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

**August 30, 2021
9:05 AM**

**Teleconference phone number 1-915-213-4096
Toll free number: 1-833-664-9267
Conference ID: 175-167-200#**

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 August 30, 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>

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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

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. Presentation and discussion by the COVID-19 Response and Recovery Cross-Functional Team providing information on key activities, efforts, and processes. [21-998](#)
 1. Overview (Tommy Gonzalez)
 2. Team Lead Report:
 - a) Health Focus (Hector Ocaranza, M.D.)
 - b) Data Analysis (David Coronado)
 - c) Operations Focus (Araceli Guerra)
 3. City Manager Wrap-up (Tommy Gonzalez)

All Districts

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

2. Discussion and action on the approval of the list of projects on Exhibit "A" attached to the Resolution, totaling \$42,850,000.00, which establishes: [21-981](#)
 - 1) the "Comprehensive International Bridges Capital Improvement Program" as the approved list of International Bridges Capital Improvement Program projects for FY 2022 through FY 2026; and
 - 2) the use of the identified funding sources.

Further, the El Paso City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager to make all necessary budget transfers prior to the execution of the projects.

All Districts

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

3. A Resolution of the City Council of El Paso nominating Charter Communications, Inc. as a Texas State Enterprise Zone Project. [21-1008](#)

Districts 6 and 7
Economic and International Development, Kelly Kotlik, (915) 212-1623

4. Presentation by the El Paso Electric Company of the completed Renewable Generation Study, as required by Ordinance No. 019022, including the renewable generation commitments, opportunities, and goals identified by the Study. [21-1011](#)

All Districts

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

5. Discussion with the Veterans and Military Affairs Cross Functional Team to update Council on the status of Veteran and Military programs, policies, and initiatives that directly affect the El Paso Veteran and Military community.

[21-1028](#)

All Districts

Aviation, Sam Rodriguez, (915) 212-7301

Veteran and Military Affairs, Paul Albright, (915) 212-1654

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.** City of El Paso v. Gregg Abbott (COVID-19 Mask Mandate) Trial Court -- Matter No. 21-1001-305, Cause No. 2021DCV2805; Appellate Court - Matter No. 21-1001-205.001, 8th Court of Appeals Cause No. 08-20-00226. (551.071)

[21-1012](#)

City Attorney's Office, Karla M. Nieman, (915) 212-0033

City Attorney's Office, Manuel Arambula, (915) 212-0033

- EX2.** Joanna Cangialosi et al v. City of El Paso. Matter No. 18-1026-9235, Cause No. 2018DCV0797 (551.071) [21-1013](#)
City Attorney's Office, Karla M. Nieman, (915) 212-0033
City Attorney's Office, Kyle Lasley, (915) 212-0033
- EX3.** EPWU, Texas v. New Mexico, Original No. 141. (551.071) [21-1014](#)
City Attorney's Office, Karla M. Nieman, (915) 212-0033
- EX4.** Update on Application of El Paso Electric Company for Approval of Advanced Metering System (AMS) Public Utility Commission of Texas Docket No. 52040. Matter No. 21-1192-001 (551.071) [21-1016](#)
City Attorney's Office, Karla M. Nieman, (915) 212-0033
City Attorney's Office, Manuel Arambula, (915) 212-0033
- EX5.** Update on Application of El Paso Electric Company to Change Rates, Public Utility Commission of Texas Docket No. 52195. Matter No. 21-1008-174 (551.071) [21-1018](#)
City Attorney's Office, Karla M. Nieman, (915) 212-0033
City Attorney's Office, Manuel Arambula, (915) 212-0033
- EX6.** Discussion regarding the value and purchase/sale of real property located in the west side of the City of El Paso, Texas. Matter No. 21-1008-165 (551.071) (551.072) [21-1019](#)
Capital Improvement Department, Sam Rodriguez, (915) 212-0065
City Attorney's Office, Karla M. Nieman, (915) 212-0033
- EX7.** Economic Incentives for a Manufacturing Company to be located in the City of El Paso. Matter No. 21-1007-2740 (551.071)(551.072)(551.087) [21-1020](#)
Economic and International Development, Jessica Herrera, (915) 212-0094

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