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NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE EL PASO CITY COUNCIL

**August 05, 2025
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, 300 N. CAMPBELL AND VIRTUALLY
11:00 AM**

**Teleconference phone number 1-915-213-4096
Toll free number: 1-833-664-9267
Conference ID: 247-050-702#**

Notice is hereby given that a Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of El Paso will be conducted on August 5, 2025 at 11:00 A.M. Members of the public may view the meeting via the following means:

Via the City's website. <http://www.elpasotexas.gov/videos>
Via television on City15,
YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/user/cityofelpasotx/videos>

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The public is strongly encouraged to sign up to speak on items on this agenda before the start of this meeting on the following link:

<https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/7086be5f4ed44a239290caa6185d0bdb>

A quorum of City Council must participate in the meeting.

AGENDA

1. Discussion and action on a Resolution of the City Council to urge the Texas 89th Legislature to support El Paso by ensuring Fort Bliss and the El Paso International Airport remain in Congressional District 16.

[25-972](#)

All Districts

Members of the City Council, Representative Josh Acevedo, (915) 212-0002

Members of the City Council, Representative Deanna Maldonado-Rocha, (915) 212-0003

Members of the City Council, Representative Ivan Niño, (915) 212-0005

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Council of the City of El Paso may retire into EXECUTIVE SESSION pursuant to Section 3.5A of the El Paso City Charter and the Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapter D, to discuss any of the following: (The items listed below are matters of the sort routinely discussed in Executive Session, but the City Council of the City of El Paso may move to Executive Session any of the items on this agenda, consistent with the terms of the Open Meetings Act and the Rules of City Council.) The City Council will return to open session to take any final action and may also, at any time during the meeting, bring forward any of the following items for public discussion, as appropriate.

Section 551.071	CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY
Section 551.072	DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY
Section 551.073	DELIBERATION REGARDING PROSPECTIVE GIFTS
Section 551.074	PERSONNEL MATTERS
Section 551.076	DELIBERATION REGARDING SECURITY DEVICES OR SECURITY AUDITS
Section 551.087	DELIBERATION REGARDING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT NEGOTIATIONS
Section 551.089	DELIBERATION REGARDING SECURITY DEVICES OR SECURITY AUDITS; CLOSED MEETING

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Si usted necesita servicios de interpretación en español, favor de enviar un correo electrónico a CityClerk@elpasotexas.gov a mas tardar a las 12:00 p.m. del viernes previo a la fecha de la junta.

ALL REGULAR CITY COUNCIL AGENDAS ARE PLACED ON THE INTERNET THURSDAY PRIOR TO THE MEETING AT THE ADDRESS BELOW:

<http://www.elpasotexas.gov/>



Legislation Text

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CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS
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DISTRICT, DEPARTMENT, CONTACT INFORMATION:

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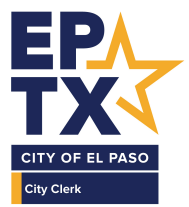
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AGENDA LANGUAGE:

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**CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS
AGENDA ITEM
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DEPARTMENT:

AGENDA DATE:

CONTACT PERSON NAME

PHONE NUMBER:

2nd CONTACT PERSON

PHONE NUMBER:

3rd CONTACT PERSON

PHONE NUMBER:

DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED:

STRATEGIC GOAL:

SUBGOAL:

SUBJECT:

COMMUNITY AND STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH:

REPORTING OF CONTRIBUTION OR DONATION TO CITY COUNCIL:

NAME	AMOUNT (\$)	DATE

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

*****REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION*****

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Governor has convened a special legislative session of the Texas 89th Legislature to consider legislation relating to the apportionment of the State of Texas into districts used to elect members of the United States House of Representatives, a process known as “redistricting”; and

WHEREAS, redistricting is the revision or replacement of existing electoral districts, resulting in new districts with different geographical boundaries in order to equalize population among electoral districts after publication of the United States decennial census indicates that the population has increased or decreased over the last decade; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Senate has proposed a redistricting map (“Map”) that would remove Fort Bliss and the El Paso International Airport (“EPIA”) from District 16, which is an El Paso-based congressional district and would place these two vital economic drivers for our community and region in District 23, which is based in San Antonio; and

WHEREAS, if the proposed Map is approved, a significant portion of our city, including Fort Bliss, with its VA Health Care Center, and the EPIA will be represented by a Congressional delegation member based over 550 miles away as opposed to a member based within the city, familiar with the needs and services of our city and its residents; and

WHEREAS, the El Paso International Airport, owned and operated by the City of El Paso, is a catalyst for growth and plays an important role in the strength and resilience of our region’s economy; and

WHEREAS, the City of El Paso, has identified the continued growth and development of the El Paso International Airport as a key strategic objective, successfully engaging in the development of airport land, including the construction of a \$150 million distribution center, bringing approximately 950 new jobs to the region, and generating over \$48 million in revenue to the Airport over the next 50 years; and

WHEREAS, \$15.4 billion worth of goods moved through the Airport’s Foreign Trade Zone No. 68 and \$3.7 billion worth of merchandise was exported from this

Zone to other countries in 2024 alone, and further, Foreign Trade Zone No. 68 is directly responsible for 2,930 jobs; and

WHEREAS, with an average of 55 departures per day and an annual 4 million through-put in total passenger traffic, the airport facilitates tourism and provides local businesses with access to the global market; and

WHEREAS, Fort Bliss has a \$4 billion impact on the local economy, directly employs over 47,000 people and indirectly employs another nearly 84,000, making Fort Bliss the single largest employer in the El Paso region, contributing to the livelihood of at least 1 in 5 people in El Paso; and

WHEREAS, in 2020, there were nearly 38,000 active duty family members that reside in the El Paso region where they live, work, and play, while an additional 3,000 soldiers released from active duty decided to make El Paso their permanent home; and

WHEREAS, El Paso is proud to be: 1) located in the Veterans Capital of the U.S., 2) ranked as one of the top ten bests places for veterans to live in the United States, and indeed, 3) home to over 50,000 veterans who serve an integral part of our community, with this population looking forward to the construction of a new VA Health Care Center which will be conveniently located on 36 acres of Fort Bliss property; and

WHEREAS, the City of El Paso and Fort Bliss have a history of strong cooperation ensuring our shared community has access to the services critical to public safety, education, and quality of life; and

WHEREAS, drawing a district boundary that excludes the El Paso International Airport and Fort Bliss from being represented by a Congressional representative who is locally based and understands the needs of these key community assets and the critical role they play in the strength and resilience of our community removes the close working relationship that has proven vital for federal funding opportunities and constant cohesive support for both EPIA and Fort Bliss;

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

THAT, the City Council of the City of El Paso urges the Texas 89th Legislature to support El Paso by ensuring Fort Bliss and the El Paso International Airport remain in Congressional District 16.

APPROVED this _____ day of _____ 2025.

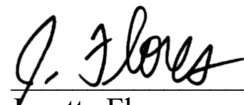
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ATTEST:

Laura D. Prine
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Rosette Flores
Deputy City Attorney