



El Paso Public Libraries

MAYOR

Renard U. Johnson

Special Youth Advisory Board Minutes

February 23, 2026 at 1:00pm

Downtown Visitor Information Center - Ocotillo Room, One Civic Center Plaza

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Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 1:10pm

The following members answered Roll Call: Aliana Acuña, Madyson Cerda, David Dorsey, Rebekah Holguin, Arianna Jaime, Madison Miller and Leon Lerma.

Late arrivals: Adlai Yañez at 1:17pm and Ana Talavera at 1:21pm.

Also in attendance were members of the City Council.

1. Presentation and discussion on an update to the Strategic Plan, including, but not limited to, the proposed pillars, goals, objectives, and core strategies toward a two-year action plan.

Julie Baldwin-Munoz, Chief Strategy Officer, introduced Mayor Renard Johnson, who welcomed the group.

Dionne Mack, City Manager, provided a recap of recent accomplishments and strategic initiatives, followed by a PowerPoint presentation to introduce the meeting's four segments: People, Community Perspectives, Internal Perspectives, and Financial Perspectives.

Leila Melendez, CEO of Workforce Solutions Borderplex, presented and addressed questions from Council and Youth Advisory Board (YAB) members.

Council members presented postcards, sharing their reflections on why they chose to live in El Paso, what they want most for the community, and what a story about El Paso would say today.

Stephanie Otero, Vice President of Operations for the El Paso Community Foundation, introduced the Youth Advisory Board and briefly discussed its mission. Members presented YAB priorities over the next 2 years and reviewed key reflections.

Senior leadership presented key opportunities and considerations tied to the community's key priority areas.

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The following members of the public commented: Kathy Staudt, Roberto Franco, and Carmen Rodriguez.

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The Special Youth Advisory Board Meeting was recessed at 320pm.
The Special Youth Advisory Board Meeting was reconvened at 354pm.

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ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn made by Madison Miller, seconded by David Dorsey, and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 4:35pm.

District 3

Deanna M. Rocha

AYES: Aliana Acuña, Madison Cerda, David Dorsey, Rebekah Holguin, Arianna Jaime, Leon Lerma, Madison Miller, Ana Talavera, and Adlai Yañez

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NAYS: None

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APPROVED AS TO CONTENT BY:

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