

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

DEPARTMENT: Mayor & Council

AGENDA DATE: February 13, 2024

CONTACT PERSON NAME AND PHONE NUMBER: Mayor Oscar Leeser (915) 212-0021

DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: All Districts

STRATEGIC GOAL: Goal 6 Set the Standard for Sound Governance and Fiscal Management

SUBJECT:

Discussion and Action to direct the City Attorney to amend the Ethics Ordinance to require all candidates to report the amount of each contribution and the donor name by the last day of every month with the City Clerk for posting as notation on the next regular City Council meeting.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:

For purposes of transparency, candidates for elected office should be required to post their contributions during the election season.

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

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

On December 12, 2023 City Council adopted changes to Ethics Ordinance TO UPDATE THE DEFINITION OF "CONTRIBUTION"; SECTION 2.92.080 (DISCLOSURE OF CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS) TO REQUIRE ADDITIONAL DISCLOSURES REGARDING CONTRIBUTIONS OR DONATIONS FROM INDIVIDUALS OR BUSINESS ENTITIES RECEIVING A BENEFIT FROM A VOTE OF CITY COUNCIL; SECTIONS 2.92.120 (JURISDICTION), SUBSECTION 2.92.130(A)(5) (DUTIES) AND SUBSECTION 2.92.160(B) (FILING A COMPLAINT) TO INCLUDE COMMISSION JURISDICTION OVER AND PROCESS FOR COMPLAINTS REGARDING CANDIDATES, POLITICAL COMMITTEES AND INDIVIDUALS OR BUSINESS ENTITIES OBLIGATED UNDER SECTION 2.92.080

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

N/A

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