

**RENARD U. JOHNSON**  
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CITY MANAGER



**CITY COUNCIL**  
ALEJANDRA CHÁVEZ, DISTRICT 1  
JOSH ACEVEDO, DISTRICT 2  
DEANNA MALDONADO-ROCHA, DISTRICT 3  
CYNTHIA BOYAR TREJO, DISTRICT 4  
IVAN NIÑO, DISTRICT 5  
ART FIERRO, DISTRICT 6  
LILY LIMÓN, DISTRICT 7  
CHRIS CANALES, DISTRICT 8

## **SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**June 3, 2026**

**El Paso Convention Center – One Civic Center Plaza, El Paso, TX 79901**

**2:00 P.M.**

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The City Council met at the above place and date. The meeting was called to order at 2:16 p.m. Mayor Renard U. Johnson was present and presiding. The following Council Members answered roll call: Deanna Maldonado-Rocha, Cynthia Boyar Trejo, Ivan Niño, Art Fierro, Lily Limón, and Chris Canales. Representatives Chávez and Acevedo requested to be excused.

### **AGENDA**

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1. Call to order by Mayor Renard U. Johnson.

Mayor Johnson began the meeting with a roll call, welcomed everyone in attendance, and provided opening remarks.

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2. Presentation of the Colors and Pledge of Allegiance - United States and Mexico.

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3. Introduction of members of the El Paso City Council by Mayor Renard U. Johnson.

Representatives Maldonado-Rocha, Boyar Trejo, Niño, Fierro, Limón, and Canales introduced themselves.

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4. Introduction of members of the Juarez City Council by Mayor Cruz Perez Cuellar.

Mayor Perez Cuellar provided opening remarks and introduced the following members of the Juarez City Council:

Representatives Ana Carmen Estrada Garcia, Alejandro Daniel Acosta Avina, Maria Dolores Adame Alvarado, Fernanda Avalos Medina, Jorge Marcial Bueno Quiroz, Mayra Karina Castillo Tapia, Luz Clara Cristo Sosa, Antonio Dominguez Alderete, Sandra Garcia Ramos, Alejandro Alberto Jimenez Vargas, Jose Mauricio Padilla, Gloria Maria Mirazo de la Rosa, Mireya Porras Armendariz, Dina Salgado Sotelo, Jose Eduardo Valenzuela Martinez, and Sandra Marbel Valenzuela Martinez.

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5. Presentation and Mayoral Proclamation recognizing the strategic partnership between the City of El Paso and CONCANACO SERVYTUR México. Presented by Senior Business Analyst Israel Alvarado from Economic and International Development.

Representative Art Fierro read the proclamation.

Mr. Israel Alvarado, Senior Economic Development Analyst, introduced Ms. Daniela Martinez Rodriguez, National Vice President of Foreign Trade at CONCANACO SERVYTUR, who spoke about the role of CONCANACO SERVYRUT in Mexico, the relationship with the Economic and International Development Department of the city of El Paso, and the impact of the reinforcement of the Sister Cities Agreement.

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6. Presentation on the 2026 Ciudad Juarez Agenda de Cooperacion Binacional presented by Ciudad Juarez City Representative Alejandro Daniel Acosta Aviña.

City Representative Alejandro Daniel Acosta Aviña and General Director of Economic Development Tania Maldonado, presented a PowerPoint presentation (copy on file in the City Clerk's Office).

The following Ciudad Juarez Representatives commented:

- Gloria Rocio Mirazo de la Rosa
- Alejandro Alberto Jimenez Vargas
- Laura Fernanda Avalos Medina
- Jose Eduardo Valenzuela
- Dina Salgado Sotelo

**NO ACTION** was taken on this item.

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7. Presentation on the City of El Paso 2026 International Policy Agenda presented by International Business and Trade Development Manager Adriana Pulecio from Economic and International Development.

Ms. Adriana Pulecio, International Business and Trade Development Manager, presented a PowerPoint presentation (copy on file in the City Clerk's Office).

Representatives Maldonado-Rocha, Boyar Trejo, Niño, Limón, and Canales commented.

Representative Niño requested to include a copy of his comments as an attachment to the minutes.

**NO ACTION** was taken on this item.

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8. **ITEM:** Discussion and action on the updated Sister Cities Agreement between the City of El Paso and Ciudad Juárez, presented by International Business and Trade Development Manager Adriana Pulecio from Economic and International Development and Martha Vera, Honorary Council General of Spain and Board Member of Sister Cities International.

Ms. Adriana Pulecio, International Business and Trade Development Manager, introduced Martha Vera, Honorary Consul General of Spain and Board Member of Sister Cities International, who explained the mission of the sister cities agreement.

Ms. Pulecio continued with a PowerPoint presentation (copy on file in the City Clerk's Office).

Motion made by Representative Limón, seconded by Representative Niño, and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** the updated Sister Cities Agreement.

AYES: Representatives Maldonado-Rocha, Boyar Trejo, Niño, Fierro, Limón, and Canales  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: Representatives Chávez and Acevedo

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9. Mayor Renard U. Johnson and Presidente Municipal Cruz Perez Cuellar sign the Sister City Agreement, followed by witnesses.

Mayor Renard U. Johnson and Presidente Municipal Cruz Pérez Cuellar signed the Sister City Agreement, followed by the signatures of the designated witnesses, officially executing the agreement.

Mayors Johnson and Perez Cuellar offered their closing remarks before the adjournment of the meeting.

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Motion made by Representative Maldonado-Rocha, seconded by Representative Limón, and unanimously carried to **ADJOURN** the meeting at 4:00 p.m.

AYES: Representatives Maldonado-Rocha, Boyar Trejo, Niño, Fierro, Limón, and Canales  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: Representatives Chávez and Acevedo

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APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

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Laura D. Prine, City Clerk

## ATTACHMENT

### **Transcript of Representative Ivan Niño's comments during the special city council meeting, 3<sup>rd</sup> binational council meeting, held on June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2026, at the El Paso Convention Center.**

Transcript:

“Buenas tardes.

Quiero expresar mi más sincero agradecimiento al Cabildo y autoridades de nuestra ciudad hermana, Ciudad Juárez, por acompañarnos el día de hoy durante la 3ra Reunión del Cabildo Binacional.

El Paso y Ciudad Juárez comparten mucho más que una frontera. Compartimos historia, cultura, familias, comercio y una visión compartida para el futuro de nuestra región. Nuestra conexión binacional es una de las más dinámicas e importantes del mundo.

Este encuentro representa una valiosa oportunidad para continuar fortaleciendo la colaboración, el diálogo y las alianzas que permiten impulsar oportunidades y mejorar la calidad de vida de las familias en ambos lados de la frontera.

Gracias al Alcalde Cruz Pérez Cuéllar, a las y los integrantes del Cabildo de Ciudad Juárez, y a todos los participantes por seguir construyendo puentes de cooperación, amistad y progreso entre nuestras comunidades.

También quiero agradecer a nuestro Alcalde Renard U. Johnson, a la Administradora de la Ciudad Dionne Mack, al personal de la Ciudad de El Paso, y a todas las personas que trabajaron arduamente para hacer posible esta importante reunión binacional.

La frontera no nos divide; nos une. Juntos seguimos fortaleciendo la región Paso del Norte.

Como dijo la señorita Tanya Maldonado, somos “3 países, 2 estados, una región.”

Translation to English:

“Good afternoon.

I would like to express my sincerest gratitude to the City Council and authorities of our sister city, Ciudad Juárez, for joining us today during the 3rd Binational Council Meeting.

El Paso and Ciudad Juárez share much more than a border. We share history, culture, families, commerce, and a shared vision for the future of our region. Our binational connection is one of the most dynamic and important in the world.

This meeting represents a valuable opportunity to continue strengthening the collaboration, dialogue, and partnerships that help create opportunities and improve the quality of life for families on both sides of the border.

Thank you to Mayor Cruz Pérez Cuéllar, the members of the Ciudad Juárez City Council, and all participants for continuing to build bridges of cooperation, friendship, and progress between our communities.

I also want to thank our Mayor Renard U. Johnson, City Manager Dionne Mack, the staff of the City of El Paso, and everyone who worked tirelessly to make this important binational meeting possible.

The border does not divide us; it unites us. Together, we continue strengthening the Paso del Norte region.

As Ms. Tanya Maldonado said, we are  
“3 countries, 2 states, 1 region.”