

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

**AGENDA DATE:** April 23rd, 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:** Energy Efficiency Conservation Block Grant (EECBG)

**BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:**

Action item to authorize the City Manager or his designee to sign the documents related to the Department of Energy (DOE) Energy Efficiency Conservation Block Grant (EECBG), and any agreements or verifications required to apply for this grant on April 30<sup>th</sup> 2024.

The presentation will provide comprehensive information on the progress of developing the proposal to implement a solar photovoltaic incentive program for small businesses and non-profit organizations in El Paso. Additionally, the presentation will highlight the role of the project in advancing sustainability efforts and enhancing our community's capacity to address electricity costs.

**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:**

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

**LEGAL:** (if required) \_\_\_\_\_ **FINANCE:** (if required) \_\_\_\_\_

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:**  \_\_\_\_\_

**APPROVED FOR AGENDA:**

**CITY MANAGER:** \_\_\_\_\_

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

## **RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Energy (“DOE”) is currently accepting applications for Energy Efficiency Conservation Block Grant (“EECBG grant”); and

**WHEREAS**, the City of El Paso, Texas ("City") was allocated \$595,490.00 to reduce energy use, to reduce fossil fuel emissions, and to improve energy efficiency and wishes to submit an application for the EECBG grant; and

**WHEREAS**, the funds received under the EECBG grant will be used for the implementation of a Solar Photovoltaic Incentive Program for small businesses and non-profit (the “Program”), within the City of El Paso jurisdiction; and

**WHEREAS**, the Program will help reduce electricity costs for local businesses and non-profit organizations, which is intended to reduce Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Emissions while supporting economic and social development, 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:**

**THAT**, the City Manager or his designee is authorized to sign the documents related to the Department of Energy - Energy Efficiency Conservation Block Grant, and any agreements or verifications required to submit an application for this grant.

*(Signature Page to Follow)*

**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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Joyce Garcia  
Assistant City Attorney

**APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:**



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Nicole Alderete-Ferrini  
Climate and Sustainability Officer