

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, the City of El Paso, a political subdivision of the State of Texas, has received authority from the Legislature of the State of Texas and the Foreign-Trade Zones Board to establish and maintain a foreign-trade zone at the Port of El Paso (Foreign-Trade Zone 68);

**WHEREAS**, the City of El Paso is the Grantee of Foreign-Trade Zone 68;

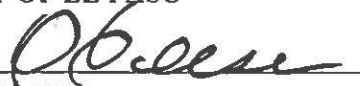
**WHEREAS**, the City of El Paso has received requests to expand Foreign-Trade Zone 68 in various sites in the City of El Paso and other locations in El Paso County, in order to make Magnet Sites for industrial park areas to meet the demand for zone space in these growing regions of the City and County; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council believes it is in the best interest of Foreign-Trade Zone 68 that the City of El Paso complete and file a formal application to expand Foreign-Trade Zone 68 to include proper sites described in Exhibit A and to comply with applicable requirements specified in Sections 400.21 to 400.29 of the Regulations of the Foreign-Trade Zones Board, under the U.S. Foreign-Trade Zones Act of 1934, as amended.


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

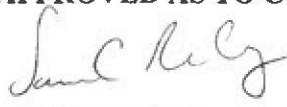

That the City Council approves the submission to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board of an application to expand Foreign-Trade Zone 68 existing sites and to add new sites more fully described on Exhibit A (FTZ Expansion Application), that the City Manager, or his designee, be authorized to sign the application and related documents to expand and modify Foreign-Trade Zone 68; and urges the Foreign-Trade Zones Board approval of the application on an expedited basis;

**APPROVED AND ADOPTED** this 1<sup>st</sup> day of August, 2023.

CITY OF EL PASO  
  
Oscar Leeser  
Mayor

**ATTEST:**  
  
Laura D. Prine  
City Clerk

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**  
  
Leslie B. Jean-Pierre  
Assistant City Attorney

**APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:**  
  
Samuel Rodriguez, P.E.  
Director of Aviation  
  
David R. Panko  
Foreign Trade Zone Manager

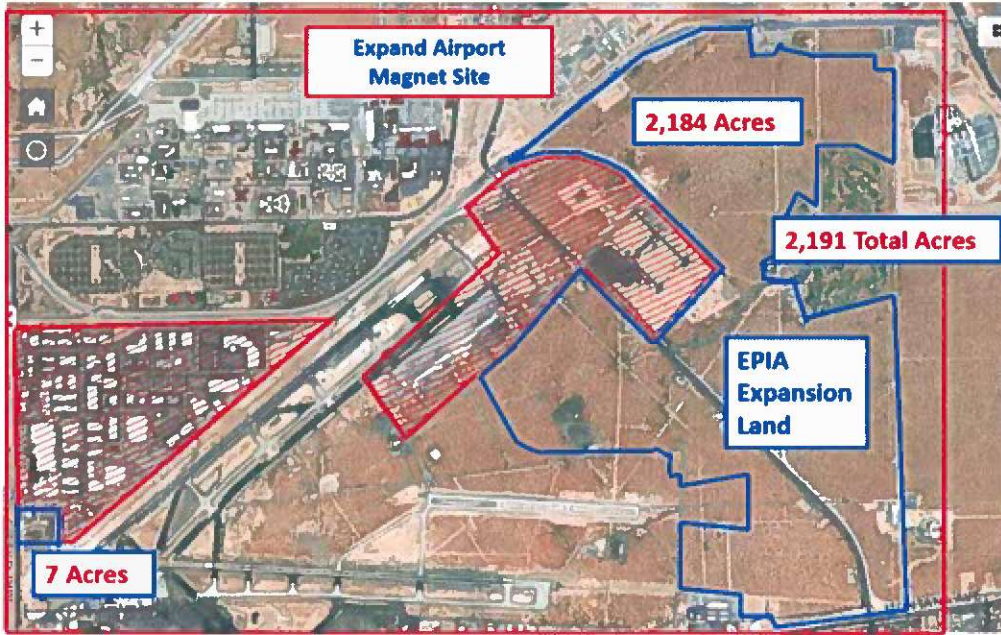
# Exhibit A

The following maps show the expansion sites and the new sites of the Foreign Trade Zone (FTZ) 68. Expansion at the El Paso International Airport to align with the development activities currently underway.

FTZ 68 Expansion 6 – 2023

## Site 1

Current – Red Lined  
Expansion – Blue Lined

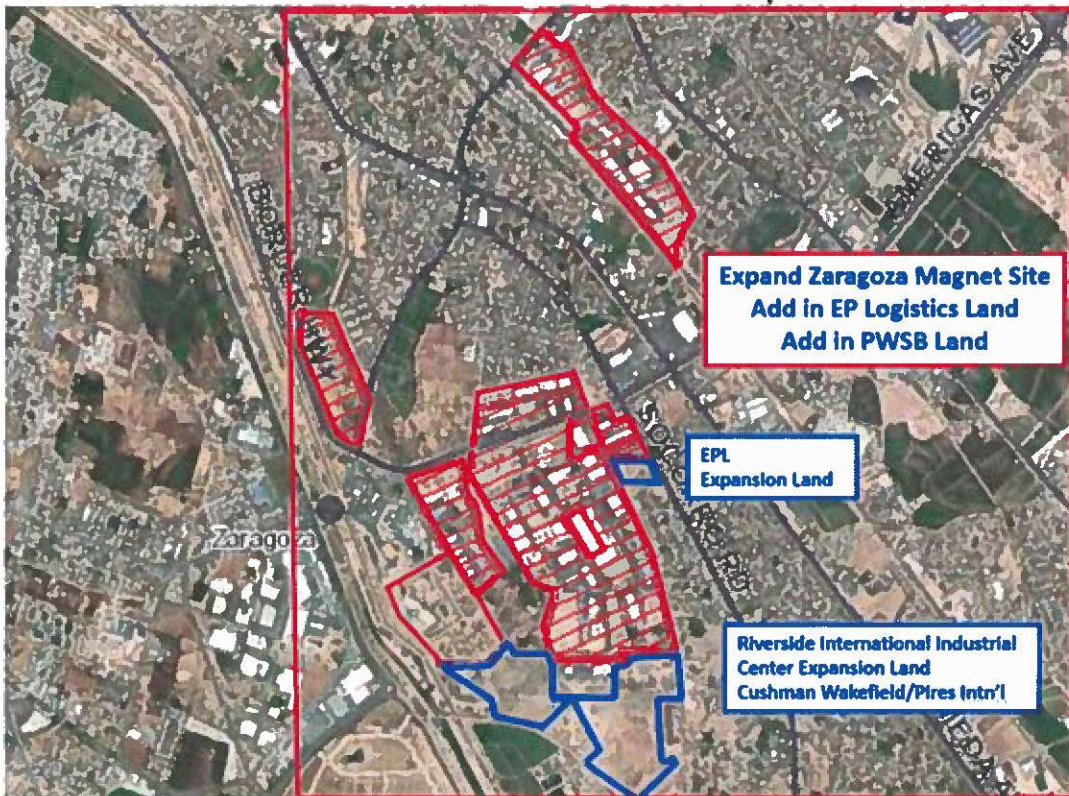


Expansion of Site 2, which is the Zaragoza Magnet Site near the Ysleta Port of Entry.

FTZ 68 Expansion 6 – 2023

## Site 2

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Expansion – Blue Lined

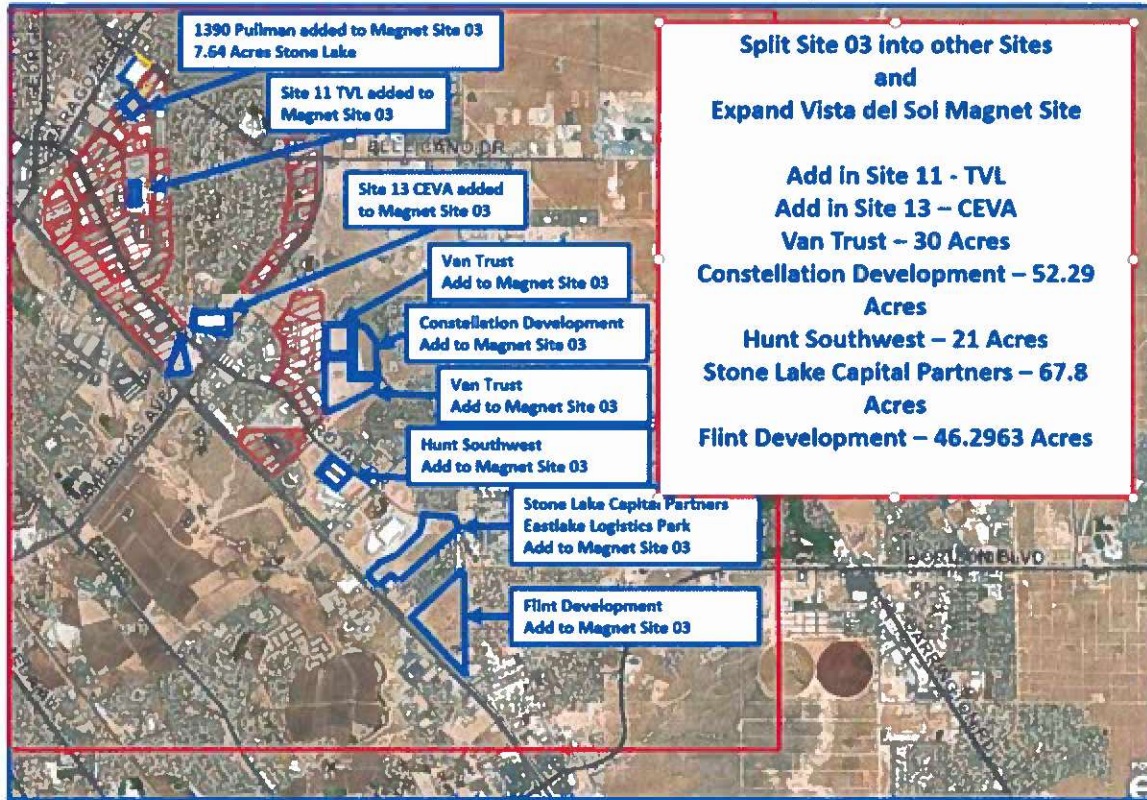


The breaking up of Site 3 to create the Vista Del Sol Industrial Area and create two new sites (Site 18 and Site 19) and expanding the contiguous parcels in Site 3.

**Vista Del Sol Industrial Area**

**Site 3**

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Expansion – Blue Lined

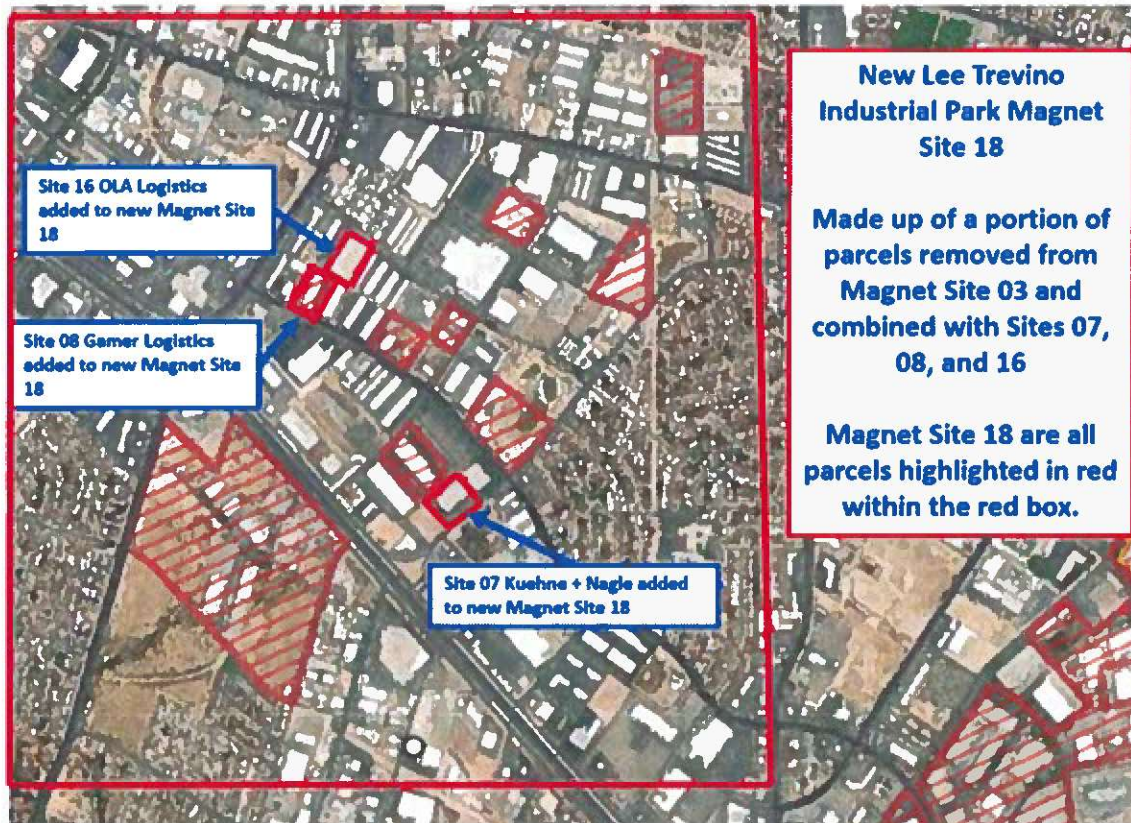


New Magnet Site created from Site 3, Site 18 the Lee Trevino Industrial Area Magnet Site.

**Lee Trevino Industrial Area**

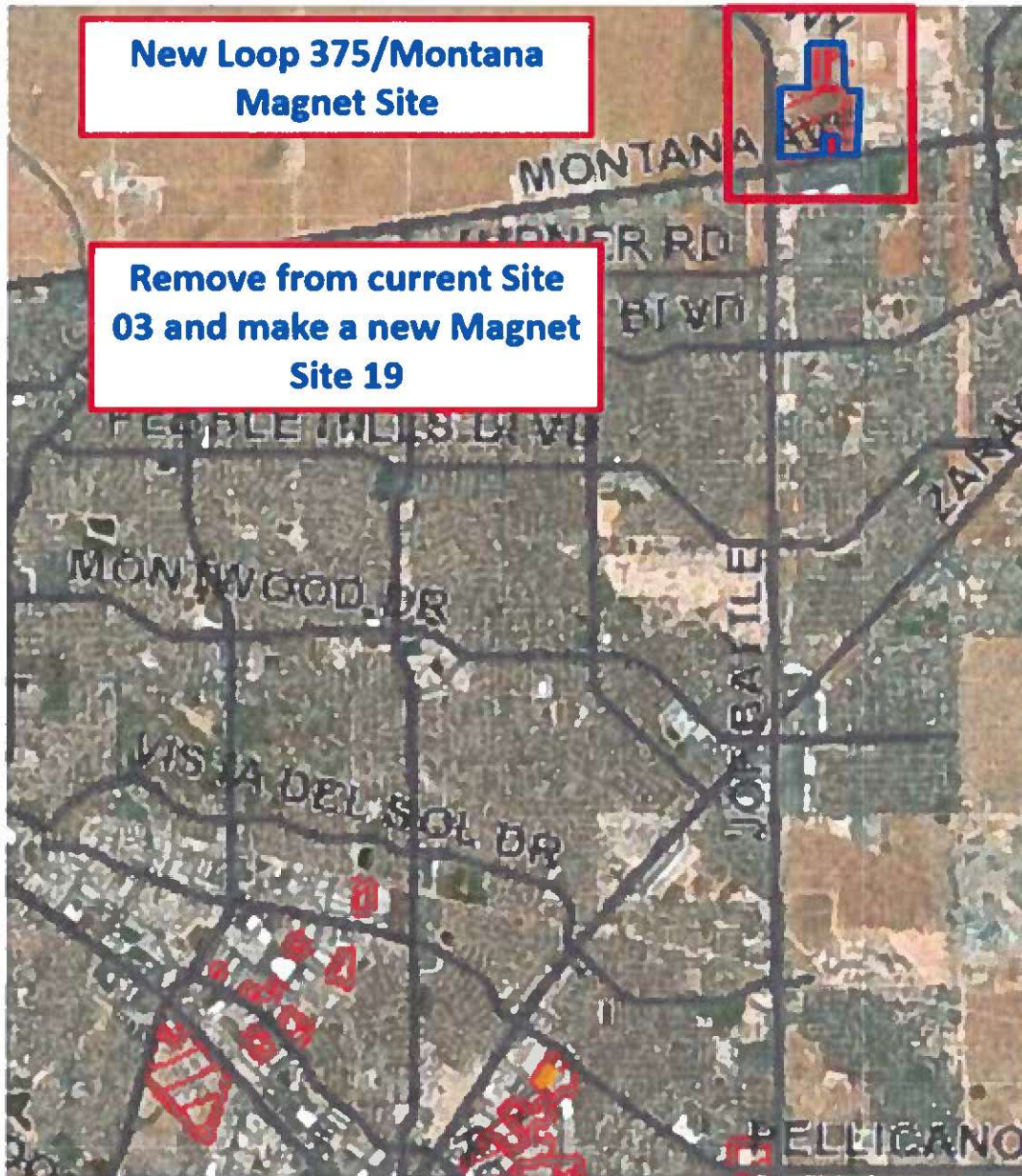
**Site 18**

Current – Red Lined



New Magnet Site created from Site 3, Site 19 the Loop 375/Montana Magnet Site.

# FTZ 68 Expansion - 2023 **Site 19** Current – Blue Lined

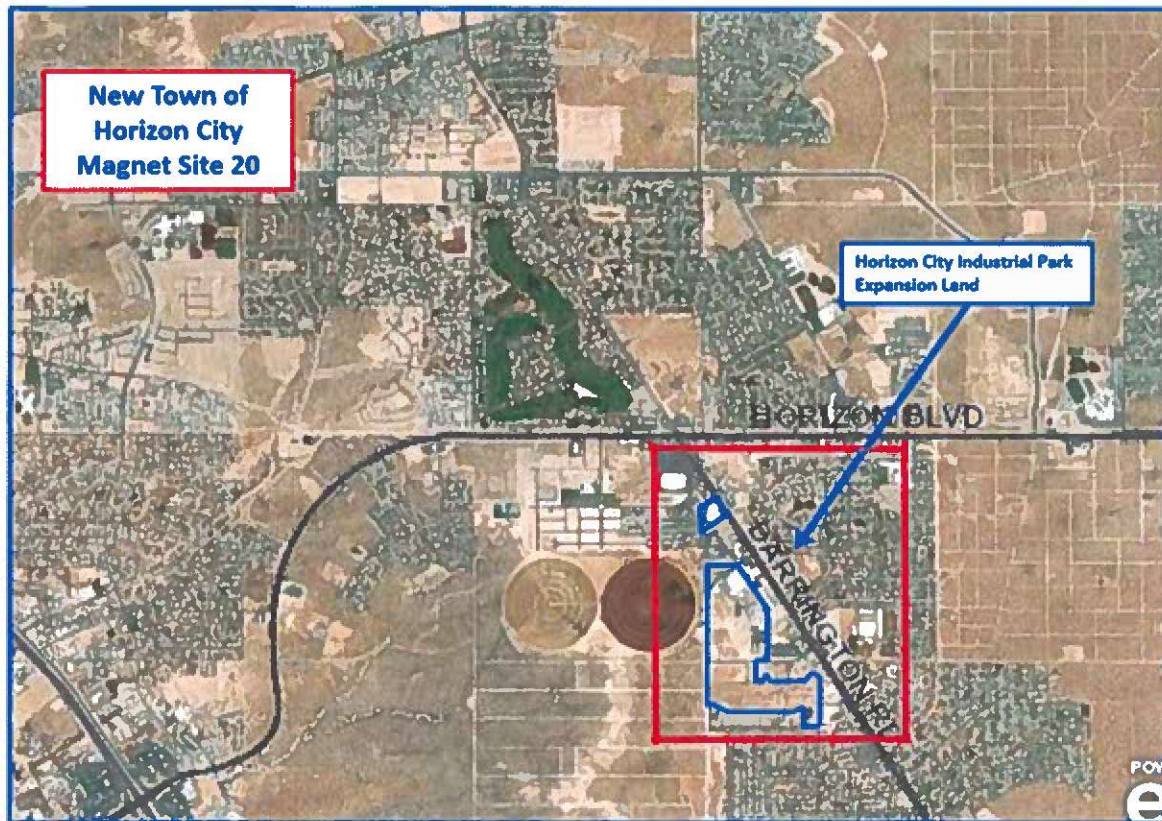


The new Magnet Site, located in the Town of Horizon City. This will be Site 20

**FTZ 68 Expansion – 2023  
Horizon City Industrial Park**

## Site 20

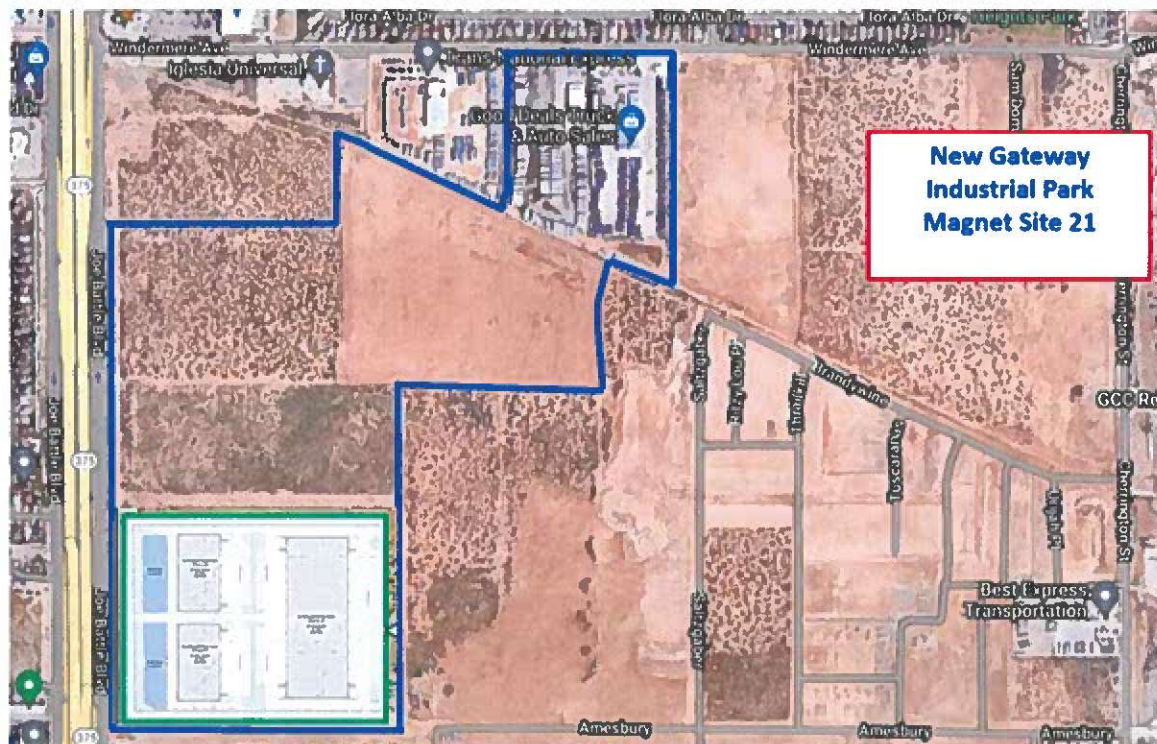
**Expansion – Blue Lined**



New Magnet Site in East El Paso on Joe Battle/Loop 375 and Windermere Avenue. This will be site 21 the Gateway Industrial Park Magnet Site.

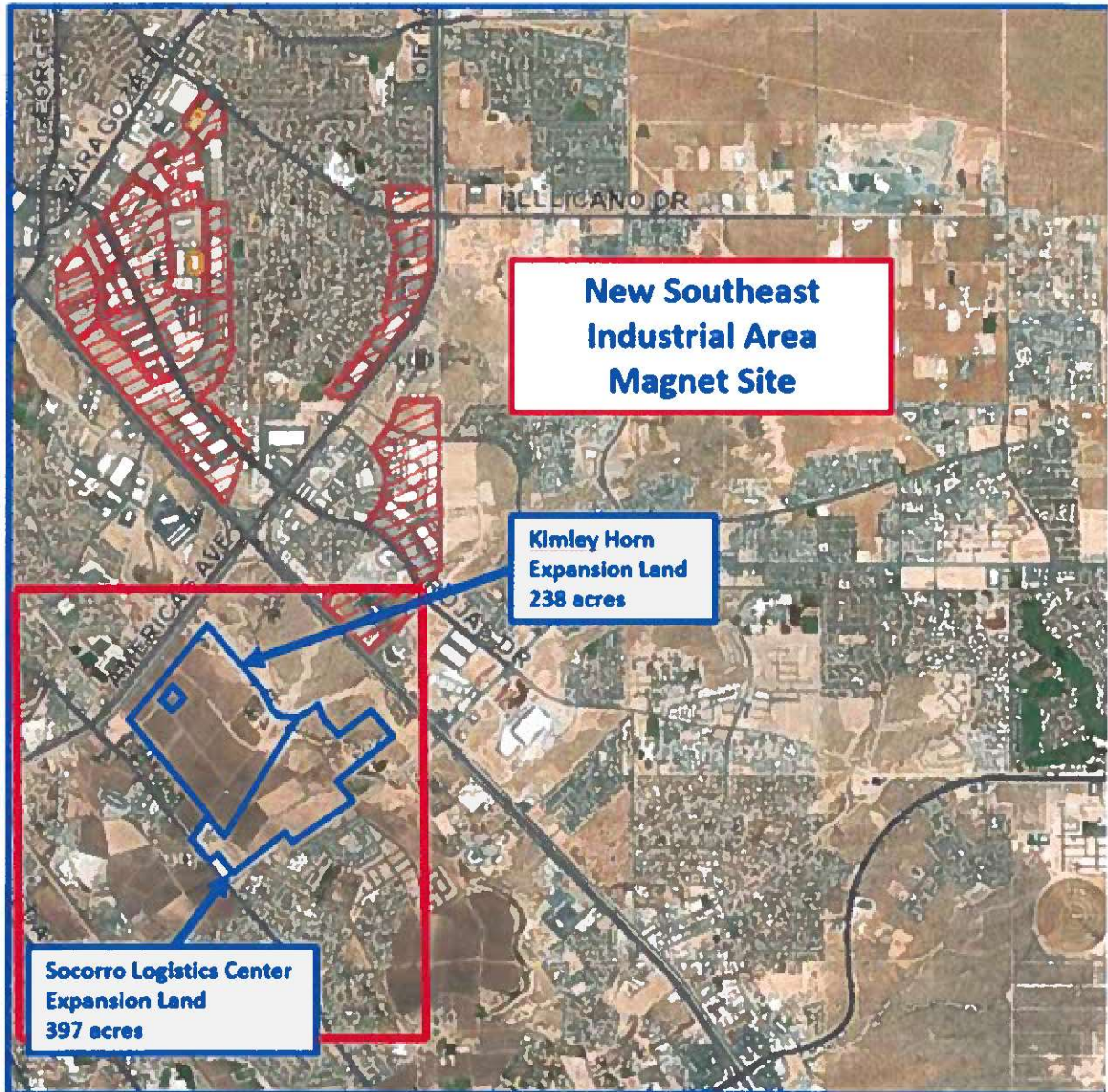
**FTZ 68 New Gateway Industrial Park Magnet Site**

## Site 21



New Magnet Site located in both El Paso County and City of Socorro. This is Site 22 the Southeast Industrial Area and made up of two developments; the Kimley Horn development in El Paso County and the Socorro Logistics Center in the City of Socorro.

## FTZ 68 Expansion - 2023 **Site 22** Expansion – Blue Lined





# Department of Aviation

**MAYOR**  
Oscar Leeser

June 16, 2023

**CITY COUNCIL**

**Executive Summary for FTZ Expansion Resolution:**

**District 1**  
Brian Kennedy

The El Paso Foreign Trade Zone 68 is seeking permission to expand the FTZ boundaries from approximately 3400 acres to 6500 acres.

**District 2**  
Alexandra Anello

This involves preparing and submitting an application to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board of the Department of Commerce.

**District 3**  
Cassandra Hernandez

This will be the sixth expansion in the forty-year history of El Paso FTZ 68, and the first in 18 years.

**District 4**  
Joe Molinar

The economy of El Paso is growing. It is in the top 5 manufacturing hubs in North America and one of the top exporting and importing regions in the US. There are more industrial parks being created in the region.

**District 5**  
Isabel Salcido

**District 6**  
Art Fierro

Commercial and industrial construction is at an all-time high, with the vacancy rate at an all-time low. Businesses are moving into available space as soon as it is available.

**District 7**  
Henry Rivera

El Paso FTZ 68 has been growing rapidly in the last few years, and with the current growth forecast requires an expansion of the FTZ boundaries to meet these changes.

**District 8**  
Chris Canales

The FTZ program helps companies optimize their global supply chains, put more money to their bottom lines, expand their operations in our region, and create more and better jobs for El Paso.

**CITY MANAGER**  
Tommy Gonzalez

The expansion of El Paso FTZ 68 will assist in improving the economy of El Paso by helping to create more jobs, stimulating more visits into our region by multi-national companies, increasing air and land cargo in our region, and adding investment to our region.

David R. Panko, FTZ Manager



**Sam Rodriguez, PE, CM, cfm, cnu-a**  
**Aviation Director**

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