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

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**May 24, 2021  
9:05 AM**

**Teleconference phone number 1-915-213-4096  
Toll free number: 1-833-664-9267  
Conference ID: 135-331-313#**

### **TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF OPEN MEETINGS LAWS DUE TO EMERGENCY**

The Texas Governor temporarily suspended specified provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act to allow telephonic or videoconference meetings and to avoid congregate settings in physical locations.

Notice is hereby given that a Work Session of the City Council of the City of El Paso will be conducted on May 24, 2021 at 9:05 A.M. Members of the public may view the meeting via the following means:

Via the City's website. <http://www.elpasotexas.gov/videos>  
Via television on City15,  
YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/user/cityofelpasotx/videos>

In compliance with the requirement that the City provide two-way communication for members of the public, members of the public may communicate with Council during public comment, and regarding agenda items by calling the following number:

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The public is strongly encouraged to sign up to speak on items on this agenda before the start of this meeting on the following links:

<https://www.elpasotexas.gov/city-clerk/meetings/city-council-meetings>  
and  
[http://legacy.elpasotexas.gov/muni\\_clerk/Sign-Up-Form-Monday-Work-Session.php](http://legacy.elpasotexas.gov/muni_clerk/Sign-Up-Form-Monday-Work-Session.php)

**The following members of City Council will be present via video conference:**

**Mayor Oscar Leeser and Representatives Peter Svarzbein, Aleksandra Annello, Cassandra Hernandez, Joe Molinar, Isabel Salcido, Claudia Rodriguez, Henry Rivera, and Cissy Lizarraga**

**A quorum of City Council must participate in the meeting.**

## **AGENDA**

1. Discussion and action that the Mayor be authorized to sign, in counterpart originals in both English and Spanish, a Sister City Agreement between the City of El Paso, State of Texas, and the City of Chihuahua, State of Chihuahua. [21-578](#)

### **All Districts**

Economic and International Development, Jessica Herrera, (915) 212-1624

2. Presentation and discussion by the COVID-19 Response + Recovery Cross-Functional Team providing information on key activities, efforts, and processes. [21-593](#)

1. Overview (Tommy Gonzalez)
2. City Attorney Overview (Karla Nieman)
  - a) State Disaster Declarations
  - b) Emergency Ordinances
  - c) City Attorney's Office COVID-19 Support
  - d) Legal Monitoring
3. CFT Operations (Chief Mario D'Agostino)
4. Team Lead Reports:
  1. Health Focus (Hector Ocaranza, M.D.)
  2. Vaccination Update (Angela Mora)
  3. Financial Focus (Robert Cortinas)

5. City Manager Wrap Up (Tommy Gonzalez)

### **All Districts**

City Manager's Office, Cary Westin, (915) 212-1063

3. Discussion and action on an Emergency Ordinance re-enacting Emergency Ordinance No. 019035 extending a Disaster Declaration due to a Public Health Emergency. [21-595](#)

### **All Districts**

Fire, Mario D'Agostino, (915) 212-5605

4. Discussion and action on an Emergency Ordinance re-enacting and amending Emergency Ordinance No. 019036, as re-enacted, restated and amended by Emergency Ordinance No. 019151; and further amended by Emergency Ordinance No. 019169; penalty as provided in Section 8. [21-596](#)

**All Districts**

Fire, Mario D’Agostino, (915) 212-5605

- 5. Discussion and action on an Emergency Ordinance re-enacting Emergency Ordinance No. 019091, as amended by Emergency Ordinance No. 019119; Penalty as provided in Section 6. [21-569](#)

**All Districts**

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

- 6. For Notation Only: Formal Report of the Financial Oversight and Audit Committee meeting held on April 28, 2021. [21-573](#)

1. Discussion and Action on the Update to the City of El Paso Investment Policy.

- Motion made by Representative Lizarraga, seconded by Representative Salcido and approved by Representative Rivera, Representative Hernandez, Representative Lizarraga and Representative Salcido to bring the presentation to full City Council.

2. 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 updated Charter.

3. Discussion and Action on Audit Plan Updates.

- Motion made by Representative Salcido, seconded by Representative Hernandez and approved by Representative Rivera, Representative Hernandez, Representative Lizarraga and Representative Salcido to accept the 2nd Quarter Update.

4. Discussion on Client Surveys.

5. Presentation by the City Attorney on the Financial Oversight Advisory Committee - Legislative Oversight Authority.

**All Districts**

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

- 7. Discussion, action and update regarding the City of El Paso’s State Legislative Agenda for the 87th Texas Legislative Session and other State legislative matters. [21-592](#)

**All Districts**

City Manager’s Office, Elizabeth Triggs, (915) 212-1619

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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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 Fuller, Willie (21-1026-1158) (551.071) [21-588](#)  
  
City Attorney's Office, Karla M. Nieman, (915) 212-0033  
City Attorney's Office, Nicole J. Anchondo, (915) 212-0033
  
- EX2.** Discussion regarding the purchase of real property related to the El Paso Police Department Central Regional Command Center Project. (21-1004-1221) (551.072) [21-589](#)  
  
Capital Improvement Department, Sam Rodriguez, (915) 212-1845
  
- EX3.** Economic Incentives for a Telecommunications Company located in the City of El Paso. (21-1007-2683) (551.071) (551.087) [21-590](#)  
  
Economic and International Development, Jessica Herrera, (915) 212-0094
  
- EX4.** Status of pending negotiations for several Economic and International Development Department Projects in the City of El Paso. (20-1007-2670) (551.087) (551.071) [21-591](#)

Economic and International Development, Jessica Herrera, (915) 212-0094

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**NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC:**

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**ALL REGULAR CITY COUNCIL AGENDAS ARE PLACED ON THE INTERNET THURSDAY PRIOR TO THE MEETING AT THE ADDRESS BELOW:**

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