

CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS
AGENDA ITEM
AGENDA SUMMARY FORM

DEPARTMENT: Mayor and Council

AGENDA DATE: Tuesday, December 15, 2020

CONTACT PERSON NAME AND PHONE NUMBER:
City Representative Henry Rivera, District 7- 915.212.0007

DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: All Districts

STRATEGIC GOAL: Goal 2 - Set the Standard for a Safe and Secure City

SUBJECT:

APPROVE a resolution / ordinance / lease to do what? OR AUTHORIZE the City Manager to do what? Be descriptive of what we want Council to approve. Include \$ amount if applicable.

Recognize Lieutenant Marvin Ryals for being the first El Paso County Law Enforcement Officer (LEO) to be elected as President of Combined Law Enforcement Associations of Texas (CLEAT), the largest police officers' union in Texas, representing law enforcement rights and interests statewide.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:

Discussion of the what, why, where, when, and how to enable Council to have reasonably complete description of the contemplated action. This should include attachment of bid tabulation, or ordinance or resolution if appropriate. What are the benefits to the City of this action? What are the citizen concerns?

Lieutenant Marvin Ryals started his career with the El Paso County Sheriff's Office in 1978. He worked his way through the ranks starting as a Detention Officer and became a Deputy Sheriff in 1979. Lt Ryals is one of the original founding members of the El Paso County Sheriffs Officer's Association which started in 1978. Lt Ryals spent much of his off-duty time knocking on doors and gathering support from the community to get Deputies the right to collective bargaining. In 1991, Lt Ryals fought to get Detention Officers included in being covered under collective bargaining, setting the precedence for Detention Officers across the State of Texas. With the hard work of Lt Ryals and others, El Paso County was the first County in Texas to get collective bargaining rights. Lt Ryals has served on the El Paso County Sheriffs Officer's Association Board 3 times as President and has served several other terms as Executive or Director positions, to include being the current Board Secretary. Lt Ryals joined CLEAT in 1979 and has served on the State Board for 18 years in the capacity of Director, Vice President and now is only the 4th CLEAT President to serve in the over 40 year history of CLEAT, and is the first to represent an El Paso law enforcement organization.

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

Has the Council previously considered this item or a closely related one?

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?

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