

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

**DEPARTMENT:** Mayor and Council

**AGENDA DATE:** Wednesday, July 6, 2022

**CONTACT PERSON NAME AND PHONE NUMBER:**

City Representative Henry Rivera, District 7- 915.212.0007

**DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED:** All Districts

**STRATEGIC GOAL:**

Goal 4 - Enhance El Paso's Quality of Life through Recreational, Cultural and Educational Environments

**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 on a Resolution that the City Council of the City of El Paso recognizes and celebrates the month of July 2022 as Ivan Melendez Month in honor of El Paso Native and Texas Longhorn Ivan Melendez for being named the 35<sup>th</sup> recipient of the 2022 Dick Howser Trophy presented by The Game Headwear.

**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?**

Texas first baseman Ivan Melendez, the Longhorns' all-time seasonal home run leader and Big 12 Conference Player of the Year, is the 35<sup>th</sup> recipient of the 2022 Dick Howser Trophy presented by The Game Headwear.

The 6-foot-3, 225-pound redshirt junior from El Paso Coronado High School, also is the fourth Longhorn to nab this national honor since 1992.

**PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:**

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

**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**, El Paso native Ivan Melendez, known as the “Hispanic Titanic,” is an American college baseball infielder for the Texas Longhorns; and

**WHEREAS**, Ivan Melendez played as the first team All-State third baseman as a senior at Coronado High School for head coach Juan Orozco and was named the 2017 district Offensive Most Valuable Player and the 2016 Newcomer of the Year; and

**WHEREAS**, Melendez spent his first two college seasons as a third baseman at NJCAA school, Odessa College, where during his freshman season, he played third base hitting .411 with 17 homers, 70 RBI and a slugging percentage of .896 and was named third-team Division I All-American by the NJCAA. Melendez's sophomore season was cut short due to COVID-19. However, during the shortened season, Melendez batted .354 with seven doubles, three triples and four homers; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2021, Melendez committed to UT Austin as a redshirt sophomore. During his first season as a Texas Longhorn, he hit .319 with 13 doubles, 3 triples, 13 home runs, and driving in 51 RBI's. Melendez is known for hitting the go-ahead home run against Mississippi State in the College World Series. He also earned 2021 First-Team All-Big 12 honors and All College World Series honors; and

**WHEREAS**, after being selected in the 16th round of the 2021 Major League Baseball draft by the Miami Marlins, Melendez chose to return to Texas for his junior year; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2022, Melendez returned to the Longhorns where he hit .387 with 96 hits, 94 RBI's, and 32 home runs. Furthermore, the 32 home runs hit by Melendez broke Kyle Russell's school record and Kris Bryant's national home run record since the BBCOR bats were introduced in 2011. Melendez won many conference and national awards in 2022. In the Big 12 Conference, Melendez won Big 12 Player of the Year and also won first team all-Big 12.

**WHEREAS**, on June 17, 2022, Ivan Melendez was named the 35<sup>th</sup> recipient of the 2022 Dick Howser Trophy as the outstanding player in college baseball; and

**WHEREAS**, the junior from El Paso, Texas, is the fourth Longhorn to win the Dick Howser Trophy; and

**WHEREAS**, Melendez also has been named national player of the year by Collegiate Baseball newspaper and Perfect Game, and is a consensus All-American.

**WHEREAS**, on June 24, 2022, Ivan Melendez was also named the 2022 Golden Spikes Award winner, making him the first Texas Longhorn to receive the award in program history.

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

1. THAT the City of El Paso commends El Pasoan Ivan Melendez for a successful 2022 season as a Texas Longhorn;

2. Recognizes the many achievements of Ivan Melendez throughout his years as a college baseball player;
3. Recognizes Ivan Melendez's family, friends and fans for their dedication and support; and
4. Celebrates the month of July 2022 as Ivan Melendez Month in honor of El Paso Native and Texas Longhorn Ivan Melendez for being named the 35th recipient of the 2022 Dick Howser Trophy presented by The Game Headwear and the first Texas Longhorn in program history to be named the 2022 Golden Spikes Winner.

PASSED AND APPROVED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

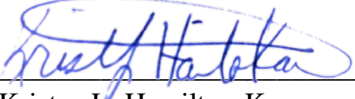
THE CITY OF EL PASO:

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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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Kristen L. Hamilton-Karam  
Senior Assistant City Attorney