D. Prine, City Clerk	
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:
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Assistant City Attorney	Interim Director of Aviation

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