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NOTICE OF WORK SESSION OF THE EL PASO CITY COUNCIL

November 07, 2022

**COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, 300 N. CAMPBELL AND VIRTUALLY
9:05 AM**

**THE LOCAL HEALTH AUTHORITY STRONGLY RECOMMENDS THE USE OF
MASKS IN ALL CITY FACILITIES AND INDOOR SPACES**

Teleconference phone number 1-915-213-4096

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Notice is hereby given that a Work Session of the City Council of the City of El Paso will be conducted on November 7, 2022 at 9:05 A.M. Members of the public may view the meeting via the following means:

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A quorum of City Council must participate in the meeting.

AGENDA

1. Presentation and discussion by the COVID-19 Response and Recovery Cross-Functional Team providing information on key activities, efforts, and processes. [22-1451](#)
 1. Overview (Tommy Gonzalez)
 2. City Attorney Overview (Karla Nieman)
 - a) State Disaster Declaration
 - b) Emergency Ordinances
 - c) Greg Abbott, in his official capacity as Governor of Texas v. City of El Paso & Statewide Mask Mandate Litigation
 - d) Additional Updates
 3. Team Lead Report:
 - a) Health Focus (Hector Ocaranza, M.D.)
 - i. COVID-19 update
 - ii. Monkeypox Update
 - iii. Respiratory Infections Update
 4. City Manager Wrap-up (Tommy Gonzalez)

All Districts

City Manager's Office, Chief Mario M. D'Agostino, (915) 212-5605

2. Discussion and action on an Emergency Ordinance re-enacting Emergency Ordinance No. 019035 extending a Disaster Declaration due to a Public Health Emergency. [22-1469](#)

All Districts

City Manager's Office, Chief Mario D'Agostino, (915) 212-5605

3. Discussion and action on an Emergency Ordinance re-enacting Emergency Ordinance No. 019036 instituting emergency measures, as re-enacted, restated and amended by Emergency Ordinance No. 019151; and further re-enacted and amended by Emergency Ordinance Nos. 019156, 019169, 019191 and 019284; penalty as provided in Section 8. [22-1470](#)

All Districts

City Manager's Office, Chief Mario D'Agostino, (915) 212-5605

4. Discussion and action on an Emergency Ordinance re-enacting Emergency Ordinance No. 019241 allowing temporary uses on the public right of way and private property by suspending various City ordinances; Penalty as provided in Section 6. [22-1443](#)

All Districts

Capital Improvement Department, Sam Rodriguez, (915) 212-0065

5. For Notation Only: Formal Report of the Financial Oversight and Audit Committee meeting held on October 20, 2022. [22-1432](#)

1. Discussion and Action on the Update to the City of El Paso's Debt Policy
 - Motion made by Representative Hernandez, seconded by Representative Lizarraga and approved by Representative Rivera, Representative Hernandez, Representative Lizarraga and Representative Salcido to accept the Update to the City of El Paso's Debt Policy.
2. Discussion and Action on FY 2021-2022 Audit Plan 4th Quarter Updates
 - Motion made by Representative Lizarraga, seconded by Representative Salcido and approved by Representative Rivera, Representative Hernandez, Representative Lizarraga and Representative Salcido to accept the 4th Quarter Update.
3. Discussion and Action on the City of El Paso Internal Audit Charter
 - Motion made by Representative Hernandez, seconded by Representative Lizarraga and approved by Representative Rivera, Representative Hernandez, Representative Lizarraga and Representative Salcido to approve the City of El Paso Internal Audit Charter.
4. Discussion and Action to include an audit or review in the 2022-2023 Audit Plan of the expenditures related to the Migrant Humanitarian Crisis Response
 - Motion made by Representative Lizarraga, seconded by Representative Salcido and approved by Representative Rivera, Representative Hernandez, Representative Lizarraga and Representative Salcido to approve an audit or review in the 2022-2023 Audit Plan of the expenditures related to the Migrant Humanitarian Crisis Response.
5. Discussion and Action on the FY 2022-2023 Annual Internal Audit Plan
 - Motion made by Representative Lizarraga, seconded by Representative Salcido and approved by Representative Rivera, Representative Hernandez, Representative Lizarraga and Representative Salcido to approve the FY 2022-2023 Annual Internal Audit Plan.

6. Discussion on Client Surveys.

All Districts

Members of the City Council, Representative Henry Rivera, (915) 212-0007

6. Discussion and action on an Emergency Ordinance re-enacting 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.

[22-1471](#)

All Districts

City Manager's Office, Chief Mario D'Agostino, (915) 212-5605

7. Presentation, discussion and action by the City Manager's Office and Office of Emergency Management providing information on key activities, efforts, and processes related to the migrant crisis:

[22-1455](#)

1. That the City Council ratify the expenditure of \$57,776 associated with the 2023-0231 Migrant Meals Agreement with the Salvation Army for food services; to amend the term of the Agreement for a total of fifteen (15) months; and to increase the total amount of the Agreement to not exceed \$100,000. This agreement will provide food for migrants as needed.

All Districts

City Manager's Office, K. Nicole Cote, (915) 212-1092
Fire, Interim Chief Jonathan P. Killings, (915) 493-5609
Purchasing and Strategic Sourcing, Claudia A. Garcia, (915) 212-1218

8. Discussion and action that the Mayor be authorized to sign a Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Juárez, Chihuahua, México, FSX, LLC and its subsidiary, Transbordador de Carga to explore the development and implementation of a new technology for the movement of cargo through the port of Ysleta-Zaragoza. [22-1442](#)

All Districts

International Bridges, David A. Coronado, (915) 212-7505

9. Discussion and action on the City of El Paso's Legislative Agenda for the 88th Regular Session of the Texas State Legislature. [22-1437](#)

All Districts

Economic and International Development, Lindsey Adams, (915) 212-1622
Economic and International Development, Elizabeth Triggs, (915) 212-0094

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 MEETING

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

Discussion and action on the following:

- EX1.** Claim of Norma Alvarado. Matter No. 22-1036-3634 (551.071) [22-1444](#)
City Attorney's Office, Mathew Engelbaum, (915) 212-0033
- EX2.** Texas Gas Service Company, A Division of ONE Gas Inc., Application to Increase Gas Utility Rates. Matter No. 22-1008-198 (551.071) [22-1445](#)
City Attorney's Office, Donald Davie, (915) 212-0033
- EX3.** Application of El Paso Electric Company to Change Rates to Open Access Transmission Tariff, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC); Docket No. ER22-282-000. Matter No. 21-1008-183 (551.071) [22-1446](#)
City Attorney's Office, Donald Davie, (915) 212-0033
- EX4.** Application of El Paso Electric Company to Change Rates, Public Utility Commission of Texas Docket No. 52195. Matter No. 21-1008-174 (551.071) [22-1448](#)
City Attorney's Office, Matthew Marquez, (915) 212-0033

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