



FINANCIAL OVERSIGHT AND AUDIT COMMITTEE MINUTES

December 11, 2025

COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL

2:00 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 2:02 p.m. Committee Chair Dr. Josh Acevedo was present and presiding and the following Committee Members answered roll call: Dr. Josh Acevedo, Alejandra Chávez, Deanna Maldonado-Rocha, Ivan Niño, Elizabeth De La O – Deputy 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. Motion made by Committee member Chávez, seconded by Committee member Niño, and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** the Minutes for the Financial Oversight and Audit Committee meeting of November 14, 2025.

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

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2. **Discussion and Action on the results of the Animal Services – Westside Adoption Center Construction Audit A2025-08.**

Technical difficulties arose, and a five-minute recess was called at 2:05 p.m.

Motion made by Committee member Niño, seconded by Committee member Chávez, and unanimously carried to **RECESS** the meeting.

The technical difficulties were resolved and the meeting reconvened at 2:11 p.m.

Motion made by Committee member Maldonado-Rocha, seconded by Committee member Niño, and unanimously carried to **RECONVENE** the meeting.

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

Ms. Elizabeth De La O – Deputy Chief Internal Auditor, delivered a PowerPoint presentation.

The following members of the FOAC commented:

- Dr. Josh Acevedo, Committee Chair.

The following City staff member commented:

- Gilbert Guerrero – Interim Director, Capital Improvement Department

Motion made by Committee member Chávez, seconded by Committee member Niño, and unanimously carried to **ACCEPT** the results of the Animal Services – Westside Adoption Center Construction Audit A2025-08 and send to City Council for action.

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

3. Discussion and Action on the results of the El Paso Zoo – Financial Activity Audit A2025-09.

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

The following members of the FOAC commented:

- Dr. Josh Acevedo, Committee Chair.
- Ms. Alejandra Chávez, Committee Member.
- Ms. Deanna Maldonado-Rocha, Committee Member.
- Mr. Ivan Niño, Committee Member.
- Ms. Dionne Mack, City Manager.

The following City staff members commented:

- Mr. Gary Lunsford – Interim Zoo Director.
- Ms. Margarita Marin – Deputy Chief Financial Officer/Comptroller.

Motion made by Committee Member Maldonado-Rocha, seconded by Committee Member Niño, and unanimously carried to **ACCEPT** the results of the El Paso Zoo – Financial Activity Audit A2025-09 and send to City Council for action.

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

4. Discussion and Action on the results of the Planning & Inspections – Permit Review Follow-Up Audit A2026-01.

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

The following members of the FOAC commented:

- Dr. Josh Acevedo, Committee Chair.
- Mr. Ivan Niño, Committee Member.

The following City staff member commented:

- Mr. Daniel Chavira – Building & Permitting Development Program Manager.

Motion made by Committee Member Chávez, seconded by Committee Member Niño, and unanimously carried to **ACCEPT** the results of the Planning & Inspections – Permit Review Follow-Up Audit A2026-01 and send to City Council for action.

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

NAYS: None

5. **Discussion and Action on the 2026 Financial Oversight and Audit Committee Meeting Calendar.**

Dr. Josh Acevedo – Committee Chairman, presented a proposed meeting calendar for 2026.

The following members of the FOAC commented:

- Dr. Josh Acevedo, Committee Chair.
- Ms. Alejandra Chávez, Committee Member.
- Ms. Deanna Maldonado-Rocha, Committee Member.
- Mr. Ivan Niño, Committee Member.

Motion made by Committee Member Chávez, seconded by Committee Member Niño, and unanimously carried to **ACCEPT** the meeting calendar with the requested revision to change the meeting start time from 2:00 p.m. to 12:30 p.m.

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

NAYS: None

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Motion made by Committee Member Niño, seconded by Committee Chair Acevedo and unanimously carried to **ADJOURN** the meeting at 3:11 p.m.

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

NAYS: None

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

Dr. Josh Acevedo – Committee Chair,
Financial Oversight and Audit Committee

Elizabeth De La O – Deputy Chief Internal Auditor,
Internal Audit Department