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Cary Westin Interim City Manager



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#### NOTICE OF WORK SESSION OF THE EL PASO CITY COUNCIL

# May 20, 2024 COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, 300 N. CAMPBELL AND VIRTUALLY 9:05 AM

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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.

<u>24-680</u>

#### **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.

**24-681** 

#### **All Districts**

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

**3.** Annual report to the City Council on operations of the Stormwater Utility.

24-701

#### **All Districts**

El Paso Water, Gilbert Trejo, (915) 594-5597

**4.** Presentation and discussion providing a report from the following Goal Teams:

24-688

1. Vision Block: Vibrant and Regional Economy

Goal 1 (Economic Development) and

Goal 3 (Visual Image)

International Bridges Director, Roberto Tinajero

#### **All Districts**

Information Technology, Araceli Guerra (915) 212-1401

**5.** Presentation and discussion providing a report from the following Goal Team:

**24-672** 

1. Vision Block: Exceptional Recreational, Cultural and Educational Opportunities

Goal 4 (Quality of Life)

Parks and Recreation Director, Pablo Caballero

#### **All Districts**

Information Technology, Araceli Guerra, (915) 212-1401

**6.** Presentation, discussion, and action on the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Second Quarter Financial Report.

24-673

#### **All Districts**

Office of Management and Budget, K. Nicole Cote, (915) 212-1092

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

#### Discussion and action on the following:

EX1.	United States of America v. City of El Paso; United Road Towing, Inc. d/b/a UR Vehicle Management Solutions; and Rod Robertson Enterprises, Inc.; Cause No.3:23-cv-00044; Matter 20-10260-10714 (551.071)	<u>24-729</u>
	City Attorney's Office, Evan D. Reed, (915) 212-0033	
EX2.	Close out of contract with El Paso Zoological Society, HQ#2062 (551.071)	<u>24-711</u>
	City Attorney's Office, Kristen Hamilton-Karam, (915) 212-0033	
EX3.	Application of El Paso Electric Company to Amend its Energy Efficiency Cost Recovery Factor; HQ#UTILITY-39 (551.071)	<u>24-712</u>
	City Attorney's Office, Matt Marquez, (915) 212-0033	
EX4.	Purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property located in Downtown El Paso. (HQ#24-2784) (551.072)	<u>24-724</u>
	Economic and International Development, Karina Brasgalla, (915) 212-0095	
EX5.	Discussion on economic development opportunities in Northeast El Paso, Texas. HQ#24-2438 (551.072) (551.087)	<u>24-725</u>
	Economic and International Development, Karina Brasgalla, (915) 212-0095	
EX6.	Interpretation of Texas Elections Code and Texas Constitution (551.071)	<u>24-731</u>
	Frank Garza, Outside Counsel, (210) 349-6484	

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#### **All Districts**

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

#### AGENDA LANGUAGE:

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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.

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

AGENDA DATE: May 20, 2024

PUBLIC HEARING DATE: May 20, 2024

CONTACT PERSON NAME AND PHONE NUMBER: Mario M. D'Agostino, (915) 212-1069

**DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: All Districts** 

**STRATEGIC GOAL:** Goal 2. Set the Standard for a Safe and Secure City **SUBGOAL:** 2.1 Maintain standing as one of the nation's top safest cities

#### SUBJECT:

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.

#### **BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:**

On December 27, 2022 the United States Supreme Court issued an order allowing the injunction to remain in place until further review of the case can be carried out. The Biden administration ended the COVID-19 public health emergency on May 11, 2023 ending all use of Title 42 as a mechanism to control the border.

#### PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

On April 22, 2024, the Mayor and City Council of the City of El Paso (the "City") passed the extension of 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 the City of El Paso".

#### AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

None.

HAVE ALL AFFECTED DEPARTMENTS BEEN NOTIFIED? ☑YES ☐NO

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT: City Manager's Office

SECONDARY DEPARTMENT: Fire

#### **DEPARTMENT HEAD:**

<b>ORDINANCE NO.</b>	

#### 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

**WHEREAS,** on May 23, 2022, the Mayor and City Council of the City of El Paso (the "City") passed an 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 the City of El Paso"; and

WHEREAS, the City finds that the expenditure of public funds for staff to coordinate resources and supplies, serve as shelter surge staff and transport migrants released in the City of El Paso accomplishes a valid public purpose of protecting public infrastructure, and protecting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of El Paso; and

WHEREAS, in response to potential street releases and partly pursuant to Emergency Ordinance No. 019333, the El Paso City-County Office of Emergency Management ("OEM") reallocated COVID-19 Operations staff to assist as migrant shelter surge staff and created a job specification, for general disaster operations to include humanitarian relief duties to hire and assign staff to assist with NGO capacity; and

WHEREAS, in the Fall of 2022, at least partly pursuant to the authority contained in Emergency Ordinance No. 019333, the City expended significant resources to create and staff a Welcome Center to assist with transportation assistance, providing long-distance charter services and over 39,000 meals to over 19,300 migrants through October 20, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Aviation has the authority, as granted by the El Paso City Council, to manage the day-to-day operations of the El Paso International Airport ("EPIA") and to ensure that those operations are conducted in compliance with the rules and regulations regarding airports under Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Chapter 22 of the Texas Transportation Code, and Title 14 of the El Paso City Code, as well as federal, state, and local health and safety regulations to ensure the health, safety, and welfare of all occupants and travelers making use of EPIA facilities; and

WHEREAS, from time to time during the migration waves, EPIA in recent past, has become saturated with migrants awaiting air travel and has needed to take measures to preserve

the health and safety of its customers, employees and the public, as well as measures to secure its facilities as the demand for air travel increases exponentially; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of El Paso is home to four international ports of entry between Texas and Mexico; and

WHEREAS, at times during the pendency of Emergency Ordinance No. 019333, border officials have barricaded and closed down the Paso del Norte bridge due to a breach of public safety involving hundreds of migrants present on the bridge attributed to rumors about the relaxation of immigration restrictions circulated on social media sites, which has caused significant delays at the international ports-of-entry involving trade; and

WHEREAS, the encampment of large groups of migrants on City rights of way, parks and other City property at one point led to street closures and cessation of the streetcar service and reassignment of City staff required to ensure safety and sanitary conditions in that area; and

WHEREAS, in order to protect the health of persons in the municipality, the City Council wishes to continue to assist the local non-governmental organizations ("NGOs") with surge staff, coordination of resources and supplies, and transportation in light of the continued high number of community releases; and

WHEREAS, the Biden administration ended the COVID-19 public health emergency on May 11, 2023 ending all use of Title 42 as a mechanism to control the border; and

WHEREAS, at that time and subsequent to that time, tens of thousands of migrants from Latin America and around the world gathered at or near the U.S.- Mexico border in hopes that President Biden would ease immigration restrictions that will make it easier to enter the United States; and

WHEREAS, the El Paso sector of U.S. Customs and Border Patrol ("CBP") had 482,095 land border encounters and over 174,000 community releases in the federal fiscal year 2023; and

**WHEREAS,** for federal fiscal year 2024, the Southwest had 1,340,801 migrant encounters and

WHEREAS, when the CBP Central Processing Center is over capacity and the NGO space is unavailable, that is when the potential for street releases arises; and

WHEREAS, the release of mass groups of people without access to potable water, food, or shelter exposes the migrants and El Paso residents to the origination and spread of potential and actual disease; and

WHEREAS, there are significant public safety and security concerns related to the waves of migration, including but not limited to the risk of injury or loss of life with migrants in El Paso streets with little or no resources on days that reach hot or cold temperatures and the inherent risks that come with increased demand on local shelters; and

**WHEREAS**, for these reasons, the City is faced with the imminent threat of widespread injury or loss of life resulting from a surge in transient migrants traveling to the region; and

WHEREAS, there is the potential for loss of property for both residents and migrants due to those who would take financial advantage of these waves of migrants; and

**WHEREAS**, the El Paso City Charter Section 3.10, allows for the adoption of one or more emergency ordinances to meet a public emergency affecting life, health, property, or the public peace; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 121.003 of the Texas Health & Safety Code states that a municipality may enforce any law that is reasonably necessary to protect public health; and

WHEREAS, Section 122.006 of the Texas Health & Safety Code provides home-rule municipalities express authority to adopt rules to protect the health of persons in the municipality, including quarantine rules to protect the residents against communicable disease; and

**WHEREAS**, this Ordinance shall remain in effect until otherwise terminated, re-enacted, superseded by a conflicting ordinance, El Paso Local Health Authority Ordinance, state or federal law, or repealed automatically as of the 31<sup>st</sup> day following the date on which it was adopted unless re-enacted pursuant to City Charter Section 3.10; and

**WHEREAS**, this document reflects the authority of the City of El Paso's Office of Emergency Management in the handling of the local mass migration and is separate and apart from any authority possessed by any other jurisdiction on migrant issues.

### NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:

- 1. That the Emergency Ordinance No. 019333 passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of El Paso on May 23, 2022 is hereby re-enacted and shall continue for thirty (30) days unless re-enacted in accordance with City Charter Section 3.10 or until terminated by City Council, whichever is sooner.
- 2. This ordinance is adopted as an emergency measure with the unanimous vote of the City Council Representatives present and the consent of the Mayor and pursuant to City Charter Section 3.10.

(Signatures Begin on Following Page)

#### PASSED AND ADOPTED, this \_\_\_\_ day of May, 2024.

	THE CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS			
ATTEST:	Oscar Leeser Mayor			
Laura D. Prine City Clerk	-			
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:			
5/3/2024	Maria			
Karla M. Nieman	Mario M. D'Agostino, Deputy City Manager			
City Attorney	Public Health & Safety			

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## CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS LEGISTAR AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY FORM

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#### **All Districts**

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

#### AGENDA LANGUAGE:

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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.

#### **CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS AGENDA ITEM**

#### DEPARTMENT HEAD'S SUMMARY FORM

AGENDA DATE: May 20, 2024

PUBLIC HEARING DATE: May 20, 2024

CONTACT PERSON NAME AND PHONE NUMBER: Mario M. D'Agostino, (915) 212-1069

**DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: All Districts** 

STRATEGIC GOAL: Goal 2. Set the Standard for a Safe and Secure City **SUBGOAL:** 2.1 Maintain standing as one of the nation's top safest cities

#### SUBJECT:

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.

#### **BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:**

On May 11, 2023 Title 42 was lifted and the Federal Government continues to anticipate a significant increase in the flow of migrants through our area. The City of El Paso has determined that extraordinary measures must be taken to protect all people in and coming through the City. Pursuant to City Charter Section 3.10, every emergency ordinance shall stand repealed automatically as of the 31st day following the date on which it was adopted, but may be re-enacted to continue a Disaster Declaration.

#### PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

on February 26, 2024, City Council did not unanimously vote to pass the Motion to extend Emergency Ordinance No. 019485 renewing the May 1, 2023 migrant crisis Disaster Declaration, which resulted in the automatic repeal of Emergency Ordinance No. 019485 and its related Disaster Declaration ending in accordance with City Charter Section 3.10.

#### **AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:**

None.

HAVE ALL AFFECTED DEPARTMENTS BEEN NOTIFIEDXES□NO

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT: City Manager's Office

**SECONDARY DEPARTMENT: Fire** 

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#### **DEPARTMENT HEAD:**

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# AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE EXTENDING ORDINANCE NO. 019604 DUE TO A HUMANITARIAN, SECURITY, AND ECONOMIC CRISIS RESULTING FROM MASS MIGRATION WAVES THROUGH EL PASO

WHEREAS, on February 26, 2024, City Council did not unanimously vote to pass the Motion to extend Emergency Ordinance No. 019485 renewing the May 1, 2023 migrant crisis Disaster Declaration, which resulted in the automatic repeal of Emergency Ordinance No. 019485 and its related Disaster Declaration ending in accordance with City Charter Section 3.10; and

WHEREAS, in order to address the fact that the conditions prompting issuance of the May 1, 2023 migrant crisis Disaster Declaration persisted, on February 29, 2024, March 7, 2024, March 14, 2024, and March 22, 2024, the Mayor declared a disaster under the authority of §418.108(a) of the Texas Government Code due to the conditions described below; and

WHEREAS, said conditions continue to persist; and

WHEREAS, for federal fiscal year 2024, Southwest migrant encounters are at 1,340,801; and

WHEREAS, the El Paso sector of Customs and Border Patrol ("CBP") had 482,095 land border encounters and over 174,000 community releases in federal fiscal year 2023; and

**WHEREAS**, since 2018 periodic waves of mass migration have arrived to the City acutely overstretching and exceeding the limits of our shelter and transportation networks for weeks or months; and

WHEREAS, upon the migrants' arrival into the United States, they are held by CBP which processes, sets for hearing and then releases migrants to non-governmental organizations ("NGOs"), the City and County with little to no resources; and

WHEREAS, state and federal infrastructure and support is critical to support efforts led by the City of El Paso Office of Emergency Management ("OEM") to effectively and safely care for mass groups of migrants entering the City; and

**WHEREAS**, in September 2023, the City purchased the former Morehead Middle School campus to serve as its Community Readiness Center ("CRC") to shelter migrants on a short-term basis; and

WHEREAS, OEM has opened the CRC when the migrant numbers exceeded the local NGO

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shelter capacity with over 8,700 migrants sheltered in city facilities in 2023; and

**WHEREAS**, the number of migrants released into the community has been as high as 1,700 in a single day; and

WHEREAS, there are significant public safety and security concerns related to the waves of migration, including but not limited to the risk of injury or loss of life with migrants in El Paso streets with little or no resources on days that reach extremely high or freezing low temperatures and the inherent risks that come with increased demand on local shelters; and

WHEREAS, the City is faced with the imminent threat of widespread injury or loss of life resulting from a surge in transient migrants traveling to the region; and

WHEREAS, there is potential for loss of property for both residents and migrants due to criminal elements that would take advantage of vulnerable migrants; and

WHEREAS, the El Paso International Airport has at times, during the waves of mass migration, become saturated with migrants awaiting air travel and shelter, and the City of El Paso has at times taken measures to preserve the health and safety of its customers, employees and the public, as well as measures to secure, clean and comply with all related legal requirements regarding its facilities as the demand for air travel can increase exponentially; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of El Paso is home to four of the international ports-of-entry on the U.S.-Mexico border; and

**WHEREAS**, based on mass migration events in the past including protests and closures of the international bridges, the City has experienced several significant delays at the international ports-of-entry to include trade delays on multiple occasions; and

WHEREAS, the City of El Paso has determined that extraordinary measures must be taken to protect all people in and coming through the City; and

WHEREAS, this document continues the activation of the City's Emergency Management Plans, and therefore reflects the authority of the City of El Paso's OEM in the handling of the local mass migration response and is separate and apart from any authority possessed by any other jurisdiction, including other local, state, or federal agencies.

#### NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF EL PASO, TEXAS:

1. That an emergency exists as described in clear and specific terms in the recitals above, which are incorporated herein.

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- 2. That the state of disaster proclaimed for the City of El Paso by the Mayor on March 22, 2024 shall continue for thirty (30) days unless re-enacted in accordance with City Charter Section 3.10 or until terminated by order of the City Council, whichever is sooner.
- 3. This ordinance is adopted as an emergency measure with the unanimous vote of the City Council Representatives present and the consent of the Mayor and pursuant to City Charter Section 3.10 and is effective upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of May, 2024.

THE CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS

Oscar Leeser
Mayor

ATTEST:

Laura D. Prine
City Clerk

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:** 

5/3/2024

Karla M. Nieman City Attorney **APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:** 

Mario M. D'Agostino Deputy City Manager Public Health & Safety

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El Paso Water, Gilbert Trejo, (915) 594-5597

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Annual report to the City Council on operations of the Stormwater Utility.

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

**AGENDA DATE:** 

May 21, 2024 - Regular City Council Meeting

PUBLIC HEARING DATE:

CONTACT PERSON(S) NAME AND PHONE NUMBER:

Gilbert Trejo, P.E.; Vice President, El Paso Water; (915) 594-5597

N/A

DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: All

STRATEGIC GOAL:

Goal 7: Enhance and sustain El Paso's infrastructure network

SUBGOAL:

Goal 7.1: Provide reliable and sustainable water supply and distribution

systems and stormwater management

#### SUBJECT:

Provide an annual report to the City Council on operations of the stormwater utility.

#### **BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:**

El Paso Water Vice President Gilbert Trejo will provide an annual report to city council on the state of the stormater utility, including CIP projects, maintenance of the system, and system finances.

#### PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

Council has received regular annual reports from EPWater.

#### AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

N/A

HAVE ALL AFFECTED DEPARTMENTS BEEN NOTIFIED? X YES \_\_\_NO

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT:

El Paso Water

SECONDARY DEPARTMENT:

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:** 

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department should sign also)

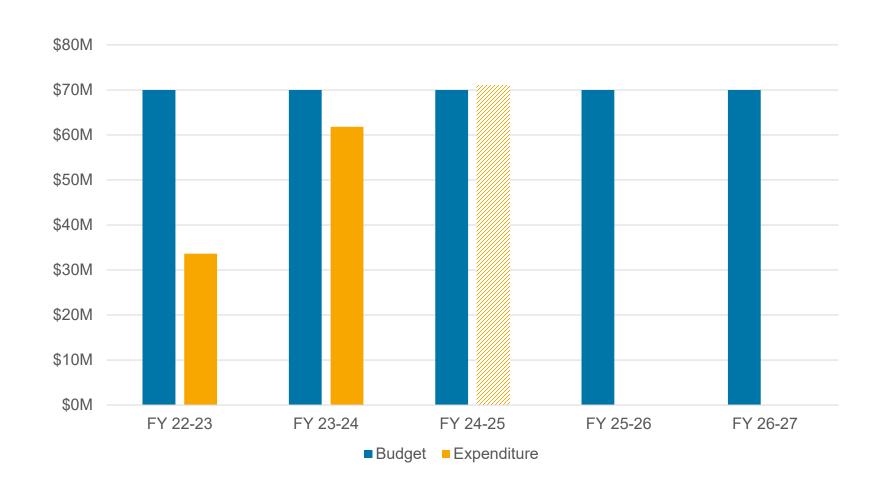


# Annual Stormwater Presentation FY 2024 – 2025

## Highlights of Presentation

- Stormwater CIP Overview
- Citywide Improvements
- FY 2023-2024 Project Accomplishments (Construction)
- Upcoming 2024-2025 Projects
- Flood Warning System Grant
- Outlook for 2024 Monsoon
- Stormwater Utility Operations Report
- How to contact us

## Stormwater CIP: Achieved 90% Expenditures in FY23-24

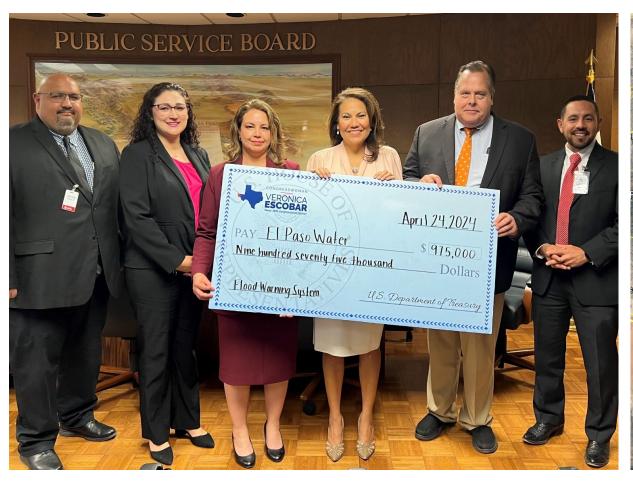


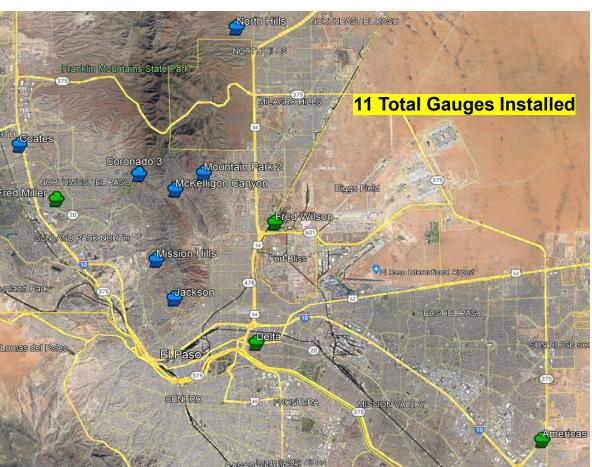
## Actively pursuing state/federal stormwater funding

Received or Committed	Amount		
Clardy Fox	\$	3,800,000	
Northgate Diversion	\$	4,000,000	
Will Ruth Pond	\$	5,100,000	
SAC 1 Sediment Detention Basin	\$	5,600,000	
Keystone Dam Repairs	\$	1,300,000	
Central Cebada Flood Study	\$	1,500,000	
Doniphan Drainage Study	\$	198,000	
Central Flood Planning Study	\$	1,500,000	
Flood Warning System	\$	975,000	
Total to-date	\$	23,973,000	

Applied or Pursuing		Amount
Keystone Dam Conduit Lining	\$	11,500,000
Montoya Wetlands Project	\$	4,100,000
Canterbury Channel Detention Basin	\$	4,461,500
Flow Path 21 Detention Basin	\$	10,198,400
FMP Development for EPWater SWMP	\$	1,288,000
Arroyo Debris Prioritization Study	\$	70,000
Total requests \$ 27,597		

## Flood Warning System and Pilot





## **Ambitious Stormwater Program**



23 Projects Completed (FY 23-24)



6 Projects In Construction



9 Upcoming Construction Projects



29 Projects in Planning and Design





# FY 2023-2024 Project Accomplishments (Construction)

## FY2023-24: 23 Projects Completed

- 6 Dam Improvement Projects
- 6 Conveyance (channel, spillway, pipeline)
- 3 Other Projects (ponds, drainage improvements, etc.)
- 8 Corrugated Metal Pipe Rehabilitation Projects

## Coates Dam





Fulfilling regulatory requirements.

## **Tremont Dam**





Fulfilling regulatory requirements.

## Pico Norte Pond

Before After





Controlling erosion and reducing street flooding

## St. Mark Drainage Improvements





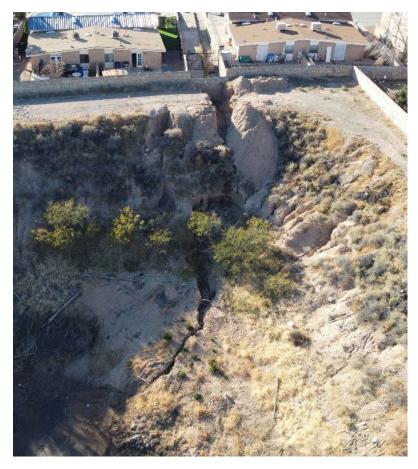
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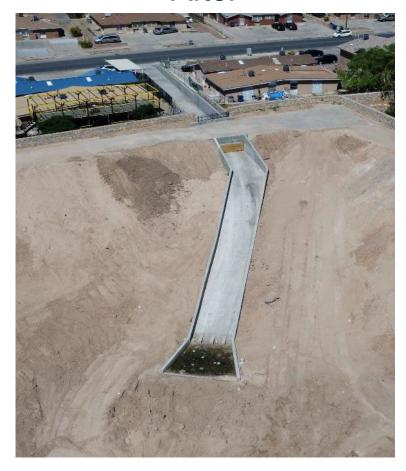
Improving conveyance

## Lake Omega Pond

Before



After



## Palisades Dam

Before After





Stabilizing the slope

## Corrugated Metal Pipe Rehabilitation Piedras at Cypress

Before



After





# Projects Under Construction

## 6 Projects Under Construction

- Grissom, McAffee and Montana Drainage and Utility Systems
- San Jose Pond Improvements
- Arroyo 1 Dam Improvements
- Austin Pond Drian
- Lower Morehead Pond
- Coors Channel

## Arroyo 1 Dam Detention





## San Jose Pond Improvements





# **Coors Channel**









# Lower Morehead Retention Pond

Before In Progress





Capturing maximum probable flood



# Upcoming Projects FY 24-25

# FY 24-25: Projects in planning, design, construction

Type of Project	9 Projects will enter construction	29 Projects to start Planning/Design
Conveyance	2	14
Corrugated Metal Pipe	various	
Dams	3	
Erosion Control		3
Ponds/Basins	4	7
Pump Stations		5

# Cliff Dam #10 Improvements



### **Central El Paso**

- Increase capacity and slope stabilization
- Estimated Construction Cost \$7M

# Will Ruth Pond Phase 2



### **Northeast El Paso**

## **Proposed:**

- Pond excavation and concrete lining
- Cost \$12M
- Estimated Construction Start: Fall 2024

# Hickerson Wastewater Plant Stormwater Basin



### **West El Paso**

- Pond excavation and slope stabilization
- Construction Cost \$9M
- Estimated Construction Start: Winter 2024

# **RV Pond Improvements**



### **East El Paso**

- Construction of new pond
- Mitigate flooding and erosion south of I-10 and east of Loop 375
- Estimated Construction Cost \$13.9M

# Palisades Stormwater System and Trailhead Improvements



## **Central El Paso**

- Upgrade existing Dam
- Construction of two additional dams (West and East Dams)
- Partnership with the City for trail improvements
- Estimated Construction Cost \$10.4M



Stormwater Operations Report

# Stormwater Operations March 2023 to February 2024

Ponds	236 acres maintained
Channels & Levees	18 miles cleaned
Agricultural Drains	13 miles maintained
Storm Drains	5.4 miles of conduits cleaned
Inlets	1004 cleaned
Dams	384 acres maintained

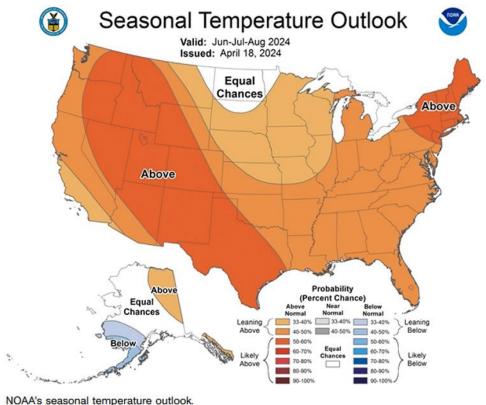


Monsoon Outlook

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# National Weather Service (NWS)

- Dry conditions
- La Niña moving in: June August
- Possibility of an extreme event remains



NOAA/National Weather Service



# Over 30,000 sandbags distributed

	Location	Monsoon Season Hours of Operation
Central/ Northeast	Stormwater Operations Center 4801 Fred Wilson	MonFri.; 8 a.m. – 8 p.m. SatSun.; 2-8 p.m.
West	Artcraft Booster Station 7830 Paseo Del Norte	MonSun.; 2-8 p.m.
East/ Mission Valley	Blackie Chesher Park 9292 Escobar	MonSun.; 2-8 p.m.

# Who to call during flood events

- EPWater Customer Service: 915-594-5500
- EPWater Stormwater: <u>Storm@epwater.org</u>
- 911 Emergency
- 311 Non-emergency



# Questions and Comments



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#### **All Districts**

Information Technology, Araceli Guerra (915) 212-1401

#### AGENDA LANGUAGE:

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Presentation and discussion providing a report from the following Goal Teams:

1. Vision Block: Vibrant and Regional Economy

Goal 1 (Economic Development) and Goal 3 (Visual Image) International Bridges Director, Roberto Tinajero

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

**DEPARTMENT:** City Manager

AGENDA DATE: May 20, 2024

PUBLIC HEARING DATE: N/A

CONTACT PERSON NAME AND PHONE NUMBER: Araceli Guerra, Managing Director

(915) 212-1401

**DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: AII** 

STRATEGIC GOAL:

Goal 1 Cultivate an Environment Conducive to Strong, Economic Development

Goal 3 Promote the Visual Image of El Paso

#### SUBGOAL:

6.4 - Implement leading-edge practices for achieving quality and performance excellence.

#### **SUBJECT:**

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Goal 3 (Visual Image)

International Bridges Director, Roberto Tinajero

#### **BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:**

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#### PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

Most recent Strategic Planning Sessions convened February 1<sup>st</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

### AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

#### **DEPARTMENT HEAD:**

Araceli Guerra, Managing Director

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Presentation and discussion providing a report from the following Goal Team:

1. Vision Block: Exceptional Recreational, Cultural and Educational Opportunities

Goal 4 (Quality of Life)
Parks and Recreation Director, Pablo Caballero

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

**DEPARTMENT:** City Manager

AGENDA DATE: May 21, 2024

PUBLIC HEARING DATE: N/A

CONTACT PERSON NAME AND PHONE NUMBER: Araceli Guerra, Managing Director

(915) 212-1401

**DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: AII** 

STRATEGIC GOAL:

Goal 4 Enhance El Paso's Quality of Life Through Recreational, Cultural & Educational

**Environments** 

#### SUBGOAL:

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### **AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:**

#### **DEPARTMENT HEAD:**

Guerra, Managing Director

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Office of Management and Budget, K. Nicole Cote, (915) 212-1092

#### AGENDA LANGUAGE:

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Presentation, discussion, and action on the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Second Quarter Financial Report.

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

**AGENDA DATE:** May 20, 2024 **PUBLIC HEARING DATE:** N/A

**CONTACT PERSON NAME AND PHONE NUMBER:** 

K. Nicole Cote, Managing Director, City Manager's Office (915) 212-1092

**DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED:** All Districts

STRATEGIC GOAL: 6. Set the Standard for Sound Governance and Fiscal Management

SUBGOAL: N/A

**SUBJECT:** Presentation discussion and action on the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Second Quarter Financial Report.

#### **BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:**

As required by the Budget Policy, a financial report must be reported to the City Council within 45 working days after the close of each fiscal quarter.

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION: N/A

**AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:** N/A

HAVE ALL AFFECTED DEPARTMENTS BEEN NOTIFIED? X YES \_\_\_NO

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT: City Manager's Office - Office of Management and Budget

**SECONDARY DEPARTMENT:** All City

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:** 

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

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City Attorney's Office, Evan D. Reed, (915) 212-0033

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United States of America v. City of El Paso; United Road Towing, Inc. d/b/a UR Vehicle Management Solutions; and Rod Robertson Enterprises, Inc.; Cause No.3:23-cv-00044; Matter 20-10260-10714 (551.071)

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City Attorney's Office, Kristen Hamilton-Karam, (915) 212-0033

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Close out of contract with El Paso Zoological Society, HQ#2062 (551.071)

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City Attorney's Office, Matt Marquez, (915) 212-0033

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Application of El Paso Electric Company to Amend its Energy Efficiency Cost Recovery Factor; HQ#UTILITY-39 (551.071)

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Economic and International Development, Karina Brasgalla, (915) 212-0095

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Purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property located in Downtown El Paso. (HQ#24-2784) (551.072)

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Economic and International Development, Karina Brasgalla, (915) 212-0095

#### AGENDA LANGUAGE:

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Discussion on economic development opportunities in Northeast El Paso, Texas. HQ#24-2438 (551.072) (551.087)

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Frank Garza, Outside Counsel, (210) 349-6484

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Interpretation of Texas Elections Code and Texas Constitution (551.071)