RENARD U. JOHNSON
MAYOR

DIONNE MACK
CITY MANAGER

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ALEJANDRA CHÁVEZ, DISTRICT 1
JOSH ACEVEDO, DISTRICT 2
DEANNA MALDONADO-ROCHA, DISTRICT 3
CYNTHIA BOYAR TREJO, DISTRICT 4
IVAN NIÑO, DISTRICT 5
ART FIERRO, DISTRICT 6
LILY LIMÓN, DISTRICT 7
CHRIS CANALES, DISTRICT 8

MINUTES FOR REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

October 13, 2026
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL AND VIRTUALLY
9:00 AM

9:00 A.M. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Dr. Sue A. Shook Elementary School at the invitation of Representative Lily Limón.

Santiago Garcia
Xitlali Garcia

MAYOR'S PROCLAMATIONS

LGBTQIA+ History Month

National Disability Employment Awareness Month

Assistance League of El Paso Month

Scherr Legate Lights Parade - Winterfest 2026

Domestic Violence Awareness Month

10:00 AM ROLL CALL

The City Council of the City of El Paso met at the above time and date. The meeting was called to order at 10:09 a.m. Mayor Renard U. Johnson was present and presiding, and the following Council Members answered roll call: Josh Acevedo (via videoconference), Deanna Maldonado-Rocha, Cynthia Boyar Trejo, Ivan Niño, Lily Limón, and Chris Canales. Late arrivals: Alejandra Chávez and Art Fierro at 10:11 a.m.

INVOCATION BY EL PASO POLICE SENIOR CHAPLAIN DAVID MAYFIELD

PUBLIC COMMENT ON CONSENT AGENDA AND REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

There were no speakers on the agenda items at this time.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC (CITY-RELATED NON-AGENDA ITEMS):

The following members of the public commented:

1. Ms. Mary Holguin
2. Mr. Ron Comeau
3. Mr. JD Martinez
4. Ms. Patricia Osmond
5. Ms. Lisa Turner
6. Mr. John Muniz
7. Mr. Michael Ramirez

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NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

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*Motion made by Mayor Pro Tempore Chávez, seconded by Representative Fierro, and unanimously carried to **APPROVE, AS REVISED,** all matters listed under the Consent Agenda unless otherwise noted. (Items approved, postponed, or deleted pursuant to the vote on the Consent Agenda will be shown with an asterisk {*}.)

AYES: Representatives Chávez, Acevedo, Maldonado-Rocha, Boyar Trejo, Niño, Fierro, Limón, and Canales
NAYS: None

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1. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** the Minutes of the Regular City Council Meetings of September 29, 2026, and the Work Session of September 28, 2026.

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CONSENT AGENDA – REQUEST TO EXCUSE ABSENT CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS:

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2. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** the request from Representative Acevedo to attend this meeting virtually.

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CONSENT AGENDA – RESOLUTIONS:

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3. ***R E S O L U T I O N**

WHEREAS, the Rio Grande Council of Governments (RGCOG) is directed by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality to administer solid waste grant funds for implementation of the RGCOG adopted regional solid waste management plan; and

WHEREAS, the RGCOG created the Regional Solid Waste Project Allocation COG Managed Program to procure and implement solid waste management projects from local and regional political subdivisions within the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, City of El Paso in the State of Texas is qualified to apply for grant funds from the Rio Grande Council of Governments FY2027 Regional Solid Waste Project Allocation COG Managed Program under the RGCOG Request for Applications; and

WHEREAS, the Rio Grande Council of Governments FY2027 Regional Solid Waste Project Allocation COG Managed Program is administered by the Rio Grande Council of Governments, is divided between six Texas counties and can be used to address the disposal of materials from illegal dumping sites; and

WHEREAS, illegal dumping sites, including the illegal dumping of tires, can pose health and safety risks for the citizens of El Paso; and

WHEREAS, The City of El Paso established the Scrap Tire Disposal Reimbursement Program to reduce the illegal dumping of tires; and

WHEREAS, The City of El Paso finds it in the best interest of the citizens of El Paso to continue to operate the Scrap Tire Disposal Reimbursement Program for the fiscal year 2027; and

WHEREAS, the City of El Paso wants to apply for grant funds from the FY2027 Regional Solid Waste Project Allocation COG Managed Program in order to defray the costs of operating the Scrap Tires Disposal Reimbursement Program.

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

1. **THAT** the City Manager or designee is authorized to sign and submit the application and any other documents required to apply for grant funds from the Rio Grande Council of Governments FY2027 Regional Solid Waste Project Allocation COG Managed Program.

1. **THAT** the City Manager or designee is authorized to effectuate any budget transfers, any related agreements, amendments to such agreements, and documents after review and approval by the City Attorney's office, necessary to carry out the intent of this resolution.

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4. ***R E S O L U T I O N**

WHEREAS, WinterFest is a holiday event that draws the community to the downtown area, during a time of year when there are numerous other activities in the downtown area, which can cause a strain on available downtown parking; and

WHEREAS, City Code Subsection 12.56.020(F) allows for the International Bridges Director to make a recommendation to City Council for exceptions to the days and times when parking meter fees shall apply; and

WHEREAS, the International Bridges Director recommends that parking meter fees North of 1-10, including but not limited to the Uptown Parking Benefit District, be waived solely and exclusively on November 21, 2026, for the event known as WinterFest; and

WHEREAS, the International Bridges Director does not recommend that parking meter fees in the downtown area be waived on November 21, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the City Council encourages the community to park at the parking meters to the North ofl-10, including but not limited to the Uptown Parking Benefit District, and encourages the community to utilize the El Paso Streetcar in order to travel to WinterFest on November 21, 2026;and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that WinterFest constitutes a special downtown event as contemplated in City Code Subsection 12.56.020(F)(I).

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:

THAT the City Council, in accordance with the provisions of City Code Subsection 12.056.020(F)(1), hereby exempts the regularly designated parking meter fees to the North of 1-10, to include, but not be limited to the Uptown Parking Benefit District, on November 21, 2026, for WinterFest which constitutes a special downtown event.

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5. *R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, **Parks and Recreation Department** (hereinafter referred to as "Grantee") has submitted an application for a Special Event Permit as per Chapter 13.38 (Special Events) of the El Paso City Code, for the use and closure of rights-of-way within the City of El Paso's (hereinafter referred to as "the City") for the **Winterfest 2026 Opening Day from 12:00 pm to 11:00 pm on Saturday, November 21, 2026.** (hereinafter referred to as the "Event"); and

WHEREAS, The Event will utilize both City and State rights-of-way: and

WHEREAS, The City of El Paso (hereinafter referred to as the "City") has found the Event serves a public purpose; and

WHEREAS, The State of Texas (hereinafter referred to as the "State") owns and operates a system of highways for public use and benefit, including **Mesa Street** within El Paso, Texas; and

WHEREAS, 43 TAC, Section 22.12 establishes the rules and procedures for the temporary closure of portions of the State Highway System for periods of time exceeding four hours; and

WHEREAS, the State in recognition of the public purpose for the Event, provides a means of cooperating with the City for the temporary closure of State right-of-way, provided the closure is in accordance with the requirements of 43 TAC, Section 22.12 and the City enters into an Agreement for the Temporary Closure of State Right-of-Way for the Event (Form TEA 30A).

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

That the closure of rights-of-way within the City of El Paso for the **Winterfest 2026 Opening Day from 6:00 am to 11:30 pm on Saturday, November 21, 2026.** serves a public purpose of providing cultural and recreational activities for the residents and visitors of the City of El Paso, and in accordance with 43 TAC, Section 22.12, the City Manager be authorized to sign an Agreement For The Temporary Closure of State Right Of Way (Form TEA 30A) by and between the City of El Paso and the State of Texas, acting by and through the Texas Department of Transportation, for the temporary closure and use of State owned and operated street (s) in excess of four hours for portions of **Mesa Street between Franklin Avenue and Texas Avenue** upon the issuance of required permits from the City of El Paso and substantial conformity to the finalized TEA30 agreement between the City of El Paso and State of Texas Department of Transportation.

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6. *R E S O L U T I O N

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City of El Paso's (hereinafter referred to as "the City") for the **Winterfest 2026 Lights Parade from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm on Saturday, November 21, 2026,** (hereinafter referred to as the "Event"); and

WHEREAS, The Event will utilize both City and State rights-of-way: and

WHEREAS, The City of El Paso (hereinafter referred to as the "City") has found the Event serves a public purpose; and

WHEREAS, The State of Texas (hereinafter referred to as the "State") owns and operates a system of highways for public use and benefit, including **Mesa Street and Texas Avenue** within El Paso, Texas; and

WHEREAS, 43 TAC, Section 22.12 establishes the rules and procedures for the temporary closure of portions of the State Highway System for periods of time exceeding four hours; and

WHEREAS, the State in recognition of the public purpose for the Event, provides a means of cooperating with the City for the temporary closure of State right-of-way, provided the closure is in accordance with the requirements of 43 TAC, Section 22.12 and the City enters into an Agreement for the Temporary Closure of State Right-of-Way for the Event (Form TEA 30A).

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

That the closure of rights-of-way within the City of El Paso for the **Winterfest 2026 Lights Parade from 12:00 pm to 10:00 pm on Saturday, November 21, 2026,** serves a public purpose of providing cultural and recreational activities for the residents and visitors of the City of El Paso, and in accordance with 43 TAC, Section 22.12, the City Manager be authorized to sign an Agreement For The Temporary Closure of State Right Of Way (Form TEA 30A) by and between the City of El Paso and the State of Texas, acting by and through the Texas Department of Transportation, for the temporary closure and use of State owned and operated street (s) in excess of four hours for portions of **Mesa Street between Franklin Street and Overland Avenue and Texas Avenue from Oregon Street to Octavia Street,** upon the issuance of required permits from the City of El Paso and substantial conformity to the finalized TEA30 agreement between the City of El Paso and State of Texas Department of Transportation.

7. ***R E S O L U T I O N**

WHEREAS, the Consolidated Tax Assessor/Collector of the City of El Paso ("Consolidated Tax Assessor/Collector") has entered the amount of tax as provided by Section 26.09(e) of the Texas Tax Code in the appraisal roll, creating a tax roll for entities, for which the Consolidated Tax Assessor/Collector collects taxes, a summary of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference; and

WHEREAS, the tax roll for the remaining entities is on file and available for inspection in the City Tax Office; and

WHEREAS, the Consolidated Tax Assessor/Collector now submits the tax roll to City of El Paso Council for approval as the 2026 tax roll.

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

THAT the tax roll attached hereto as Attachment A** is hereby approved and constitutes
the 2026 tax roll for all entities for which the Consolidated Tax Assessor/Collector collects taxes.

**Attachment available at the City Clerk's Office

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8. R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, farmworkers are essential workers who help ensure all Americans have access to safe, healthy, and affordable food; and

WHEREAS, farmworkers, including temporary and seasonal workers, play a critical role in sustaining our nation's food supply and supporting regional, national, and global supply chains; and

WHEREAS, farmworkers perform under demanding conditions, including extreme desert heat, pesticide exposure, and arduous physical labor to help maintain a secure and reliable food supply; and

WHEREAS, community organizations and advocacy groups in El Paso have long worked to recognize the contributions of farmworkers and advocate for their rights and well-being; and

WHEREAS, in March 2026, the City of El Paso took steps to re-examine regional historical recognitions, creating an opportunity to further recognize the collective contributions, culture, and sacrifices of farmworkers; and

WHEREAS, dedicating a day to farmworker appreciation ensures that future generations of El Pasoans understand and recognize the important role agricultural workers have played in our region's economy, history, culture, and civic heritage.

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

THAT the City Council of the City of El Paso formally renames March 31st as Farmworkers Appreciation Day in the City of El Paso, Texas to center the recognition and celebration on the collective history and ongoing contributions of farmworkers whose labor sustains our region and our nation.

Representative Limón commented.

1ST MOTION
*Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **MOVE** the item to the **REGULAR AGENDA.**

2ND AND FINAL MOTION
Motion made by Representative Limón, seconded by Representative Niño, and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** the Resolution.

AYES: Representatives Chávez, Acevedo, Maldonado-Rocha, Boyar Trejo, Niño, Fierro, Limón, and Canales
NAYS: None

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CONSENT AGENDA – SPECIAL APPOINTMENT:

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9. ***R E S O L U T I O N**

WHEREAS, by resolution dated September 3, 1996, the City of El Paso approved of the creation of the El Paso Downtown Management District ("District");

WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 375 of the Texas Local Government Code ("Code") the District was legally created by order of the Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission on March 10, 1997;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 375.064(a) of the Code, the Board of Directors of the District ("Board") convened a meeting open to the public on September 24, 2026, for the purpose of recommending a slate of persons to serve as members of the Board; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 375.064(b) of the Code, the City Council is required to approve or disapprove recommendations submitted by the Board.

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

That the City Council approve the recommendation of the Board of Directors of the El Paso Downtown Management District that the following persons be named directors of the District for the terms indicated:

Nominee	Term #	Expiration Date
Maxey Scherr	2	August 2029
Ray Lozano, Jr.	1*	August 2029
Yolanda Giner	2	August 2029
Kristi Daugherty	2	August 2029
Guillermo Garcia	2	August 2029
Patrick Merrick	2	August 2029

*Indicates candidate was appointed to a partial term and is being nominated for his/her first full term.

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CONSENT AGENDA – BOARD RE-APPOINTMENT:

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10. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **RE-APPOINT** Gloria Clark to the Zoning Board of Adjustment, as a regular member, by Representative Art Fierro, District 6..

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CONSENT AGENDA – BOARD APPOINTMENTS:

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11. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **APPOINT** Richard O. Martinez to the Public Service Board Selection Committee by Representative Lily Limón, District 7

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12. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **APPOINT** Scott Winton to the Capital Improvements Advisory Committee by Mayor Renard U. Johnson.

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13. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **APPOINT** Martha Isabel Aguayo to the Zoning Board of Adjustment, as an alternate member, by Representative Art Fierro, District 6.

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CONSENT AGENDA – NOTICE FOR NOTATION:

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14. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **ACCEPT** the donation of $3,000.00 from Saratoga Homes for the District 5 Movies at the Park, hosted by El Paso City Council District 5, in collaboration with El Paso County Commissioner Jackie Butler, Precinct One.

Ms. Lisa Turner, citizen, commented.

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CONSENT AGENDA - NOTICE OF CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS:

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15. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **NOTE** pursuant to Section 2.92.080 of the City Code, receipt of campaign contributions of five hundred dollars or greater by Matthew J. Guzman, candidate for District 8, in the amounts of $1,000 from Edward Escudero, $1,000 from Robert Bowling, and $1,000 from Randall Bowling.

Ms. Patricia Osmond, citizen, commented

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16. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **NOTE** pursuant to Section 2.92.080 of the City Code, receipt of campaign contributions of five hundred dollars or greater by Sam Armijo, candidate for District 1, in the amount of a $17,000 personal loan from Sam Armijo to the campaign.

Ms. Patricia Osmond, citizen, commented

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17. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **NOTE** pursuant to Section 2.92.080 of the City Code, receipt of campaign contributions of five hundred dollars or greater by Representative Alejandra Chávez in the amount of $600.00 from Melissa Y. Zavaleta, $1,000.00 from Robert Urrea, $1,000.00 from Gary L. Bourdreaux, and $2,000.00 from El Paso Municipal Police Officers (Political Action Committee Fund).

The following members of the public commented:

1. Ms. Patricia Osmond
2. Ms. Lisa Turner

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18. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **NOTE** pursuant to Section 2.92.080 of the City Code, receipt of campaign contributions of five hundred dollars or greater by by Representative Lily Limón in the amounts of $300 from Congressman Silvestre Reyes and $250 from Jesús Olivas.

Ms. Patricia Osmond, citizen, commented

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19. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **NOTE** pursuant to Section 2.92.080 of the City Code, receipt of campaign contributions of five hundred dollars or greater by Representative Art Fierro in the amounts of $2,500 from Raymond Palacios, $1,000 from Douglas Schwartz, $1,500 from Kelly Tomblin, $1,500 from Robert Bowling, $1,500 from Randall Bowling, $1,500 from Lisa Peisen, $1,500 from El Paso Electric Company Employee Political Action Committee Texas, $2,500 from Socorro E Rodriguez, $2,500 from Liliana Ivette Miranda, $2,500 from David Rodriguez, $1,000 from Joseph Moody, $2,000 from Cesar J. Blanco, $2,000 from El Paso Municipal Police Officers (Political Action Committee Fund), and $2,500 from Michelle Rubio.

Ms. Patricia Osmond, citizen, commented.

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20. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **NOTE** pursuant to Section 2.92.080 of the City Code, receipt of campaign contributions of five hundred dollars or greater by Representative Chris Canales in the amounts of $1,000.00 from Ann Canales, $100.00 from Marshall Carter-Tripp, $100.00 from Mara Cohn, $200.00 from Jonathan Johnson, $250.00 from Cecilia Lizarraga, $50.00 from Sylvia Searfoss, $400.00 from Dr. Kathleen Staudt, $25.00 from Jakob M. Reynolds, $100.00 from Carlos Humphrey, $200.00 from Mary Spalding, and$100.00 from Christine Kelso.

Ms. Patricia Osmond, citizen, commented.

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CONSENT AGENDA – BIDS:

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21. *Motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried to **AWARD** Solicitation 2026-0436 Veterinary Narcotic Medication (Re-Bid) to Midwest Veterinary Supply, Inc., for an initial term of three (3) years for an estimated amount of $360,727.77. The award also includes a two (2) year option for an estimated amount of $240,485.18. The total contract time is for five (5) years for a total estimated amount of $601.212.95.

Department:	Animal Services
Award to Supplier 2:	Midwest Veterinary Supply, Inc.
City & State:	Lakeville, MN
Item(s):	1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14,15, 16, 17
Term:	3 Years
Option Terms:	2 Years
Total Contract Time:	5 Years
Annual Estimated Award:	$120,242.59
Initial Term Estimated Award:	$360,727.77
Option Term Estimated Award:	$240,485.18
Total Estimated Award:	$601,212.95
Account(s)	225-2580-25120-531120-P2509
Funding Source(s):	Special Fund
District(s):	All

This was a Low Bid Procurement for a replacement contract.

The Purchasing & Strategic Sourcing and Animal Services Departments recommend award as indicated to Midwest Veterinary Supply, Inc. the lowest responsive and responsible bidder.

It is requested that the City Manager be authorized to establish the funding sources and make any necessary budget transfers and execute any and all documents necessary for execution of this award.

In accordance with this award, the City Manager or designee is authorized to exercise future options if needed.

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REGULAR AGENDA – FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

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Motion made by Representative Limón, seconded by Representative Fierro, and unanimously carried that the following Ordinance, having been introduced pursuant to Section 3.9 of the El Paso City Charter, be **ADVERTISED** for public hearing:

AYES: Representatives Chávez, Acevedo, Maldonado-Rocha, Boyar Trejo, Niño, Fierro, Limón, and Canales
NAYS: None

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22. An Ordinance changing the zoning of Lot 7, Block 4, Hueco View Acres, 11368 Turner Road, City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas from R-3 (Residential) to A-O (Apartment/Office) and imposing a condition. The penalty is as provided for in Chapter 20.24 of the El Paso City Code.

Subject Property: 11368 Turner Road
Applicant: Creosote Land, LLC
Case Number: PZRZ26-00015

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PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 10, 2026

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REGULAR AGENDA – PUBLIC HEARINGS AND SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES:

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23. ORDINANCE 019916

The City Clerk read an Ordinance entitled: **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING EL PASO CITY CODE TITLE 20 (ZONING), CHAPTER 20.02 (GENERAL DEFINITIONS), CHAPTER 20.10 (SUPPLEMENTAL USE REGULATIONS), APPENDIX A (TABLE OF PERMISSIBLE USES) FOR CORRECTIONAL FACILITY AND HALFWAY HOUSE USES. THE PENALTY IS AS PROVIDED IN CHAPTER 20.24 OF THE EL PASO CITY CODE.**

Mr. Kevin Smith, Planning and Inspections Interim Director, presented a PowerPoint presentation (copy on file in the City Clerk's Office).

Representatives Maldonado-Rocha and Canales commented.

Motion duly made by Representative Limón, seconded by Representative Canales, and carried that the Ordinance be **ADOPTED.**

Whereupon the Mayor ordered that a vote be taken on the passage and adoption of the Ordinance which when so done resulted as follows:

AYES: Representatives Chávez, Acevedo, Maldonado-Rocha, Boyar Trejo, Niño, Fierro, Limón, and Canales
NAYS: None

Whereupon the Mayor ordered that, the vote having been cast in favor of the Ordinance, the same be and the same is hereby **ADOPTED**.

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REGULAR AGENDA – MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

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24. **ITEM:** Discussion and action to direct the City Manager to analyze and develop a recommendation for a city-initiated rezoning within the Rio Grande neighborhood to align the zoning ordinance with existing, established development and the City's adopted Comprehensive Plan, with a recommendation returned to Council for discussion and action by December 8, 2026.

Representatives Chávez, Maldonado-Rocha, Boyar Trejo, Niño, Fierro, Limón, and Canales commented.

The following City staff members commented:

- Ms. Dionne Mack, City Manager
- Mr. Kevin Smith, Planning and Inspection Interim Director
- Mr. Alex Hoffman, Capital Improvement Planning Assistant Director
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Motion made by Representative Canales, seconded by Representative Limón, to **APPROVE** the item.

AYES: Representatives Acevedo, Maldonado-Rocha, Limón, and Canales
NAYS: Representatives Chávez, Boyar Trejo, Niño, and Fierro
Mayor Johnson broke the tie by voting "NAY". THE MOTION FAILED.

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The Regular City Council Meeting was **RECESSED** at 11:36 a.m. in order to convene the Mass Transit Department Board Meeting.

The Regular City Council Meeting was **RECONVENED** at 11:51 a.m.

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REGULAR AGENDA – OTHER BUSINESS:

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25. **RESOLUTION AMENDING SCHEDULE C FOR THE CITY OF EL PASO FY 2027 BUDGET RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted the Budget Resolution for FY 2027 on August 18, 2026; and

WHEREAS, paragraph 43 of the Budget Resolution provides that any revision or additions to the fees listed in Schedule C of the Budget Resolution, shall be approved by resolution of the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the Animal Services and Code Enforcement Departments desire to amend certain fees set forth in Schedule C.

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

That, Schedule C, attached to the FY 2027 Budget Resolution and effective September 1, 2026, is hereby amended, effective October 13, 2026, to add, revise, or delete certain fees for the Animal Services and Code Enforcement Departments, as set forth in Attachment A, attached hereto and incorporated herein.

ATTACHMENT A

FY 2027 Line No.	Department	Account	Fee Description	Detail	FY 2027 Adopted Fees	FY 2027 Revised Fees
880	Animal Services	431390	Adoption Fee - includes age-appropriate vaccinations, license, microchip and sterilization.		Each adoption from no charge to $110.00	Each adoption from no charge to $198.00
899	Animal Services	441320	~~Registration Aggressive Dog~~ Registration Vicious Dog		$50.00	$50.00
N/A	Animal Services	443060	EPVMA Surgery Program	Adult small female dog under 40 pounds	N/A	$0 - $160
New	Animal Services	443060	EPVMA Surgery Program	Adult large female dog 40 pounds and over	N/A	$0 - $175
New	Animal Services	443060	EPVMA Surgery Program	Adult small male dog under 40 pounds	N/A	$0 - $140
New	Animal Services	443060	EPVMA Surgery Program	Adult large male dog 40 pounds and over	N/A	$0 - $160
New	Animal Services	443060	EPVMA Surgery Program	Adult female cat	N/A	$0 - $130
New	Animal Services	443060	EPVMA Surgery Program	Adult male cat	N/A	$0 - $120
2014	Code Enforcement	441380	Food Service Establishment Food Product Establishment	~~Under 3,000 Square Feet~~ 6,000 Square Feet or Less	$174.00	$344.00 plus applicable technology fee
2015	Code Enforcement	441380	Food Service Establishment Food Product Establishment - Late Fee on permits past 30 days from expiration date	~~20% of renewal fee with a license expiration date of one year from original expiration date~~$100.00 plus renewal fee with a license expiration date of one year from the original expiration date	$174.00 plus 20% late fee	$344.00 plus $100.00 late fee and applicable technology fee
2016	Code Enforcement	441380	Food Service Establishment Food Product Establishment	~~3,001 to 6,000 Square Feet~~ Over 6,000 Square Feet	$344.00 plus applicable technology fee	$515.00 plus applicable technology fee
2017	Code Enforcement	441380	Food Service Establishment Food Product Establishment - Late Fee on permits past 30 days from expiration date	$100.00 plus renewal fee with a license expiration date of one year from the original expiration date	$174.00 plus $100.00 late fee	$515.00 plus $100.00 late fee and applicable technology fee
2018	Code Enforcement	441090	Plan Review	~~More Than 9,000 Square Feet~~ All Facilities	$263.00 plus applicable technology fee	$263.00 plus applicable technology fee
2024	Code Enforcement	431180	Site Assessment	~~3,001 To 6,000 Square Feet~~ All Facilities	$158.00 plus applicable technology fee	$158.00 plus applicable technology fee
2042	Code Enforcement	431180	~~Requested Routine Inspection for Central Preparation Facility~~ Requested Routine Inspection	~~For Central Preparation Facility~~ For Central Preparation Facility Food Establishments, Daycare, or Other Business	$150.00	$150.00

The following City staff members presented a PowerPoint presentation (copy on file in the City Clerk's Office):

- Mr. Sasho Andonoski, Office of Management and Budget Director
- Mr. Steve Alvarado, Code Enforcement Director
- Mr. Michael Wachsmann, Animal Services Director

Mayor Johnson and Representatives Chávez, Maldonado-Rocha, and Canales commented.

The following City staff members commented:

- Ms. Dionne Mack, City Manager
- Mr. Anthony Morales, Sanitary Services Manager

Ms. Patricia Osmond, citizen, commented.

1ST MOTION
***Motion made, seconded, and carried to **REVISE** the item by striking September 29 and inserting October 13.

2ND MOTION

Motion made by Representative Limón, seconded by Representative Fierro, and carried to **APPROVE** the Resolution, **AS REVISED**.

AYES: Representatives Chávez, Maldonado-Rocha, Boyar Trejo, Fierro, Limón, and Canales
NAYS: Representatives Acevedo and Niño

3RD MOTION
Motion made, seconded, and carried to **RECONSIDER** the item.

4TH AND FINAL MOTION
Motion made by Representative Canales, seconded by Representative Chávez, and carried to **APPROVE** the Resolution, **AS REVISED**.

AYES: Representatives Maldonado-Rocha, Boyar Trejo, Fierro, Limón, and Canales
NAYS: Representatives Chávez, Acevedo, and Niño

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26. R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, by way of a Resolution on February 17, 2026, City Council adopted the 2026-2036 Public Art Master Plan dated February 2026, as the primary guideline in determining and appropriating expenditures from the public art fund; and

WHEREAS, under the provisions of the City Code Chapter 2.40 (Department of Museums and Cultural Affairs) Section 2.40.70 (Art in Municipal Places) and Section 2.40.80 (Administration of the Public Art Program and Establishment of the Public Art Committee) the City of El Paso provided for art in municipal places, established a means of funding acquisition or commissioning of art for municipal places and established that the Public Art Committee, (“PAC”)and the Museums and Cultural Affairs Advisory Board, (“MCAAB”) shall submit an annual Public Art Plan to the City Council; and

WHEREAS, on the advice of the Museums and Cultural Arts Department, have suggested amendments to the 2026 Public Art Plan (the "Plan”) attached hereto as Exhibit “A”** which have been approved by the PAC and MCAAB; and

WHEREAS, the City Council, having taken into consideration the recommendation of the PAC and MCAAB, determines that the Amended Plan is reasonable and appropriately adopted and that said Amended Plan serves the public purpose of enhancing the quality of life of the citizens of El Paso through the development of fine arts and cultural properties and by encouraging the integration of art in the architecture of municipal structures.

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

1. That the Amended 2026 Public Art Plan, attached hereto, be and is hereby officially adopted.

**Exhibit available at the City Clerk’s Office.

Mr. Ben Fyffe, Quality of Life Managing Director, presented a PowerPoint presentation (copy on file in the City Clerk’s Office) and read amendments into the record.

Representatives Chávez, Acevedo, Boyar Trejo, Niño, Fierro, Limón, and Canales commented.

The following City staff members commented:

- Ms. Dionne Mack, City Manager
- Mr. Robert Cortinas, Chief Financial Officer
- Ms. Yvette Hernandez, Deputy City Manager

The following members of the public commented:

1. Mr. Sam Armijo
2. Ms. Patricia Osmond
3. Ms. Lisa Turner

Motion made by Alternate Mayor Pro Tempore Fierro, seconded by Representative Maldonado-Rocha, and carried to **APPROVE** the Resolution, **AS AMENDED**.

AYES: Representatives Chávez, Maldonado-Rocha, Boyar Trejo, Niño, Fierro,
NAYS: Representatives Acevedo, Limón, and Canales

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27. R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, the El Paso Police Department ("EPPD") has previously applied for state grants through the Motor Vehicle Crimes Prevention Authority to finance the acquisition of Automated License Plate Reader ("ALPR") technology; and

WHEREAS, EPPD has used grant funding to enter into agreements with ALPR technology companies such as Flock; and

WHEREAS, on April 28, 2026, the City Council approved agenda item 23 on the Regular Session Agenda, which authorized the City Manager to submit an MVCPA Grant Application intended to finance ALPR technology; and

WHEREAS, on August 28, 2026, Governor Abbott issued an order substantially limiting the availability of state grant funding for ALPR technology; and

WHEREAS, due to the referenced Governor's order, EPPD has no funding to continue to pay for ALPR technology; and

WHEREAS, on September 4 and 8, 2026, EPPD notified Flock that EPPD is unable to continue with Flock's ALPR technology services and requested termination of data collection, sharing of EPPD data, and removal of ALPR equipment; and

WHEREAS, on September 15, 2026, the City Council approved agenda item number 26 requiring the City Attorney to return within 30 days with a resolution that prohibits the City Manager from entering into any agreement with Flock Safety or any other ALPR provider unless otherwise directed by subsequent action of the City Council; and

WHEREAS, on September 16, 2026, EPPD notified Flock that it had 60 days to remove all of its equipment from the City's rights of way.

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

1. The whereas statements above are fully incorporated herein.
2. That the City Manager refrain from entering into, executing, renewing, or extending any contract, agreement, or other arrangement with Flock Safety or any other provider for the acquisition, installation, operation, maintenance, or use of fixed, networked automated license plate reader cameras or substantially similar technology, unless otherwise allowed by subsequent action of the City Council following a proposal or recommendation brought forward by the City Manager, the El Paso Police Department, or a member of the City Council.
3. This Resolution does not prohibit automated license plate reader technology related to handheld license plate readers, vehicle-mounted systems, or technology used specifically for parking enforcement, access control, or toll collection by any operational departments of the City of El Paso.

Representative Canales commented.

The following members of the public commented:

1. Ms. Patricia Osmond
2. Ms. Lisa Turner

Motion made by Representative Canales, seconded by Representative Maldonado-Rocha, and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** the Resolution.

AYES: Representatives Chávez, Acevedo, Maldonado-Rocha, Boyar Trejo, Niño, Fierro, Limón, and Canales
NAYS: None

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28. **R E S O L U T I O N**

WHEREAS, the City of El Paso, ("City") has previously applied for a grant to further the capabilities of the Kay Bailey Hutchison Desalination Center; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the Governor, ("OOG") through the Texas Military Preparedness Commission awards and manages the Defense Economic Adjustment Assistance Grants, ("DEAAG").

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

That the City Manager is hereby authorized to sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Office of the Governor, ("OOG"), Texas Military Preparedness Commission in support of El Paso Water's application for funding through the Defense Economic Adjustment Assistance Grant for an expansion of the Kay Bailey Hutchison Desalination Center.

Ms. Bianca Arriaga, El Paso Water Utility Grant Project Manager, commented.

Representative Canales commented.

Ms. Patricia Osmond, citizen, commented.

Motion made by Representative Boyar Trejo, seconded by Representative Niño, and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** the Resolution.

AYES: Representatives Chávez, Acevedo, Maldonado-Rocha, Boyar Trejo, Niño, Fierro, Limón, and Canales
NAYS: None

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Motion made by Representative Limón, seconded by Representative Fierro, and unanimously carried to **ADJOURN** this meeting at 1:22 p.m.

AYES: Representatives Chávez, Acevedo, Maldonado-Rocha, Boyar Trejo, Niño, Fierro, Limón, and Canales
NAYS: None

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APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

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Laura D. Prine, City Clerk