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

March 14, 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 March 14, 2022 at 9:05 A.M. Members of the public may view the meeting via the following means:

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<https://www.elpasotexas.gov/city-clerk/meetings/city-council-meetings>

and

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

Representatives Peter Svarzbein and Alexsandra Annelo

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. [22-284](#)
 1. Overview (Tommy Gonzalez)
 2. City Attorney Overview (Karla Nieman)
 - a) Greg Abbott, in his official capacity as Governor of Texas v. City of El Paso and Statewide Mask Mandate Litigation
 - b) Additional Updates
 3. Team Lead Report:
 - a) Health Focus (Hector Ocaranza, M.D.)
 - b) Data Analysis (David Coronado)
 4. 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 Department of Aviation's, El Paso International Airport (EPIA), five-year capital improvement plan (FY2022 through FY2026) in the estimated total projects cost amount of \$177,966,294, and to authorize the City Manager to make all necessary budget transfers prior to the execution of the projects. [22-273](#)

All Districts

Airport, Sam Rodriguez, (915) 212-7301

3. Discussion and action requesting City Council support for submission of the application entitled "Reclaiming Aerospace and Defense Manufacturing Dominance through Frontier Technologies" to Phase II of the U.S. Economic Development Administration's Build Back Better Regional Challenge by the West Texas Aerospace and Defense Manufacturing Coalition, led by the University of Texas at El Paso's Aerospace Center and of which the City of El Paso is a part. [22-289](#)

All Districts

Economic and International Development, Elizabeth Triggs, (915) 212-1619
Airport, Sam Rodriguez, (915) 212-1815

4. Discussion and action on a Resolution that the City Manager be authorized to sign a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of El Paso, El Paso Chamber, El Paso Electric Company, the University of Texas at El Paso, and General Motors, LLC to collaborate and work together on three energy initiatives, including: (i) Electric Vehicle DC Fast Charging deployment for the intra-city region of El Paso; (ii) developing short-interval carbon tracking for approximately thirty local businesses in the El Paso region that would provide [22-290](#)

insight into carbon reduction strategies; and (iii) deploying one or more microgrid demonstration projects, including but not limited to a proposed project at the El Paso International Airport, that leverages renewable energy and energy storage needs.

All Districts

Economic and International Development, Karina Brascalla, (915) 212-1570

Economic and International Development, Elizabeth Triggs, (915) 212-1619

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

Representatives Peter Svarzbein and Aleksandra Anello

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.** Application of El Paso Electric Company to Change Rates, Public Utility Commission of Texas Docket No. 52195. Matter No. 21-1008-174 (551.071) [22-305](#)
City Attorney's Office, Frances Engelbaum, (915) 212-0033

- EX2.** Economic Incentives for a Mixed-Use Development located in the City of El Paso. Matter No. 21-1007-2803 (551.087) [22-296](#)
Economic and International Development, Elizabeth Triggs, (915) 212-0095

- EX3.** Discussion on potential economic development opportunities in NE El Paso. Matter No. 22-1007-2864 (551.072) (551.087) [22-299](#)
Economic and International Development, Elizabeth Triggs, (915) 212-0095

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