CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS
AGENDA ITEM
AGENDA SUMMARY FORM

DEPARTMENT: Mayor and Council

AGENDA DATE: 07/07/2026

CONTACT PERSON NAME Representative Ivan Niño **PHONE NUMBER:** 915-212-0005

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DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: All Districts

STRATEGIC GOAL: Goal 2: Set The Standard for A Safe &

SUBGOAL:

SUBJECT:

Discussion and action to direct the City Manager, in coordination with the City Attorney, to amend the City of El Paso's 90th Session State Legislative Agenda to include advocacy for sustainable state funding during the upcoming biennium to support the operational costs, staffing, and service delivery of the recently announced Behavioral Health East Campus, a community-based crisis behavioral health facility to be operated by Emergence Health Network (EHN) and located within the City of El Paso. Such advocacy shall support the expansion of crisis behavioral health services for youth and adults and help ensure the long-term success and sustainability of the facility.

COMMUNITY AND STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH:

Representative Ivan Niño has met with Emergence Health Network (EHN) leadership.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:

Behavioral health continues to be one of the most significant public health and public safety challenges facing communities across Texas, including El Paso. As demand for mental health and substance use treatment services continues to grow, expanding access to high-quality behavioral healthcare remains essential to improving quality of life, supporting families, reducing strain on emergency response systems, and providing individuals with timely access to care

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

The City Council has previously amended the City of El Paso's 90th Session State Legislative Agenda. The most recent dates include 06/16/2026, 05/05/2026, and 04/21/2026.

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

N/A

**********REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION**********