CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS
AGENDA ITEM
AGENDA SUMMARY FORM

DEPARTMENT: Mayor and Council

AGENDA DATE: 06/09/2026

CONTACT PERSON NAME Rep. Josh Acevedo **PHONE NUMBER:** 915-212-0002

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DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: All Districts

STRATEGIC GOAL: Goal 8: Nurture & Promote a Healthy,

SUBGOAL:

SUBJECT:

Discussion and action to direct the City Manager and City Attorney to initiate negotiations to terminate the Chapter 380 Economic Development Program Agreement and any related incentive agreements with Wurldwide LLC and Meta Platforms, Inc., in light of significant public concern regarding utility affordability, water resources, environmental impacts, infrastructure burdens, transparency concerns, questions regarding contractual enforceability and governmental immunity, and the adequacy of projected public benefits associated with the project.

COMMUNITY AND STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH:

The City held six community meetings to gather public feedback on a data center policy framework. This includes meetings on March 23 at the Don Haskins Rec Center, March 25 at the Veterans Rec Center, March 26 at Pavo Real Rec Center, March 30 at The Beast Urban Rec Center, April 2 at the Chamizal Community Center, and April 8 at the Wayne Thornton Community Center. Rep. Acevedo also hosted numerous community meetings in which data center policies and incentive agreements were discussed by the public.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:

The proposed action is in direct response to the calls from the public who have raised concerns about the negative impacts hyperscale data centers may have on water and electrical resources, as well as concerns of increased pollution. Residents have been calling for the termination of the existing Chapter 380 Economic Development Program Agreement with Wurldwide LLC and their parent company, Meta Platforms Inc.

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

City Council voted on February 17, 2026 to direct the City Manager to develop a Data Center Policy Framework and host a series of community meetings to solicit feedback. City Council voted unanimously on May 26, 2026 to longer actively recruit, pursue, or incentivize future hyperscale data centers. That item also prohibits tax abatements, rebates, permit fee waivers, public financing assistance, economic development grants, or similar economic development tools

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

N/A

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