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CITY MANAGER



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CISSY LIZARRAGA, DISTRICT 8

**AGENDA REVIEW MINUTES
COUNCIL CHAMBERS AND VIRTUALLY
CITY HALL, 300 N. CAMPBELL
October 24, 2022
9:00 A.M.**

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The City Council met at the above place and date. Meeting was called to order at 9:07 a.m. Mayor Pro Tempore Svarzbein present and presiding. The following Council Members answered roll call: Cassandra Hernandez, Joe Molinar, Isabel Salcido, Claudia Rodriguez, and Cissy Lizarraga. Late Arrival: Henry Rivera at 9:09. Mayor Oscar Leeser and Alexsandra Anello requested to be excused.

The agenda items for the October 25, 2022 Regular City Council meeting were reviewed.
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6. CONSENT AGENDA – RESOLUTIONS

A Resolution authorizing the City Manager to sign a Lease Agreement with the Government of the Country of El Salvador regarding the following described property: A portion of Block 46, Mills Addition, El Paso County, Texas, City of El Paso, municipally known and numbered as 400 W. San Antonio, Suite B, El Paso, Texas 79902.

The term of this lease is an initial term of five (5) years and two (2) five-year 22-1371 options to extend the term of the lease. The annual rental fee for the property will be \$38,959.92 with a 2% annual increase through the duration of the agreement and option periods.

Mayor Pro Tempore Svarzbein questioned the following City staff member:

- Ms. MaryLou Espinoza, Capital Assets Manager, Economic and International Development
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40. REGULAR AGENDA – FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of El Paso, Texas, ordering a Special Election for the submission of Charter Amendments to Section 2.2C to allow persons to serve two full terms as Mayor or District Representative if such person carried out an unexpired term; Section 3.18 to allow City Council to authorize leases for 40 years or less by Resolution or Ordinance; Section 3.5A to allow Council to reschedule meetings for holidays and allow the Mayor to cancel a Council meeting if required due to Declared Emergency; Section 3.9B, 3.10B, and 6.1-12 to align to State law and update obsolete references; Section 3.11 to remove the requirement for a second petition in initiatives, and provide a procedure for citizens to initiate City Ordinances; Section 1.2, 3.5E, 3.6, 4.1B, 4.3 and 7.3 to authorize the Mayor to vote on all Council items, removing the tie-breaking and veto capacity; Section 6.1-4 to authorize the City to create a policy regarding membership on the Civil Service Commission to reflect the community and City Workforce; Sections 6.2-2 and 6.2-3 to align the employee serving as Civil Service Commission Recorder with other employees carrying out similar duties; Section 6.7-1 and 6.8-1 to allow the City to establish more flexible policies in hiring employees; Section 6.13-11D to establish the City contribution to the Police and Fire Pension Fund of no less than 18% of the wages of the participants, and remove the limit on the City's contribution; such Election to be held within the

City, on November 8, 2022; making provisions for the conduct of the Election; and authorizing a contract with El Paso County to furnish election services and equipment; providing for severability and setting an effective date. [POSTPONED FROM 08-02-2022]

PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 8, 2022

Mayor Pro Tempore Svarzbein and Representative Rivera questioned the following City staff member:

- Ms. Laura D. Prine, City Clerk

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Motion made by Representative Rivera, seconded by Representative Salcido, and unanimously carried to **ADJOURN** this meeting at 9:18 a.m.

AYES: Representatives Svarzbein, Hernandez, Molinar, Salcido, Rodriguez, Rivera, and Lizarraga

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Representative Annello

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APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

Laura D. Prine, City Clerk