CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS AGENDA ITEM DEPARTMENT HEAD'S SUMMARY FORM

AGENDA DATE: September 26, 2023

PUBLIC HEARING DATE: October 10, 2023

CONTACT PERSON(S) NAME AND PHONE NUMBER: Roberto Tinajero (915)212-7509

DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: All Districs

STRATEGIC GOAL: Goal 1 - Cultivate an environment conducive to strong economic development.

SUBGOAL: Subgoal 1.5 – Stimulate economic growth through transit and bridges integration.

SUBJECT:

First reading of an Ordinance amending Title 12 (Vehicles and Traffic), Chapter 12.78 (International Bridges), Section 12.78.010 (Tolls for International Bridges) to add description of buses, and Section 12.78.020 (Toll Collection for Pick Up Trucks) to add "or any other vehicle" to the title and update language of this Section of the City Code.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:

N/A

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

Last revisions approved 8/18/09

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

N/A

HAVE ALL AFFECTED DEPARTMENTS BEEN NOTIFIED? X YES NO

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT: International Bridges

SECONDARY DEPARTMENT: Legal

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DEPARTMENT HEAD: Roberto Tinajero, M.S., Director for International Bridges

(If Department Head Summary Form is initiated by Purchasing, client department should sign also)

ORDINANCE NO.	
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AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 12 (VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC), CHAPTER 12.78 (INTERNATIONAL BRIDGES), SECTION 12.78.010 (TOLLS FOR INTERNATIONAL BRIDGES) TO ADD DESCRIPTION OF BUSES, CHAPTER 12.78 (INTERNATIONAL BRIDGES), SECTION 12.78.020 (TOLL COLLECTION FOR PICK UP TRUCKS) TO ADD OR ANY OTHER VEHICLE TO THE TITLE OF TOLL COLLECTION FOR PICK UP TRUCKS OF THE CITY CODE

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

SECTION 1. That Title12 (Vehicles and Traffic), Chapter 12.78 (International Bridges), Section 12.78.010 (Tolls for International Bridges), is hereby amended as follows:

12.78.010 Tolls for international bridges.

The following tolls shall apply to southbound traffic on Santa Fe (Paso del Norte) International Bridge, Stanton Street (Friendship) International Bridge and Zaragoza International Bridges, in the amounts identified in the adopted budget resolution for the current fiscal year or by other appropriately adopted resolution by the city council:

- E. Commercial trucks, buses (a motor vehicle used to transport persons and designed to accommodate more than 10 passengers, including the operator), motor homes, tractors, commercial towed trailers, in the amount set per axle.
- G. Currency exchange. On a regular basis, but not less than weekly, the total foreign currency held by the City of El Paso in its international bridges department shall be exchanged for United States currency with one of the exchange businesses in El Paso at the best available rate based on bids received.

SECTION 2. That Title12 (Vehicles and Traffic), Chapter 12.78 (International Bridges), Section 12.78.020 (Toll Collection for pickup trucks), is hereby amended as follows:

12.78.020 Toll collection for pickup trucks, or any other vehicle.

C. The driver of any pickup truck, or any other vehicle using the Zaragoza Commercial Bridge shall pay the commercial truck toll. The driver of any pickup truck, or any other vehicle rejected by Mexico shall not be entitled to a refund of the toll that was paid.

SECTION 3. Except as herein amended, Title 12 of the El Paso City Code shall remain in full force and effect.

ADOPTED this day of	, 2023.
	CITY OF EL PASO:
ATTEST:	Oscar Leeser, Mayor
Laura D. Prine City Clerk	
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:
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Evy A. Sotele	Roberto Tinajero, Interim Director
Assistant City Attorney	International Bridges