

**CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS  
AGENDA ITEM  
AGENDA SUMMARY FORM**

**DEPARTMENT:** Mayor and Council

**AGENDA DATE:** Wednesday, June 22, 2022

**CONTACT PERSON NAME AND PHONE NUMBER:** City Representative Henry Rivera, District 7-915.212.0007

**DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED:** All Districts

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

**SUBJECT:**

**APPROVE a resolution / ordinance / lease to do what? OR AUTHORIZE the City Manager to do what? Be descriptive of what we want Council to approve. Include \$ amount if applicable.**

Discussion and action to direct the City Manager to designate March 31st of each year as an official City of El Paso holiday as part of continued efforts to address systemic barriers to racism and better include, celebrate, and uplift communities of color in honor of Cesar Chavez Day.

**BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:**

**Discussion of the what, why, where, when, and how to enable Council to have reasonably complete description of the contemplated action. This should include attachment of bid tabulation, or ordinance or resolution if appropriate. What are the benefits to the City of this action? What are the citizen concerns?**

Cesar Chavez Day is a U.S. federal commemorative holiday, proclaimed by President Barack Obama in 2014. The holiday celebrates the birth and legacy of the civil rights and labor movement activist Cesar Chavez on March 31 every year.

Cesar Chavez Day is commemorated to promote service to the community in honor of Cesar Chavez's life and work. Some state, county and government offices, community colleges, libraries, and public schools are closed.

**PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:**

**Has the Council previously considered this item or a closely related one?**

Yes, on August 18, 2020, Council approved to direct the City Manager to designate June 19th of each year as a city holiday in order to observe and reflect on the suffering endured by early African-Americans, promote public awareness, and celebrate African-American freedom and achievement.

**AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:**

**How will this item be funded? Has the item been budgeted? If so, identify funding source by account numbers and description of account. Does it require a budget transfer? N/A**

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\*\*\*\*\*REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION\*\*\*\*\*