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## NOTICE OF WORK SESSION OF THE EL PASO CITY COUNCIL

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**March 27, 2023**  
**COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, 300 N. CAMPBELL AND VIRTUALLY**  
**9:05 AM**

**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 March 27, 2023 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

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processes.

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. Influenza Update
    - iii. RSV 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. [23-442](#)

**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. [23-443](#)

**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. [23-444](#)

**All Districts**

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

5. Discussion and action on an Emergency Ordinance extending 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. [23-445](#)

**All Districts**

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

6. Presentation and discussion of Veterans Affairs Advisory Committee Semi-Annual Report. [23-441](#)

**All Districts**

City Manager's Office, Dionne Mack, (915) 212-1064

City Manager's Office, Paul Albright, (915) 212-1447

7. Update regarding the search process for the Police Chief. [23-447](#)

**All Districts**

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

8. For Notation Only: Formal Report of the Financial Oversight and Audit Committee meeting held on March 6, 2023. [23-452](#)

1. Selection of the FOAC Chairperson.
  - Representative Brian Kennedy was elected by the Committee.
2. Discussion and Action on the City of El Paso Internal Audit Charter.
  - Motion made by Representative Molinar, seconded by Representative Fierro and approved by Representative Kennedy, Representative Fierro and Representative Molinar to approve the City of El Paso Internal Audit Charter.
3. Discussion and Action on External Audit Results for Fiscal Year 2022.
  - Motion made by Representative Fierro, seconded by Representative Molinar and approved by Representative Kennedy, Representative Annelo, Representative Fierro and Representative Molinar to approve the audit results for presentation to full City Council.
4. Discussion on External Quality Assurance Review (Peer Review).
5. Discussion on the results of the Franchise Fee Audits.
6. Discussion and Action to include an audit or review in the FY 2022-2023 Audit Plan of Ford Contract Numbers: 2023-0165 Police Motorcycle Part, Service and Maintenance; 2023-0239 Ford Proprietary Parts and Service.
  - Motion made by Representative Annelo, seconded by Representative Molinar and approved by Representative Kennedy, Representative Annelo, Representative Fierro and Representative Molinar to approve an audit or review in the 2022-2023 Audit Plan of Ford Contract Numbers.
7. Discussion and Action on FY 2022-2023 Audit Plan 1st Quarter Updates.
  - Motion made by Representative Annelo, seconded by Representative Molinar and approved by Representative Kennedy, Representative Annelo, Representative Fierro and Representative Molinar to accept the 1st Quarter Update.

8. Discussion on Client Surveys.

**All Districts**

Members of the City Council, Representative Brian Kennedy, (915) 212-1001

9. Presentation and discussion providing a preview of the 2023 Goal Team reporting series and an update from the following Goal Teams:

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1. Vision Block: Safe and Beautiful Neighborhoods:
  - a. Goal 2 (Safe and Secure City)  
Fire Chief, Jonathan Killings  
Assistant Chief, Zina Silva
  - b. Goal 7 (Infrastructure)  
City Engineer, Yvette Hernandez
  - c. Goal 8 (Healthy, Sustainable Community)  
Chief Transit and Field Operations Officer, Ellen Smyth

**All Districts**

City Manager's Office, Juliana Baldwin-Munoz, (915) 212-1204

10. Presentation, discussion, and action on the 88th Regular Session of the Texas State Legislature.

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**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.** Macias, Patricia A; Matter No. 23-1036-3681 (551.071) [23-428](#)  
City Attorney's Office, Ayana I. Estrada, (915) 212-0033
- EX2.** Cangialosi, Joanna, et al v. City of El Paso. Matter No. 18-1026-9235 (551.071) [23-425](#)  
City Attorney's Office, Matthew Marquez, (915) 212-0033
- EX3.** Connie Patterson Jimenez v. City of El Paso. Matter No. 21-1039-1930 (551.071) [23-427](#)  
City Attorney's Office, Carlos Gomez Baca, (915) 212-0033
- EX4.** City of El Paso v. Greg Abbott; Matter No. 21-1001-305 (551.071) [23-429](#)  
City Attorney's Office, Evan D. Reed, (915) 212-0033
- EX5.** United States of America vs. City of El Paso, Texas; United Road Towing, Inc. D/B/A UR Vehicle Management Solutions; and Rod Robertson Enterprises, Inc. Matter No. 20-1026-10714 (551.071) [23-430](#)  
City Attorney's Office, Evan D. Reed, (915) 212-0033
- EX6.** Application of El Paso Electric Company to Change Rates for Rate Schedule No. 11, Time-of-Day Municipal Pumping Service, to Correct an Error, Public Utility Commission of Texas Docket No. 54476. Matter No. 22-1008-203 (551.071) [23-432](#)  
City Attorney's Office, Donald C. Davie, (915) 212-0033
- EX7.** 2023 TGS Annual Gas Reliability Infrastructure Program ("GRIP") Application for Annual Interim Rate Adjustment. High Q - UTILITY-4 (551.071) [23-433](#)  
City Attorney's Office, Donald C. Davie, (915) 212-0033
- EX8.** Villegas, Daniel v. City of El Paso, et al. Cause No. 3:15-CV-00386. Matter No. 15-1026-6957 (551.071) [23-440](#)  
City Attorney's Office, Evan D. Reed, (915) 212-0033
- EX9.** Discussion on potential economic development opportunities in Northeast El Paso. Matter No. 22-1007-2864 (551.072) (551.087) [23-437](#)  
Economic and International Development, Elizabeth Triggs, (915) 212-0095

## **ADJOURN**

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