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NOTICE OF WORK SESSION OF THE EL PASO CITY COUNCIL

June 10, 2024
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, 300 N. CAMPBELL AND VIRTUALLY
9:05 AM

Teleconference phone number 1-915-213-4096
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A quorum of City Council must participate in the meeting.

AGENDA

1. Discussion and action on an Emergency Ordinance extending Emergency Ordinance No. 019333 authorizing the City Manager to assign personnel and resources to assist in addressing the humanitarian and public safety crisis resulting from a mass migration through El Paso.

[24-786](#)

All Districts

City Manager's Office, Mario M. D'Agostino, (915) 212-1069

- 2. Discussion and action on an Emergency Ordinance extending Ordinance No. 019604 due to a humanitarian, security, and economic crisis resulting from mass migration waves through El Paso. [24-787](#)

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City Manager's Office, Mario M. D'Agostino, (915) 212-1069

- 3. Presentation by the Open Space Advisory Board Chair on the Board's Strategic Plan. [24-776](#)

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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

Goal 6: Set the Standard for Sound Governance and Fiscal Management

Discussion and action on the following:

- EX1.** Roberto Arriola Jr. v. City of El Paso; Cause No. 2024DCV1333; 243rd District Court (551.071) [24-814](#)
City Attorney's Office, Mayra Stanton, (915) 212-0033
- EX2.** Charge of Discrimination Sharon Williams; Charge No.: 453-2024-00556 and 453-2024-00858 (551.071) [24-815](#)
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- EX7.** Discussion on economic development opportunities in Northeast El Paso, Texas. HQ#24-2438 (551.072) (551.087) [24-828](#)
Economic and International Development, Karina Braggalla, (915) 212-1570
- EX8.** Discussion with Legal Counsel regarding Real Estate Located in Downtown El Paso; HQ #24-2171 (551.071) [24-834](#)
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Presentation by the Open Space Advisory Board Chair on the Board's Strategic Plan.

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

AGENDA DATE: June 10, 2024

CONTACT PERSON(S) NAME AND PHONE NUMBER: Philip F. Etiwe, (915) 212-1553
Kevin Smith, (915) 212-1566

DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: All Districts

STRATEGIC GOAL: #3 Promote the Visual Image of El Paso

SUBGOAL: 3.1 Provide business friendly permitting and inspection process
3.2 Set one standard for infrastructure across the city

SUBJECT:

Presentation by the Open Space Advisory Board Chair on the Board's Strategic Plan.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:

Presentation of the Strategic Plan for the Open Space Advisory Board, to include Mission, Vision, and key priorities for the Board. Planning efforts has been underway since August 2023.

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

N/A

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

N/A

HAVE ALL AFFECTED DEPARTMENTS BEEN NOTIFIED? YES NO

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT: Planning & Inspections, Planning Division

SECONDARY DEPARTMENT: N/A

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

DEPARTMENT HEAD:

Philip Etiwe



Open Space Advisory Board Strategic Plan Update

Chair Joe Garibay

Members of the Board

- **District 1, Stephen Tures**
- **District 2, Mark Wancho**
- **District 3, Norma Rivera**
- **District 4, Joe Garibay**
- **District 5, Tod Grice**
- **District 6, Sharon Miles-Bonart**
- **District 7, Isela Castañón-Williams**
- **District 8**
- **Mayor, Romaree Friedman Herbert**

Why this work Matters

- Both **reflective** and **future focused**
- Strategic planning sets the **tone and direction of priorities**
- Requires **disciplined approach**





Approach

August Meeting:

- ✓ **PART ONE:** Began Mission and Vision Development
- ✓ **PART TWO:** Began Identifying Key Priority Areas

October Meeting:

- ✓ **PART THREE:** Finalized Mission and continued Vision Development

November Meeting:

- ✓ **PART THREE (Continued):** Finalized Vision and Begin Strategic Alignment (Priority Mapping)

December Meeting:

- ✓ **PART FOUR:** Finalized Strategic Alignment (Priority Mapping)

January and February:

- ✓ *Reviewed Strategic Planning Process and recommendations with Senior Leadership and OSAB*

NOW: Presentation to City Council by OSAB Chair

Mission Statement:

“To advocate for the acquisition and preservation of sustainable, welcoming, natural open spaces for all to experience and enjoy.”

Vision Statement

The Open Space Advisory Board is committed to increasing the quantity, improving the quality and protecting the integrity of natural open spaces for the El Paso community, where residents and visitors alike can connect with nature and engage in recreation through a variety of diverse landscapes and opportunities, such as year-round activities and access to a first-class trail system

A Change in Focus

- Previous focus was primarily on acquisition of open space.
- Focus on preservation, use and maintenance of open space, *along* with acquisition.
- Advise on relationships with neighboring open space area organizations to maximize the experience for the citizens of El Paso
 - Texas Parks and Wildlife
 - Franklin Mountains State Park
 - Wyler Aerial Tramway
 - DoD Castner Range
 - International Boundary and Water Commission

Top Priorities


- **Revise the enabling ordinance**
- **Prioritize the completion of the Mountain to River trail**
- **Update Open Space Master Plan including public outreach**

Top Priorities

- Advise any and all related city boards, commissions, councils on the integrations of access to natural open spaces
- Creation and maintenance of an open space website

Benefits of Open Spaces and Trails

- **Mental and physical health** – people are more likely to walk and destress if they live close to open spaces and trails.
- **Economic** – Trails bring visitors to El Paso and provide a reason for locals to stay in El Paso. The City uses pictures and videos of mountain bikers, hikers, and trails runners to promote El Paso. OSAB would like to see the City increase support and invest in maintaining open spaces and trails
- **Environmental sustainability** – open spaces support water management and reduce heat island effects associated with cities



Thank you!
Any Questions?



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Oscar Villalobos, (915) 212-1580

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STRATEGIC GOAL: #3 Promote the Visual Image of El Paso

SUBGOAL: 3.1 Provide business friendly permitting and inspection process
3.2 Set one standard for infrastructure across the city

SUBJECT:
Presentation by FEMA on the Preliminary Flood Zone Maps.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:
The FEMA representative is providing this Council briefing on updates to the FEMA Preliminary Flood Zone Maps. These maps may impact property owners and the flood insurance rates they may pay. As these maps are being revised, some properties will be included while others will be removed. This item will provide an update and next steps for this process.

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:
N/A

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:
N/A

HAVE ALL AFFECTED DEPARTMENTS BEEN NOTIFIED? YES NO

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT: Planning & Inspections, Planning Division
SECONDARY DEPARTMENT: N/A

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

DEPARTMENT HEAD:
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Animal Services Department, Terry K. Kobschull, (915) 212-8742

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Presentation and discussion on El Paso Animal Services Expansion at Former Morehead Middle School.

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AGENDA DATE: June 10, 2024
PUBLIC HEARING DATE: Not Applicable

CONTACT PERSON(S) NAME AND PHONE NUMBER:
Terry K. Kebschull, Animal Services Director (915) 212-8742

DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: All

STRATEGIC GOAL: No. 8 - Nurture and Promote a Healthy, Sustainable Community

SUBGOAL: 8.3 Enhance animal services to ensure El Paso's pets are provided a safe and healthy environment

SUBJECT:

Presentation and Discussion on El Paso Animal Services Expansion at Former Morehead Middle School

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:

The presentation will provide updates on the development of the new El Paso Animal Services Department pet adoption center, located in the former Morehead Middle School.

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

N/A

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

N/A

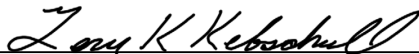
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Charge of Discrimination Sharon Williams; Charge No.: 453-2024-00556 and 453-2024-00858 (551.071)



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Application of El Paso Electric Company to Update its Generation Cost Recovery Rider Related to Newman Unit 6; HQ#UTILITY-31 (551.071)



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Application of El Paso Electric Company for Waiver of Certain Rate Filing Package Schedules in its 2024 Rate Application; HQ#UTILITY-42 (551.071)



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Economic and International Development, Karina Brasgalla, (915) 212-1570

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Discussion on economic development opportunities in Northeast El Paso, Texas. HQ#24-2438 (551.072)
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Discussion with Legal Counsel regarding Real Estate Located in Downtown El Paso; HQ #24-2171 (551.071)