

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

DEPARTMENT:

AGENDA DATE:

PUBLIC HEARING DATE:

CONTACT PERSON NAME:

PHONE NUMBER:

2nd CONTACT PERSON NAME:

PHONE NUMBER:

DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED:

STRATEGIC GOAL:

SUBGOAL:

SUBJECT:

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:

COMMUNITY AND STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH:


PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

REPORTING OF CONTRIBUTION OR DONATION TO CITY COUNCIL:

NAME	AMOUNT (\$)

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

DEPARTMENT HEAD: 

(If Department Head Summary Form is initiated by Purchasing, client department should sign also)

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the El Paso City Council (“City”) approved the Texas Economic Development Incentive Program (“TED Program”) – Policy and Guidelines on January 20, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the TED Fund is to promote economic development within El Paso Electric’s (“EPE”) Texas Service Area through various programs, including Infrastructure Development Assistance and Quality Jobs and Investment Assistance; and

WHEREAS, the Infrastructure Development Assistance Program provides financial assistance for public infrastructure improvements where such investment will have a direct impact on future employment and investment opportunities within EPE’s Texas Service Area, including ports; and

WHEREAS, the Ysleta Port of Entry is a key regional economic driver, supporting over \$80 billion in total trade; and

WHEREAS, the proposed project is an initial step towards capacity improvements for southbound commercial traffic and operations at the Ysleta Port of Entry; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to allocate \$5,000,000 from the TED Fund to the International Bridges Department for the *Ysleta/Zaragoza Port of Entry Feasibility Study* as detailed in “Exhibit A”;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:

THAT the above recitals are accepted as true and correct.

THAT the City Council finds that the *Ysleta/Zaragoza Port of Entry Feasibility Study* project meets the requirements of the TED Program and provides a sufficient net positive impact to EPE’s Texas Service Area; and

THAT the City approves the allocation of funds from the Texas Economic Development Incentive Program in the estimated amount of \$5,000,000 to the International Bridges Department for the *Ysleta/Zaragoza Port of Entry Feasibility Study* project; and

THAT the City Manager, or designee, be authorized to execute any budget transfers and associated agreements in order to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.

[SIGNATURES BEGIN ON THE FOLLOWING PAGE]

PASSED AND APPROVED this _____ day of _____ 2025.

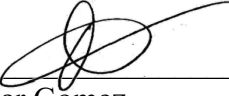
THE CITY OF EL PASO:

Renard U. Johnson
Mayor

ATTEST:

Laura D. Prine
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Oscar Gomez
Assistant City Attorney

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:



Karina Brasgalla, Director
Economic & International Development

EXHIBIT A

YSLETA/ZARAGOZA POE FEASIBILITY STUDY SCOPE OF WORK

Phase I

- a. Assist with the formal request and application process to modify/amend the Ysleta-Zaragoza Presidential Permit.
- b. Review and summarize previous studies and recommendations regarding potential expansions or added capacity for all modes (i.e., commercial trucks, personal vehicles, and pedestrians).
- c. Study existing and future conditions (cross-border traffic, sites, surrounding land uses, public transportation, natural environment, utilities, buildings, current and future TxDOT projects, etc.) including the effects of the potential elimination of commercial traffic at BOTA (increased demand).
- d. Site suitability and recommendations to explore overall port expansion into adjacent vacant properties including ingress and egress (roadway connectivity) for added capacity and increase in throughput proportionate with future demand across all modes.
- e. Up to two (2) conceptual ingress and egress designs by mode (i.e., personal vehicles and commercial trucks) to improve the POE connectivity.
- f. Study and evaluate the constructions of a new bridge structure for commercial vehicles to repurpose or expand the current commercial bridges.
- g. Design and evaluate the expansion/relocation of existing City of El Paso cargo operations facilities to support port expansion and additional traffic demand. Up to two (2) conceptual designs.
- h. Assist with the preparation and submission of all environmental documents.
- i. Provide recommendations for improved safety and traffic control measures for all modes.

Phase II

- a. Study and evaluate current port of entry design layout to include local, state and federal properties and facilities and the effect of the potential elimination of commercial traffic at of BOTA (increased demand).
- b. Explore a reconfiguration, modernization and expansion of CBP cargo lot to include primary, nonintrusive and secondary inspection facilities as well as the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) inspection facilities based on future demand. Up to two (2) conceptual designs.
- c. Up to two (2) conceptual facility designs for the reconfiguration, modernization and expansion of and the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) inspection facilities according to future demand.
- d. Explore and evaluate the construction of new dedicated pedestrian bridge with enhanced amenities.
- e. Explore alternate modes of transportation such as automated system technologies.
- f. Propose and evaluate opportunities for the reconfiguration and potential new installation of Intelligent Transportation Systems and related technologies.

- g. Evaluate and propose use new technologies (traffic cameras, automated systems, machine learning, etc.) available to monitor and measure throughput of international bridge traffic across all modes.
- h. Evaluate the implementation of alternative pricing technologies such as variable or dynamic pricing.