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**SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
**October 6, 2025**  
**COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, 300 N. CAMPBELL AND VIRTUALLY**  
**9:00 A.M.**

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The City Council met at the above place and date. The meeting was called to order at 9:01 a.m. Mayor Renard Johnson was present and presiding. The following Council Members answered roll call: Alejandra Chávez, Josh Acevedo, Cynthia Boyar Trejo, Ivan Niño, and Lily Limón. Late arrivals: Art Fierro at 9:02 a.m., Chris Canales at 9:03 a.m., and Deanna Maldonado-Rocha at 9:08 a.m.  
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**AGENDA**  
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**1. RESOLUTION**  
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**WHEREAS**, in administering the 9% Low Income Housing Tax Credit ("LIHTC") Program, the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs ("TDHCA") scores and ranks applications using a point system that prioritizes certain criteria, such point system published in a Qualified Allocation Plan ("QAP"); and

**WHEREAS**, an application for 9% LIHTC may qualify for points if the applicant receives a resolution from the governing body of a municipality expressly setting forth that the municipality supports or has no objections to the application or development; and

**WHEREAS**, on August 23, 2016 the City Council approved evaluation criteria and procedures to be used in determining City support for 9% LIHTC proposals ("Evaluation Procedures"); and

**WHEREAS**, on October 15, 2019 the City Council approved an amendment to the Evaluation Procedures to be used in determining City support for 9% LIHTC proposals; and

**WHEREAS**, on February 4, 2025 the City Council directed the City Manager to amend the Evaluation Procedures to be used in determining City support for 9% LIHTC proposals; and

**WHEREAS**, on September 30, 2025 the City Council voted to discuss and act on this item on October, 6, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, the City wishes to amend the Evaluation Procedures to align with City Council recommendations.

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

That the Evaluation Procedures adopted October 15, 2019 are amended with the document attached to this resolution as Attachment "A". Attachment "A" supersedes in its entirety the Evaluation Procedures adopted on October 15, 2019.

\*Attachment "A" available at the City Clerk's Office.

Mayor Johnson and Representatives Acevedo, Limón, and Canales commented.

The following City staff members commented:

- Ms. Nickole Rodriguez, Community and Human Development Director
- Ms. Dionne Mack, City Manager

**1<sup>ST</sup> MOTION**

Motion made by Representative Canales, seconded by Representative Acevedo, to **AMEND** the Policy by striking the section titled **Selection of the "Best" Application (Optional)** in its entirety.

AYES: Representatives Acevedo and Canales

NAYS: Representatives Chávez, Maldonado-Rocha, Boyar Trejo, Niño, Fierro, and Limón

**THE MOTION FAILED**

**2<sup>ND</sup> AND FINAL MOTION**

Motion made by Representative Limón, seconded by Representative Fierro, and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** the Resolution.

AYES: Representatives Chávez, Acevedo, Maldonado-Rocha, Boyar Trejo, Niño, Fierro, Limón, and Canales

NAYS: None

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Motion made by Representative Limón, seconded by Representative Boyar Trejo, and unanimously carried to **ADJOURN** the meeting at 9:12 a.m.

AYES: Representatives Chávez, Acevedo, Maldonado-Rocha, Boyar Trejo, Niño, Fierro, Limón, and Canales

NAYS: None

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APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

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Laura D. Prine, City Clerk