

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

**DEPARTMENT:** Mayor & Council

**AGENDA DATE:** 03/26/2024

**CONTACT PERSON NAME AND PHONE NUMBER:** Henry Rivera 212-0007

**DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED:** All

**STRATEGIC GOAL:** Goal 4

**SUBJECT:**

APPROVE a resolution / ordinance / lease to do what? OR AUTHORIZE the City Manager to do what? Be descriptive of what we want Council to approve. Include \$ amount if applicable.

Discussion and actions to approve a resolution to recognize March 31, 2024 as "CÉSAR E. CHÁVEZ DAY" ¡Viva César E. Chávez, Sí Se Puede!" as part of continued efforts to address systemic barriers to racism, inclusiveness, fair and higher wages, celebrate and uplift communities of color.

**BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:**

Discussion of the what, why, where, when, and how to enable Council to have reasonably complete description of the contemplated action. This should include attachment of bid tabulation, or ordinance or resolution if appropriate. What are the benefits to the City of this action? What are the citizen concerns?

N/A

**PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:**

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

N/A

**AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:**

How will this item be funded? N/A

Has the item been budgeted? If so, identify funding source by account numbers and description of account. Does it require a budget transfer?

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

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS,** César E. Chávez was an American born on March 31, 1927 to Mexican immigrants and proudly served in the United States Navy; and

**WHEREAS,** César E. Chávez was an American farm worker, labor leader, and civil rights activist, who, with Dolores Huerta, co-founded the National Farm Workers Association that later became the United Farm Workers union; and

**WHEREAS,** for 30 years César E. Chávez tenaciously devoted himself to the problems of workers in America; and

**WHEREAS,** the social movement César E. Chávez inspired succeeded in raising salaries and improving working conditions for farm workers in California, Texas, Arizona, and Florida; and

**WHEREAS,** on March 28, 2014, President Obama proclaimed March 31st as the National César E. Chávez Day, a day devoted to the promotion of service to the community in honor of his distinguished lifetime work and for what he’s taught us about making America a stronger, more just, and more prosperous nation; and

**WHEREAS,** on June 22, 2022, the City of El Paso unanimously approved designating March 31st as a municipal holiday in honor of the late civil rights leader and activist, César E. Chávez; and

**WHEREAS,** local organizations like Service Employees International Union (SEIU) honor César E. Chávez’s legacy by standing in solidarity and improving employees’ lives by addressing systemic barriers and racism; improving employment conditions; and fighting for equal and higher wages for union members; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:** by the Mayor and Council of the City of El Paso that March 31, 2024 shall be known as:

**“CÉSAR E. CHÁVEZ DAY”**  
¡Viva César E. Chávez!

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

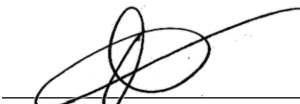
**CITY OF EL PASO:**

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Oscar Leeser  
Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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Laura D. Prine  
City Clerk

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

  
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Oscar Gomez  
Assistant City Attorney