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

AGENDA DATE: July 16, 2024

PUBLIC HEARING DATE: N/A

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DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: All Districts

STRATEGIC GOAL: No 8: Nurture and Promote a Healthy, Sustainable Community

SUBJECT:

Discussion and action on a Resolution supporting an 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 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 ("Application"); and authorizing City participation in the Project during planning and implementation activities, with no match required from the City.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:

Project partners include the PDNCF, UTEP, Ysleta del Sur Pueblo, Project Bravo, TCEQ, and the City of El Paso. The Application includes two strategies:

Strategy 1: Energy-Efficient, Healthy, Resilient Housing and Buildings

1.1 Enhancing Community Resilience and Sustainability: Retrofitting Homes with High-Efficiency Cooling Systems, Weatherization for Climate Change Adaptation

Strategy 2: Outdoor Air Quality and Community Health Improvement Project

2.1 Clean Transit Initiative: Reducing Emissions through Drayage Truck High-Efficiency Engine Upgrades Project, which includes grants, rebates, or subsidies to replace diesel engines in drayage trucks that contribute significantly to pollution.

2.2 Community-Led Air Quality Monitoring and Awareness Initiative, which is a community air monitoring project designed to enhance air pollution monitoring capabilities and raise community awareness about air quality issues.

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

N/A

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

N/A

HAVE ALL AFFECTED DEPARTMENTS BEEN NOTIFIED? X YES NO

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT: Strategic and Legislative Affairs

SECONDARY DEPARTMENT: Community and Human Development

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Ian Voglewede

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