

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

AGENDA DATE: June 6, 2023

PUBLIC HEARING DATE:

CONTACT PERSON(S) NAME AND PHONE NUMBER: Omar Martinez (915) 479-0341
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DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: District 3

STRATEGIC GOAL: Goal 1. Create an Environment Conducive to Strong, Sustainable Economic Development

SUBGOAL: 1.1. Stabilize and expand El Paso's tax base

SUBJECT:

Discussion and action requesting City Council support for the submission of the staff recommended grant application to the FY23 Department of Defense- Defense Critical Infrastructure Program (DCIP) grant program for the El Paso Training and Events Campus (ETEC).

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:

On March 24, 2023, the U.S. Department of Defense opened applications for \$100 million in grant funding through the Department of Defense- Defense Critical Infrastructure Program (DCIP) discretionary grant for 2023. The deadline for applications is June 26, 2023.

The El Paso Training and Events Campus (ETEC) is a 1,000-person event center, educational facilities, and training area intended to supplement training facilities in Fort Bliss and provide event space permitting educational and professional engagement between Fort Bliss personnel and civilian resources available or arriving in El Paso, Texas. Programs and resources proposed for the ETEC are intended to fill existing training gaps and increase the military value of the installation. The intent is to create a collaborative and dynamic space for faculty, staff, and students, equipped with classrooms, counselors, school representatives, and testing facilities. The lack of a consolidated and centralized education center impacts access to education programs and services. The proposed consolidation aims to improve efficiency, enhance readiness, and increase retention.

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

N/A

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

How will this item be funded? Has the item been budgeted? If so, identify funding source by account numbers and description of account. Does it require a budget transfer?

HAVE ALL AFFECTED DEPARTMENTS BEEN NOTIFIED? YES NO

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT: El Paso International Airport

SECONDARY DEPARTMENT: Capital Improvement Department

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

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Yvette Hernandez

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

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