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

DEPARTMENT: Fire Department

AGENDA DATE: February 1, 2021

CONTACT PERSON NAME AND PHONE NUMBER: Mario M. D'Agostino, Fire Chief (915) 212-5605

DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: All Districts

STRATEGIC GOAL: Goal 6. Set the standard for sound governance and fiscal management.

SUBGOAL: 6.8 Support transparent and inclusive government.

SUBJECT:

Discussion and action on an Emergency Ordinance re-enacting Emergency Ordinance No. 019036, as restated and amended by Emergency Ordinance No. 019115, and further amended by Emergency Ordinance Numbers 019118 and 019126; penalty as provided in Section 8.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:

The City Council desires to re-enact Emergency Ordinance No. 019036, as restated and amended on November 9, 2020 (Emergency Ordinance No. 019115) and amended on November 23, 2020 (Emergency Ordinance No. 019118), and January 5, 2021 (Emergency Ordinance No. 019126) which shall remain in effect for thirty days or until otherwise terminated, re-enacted, or superseded by a conflicting El Paso Local Health Authority order, or state or federal law or order.

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

Since March 2020, City Council has re-enacted Emergency Ordinance No. 019036 monthly, with the most recent re-enactment and amendment taking place on January 5, 2021.

DEPARTMENT HEAD:

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AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE RE-ENACTING EMERGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 019036, AS RESTATED AND AMENDED BY EMERGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 019115, AND FURTHER AMENDED BY EMERGENCY ORDINANCE NUMBERS 019118 AND 019126; PENALTY AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 8

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the Governor of the State of Texas declared a state of disaster and the President of the United States of America declared a national emergency in relation to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, by proclamation issued on March 13, 2020, the Mayor declared a local state of disaster for the City of El Paso resulting from a public health emergency; and

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2020, the City Council, pursuant to City Charter Section 3.10, adopted Emergency Ordinance No. 019036 to meet a public emergency affecting, life, health, property or the public peace; and

WHEREAS, since March 2020, City Council has re-enacted Emergency Ordinance No. 019036 monthly, with the most recent re-enactment and amendment taking place on January 5, 2021; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to City Charter Section 3.10, every emergency ordinance shall stand repealed automatically as of the 31st day following the date on which it was adopted, but may be re-enacted if the emergency still exists; and

WHEREAS, a disaster continues to exist and requires that certain emergency measures be taken to meet a public emergency affecting life, health, property or the public peace; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to re-enact Emergency Ordinance No. 019036, as restated and amended on November 9, 2020 (Emergency Ordinance No. 019115) and amended on November 23, 2020 (Emergency Ordinance No. 019118), and January 5, 2021 (Emergency Ordinance No. 019126) which shall remain in effect for thirty days or until otherwise terminated, re-enacted, or superseded by a conflicting El Paso Local Health Authority order, or state or federal law or order.

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

1. Emergency Ordinance No. 019036, as restated and amended by Emergency Ordinance No. 019115, and further amended by Emergency Ordinance Nos. 019118, and 019126, penalty as provided in Section 8, is hereby re-enacted and shall remain in full force and effect and continue for thirty (30) days unless re-enacted in accordance with Charter Section 3.10 or until terminated by the City Council, whichever is sooner.

Ordinance	No.	

Section 3.10.

PASSED AND ADOPTED, this ____ day of February, 2021.

THE CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS

Oscar Leeser
Mayor

ATTEST:

Laura D. Prine
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

Mario M. D'Agostrao, Fire Chief
El Paso Fire Department

2. This ordinance is adopted as an emergency measure with the unanimous vote of the City Council Representatives present and the consent of the Mayor, pursuant to City Charter