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CITY MANAGER



CITY COUNCIL

Alejandra Chávez, District 1 Josh Acevedo, District 2 Deanna Maldonado-Rocha, District 3

CYNTHIA BOYAR TREJO, DISTRICT 4
IVAN NIÑO, DISTRICT 5
ART FIERRO, DISTRICT 6
LILY LIMÓN, DISTRICT 7

CHRIS CANALES, DISTRICT 8

MINUTES FOR REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

February 25, 2025 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 Renard Johnson was present and presiding and the following Council Members answered roll call: Alejandra Chávez, Josh Acevedo, Deanna Maldonado-Rocha, Cynthia Boyar Trejo, Ivan Niño, and Lily Limón. Late arrivals: Art Fierro at 9:11 a.m. and Chris Canales at 9:47 a.m.
INVOCATION BY EL PASO POLICE CHAPLAIN JOE MARATTA
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
Paul Moreno Montessori Elementary School at the invitation of Representative Lily Limón
Giana Toscano Barraza
MAYOR'S PROCLAMATIONS
National Girls and Women in Sports Day
UTEP x El Paso Electric - National Engineers Week
First Sergeant Dan Webb Day
Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month
NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC
Motion made by Mayor Pro Tempore Chávez, seconded by Representative Canales, and unanimously carried to APPROVE , AS REVISED , 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 Chávez, Acevedo, Rocha, Trejo, Niño, Fierro, Limón, and Canales NAYS: None

CONSENT AGENDA – APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Goal 6: Set the Standard for Sound Governance and Fiscal Management *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** the Minutes of the Regular 1. City Council Meeting of February 4, 2025, the Agenda Review Meeting of February 3, 2025, and the Work Session of February 3, 2025. **CONSENT AGENDA - REQUEST TO EXCUSE ABSENT CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS:** REQUEST TO EXCUSE ABSENT CITY COUNCIL MEMEBERS *NO ACTION was taken on this item. **CONSENT AGENDA – RESOLUTIONS:** Goal 2: Set the Standard for a Safe and Secure City 3. RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the City of El Paso (the "City") is eligible to apply for grants through the Public Safety Office of the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, the El Paso City Council seeks to receive grant funding through the grant/application number 3007110 for the El Paso Police Department project identified as "El Paso 2024 OPSG"; and

WHEREAS, the El Paso City Council designates the City Manager or her designee as the City's authorized official.

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

- THAT, the City Manager or designee is authorized to submit to the Public Safety Office
 of the State of Texas, grant application number 3007110, for the City of El Paso Police
 Department project identified as "El Paso 2024 OPSG" to provide financial assistance
 to the City of El Paso.
- 2. **THAT,** the City of El Paso shall provide all applicable matching funds for said grant if applicable.
- 3. **THAT,** the City Manager or designee is authorized to apply for, accept, reject, alter and/or terminate said grant.
- 4. **THAT**, the City Council agrees that in the event of loss or misuse of said grant funds, the City of El Paso will return all funds for said grant to the Public Safety Office of the State of Texas.
- 5. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the City Manager or designee is authorized to sign any related paperwork, including but not limited to, the actual grant contract, the authorization of budget transfers, and/or revisions to the operation plan, as well as any grant amendments, corrections or extensions of the grant agreement which increase, decrease or de-obligate program funds, provided that no additional City funds are required.

Mayor Johnson and Representatives Chávez, Acevedo, Fierro, Limón and Canales commented.

The following City staff members commented:

- Police Assistant Chief Humberto Talamantes
- Police Chief Peter Pacillas
- Mr. Eric Gutierrez, Senior Assistant City Attorney
- Ms. Karla Nieman, City Attorney

Ms. Lisa Turner, citizen, commented.

1ST MOTION:

*Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **MOVE** the item to the **REGULAR AGENDA**.

2ND MOTION:

Motion made by Representative Canales, seconded by Representative Limón, to **AMEND** the item by inserting the following words at the end of the Resolution:

"That the City Council further directs the City Manager and City Attorney to promptly take all necessary actions to terminate the grant and end the City's participation in Operation Stone Garden in the event that Senate Bill 4, 88th Texas Legislature, Regular Session (2023), takes effect."

AYES: Representatives Trejo, Limón, and Canales

NAYS: Representatives Chávez, Acevedo, Rocha, Niño, and Fierro

THE MOTION FAILED.

3RD AND FINAL MOTION:

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

AYES: Representatives Chávez, Rocha, Trejo, Niño, and Fierro

NAYS: Representatives Acevedo, Limón, and Canales

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4. *RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the City of El Paso (the "City") is eligible to apply for grants through the Public Safety Office of the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, the El Paso City Council seeks to receive grant funding through the grant/application number 5381301 for the El Paso Police Department project identified as "Criminal Justice Grant - JAG FY2026"; and

WHEREAS, the El Paso City Council designates the City Manager or his designee as the City's authorized official.

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

- THAT, the City Manager or designee is authorized to submit to the Public Safety Office of the State of Texas, grant application number 5381301, for the City of El Paso Police Department project identified as "Criminal Justice Grant-JAG FY2026" to provide financial assistance to the City of El Paso.
- 2. **THAT**, the City of El Paso shall provide all applicable matching funds for said grant, if applicable.

- 3. **THAT,** the City Manager or designee is authorized to apply for, accept, reject, alter and/or terminate said grant; and
- 4. **THAT**, the City Council agrees that in the event of loss or misuse of said grant funds, the City of El Paso will return all funds for said grant to the Public Safety Office of the State of Texas.
- 5. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED TUAT**, the City Manager or designee is authorized to sign any related paperwork, including but not limited to, the actual grant contract, the authorization of budget transfers, and/or revisions to the operation plan, as well as any grant amendments, corrections or extensions of the grant agreement which increase, decrease or de-obligate program funds, provided that no additional City funds are required.

5. *RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the City of El Paso (the "City") is eligible to apply for grants through the Public Safety Office of the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, the El Paso City Council seeks to receive grant funding through the grant/application number 5378801 for the El Paso Police Department project identified as "SHSP NPA FY2025" and

WHEREAS, the El Paso City Council designated the City Manager or her designee as the City's authorized official.

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

- THAT, the City Manager or designee is authorized to submit to the Public Safety Office of the State of Texas, grant application number 5378801, for the City of El Paso Police Department project identified as "SHSP NPA FY2025" to provide financial assistance to the City of El Paso.
- 2. **THAT**, the City of El Paso shall provide all matching funds for said grant, if applicable.
- 3. **THAT**, the City Manager or designee is authorized to apply for, accept, reject, alter, and/or terminate said grant.
- 4. **THAT**, the City Council agrees that in the event of loss or misuse of said grant funds, the City of El Paso will return all funds for said grant to the Public Safety Office of the State of Texas.
- 5. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT**, the City Manager or designee is authorized to sign any related paperwork, including but not limited to, the actual grant contract, the authorization of budget transfers, and/or revisions to the operation plan, as well as any grant amendments, corrections, or extensions of the grant agreement which increase, decrease, or de-obligate program funds, provided that no additional City funds are required.

6. *RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the City of El Paso (the "City") is eligible to apply for grants through the Public Safety Office of the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, the El Paso City Council seeks to receive grant funding through the grant/application number 2950711 for the El Paso Police Department project identified as "SHSP MATRIX Fusion Center"; and

WHEREAS, the El Paso City Council designates the City Manager or her designee as the City's authorized official.

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

- THAT, the City Manager or designee is authorized to submit to the Public Safety Office of the State of Texas, grant application number 2950711, for the City of El Paso Police Department project identified as "SHSP - MATRIX Fusion Center" to provide financial assistance to the City of El Paso.
- 2. **THAT,** the City of El Paso shall provide all applicable matching funds for said grant, if applicable.
- 3. **THAT,** the City Manager or designee is authorized to apply for, accept, reject, alter, and/or terminate said grant.
- 4. **THAT,** the City Council agrees that in the event of loss or misuse of said grant funds, the City of El Paso will return all funds for said grant to the Public Safety Office of the State of Texas.
- 5. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT,** the City Manager or designee is authorized to sign any related paperwork, including but not limited to, the actual grant contract, the authorization of budget transfers, and/or revisions to the operation plan, as well as any grant amendments, corrections or extensions of the grant agreement which increase, decrease or de-obligate program funds, provided that no additional City funds are required.

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

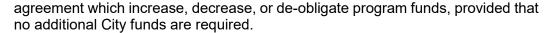
WHEREAS, the City of El Paso (the "City") is eligible to apply for grants through the Public Safety Office of the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, the El Paso City Council seeks to receive grant funding through the grant/application number 5378701 for the El Paso Police Department project identified as "SHSP Regular FY25-Soft Target Protection;" and

WHEREAS, the El Paso City Council designated the City Manager or her designee as the City's authorized official.

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

- 1. **THAT**, the City Manager or designee is authorized to submit to the Public Safety Office of the State of Texas, grant application number 5378701, for the City of El Paso Police Department project identified as "SHSP Regular FY25-Soft Target Protection" to provide financial assistance to the City of El Paso.
- 2. **THAT**, the City of El Paso shall provide all matching funds for said grant, if applicable.
- 3. **THAT,** the City Manager or designee is authorized to apply for, accept, reject, alter, and/or terminate said grant.
- 4. **THAT,** the City Council agrees that in the event of loss or misuse of said grant funds, the City of El Paso will return all funds for said grant to the Public Safety Office of the State of Texas.
- 5. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT**, the City Manager or designee is authorized to sign any related paperwork, including but not limited to, the actual grant contract, the authorization of budget transfers, and/or revisions to the operation plan, as well as any grant amendments, corrections, or extensions of the grant



*D F O O L U T I O N

8. *RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the City of El Paso (the "City") is eligible to apply for grants through the Public Safety Office of the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, the El Paso City Council seeks to receive grant funding through the grant/application number 2950611, for the El Paso Police Department project identified as "SHSP LETPA - Specialized Teams FY2025"; and

WHEREAS, the El Paso City Council designated the City Manager or her designee as the City's authorized official.

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

- 1. **THAT**, the City Manager or designee is authorized to submit to the Public Safety Office of the State of Texas, grant application number 295061 I, for the City of El Paso Police Department project identified as "SHSP LETPA Specialized Teams FY202S" to provide financial assistance to the City of El Paso.
- 2. **THAT**, the City of El Paso shall provide all matching funds for said grant, if applicable.
- 3. **THAT,** the City Manager or designee is authorized to apply for, accept, reject, alter, and/or terminate said grant.
- 4. **THAT,** the City Council agrees that in the event of loss or misuse of said grant funds, the City of El Paso will return all funds for said grant to the Public Safety Office of the State of Texas.
- 5. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT**, the City Manager or designee is authorized to sign any related paperwork, including but not limited to, the actual grant contract, the authorization of budget transfers, and/or revisions to the operation plan, as well as any grant amendments, corrections, or extensions of the grant agreement which increase, decrease, or de-obligate program funds, provided that no additional City funds are required.

9. *RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the City of El Paso (the "City") is eligible to apply for grants through the Public Safety Office of the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, the El Paso City Council seeks to receive grant funding through the grant/application number 3952706 FY2026 for the El Paso Police Department project identified as "Project Safe Neighborhoods"; and

WHEREAS, the El Paso City Council designates the City Manager or her designee as the City's authorized official.

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

1. **THAT** the City Manager or designee is authorized to submit to the Public Safety Office of the State of Texas, grant application number 3952706, for the City of El Paso Police Department project identified as "Project Safe Neighborhoods" to provide financial assistance to the City of El Paso.

- 2. **THAT**, the City of El Paso shall provide all applicable matching funds for said grant, if applicable.
- 3. **THAT,** the City Manager or designee is authorized to apply for, accept, reject, alter, and/or terminate said grant.
- 4. **THAT**, the City Council agrees that in the event of loss or misuse of said grant funds, the City of El Paso will return all funds for said grant to the Public Safety Office of the State of Texas.
- 5. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT**, the City Manager or designee is authorized to sign any related paperwork, including but not limited to, the actual grant contract, the authorization of budget transfers, and/or revisions to the operation plan, as well as any grant amendments, corrections or extensions of the grant agreement which increase, decrease or de-obligate program funds, provided that no additional City funds are required.

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

WHEREAS, the City of El Paso (the "City") is eligible to apply for grants through the Public Safety Office of the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, the El Paso City Council seeks to receive grant funding through the grant/application number 4365504 for the El Paso Police Department project identified as "Body Worn Camera FY26"; and

WHEREAS, the El Paso City Council designates the City Manager or her designee as the City's authorized official.

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

- 1. **THAT**, the City Manager or designee is authorized to submit to the Public Safety Office of the State of Texas, grant application number 4365504, for the City of El Paso Police Department project identified as "Body Worn Camera FY2026" to provide financial assistance to the City of El Paso.
- 2. **THAT**, the City of El Paso shall provide all applicable matching funds for said grant, if applicable.
- 3. **THAT**, the City Manager or designee is authorized to apply for, accept, reject, alter, and/or terminate said grant.
- 4. **THAT**, the City Council agrees that in the event of loss or misuse of said grant funds, the City of El Paso will return all funds for said grant to the Public Safety Office of the State of Texas.
- 5. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT**, the City Manager or designee is authorized to sign any related paperwork, including but not limited to, the actual grant contract, the authorization of budget transfers, and/or revisions to the operation plan, as well as any grant amendments, corrections or extensions of the grant agreement which increase, decrease or de-obligate program funds, provided that no additional City funds are required.

11. *RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the City of El Paso (the "City") is eligible to apply for grants through the Public Safety Office of the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, the El Paso City Council seeks to receive grant funding through the grant/application number 2592812 for the El Paso Police Department project identified as "General Victim Services FY2026"; and

WHEREAS, the El Paso City Council designates the City Manager or her designee as the City's authorized official.

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

- THAT, the City Manager or designee is authorized to submit to the Public Safety Office of the State of Texas, grant application number 2592812, for the City of El Paso Police Department project identified as "General Victim Services, FY2026" to provide financial assistance to the City of El Paso.
- 2. **THAT**, the City of El Paso shall provide all applicable matching funds for said grant, if applicable.
- 3. **THAT**, the City Manager or designee is authorized to apply for, accept, reject, alter, and/or terminate said grant.
- 4. **THAT**, the City Council agrees that in the event of loss or misuse of said grant funds, the City of El Paso will return all funds for said grant to the Public Safety Office of the State of Texas.
- 5. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT**, the City Manager or designee is authorized to sign any related paperwork, including but not limited to, the actual grant contract, the authorization of budget transfers, and/or revisions to the operation plan, as well as any grant amendments, corrections or extensions of the grant agreement which increase, decrease or de-obligate program funds, provided that no additional City funds are required.

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

WHEREAS, the City of El Paso (the "City") is eligible to apply for grant through the FY24 Texas Department of Emergency Management Hazard Mitigation Post Fire (HMGP) grant program entitled El Paso County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Action Plan Updates.

WHEREAS, the City of El Paso Fire Department plans to use this funding to review and update the City of El Paso Office of Emergency Management Hazard Mitigation Plans.

WHEREAS, the project entitled, El Paso County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Action Plan Updates involves the hiring of a consultant to review, update, and submit current mitigation plans to FEMA for approval and adoption.

WHEREAS, the current El Paso County Hazard Mitigation Plans are due to expire on August 15, 2026. The plans include the Cities of El Paso, Horizon City, San Elizario and Socorro, the Towns of Anthony and Clint and the Village of Vinton.

WHEREAS, the Grant requires matching funds of at least 25%, \$30,000, by the City; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program will aid the development and implementation of the El Paso County Hazard Mitigation Plans which serve as a vital foundation for saving lives and protecting the property from natural and manmade hazards.

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

- 1. That the City Manager or designee is authorized to sign the funding match commitment letter for the FY24 Texas Department of Emergency Management Hazard Mitigation Post Fire grant (HMGP) for the project titled "El Paso County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Action Plan Updates" through the State Hazard Mitigation Officer including all related paperwork, including but not limited to, authorization of budget transfers, and/or revisions to the operation plan, and to accept, reject, amend, correct, and/or terminate the grant in the amount of \$120,000, for the project that supports the El Paso Office of Emergency Management; and
- 2. That the City of El Paso will provide all applicable matching funds for said grant if applicable; and
- 3. That in the event of loss or misuse of the grant funds, the City of El Paso assures the it will return the funds to the Texas Department of Emergency Management in full.

Goal 3: Promote the Visual Image of El Paso

*RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A DETAILED SITE DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR ALL OF LOT 1, BLOCK 3, KEYSTONE BUSINESS PARK, REPLAT "A", AND ALL OF LOTS 2 AND 3, BLOCK 3, KEYSTONE BUSINESS PARK, 4500 DONIPHAN DRIVE, CITY OF EL PASO, EL PASO COUNTY, TEXAS, PURSUANT TO SECTION 20.04.150. THE PENALTY IS AS PROVIDED FOR IN CHAPTER 20.24 OF THE EL PASO CITY CODE.

WHEREAS, CLEVER PROPERTIES LLC, (the "Owner") has applied for approval of a detailed site development plan which requires City Plan Commission and City Council approval. The detailed site development plan is subject to the development standards in the C-4/SC (COMMERCIAL/SPECIAL CONTRACT) District regulations and subject to the approved Detailed Site Development Plan signed by the Applicant, the City Manager and the Executive Secretary to the City Plan Commission. A copy of this plan is attached hereto as Exhibit "A"** and is incorporated herein by reference for all purposes; and,

WHEREAS, a report was made by the staff to the City Plan Commission and a public hearing was held regarding such application;

WHEREAS, the City Plan Commission has approved and herein recommends Council approval of the subject detailed site development plan; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the detailed site development plan meets all applicable requirements of the El Paso City Code:

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

Pursuant to requirements, the City Council hereby approves the detailed site development plan submitted by the Applicant, to permit office warehouse as required under the C- 4/SC (Commercial/Special Contract) District as per Section 20.04.150, on the following described property which is located in a C-4/SC (Commercial/Special Contract) District: All of Lot 1, Block 3, Keystone Business Park, Replat "A", and all of Lots 2 and 3, Block 3, Keystone Business Park, 4500 Osborne Drive, City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas.

- 2. A copy of the approved detailed site development plan, signed by the Applicant, the City Manager and the Secretary of the City Plan Commission, is attached hereto, as **Exhibit "A"**** and incorporated herein by reference.
- All construction and development on the property shall be done in accordance with the approved detailed site development plan and the development standards applicable in the C-4/SC (COMMERCIAL/SPECIAL CONTRACT) District regulations.
- 4. The Applicant shall sign an agreement to develop the property and to perform all construction thereon in accordance with the approved detailed site development plan and the standards applicable in the C-4/SC (COMMERCIAL/SPECIAL CONTRACT) District. Such agreement shall be signed and filed with the Zoning Administrator and the Executive Secretary of the City Plan Commission before building permits are issued.
- 5. This approval shall be void if construction on the property is not started in accordance with the approved detailed site development plan within four (4) years from the date hereof.

**Exhibit "A" available at the City Clerk's Office.

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

**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, on behalf of the City of El Paso, a Traffic Signal Flasher Agreement, between the City of El Paso "City" and El Paso Independent School District "EPISD" for installation of two (2) school traffic signs with two (2) solar powered school flasher signals along Hayes Ave. between N. Copia and N. Stevens St. to serve Navarrete Middle School at 3501 Hayes Ave. in the City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas. EPSID will pay FIFTY THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED AND 00/100 DOLLARS (\$50,100.00).

Representative Canales commented.

Ms. Lisa Turner, citizen, commented.

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15. *RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, on February 25, 2021, the City of El Paso ("City") and the State of Texas, acting by and through the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT"), entered into an Advance Funding Agreement for the Downtown Bicycle Improvements Phase I project ("Project").

WHEREAS, the Project includes the construction of bicycle facilities downtown with buffered bike lanes, conventional bike lanes, shared lane markings and protected bike lanes.

WHEREAS, the Project has an estimated total project cost of \$2,728,712.00, with an estimated local government participation cost of \$331,706.00.

WHEREAS, the City wishes to amend the parties' Advanced Funding Agreement to revise the project description to include the number of traffic lanes and amend locations.

WHEREAS, the amendment does not change the City's estimated participation cost of \$331,706.00.

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

THAT the City Manager be authorized to sign Amendment #1 to the Advance Funding Agreement by and between the City of El Paso and the State of Texas, acting by and through the Texas Department of Transportation, for the Downtown Bicycle Improvements Phase I project.

Ms. Lisa Turner, citizen, commented. **CONSENT AGENDA – BOARD RE-APPOINTMENTS:** Goal 6: Set the Standard for Sound Governance and Fiscal Management 16. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to RE-APPOINT Casey Mangan to the Ethics Review Commission by Representative Chris Canales, District 8. 17. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **RE-APPOINT** Marco Covarrubias to the Ethics Review Commission by Representative Josh Acevedo, District 2. **CONSENT AGENDA – BOARD APPOINTMENTS:** Goal 6: Set the Standard for Sound Governance and Fiscal Management **18.** *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **APPOINT** Edward Houghton V to the Public Service Board Selection Committee by Representative Alejandra Chávez, District 1. Ms. Lisa Turner, citizen, commented. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **APPOINT** Michael Bester to the Civil Service Commission by Representative Alejandra Chávez, District 1. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **APPOINT** Taylor Moreno to the Bond 20. Overview Advisory Committee by Representative Deanna Maldonado-Rocha, District 3. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to APPOINT Melisa Guevara to the Bond 21. Overview Advisory Committee by Representative Alejandra Chávez, District 1. Mayor Johnson and Representative Chávez commented. Goal 8: Nurture and Promote a Healthy, Sustainable Community *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to APPOINT Gabriel Gonzalez to the 22. Regional Renewable Energy Advisory Council by Representative Alejandra Chávez, District **CONSENT AGENDA – APPLICATIONS FOR TAX REFUNDS:** Goal 6: Set the Standard for Sound Governance and Fiscal Management

- **23.** *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** the tax refunds greater than \$2,500 listed below:
 - 1. Vision Precision Holdings LLC, in the amount of \$3,828.37, made an overpayment on January 21, 2025 of 2024 taxes. (Geo.# 1537-999-1294-7334)
 - 2. Marc I. Medina, in the amount of \$4,886.89, made an overpayment on January 31, 2025 of 2024 taxes. (Geo.# A462-999-0190-6501)
 - 3. BW JV1 LLC, in the amount of \$5,716.30, made an overpayment on December 31, 2024 of 2024 taxes. (Geo.# A527-999-0020-0100)
 - 4. SDP Capital Investments, LLC, in the amount of \$5,009.32, made an overpayment on December 25, 2024 of 2024 taxes. (Geo.# A670-999-0070-0900)
 - 5. Martha Carrillo, in the amount of \$2,828.60, made an overpayment on January 31, 2025 of 2024 taxes. (Geo.# E275-000-0070-0050)
 - 6. Marc. I. Medina, in the amount of \$4,704.42, made an overpayment on January 31, 2025 of 2024 taxes. (Geo.# A462-999-0190-6500)
 - 7. Moises Gandara, in the amount of \$6,952.64, made an overpayment on January 6, 2025 of 2024 taxes. (Geo.# H453-999-0410-3400)
 - 8. Jose Luis Ortega & Blanca E Ortega, in the amount of \$13,317.38, made an overpayment on January 24, 2025 of 2024 taxes. (Geo.# S332-999-0040-1700)
 - 9. Santiago H Portas, in the amount of \$6,403.94, made an overpayment on January 28, 2025 of 2024 taxes. (Geo.# S986-000-0010-3200)
 - 10. Santiago H Portas, in the amount of \$6,318.39, made an overpayment on January 28, 2025 of 2024 taxes. (Geo.# S986-000-0010-3250)
 - 11. Santiago H Portas, in the amount of \$11,924.64, made an overpayment on January 28, 2025 of 2024 taxes. (Geo.# S986-000-0020-0200)
 - 12. Santiago H Portas, in the amount of \$12,122.38, made an overpayment on January 28, 2025 of 2024 taxes. (Geo.# T287-999-4650-2000)
 - 13. Eduardo Pinal, in the amount of \$3,161.84, made an overpayment on January 21, 2025 of 2024 taxes. (Geo.# V893-999-0830-2700)
 - 14. Roberto Rodriguez, in the amount of \$6,246.26, made an overpayment on January 17, 2025, of 2024 taxes. (Geo.# V893-999-1670-1100)

<u>CONSENT AGENDA –</u>	NOTICE FOR NOTATION:

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

24. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **NOTE** the Special Projects, Discretionary fund expenditures, and P-Card Transactions for the period of December 21,

Manager's Office and staff. Ms. Lisa Turner, citizen, commented. CONSENT AGENDA – REQUEST TO ISSUE PURCHASE ORDERS: Goal 8: Nurture and Promote a Healthy, Sustainable Community 25. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to AUTHORIZE the Director of Purchasing & Strategic Sourcing Department to issue Purchase Order(s) to Pethealth Services (USA) Inc. referencing Contract 2023-0136 Microchips. This change order is to increase the award by \$65,625.00 for a total amount no to exceed \$328,125.00. This change order will cover multidivision microchip utilization for the duration of the contract, which expires September 25, 2026. Department: **Animal Services** Award to: Pethealth Services (USA) Inc. City & State: Buffalo, NY Current Contract Estimated Amount: \$262.500.00 Change Order Award: \$65,625.00 Total Estimated Amount not to Exceed: \$328,125.00 Account(s): 225-2580-25100-P2501-522150 Funding Source(s): **Outside Contracts** District(s): ΑII This was a Low Bid Award - unit price contract. **REGULAR AGENDA - MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL:** Goal 7: Enhance and Sustain El Paso's Infrastructure Network 26. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to DELETE discussion and action on a Resolution that the City of El Paso hereby appoints the following board members to the Camino Real Regional Mobility Authority Board for the positions identified below, which shall take effect on February 4, 2025: 1. Mathew McElroy, Position 2, term expiring on February 1, 2027. 2. Lina Ortega, Position 6, term expiring on February 1, 2027. The Regular City Council meeting was RECESSED at 10:05 a.m. in order to convene the Mass Transit Department Board meeting. The Regular City Council meeting was **RECONVENED** at 10:22 a.m. REGULAR AGENDA – OTHER BUSINESS:

2024 - January 20, 2025 for Mayor, City Council Representatives, City Attorney's Office, City

27. ITEM: Presentation, discussion, and action on the sale process for 17 City-owned properties located in the Union Plaza area of Downtown El Paso, bounded by W Overland Ave to the north, S Santa Fe St to the east, E Paisano Dr to the south, and Alley B to the west.

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

The following City staff members presented a PowerPoint presentation (copy on file in the City Clerk's Office).

- Ms. Jessica Torres, Economic and International Development Business Services Coordinator
- Ms. Daniela Quesada, City Architect

Representatives Limón and Canales commented.

The City staff members commented:

- Ms. Claudia Garcia, Purchasing and Strategic Sourcing Director
- Ms. Karla Nieman, City Attorney

The following members of the public commented:

- 1. Mr. Ignacio Villarmarzo
- 2. Ms. Carmen Rodriguez
- 3. Mr. Jose Rodriguez
- 4. Ms. Veronica Carbajal
- 5. Mr. David Dorado Romo
- 6. Mr. Joe Gudenrath
- 7. Mr. Jerry Kurtyka
- 8. Ms. Lisa Turner
- 9. Mr. Victor Hurtado

Motion made by Representative Canales, seconded by Representative Limón, and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** the proposed Request for Qualification (RFQ) process for the adaptive reuse of 17 city owned properties in the Union Plaza District.

In accordance with the December 17, 2024 action, the properties shall not be sold for less than Fair Market Value and the proceeds shall be used to defease outstanding bonds.

AYES: Representatives Chávez, Acevedo, Rocha, Trejo, Niño, Fierro, Limón, and Canales NAYS: None

REGULAR AGENDA – OPERATIONAL FOCUS UPDATES:

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

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- **28.** Presentation and discussion on Workforce Focus initiatives, including:
 - 1. Recruitment
 - 2. Retention
 - 3. Compensation
 - 4. Employee Benefits
 - 5. Next Steps

Ms. Mary Wiggins, Chief Human Resources Officer, presented a PowerPoint presentation (copy on file in the City Clerk's Office).

Mayor Johnson and Representative Limón commented.

The following members of the public commented:

- 1. Mr. Adrian Martinez
- 2. Ms. Lisa Turner

NO ACTION was taken on this item.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC - PUBLIC COMMENT:

The following members of the public commented:

- 1. Ms. Claudia Contreras
- 2. Mr. Douglas Thompson
- 3. Ms. Barbara Valencia
- 4. Mr. Ron Comeau
- 5. Ms. Elizabeth Crawford
- 6. Ms. June Borders
- 7. Ms. Michelle Esper-Martin
- 8. Mr. Homero Silva

DECULAR ACENDA FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

REGULAR AGENDA – FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

Motion made by Representative Limón, seconded by Representative Canales, and unanimously carried that the following Ordinances for Items 29 through 32 and 34 through 38, having been introduced pursuant to Section 3.9 of the El Paso City Charter, be **ADVERTISED** for public hearing:

NAYS: None

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AYES: Representatives Chávez, Acevedo, Rocha, Trejo, Niño, Fierro, Limón, and Canales

Goal 3: Promote the Visual Image of El Paso

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29. An Ordinance granting Special Permit No. PZST24-00006, to allow for a clinic and side yard setback reduction on the property described as Lot 2179, Block 91, Mountain View Addition, 4893 Maxwell Avenue, City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas pursuant to Section 20.04.260 of the El Paso City Code. The penalty being as provided in Chapter 20.24 of the El Paso City Code.

The proposed special permit 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: 4893 Maxwell Ave. Applicant: Project Vida, PZST24-00006

30. An Ordinance granting Special Permit No. PZST24-00003, to allow for an orphanage shelter and side yard setback reduction on the property described as all of Lots 1-24, Block 298, a portion of Lots 1-5 and all of Lots 6-24, all of Lots 35-58, Block 300, together with the vacated portion of Cliff Street between Blocks 298 and 300 and the vacated alley in Block 300, a portion of Block 302, all in Pierce Finley addition, plus Children's Home Subdivision (formerly known as Tract 6-A FM Collins Survey #209), 1100 E. Cliff Drive, City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas, pursuant to Section 20.04.260 of the El Paso City Code. The penalty being as provided in Chapter 20.24 of the El Paso City Code.

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The proposed special permit 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: 1100 E. Cliff Dr.

Applicant: The Lee & Beulah Moor Children's Home, PZST24-00003

31. An Ordinance changing the zoning of Lots 3 and 4, Block 58, East El Paso, 3505 Gateway West Boulevard, City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas from R-5 (Residential) to C-1 (Commercial). The penalty is as provided for in Chapter 20.24 of the El Paso City Code.

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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: 3505 Gateway West Blvd.

Applicant: Springtime Investment LLC, PZRZ24-00024

32. An Ordinance changing the zoning of a portion of Lot 3, Block 391, Tierra Del Este Unit Sixty-Nine and a portion of Section 37 and 48, Block 79, Township 2, Texas and Pacific Railway Company Surveys, City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas from C-2 (Commercial) to C-3 (Commercial). 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: North of Pebble Hills Drive and East of John Hayes Street Applicant: Camino Real Investment Properties, LLC, PZRZ24-00015

Mayor Johnson verbally disclosed a contribution received from the applicant.

Representative Chávez verbally disclosed a \$3,500 contribution received from Doug Schwartz.

Representative Acevedo verbally disclosed a \$500 contribution received from Doug Schwartz.

Representative Limón verbally disclosed a contribution received from Doug Schwartz.

Representative Canales verbally disclosed a contribution received from Doug Schwartz.

33. Motion made by Representative Rocha, seconded by Representative Acevedo, and unanimously carried to **POSTPONE THREE (3) WEEKS** the introduction of an Ordinance changing the zoning of Tracts 2-B, 2-B-1, 2-B-5, Block 18, Ysleta Grant Surveys, 523 Giles, City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas from R-3 (Residential) to C-1/c (Commercial/conditions), 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: 523 Giles Road

Applicant: Daniel Resendez, PZRZ24-00011

AYES: Representatives Chávez, Acevedo, Rocha, Trejo, Niño, Fierro, Limón, and Canales

NAYS: None

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34. An Ordinance changing the zoning of Tract 2C, Block 41, Ysleta Grant, City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas from R-F (Ranch and Farm) to C-4 (Commercial). 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: North of Americas Avenue and West of Southside Road Applicant: Ajeya Bhava LLC, PZRZ24-00006

PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD ON MARCH 18, 2025 FOR ITEMS 29, 30, 31, 32, AND 34

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

35. An Ordinance authorizing the City Manager to sign a Purchase and Sale Agreement, a Deed, and any other documents necessary to convey approximately 2.112 acres of land, legally described as being all of Lots 1-16 and 21-32, and the vacated alley within Block 72, Cotton Addition, City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas.

Subject Property: 210 N. Lee St.

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36. An Ordinance authorizing the City Manager to sign a Purchase and Sale Agreement, a Deed and any other documents necessary to convey approximately 20,948 acres of land, legally described as property consisting of all or partial sections of Township 7 and 8, Block 65, and all or partial sections of PSL, Block 77, and PSL Part I and PSL Part II, Block 63, also known as The Wildhorse Ranch, Culberson County, Texas.

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

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37. An Ordinance amending Title 12 (Vehicles and Traffic), Chapter 12.88 (Schedules), 12.88.150 (Schedules XIV - Speed Limits), Subsection F (Thirty-Five Miles per Hour), to ADD item 110: Justice Street, from Montana Avenue to North City Limits; and an Ordinance Amending Title 12 (Vehicles and Traffic), Chapter 12.88 (Schedules), 12.88.150 (Schedules XIV - Speed Limits), Subsection G (Forty Miles per Hour), to DELETE Item 47. Justice Street, from Edgemere Boulevard to the South City Limits.

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38. An Ordinance amending Title 12 (Vehicles and Traffic), Chapter 12.88 (Schedules), 12.88.180 (No Stopping or Standing - Tow-Away Zone), Subsection A, to ADD Item 120: Pollard Street, From Hayes Avenue to Truman Avenue, East Side; and to ADD Item 121: Truman Avenue, from Pollard Street to A point 420 Feet East, North Side.

PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD ON MARCH 4, 2025 FOR ITEMS 35 THROUGH 38

The Regular City Council meeting was **RECESSED** at 12:58 p.m. for lunch

The Regular City Council meeting was **RECONVENED** at 2:16 p.m.

REGULAR AGENDA – OTHER BIDS, CONTRACTS, PROCUREMENTS:

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

39. RESOLUTION

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

THAT the City Manager, or designee, is authorized to sign a Passenger Boarding Bridge and Check Baggage Inspection System Maintenance Agreement by and between the City of El Paso ("City") and Daifuku Services America Corporation, a Florida Corporation ("Company"), for Company to provide operations and maintenance services for the El Paso International Airport baggage claim system and passenger boarding bridges, for a term of five (5) years from the Effective Date and one (1) additional two-year option to extend and three (3) additional one-year options to extend the term of the Agreement by the City Manager or Designee, to be compensated as follows:

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Initial	l Term:
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Years 1- 5 Estimated Amount \$7,007,165.24

Years 1- 5 Reimbursable Amount \$2,100,000.00

Option Term 1:

Years 6 - 7 Estimated Amount \$2,551,596.63

Years 6 - 7 Reimbursable Amount \$300,000.00

Option Term 2:

Year 8 Estimated \$1,363,916.35

Year 8 Reimbursable Amount \$150,000.00

Option Term 3:

Year 9 Estimated Amount \$1,433,236.03

Year 9 Reimbursable Amount \$150,000.00

Option Term 4:

Year 10 Estimated \$1,506,711.60

Year 10 Reimbursable Amount \$150,000.00

Total Award Amount \$13,862,625.85

THAT, additionally the City Manager or Designee is authorized to approve additional hours of service necessary to adjust to increased airlines services provided to be compensated at the hourly rates in the Agreement.

Ms. Shane Brooks, Aviation Development Assistant Director, presented a PowerPoint presentation (copy on file in the City Clerk's Office).

Representatives Chávez and Canales commented.

Ms. Crystal Paz, Lead Procurement and Contract Analyst, commented.

Ms. Lisa Turner, citizen, commented.

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

AYES: Representatives Chávez, Acevedo, Rocha, Trejo, Niño, Fierro, Limón, and Canales NAYS: None

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

RESOLUTION

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

That the City Manager be authorized to sign an Agreement for Professional Services by and between the CITY OF EL PASO and DEKKER, LLC, a Texas Limited Liability Company, for a project known as "Architect and Engineering Services for the El Paso Police Department Pebble Hills Regional Command Center", for an amount not to exceed \$531,092.00; that the City Engineer is authorized to approve additional Basic Services and Reimbursables for an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00 and to approve Additional Services for an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00 if such services are necessary for the proper execution of the project and that the increased amounts are within the appropriate budgets of the project for a total amount of\$631,092.00; and 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 the execution of the Agreement.

Mr. Daniel Garcia, Capital Improvement Assistant Director, presented a PowerPoint presentation (copy on file in the City Clerk's Office).

Representative Rocha commented.

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tempore Chávez, seconded by Representative Rocha, and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** the Resolution.

AYES: Representatives Chávez, Acevedo, Rocha, Trejo, Niño, Fierro, Limón, and Canales NAYS: None

41. Motion made by Representative Acevedo, seconded by Representative Fierro, and unanimously carried to AUTHORIZE the Director of Purchasing & Strategic Sourcing to issue Purchase Order(s) for Solicitation 2025-0081 Defibrillator Equipment and Maintenance to Zoll Medical Corporation, the sole source provider for the X-Series cardiac monitor defibrillators and services, for a term of three (3) years for an estimated amount of \$1,815,220.65. Supplier will be required to provide an updated sole source letter and affidavit each year. This contract will allow standardization of cardiac monitor defibrillators, accessories and maintenance to new and existing equipment currently owned by the City.

Contract Variance:

The difference based in comparison to the previous contract's annual amount is as follows: An increase of \$235,020.83 for the annual amount, which represents a 63.51% increase due to the addition of 9 new cardiac monitor defibrillators units as well as an additional 34 pieces of existing equipment to be placed under warranty.

Department: Fire

Award to: Zoll Medical Corporation

City & State: Chelmsford, MA

Item(s):

Initial Term: 3 Years Option Term: NA Total Contract Time: 3 Years Annual Estimated Award: \$605,073.55 \$1,815,220.65 Initial Term Estimated Award:

Option Term Estimated Award: NA

Total Estimated Award: \$1.815.220.65

322-1000-22090-531120-P2217 Account(s):

Funding Source(s): General Fund

Non-Competitive Procurement under Local Government General Exemption:

Section 252.022 - (7) a procurement of items that are available from only one source (A) items that are available from only one source because of patents, copyrights, secret processes, or natural monopolies.

The Purchasing & Strategic Sourcing Department and Fire Department recommend award as indicated to Zoll Medical Corporation under the exemption listed above.

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.

AYES: Representatives Chávez, Acevedo, Rocha, Trejo, Niño, Fierro, Limón, and Canales

NAYS: None

Goal 4: Enhance El Paso's Quality of Life through Recreational, Cultural and Educational

Environments

RESOLUTION 42.

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

That the City Manager be authorized to sign an Agreement for Professional Services by and between the CITY OF EL PASO and Countryman & Co. PLLC, a Texas Limited Liability Company (LLC), for a project known as "Architectural and Engineering Services for the Modesto Gomez Central Flat Fields Project" for an amount not to exceed \$890,015.00; that the City Engineer is authorized to approve additional Basic Services and Reimbursables for an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00 and to approve Additional Services for an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00 if such services are necessary for the proper execution of the project and that the increased amounts are within the appropriate budgets of the project for a total amount of \$990,015.00; and 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 the execution of the Agreement.

Mr. Daniel Garcia, Capital Improvement Assistant Director, presented a PowerPoint presentation (copy on file in the City Clerk's Office).

Representative Acevedo commented.

Motion made by Representative Limón, seconded by Representative Acevedo, and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** the Resolution.

AYES: Representatives Chávez, Acevedo, Rocha, Trejo, Niño, Fierro, Limón, and Canales

NAYS: None

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

43. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **DELETE** the discussion and action on the award of Solicitation 2024-0474 Automotive Fuel Unleaded to the following suppliers: 1) Rio Valley Biofuels LLC, 2) Mansfield Oil Company, 3) Tartan Oil for a total estimated amount of \$9,600,000.00. This contract will provide unleaded automotive fuel to ensure the continual supply to city-owned vehicles that require fuel for daily operations.

Contract Variance:

The difference based in comparison to the previous contract is as follows: An increase of \$1,200,000.00 for the initial term, which represents a 14.29% increase due to fuel prices increases.

Department: Streets and Maintenance
Award to Primary Vendor: Rio Valley Bio Fuels LLC

City & State: El Paso, TX

Item(s):AllInitial Term:3 YearsOption Terms:2 YearsTotal Contract Time:5 Years

Award to Secondary Vendor: Mansfield Oil Company

City & State: Gainesville, GA

Item(s):AllInitial Term:3 YearsOption Terms:NATotal Contract Time:3 Years

Award to Tertiary Vendor: Tartan Oil LLC City & State: Knoxville, TN

Item(s):AllInitial Term:3 YearsOption Terms:NATotal Contract Time:3 Years

Total Annual Estimated Award: \$3,200,000.00
Total Initial Term Estimated Award: \$9,600,000.00
Total Option Term Estimated Award: \$6,400,000.00
Total Estimated Award: \$16,000,000.00

Account(s): 532-3600-531240-37020-P3701

Funding Source(s): Internal Service Fund

District(s):

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

The Purchasing & Strategic Sourcing Department and Streets and Maintenance Department recommend award as indicated to primary vendor: Rio Valley Biofuels, LLC, secondary vendor: Mansfield Oil Company and tertiary vendor: Tartan Oil, LLC the highest ranked bidders 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.

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

RESOLUTION

44.

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

That the City Manager be authorized to sign an Agreement for Professional Services by and between the CITY OF EL PASO and GRV Integrated Engineering Solutions LLC., a Texas Limited Liability Company (LLC), for a project known as "Civil Engineering Professional Services for the Rojas Drive Resurfacing/Reconstruction Project" for an amount not to exceed \$445,900.14; that the City Engineer is authorized to approve additional Basic Services and Reimbursables for an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00 and to approve Additional Services for an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00 if such services are necessary for the proper execution of the project and that the increased amounts are within the appropriate budgets of the project for a total amount of \$545,900.14; and 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 the execution of the Agreement.

Motion made by Representative Limón, seconded by Representative Trejo, and unanimously carried to APPROVE the Resolution.

AYES: Representatives Chávez, Acevedo, Rocha, Trejo, Niño, Fierro, Limón, and Canales NAYS: None

..... **REGULAR AGENDA – OTHER BUSINESS:**

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

RESOLUTION 45.

WHEREAS, the City of El Paso ("City") and the County of El Paso ("County") are local governments as defined in Chapter 791 of the Texas Government Code, and have the authority to enter into this Interlocal Agreement ("Agreement"), and have each entered into this Agreement in the appropriate manner prescribed by law; and

WHEREAS, economic development is important to the health and vitality of El Paso's regional economy; and

WHEREAS, in compliance with applicable federal, state, and local laws, the County sought proposals for the development of its incentive policies, including its Texas Government Code Chapter 381 policies, to make the County more attractive for prospective economic development expansion opportunities ("Services"); and

WHEREAS, as a result of the County's request for proposals, the proposal was awarded to Newmark Global Strategies Economic Incentives Advisory ("Newmark") for the Services; and

WHEREAS, the City also wishes to update its economic development incentive polices, to include its Chapter 380 policies; and

WHEREAS, for purposes of efficiency and effectiveness, the City wishes to use the County's procurement process to also contract with Newmark for the same Services, to include updating the City's economic development incentives policies under the Texas Local Government Chapter 380, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Chapter 252; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Texas Government Code § 791.025, the City may contract with the County to purchase the Services and satisfies the City's requirement to seek competitive bids for the purchase of the Services; and

WHEREAS, the City and County will enter into an Interlocal Agreement to collaboratively update/develop their respective economic development incentive policies under Chapter 380 and Chapter 381, aimed at enhancing the El Paso region's appeal for prospective economic development expansion opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the City and the County acknowledge that this Interlocal Agreement is in accordance with the City's and County's respective strategic plans and visions for the promotion of economic development of the El Paso region.

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

That the Mayor be authorized to sign the Interlocal Agreement for good and valuable consideration by and between the City of El Paso ("City"), a home-rule municipal corporation and the County of El Paso, a Texas political subdivision ("County"), by and through their duly authorized officials, pursuant to the Interlocal Cooperation Act, Chapter 791.001 *et seq.*, Texas Government Code, for the purposes of efficiency and effectiveness, the City seeks to use the County's procurement process to also contract with Newmark Global Strategies Economic Incentives Advisory ("Newmark") to update the City's economic development incentive policies under Chapter 380 of the Texas Local Government Code ("Services"), with the goal of enhancing the El Paso region's appeal for prospective economic development expansion opportunities.

That the City Manager or designee be authorized to take such further actions, including all understanding and assurances contained therein, and accept, reject, alter, or terminate the resulting Interlocal Agreement execute such additional documents, establish future funding sources and make any budget transfers, make such filings as may be necessary to effectuate the intent and purpose of this Resolution.

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

Representative Fierro commented.

Ms. Lisa Turner, citizen, commented.

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

AYES: Representatives Chávez, Acevedo, Rocha, Trejo, Niño, Fierro, Limón, and Canales NAYS: None

Goal 4: Enhance El Paso's Quality of Life through Recreational, Cultural and Educational Environments

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WHEREAS, under the provisions of the City Code Chapter 2.40 (Department of Museums and Cultural Affairs) Section 2.40.70 (Art in Municipal Places) and Section 2.40.80 (Administration of the Public Art Program and Establishment of the Public Art Committee) the City of El Paso provided for art in municipal places, established a means of funding acquisition or commissioning of art for municipal places and established that the Public Art committee and the Museums and Cultural Affairs Advisory Board shall submit an annual Public Art Plan to the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the 2025 Public Art Plan (the "Plan") attached hereto as Exhibit "A"** was approved by the Public Art Committee ("PAC") and the Museums and Cultural Affairs Advisory Board ("MCAAB"); and

WHEREAS, the City Council may accept or reject any portion of this Plan; and

WHEREAS, the City Council, having taken into consideration the recommendation of the PAC and MCAAB, determines that the Plan is reasonable and appropriately adopted and that said Plan serves the public purpose of enhancing the quality of life of the citizens of El Paso through the development of fine arts and cultural properties and by encouraging the integration of art in the architecture of municipal structures.

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

- 1. That the 2025 Public Art Plan, attached hereto, be and is hereby officially adopted.
- 2. That the 2025 Plan includes current art projects in progress initiated in 2024 and new projects to be initiated in Fiscal Year 2025 and on, and describes the planned location, proposed budget, timetable, and artist selection process for each project, and contains updates on public art projects in progress.
- 3. That adoption of the Plan is fully funded through 2010. 2011, 2012, 2013, 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020 Certificates of Obligation; the 2012 Infrastructure and Quality of Life Bonds; and the 2019 Public Safety Bonds.
- 4. That the City Manager, or designee, is authorized to enter into contracts and amendments to contracts to carry out the Plan as described in Exhibit "A"**. If an artist identified in the Plan is unable or unwilling to finalize a contract with the City, then the City Manager is authorized to execute a contract and contract amendments with a new artist as selected by the Museum and Cultural Affairs Department approved by the Public Art Committee.
- 5. That the City Manager, or designee, is authorized to enter into Allied Artist Agreements which correspond to Public Art projects described in Exhibit "A"** for totals not to individually exceed \$10,000.

Representatives Niño and Canales commented.

Mr. Ben Fyffe, Managing Director of Quality of Life, commented.

Motion made by Representative Acevedo, seconded by Representative Rocha, and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** the Resolution.

AYES: Representatives Chávez, Acevedo, Rocha, Trejo, Niño, Fierro, Limón, and Canales NAYS: None

^{**}Exhibit available at the City Clerk's Office.

Goal 6: Set the Standard for Sound Governance and Fiscal Management 47. RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the El Paso Housing Finance Corporation (the "*Issuer*") was duly created and organized pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Housing Finance Corporations Act, Chapter 394, Texas Local Government Code, as amended, for the public purpose of providing a means of financing the costs of residential ownership and development that will provide decent, safe, sanitary housing for persons of low and moderate income at prices they can afford; and

WHEREAS, the Issuer has determined to issue its Single-Family Mortgage Revenue Bonds ("Bonds"), Guaranteed Mortgage-Backed Securities Program Series 2025A, in an amount not to exceed \$28,000,000 for the public purpose of providing additional funding to certain qualified low and moderate income residents of the City of El Paso, Texas (the "City") to afford the costs of decent, safe, and sanitary housing located within the City, and

WHEREAS, the Issuer has conducted and held a public hearing regarding issuance of the Bonds on December 18, 2024, at 10:00 a.m., pursuant to the requirements of Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 ("*TEFRA hearing*"), as amended, after publishing proper notice at least 14 days in advance; and

WHEREAS, the Bonds shall not constitute a debt, liability, or obligation of the City, nor shall the City be responsible for their repayment but shall be payable solely from the revenues pledged by the Issuer; and

WHEREAS, the City approves and encourages the Issuer in its efforts to accomplish the issuance of the Bonds and, as part of such transaction is willing to provide its General Certificate, and for the Mayor of the City to provide his Certificate concerning the conduct of the Public Hearing on December 18, 2024, copies of which are both attached hereto as Exhibits to this Resolution and made a part hereof for all purposes; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City hereby authorizes the Mayor to execute both the said General Certificate of the City and the Mayor's Certificate, and deliver the same to the Issuer.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of El Paso, Texas, that:

- 1. The Preambles to this Resolution set forth above are incorporated herein and made part of this Resolution.
- 2. The Mayor of the City is hereby authorized to execute a General Certificate of the City and the Mayor's Certificate, in the form attached as Exhibits A** and B**, respectively, to this Resolution, and deliver same to the El Paso Housing Finance Corporation to be used in connection with the issuance of its Bonds.

Ms. Elizabeth Moya, El Paso Housing Finance Corporation Executive Director, commented.

Motion made by Representative Limón, seconded by Representative Niño, and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** the Resolution.

^{**}Exhibits available at the City Clerk's Office.

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

48. RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, on August 20, 2024, pursuant to Section 7.3D of the City of El Paso municipal code, the City Council approved the FY2025 City budget by resolution ("Budget Resolution"); and

WHEREAS, Section 6 of the FY2025 Budget Resolution authorizes the City Manager or designee to make budget transfers between departments and/or non-enterprise funds or reprogram funds within an enterprise department, not to exceed \$100,000, to the extent permitted by law and budget transfers between departments and/or non-enterprise department funds exceeding \$100,000 requiring City Council approval; and

WHEREAS, the Capital Improvement Department requires a budget transfer in excess of \$100,000, which in accordance with Section 6 of the FY2025 Budget Resolution, requires City Council approval.

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

THAT, the City Manager, or designee, be authorized to effectuate the listed budget transfers to: utilize PCPBALANCE funds; increase Playa Drain Padilla – Zaragoza project PCP23TRAN03; set up the budget for the Revolving Loan Fund for Borderplex Community Capital agreement; and add funds to Memorial Park project for the purchase of solar lights, as respectively listed and referenced below:

BT Number	Fund	Project	Increase /(Decrease)
2025-0331	4743	PCP23TRAN03	\$195,210.63
2025-0299	2302	PEDFY25005	\$500,000.00
2025-0445	4800	PCP13PRKG01	\$77,008.40

Mr. Daniel Garcia, Capital Improvement Assistant Director, presented a PowerPoint presentation (copy on file in the City Clerk's Office).

Representatives Acevedo and Canales commented.

Ms. Yvette Hernandez, Deputy City Manager, commented.

Motion made by Representative Limón, seconded by Representative Niño, and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** the Resolution.

AYES: Representatives Chávez, Acevedo, Rocha, Trejo, Niño, Fierro, Limón, and Canales NAYS: None

Motion made by Representative Limón, seconded by Representative Rocha, and unanimously carried to **ADJOURN** this meeting at 2:41 p.m.

NAYS: None	
APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:	• •
Laura D. Prine, City Clerk	