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MAYOR



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TOMMY GONZALEZ  
CITY MANAGER

**AGENDA REVIEW MINUTES**  
**February 15, 2021**  
**3:30 P.M.**

**Due to the temporary suspension of Open Meetings laws due to the COVID-19 emergency this meeting was conducted via telephonic and videoconference platforms.**

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The City Council met via videoconference on the above date. Meeting was called to order at 3:32 p.m. Mayor Oscar Leeser present and presiding and the following Council Members answered roll call: Peter Svarzbein, Alexsandra Annello, Cassandra Hernandez, Joe Molinar, Isabel Salcido, Claudia Rodriguez, Henry Rivera, and Cissy Lizarraga.

The agenda items for the February 16, 2021 Regular City Council meeting were reviewed.

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**25. REGULAR AGENDA – FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES**

An Ordinance authorizing the conveyance of real property owned by the City of El Paso to VTRE Development, LLC for the purchase price of \$18,600,000 such real property legally described as a portion of Lot 1, Block 1, El Paso West, as filed in Book 57, Page 5 of the plat records of El Paso County, Texas and located at the intersection of Desert Blvd. and Paso Del Norte.

Mayor Leeser commented and questioned the following City staff member:

- Mr. Eddie Garcia, Economic Development Assistant Director

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**29. REGULAR AGENDA – PUBLIC HEARING AND SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES**

An Ordinance amending Title 2 (Administration and Personnel), Chapter 2.92 (Ethics) of the El Paso City Code in its entirety to clarify the rules and procedures related to the ethical requirements of City officers and employees by reorganizing the structure to create three articles: Code of Ethics; Standards of Conduct; and Ethics Review Commission; to amend, clarify and add definitions, to define the jurisdiction of the Ethics Review Commission, and to streamline the complaint process. The penalty for violations of Chapter 2.92 (Ethics) of the El Paso City Code is provided in Section 2.92.200 (Disposition) as amended in this Ordinance.

Mayor Leeser commented.

- Mr. Cary Westin, Senior Deputy City Manager commented.

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**30. REGULAR AGENDA – OTHER BUSINESS**

Discussion and action on a Resolution that the City Council of the City of El Paso approves of the implementation of the Texas Gas Service Company ("TGS") Application to Implement Initial Rates for a Conservation Adjustment tariff; that the implementation occur on February 23, 2021; and the tariff will be filed once every 3 years on October 15th; and that two full time employees based in El Paso be hired by TGS to administer the program. **[POSTPONED FROM 01-19-21]**

Mayor Leeson questioned the following City staff member:

- Ms. Elizabeth Triggs, Strategic Partnerships Officer

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**35. MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

Discussion and action on the City's Historic Designation Process.

Mayor Leeson and Representative Svarzbein commented.

Ms. Karla Nieman, City Attorney commented.

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Motion made by Representative Hernandez, seconded by Representative Lizarraga, and unanimously carried to **ADJOURN** this meeting at 3:47 p.m.

AYES: Representatives Svarzbein, Anello, Hernandez, Morgan, Salcido, Rodriguez, Rivera, and Lizarraga

NAYS: None

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APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

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Laura D. Prine, City Clerk