



FINANCIAL OVERSIGHT AND AUDIT COMMITTEE MINUTES
May 21, 2026
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL
12:30 PM

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The Financial and Oversight and Audit Committee Members of the City of El Paso met at the above place and date. Meeting was called to order at 12:31 p.m. Committee Chair Alejandra Chávez was present and presiding and the following Committee Members answered roll call Alejandra Chávez, Chris Canales, Deanna Maldonado-Rocha, Ivan Niño (joined remotely), Adrian Serrano – Chief Internal Auditor, and Dionne Mack – City Manager.
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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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AGENDA
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1. Approval of Minutes for the Financial Oversight and Audit Committee meeting of April 9, 2026.

Motion made by Committee Member Rocha, seconded by Committee Member Canales, and carried to **APPROVE** the Minutes for the Financial Oversight and Audit Committee meeting of April 9, 2026.

AYES: Committee Members Chávez, Canales, Maldonado-Rocha, and Niño
NAYS: None

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2. Introduction of new Chief Internal Auditor.

FOAC Chairwoman Chavez introduced Mr. Adrian Serrano – Chief Internal Auditor, who delivered a statement.

No **ACTION** was taken on this item.
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3. Discussion and Action on the results of the Code Enforcement Division Audit A2025-05.

Mr. Miguel Montiel – Audit Manager, delivered a PowerPoint presentation.

The following members of the FOAC commented:

- Ms. Alejandra Chávez, Committee Chair.
- Mr. Chris Canales, Committee Member.
- Ms. Deanna Maldonado-Rocha, Committee Member.
- Mr. Ivan Niño, Committee Member.

The following City staff member commented:

- Mr. Steve Alvarado – Code Enforcement Director.

Motion made by Committee Member Maldonado-Rocha, seconded by Committee Member Canales, and unanimously carried to **ACCEPT** the results of the Code Enforcement Division Audit and send to City Council for action.

AYES: Committee Members Chávez, Canales, Maldonado-Rocha, and Niño

NAYS: None

4. Discussion and Action on the results of the Sun Metro – Accounts Payable Audit A2025-05.

Mr. Christian Castro – Auditor II, delivered a PowerPoint presentation.

The following members of the FOAC commented:

- Ms. Alejandra Chávez, Committee Chair.
- Mr. Ivan Niño, Committee Member.

The following City staff members commented:

- Ms. Margarita Marin – Comptroller/Deputy Chief Financial Officer.
- Mr. Jerry DeMuro – Deputy Transit Officer.

Motion made by Committee Member Canales, seconded by Committee Member Maldonado-Rocha, and unanimously carried to **ACCEPT** the results of the Sun Metro – Accounts Payable Audit and send to City Council for action.

AYES: Committee Members Chávez, Canales, Maldonado-Rocha, and Niño

NAYS: None

5. **Discussion and Action on the results of Round 10 of the Hotel Occupancy Tax Audit.**

Mr. Miguel Ortega – Auditor IV, delivered a PowerPoint presentation.

The following members of the FOAC commented:

- Ms. Alejandra Chávez, Committee Chair.
- Mr. Chris Canales, Committee Member.
- Ms. Deanna Maldonado-Rocha, Committee Member.
- Mr. Ivan Niño, Committee Member.
- Mr. Adrian Serrano – Chief Internal Auditor.

The following City staff members commented:

- Ms. Margarita Marin – Comptroller/Deputy Chief Financial Officer.
- Mr. Jose Espino – Financial Reporting Coordinator.

Motion made by Committee Member Canales, seconded by Committee Member Maldonado-Rocha, and unanimously carried to **ACCEPT** the results of Round 10 of the Hotel Occupancy Tax Audit and send to City Council for action.

AYES: Committee Members Chávez, Canales, Maldonado-Rocha, and Niño

NAYS: None

6. **Discussion on the Status of Certificates of Obligation and General Obligation.**

Ms. Yvette Hernandez – Deputy City Manager/City Engineer, delivered a PowerPoint presentation.

The following members of the FOAC commented:

- Ms. Alejandra Chávez, Committee Chair.
- Mr. Chris Canales, Committee Member.
- Ms. Deanna Maldonado-Rocha, Committee Member.
- Mr. Ivan Niño, Committee Member.
- Ms. Dionne Mack, City Manager.

No **ACTION** was taken on this item.

7. **Discussion and Action on Community Benefit Leases.**

Ms. MaryLou Espinoza – Capital Assets Manager, delivered a PowerPoint presentation.

The following member of the FOAC commented:

- Ms. Dionne Mack, City Manager.

Motion made by Committee Member Canales, seconded by Committee Member Maldonado-Rocha, and unanimously carried to **RETIRE** into Closed Meeting at 2:08 p.m. pursuant to Section 3.5A of the El Paso City Charter and the Texas Government Code, Sections 551.071 – 551.089.

AYES: Committee Members Chávez, Canales, Maldonado-Rocha, and Niño
NAYS: None

Motion made by Committee Member Canales, seconded by Committee Member Maldonado-Rocha, and unanimously carried to **RECONVENE** the meeting at 2:24 p.m.

AYES: Committee Members Chávez, Canales, Maldonado-Rocha, and Niño
NAYS: None

No **ACTION** was taken on this item.

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Motion made by Committee Member Canales, seconded by Committee Member Maldonado-Rocha and unanimously carried to **ADJOURN** the meeting at 2:25 p.m.

AYES: Committee Members Chávez, Canales, Maldonado-Rocha, and Niño
NAYS: None

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APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

Alejandra Chávez – Committee Chair,
Financial Oversight and Audit Committee

Adrian Serrano – Chief Internal Auditor,
Internal Audit Department