

**CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS  
AGENDA ITEM  
DEPARTMENT HEAD'S SUMMARY FORM**

**AGENDA DATE:** February 27 , 2023

**CONTACT PERSON(S) NAME AND PHONE NUMBER:** Lindsey Adams, 915-212-1622  
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**DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED:** All Districts

**STRATEGIC GOAL:** Goal 6: Set the Standard for Sound Governance and Fiscal Management  
**SUBGOAL:** N/A

**SUBJECT:**

Presentation, discussion and action on the 88th regular session of the Texas state legislature and Federal legislative program update.

**BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:**

Prior to the convening of each biennial State legislative session, the City Council of the City of El Paso identifies policy priorities and legislative initiatives that it would like the Texas Legislature to address during its legislative session. These priorities and initiatives are adopted and compiled into the City's Legislative Agenda which is shared with the City's legislative delegation and additionally used to guide staffs' activity during the legislative session. The City's legislative agenda was finalized on November 7, 2022 and the 88th legislative session began on January 10, 2023. This will be the second update on the session to go over key items and bills that are of interest to the City.

This will be the first update on our federal legislative agenda and federal appropriations opportunities.

**PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:**

City Council adopts a Legislative Agenda for each biennial State legislative session and receives regular updates from City staff on legislative activity during the State's regular and special sessions. City Council received a legislative briefing to initiate this process on May 9, 2022, and received an update on August 16, 2022, where the legislative priorities were approved. On October 25, 2022 City Council approved a majority of the Support/Oppose Section, and on November 7, 2022 the Legislative Agenda was finalized. On January 30th, City Council took action to support and/or oppose three filed bills.

**AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:**

N/A

**HAVE ALL AFFECTED DEPARTMENTS BEEN NOTIFIED?** ☒ YES ☐ NO

**PRIMARY DEPARTMENT:** Economic and International Development

**SECONDARY DEPARTMENT:** City Attorney's Office

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

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:** Elizabeth Triggs

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(If Department Head Summary Form is initiated by Purchasing, client department should sign also)