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CITY COUNCIL
ALEJANDRA CHÁVEZ, DISTRICT 1
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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

CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
August 18, 2025
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL AND VIRTUALLY
9:00 A.M.

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The City Council met at the above place and date. The meeting was called to order at 9:02 a.m. Mayor Renard Johnson was present and presiding. The following Council Members answered roll call: Alejandra Chávez, Josh Acevedo, Deanna Maldonado-Rocha, Cynthia Boyar Trejo, Ivan Niño, Art Fierro, and Lily Limón. Late arrival: Chris Canales at 9:09 a.m.

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AGENDA

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1. Public Hearing and action on the Proposed Budget, as amended, for the City of El Paso, filed by the City Manager with the City Clerk on July 18, 2025, which begins on September 1, 2025 and ends on August 31, 2026.

Mr. Robert Cortinas, Chief Financial Officer, introduced the item and responded to questions.

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

Ms. Dionne Mack, City Manager, commented.

The public hearing was **OPENED** at 9:03 a.m.

Mr. Michael Clark, citizen, commented.

The public hearing was **CLOSED** at 9:30 a.m.

1ST MOTION

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tempore Chávez, seconded by Representative Boyar Trejo, and carried to **AMEND** the proposed budget to allocate from the City's already established General Fund \$6,000 for each district office. These funds are to be used exclusively for travel in our official capacity that supports the advancement of the City of El Paso's Strategic Plan. Any portion of these allocated funds not used by a Council Member shall revert to the General Fund Travel Budget at the end of the fiscal year. This policy aligns with all the City's Strategic Goals and, as outlined in the City Charter, the Mayor and Council may act to accomplish any lawful purpose for the "advancement of the interest, welfare, health, morals, comfort, safety, and convenience of its city and its inhabitants".

AYES: Representatives Chávez, Acevedo, Maldonado-Rocha, Boyar Trejo, Niño, and Fierro

NAYS: Representatives Limón and Canales

2ND AND FINAL MOTION

Motion made by Representative Maldonado-Rocha, seconded by Representative Niño, and unanimously carried to **POSTPONE** the vote on the proposed budget until August 19, 2025.

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

NAYS: None

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Motion made by Representative Limón, seconded by Representative Fierro and unanimously carried to **ADJOURN** the meeting at 9:31 a.m.

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

NAYS: None

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APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

Laura D. Prine, City Clerk