CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS AGENDA ITEM AGENDA SUMMARY FORM

DEPARTMENT: Mayor and Council
AGENDA DATE: May 21, 2024
CONTACT PERSON NAME AND PHONE NUMBER: Mayor Pro Tempore Brian Kennedy 915.212.001
DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: All Districts
STRATEGIC GOAL: Goal 4
<u>SUBJECT:</u> Discussion and Action to approve a Resolution recognizing the El Paso Football Officials Camp fo their significant contributions to the Community of El Paso.
BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION: Recognition of the El Paso Football Officials Camp for offering participants, both male and female, the opportunity to refine their officiating skills
PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION: N/A
AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING: N/A

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the El Paso Football Officials Camp is sponsored by the El Paso Sports Commission and is owned by Zebra Sports, LLC - Richard Corona and Victor Firth; and

WHEREAS, 2024 will be the 20th year of the event, taking place annually over Memorial Day Weekend, May 23- 25 this year; and

WHEREAS, initially, the purpose of the event was to improve the officiating skills of El Paso high school referees (officials), and to offer college athletic directors and coaches an opportunity to view potential hires; and

WHEREAS, the El Paso Football Officials Camp has offered participants, both male and female, the opportunity to refine their officiating skills and be evaluated by actual decision makers; and

WHEREAS, the El Paso Football Officials Camp began with 50 - 60 participants and has now grown to over 200 individuals from all over the United States wanting to take their skills to the next level; and

WHEREAS, participants officiate local high school football scrimmage games while receiving on field instruction and film review; and

WHEREAS, the camp is the longest running of its type in the United States; and

WHEREAS, approximately 20% of these attendees are recruited to junior college and Division 1 football officiating several have been hired by the NFL, including the first female official in the league; and

WHEREAS, last year, the NFL designated the camp as one of only three "elite" training camps in the United States.

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

That the City of El Paso proudly honors and recognizes the significant contributions from the El Paso Football Officials Camp to the City of El Paso and to the United States of America and may the week of May 20-26, 2024 be known as:

El Paso Football Officials Camp Week

APPROVED this d	2024.
	CITY OF EL PASO
	Oscar Leeser Mayor
ATTEST:	APPROVED AS TO FORM:
Laura D. Prine	Carlos L. Armendariz
City Clerk	Assistant City Attorney