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HENRY RIVERA, DISTRICT 7
CHRIS CANALES, DISTRICT 8

**AGENDA REVIEW MINUTES
COUNCIL CHAMBERS AND VIRTUALLY
CITY HALL, 300 N. CAMPBELL
April 22, 2024
9:00 A.M.**

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The City Council met at the above place and date. Meeting was called to order at 9:02 a.m. Mayor Oscar Leeser was present and presiding. The following Council Members answered roll call: Brian Kennedy, Josh Acevedo, Joe Molinar, and Chris Canales. Late arrivals: Henry Rivera at 9:04 a.m., Cassandra Hernandez at 9:05 a.m., and Art Fierro at 9:07 a.m. Isabel Salcido requested to be excused.

The agenda items for the April 23, 2024 Regular City Council Meeting were reviewed.

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9. CONSENT AGENDA - RESOLUTIONS

A Resolution that the City Manager, or designee, be authorized to sign an Underground Electrical and Transformer Pad Easement, granting an easement to the El Paso Electric Company to provide electrical power to property located in the vicinity of El Paso International Airport, said easement more particularly described as:

A portion of Tracts 1C and 1C5, Section 40, Block 80, Township 2 and a portion of Section 33, Block 80, Township 2, Texas and Pacific Railway Company Surveys, El Paso County, Texas, as further described in the real property records of Clerk of El Paso County in the State of Texas in Book 123, Page 398 and Document No. 20220086561 and more particularly described on Exhibit "A" of the agreement, more commonly referred to as 8915 Montana Avenue, El Paso Texas.

Mayor Leeser questioned the following City staff member:

- Mr. Sam Rodriguez, Chief Operations Officer

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30. REGULAR AGENDA – MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Discussion and action to direct the City Manager and the City Attorney to eliminate City Council regularly scheduled Executive Sessions and make all items part of the public City Council meeting, so that El Pasoans receive the same access to information that special interest groups are receiving from members attending Executive Session.

Mayor Leeser and Representatives Kennedy, Fierro, Rivera, and Canales commented.

Ms. Karla Nieman, City Attorney, commented.

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35. REGULAR AGENDA – FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

An Ordinance granting Special Permit No. PZST23-00012, to allow for infill development with reductions to minimum lot area and minimum average lot width on the property described as Lot 42, Block 20, Sun Valley Addition Section Three, 5204 Sun Valley Drive, 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 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: 5204 Sun Valley Dr.
Applicant: Goal Development Group, PZST23-00012

Representative Molinar questioned the following City staff member:

- Mr. Luis Zamora, Chief Planner

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37. REGULAR AGENDA - FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

An Ordinance approving the adoption of an ad valorem property tax exemption for qualified commercial child-care facilities and amending Title 3 (Revenue and Finance) of the El Paso Municipal Code, Chapter 3.04 (Property Taxes) by adding section 3.04.042 (Exemption- Child-care facilities) for entities that qualify under the current code. This Ordinance shall be effective January 1, 2024 upon adoption by the City Council of the City of El Paso.

Mayor Leeser questioned the following City staff member:

- Mr. Robert Cortinas, Chief Financial Officer

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39. REGULAR AGENDA – OTHER BIDS, CONTRACTS, PROCUREMENTS

Discussion and action on the award of Solicitation 2023-0278R Prisoner Transport Security to Universal Protection Service, LP dba Allied Universal Security Services for a three (3) year term for an estimated amount of \$5,644,812.33. The award also includes a two (2) year option for an estimated amount of \$4,009,896.22. The total value of the contract is, including the initial term plus the option, for a total of five (5) years, for an estimated amount of \$9,654,708.55. This contract will provide prisoner booking, transportation, and watch services for the El Paso Police Department.

Contract Variance:

The difference based in comparison to the previous contract is as follows: An increase of \$312,123.31 annually, which represents a 19.89%, increase due to the current market conditions.

Department:	Police
Award to:	Universal Protection Service, LP dba Allied Universal Security Services
City & State:	Pasadena, CA
Item(s):	All
Initial Term:	3 Years
Option Term:	2 Years
Total Contract Time:	5 Years
Annual Estimated Award:	\$1,881,604.11
Initial Term Estimated Award:	\$5,644,812.33
Option Term Estimated Award:	\$4,009,896.22
Total Estimated Award	\$9,654,708.55

Account(s) 321 - 521150 - 1000 - 21100
Funding Source(s): General Funds
District(s): All

This was a Request for Proposals Procurement - service contract.

The Purchasing & Strategic Sourcing Department and Police Department recommend award as indicated to Universal Protection Service, LP dba Allied Universal Security Services the highest ranked bidder based on the evaluation factors established in the evaluation criteria for this procurement.

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.

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

Representatives Hernandez, Molinar, and Canales questioned the following City staff members:

- Ms. Paula Salas, Lead Procurement and Contract Analyst
- Police Chief Peter Pacillas
- Mr. Robert Cortinas, Chief Financial Officer

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40. REGULAR AGENDA – PUBLIC HEARINGS AND SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES

An Ordinance amending Title 15 (Public Services), Chapter 15.08 (Street Rentals), Section 15.08.120 (Special Privilege Licenses and Permits) to add new uses for the Sidewalk Cafe and Parking Parklet Programs and adopt the Right-Of-Way Cafe Design Guidelines. The penalty is as provided in Section 15.08.125.

Representative Hernandez questioned the following City staff member:

- Ms. Daniela Quesada, City Architect

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50. REGULAR AGENDA – OTHER BUSINESS

Discussion and action on a Resolution authorizing the submission of applications to the Office of Congresswoman Veronica Escobar requesting funds from the Community Project Funding program, in the amounts so specified, for the following Projects:

Ysleta Port of Entry Developmental Study Project. Requesting funding in the amount of \$4,000,000.00, with no matching funds from the City;

Innovation Factory-Phase II Project: Requesting funding in the amount of \$3,000,000.00, with no matching funds from the City;

Aerospace and Defense Technology Training Center Design Project: Requesting funding in the amount of \$1,000,000.00, with no matching funds from the City;

Advanced Manufacturing District Project: Requesting funding in the amount of \$5,000,000.00, with no matching funds from the City;

Union Plaza Renovation Project: Requesting funding in the amount of \$1,000,000.00, with no matching funds from the City;

and authorizing the City Manager, or designee, to sign any documents necessary for the proper submission of said applications; authorizing the City Manager, or designee, to sign any documents necessary to accept grants resulting from said applications, after consultation with the City Attorney's Office; and authorizing the City Manager, or designee, to sign any documents related to grants resulting from the applications, including, but not limited to, revisions to project scopes, and revisions that increase, decrease or de-obligate program funds; and to explore funding sources and partnerships that leverage the strength of said applications and any grants resulting from said applications.

Representative Canales questioned the following City staff members:

- Mr. Omar Martinez, Gants and Strategic Initiatives Manager
- Mr. Jerry DeMuro, Deputy Transit Officer

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52. REGULAR AGENDA – OTHER BUSINESS

Discussion and action that the City Manager, or designee, be authorized to effectuate the listed budget transfers, attached to the Resolution as Exhibit A, for El Paso Zoo and Botanical Garden as necessary to execute the approved Capital Improvement Plan in FY 2024.

The following City staff members commented:

- Ms. Yvette Hernandez, City Engineer
- Ms. Laura D. Prine, City Clerk

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53. REGULAR AGENDA – OTHER BUSINESS

Discussion and action on the Frontera Road Traffic Study and recommended treatments.

Mayor Leeser questioned the following City staff member:

- Mr. Joaquin Rodriguez, Grant Funded Programs Director

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Motion made by Representative Rivera, seconded by Representative Fierro, and unanimously carried to **ADJOURN** this meeting at 9:55 a.m.

AYES: Representatives Kennedy, Acevedo, Hernandez, Molinar, Fierro, Rivera, and Canales

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Representative Salcido

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APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

Laura D. Prine, City Clerk