

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

DEPARTMENT: Capital Improvement Department

AGENDA DATE: May 22, 2023

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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.

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 fifth update on the session to go over key items and bills that are of interest to the City.

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. On February 27th, Council took action on two filed bills. On March 27th Council took action on three areas of interest. On April 24th Council took action on one area of interest.

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

N/A

HAVE ALL AFFECTED DEPARTMENTS BEEN NOTIFIED? YES NO

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT: Capital Improvement Department

SECONDARY DEPARTMENT: City Attorney's Office

*****REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION*****

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Yvette Hernandez

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