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MAYOR

TOMMY GONZALEZ
CITY MANAGER



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PETER SVARZBEIN, DISTRICT 1
ALEXSANDRA ANNELLO, DISTRICT 2
CASSANDRA HERNANDEZ, DISTRICT 3
JOE MOLINAR, DISTRICT 4
ISABEL SALCIDO, DISTRICT 5
CLAUDIA L. RODRIGUEZ, DISTRICT 6
HENRY RIVERA, DISTRICT 7
CISSY LIZARRAGA, DISTRICT 8

MINUTES FOR REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

April 13, 2021
3:30 PM

Due to the temporary suspension of specified provisions of the Texas Open Meetings laws due to the COVID-19 emergency this meeting was conducted via telephonic and videoconference platforms.

ROLL CALL

The City Council of the City Council met on the above time and date. Meeting was called to order at 3:30 p.m. Mayor Oscar Leeser present and presiding and the following Council Members answered roll call: Peter Svarzbein, Aleksandra Annello, Cassandra Hernandez, Joe Molinar, Isabel Salcido, Claudia Rodriguez, Henry Rivera, and Cissy Lizarraga.

MAYOR'S PROCLAMATIONS

Sexual Assault Awareness Month

Global Youth Service Day

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

Motion made by Alternate Mayor Pro Tempore Lizarraga, seconded by Representative Molinar, and unanimously carried to **APPROVE, AS REVISED**, all matters listed under the Consent Agenda unless otherwise noted. (Items approved, postponed, or deleted pursuant to the vote on the Consent Agenda will be shown with an asterisk {*}).

AYES: Representatives Svarzbein, Annello, Hernandez, Molinar, Salcido, Rodriguez, Rivera, and Lizarraga

NAYS: None

CONSENT AGENDA - APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

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

1. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** the Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of March 30, 2021, the Agenda Review Meeting of March 29, 2021, and the Work Session of March 29, 2021.

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CONSENT AGENDA - REQUEST TO EXCUSE ABSENT CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS:
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2. **REQUEST TO EXCUSE ABSENT CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS:**

NO ACTION was taken on this item.

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CONSENT AGENDA - RESOLUTIONS:
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Goal 1: Create an Environment Conducive to Strong, Sustainable Economic Development
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3. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **DELETE** the item authorizing the City Manager to sign a Chapter 380 Agreement by and between the CITY OF EL PASO, a Texas home rule municipal corporation, and LIFTFUND, INC., in support of the administration of a small business relief program to provide grants to eligible small businesses within the City of El Paso affected by the COVID-19 pandemic.

4. ***RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:

That the City Manager is authorized to sign a Lessor's Approval of Assignment of the Ground Lease, by and between the City of El Paso ("Lessor"), Infinity Nine at El Paso, LLC ("Assignor"), and Sealy Hawkins Boulevard, L.L.C. ("Assignee") for the following described property:

Lot 1, Block 14, El Paso International Airport Tracts,
Unit 11, City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas,
municipally known and numbered as 1701 Hawkins
Boulevard, El Paso, Texas.

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Goal 3: Promote the Visual Image of El Paso
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5. ***RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:

A Resolution that the City Council authorizes the Mayor to sign a letter in support of the proposed National Register of Historic Places nomination of Segundo Barrio Historic District. (*Roughly bounded by South Santa Fe Street, South Oregon Street, East Ninth Avenue, Cotton Street, Paisano Drive, and East Father Rahm Avenue*).

6. ***RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:

That the City Council approves a Change Order in the amount of \$138,932.00 to El Paso A.R.C. Electric, Inc., for the additional cost associated with changing the poles specified in the contract to the city specification for the green fluted poles for the Yarbrough Drive, George Dieter Drive & Lee Trevino Drive Roadway Lighting and Median Landscaping Project, Solicitation 2020-199. Ten (10) additional days will be added to the project completion timelines. The new contract sum, including this change is \$5,849,490.40.

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

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***RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the during the regular City Council (City) meeting of August 25, 2009 awarded Solicitation No. 2009-097R a service contract for Prudential Retirement (Prudential) to serve as the administrator for the City's 457(b) and 401(a) plans; and

WHEREAS, City has exercised both options contemplated as part of the original award; and

WHEREAS, the City is currently procuring the administration of the 457(b) and 401(a) plan; and

WHEREAS, the Parties have agreed to extend the term of Prudential's service contract to continue to serve as the administrator for the City's 457(b) and 401(a) plans on a month-to-month basis.

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

That the Director of Purchasing and Strategic Sourcing Department be authorized to extend the existing contract with Prudential, effective June 1, 2021; to continue to provide administrator services for the City's 457(b) and 401(a) plans on a month-to-month basis, with 60 days written notice of termination, and under the terms of the existing service agreement.

Goal 7: Enhance and Sustain El Paso's Infrastructure Network

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***RESOLUTION**

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

1. That the City Engineer is authorized to sign an Easement for a Public Road or Street with the Secretary of the United States Army to allow the City to construct, operate, and maintain park and ride facilities and infrastructure associated with the Montana Rapid Transit System on 12.88 acres of Ft. Bliss property located near the intersection of Montana Avenue and Lee Trevino Dr. and the intersection of Montana Avenue and George Dieter Dr.

2. That the City Clerk is authorized to sign any certificates of authority or other documents confirming the authority granted to the City Engineer.
3. That the City Engineer is authorized to exercise any rights or obligations under the Easement Agreement and sign all documents necessary and/or requested by the Secretary of the Army in relation to the granting of this easement.

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***RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:

That the City Manager, or designee, be authorized to sign an Underground Electrical Easement, granting an easement to the El Paso Electric Company to provide electrical power to property located near the intersection of Franklin Avenue and El Paso Street legally described as a Portion of Block 18, Mills Addition, an addition to the City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas.

Goal 8: Nurture and Promote a Healthy, Sustainable Community

10. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **POSTPONE TWO WEEKS** a Resolution to authorize the Mayor to sign an Interlocal Agreement between the City of El Paso and Texas A&M University for COVID-19 outreach, prevention and vaccination information within El Paso County.

CONSENT AGENDA – BOARD RE-APPOINTMENTS:

Goal 3: Promote the Visual Image of El Paso

11. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **RE-APPOINT** Sandra Sanchez Almanzan to the City Plan Commission by Mayor Oscar Leeser.

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

12. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **RE-APPOINT** Matt Kerr to the City of El Paso Employees Retirement Trust Board of Trustees by Mayor Oscar Leeser.

Goal 8: Nurture and Promote a Healthy, Sustainable Community

13. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **RE-APPOINT** Andres Farias to the Fair Housing Task Force, as a Regular Member, by Representative Cissy Lizarraga, District 8.

CONSENT AGENDA - BOARD APPOINTMENTS:

Goal 3: Promote the Visual Image of El Paso

14. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **APPOINT** Jose L. Reyes to the City Plan Commission by Representative Henry Rivera, District 7.

Goal 4: Enhance El Paso’s Quality of Life through Recreational, Cultural and Educational Environments

15. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **APPOINT** Gary Edens to the Museums and Cultural Affairs Advisory Board by Mayor Oscar Leeser.

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

16. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **APPOINT** Cristian Botello to the Public Service Board Selection Committee by Representative Claudia L. Rodriguez, District 6.

Goal 8: Nurture and Promote a Healthy, Sustainable Community

17. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **APPOINT** Casey Mangan to the Fair Housing Task Force, as an Alternate Member, by Representative Cissy Lizarraga, District 8.

18. ***RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the Housing Finance Corporation Act, Chapter 394 Local Government Code authorizes the creation of a Housing Finance Corporation; and

WHEREAS, the City of El Paso has approved the incorporation of the El Paso Housing Finance Corporation pursuant to the Housing Finance Corporations Act, which incorporation took place in 1979; and

WHEREAS, the Articles of Incorporation and the Articles of Amendment of the El Paso Housing Finance Corporation provide for appointment of members of the Board of Directors to be appointed by written resolution of the governing body of the City of El Paso, Texas.

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

Melanie Bailey is appointed to the Board of Directors of the El Paso Housing Finance Corporation to fill the term that ends July 15, 2026.

CONSENT AGENDA – APPLICATION FOR TAX REFUNDS:

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

19. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** the tax refunds, greater than \$2,500.00, listed below and posted on the attachment with this agenda:

1. Blas Cano, in the amount of \$2,689.05, made an overpayment on February 28, 2021 of 2020 taxes.
(Geo. # C702-000-000A-0600)

2. Fidelity National Title Agency Inc., in the amount of \$3,348.69, made an overpayment on February 1, 2021 of 2020 taxes.
(Geo #D452-999-0010-0100)

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20. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** the tax refunds, exceeding the three (3) year limit, listed below and posted on the attachment with this agenda:

1. Martha P. Rosales, in the amount of \$38.99, made an overpayment on November 3, 2017 of 2017 taxes. (Geo. # C980-000-0100-0301)
2. CoreLogic Refunds Dept., in the amount of \$1,470.36, made an overpayment on December 28, 2016 of 2016 taxes. (Geo. #E054-999-012A-0900)
3. Refund Department-Corelogic, Corelogic Tax Services, in the amount of \$506.07, made an overpayment on May 31, 2017 of 2013 taxes. (Geo. #A200-000-0110-3000)

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CONSENT AGENDA – BIDS:

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Goal 3 : Promote the Visual Image of El Paso

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21. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **AWARD** Solicitation No. 2021-0735 Fertilizer to the Timothy Mitchell dba C.M.C. Agronomy, LLC. for items 4 and 5, for a three (3) year initial term estimated award of \$175,800.00. The award also includes a two (2) year optional amount of \$117,200.00. The total value of the contract including the initial term plus the option is five (5) years for an estimated award of \$293,000.00. This contract will provide fertilizer products, needed for the city's parks.

Contract Variance:

There is no prior contract to compare.

Department:	Streets and Maintenance
Vendor:	Timothy Mitchell dba C.M.C. Agronomy, LLC. McKinney, TX
Item(s):	4 and 5
Initial Term:	3 years
Option to Extend:	2 years
Annual Estimated Award:	\$ 58,600.00
Initial Term Estimated Award:	\$175,800.00 (3 years)
Total Estimated Award:	\$293,000.00 (5 years)
Account No.:	451 - 1000 - 51295 - 531130 - P5120
Funding Source:	General Fund
District(s):	All

This is a Low Bid, unit price contract.

The Purchasing & Strategic Sourcing and Streets and Maintenance Departments recommend award as indicated to Timothy Mitchell dba C.M.C. Agronomy, LLC. the lowest responsive responsible bidder.

In accordance with this award, the City Manager or designee is authorized to exercise future options if needed.

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Goal 6 : Set the Standard for Sound Governance and Fiscal Management
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22.

***RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, on August 6, 2019 Purchasing & Strategic Sourcing Department recommended that Medlock Commercial Contractors, LLC (Medlock) be disqualified in accordance with Section 2.94.130 of the City of El Paso Municipal Code from entering into any contract with the City for a period not to exceed three (3) years, for engaging in lobbying activities with City Officials during the Cone of Silence period, which is a restricted activity under section 2.94.090 (E) of the City of El Paso Municipal Code; and

WHEREAS, during the August 6, 2019 regular meeting of the El Paso City Council, Medlock was disqualified from entering into a contract with the City of El Paso for a period not exceed three (3) years, for engaging in lobbying activities with City Officials during the Cone of Silence Period; and

WHEREAS, Purchasing & Strategic Sourcing Department recommends reinstating Medlock to active bidding status with the City of El Paso.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:

1. That the above recitals are found to be true and correct and incorporated as part of this resolution.
2. That Medlock Commercial Contractors, LLC shall be reinstated to active bidding status with the City of El Paso effective immediately.

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REGULAR AGENDA – OPERATIONAL FOCUS UPDATES:
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Goal 6: Set the Standard for Sound Governance and Fiscal Management
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23. Budget Update.

Ms. Nicole Cote, Director of Office of Management and Budget, presented a PowerPoint presentation (copy on file in the City Clerk's Office) and answered questions posed by members of the City Council.

Mayor Leeser and Representatives Svarzbein and Lizarraga commented.

Mr. Tommy Gonzalez, City Manager, commented.

NO ACTION was taken on this item.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC – PUBLIC COMMENT

The following members of the public commented:

1. Mr. Ron Comeau
2. Ms. Loretta Arredondo
3. Ms. Gabriele Stark
4. Mr. Hector Montes

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REGULAR AGENDA - FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

Motion made by Representative Rivera, seconded by Representative Salcido, and unanimously carried that the following Ordinances, having been introduced pursuant to Section 3.9 of the El Paso City Charter, be **ADVERTISED** for public hearing:

AYES: Representatives Svarzbein, Annello, Hernandez, Molinar, Salcido, Rodriguez, Rivera and Lizarraga

NAYS: None

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

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24. An Ordinance granting Dominion Ambulance, LLC, a franchise extension and amending Ordinance No. 018924, to modify its franchise rates, to operate a non-emergency ambulance transfer service.

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25. An Ordinance granting Elite Medical Transport of Texas, LLC d/b/a Elite Medical Transport, a franchise extension and amending Ordinance No. 018925, to modify its franchise rates, to operate a non-emergency ambulance transfer service; and repealing Ordinance No. 019111.

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26. An Ordinance granting Life Ambulance, Inc., a franchise extension and amending Ordinance No. 018926, to modify its franchise rates, to operate a non-emergency ambulance transfer service.

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PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD ON APRIL 27, 2021 FOR ITEMS 24 THROUGH 26

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Goal 3: Promote the Visual Image of El Paso

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27. An Ordinance granting Special Permit No. PZST20-00011, to allow for infill development with reduction of parking, lot area, lot width, lot depth, front yard setback, and cumulative front & rear yard setback on the property described as being the west 47.47 feet of Lot 5, Indian Town Subdivision, 9124 San Fernando Court, City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas, pursuant to Section 20.10.280 Infill Development of the El Paso City Code. The penalty being as provided for in Chapter 20.24 of the El Paso City Code.

The proposed special permit and detailed site development plan meet the intent of the Future Land Use designation for the property and is in accordance with *Plan El Paso*, the City's Comprehensive Plan.

Subject Property: 9124 San Fernando Ct.
Applicant: Rogelio Gaytan, PZST20-00011

28. An Ordinance changing the zoning of Lot 27, Block 1, Alto Mesa Unit 5, 6700 N. Mesa Street, City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas from P-C (Planned Commercial) to C-2 (Commercial). The penalty being as provided in Chapter 20.24 of the El Paso City Code.

The proposed rezoning meets the intent of the Future Land Use designation for the property and is in accordance with *Plan El Paso*, the City's Comprehensive Plan.

Subject Property: 6700 N. Mesa Street
Applicants: Weststar Bank
PZRZ21-00002

PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD ON MAY 11, 2021 FOR ITEMS 27 AND 28

29. An Ordinance vacating a 87 square-foot portion of a 10-foot public utility easement located within a portion of Lot 14, Block 485, Tierra del Este Unit Seventy Four, City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas.

Subject Property: 2401 Tierra Murcia St.
Applicant: Sanderson Village, LLC SUET21-00001

30. An Ordinance amending Title 2 (Administration and Personnel) of the El Paso City Code, to amend Chapter 2.94 (Regulation of Lobbying Activities) Section 2.94.130 (Disqualification from Contracting). The penalty being as provided for in Chapter 2.94.130 of the El Paso City Code.

PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD ON APRIL 27, 2021 FOR ITEMS 29 AND 30

REGULAR AGENDA – OTHER BIDS, CONTRACTS, PROCUREMENTS

Goal 1: Set the Standard for Sound Governance and Fiscal Management

31. Motion made by Alternate Mayor Pro Tempore Lizarraga, seconded by Representative Hernandez, and unanimously carried to **AUTHORIZE** the Director of the Purchasing & Strategic Sourcing Department to issue a Purchase Order(s) to Public Facilities and Services, Inc., the sole source provider for the upkeep, maintenance and monitoring of the automated public toilets located at the two downtown international bridges, with the stipulation that the vendor provides an updated sole source letter and affidavit each year.

Contract Variance: No contract variance.

Department:	International Bridges
Award to:	Public Facilities and Services, Inc. Roswell, GA
Annual Estimated Amount:	\$76,560.00
Total Estimated Award:	\$229,680.00 (3 years)
Account No.:	522060-564-3300-64830

Funding Source: International Bridge Operations
District(s): 1, 3 and 8
Reference No.: 2021-0485

This is a Sole Source, service and maintenance contract.

AYES: Representatives Svarzbein, Annelo, Hernandez, Molinar, Salcido, Rodriguez,
Rivera, and Lizarraga
NAYS: None

Goal 4: Enhance El Paso's Quality of Life through Recreational, Cultural and Educational Environments

32. Motion made by Representative Salcido, seconded by Representative Hernandez, and unanimously carried to **AWARD** Solicitation 2021-0793 Dick Shinaut and Salvador Rivas Park Improvements to PRIDE GENERAL CONTRACTORS, LLC for an estimated award of \$856,548.15. This contract will provide park improvements as follows:

Dick Shinaut Skate Park Improvements consists of new street plaza skate park, landscape and illumination improvements.

Salvador Rivas Park Improvements consist of the removal of existing sidewalk, curb and gutter, site clearing and grading, the preparation of subgrade and installation of new base course, landscape and illumination improvements.

Department: Capital Improvement
Award to: PRIDE GENERAL CONTRACTORS, LLC El Paso, TX
Item(s): All
Initial Term: 190 Consecutive Calendar Days
Base Bid I: \$479,141.33
Base Bid II: \$377,406.82
Total Estimated Award: \$856,548.15
Account No.: 190 - 4800 - 29010 - 580270 - PCP13PRKA05 190 - 4800
- 29010 - 580270 - PCP13PRKA27A
Funding Source: 2012 Quality of Life Bond
District(s): 5

This is a Low Bid procurement, unit price contract.

The Purchasing & Strategic Sourcing and Capital Improvement Departments recommend award as indicated PRIDE GENERAL CONTRACTORS, LLC lowest responsive and responsible bidder.

It is requested that the City Manager be authorized to Establish the funding sources and make any necessary budget transfers and execute any and all documents necessary for execution of this award.

Work under this unit price contract is only an estimated value and will be ordered, performed, invoiced, and paid by measured quantity. The actual cost of this contract may

be higher or lower than the total estimated value and will be the sum total of unit prices at the end of the contract term.

As a part of this award, upon the review of the City Attorney, the City Engineer may without further authorization from City Council approve contract changes which are necessary for proper execution of the work and carrying out the intent of the project, which are in accordance with applicable law, do not make changes to the prices and are within the appropriate budget.

AYES: Representatives Svarzbein, Annello, Hernandez, Molinar, Salcido, Rodriguez, Rivera, and Lizarraga

NAYS: None

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- 33.** Motion made by Alternate Mayor Pro Tempore Lizarraga, seconded by Representative Rivera, and unanimously carried to **AUTHORIZE** the Director of the Purchasing and Strategic Sourcing Department to issue Purchase Orders over the next three (3) years totaling an estimated amount of \$126,204.00 to Comprise Technologies, Inc., the sole source provider for Full Service Smart Kiosk Payment Centers software and equipment used at the Public Libraries, with the stipulation that the vendor provides an updated sole source letter and affidavit each year.

Contract Variance: No contract variance.

Department:	Library Services
Award to:	Comprise Technologies Navesink, NJ
Total Estimated Amount:	\$126,204.00
Funding Source:	General funds.
Account No.:	453-1000-580090-53030
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	453-1000-580090-53110
	453-1000-580090-53120
	453-1000-580090-53130
	453-1000-580090-53140
	453-1000-580090-53160
	453-1000-580090-53310
	453-1000-580090-53311
Districts(s):	All
Sole Source No.:	2021-1138

This is a Sole Source, requirements contract.

Representative Hernandez commented.

AYES: Representatives Svarzbein, Annello, Hernandez, Molinar, Salcido, Rodriguez, Rivera, and Lizarraga

NAYS: None

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

34. Motion made by Representative Hernandez, seconded by Representative Rivera, and unanimously carried to **REJECT ALL BIDS** for Solicitation No. 2021-0043R 457(b) Deferred Compensation Plan Administrator and 401(a) Profit Sharing Plan Administrator to Empower Retirement, LLC for an initial five (5) year term. The award is to include a two (2), two (2) year optional terms for a total of nine (9) years.

Contract Variance: No cost to the City.

Department: Human Resources
Award to: Empower Retirement, LLC Greenwood Village, CO
Items: ALL
Initial Term: 5 years
Option to Extend: Two, two (2) years
Annual Estimated Award: NA
Initial Term Estimated Award: NA
Total Estimated Award: NA
Account No.: NA
Funding Source: Employee Voluntary Contributions Only
Districts: All

This is a Request for Proposal, service contract.

The Purchasing & Strategic Sourcing and Human Resources Departments recommend award as indicated to Empower Retirement, LLC the highest ranked proposer based on evaluation factors established for this procurement. In accordance with this award, the City Manager or designee is authorized to exercise future options if needed.

Representative Hernandez commented.

AYES: Representatives Svarzbein, Annello, Hernandez, Molinar, Salcido, Rodriguez, Rivera, and Lizarraga

NAYS: None

Goal 7: Enhance and Sustain El Paso's Infrastructure Network:

35. Motion made by Mayor Pro Tempore Svarzbein, seconded by Representative Molinar, and unanimously carried to **AUTHORIZE** the Director of the Purchasing and Strategic Sourcing Department to issue a Purchase Order(s) to Sierra Machinery Inc., the sole factory authorized dealer of Volvo, Gradall, and Doosan parts & service in the El Paso area, with a two (2) year term and with a stipulation that Sierra Machinery Inc. provide an updated sole source letter and affidavit each year. This contract will ensure continued maintenance and repair of the Volvo, Gradall, and Doosen heavy equipment owned by the City.

Contract Variance:

The difference in cost, based on comparison to the previous contract is as follows: A yearly increase of \$13,333.33 or a 7.1% due to increases in units being serviced.

Department: Streets and Maintenance
Award to: Sierra Machinery Inc. El Paso, TX
Initial Term: 2 years
Annual Estimated Amount: \$200,000.00
Total Estimated Award: \$400,000.00 (2 years)
Account No.: 531210-532-3600-37020-P3701 531250-532-3600-37020-P3701
Funding Source: Inventory Purchases Materials and Supplies Equipment
Outside Repair Services
District(s): All
Sole Source Reference: 2021-0742

This is a Sole Source, requirements contract.

AYES: Representatives Svarzbein, Annelo, Hernandez, Molinar, Salcido, Rodriguez, Rivera, and Lizarraga

NAYS: None

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The City Council Meeting was **RECESSED** at 4:17 p.m. in order to convene the Downtown Development Corporation Meeting.

The City Council Meeting was **RECONVENED** at 4:33 p.m.

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REGULAR AGENDA – OTHER BUSINESS:
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Goal 4: Enhance El Paso’s Quality of Life through Recreational, Cultural and Educational Environments
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36. Presentation and discussion on the City’s Capital Improvement Program.

Mr. Sam Rodriguez, City Engineer, presented a PowerPoint presentation (copy on file in the City Clerk’s Office).

Mayor Leeser and Representative Annelo commented.

Mr. Tommy Gonzalez, City Manager, commented.

NO ACTION was taken on this item.

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REGULAR AGENDA – INTRODUCTION AND PUBLIC HEARINGS:
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Goal 6: Set the Standard for Sound Governance and Fiscal Management
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37. **ORDINANCE 019161**

The City Clerk read an Ordinance entitled: **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS COMBINATION TAX AND REVENUE**

CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION, SERIES 2021A AND SERIES 2021B; LEVYING A CONTINUING DIRECT ANNUAL AD VALOREM TAX FOR THE PAYMENT OF SUCH CERTIFICATES; AND RESOLVING OTHER MATTERS WHICH ARE NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE SUCH ISSUANCE, INCLUDING THE DELEGATION OF MATTERS RELATING TO THE SALE AND ISSUANCE OF SUCH CERTIFICATES TO AN AUTHORIZED CITY OFFICIAL WITHIN CERTAIN SPECIFIED PARAMETERS.

Mr. Robert Cortinas, Chief Financial Officer, presented a PowerPoint presentation including items 37, 38, and 39 (copy on file in the City Clerk's Office).

Mayor Leeser and Representatives Svarzbein, Hernandez, and Rodriguez commented and posed questions related to the presentation.

The following City staff members commented:

1. Mr. Tommy Gonzalez, City Manager
2. Mr. Sam Rodriguez, City Engineer
3. Ms. Tracey Jerome, Deputy City Manager

Motion duly made by Alternate Mayor Pro Tempore Lizarraga, seconded by Representative Hernandez, and carried that the Ordinance be **ADOPTED**.

Whereupon the Mayor ordered that a vote be taken on the passage and adoption of the Ordinance which when so done resulted as follows:

AYES: Representatives Svarzbein, Annelo, Hernandez, Salcido, Rivera, and Lizarraga

NAYS: Representatives Molinar and Rodriguez

Whereupon the Mayor ordered that, the vote having been cast in favor of the Ordinance, the same be and the same is hereby **ADOPTED**.

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38.

ORDINANCE 019162

The City Clerk read an Ordinance entitled: **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS, GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2021 AND GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS, TAXABLE SERIES 2021A; LEVYING A CONTINUING DIRECT ANNUAL AD VALOREM TAX FOR THE PAYMENT OF SUCH BONDS; AND RESOLVING OTHER MATTERS WHICH ARE NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE SUCH ISSUANCE; INCLUDING THE DELEGATION OF MATTERS RELATING TO THE SALE AND ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS TO AN AUTHORIZED CITY OFFICIAL WITHIN CERTAIN SPECIFIED PARAMETERS.**

Motion duly made by Mayor Pro Tempore Svarzbein, seconded by Representative Rivera, and carried that the Ordinance be **ADOPTED**.

Whereupon the Mayor ordered that a vote be taken on the passage and adoption of the Ordinance which when so done resulted as follows:

AYES: Representatives Svarzbein, Annelo, Hernandez, Salcido, Rivera, and Lizarraga

NAYS: Representatives Molinar and Rodriguez

Whereupon the Mayor ordered that, the vote having been cast in favor of the Ordinance, the same be and the same is hereby **ADOPTED**.

39.

ORDINANCE 019163

The City Clerk read an Ordinance entitled: **AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF THE CITY OF EL PASO DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION SPECIAL REVENUE REFUNDING BONDS, TAXABLE SERIES 2021 (DOWNTOWN BALLPARK VENUE PROJECT) BY THE CITY OF EL PASO DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, APPROVING A THIRD AMENDMENT TO MASTER LEASE AGREEMENT RELATED TO SUCH REFUNDING BONDS AND APPROVING OTHER MATTERS INCIDENT AND RELATED THERETO.**

Motion duly made by Alternate Mayor Pro Tempore Lizarraga, seconded by Representative Hernandez, and carried that the Ordinance be **ADOPTED**.

Whereupon the Mayor ordered that a vote be taken on the passage and adoption of the Ordinance which when so done resulted as follows:

AYES: Representatives Svarzbein, Annello, Hernandez, Salcido, Rivera, and Lizarraga

NAYS: Representatives Molinar and Rodriguez

Whereupon the Mayor ordered that, the vote having been cast in favor of the Ordinance, the same be and the same is hereby **ADOPTED**.

REGULAR AGENDA –PUBLIC HEARINGS AND SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES:

Goal 3: Promote the Visual Image of El Paso

40.

ORDINANCE 019164

The City Clerk read an Ordinance entitled: **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 15 (PUBLIC SERVICES), CHAPTER 15.08 (STREET RENTALS), SECTION 15.08.120 (SPECIAL PRIVILEGE LICENSES AND PERMITS), SUBSECTION (H) EXCEPTIONS TO ADD PARAGRAPH 12 SIGNS MAY BE LOCATED IN THE PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY WITHOUT THE REQUIREMENT OF A SIGN PERMIT OR A SPECIAL PRIVILEGE, WHICH MEET THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA: (K) THE SIGN MAY NOT BE PLACED CLOSER THAN TWENTY (20) FEET TO A WASTE CONTAINER PLACED IN THE RIGHT OF WAY PURSUANT TO A FRANCHISE AGREEMENT ISSUED BY THE CITY; (J) THE SIGN MAY NOT BE PLACED IN THAT AREA OF A TRIANGLE FORMED BY THE INTERSECTING PROPERTY LINES AND A DIAGONAL JOINING PROPERTY LINE AT POINTS TWENTY (20) FEET FROM THEIR INTERSECTION OF ANY CORNER LOT. THE PENALTY IS AS PROVIDED FOR IN SECTION 15.08.125 OF THE EL PASO CITY CODE.**

Motion duly made by Representative Rivera, seconded by Representative Lizarraga, and carried that the Ordinance be **ADOPTED**.

Whereupon the Mayor ordered that a vote be taken on the passage and adoption of the Ordinance which when so done resulted as follows:

AYES: Representatives Svarzbein, Annello, Molinar, Salcido, Rodriguez, Rivera, and Lizarraga

NAYS: Representative Hernandez

Whereupon the Mayor ordered that, the vote having been cast in favor of the Ordinance, the same be and the same is hereby **ADOPTED**.

41.

ORDINANCE 019165

The City Clerk read an Ordinance entitled: **AN ORDINANCE VACATING CITY RIGHT-OF-WAY OVER GUADALUPE PASS DRIVE RIGHT-OF-WAY, HUECO PASS DRIVE RIGHT-OF-WAY, AND PICACHO PASS DRIVE RIGHT-OF-WAY WITHIN BUTTERFIELD TRAIL AVIATION PARK UNIT THREE, CITY OF EL PASO, EL PASO COUNTY, TEXAS**

**SUBJECT PROPERTY: NORTH OF MONTANA AVE. AND EAST OF GLOBAL REACH DR.
APPLICANT: BROCK & BUSTILLOS, INC. SURW21-00001**

Motion duly made by Representative Hernandez, seconded by Representative Salcido, and carried that the Ordinance be **ADOPTED**.

Whereupon the Mayor ordered that a vote be taken on the passage and adoption of the Ordinance which when so done resulted as follows:

AYES: Representatives Svarzbein, Annello, Hernandez, Molinar, Salcido, Rodriguez, Rivera, and Lizarraga

NAYS: None

Whereupon the Mayor ordered that, the vote having been cast in favor of the Ordinance, the same be and the same is hereby **ADOPTED**.

Goal 8: Nurture and Promote a Healthy, Sustainable Community

42.

ORDINANCE 019166

The City Clerk read an Ordinance entitled: **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 9 (HEALTH AND SAFETY), CHAPTER 9.04 (SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT), SECTION 9.04.010 TO ADDRESS THE NEED FOR SAFE ACCESS (NFSA) TO RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT, PROMOTING GREATER SAFETY AND IMPROVED CUSTOMER SERVICE BY PROVIDING THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OR APPOINTEE OF THE DIRECTOR THE AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH A POLICY RELATED TO THE NEED FOR THE SAFE ACCESS (NFSA) FOR RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES ABUTTING A PRIVATE STREET OR ALLEY AND TO REQUIRE SUCH PROPERTY OWNER OR CITIZEN OF THE CITY OF EL PASO TO ADHERE TO THAT POLICY OR, IF ADHERENCE IS NOT POSSIBLE, SAID PROPERTY OWNER SHALL BE REQUIRED TO SECURE SOLID WASTE**

COLLECTION SERVICE FROM A PERMITTED HAULER OTHER THAN THE DEPARTMENT IN AN EFFORT TO PROMOTE GREATER SAFETY AND IMPROVED SERVICE TO THE CITIZENS OF EL PASO IN THE COLLECTION OF SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLABLES AT RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES THROUGH THE CITY OF EL PASO.

Motion duly made by Representative Hernandez, seconded by Representative Lizarraga, and carried that the Ordinance be **ADOPTED**.

Whereupon the Mayor ordered that a vote be taken on the passage and adoption of the Ordinance which when so done resulted as follows:

AYES: Representatives Svarzbein, Annelo, Hernandez, Molinar, Salcido, Rodriguez, Rivera, and Lizarraga

NAYS: None

Whereupon the Mayor ordered that, the vote having been cast in favor of the Ordinance, the same be and the same is hereby **ADOPTED**.

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43.

ORDINANCE 019167

The City Clerk read an Ordinance entitled: **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 9 (HEALTH AND SAFETY), CHAPTER 9.12 (FOOD AND FOOD HANDLING ESTABLISHMENTS), SECTION 9.12.010 (DEFINITIONS) TO INCLUDE “KIOSK” AS AN “ESTABLISHMENT” AS DEFINED BY TITLE 9; AND TO ADD A DEFINITION OF “KIOSK”; AND SECTION 9.12.070 (LICENSE-CATEGORIES-TERM) TO ADD “KIOSK” AS A LICENSE CATEGORY; THE PENALTY AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 9.12.890 OF THE CITY CODE.**

Motion duly made by Representative Rivera, seconded by Representative Hernandez, and carried that the Ordinance be **ADOPTED**.

Whereupon the Mayor ordered that a vote be taken on the passage and adoption of the Ordinance which when so done resulted as follows:

AYES: Representatives Svarzbein, Annelo, Hernandez, Molinar, Salcido, Rodriguez, Rivera, and Lizarraga

NAYS: None

Whereupon the Mayor ordered that, the vote having been cast in favor of the Ordinance, the same be and the same is hereby **ADOPTED**.

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REGULAR AGENDA – OTHER BUSINESS:

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Goal 1: Create an Environment Conducive to Strong, Sustainable Economic Development
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44.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, on March 2, 2021, City Council authorized the Director of Aviation to sign and submit a grant application and related documentation to the Federal Aviation

Administration ("FAA") in connection with the Airport Improvement Program Project No. 3-48-0077-043-2021; and

WHEREAS, the FAA subsequently reassigned the relevant grant function to a different grant number; and

WHEREAS, the City Council wished to apply for the grant under the new grant number.

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

That the Director of Aviation be authorized to sign and submit a grant application and related documentation to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and be designated the official representative of the City of El Paso to act in connection with the application process for the Airport Improvement Program (AIP) Project No. 3-48-0077-044-2021;

That upon approval and issuance of such grant by the FAA, the City Manager be authorized to accept and sign the grant agreement, any related grant modifications, and other necessary documents when the form and substance of those documents have been reviewed and approved by the City Attorney's Office, and that such authorization will include the ability to accept and sign multiple agreements and documents, as the FAA grant may be issued in various disbursements;

That the City Manager be authorized to approve and sign any budget transfers needed to establish appropriations in connection with this grant, and

That the total grant amount shall include a federal estimated share of \$5,000,000.00 and an estimated match of \$2,000,000.00 to be paid for with Airport Enterprise Funds for the following projects:

- Reconstruct TWY "K2" & "J" North of TWY "K", Remove K1, & New Connectors from Ramp to TWY "J"

Motion made by Alternate Mayor Pro Tempore Lizarraga, seconded by Representative Svarzbein, and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** the Resolution.

AYES: Representatives Svarzbein, Annello, Hernandez, Molinar, Salcido, Rodriguez, Rivera, and Lizarraga

NAYS: None

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Goal 2: Set the Standard for a Safe and Secure City
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45.

R E S O L U T I O N

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:

That the City Manager be authorized to sign an Agreement for Professional Services by and between the **CITY OF EL PASO** and **ASA ARCHITECTS P.C.**, a New Mexico professional corporation, for a project known as "**ARCHITECT AND**

ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR EL PASO POLICE DEPARTMENT CENTRAL REGIONAL COMMAND CENTER” for an amount not to exceed **\$1,968,000**; that the City Engineer is authorized to approve additional Basic Services and Reimbursables for an amount not to exceed Fifty Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$50,000.00) and to approve Additional Services for an amount not to exceed Fifty Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$50,000.00) if such services are necessary for the proper execution of the project and that the increased amounts are within the appropriate budgets of the project for a total amount of \$2,068,000; and that the City Manager be authorized to establish the funding sources and make any necessary budget transfers and execute any and all documents necessary for the execution of the Agreement.

Mr. Sam Rodriguez, City Engineer, presented a PowerPoint presentation (copy on file in the City Clerk’s Office).

Representatives Svarzbein, Annello, and Rivera commented.

Mr. Tommy Gonzalez, City Manager, commented.

Motion made by Alternate Mayor Pro Tempore Lizarraga, seconded by Representative Rivera, and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** the Resolution.

AYES: Representatives Svarzbein, Annello, Hernandez, Molinar, Salcido, Rodriguez, Rivera, and Lizarraga

NAYS: None

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Goal 5: Promote Transparent and Consistent Communication Amongst All Members of the Community
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46.

R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, each year the United States Congress considers and enacts annual appropriation bills which provide an opportunity for local governments to request direct funding for community and transportation projects that address a clear and present need at the local level; and

WHEREAS, the County of El Paso has identified the projects listed on Attachment A as being priority projects for El Paso County, Texas, for Fiscal Year 2022; and

WHEREAS, the El Paso City Council finds it in the best interest of the citizens of the City of El Paso that these projects are important and necessary to the citizens of the City of El Paso; and

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:

That El Paso City Council hereby states its support for the submission of the projects listed on Attachment A by the El Paso County, Texas, for funding in Fiscal Year 2022.

Attachment A - El Paso County – FY22 Federal Appropriations Requests

	House Committee	Project Title	Project Summary
1	Appropriations – Community Project Funding	Cotton Valley Connect by Digital El Paso	Provide reliable access to public broadband service, via wireless mesh service, to an estimated 6,500 students across three school districts throughout the community—San Elizario, Fabens and Tornillo ISDs.
2	Appropriations – Community Project Funding	El Paso County Crisis Intervention Team	Partnership between the El Paso County Sheriff's Office (SO) and Emergence Health Network (EHN), to provide safer and more effective responses to dynamic law enforcement incidents involving persons in suspected mental health crisis and situations involving persons with a diagnosed or suspected mental illness and/or intellectual disability.
3	Appropriations – Community Project Funding	Fabens Airport (E35) Automated Weather Observation System (AWOS) & Fuel Farm Expansion & Improvements	Enhance general aviation activity improvements which may attract additional aviation traffic at the facility
4	Appropriations – Community Project Funding	Reentry Transformation Center	Expand the existing reentry programming efforts in the jail to the community by providing a seamless system of care through release support, coordination, and short term transitional housing.
5	Appropriations – Community Project Funding	Alameda Project	Partnership with the Paso del Norte Community Foundation and Paso del Norte Health Foundation, to engage the community in a planning process for the potential re-development of three vacant property sites on Alameda for substance abuse rehabilitation/services, victim services, mental health services, and/or assistance for homeless population.
6	Appropriations – Community Project Funding	Connecting Communities: Upper Valley First-Time Water & Wastewater Projects	Design and environmental assessment for a cluster of first-time water and wastewater projects throughout the Upper Valley to facilitate 412 residents with access to critical infrastructure to promote the health and safety of the community.
7	Transportation & Infrastructure – Surface Transportation	Tierra de Este Extension	Provide much needed connectivity in Far East El Paso north of Pellicano. Project will provide alternative route for the residents in the City of El Paso, EP County and Horizon City. Improvements: New pavement, curb and gutter, sidewalks/ Hike Bike lanes, illumination, Drainage infrastructure, raised median and landscaping.
8	Transportation & Infrastructure – Surface Transportation	John Hayes Street Extension	Provide an alternative route for the residents in the City of El Paso, EP County and Horizon City New. Improvements: pavement, curb and gutter, sidewalks/ Hike Bike lanes, illumination, Drainage infrastructure, raised median and landscaping
9	Transportation & Infrastructure – Surface Transportation	Bob Hope Extension	Provide much needed connectivity in Far East El Paso. This project will provide an alternative route for the residents of EP County and the SISD new expansion. Improvements: New pavement, curb and gutter, sidewalks/ Hike Bike lanes, illumination, Drainage infrastructure, raised median and landscaping.

Ms. Elizabeth Triggs, Strategic Partnerships Officer, presented a PowerPoint presentation (copy on file in the City Clerk's Office).

Mayor Leeser and Representatives Svarzbein, Annelo, Molinar, and Lizarraga commented.

Mr. Tommy Gonzalez, City Manager, commented.

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tempore Svarzbein, seconded by Representative Lizarraga, and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** the Resolution.

AYES: Representatives Svarzbein, Annelo, Hernandez, Molinar, Salcido, Rodriguez, Rivera, and Lizarraga

NAYS: None

Goal 7: Enhance and Sustain El Paso’s Infrastructure Network

47. Discussion and action in requesting City Council support for the staff recommended projects that have been selected to submit for the Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) grant program for the Department of Transportation (DOT) to invest in road, rail, transit, and port projects that promise to achieve national objectives.

Ms. Yvette Hernandez, Grant Funded Program Director, presented a PowerPoint presentation (copy on file in the City Clerk’s Office).

Representatives Svarzbein and Annelo commented.

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tempore Svarzbein, seconded by Representative Lizarraga, and carried to **SUPPORT** that the City of El Paso applies for BUILD grant funds for the following projects:

- Corridor TOD Reconstruction
- Upper Deck I-10 Planning Grant

AYES: Representatives Svarzbein, Annelo, Hernandez, Salcido, Rodriguez, Rivera, and Lizarraga

NAYS: Representative Molinar

MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

48. **RESOLUTION SUPPORTING FAIR AND COMPREHENSIVE IMMIGRATION REFORM**

WHEREAS, our nation’s immigrants have made invaluable contributions to the progress of the **City of El Paso** and the United States;

WHEREAS, immigrants continue to enrich the social, economic, cultural and civic life of our country, our state and our city;

WHEREAS, we believe that comprehensive immigration reform policies must recognize the contribution of newcomers, as well as the important role that immigrant workers and their families play in the future growth of our nation, state and city;

WHEREAS, we believe that in order to best ensure our nation’s security and public safety, our immigration enforcement measures must be effective, fair and humane;

WHEREAS, our nation’s policymakers are considering several proposals which would make significant changes in our immigration law and our policies affecting the treatment of newcomers; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, As our policymakers continue to consider immigration reform proposals, we urge the U.S. House of Representatives, the U.S. Senate and the President to demonstrate leadership by embracing fair and effective immigration policies, and work to achieve true comprehensive immigration reform; and be it further

RESOLVED, We urge the U.S. House of Representatives, the U.S. Senate and the President to enact comprehensive immigration reform that:

- Provides an “earned path” to legal permanent residency and eventually U.S. citizenship for immigrant workers and their families, including Dreamers, Temporary Protected Status grantees and farmworkers;
- Includes provisions to reunify families and reduce the immigration family backlog;
- Actively furthers the civic integration of newcomers by promoting naturalization, eliminating unfair barriers to U.S. citizenship and making more resources available for English-Language-Learning and civics instruction;
- Advances the use of immigration enforcement and border security measures that are effective and humane;
- Addresses the fundamental cause of migration to the United States – the need for sustainable social and economic development in the communities where migrants originate; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the **City of El Paso** will collaborate with all organizations dedicated to carrying out the intents and purposes of this resolution, to the extent allowed by law; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the **Clerk of the City of El Paso** will make a copy available of this resolution to the President of the United States, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and the President Pro Tempore of the U.S. Senate so that it may be included as part of the Congressional Record.

Representative Svarzbein commented.

The following members of the public commented:

1. Ms. Adriana Cadena
2. Mr. Fernando Garcia

1ST MOTION

*Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **MOVE** the item to the **FOREFRONT** of the Regular agenda.

2ND AND FINAL MOTION

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tempore Svarzbein, seconded by Representative Anello, and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** the Resolution.

AYES: Representatives Svarzbein, Anello, Hernandez, Molinar, Salcido, Rodriguez, Rivera, and Lizarraga

NAYS: None

49.

**RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING APRIL AS NATIONAL
AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH**

WHEREAS, April is National Autism Awareness Month and provides an opportunity to highlight the importance of support for research, early intervention, timely diagnosis, and appropriate treatment; and

WHEREAS, according to estimates from the CDC, about 1 in 54 children has been identified with autism spectrum disorder (ASD), a developmental disability that can cause significant social, communication and behavioral challenges; and

WHEREAS, there is often nothing about how people with ASD look that sets them apart from other people, but people with ASD may communicate, interact, behave, and learn in ways that are different from most other people; and

WHEREAS, it is important to know that ASD does not require a cure, and the reason for this awareness is not to help raise funds to "cure" autism but rather to diagnose young children and provide them with the resources they need; and

WHEREAS, children with ASD should not be left out of activities just because they have differing social skills and intellectual abilities, and

WHEREAS, schools everywhere should promote inclusion of all children within the educational environment because developing children should be able to interact with children with any disorder or disability and vice versa; and

WHEREAS, the families of people with ASD in the City of El Paso live this disability with courage.

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

The City of El Paso recognizes the month of April 2021 as National Autism Awareness Month.

Mayor Leeser and Representative Salcido commented.

The following members of the public commented:

1. Ms. Betty Castorena-Mata
2. Ms. Alina Arredondo

1ST MOTION

*Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **MOVE** the item to the **FOREFRONT** of the Regular agenda.

2ND AND FINAL MOTION

Motion made by Representative Salcido, seconded by Representative Rivera, and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** the Resolution.

AYES: Representatives Svarzbein, Annello, Hernandez, Molinar, Salcido, Rodriguez, Rivera, and Lizarraga

NAYS: None

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50. Discussion and action to direct the City Manager and the City Attorney to begin the Municipal Districting Commission process in accordance of the El Paso City Charter, Section 2.4.

Representative Svarzbein commented.

The following City staff members commented:

1. Ms. Karla Nieman, City Attorney
2. Mr. Tommy Gonzalez, City Manager

1ST MOTION

Motion made by Representative Annelo, seconded by Representative Hernandez, and unanimously carried to **DIRECT** the City Manager and the City Attorney to begin the Municipal Districting Commission process in accordance of the El Paso City Charter, Section 2.4.

AYES: Representatives Svarzbein, Annelo, Hernandez, Molinar, Salcido, Rodriguez, Rivera, and Lizarraga

NAYS: None

2ND MOTION

Motion made by Representative Hernandez, seconded by Representative Annelo, and unanimously carried to **RECONSIDER** the item.

3RD AND FINAL MOTION

Motion made by Representative Hernandez, seconded by Representative Annelo, and unanimously carried to **DIRECT** the City Manager and the City Attorney to begin the Municipal Districting Commission process in accordance of the El Paso City Charter, Section 2.4.

AYES: Representatives Svarzbein, Annelo, Hernandez, Molinar, Salcido, Rodriguez, Rivera, and Lizarraga

NAYS: None

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51. Discussion and action to support SB 1704 designating U.S. Highway 54 in El Paso as the Korean War Veterans Memorial Highway by adding the item to the City's State 87th Legislative Session Agenda as a support item and that a letter of support for SB 1704 be provided to the Senator and any committees that will be considering the bill.

Mayor Leeser and Representative Hernandez commented.

Motion made by Representative Annelo, seconded by Representative Molinar, and unanimously carried to **SUPPORT** SB 1704 designating U.S. Highway 54 in El Paso as the Korean War Veterans Memorial Highway by adding the item to the City's State 87th Legislative Session Agenda as a support item and **APPROVE** that a letter of support for SB 1704 be provided to the Senator and any committees that will be considering the bill.

AYES: Representatives Svarzbein, Annelo, Hernandez, Molinar, Salcido, Rodriguez,
Rivera, and Lizarraga

NAYS: None

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Motion made by Mayor Pro Tempore Svarzbein, seconded by Representative Lizarraga, and
unanimously carried to **ADJOURN** this meeting at 7:16 p.m.

AYES: Representatives Svarzbein, Annelo, Hernandez, Molinar, Salcido, Rodriguez, Rivera, and
Lizarraga

NAYS: None

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APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:
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Laura D. Prine, City Clerk