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ART FIERRO, DISTRICT 6
HENRY RIVERA, DISTRICT 7
CHRIS CANALES, DISTRICT 8

MINUTES FOR REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

JULY 16, 2024
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL AND VIRTUALLY
9:00 AM

ROLL CALL

The City Council of the City of El Paso met on the above time and date. Meeting was called to order at 9:02 a.m. Mayor Oscar Leeser was present and presiding and the following Council Members answered roll call: Brian Kennedy, Joe Molinar, Art Fierro, Henry Rivera, and Chris Canales. Late arrivals: Josh Acevedo and Cassandra Hernandez at 9:03 a.m., and Isabel Salcido at 9:12 a.m.

INVOCATION BY EL PASO POLICE CHAPLAIN AND SUN VALLEY BAPTIST PASTOR DENNIS COFFMAN

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MAYOR'S PROCLAMATIONS

Sunset Heights Garden Club 100th Anniversary

Ray Mancera Day

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tempore Kennedy, seconded by Representative Rivera, and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** all matters listed under the Consent Agenda unless otherwise noted. (Items approved, postponed, or deleted pursuant to the vote on the Consent Agenda will be shown with an asterisk {*}).

AYES: Representatives Kennedy, Acevedo, Hernandez, Molinar, Salcido, Fierro, Rivera, and Canales

NAYS: None

CONSENT AGENDA – APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Goal 6: Set the Standard for Sound Governance and Fiscal Management

1. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** the Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of July 2, 2024, the Agenda Review Meeting of July 1, 2024, and the Work Session of July 1, 2024.

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CONSENT AGENDA – REQUEST TO EXCUSE ABSENT CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS:
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2. REQUEST TO EXCUSE ABSENT CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

NO ACTION was taken on this item.

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CONSENT AGENDA – RESOLUTIONS:
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Goal 1: Create an Environment Conducive to Strong, Sustainable Economic Development

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3. *RESOLUTION

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

That the City Manager, or designee, be authorized to sign an Overhead Electrical and Transformer Pad Easement to accommodate an electrical transmission line to provide electrical power to property in the vicinity of the El Paso International Airport, said easement more particularly described as:

A PORTION OF LOT 2, BLOCK 4, EL PASO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT TRACTS UNIT 10, EL PASO COUNTY, TEXAS.

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Goal 2: Set the Standard for a Safe and Secure City

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4. *RESOLUTION

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

That the Mayor be authorized to sign, on behalf of the City of El Paso, an Interlocal Agreement between the City of El Paso and the Town of Horizon, for the El Paso Fire Marshals Office to provide assistance to the Horizon City Police Department with arson investigations occurring within the Town of Horizon.

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5. *RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the City of El Paso Public Safety Departments provide basic and advanced life support service for the citizens of El Paso; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Health and Safety Code Section 773.007 states that the provision of advanced life support must be under medical supervision and a licensed physician's control, and that the provision of basic life support may be under medical supervision and a licensed physician's control; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Russell A. Baker ("Dr. Baker"), is a physician capable of performing the duties of the Medical Director as governed by Texas Administrative Code, Title 22, Part 9, Chapter 197 Rule 197.3 "Off-line Medical Director."; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Baker has been appointed as the Medical Director by the Fire Chief of the El Paso Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, City Council also seeks to receive Medical Director services from Dr. Baker from September 1, 2024, and ending on August 31, 2026.

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

THAT the City Manager, be authorized to sign an Independent Contractor Agreement (the "Agreement") between the City of El Paso, Texas ("City of El Paso") and **Dr. Russell N. Baker** for the latter to provide Medical Director services to the emergency medical staff of the City of El Paso, for the monthly amount of \$7000.00 from September 1, 2024 through August 31, 2026, for a total amount of ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS AND NO/100 (\$168,000), with the City Manager being authorized to administratively extend the Agreement for an additional twelve-month period, for the monthly amount of \$7000.00 from September 1, 2026 through August 31, 2027 for a total amount of EIGHTY-FOUR THOUSAND DOLLARS AND NO/00 (\$84,000).

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Goal 3: Promote the Visual Image of El Paso
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6. *RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, in accordance with Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code, TORRES, MIGUEL A & ELVIA I, referred to as owner, regardless of number, of the hereinafter described property, was given notice that said property constituted a public nuisance due to the accumulation of trash, vegetation and weeds or other objectionable, unsightly or unsanitary matter in violation of Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code; and the owner failed to comply with due notices. In accordance with El Paso City Code Chapter 9.04, the Environmental Services Department proceeded to clean and dispose of the trash, vegetation, weeds or other rubbish; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Environmental Services Department has reported the cost of doing such work in the amount hereinafter set forth.

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

1. The City Council determines its reasonable expenses including administrative costs and the cost of removing the accumulated trash, vegetation and weeds or other rubbish located on the property known as:

736 Feliz Rd, more particularly described as Lot 20, Block 31, CLARDY FOX Subdivision, City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas, PID #C622-999-0310-5800

to be \$691.00, in accordance with the El Paso City Code Section 9.04.880 and the Texas Health & Safety Code Section 342.007. The City Council finds that the work was completed on the 17th day of April, 2023, and approves the costs described herein.

2. The City Council, in accordance with Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code, declares the above total amount SIX HUNDRED NINETY ONE AND 00/100 DOLLARS (\$691.00) to be a lien on the above described property, said amount being due and payable within ten (10) days from the date of City Council approval, and thereafter bearing ten percent (10%) interest per annum.

3. The City Clerk is directed to give notice of the lien by filing a copy of this Resolution for record with the County Clerk.

4. All records of the City Clerk's office relating to the proceeding against the above described property are made a part of this Resolution by reference.

***R E S O L U T I O N**

WHEREAS, in accordance with Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code, HERNANDEZ, BELEN S, referred to as owner, regardless of number, of the hereinafter described property, was given notice that said property constituted a public nuisance due to the accumulation of trash, vegetation and weeds or other objectionable, unsightly or unsanitary matter in violation of Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code; and the owner failed to comply with due notices. In accordance with El Paso City Code Chapter 9.04, the Environmental Services Department proceeded to clean and dispose of the trash, vegetation, weeds or other rubbish; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Environmental Services Department has reported the cost of doing such work in the amount hereinafter set forth.

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

1. The City Council determines its reasonable expenses including administrative costs and the cost of removing the accumulated trash, vegetation and weeds or other rubbish located on the property known as:

252 Val Verde St, more particularly described as Lot 25 & 26(7500 SQ FT)(7500 SQ FT), Block 7, VAL VERDE Subdivision, City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas, PID #V088-999-0070-4100

to be \$766.00, in accordance with the El Paso City Code Section 9.04.880 and the Texas Health & Safety Code Section 342.007. The City Council finds that the work was completed on the 7th day of April, 2023, and approves the costs described herein.

2. The City Council, in accordance with Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code, declares the above total amount SEVEN HUNDRED SIXTY SIX AND 00/100 DOLLARS (\$766.00) to be a lien on the above described property, said amount being due and payable within ten (10) days from the date of City Council approval, and thereafter bearing ten percent (10%) interest per annum.

3. The City Clerk is directed to give notice of the lien by filing a copy of this Resolution for record with the County Clerk.

4. All records of the City Clerk's office relating to the proceeding against the above described property are made a part of this Resolution by reference.

***R E S O L U T I O N**

WHEREAS, in accordance with Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code, MENA MARIA ELENA, referred to as owner, regardless of number, of the hereinafter described property, was given notice that said property constituted a public nuisance due to the accumulation of trash, vegetation and weeds or other objectionable, unsightly or unsanitary matter in violation of Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code; and the owner failed to comply with due notices. In accordance with El Paso City Code Chapter 9.04, the Environmental Services Department proceeded to clean and dispose of the trash, vegetation, weeds or other rubbish; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Environmental Services Department has reported the cost of doing such work in the amount hereinafter set forth.

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

1. The City Council determines its reasonable expenses including administrative costs and the cost of removing the accumulated trash, vegetation and weeds or other rubbish located on the property known as:

5951 Griems CT, more particularly described as Lot 120 FT OF S 135 OF 10 (16200 SQ FT), Block B, Collingsworth W Subdivision, City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas, PID #C730-999-000B-1800

to be \$618.00, in accordance with the El Paso City Code Section 9.04.880 and the Texas Health & Safety Code Section 342.007. The City Council finds that the work was completed on the 25th day of August, 2021, and approves the costs described herein.

2. The City Council, in accordance with Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code, declares the above total amount SIX HUNDRED EIGHTEEN AND 00/100 DOLLARS (\$618.00) to be a lien on the above described property, said amount being due and payable within ten (10) days from the date of City Council approval, and thereafter bearing ten percent (10%) interest per annum.

3. The City Clerk is directed to give notice of the lien by filing a copy of this Resolution for record with the County Clerk.

4. All records of the City Clerk's office relating to the proceeding against the above described property are made a part of this Resolution by reference.

***R E S O L U T I O N**

WHEREAS, in accordance with Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code, DOMINGUEZ LEO G, referred to as owner, regardless of number, of the hereinafter described property, was given notice that said property constituted a public nuisance due to the accumulation of trash, vegetation and weeds or other objectionable, unsightly or unsanitary matter in violation of Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code; and the owner failed to comply with due notices. In accordance with El Paso City Code Chapter 9.04, the Environmental Services Department proceeded to clean and dispose of the trash, vegetation, weeds or other rubbish; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Environmental Services Department has reported the cost of doing such work in the amount hereinafter set forth.

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

1. The City Council determines its reasonable expenses including administrative costs and the cost of removing the accumulated trash, vegetation and weeds or other rubbish located on the property known as:

3700 Keltner Ave, more particularly described as Lot 9 & 10 W 2.89 FT 11 (6706.80 SQ FT), Block 73-A, LOGAN HEIGHTS Subdivision, City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas, PID #L447-999-073A-4200

to be \$405.00, in accordance with the El Paso City Code Section 9.04.880 and the Texas Health & Safety Code Section 342.007. The City Council finds that the work was completed on the 3rd day of September, 2021, and approves the costs described herein.

2. The City Council, in accordance with Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code, declares the above total amount FOUR HUNDRED FIVE AND 00/100 DOLLARS (\$405.00) to be a lien on the above described property, said amount being due and payable within ten (10) days from the date of City Council approval, and thereafter bearing ten percent (10%) interest per annum.

3. The City Clerk is directed to give notice of the lien by filing a copy of this Resolution for record with the County Clerk.

4. All records of the City Clerk's office relating to the proceeding against the above described property are made a part of this Resolution by reference.

***R E S O L U T I O N**

WHEREAS, in accordance with Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code, ODOM INVESTMENTS INC, referred to as owner, regardless of number, of the hereinafter described property, was given notice that said property constituted a public nuisance due to the accumulation of trash, vegetation and weeds or other objectionable, unsightly or unsanitary matter in violation of Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code; and the owner failed to comply with due notices. In accordance with El Paso City Code Chapter 9.04, the Environmental Services Department proceeded to clean and dispose of the trash, vegetation, weeds or other rubbish; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Environmental Services Department has reported the cost of doing such work in the amount hereinafter set forth.

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

1. The City Council determines its reasonable expenses including administrative costs and the cost of removing the accumulated trash, vegetation and weeds or other rubbish located on the property known as:

1820 Alabama St, more particularly described as Lot 8 & 9 & 11 TO 16 & 27 32 & W 5' OF (10 & 26)& CLSD ALLEY BTWN (46300.00 SQ FT), Block 76, HIGHLAND PARK Subdivision, City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas, PID #H453-999-0760-8900

to be \$426.25, in accordance with the El Paso City Code Section 9.04.880 and the Texas Health & Safety Code Section 342.007. The City Council finds that the work was completed on the 19TH day of APRIL, 2023, and approves the costs described herein.

2. The City Council, in accordance with Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code, declares the above total amount FOUR HUNDRED TWENTY SIX AND 25/100 DOLLARS (\$426.25) to be a lien on the above described property, said amount being due and payable within ten (10) days from the date of City Council approval, and thereafter bearing ten percent (10%) interest per annum.

3. The City Clerk is directed to give notice of the lien by filing a copy of this Resolution for record with the County Clerk.

4. All records of the City Clerk's office relating to the proceeding against the above described property are made a part of this Resolution by reference.

***R E S O L U T I O N**

WHEREAS, in accordance with Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code, AVANZA SOLUTIONS LLC, referred to as owner, regardless of number, of the hereinafter described property, was given notice that said property constituted a public nuisance due to the accumulation of trash, vegetation and weeds or other objectionable, unsightly or unsanitary matter in violation of Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code; and the owner failed to comply with due notices. In accordance with El Paso City Code Chapter 9.04, the Environmental Services Department proceeded to clean and dispose of the trash, vegetation, weeds or other rubbish; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Environmental Services Department has reported the cost of doing such work in the amount hereinafter set forth.

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

1. The City Council determines its reasonable expenses including administrative costs and the cost of removing the accumulated trash, vegetation and weeds or other rubbish located on the property known as:

1500 Honeysuckle Dr, more particularly described as Lot 6(6357.50 SQ FT), Block 15, CIELO VISTA PARK Subdivision, City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas, PID #C518-999-0150-1100

to be \$372.50, in accordance with the El Paso City Code Section 9.04.880 and the Texas Health & Safety Code Section 342.007. The City Council finds that the work was completed on the 18th day of April, 2023, and approves the costs described herein.

2. The City Council, in accordance with Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code, declares the above total amount THREE HUNDRED SEVENTY TWO AND 50/100 DOLLARS (\$372.50) to be a lien on the above described property, said amount being due and payable within ten (10) days from the date of City Council approval, and thereafter bearing ten percent (10%) interest per annum.

3. The City Clerk is directed to give notice of the lien by filing a copy of this Resolution for record with the County Clerk.

4. All records of the City Clerk's office relating to the proceeding against the above described property are made a part of this Resolution by reference.

***R E S O L U T I O N**

WHEREAS, in accordance with Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code, ONTIVEROS JESUS A, referred to as owner, regardless of number, of the hereinafter described property, was given notice that said property constituted a public nuisance due to the accumulation of trash, vegetation and weeds or other objectionable, unsightly or unsanitary matter in violation of Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code; and the owner failed to comply with due notices. In accordance with El Paso City Code Chapter 9.04, the Environmental Services Department proceeded to clean and dispose of the trash, vegetation, weeds or other rubbish; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Environmental Services Department has reported the cost of doing such work in the amount hereinafter set forth.

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

1. The City Council determines its reasonable expenses including administrative costs and the cost of removing the accumulated trash, vegetation and weeds or other rubbish located on the property known as:

10233 Bayo Ave, more particularly described as Lot 24 (7446 SQ FT), Block 5, Villa Lago Subdivision, City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas, PID #V832-999-0050-7000

to be \$869.50, in accordance with the El Paso City Code Section 9.04.880 and the Texas Health & Safety Code Section 342.007. The City Council finds that the work was completed on the 11TH day of April, 2023, and approves the costs described herein.

2. The City Council, in accordance with Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code, declares the above total amount EIGHT HUNDRED SIXTY NINE AND 50/100 DOLLARS (\$869.50) to be a lien on the above described property, said amount being due and payable within ten (10) days from the date of City Council approval, and thereafter bearing ten percent (10%) interest per annum.

3. The City Clerk is directed to give notice of the lien by filing a copy of this Resolution for record with the County Clerk.

4. All records of the City Clerk's office relating to the proceeding against the above described property are made a part of this Resolution by reference.

***R E S O L U T I O N**

WHEREAS, in accordance with Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code, MEDRANO VANESSA, referred to as owner, regardless of number, of the hereinafter described property, was given notice that said property constituted a public nuisance due to the accumulation of trash, vegetation and weeds or other objectionable, unsightly or unsanitary matter in violation of Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code; and the owner failed to comply with due notices. In accordance with El Paso City Code Chapter 9.04, the Environmental Services Department proceeded to clean and dispose of the trash, vegetation, weeds or other rubbish; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Environmental Services Department has reported the cost of doing such work in the amount hereinafter set forth.

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

1. The City Council determines its reasonable expenses including administrative costs and the cost of removing the accumulated trash, vegetation and weeds or other rubbish located on the property known as:

10200 Bayo Ave, more particularly described as Lot 1, Block 9, Villa Lago Subdivision, City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas, PID #V832-999-0090-0100

to be \$464.00, in accordance with the El Paso City Code Section 9.04.880 and the Texas Health & Safety Code Section 342.007. The City Council finds that the work was completed on the 4TH day of April, 2023, and approves the costs described herein.

2. The City Council, in accordance with Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code, declares the above total amount FOUR HUNDRED SIXTY FOUR AND 00/100 DOLLARS (\$464.00) to be a lien on the above described property, said amount being due and payable within ten (10) days from the date of City Council approval, and thereafter bearing ten percent (10%) interest per annum.

3. The City Clerk is directed to give notice of the lien by filing a copy of this Resolution for record with the County Clerk.

4. All records of the City Clerk's office relating to the proceeding against the above described property are made a part of this Resolution by reference.

***R E S O L U T I O N**

WHEREAS, in accordance with Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code, MARTINEZ VINCENT A & BELINDA J, referred to as owner, regardless of number, of the hereinafter described property, was given notice that said property constituted a public nuisance due to the accumulation of trash, vegetation and weeds or other objectionable, unsightly or unsanitary matter in violation of Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code; and the owner failed to comply with due notices. In accordance with El Paso City Code Chapter 9.04, the Environmental Services Department proceeded to clean and dispose of the trash, vegetation, weeds or other rubbish; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Environmental Services Department has reported the cost of doing such work in the amount hereinafter set forth.

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

1. The City Council determines its reasonable expenses including administrative costs and the cost of removing the accumulated trash, vegetation and weeds or other rubbish located on the property known as:

8225 Catalpa Ln, more particularly described as Lot 15, Block 56, Cielo Vista Park Subdivision, City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas, PID #C518-999-0560-4300

to be \$440.50, in accordance with the El Paso City Code Section 9.04.880 and the Texas Health & Safety Code Section 342.007. The City Council finds that the work was completed on the 11th day of April, 2023, and approves the costs described herein.

2. The City Council, in accordance with Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code, declares the above total amount FOUR HUNDRED FORTY AND 50/100 DOLLARS (\$440.50) to be a lien on the above described property, said amount being due and payable within ten (10) days from the date of City Council approval, and thereafter bearing ten percent (10%) interest per annum.

3. The City Clerk is directed to give notice of the lien by filing a copy of this Resolution for record with the County Clerk.

4. All records of the City Clerk's office relating to the proceeding against the above described property are made a part of this Resolution by reference.

***R E S O L U T I O N**

WHEREAS, in accordance with Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code, SOSA GREGORIO V, referred to as owner, regardless of number, of the hereinafter described property, was given notice that said property constituted a public nuisance due to the accumulation of trash, vegetation and weeds or other objectionable, unsightly or unsanitary matter in violation of Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code; and the owner failed to comply with due notices. In accordance with El Paso City Code Chapter 9.04, the Environmental Services Department proceeded to clean and dispose of the trash, vegetation, weeds or other rubbish; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Environmental Services Department has reported the cost of doing such work in the amount hereinafter set forth.

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

1. The City Council determines its reasonable expenses including administrative costs and the cost of removing the accumulated trash, vegetation and weeds or other rubbish located on the property known as:

7339 Wisteria Ave, more particularly described as Lot 10, Block 12, Cedar Grove Park Subdivision, City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas, PID #C301-999-0120-2800

to be \$678.00, in accordance with the El Paso City Code Section 9.04.880 and the Texas Health & Safety Code Section 342.007. The City Council finds that the work was completed on the 15TH day of September, 2021, and approves the costs described herein.

2. The City Council, in accordance with Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code, declares the above total amount SIX HUNDRED SEVENTY EIGHT AND 00/100 DOLLARS (\$678.00) to be a lien on the above described property, said amount being due and payable within ten (10) days from the date of City Council approval, and thereafter bearing ten percent (10%) interest per annum.

3. The City Clerk is directed to give notice of the lien by filing a copy of this Resolution for record with the County Clerk.

4. All records of the City Clerk's office relating to the proceeding against the above described property are made a part of this Resolution by reference.

***R E S O L U T I O N**

WHEREAS, in accordance with Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code, ALDRICH, JOSEPH M, referred to as owner, regardless of number, of the hereinafter described property, was given notice that said property constituted a public nuisance due to the accumulation of trash, vegetation and weeds or other objectionable, unsightly or unsanitary matter in violation of Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code; and the owner failed to comply with due notices. In accordance with El Paso City Code Chapter 9.04, the Environmental Services Department proceeded to clean and dispose of the trash, vegetation, weeds or other rubbish; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Environmental Services Department has reported the cost of doing such work in the amount hereinafter set forth.

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

1. The City Council determines its reasonable expenses including administrative costs and the cost of removing the accumulated trash, vegetation and weeds or other rubbish located on the property known as:

5829 Chippendale Ave, more particularly described as Lot 1, Block 7, NORTHTOWNE VILLAGE #1 RPL A Subdivision, City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas, PID #N490-999-0070-0150

to be \$421.50, in accordance with the El Paso City Code Section 9.04.880 and the Texas Health & Safety Code Section 342.007. The City Council finds that the work was completed on the 9th day of March, 2023, and approves the costs described herein.

2. The City Council, in accordance with Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code, declares the above total amount FOUR HUNDRED TWENTY ONE AND 50/100 DOLLARS (\$421.50) to be a lien on the above described property, said amount being due and payable within ten (10) days from the date of City Council approval, and thereafter bearing ten percent (10%) interest per annum.

3. The City Clerk is directed to give notice of the lien by filing a copy of this Resolution for record with the County Clerk.

4. All records of the City Clerk's office relating to the proceeding against the above described property are made a part of this Resolution by reference.

***R E S O L U T I O N**

WHEREAS, in accordance with Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code, LEE BRANDON M & SZCZERBA ROBYN M, referred to as owner, regardless of number, of the hereinafter described property, was given notice that said property constituted a public nuisance due to the accumulation of trash, vegetation and weeds or other objectionable, unsightly or unsanitary matter in violation of Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code; and the owner failed to comply with due notices. In accordance with El Paso City Code Chapter 9.04, the Environmental Services Department proceeded to clean and dispose of the trash, vegetation, weeds or other rubbish; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Environmental Services Department has reported the cost of doing such work in the amount hereinafter set forth.

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

1. The City Council determines its reasonable expenses including administrative costs and the cost of removing the accumulated trash, vegetation and weeds or other rubbish located on the property known as:

5340 Isaias Avalos Ln, more particularly described as Lot (5480.16 SQ FT), Block 31, SANDSTONE RANCH ESTATES #3 Subdivision, City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas, PID #S138-999-0310-0300

to be \$333.50, in accordance with the El Paso City Code Section 9.04.880 and the Texas Health & Safety Code Section 342.007. The City Council finds that the work was completed on the 4TH day of APRIL, 2023, and approves the costs described herein.

2. The City Council, in accordance with Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code, declares the above total amount THREE HUNDRED THIRTY THREE AND 50/100 DOLLARS (\$333.50) to be a lien on the above described property, said amount being due and payable within ten (10) days from the date of City Council approval, and thereafter bearing ten percent (10%) interest per annum.

3. The City Clerk is directed to give notice of the lien by filing a copy of this Resolution for record with the County Clerk.

4. All records of the City Clerk's office relating to the proceeding against the above described property are made a part of this Resolution by reference.

***R E S O L U T I O N**

WHEREAS, in accordance with Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code, THIGPEN HORTENSE, referred to as owner, regardless of number, of the hereinafter described property, was given notice that said property constituted a public nuisance due to the accumulation of trash, vegetation and weeds or other objectionable, unsightly or unsanitary matter in violation of Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code; and the owner failed to comply with due notices. In accordance with El Paso City Code Chapter 9.04, the Environmental Services Department proceeded to clean and dispose of the trash, vegetation, weeds or other rubbish; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Environmental Services Department has reported the cost of doing such work in the amount hereinafter set forth.

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

1. The City Council determines its reasonable expenses including administrative costs and the cost of removing the accumulated trash, vegetation and weeds or other rubbish located on the property known as:

7356 Odell Ln, more particularly described as Lot 14 (8800 SQ FT), Block 5, Future Land Subdivision, City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas, PID #F950-999-00050-1400

to be \$2968.50, in accordance with the El Paso City Code Section 9.04.880 and the Texas Health & Safety Code Section 342.007. The City Council finds that the work was completed on the 14TH day of April, 2023, and approves the costs described herein.

2. The City Council, in accordance with Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code, declares the above total amount TWO THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED SIXTY EIGHT AND 50/100 DOLLARS (\$2968.50) to be a lien on the above described property, said amount being due and payable within ten (10) days from the date of City Council approval, and thereafter bearing ten percent (10%) interest per annum.

3. The City Clerk is directed to give notice of the lien by filing a copy of this Resolution for record with the County Clerk.

4. All records of the City Clerk's office relating to the proceeding against the above described property are made a part of this Resolution by reference.

***R E S O L U T I O N**

WHEREAS, in accordance with Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code, MARTINEZ HECTOR A, referred to as owner, regardless of number, of the hereinafter described property, was given notice that said property constituted a public nuisance due to the accumulation of trash, vegetation and weeds or other objectionable, unsightly or unsanitary matter in violation of Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code; and the owner failed to comply with due notices. In accordance with El Paso City Code Chapter 9.04, the Environmental Services Department proceeded to clean and dispose of the trash, vegetation, weeds or other rubbish; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Environmental Services Department has reported the cost of doing such work in the amount hereinafter set forth.

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

1. The City Council determines its reasonable expenses including administrative costs and the cost of removing the accumulated trash, vegetation and weeds or other rubbish located on the property known as:

1731 Robert Wynn Dr, more particularly described as Lot 8 & S 3.47 FT OF 7 N 3 FT OF 9, Block 180, VISTA DEL SOL #32 Subdivision, City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas, PID #V893-999-1800-1500

to be \$354.00, in accordance with the El Paso City Code Section 9.04.880 and the Texas Health & Safety Code Section 342.007. The City Council finds that the work was completed on the 20th day of April, 2023, and approves the costs described herein.

2. The City Council, in accordance with Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code, declares the above total amount THREE HUNDRED FIFTY FOUR AND 00/100 DOLLARS (\$354.00) to be a lien on the above described property, said amount being due and payable within ten (10) days from the date of City Council approval, and thereafter bearing ten percent (10%) interest per annum.

3. The City Clerk is directed to give notice of the lien by filing a copy of this Resolution for record with the County Clerk.

4. All records of the City Clerk's office relating to the proceeding against the above described property are made a part of this Resolution by reference.

***R E S O L U T I O N**

WHEREAS, in accordance with Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code, VASQUEZ, ROBERTO, referred to as owner, regardless of number, of the hereinafter described property, was given notice that said property constituted a public nuisance due to the accumulation of trash, vegetation and weeds or other objectionable, unsightly or unsanitary matter in violation of Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code; and the owner failed to comply with due notices. In accordance with El Paso City Code Chapter 9.04, the Environmental Services Department proceeded to clean and dispose of the trash, vegetation, weeds or other rubbish; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Environmental Services Department has reported the cost of doing such work in the amount hereinafter set forth.

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

1. The City Council determines its reasonable expenses including administrative costs and the cost of removing the accumulated trash, vegetation and weeds or other rubbish located on the property known as:

208 Ward St, more particularly described as Lot 7(3537 SQ FT), Block 76-B, MAGOFFIN Subdivision, City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas, PID #M028-999-076B-4300

to be \$404.00, in accordance with the El Paso City Code Section 9.04.880 and the Texas Health & Safety Code Section 342.007. The City Council finds that the work was completed on the 27th day of September, 2021, and approves the costs described herein.

2. The City Council, in accordance with Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code, declares the above total amount FOUR HUNDRED FOUR AND 00/100 DOLLARS (\$404.00) to be a lien on the above described property, said amount being due and payable within ten (10) days from the date of City Council approval, and thereafter bearing ten percent (10%) interest per annum.

3. The City Clerk is directed to give notice of the lien by filing a copy of this Resolution for record with the County Clerk.

4. All records of the City Clerk's office relating to the proceeding against the above described property are made a part of this Resolution by reference.

***R E S O L U T I O N**

WHEREAS, in accordance with Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code, LEE, JOHN, referred to as owner, regardless of number, of the hereinafter described property, was given notice that said property constituted a public nuisance due to the accumulation of trash, vegetation and weeds or other objectionable, unsightly or unsanitary matter in violation of Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code; and the owner failed to comply with due notices. In accordance with El Paso City Code Chapter 9.04, the Environmental Services Department proceeded to clean and dispose of the trash, vegetation, weeds or other rubbish; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Environmental Services Department has reported the cost of doing such work in the amount hereinafter set forth.

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

1. The City Council determines its reasonable expenses including administrative costs and the cost of removing the accumulated trash, vegetation and weeds or other rubbish located on the property known as:

1407 Montana Ave, more particularly described as Lot 7 & 8 & 42 & 43(12900 SQ FT), Block 70/71, FRANKLIN HEIGHTS Subdivision, City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas, PID #F607-999-0700-1500

to be \$569.00, in accordance with the El Paso City Code Section 9.04.880 and the Texas Health & Safety Code Section 342.007. The City Council finds that the work was completed on the 21st day of October, 2022, and approves the costs described herein.

2. The City Council, in accordance with Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code, declares the above total amount FIVE HUNDRED SIXTY NINE AND 00/100 DOLLARS (\$569.00) to be a lien on the above described property, said amount being due and payable within ten (10) days from the date of City Council approval, and thereafter bearing ten percent (10%) interest per annum.

3. The City Clerk is directed to give notice of the lien by filing a copy of this Resolution for record with the County Clerk.

4. All records of the City Clerk's office relating to the proceeding against the above described property are made a part of this Resolution by reference.

***R E S O L U T I O N**

WHEREAS, in accordance with Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code, FRESE JOSEPH E, referred to as owner, regardless of number, of the hereinafter described property, was given notice that said property constituted a public nuisance due to the accumulation of trash, vegetation and weeds or other objectionable, unsightly or unsanitary matter in violation of Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code; and the owner failed to comply with due notices. In accordance with El Paso City Code Chapter 9.04, the Environmental Services Department proceeded to clean and dispose of the trash, vegetation, weeds or other rubbish; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Environmental Services Department has reported the cost of doing such work in the amount hereinafter set forth.

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

1. The City Council determines its reasonable expenses including administrative costs and the cost of removing the accumulated trash, vegetation and weeds or other rubbish located on the property known as:

2009 Magoffin Ave, more particularly described as Lot 21 (3000 Sq Ft), Block 32, Bassett Subdivision, City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas, PID #B202-999-0320-6100

to be \$332.00, in accordance with the El Paso City Code Section 9.04.880 and the Texas Health & Safety Code Section 342.007. The City Council finds that the work was completed on the 28th day of April, 2022, and approves the costs described herein.

2. The City Council, in accordance with Chapter 9.04 of the El Paso City Code, declares the above total amount THREE HUNDRED THIRTY TWO AND 00/100 DOLLARS (\$332.00) to be a lien on the above described property, said amount being due and payable within ten (10) days from the date of City Council approval, and thereafter bearing ten percent (10%) interest per annum.

3. The City Clerk is directed to give notice of the lien by filing a copy of this Resolution for record with the County Clerk.

4. All records of the City Clerk's office relating to the proceeding against the above described property are made a part of this Resolution by reference.

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Goal 7: Enhance and Sustain El Paso's Infrastructure Network
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7. *RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, on March 29, 2022, the City of El Paso ("City") awarded Contract No. 2022-0003 Janitorial Services Fire Facilities and NW Corral ("Contract") to the following vendor:

1 . Mirador Enterprises, Inc.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Part 4- Contract Clauses, Article 8, Section A of the Contract (Termination for Convenience) the City is authorized to terminate the Contract for convenience; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to terminate the Contract for convenience under the provisions of Part 4- Contract Clauses, Article 8, Section A of the Contract.

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

That the Managing Director of Purchasing & Strategic Sourcing is authorized to notify Mirador Enterprises, Inc. that the City is terminating Contract No. 2022-0003 Janitorial Services - Fire Facilities and NW Corral for convenience, pursuant to the provisions and requirements of Part 4 - Contract Clauses, Article 8, Section A of the Contract, and that the termination shall be effective as of July 16, 2024.

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8. *RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the federal off-system bridge program is administered by the Texas Department of Transportation (the State) to replace or rehabilitate structurally deficient and functionally obsolete (collectively referred to as deficient) bridges located on public roads and streets off the designated state highway system; and

WHEREAS, the City of El Paso, as the Local Government, owns a bridge located at Alps Drive at Tobin Drainage Ditch, National Bridge Inventory (NBI) Structure Number 240720B02360001, State Control-Section-Job (CSJ) Number 0924-06-655; and

WHEREAS, a project to remedy the bridge is included in the currently approved program of projects as authorized by Texas Transportation Commission Minute Order Number 116073, dated August 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the State and the City of El Paso executed an Advance Funding Agreement on February 17, 2023 to remedy the bridge at Alps Drive at Tobin Drainage Ditch, requiring a local match from the City of El Paso in the amount of \$31,500.00; and

WHEREAS, federally-eligible items of work for this project are approved for 100% federal and state funding through the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) as well as the Highway Bridge Replacement and Rehabilitation Program (HBRRP); and

WHEREAS, the typical estimated local match fund participation requirement for federally-eligible items of work is waived in full for CSJ 0924-06-655; and

WHEREAS, any non-eligible items of work will be paid by the City of El Paso as the Local Government; and

WHEREAS, the State and the City of El Paso wish to amend the Advance Funding Agreement executed on February 17, 2023, to waive, in its entirety, the City of El Paso's local match requirement.

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

That the City of El Paso, as the Local Government, approves the execution of an Advance Funding Agreement Amendment #1 with the Texas Department of Transportation to waive, in its entirety, the City of El Paso's local match requirement. The City Manager is authorized to execute the Advance Funding Agreement Amendment on behalf of the City of El Paso.

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***RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the federal off-system bridge program is administered by the Texas Department of Transportation (the State) to replace or rehabilitate structurally deficient and functionally obsolete (collectively referred to as deficient) bridges located on public roads and streets off the designated state highway system; and

WHEREAS, the City of El Paso, as the Local Government, owns a bridge located at Concepcion Street at Franklin Canal, National Bridge Inventory (NBI) Structure Number 240720B15843001, State Control-Section-Job (CSJ) Number 0924-06-656; and

WHEREAS, a project to remedy the bridge is included in the currently approved program of projects as authorized by Texas Transportation Commission Minute Order Number 116073, dated August 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the State and the City of El Paso executed an Advance Funding Agreement on February 6, 2023 to remedy the bridge at Concepcion Street at Franklin Canal, requiring a local match from the City of El Paso in the amount of \$56,250.00; and

WHEREAS, federally-eligible items of work for this project are approved for 100% federal and state funding through the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) as well as the Highway Bridge Replacement and Rehabilitation Program (HBRRP); and

WHEREAS, the typical estimated local match fund participation requirement for federally-eligible items of work is waived in full for CSJ 0924-06-656; and

WHEREAS, any non-eligible items of work will be paid by the City of El Paso as the Local Government; and

WHEREAS, the State and the City of El Paso wish to amend the Advance Funding Agreement executed February 6, 2023, to waive, in its entirety, the City of El Paso's local match requirement.

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

THAT the City of El Paso, as the Local Government, approves the execution of an Advance Funding Agreement Amendment #1 with the Texas Department of Transportation to

waive, in its entirety, the City of El Paso's local match requirement. The City Manager is authorized to execute the Advance Funding Agreement Amendment on behalf of the City of El Paso.

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***R E S O L U T I O N**

WHEREAS, the federal off-system bridge program is administered by the Texas Department of Transportation (the State) to replace or rehabilitate structurally deficient and functionally obsolete (collectively referred to as deficient) bridges located on public roads and streets off the designated state highway system; and

WHEREAS, the City of El Paso, as the Local Government, owns a bridge located at Hollings Street South Bound at Tobin Drainage Ditch, National Bridge Inventory (NBI) Structure Number 240720B33040001, State Control-Section-Job (CSJ) Number 0924-06-657; and

WHEREAS, a project to remedy the bridge is included in the currently approved program of projects as authorized by Texas Transportation Commission Minute Order Number 116073, dated August 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the State and the City of El Paso executed an Advance Funding Agreement on February 6, 2023 to remedy the bridge at Hollings Street South Bound at Tobin Drainage Ditch, requiring a local match from the City of El Paso in the amount of \$36,000.00; and

WHEREAS, federally-eligible items of work for this project are approved for 100% federal and state funding through the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) as well as the Highway Bridge Replacement and Rehabilitation Program (HBRRP); and

WHEREAS, the typical estimated local match fund participation requirement for federally-eligible items of work is waived in full for CSJ 0924-06-657; and

WHEREAS, any non-eligible items of work will be paid by the City of El Paso as the Local Government; and

WHEREAS, the State and City of El Paso wish to amend the Advance Funding Agreement executed February 6, 2023, to waive, in its entirety, the City of El Paso's local match requirement.

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

THAT the City of El Paso, as the Local Government, approves the execution of an Advance Funding Agreement Amendment #1 with the Texas Department of Transportation to waive, in its entirety, the City of El Paso's local match requirement. The City Manager is authorized to execute the Advance Funding Agreement Amendment on behalf of the City of El Paso.

CONSENT AGENDA – BOARD RE-APPOINTMENTS:

Goal 1: Create an Environment Conducive to Strong, Sustainable Economic Development

- 11. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **RE-APPOINT** Holt Grambling to the Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Number 5 by Mayor Oscar Leeser.

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Goal 6: Set the Standard for Sound Governance and Fiscal Management
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- 12. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **RE-APPOINT** Martha E. Piekarski to the Tax Advisory Committee by Mayor Oscar Leeser.

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Goal 8: Nurture and Promote a Healthy, Sustainable Community
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- 13. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **RE-APPOINT** Lilia B. Limon to the Fair Housing Task Force by Mayor Oscar Leeser.

- 14. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **RE-APPOINT** Lisa Turner to the Women's Rights Commission by Mayor Oscar Leeser.

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CONSENT AGENDA – BOARD APPOINTMENTS:
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Goal 1: Create an Environment Conducive to Strong, Sustainable Economic Development
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- 15. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **APPOINT** Elsa Borrego to the Committee on Border Relations by Mayor Oscar Leeser.

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Goal 8: Nurture and Promote a Healthy, Sustainable Community
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- 16. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **APPOINT** Sandy Azcona to the Women's Rights Commission by Representative Joe Molinar, District 4.

- 17. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **APPOINT** Angela C. Ochoa to the Fair Housing Task Force by Mayor Oscar Leeser.

- 18. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **APPOINT** Mary Bardouche to the Animal Shelter Advisory Committee by Representative Henry Rivera, District 7.

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CONSENT AGENDA – APPLICATIONS FOR TAX REFUNDS:
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Goal 6: Set the Standard for Sound Governance and Fiscal Management
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- 19. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** the tax refunds listed below:

1. Stewart Title, in the amount of \$2,844.41 made an overpayment on November 30, 2023 of 2023 taxes. (Geo. #L447-999-074D-0100)
2. CoreLogic Solutions LLC, in the total amount of \$11,346.60 made an overpayment on December 06, 2022 and December 09, 2023 of 2022 and 2023 taxes. (Geo. # M329-999-0210-9300)
3. First Light Federal Credit Union, in the amount of \$3,606.74 made an overpayment on January 23, 2024 of 2023 taxes. (Geo. #P863-999-0060-1700)

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CONSENT AGENDA –NOTICE FOR NOTATION:
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Goal 6: Set the Standard for Sound Governance and Fiscal Management

- 20. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **NOTE** the P-Card Transactions for the period of May 21, 2024 - June 20, 2024 for Mayor, City Council Representatives, City Attorney’s Office, City Manager’s Office and staff.

CONSENT AGENDA –NOTICE OF CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS:

Goal 5: Promote Transparent and Consistent Communication Amongst All Members of the Community

- 21. *Motion made, seconded, and carried to **NOTE** pursuant to Section 2.92.080 of the City Code, receipt of campaign contributions by Alan M. Serna in the amount of \$1,000.00 from The Law Office of Steve Ortega, PLLC.
- 22. *Motion made, seconded, and carried to **NOTE** pursuant to Section 2.92.080 of the City Code, receipt of campaign contributions by Representative Cassandra Hernandez in the amount of \$1,000 from Bettina Olivares Campaign.
- 23. *Motion made, seconded, and carried to **NOTE** pursuant to Section 2.92.080 of the City Code, receipt of campaign contributions by Representative Joe Molinar in the amount of \$1,000.00 from Dr. Richard Teschner.

CONSENT AGENDA – BEST VALUE PROCUREMENTS:

Goal 7: Enhance and Sustain El Paso’s Infrastructure Network

- 24. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **AUTHORIZE** the Managing Director of Purchasing & Strategic Sourcing to to issue a Purchase Order to Ace Government Services, LLC, referencing Contract 2022-0375 Janitorial Services - Police Facilities. This will be a change order to increase the award by \$162,202.50 for a total amount not to exceed \$2,058,116.70. This change order will add capacity to provide janitorial services for Eastside Regional Command Center, Fire Facilities and North West Corral.

Department:	Streets & Maintenance
Award to:	Ace Government Services, LLC
City & State:	El Paso, Texas
Current Contract Estimated Amount:	\$1,895,914.20
Change Order Amount:	\$ 162,202.50
Total estimated Amount not to Exceed:	\$2,058,116.70
Account(s):	532-1000-522260-31040-P3120
Funding Source(s):	General Fund
District(s):	All

This was a Best Value Bid Award - Unit Price Contract.

- 25. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **AUTHORIZE** the Managing Director of Purchasing & Strategic Sourcing to issue a Purchase Order to Delta Unlimited, LLC dba Delta Pest Control & Lawn Service referencing Contract 2019-869, Grounds Maintenance-City Facilities. This will be a change order to increase the award by \$6,950.00 resulting in a revised not to exceed total contract amount of \$1,042,003.00. This change order will add capacity to provide grounds maintenance for Eastside Regional Command Center.

Department: Streets & Maintenance
 Award to: Delta Unlimited, LLC dba Delta Pest Control & Service
 Lawn
 City & State: El Paso, Texas
 Current Contract Estimated Amount: \$1,035,053.00
 Change Order Amount: \$ 6,950.00
 Total estimated Amount not to Exceed: \$1,042,003.00
 Account(s): 532-1000-522260-31040- P3120
 Funding Source(s): General Fund
 District(s): All

This was a Best Value Bid Award - Unit Price Contract.

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26. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **AUTHORIZE** the Managing Director of Purchasing & Strategic Sourcing to issue a Purchase Order to Rio Valley BioFuels, LLC., Brewer Oil Co and James River Solutions, LLC referencing Contract 2020-166 Automotive Fuel - Unleaded. This will be a change order to increase the award by \$252,797.95 resulting in a revised not to exceed total contract amount of \$14,252,797.95. This change order will add capacity to provide unleaded fuel for Eastside Regional Command Center.

Department: Streets & Maintenance
 Award to: Rio Valley Biofuels, LLC
 City & State: Anthony, New Mexico
 Brewer Oil Co
 Artesia, New Mexico
 James River Solutions, LLC
 Ashland, Virginia
 Current Contract Estimated Amount: \$14,000,000.00
 Change Order Amount: \$ 252,797.95
 Total estimated Amount not to Exceed: \$14,252,797.95
 Account(s): 532-3600-531240-37020-P3701
 Funding Source(s): Internal Service Fund
 District(s): All

This was a Best Value Bid Award - Unit Price Contract.

CONSENT AGENDA – BIDS:

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Goal 7: Enhance and Sustain El Paso’s Infrastructure Network

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27. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **AUTHORIZE** the Managing Director of Purchasing & Strategic Sourcing to issue a Purchase Order to Pavement Marking LLC dba PMI Pavement Marking LLC, referencing Contract 2021-1263 Thermoplastic Striping. This will be a change order to increase the award by \$86,250.00 for a total amount not to exceed \$830,000.00. This change order will allow to continue the application of thermoplastic striping and markings on City owned right-of-way.

Department: Streets & Maintenance
 Award to: Pavement Marking LLC dba PMI Pavement Marking
 City & State: El Paso, Texas
 Current Contract Estimated Amount: \$743,750.00

Change Order Amount:	\$ 86,250.00
Total estimated Amount not to Exceed:	\$830,000.00
Account(s):	532-1000-32020-522270-P3254
Funding Source(s):	General Fund
District(s):	All

This was a Low Bid Award - Unit Price Contract.

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Goal 8: Nurture and Promote a Healthy, Sustainable Community

28. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **AWARD** Solicitation 2024-0247 Leashes and Collars (Re-Bid) to the following suppliers: 1) Campbell Pet Company, 2) Heather Collette Ivy dba A2Z Supplies for a total estimated amount of \$152,535.00. This contract will allow the Animal Services Department to provide leashes and collars for all animals in their care.

Contract Variance:
 N/A

Department:	Animal Services
Award to Supplier 1:	Campbell Pet Company
City & State:	Vancouver, WA
Item(s):	1 & 2
Initial Term:	3 Years
Option Terms:	N/A
Total Contract Time:	3 Years
Annual Estimated Award:	\$39,600.00
Initial Term Estimated Award:	\$118,800.00
Total Estimated Award:	\$118,800.00

Award to Supplier 2:	Heather Collette Ivy dba A2Z Supplies
City & State:	El Paso, TX
Item(s):	3 & 4
Initial Term:	3 Years
Option Terms:	2 Years
Total Contract Time:	5 Years
Annual Estimated Award:	\$6,747.00
Initial Term Estimated Award:	\$20,241.00
Option Term Estimated Award:	\$13,494.00
Total Estimated Award:	\$33,735.00

Total Annual Estimated Award:	\$46,347.00
Total Initial Term Estimated Award:	\$139,041.00
Total Option Term Estimated Award:	\$13,494.00
Total Estimated Award:	\$152,535.00
Account(s)	225 - 2580 - 25120 - 531120
Funding Source(s):	Animal Services Special Fund
District(s):	All

This was a Low Bid Procurement - unit price contract.

The Purchasing & Strategic Sourcing Department and Animal Services Department recommend award as indicated to Campbell Pet Company and Heather Collette Ivy dba A2Z Supplies the lowest responsive and responsible bidders.

It is requested that the City Manager be authorized to establish the funding sources and make any necessary budget transfers and execute any and all documents necessary for execution of this award.

In accordance with this award, the City Manager or designee is authorized to exercise future options if needed.

REGULAR AGENDA – MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

Goal 1: Create an Environment Conducive to Strong, Sustainable Economic Development

29. RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the National Association of Latino Elected & Appointed Officials (“NALEO”) is a diverse non-partisan organization that holds an annual conference which includes professional development sessions taught by many of the nation’s leading subject matter experts designed to enhance policymakers’ governance skills and understanding of critical policy issues; and

WHEREAS, the NALEO held its 41st annual conference in Las Vegas, Nevada from June 18th through June 20th, 2024 (“Conference”); and

WHEREAS, on March 26, 2024 City Council of the City of El Paso approved a resolution providing an allocation of up to \$5,000 from District 5’s discretionary funds to fund the attendance and participation of District 5 employees to the Conference; and

WHEREAS, the cost of the attendance to the Conference exceeded the previously allocated amount; and

WHEREAS, District 5 has requested that City Council approve the additional amount of Discretionary funds required to cover the full cost of attendance to the Conference having previously found that the expenditure of District 5 discretionary funds serves a municipal purpose of setting the standard for sound governance and fiscal management, as well as cultivating an environment conducive to strong economic development.

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

That the City Council declares that the previously approved expenditure of District 5 discretionary funds be revised to an amount not to exceed \$5,158.32 which will pay for the full cost of attendance and participation of District 5 employees in NALEO’s 41st annual conference; and

Further, that the City Manager, or designee, be authorized to effectuate any budget transfers and execute any related agreements, amendments to such agreements and/or related documents necessary to ensure that the funds are properly expended for the municipal purpose.

Representative Salcido commented.

Motion made by Representative Fierro, seconded by Representative Rivera, and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** the Resolution.

AYES: Representatives Kennedy, Acevedo, Hernandez, Molinar, Salcido, Fierro, Rivera, and Canales
NAYS: None

Goal 6: Set the Standard for Sound Governance and Fiscal Management

- 30. ITEM:** Discussion and action to direct the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance ordering an election on the November 5, 2024 uniform election date to permit voters to determine whether to revoke the City’s authority to issue the 2012 Quality of Life bonds that have not yet been sold or delivered; and to direct the City Manager and City Attorney to undertake all actions necessary to defease and/or redeem all or a portion of the outstanding 2012 Quality of Life bonds issued to fund the Multipurpose Performing Arts and Entertainment Facility project.

Mayor Leeser and Representatives Kennedy, Acevedo, Hernandez, Molinar, Salcido, Fierro, Rivera, and Canales commented.

The following City staff members commented:

- Ms. Kristen Hamilton-Karam, Deputy City Attorney
- Ms. Laura Prine, City Clerk
- Ms. Laura Cruz-Acosta, Strategic Communications Director
- Mr. Cary Westin, Interim City Manager
- Mr. Robert Cortinas, Chief Financial Officer
- Ms. Karla Nieman, City Attorney

Representative Canales submitted an opinion article published on July 14, 2024, on El Paso Matters titled *Ask El Paso voters if they still want a Downtown Venue* attached to the minutes as Appendix A.

The following members of the public commented:

1. Ms. Jeri Hallberg-Harmon
2. Mr. Joe Gudenrath submitted statement in opposition of the item
3. Ms. Carmen Rodriguez submitted a statement in opposition of the item

1ST MOTION

Motion made by Representative Salcido, seconded by Representative Acevedo, to **POSTPONE** the item for **TWO WEEKS**.

AYES: Representatives Acevedo, Hernandez, and Salcido
NAYS: Representatives Kennedy, Molinar, Fierro, Rivera, and Canales
THE MOTION FAILED.

2ND AND FINAL MOTION

Motion made by Representative Canales, seconded by Representative Kennedy, and carried to **DIRECT** the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance ordering an election on the November 5, 2024 uniform election date to permit voters to determine whether to revoke the City’s authority to issue the 2012 Quality of Life bonds that have not yet been sold or delivered; and to **DIRECT** the City Manager and City Attorney to undertake all actions necessary to defease and/or redeem all or a portion of the outstanding 2012 Quality of Life bonds issued to fund the Multipurpose Performing Arts and Entertainment Facility project.

AYES: Representatives Kennedy, Molinar, Fierro, Rivera, and Canales
NAYS: Representatives Acevedo, Hernandez, and Salcido

REGULAR AGENDA – OPERATIONAL FOCUS UPDATES:

Goal 6: Set the Standard for Sound Governance and Fiscal Management

31. Presentation by Strategic and Legislative Affairs and the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) on an awarded U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Communities Local Energy Action Program (LEAP) Technical Assistance Grant and upcoming energy resilience projects.

Mr. Omar Martinez, Assistant Director of Legislative Affairs, introduced the item.

Mr. Ismael Mendoza, NREL Researcher, presented a PowerPoint presentation (copy on file in the City Clerk’s Office).

Representatives Hernandez and Canales commented.

NO ACTION was taken on this item.

32. Presentation by Focused Advocacy on policy developments leading up to the 89th Texas Legislative Session.

Ms. Jasmin Flores, Storyteller, introduced the item.

The following representatives from Focused Advocacy presented a PowerPoint presentation (copy on file in the City Clerk’s Office):

- Mr. Snapper Carr, Partner and General Counsel
- Ms. Lynlie Hurd, Legislative and Regulatory Counsel

Mayor Leeser and Representatives Acevedo and Fierro commented.

NO ACTION was taken on this item.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC – PUBLIC COMMENT:

The following members of the public commented:

1. Ms. Elizabeth Crawford
 2. Mr. Ron Comeau
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REGULAR AGENDA – FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Motion made by Representative Rivera, seconded by Representative Molinar, and unanimously carried that the following Ordinance having been introduced pursuant to Section 3.9 of the El Paso City Charter, be **ADVERTISED** for public hearing.

AYES: Representatives Kennedy, Acevedo, Hernandez, Molinar, Fierro, Rivera, and Canales

NAYS: None

NOT PRESENT FOR THE VOTE: Representative Salcido

Goal 3: Promote the Visual Image of El Paso

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- 33. An Ordinance changing the zoning of the following real property known as: Parcel 1: 52.17 Acres of land out of a 381.90 Acre Tract (described in Volume 2526, Page 2033 Real Property Records of El Paso County, Texas), now known as Tract 1A, Section 16, Block 79, Township 3, Texas and Pacific Railway Company Surveys, City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas from R-3 (Residential) and R-F (Ranch and Farm) to C-4 (Commercial); and, Parcel 2: 9.72 Acre portion out of a 381.90 Acre Tract described in Volume 2526, Page 2033, Real Property Records of El Paso County, Texas, being Tract 1A, Section 16, Block 79, Township 3, Texas and Pacific Railway Company Surveys, City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas, from R-F (Ranch and Farm) to C-2 (Commercial); and, Parcel 3: 15.00 Acres of land out of a 381.90 Acre Tract (described in Volume 2526, Page 2033, Real Property Records of El Paso County, Texas), now known as Tract 1A, Section 16, Block 79, Township 3, Texas and Pacific Railway Company Surveys, City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas, from R-F (Ranch and Farm) to A-O (Apartment/Office), and imposing conditions. The penalty is as provided for in Chapter 20.24 of the El Paso City Code.

The proposed rezoning meets the intent of the Future Land Use designation for the property and is in accordance with Plan El Paso, the City’s Comprehensive Plan.

Subject Property: Joe Battle Boulevard and North of Pellicano Drive
Applicant: County of El Paso, PZRZ23-00018

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PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD ON AUGUST 13, 2024

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- 34. An Ordinance granting a Special Privilege License to EPT Montecillo I-10 Development, LLC to permit the construction, installation, maintenance, use, and repair of a surface encroachment for two (2) Art Sculptures and Ancillary Items over City right-of-way at the roundabout intersection located at Vin Rambla Drive and Vin Roda Drive, additionally, this ordinance encompasses the placement of twenty three (23) wayfinding signs and nine (9) electric meters at various locations within the Montecillo Development; setting the license term for a term of ten years (10) with one (1) renewable ten (10) year term.

Location: Vin Rambla Drive and Vin Roda Drive, and various locations within the Montecillo Development
Applicant: EPT Montecillo I-10 Development, LLC, PSPN23-00007

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PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD ON JULY 30, 2024

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- 35. An Ordinance changing the zoning of Lot 3, Block 1, Coronado del Sol, City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas, from R-3 (Residential) and R-5/sc (Residential/special contract) to A-3 (Apartment) and A-3/sc (Apartment/special contract), and imposing a condition. The penalty is as provided for in Chapter 20.24 of the El Paso City Code.

The proposed rezoning meets the intent of the Future Land Use designation for the property and is in accordance with Plan El Paso, the City’s Comprehensive Plan.

Subject Property: Mesa Hills and Northwest of Sunland Park
Applicant: Housing Authority of the City of El Paso, PZRZ24-00002

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PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD ON SEPTEMBER 10, 2024

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Goal 6: Set the Standard for Sound Governance and Fiscal Management

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36. An Ordinance authorizing the City Manager to execute a quitclaim (tax resale) deed conveying all right, title and interest to Ignacio Villanueva Macias, to the following and described parcel:

Tract 11, (.48 Acre), Block 44, San Elizario, El Paso County, Texas.

In accordance with Section 34.05 (h) of the Tax Code. Section 34.05 (h) permits the City to sell a property for the total amount of the judgment and the sale of the property does not require the consent of each taxing entity entitled to receive proceeds from the sale.

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PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD ON JULY 30, 2024

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REGULAR AGENDA – OTHER BIDS, CONTRACTS, PROCUREMENTS:

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Goal 7: Enhance and Sustain El Paso’s Infrastructure Network

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37. **ITEM:** Discussion and action on the award of Task Order #8K-1 for Solicitation Horizontal Construction Improvements 2024-0397 to Keystone GC, LLC., for a total estimated award of \$611,979.21 to develop an accessible pathway from deactivated bus stops to active bus stops.

Motion made by Alternate Mayor Pro Tempore Molinar, seconded by Representative Fierro, and unanimously carried to **AWARD** Task Order #8K-1 for Solicitation Horizontal Construction Improvements 2024-0397 to Keystone GC, LLC., for a total estimated award of \$611,979.21 to develop an accessible pathway from deactivated bus stops to active bus stops.

AYES: Representatives Kennedy, Acevedo, Hernandez, Molinar, Fierro, Rivera, and Canales
NAYS: None
NOT PRESENT FOR THE VOTE: Representative Salcido

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38. Motion made by Alternate Mayor Pro Tempore Molinar, seconded by Representative Rivera, and unanimously carried to **AWARD** Solicitation 2024-0380 Hondo Pass Citizen Collection Station to MIRADOR ENTERPRISES, INC., for a total estimated award of \$3,929,850.00. This contract will be used for the construction of a drop-off location for household waste, hazardous material, bulky items and recyclables.

Department:	Capital Improvement
Award to:	MIRADOR ENTERPRISES, INC.
City & State:	El Paso, TX
Item(s):	All
Contract Term:	295 Consecutive Calendar Days
Base Bid I:	\$3,929,850.00
Total Estimated Award:	\$3,929,850.00
Account(s):	334-3150-34100-580270- PESD00210
Funding Source(s):	Environmental Services Department Fiscal Year 21 Capital Projects
District(s):	4

This was a Competitive Sealed Proposal Procurement lump sum contract.

The Purchasing & Strategic Sourcing and Capital Improvement Departments recommend award as indicated to MIRADOR ENTERPRISES, INC., the highest ranked offeror based on the evaluation factors established in the evaluation criteria for this procurement.

It is requested that the City Manager be authorized to establish the funding sources and make any necessary budget transfers and execute any and all documents necessary for execution of this award.

As a part of this award, upon the review of the City Attorney, the City Engineer may without further authorization from City Council approve contract changes which are necessary for proper execution of the work and carrying out the intent of the project, which are in accordance with applicable law, do not make changes to the prices and are within the appropriate budget.

AYES: Representatives Kennedy, Acevedo, Hernandez, Molinar, Fierro, Rivera, and Canales

NAYS: None

NOT PRESENT FOR THE VOTE: Representative Salcido

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- 39.** Motion made by Representative Rivera, seconded by Representative Molinar, and unanimously carried to **AUTHORIZE** the Managing Director of Purchasing & Strategic Sourcing to issue a Purchase Order to Rio Valley Biofuels, LLC referencing Contract 2022-0724 Automotive Fuel - Diesel. This will be a change order to increase the award by \$1,013,607.00 resulting in a revised not to exceed total contract amount of \$10,613,607.00. This change order will add capacity to provide diesel for Eastside Regional Command Center.

Department:	Streets & Maintenance
Award to:	Rio Valley Biofuels, LLC
City & State:	El Paso, Texas
Current Contract Estimated Amount:	\$ 9,600,000.00
Change Order Amount:	\$ 1,013,607.00
Total estimated Amount not to Exceed:	\$10,613,607.00
Account(s):	532-3600-531240-37020-P3701
Funding Source(s):	Internal Service Fund
District(s):	All

This was a Best Value Bid Award - Markup Contract.

AYES: Representatives Kennedy, Acevedo, Hernandez, Molinar, Fierro, Rivera, and Canales

NAYS: None

NOT PRESENT FOR THE VOTE: Representative Salcido

Goal 8: Nurture and Promote a Healthy, Sustainable Community

- 40.** Motion made by Representative Fierro, seconded by Representative Molinar, and unanimously carried to **AWARD** Solicitation 2024-0285 Janitorial services to Ace Government Services, LLC for an initial three (3) year term for an estimated amount of \$1,256,958.00. The total value of the contract is, including the initial term plus the option, for a total of five (5) years, for an estimated amount of \$2,094,930.00. This contract will provide daily janitorial services across multiple clinics and office locations for the Department of Public Health.

Contract Variance:

The difference based in comparison to the previous contract is as follows: An increase of \$566,735.40 representing an 82.11% increase due to changes to cleaning hours and changes to hourly rates.

Department:	Public Health
Award to:	Ace Government Services LLC
City & State:	El Paso, Texas
Item(s):	All

Initial Term:	3 Years
Option Term:	2 Years
Annual Estimated Award:	\$418,986.00
Initial Term Estimated Award:	\$1,256,958.00
Option Term Estimated Award:	\$837,972.00
Total Estimated Award	\$2,094,930.00
Account(s)	341-1000-41160-522060 341-1000-41130-522060 341-2140-41240-522060-P41A-GT4124GAF 341-2140-41240-522060-P41NE-GT4124GAF 341-2235-41355-522060-PHS13-G21CSLFRF 341-2235-41355-522150-PHS17-G21CSLFRF
Funding Source(s):	General Fund, Public Health Grants and COVID Relief Fund
District(s):	All

This was a Best Value Bid Procurement - unit price contract.

The Purchasing & Strategic Sourcing Department and Department of Public Health recommend award as indicated to Ace Government Services LLC the highest ranked bidder based on the evaluation factors established in the evaluation criteria for this procurement and to deem Professional Janitorial Service of El Paso dba PJS of El Paso as nonresponsive due to failure to fulfill requirements on the bid form and Amanda Pauline Nyser dba Axiom Enterprise Solutions LLC and Technologies Link Business and Service Corporation as nonresponsive and nonresponsible due to failure of submitting the required surety letter.

It is requested that the City Manager be authorized to establish the funding sources and make any necessary budget transfers and execute any and all documents necessary for execution of this award.

In accordance with this award, the City Manager or designee is authorized to exercise future options if needed.

AYES: Representatives Kennedy, Acevedo, Hernandez, Molinar, Fierro, Rivera, and Canales
 NAYS: None
 NOT PRESENT FOR THE VOTE: Representative Salcido

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REGULAR AGENDA – PUBLIC HEARINGS AND SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES:

Goal 1: Create an Environment Conducive to Strong, Sustainable Economic Development

41. ORDINANCE 019654

The City Clerk read an ordinance entitled: **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CONVEYANCE OF REAL PROPERTY OWNED BY THE CITY OF EL PASO TO VTRE DEVELOPMENT, LLC FOR THE PURCHASE PRICE OF \$18,720,000. SUCH REAL PROPERTY LEGALLY DESCRIBED AS A PORTION OF LOT 1, BLOCK 1, EL PASO WEST, AS FILED IN BOOK 57, PAGE 5 OF THE PLAT RECORDS OF EL PASO COUNTY, TEXAS.**

Mayor Leeser and Representatives Kennedy, Acevedo, and Salcido commented.

Mr. Cary Westin, Interim City Manager, commented.

Mr. Chris McCluskey, VTRE's Executive Vice President of Development, commented.

The following members of the public commented:

1. Mr. Stuart Shiloff
2. Mr. Rick Bonart
3. Mr. Richard Dayoub submitted a statement in opposition of the item on behalf of Mr. Frank Adams, River Oaks Properties President

Motion duly made by Representative Rivera, seconded by Representative Molinar, and carried that the Ordinance be **ADOPTED**.

Whereupon the Mayor ordered that a vote be taken on the passage and adoption of the Ordinance which when so done resulted as follows:

AYES: Representatives Kennedy, Acevedo, Hernandez, Molinar, Fierro, Rivera, and Canales

NAYS: Representative Salcido

Whereupon the Mayor ordered that, the vote having been cast in favor of the Ordinance, the same be and the same is hereby **ADOPTED**.

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REGULAR AGENDA – OTHER BUSINESS:
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Goal 4: Enhance El Paso's Quality of Life through Recreational, Cultural and Educational Environments
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42.

R E S O L U T I O N

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

That the City Manager be authorized to sign an Agreement Regarding Mutual Cooperation (the "Agreement") between the **CITY OF EL PASO** (the "CITY"), and the **PASO DEL NORTE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION** (the "PDNCF"), a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization in El Paso, Texas (collectively, the "Parties") to coordinate the Zoo Fund Program (the "Program") to provide fundraising support to the El Paso Zoo (the "Zoo"), and provide a not-for-profit vehicle for gifts from private and other donors for the benefit of the Zoo for a term of five (5) years and shall automatically renew for additional one (1) year periods with a limit of five (5) additional periods.

Mr. Joe Montisano, Zoo Director, presented a PowerPoint presentation (copy on file in the City Clerk's Office).

Representative Hernandez commented.

Motion duly made by Representative Canales, seconded by Representative Rivera, and carried to **APPROVE** the Resolution.

AYES: Representatives Hernandez, Molinar, Salcido, Fierro, Rivera, and Canales

NAYS: Representatives Kennedy and Acevedo

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Goal 8: Nurture and Promote a Healthy, Sustainable Community
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43.

R E S O L U T I O N

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

THAT the City of El Paso supports the Application by the Paso del Norte Community Foundation (PDNCF) and University of Texas at El Paso (UTEP) to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 Community Change grant program requesting funds in the amount of \$19,300,000.00 for the Strategy 1: Energy-Efficient, Healthy, Resilient Housing and Buildings and Strategy 2: Outdoor Air Quality and Community Health Improvement Project (“Application”);

THAT the City of El Paso City Council authorizes support from City of El Paso in planning and implementation activities, with no match required from the City;

THAT the City Manager, or designee, is authorized to sign any documents necessary for the proper submission of the Application, after consultation with the City Attorney’s Office;

THAT the City Manager, or designee, is authorized to explore funding sources and partnerships that leverage the strength of the Application and any grant resulting from the Application.

Motion duly made by Representative Fierro, seconded by Representative Molinar, and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** the Resolution.

AYES: Representatives Kennedy, Acevedo, Hernandez, Molinar, Salcido, Fierro, Rivera, and Canales

NAYS: None

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R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, Housing Authority of the City El Paso (HOME) is applying to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 Community Change Grant Program requesting funds in the amount of \$20,000,000.00 for development and renovation of low-income housing through a third phase of construction at Patriot Place (“Application”); and,

WHEREAS, the stated purpose of the Community Change Grant is to “support comprehensive community and place-based approaches to redressing environmental and climate injustices for communities facing legacy pollution, climate change, and persistent disinvestment;” and,

WHEREAS, a successful application to the Community Change Grant Program requires a partnership agreement between a community-based organization and a Statutory-Partner, such as a local government agency; and,

WHEREAS, for this application Home will serve as the Statutory-Partner and the Lead Applicant, and the City will participate as a collaborating entity; and;

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

THAT, the El Paso City Council authorizes support from City of El Paso in planning and implementation activities, with no match or direct costs incurred from the City; and,

THAT, the El Paso City Council has determined that supporting HOME’s application for the Community Change Grant through project planning, public outreach, and community engagement is a valid public purpose; and

THAT, the City Manager, or designee, is authorized to sign any documents in support for the proper submission of the Application, after consultation with the City Attorney’s Office; and,

THAT, the City Manager, or designee, is authorized to explore funding sources and partnerships that leverage the strength of the Application and any grant resulting from the Application.

Motion duly made by Alternate Mayor Pro Tempore Molinar, seconded by Representative Fierro, and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** the Resolution.

AYES: Representatives Kennedy, Acevedo, Hernandez, Molinar, Salcido, Fierro, Rivera, and Canales

NAYS: None

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Motion made by Representative Salcido, seconded by Representative Molinar, and unanimously carried to **ADJOURN** this meeting at 12:56 p.m.

AYES: Representatives Kennedy, Acevedo, Hernandez, Molinar, Salcido, Fierro, Rivera, and Canales

NAYS: None

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APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

Laura D. Prine, City Clerk

COMMENTARY

Opinion: Ask El Paso voters if they still want a Downtown venue



by **Special to El Paso Matters**

July 14, 2024



The Union Depot area is the most recent proposed site of a long-delayed multipurpose venue for Downtown El Paso approved by voters in 2012. (Ramon Bracamontes/El Paso Matters)

By city Rep. Chris Canales

Joined by city representatives Brian Kennedy and Art Fierro, I placed an item on the agenda for Tuesday's City Council meeting calling for a proposition on the ballot in the November 2024 election [to ask voters if they want](#)

[to revoke the city's authority to issue bonds for the Multipurpose Performing Arts and Entertainment Facility](#) (commonly called the “Downtown arena” or the “MPC”), effectively ending the project.



Chris Canales

The MPC’s proposed Downtown location is in my district, so I feel the need to explain why we think this is an important question to pose to El Paso’s voters.

Bond laws are complex, but the City Council has the legal option to make this decision ourselves without an election, to choose not to issue these bonds and abandon the project due to a material change in circumstances. Instead, I feel it is appropriate to ask El Pasoans how they want to proceed.

Voters have been waiting 12 long years since the passage of the 2012 quality of life bond election for some resolution on the MPC project, and after so much time they should have their voices heard again at the ballot box.

This is a project that the current City Council should never have even inherited. In the 12 years since the MPC project was first approved, the project has, through a series of high profile headwinds and hang-ups, morphed into something that no longer resembles the initial

concept.

The reality now, in 2024, is that there is nowhere near the amount of funding required to deliver an “arena” – a project of that scale would cost something in the range of \$400-\$500 million, not the \$128 million remaining in unsold bonds.

Even the \$128 million in new debt would exert significant pressure on the city’s tax rate for years to come. While the city of El Paso is doing better than many peer cities in our recovery from the economic difficulties caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, that recovery is still in progress. Our citizens are still feeling the impact in the form of inflation and increased cost of living.

This raises the vital question of whether the timing is right for such a sizable debt-funded project. That question is one that I think the city must now pose to the public, which is why we are proposing this for inclusion on the ballot in November.

I won’t say that the proposal of the MPC project was the wrong decision in 2012. The economic context was very different more than a decade ago, and a whole lot of socioeconomic upheaval has happened since then.

I also won't say that building a large entertainment venue in Downtown would definitely be a bad idea for El Paso's post-recovery future. Just as the context has changed since 2012, it will continue to change with the march of time, and there may be a future in which the idea of a Downtown arena can be reconceptualized, realistically priced out, and proposed to the voters again as a far more complete package, including a specific location.

That option is far better than continuing to modify the existing project again and again to the point where it is no longer recognizable or even wanted by its original supporters.

If a Downtown arena is desired in the future, El Pasoans deserve to make a decision about such a large project with full knowledge of what will be developed, the potential benefits and challenges, and of course the real cost to the taxpayers.

I don't want to presume that the proposition on the ballot will pass and the MPC project in its current iteration will be ended. There is of course the possibility that the public will choose not to revoke the city's bonding authority for the project, implicitly saying that the project should move forward.

There is a current proposal to build an 8,000 capacity indoor/outdoor hybrid venue next to the Union Depot rail station that admittedly wasn't very popular. After years of prior city councils pivoting and studying alternatives, I believe that this proposal is the most viable option if the project does move forward, but I know many others do not agree.

If the City Council doesn't pass this agenda item, or if the voters don't ultimately pass the proposition, I'm sure there will still be plenty of discussion about what direction to go in next. We will cross that bridge if we come to it, or more aptly if the voters lead us to it.

Chris Canales has served as city representative for District 8 on the El Paso City Council, which includes Downtown, since January 2023.