

**CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS  
AGENDA ITEM  
AGENDA SUMMARY FORM**

**DEPARTMENT:** Mayor & Council

**AGENDA DATE:** 6.7.22

**CONTACT PERSON NAME AND PHONE NUMBER:** Representative Cassandra Hernandez - 915.212.0003

**DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED:** All

**STRATEGIC GOAL**

Goal 3 - Promote the Visual Image of El Paso

**SUBJECT:**

**APPROVE** a resolution / ordinance / lease to do what? **OR AUTHORIZE** the City Manager to do what? **Be descriptive of what we want Council to approve. Include \$ amount if applicable.**

Discussion and action to approve a resolution recognizing and congratulating Destination El Paso and the El Paso Association of Fire Fighters IAFF Local 51 for their efforts to successfully secure El Paso as the location for the 2023 Texas State Association of Fire Fighters Convention.

**BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:**

**Discussion of the what, why, where, when, and how to enable Council to have reasonably complete description of the contemplated action. This should include attachment of bid tabulation, or ordinance or resolution if appropriate. What are the benefits to the City of this action? What are the citizen concerns?**

The Texas State Association of Fire Fighters (TSAFF) is Texas' only professional, career firefighters' organization, representing over 17,000 firefighter members and 173 affiliate locals. Every two years, delegates from the affiliate locals meet at a convention to elect TSAFF officers and decide the goals and objectives for the following two years.

City of El Paso has not hosted the TSAFF convention for more than 30 years. The process to secure the 2023 TSAFF convention began more than a year ago by a delegation made up of 12 members of the El Paso Association of Fire Fighters led by Paul Thompson, President of Local 51, and the City of El Paso's Destination El Paso team who traveled to Rockwall, Texas to promote the City of El Paso as the best choice for next year's convention.

**PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:**

**Has the Council previously considered this item or a closely related one?**

Yes, there have been previous resolutions and proclamations recognizing the efforts of Destination El Paso and local partners in securing El Paso as the location for upcoming conventions or events.

**AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:**

**How will this item be funded? Has the item been budgeted? If so, identify funding source by account numbers and description of account. Does it require a budget transfer?**

N/A

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\*\*\*\*\*REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION\*\*\*\*\*

## **RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, the Texas State Association of Fire Fighters (TSAFF) was established in 1938 and is Texas' only professional, career firefighters' organization, representing over 17,000 firefighter members and 173 affiliate locals; and

**WHEREAS**, the TSAFF objectives are to "unify Texas Professional Fire Fighters, to promote its interest, to pass legislation on its behalf, defeat legislation harmful to them, to provide necessary services to member locals and to establish the right of every Texas Professional Fire Fighter to bargain collectively and work under a contract"; and

**WHEREAS**, every two years, delegates from over 170 locals in Texas meet at a convention to elect officers of the TSAFF and decide the goals and objectives for the following two years; and

**WHEREAS**, the El Paso Association of Fire Fighters IAFF Local 51 represents El Paso within the Texas Association of Fire Fighters and works diligently to advance the interest of career firefighters within the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of El Paso is home to approximately 880 members of the El Paso Association of Fire Fighters; and

**WHEREAS**, Destination El Paso strives to bring new conventions and tourism to the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the process to secure the 2023 TSAFF convention began more than a year ago by a delegation made up of 12 members of the El Paso Association of Fire Fighters led by Paul Thompson, President of Local 51, and the City of El Paso's Destination El Paso team who traveled to Rockwall, Texas to promote the City of El Paso as an outstanding choice for next year's convention, and showcase the City and its unique flavor with the help of local businesses; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of El Paso has not hosted the TSAFF convention for more than 30 years; and

**WHEREAS**, through their promotion of the City of El Paso and all its offerings, Destination El Paso and IAFF Local 51 are pleased to announce that the Texas State Association of Fire Fighters will be hosting their next convention in El Paso, Texas in July of 2023.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:**

That we congratulate Destination El Paso and the El Paso Association of Fire Fighters IAFF Local 51 for their efforts and welcome the **2023 Texas State Association of Fire Fighters Convention** to our City.

**(Signatures on the following page)**

**APPROVED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2022.

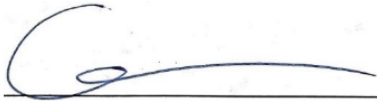
**THE CITY OF EL PASO:**

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Oscar Leeser  
Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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Laura D. Prine  
City Clerk

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

  
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Carlos L. Armendariz  
Assistant City Attorney