

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

AGENDA DATE: Feb. 13, 2024
PUBLIC HEARING DATE:

CONTACT PERSON(S) NAME AND PHONE NUMBER: Sam Rodriguez (915) 212-7301 /Daniela Quesada (915) 212-1826

DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: All Districts, 8

STRATEGIC GOAL: 3- Promote the Visual Image of El Paso, 4- Enhance El Paso's Quality of Life through recreational, cultural and educational environments.

SUBGOAL: 3.1- Improve the visual impression of the community

SUBJECT:

UPDATE on the council approved Union Depot Phase 2 Environmental Site Assessment, and on MPA&EC alternative site selection in response to council directive.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:

Discussion and action on a presentation of the work completed up to date as part of identifying an alternative site to the Multipurpose Performing Arts & Entertainment Center, including Phase 2 Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) report findings for a potential site, next steps, and high-level milestones.

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

1. Council made the motion on June 5th, 2023, to undertake a Phase 2 Environmental Site Assessment for alternative sites of the Multipurpose Performing Arts & Entertainment Center, in an amount not to exceed \$168,135.00.
2. Jan. 3, 2023, Motion made by Representative Annello, seconded by Representative Molinar, and carried that the City of El Paso RE-EVALUATE AND REPURPOSE as appropriate the now-insufficient funds for constructing a new Multipurpose Performing Arts and Entertainment Center, any sports facility or other building within the area bounded by West Overland Avenue to the north, South Santa Fe Street to the east, West Paisano Drive to the south, and Leon Street to the west and that no buildings within this area be condemned or demolished; and to begin examining the use of these funds specific to what the voters approved within existing City facilities that may be renovated or upgraded to honor the will of the voters.

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

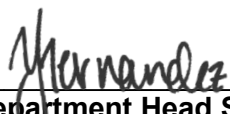
2012 Quality of Life bond project fund for the Multipurpose Entertainment and Performance Center Project.

HAVE ALL AFFECTED DEPARTMENTS BEEN NOTIFIED? ☒ YES ☐ NO

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT: Capital Improvement
SECONDARY DEPARTMENT:

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

DEPARTMENT HEAD:


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

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, on January 3, 2023, the El Paso City Council directed City staff to identify an alternative site for the Multipurpose Cultural and Performing Arts Center (the “MPC”).

WHEREAS, after analysis, review, and consideration, City staff recommends that the MPC be located on the property commonly known as the El Paso Union Depot site, which is further identified in the map attached hereto as Exhibit A.

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

THAT the City Council of the City of El Paso hereby approves the El Paso Union Depot site, as identified in Exhibit A, as the site of the MPC.

THAT the Interim City Manager, or his designee, is hereby directed to hire the consultants necessary to perform additional conceptual development of the design; propose and implement a community engagement plan; perform an archeological survey of the site; and any additional services that may be needed in the project development on the site.

THAT the Interim City Manager, or his designee, is hereby directed to review and terminate, if necessary, any existing City leases at the El Paso Union Depot, in accordance with applicable lease agreements.

THAT the Interim City Manager, or his designee, is hereby directed to develop a solicitation for a public private partnership agreement for the design and construction of the MPC.

APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 2024.

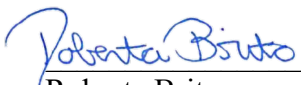
THE CITY OF EL PASO:

Oscar Leaser
Mayor

ATTEST:

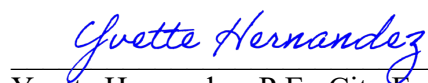
Laura D. Prine
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Roberta Brito
Senior Assistant City Attorney

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:



Yvette Hernandez, P.E., City Engineer
Capital Improvement Department

Exhibit A

