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LILY LIMÓN, DISTRICT 7
CHRIS CANALES, DISTRICT 8

WORK SESSION MEETING MINUTES
June 8, 2026
CITY HALL, 300 N. CAMPBELL COUNCIL CHAMBERS AND VIRTUALLY
9:00 A.M.

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The City Council met at the above place and date. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. Mayor Renard Johnson was present and presiding. The following Council Members answered roll call: Alejandra Chávez, Deanna Maldonado-Rocha, Cynthia Boyar Trejo, Art Fierro, and Lily Limón. Late arrival: Chris Canales at 9:04 a.m., Ivan Niño at 9:06 a.m., and Josh Acevedo at 9:07 a.m.
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AGENDA

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion made by Representative Limón, seconded by Representative Fierro, and unanimously carried that the City Council **RETIRE** into **EXECUTIVE SESSION**, at 9:03 a.m. pursuant to Section 3.5A of the El Paso City Charter and the Texas Government Code, Sections 551.071 - 551.089 to discuss the following item:

Section 551.071 CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY

AYES: Representatives Chávez, Maldonado-Rocha, Boyar Trejo, Fierro and Limón

NAYS: None

NOT PRESENT FOR THE VOTE: Representatives Acevedo, Niño, and Canales

Motion made by Representative Canales, seconded by Representative Limón, and unanimously carried to **ADJOURN** the Executive Session at 9:32 a.m. and **RECONVENE** the meeting of the City Council at which time a motion was made.

AYES: Representatives Chávez, Acevedo, Maldonado-Rocha, Boyar Trejo, Niño, Fierro, Limón, and Canales

NAYS: None

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EX1. Texas Gas Service, a Division of ONE Gas, Inc.'s Test Year 2025 Gas Reliability Infrastructure Program Interim Rate Adjustment for the Incorporated Areas of Texas Gas Service - PUC#OS-26-00030734; HQ#UTILITY-78 (551.071)

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tempore Chávez, seconded by Representative Limón, and carried that the *Application of Texas Gas Service – a Division of ONE Gas, Inc.'s Test Year 2025 Gas Reliability Infrastructure Program Interim Rate Adjustment for the Incorporated Areas of Texas Gas Service – OS-26-00030734*, filed on March 10, 2026, in Matter

Number UTILITY-78, is hereby **DENIED** and that the City Attorney is directed to take all steps necessary, including the execution of any required documents, in order to effectuate this authority.

AYES: Representatives Chávez, Acevedo, Maldonado-Rocha, Boyar Trejo, Niño, Fierro, Limón, and Canales

NAYS: None

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EX2. Rate Case Severed from Statement of Intent of Texas Gas Service Company, a Division of ONE Gas, Inc., to Change Gas Utility Rates Within the Unincorporated Areas of the Central-Gulf, West North, and Rio Grande Valley Service Areas, OS-25-00029224, HQ UTILITY-85 (551.071)

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tempore Chávez, seconded by Representative Limón, and carried that the City Attorney in consultation with the City Manager be authorized to **APPROVE** the settlement in the *Rate Case Expenses Severed from OS-25-00028202, Statement of Intent of Texas Gas Service Company, a Division of ONE Gas, Inc. to Change Gas Utility Rates Within the Company's Unincorporated Areas of the Central-Gulf, West North, and Rio Grande Valley Service Areas*, in Matter Number OS-25-00029224, HighQ Utility-85, and to take all steps necessary, including the execution of any required documents, in order to effectuate this authority.

AYES: Representatives Chávez, Acevedo, Maldonado-Rocha, Boyar Trejo, Niño, Fierro, Limón, and Canales

NAYS: None

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EX 3. Distribution Cost Recovery Factors and Power Cost Recovery Factors; HQ Utility-89 (551.071)

1ST MOTION

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tempore Chávez, seconded by Representative Canales, and carried that the City Attorney, upon review and in consultation with the City Manager, be authorized to:

- (1) file a motion to **INTERVENE** in all Purchased Power Capacity Cost Recover Factor filings docketed at the Texas Public Utility Commission that affect, or may affect, utility ratepayers in the City of El Paso;
- (2) **HIRE** outside counsel and consultants deemed necessary for undertaking such interventions, and
- (3) **TAKE** all steps necessary, including the execution of any required documents, in order to effectuate this authority.

AYES: Representatives Chávez, Acevedo, Maldonado-Rocha, Boyar Trejo, Niño, Fierro, Limón, and Canales

NAYS: None

2ND MOTION

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tempore Chávez, seconded by Representative Canales, and carried that the City Attorney, upon review and in consultation with the City Manager, be authorized to:

- (1) file a motion to **INTERVENE** in all Distribution Cost Recovery Factor filings docketed at the Texas Public Utility Commission that affect, or may affect, utility ratepayers in the City of El Paso;
- (2) **HIRE** outside counsel and consultants deemed necessary for undertaking such interventions, and
- (3) **TAKE** all steps necessary, including the execution of any required documents, in order to effectuate this authority.

AYES: Representatives Chávez, Acevedo, Maldonado-Rocha, Boyar Trejo, Niño, Fierro, Limón, and Canales

NAYS: None

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EX4. Application of El Paso Electric Company to Amend Its Certificate of Convenience and Necessity to Include the Copperhead and Black Mountain Solar and Battery Storage Facilities, PUC#59690, HQ UTILITY-86 (551.071)

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tempore Chávez, seconded by Representative Canales, and carried that the City Attorney in consultation with the City Manager be authorized to **HIRE** and **RETAIN** outside counsel and any other necessary consultants, and to **FILE** an intervention in the *El Paso Electric Company to Amend its Certificate of Convenience and Necessity to Include the Copperhead and Black Mountain Solar Battery Storage Facilities* under the Texas Public Utility Commission, Docket No. 59690, in Matter Number HighQ Utility-86, and to take all steps necessary, including the execution of any required documents, in order to effectuate this authority.

AYES: Representatives Chávez, Acevedo, Maldonado-Rocha, Boyar Trejo, Niño, Fierro, Limón, and Canales

NAYS: None

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Motion made by Representative Limón, and seconded by Representative Niño, and unanimously carried to **ADJOURN** the meeting at 9:39 a.m.

AYES: Representatives Chávez, Acevedo, Maldonado-Rocha, Boyar Trejo, Niño, Fierro, Limón, and Canales

NAYS: None

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APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

Laura D. Prine, City Clerk