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

AGENDA DATE: March 26th, 2024

## CONTACT PERSON(S) NAME AND PHONE NUMBER: Nicole Ferrini (915) 212-1659

**DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED:** All Districts

**STRATEGIC GOAL:** Goal 8 – Nurture and Promote a Healthy, Sustainable Community

SUBGOAL: Develop and implement a comprehensive climate action plan

**SUBJECT:** Action item to authorize the City Manager or his designee to sign the documents related to the Environmental Protection Agency Climate Pollution Reduction Grant: Implementation Grants General Competition, and any agreements or verifications required to apply for this grant on April 1st, 2024.

#### **BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:**

This grant proposal is to implement the Paso del Norte Trail in its totality. This project will have a critical role in advancing sustainability efforts and enhancing our community's capacity to address environmental challenges.

**PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:** None AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING: NA HAVE ALL AFFECTED DEPARTMENTS BEEN NOTIFIED? X YES NO

**PRIMARY DEPARTMENT:** Office of Climate and Sustainability – Nicole Ferrini SECONDARY DEPARTMENT:

LEGAL: (if required) \_\_\_\_\_ FINANCE: (if required) \_\_\_\_\_ Abraham Gutierrez for Nicole Ferrini

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:** 

**APPROVED FOR AGENDA:** 

CITY MANAGER:

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

#### **RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS,** the Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") is currently accepting applications for the Climate Pollution Reduction Grants Program: Implementation Grants General Competition ("CPRG Implementation grant"); and

**WHEREAS,** the City of El Paso, Texas ("City") wishes to submit an application for the CPRG Implementation grant; and

**WHEREAS,** if awarded, the funds received under the CPRG Implementation grant will be used for the Paso Del Norte Trail Project (the "Project"), which is a community-driven, collaborative effort to develop a county-wide trail in El Paso County that expands into Hudspeth County; and

WHEREAS, the Project will create a regionally significant landmark that promotes active transportation, preserves the history and culture of our region, supports economic development and ecotourism, provides educational and recreational opportunities and therefore supports a high quality of life for the El Paso community.

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

1. That the City Manager or his designee is authorized to sign the documents related to the Environmental Protection Agency Climate Pollution Reduction Grant: Implementation Grants General Competition, and any agreements or verifications required to submit an application for this grant.

**APPROVED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

**CITY OF EL PASO:** 

## **ATTEST:**

Oscar Leeser Mayor

Laura D. Prine City Clerk

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:** 

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Joyce Garcia Assistant City Attorney

**APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:** 

Abraham Gutierrez for Nicole Ferrini

Nicole Ferrini Climate & Sustainability Officer Community and Human Development