Oscar Leeser Mayor

Tommy Gonzalez City Manager



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## NOTICE OF WORK SESSION OF THE EL PASO CITY COUNCIL

## **April 10, 2023** COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, 300 N. CAMPBELL AND VIRTUALLY 9:05 AM

Teleconference phone number 1-915-213-4096 Toll free number: 1-833-664-9267 Conference ID: 985-306-423#

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### A quorum of City Council must participate in the meeting.

### AGENDA

1. Presentation and update from the Medical Center of the Americas describing progress toward the development of biomedical industry cluster-specific

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#### District 2

Economic and International Development, Alejandra Fuentes, (915) 212-1618 Economic and International Development, Elizabeth Triggs, (915) 212-0094

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Goal 1 (Economic Development) and Goal 3 (Visual Image) Director, Elizabeth Triggs Assistant Director, Karina Brasgalla

### **All Districts**

Transformation Office, Juliana Baldwin-Munoz, (915) 212-1204

3. Presentation and update on the City of El Paso Downtown and Uptown Master Plan.

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### **All Districts**

Capital Improvement Department, Joaquin Rodriguez, (915) 268-5148

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The City Council of the City of El Paso may retire into EXECUTIVE SESSION pursuant to Section 3.5A of the El Paso City Charter and the Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapter D, to discuss any of the following: (The items listed below are matters of the sort routinely discussed in Executive Session, but the City Council of the City of El Paso may move to Executive Session any of the items on this agenda, consistent with the terms of the Open Meetings Act and the Rules of City Council.) The City Council will return to open session to take any final action and may also, at any time during the meeting, bring forward any of the following items for public discussion, as appropriate.

| Section 551.071 | CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY   |
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| Section 551.072 | DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY                               |
| Section 551.073 | DELIBERATION REGARDING PROSPECTIVE GIFTS                           |
| Section 551.074 | PERSONNEL MATTERS  |
| Section 551.076 | DELIBERATION REGARDING SECURITY DEVICES OR SECURITY AUDITS         |
| Section 551.087 | DELIBERATION REGARDING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT NEGOTIATIONS           |
| Section 551.089 | DELIBERATION REGARDING SECURITY DEVICES OR SECURITY AUDITS; CLOSED |
|                 | MEETING  |

### Goal 6: Set the Standard for Sound Governance and Fiscal Management

### Discussion and action on the following:

**EX1.** Holly Chloe Johnson v. City of El Paso. Matter No. 16-1026-7551 (551.071) **23-485** 

| EX2. | Lilia Gutierrez v. City of El Paso; Matter No. 21-1045-119 (551.071)   | <u>23-488</u> |
|------|--|---------------|
|      | City Attorney's Office, Carlos Gomez Baca, (915) 212-0033  |               |
| EX3. | Application of El Paso Electric Company for a 10MW Community Solar Expansion and Authority to Modify Schedule No. CS Community Solar Rate, Public Utility Commission of Texas Docket No. 54403. Matter No. 22-1008-205 (551.071) | <u>23-489</u> |
|      | City Attorney's Office, Donald Davie, (915) 212-0033   |               |
| EX4. | Texas Gas Service Company, A Division of ONE Gas Inc., Application to Increase Gas Utility Rates. Matter No. 22-1008-198 (551.071)   | <u>23-491</u> |
|      | City Attorney's Office, Donald Davie, (915) 212-0033   |               |

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## **ADJOURN**

Purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property located in Downtown El

### **NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC:**

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Sun Metro Mass Transit, Mary Lou Espinoza, (915) 212-0065 City Attorney's Office, Juan Gonzalez, (915) 212-0033

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## CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS LEGISTAR AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY FORM

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

AGENDA DATE: April 10, 2023

PUBLIC HEARING DATE: N/A

CONTACT PERSON(S) NAME AND PH. NUMBER: Alejandra Fuentes, (915) 212-1618

Elizabeth Triggs, (915) 212-0094

**DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED:** 2

STRATEGIC GOAL: Goal 1: Create an environment conducive to strong sustainable economic development

SUBGOAL: Goal 1.1 Stabilize and expand El Paso's tax base

### 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.

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### **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?

On February 7, 2012 City Council approved a Chapter 380 Economic Development Program Grant Agreement between the City of El Paso and the Medical Center of the Americas Foundation: in relation to undertaking of an economic development project consisting of biomedical cluster specific and infrastructure programs. Per the agreement, the MCA is required to deliver an annual presentation to City Council, on status of activities during the fiscal year, use of funds and progress in the performance measures.

### PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

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

Yes, MCA presented their first annual report on October 15, 2013 and since that time, has provided an annual presentation and report to the City Council.

### **AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:**

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

Impact Fund

HAVE ALL AFFECTED DEPARTMENTS BEEN NOTIFIED? \_X\_ YES \_\_\_NO

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT: Economic & International Development

SECONDARY DEPARTMENT: n/a

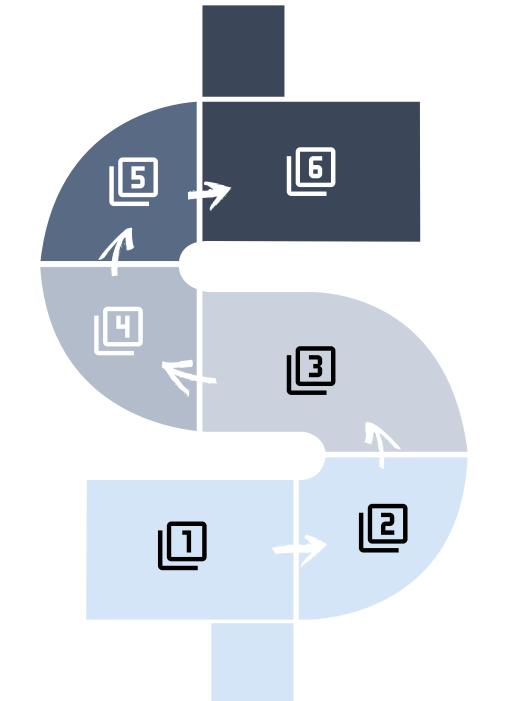
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| DEPARTMENT HEAD: |         |  |

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## MCA Foundation & City of El Paso Economic Development Program Grant Agreement

18 Year Agreement 2012 - 2030

Building & Non-Building
Components & Metrics

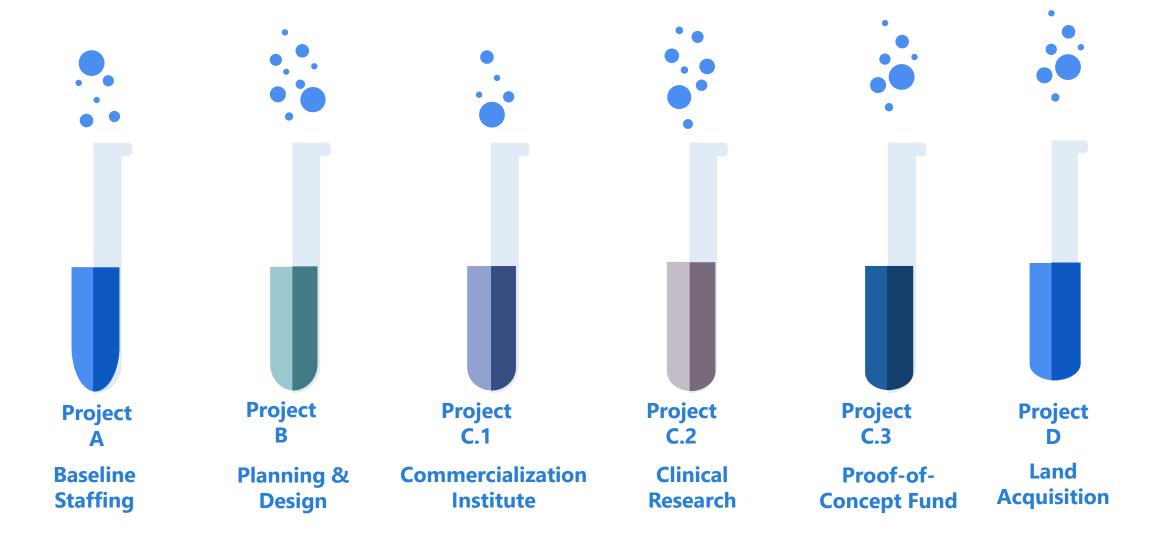
75% of Impact Fund
Allocated to MCA

Quarterly Reports & Grant
Distribution Requests

- Cap at \$3 Million / Year
- Annual Oral & Written
  Reports to City Council

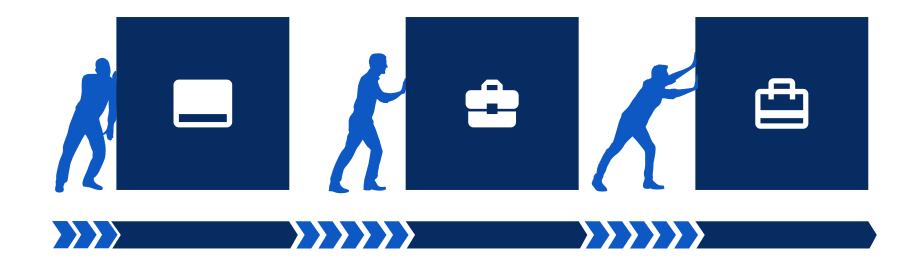
## **Non-Building Components**





## **Building Components**





**Project D.1** 

Parking

**Project E** 

Tech Building

a/k/a Cardwell

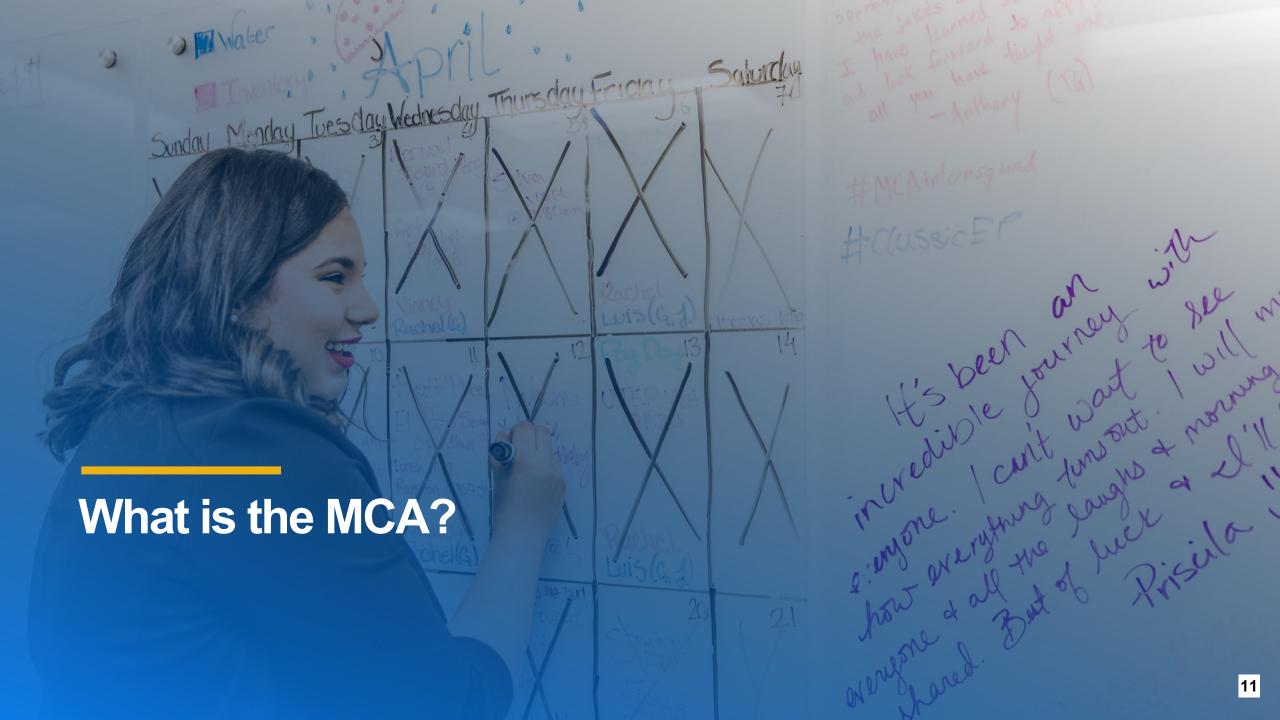
Collaborative

**Project F** 

TTUHSC El Paso

**Nursing School** 

Building.



## Why Do We Do What We Do?



Our mission, vision, & long-term goals...

Mission: To develop and catalyze the life sciences ecosystem in the region.

<u>Vision:</u> To cultivate a dynamic health industry and innovation / entrepreneurship ecosystem that competes globally.





Develop a <u>life sciences</u>
<u>ecosystem</u> that competes
globally to improve HC and
create economic opportunity



Develop a <u>robust medical campus</u> as a hub for medical services and accompanying commercial enterprise



Build a strong MCA organization that complies with City Impact Fund grant and is self-sustaining, going concern beyond 2030

## **MCA Organizational Chart**

MCA Foundation Legally Formed In November of 2006





Management, Finance, Funding Development, Outreach, Biomedical Programs Real Property
Land Holdings
- Future Euclid/
Chelsea
Developments

MCAmericas REALTY, INC.

509(a)(3)

501(c)(3)

For-profit entity for biomedical commercialization activities



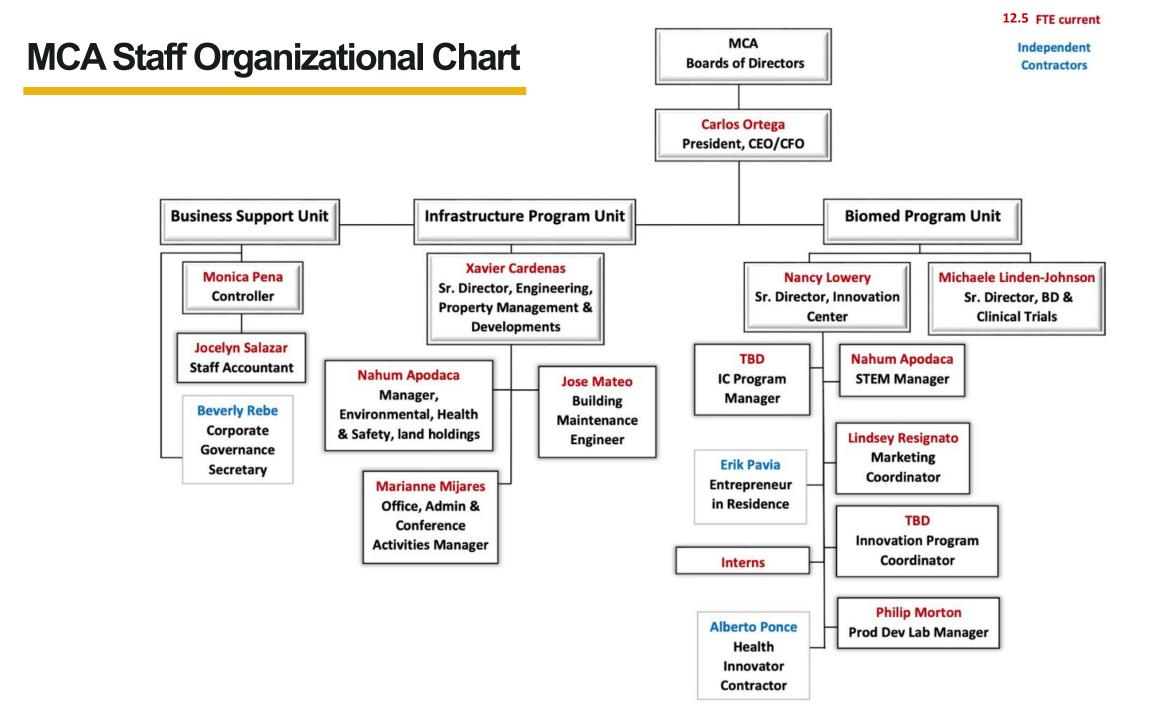
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Cardwell Collaborative
- upper 3 acre
tech park site



Real Property
Holdings
- lower 10 acre
tech park site
- VA Clinic





## MCA Board Leadership – 2022



## MCA Holdings & Foundation

1. Sigfrido Delgado, Jabil
2. Ed Escudero, High Desert Capital
3. CHAIR: Rick Francis, WestStar, Bank
4. Ted Houghton, Houghton Financial Partners
5. Josh Hunt, Hunt Companies
6. Patrick Landry, SAIC
7. Meyer Marcus, MIMCO
8. Charles "Trey" Miller, PhD, UT Houston
9. Judy Robison, Community Volunteer
10. VICE CHAIR: Mylena Walker Cardinal Health
11. Henry Yoshawirja, Quix Holding Corp.
12. Sean Ihorn, Transtelco
13. Jessica Pretiger, Shared Assssments
14. Lane Gaddy, W-Silver Recycling



## **MCA Realty Companies**

- 1. Matt Bohannon
- 2. Ed Escudero
- 3. Ted Houghton
- 4. Ben Marcus
- 5. Josh Hunt
- 6. Melinda Becker
- 7. Rick Francis
- 8. Lane Gaddy
- Christian Giese

## BMIA, Inc.

- 1. Lisa Budtke
- 2. Josh Hunt
- 3. Linda Troncoso



## **Elected Officials**

City Manager

City Council Representative, District #2

County Commissioner, Precinct #2

State Representative, District #76

Texas State Senator

**Honorary &** Institutional **Directors**' Reports

## Education

Burrell College of Osteopathic Medicine

New Mexico State University

TTUHSC El Paso

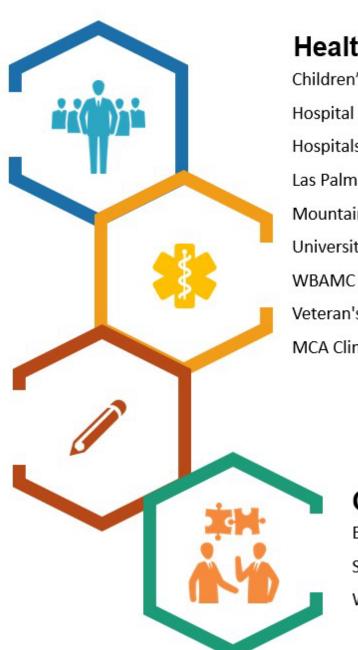
University of Texas at El Paso

UT Houston School of Public Health

El Paso Community College

Universidad Autonoma de Ciudad Juarez

Tech de Monterrey



## Healthcare

Children's Hospital of El Paso

Hospital Angeles, Juarez

Hospitals of Providence

Las Palmas / Del Sol

Mountain View Medical Center

University Medical Center of El Paso

Veteran's Administration

MCA Clinical Trials Consortium

## Community

Borderplex Alliance

San Juan Neighborhood Association

Workforce Solutions Borderplex

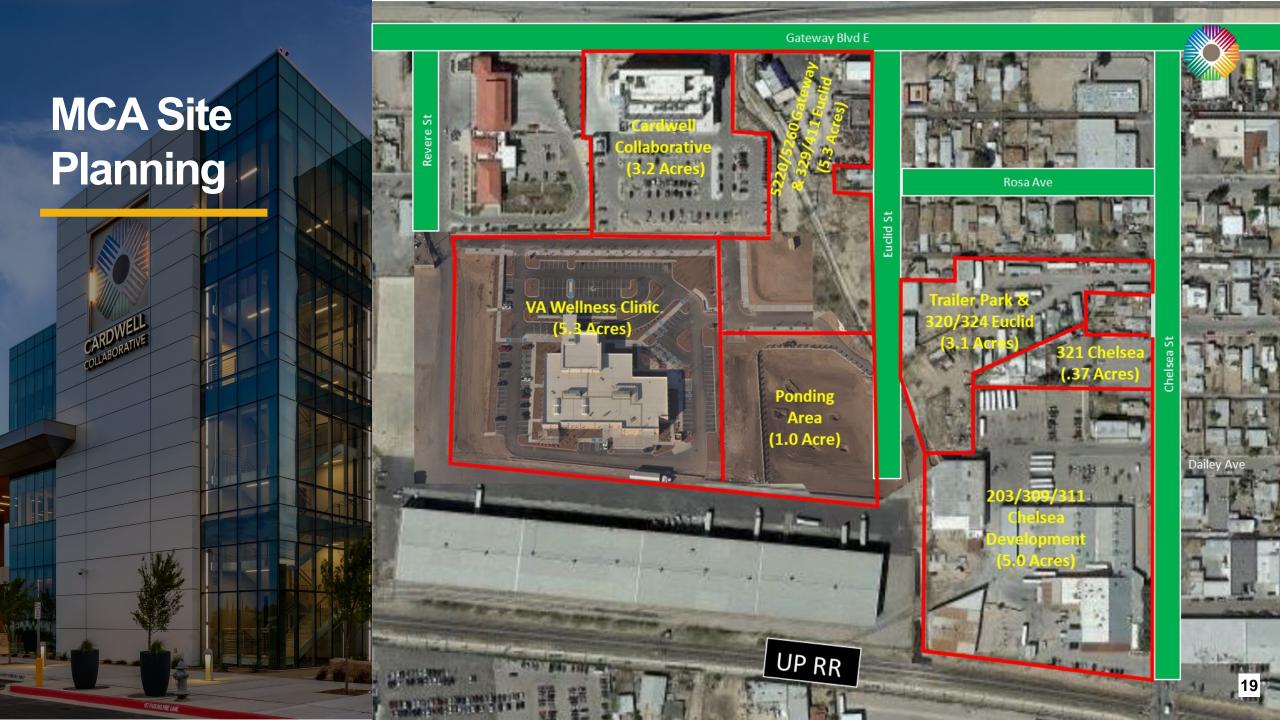




## **Building Assets**

- Cardwell Collaborative
  - Opened 2016
  - \$27 million
  - 93% occupied
  - NMTC + Commercial Financing
- VA Wellness Center
  - Opened 2020
  - \$16 million
  - 100% occupied
  - 20-year lease with VA, two 4-year options
  - NMTC Financing
- 24 acres acquired
  - 9.5 acres developed
  - 14.5 acres undeveloped
  - \$7.2 million on land acquisition 2012 2022
    - \$1.2 million in 2022
    - \$1 million on road & infrastructure improvements
    - \$500,000 in environmental remediation awarded by EPA grant







## **Initiatives**

- STEM Camps
  - 3 weeklong camps
    - 30 students
  - 10 day long camps
    - 200+ students
- 13 school STEM events
  - 2,125+ students/faculty/staff
- Created traveling STEM Camp program
- Developed STEM in a Box
- Updated workbook & Periodic Table of Life Sciences Careers in English & Spanish
- Engaged Nahum Apodaca as STEM Instructor & Marianne Mijares as STEM Coordinator

## **Funding**

• \$30k in local grant support







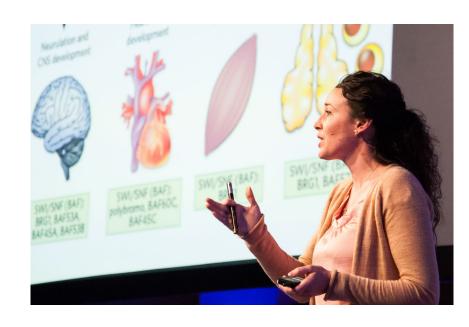


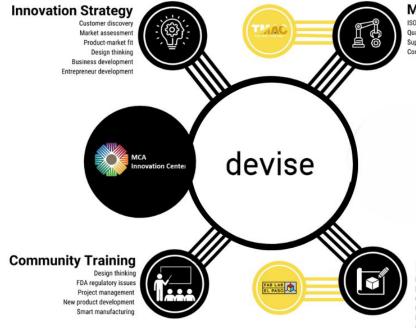
## **Initiatives**

- Nurse Innovator
  - 18 week accelerator
  - 6 projects; 9 participants
- Devise Product Development Lab
  - 17 unique trainings 204 hours
  - 310+ participants 75+ companies
- 21 companies supported
- Ecosystem Building
  - 12 Innovation Center events
  - 2 regional pitch events
  - 200+ participants

## **Funding**

- \$750K EDA i6 award
  - ends December 2022
- \$750K EDA Sprint award
  - ends May 2023
- \$75K Workers Lab
- \$25K SBA Visionary Challenge award





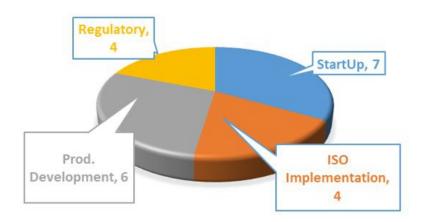
### Manufacturing Support

ISO training and implementation Quality control Supply chain sourcing & Integration Contract manufacturing sourcing

## **Product Design & Development**

Minimum viable product
Design for manufacturing
CAD design
Rapid prototyping
Design validation
Fit-Form-Function
Regulatory pathways

# **Innovation Center Company Support**

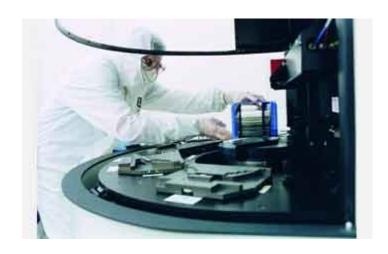


## **IDEA**



## PJ REX Tech

- Generic Drugs
- El Paso Based
- Business Development / Lab Space / Regulatory support



## **MetalX Biocycle**

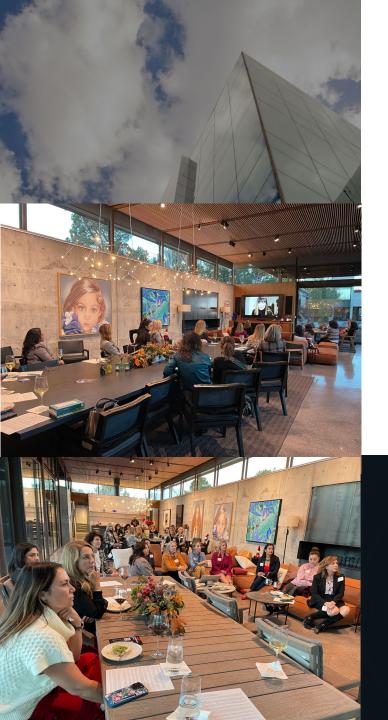
- Metal Extraction + Reuse
- Relocation to El Paso
- Business Development / Pitch Coaching
- Lab Space December 2022

## **MANUFACTURE**



## **Airport Printing**

- Commercial Printing Services
- El Paso Based
- Expand Supplier Market
- ISO Implementation



## **Ecotone Investment Fund**

- \$3.5M venture Fund
  - \$3.025M raised
- 38 investors
  - 32% women investors
    - 33% dollars invested
  - 38% minority investors
    - 44% dollars invested
- First close June 2022
- First investment August 2022
- Supported by \$300K EDA Seed Fund grant

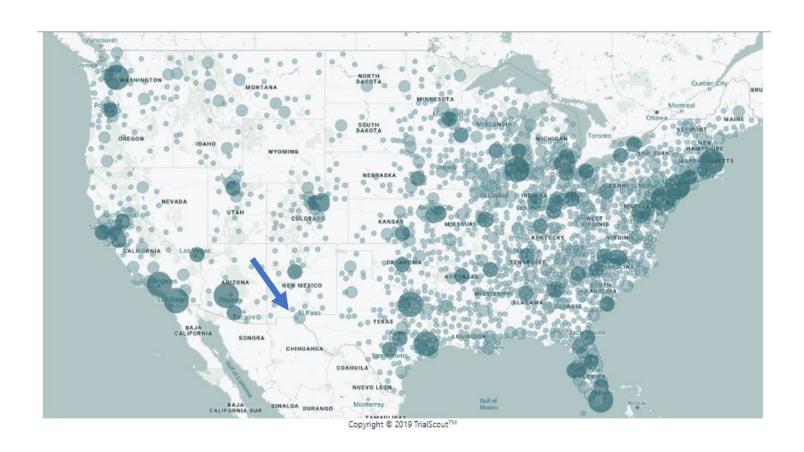


## MCA's Clinical Trial Consortium (CTC)



## **Core Objective:**

Catalyze and
Develop A Globally
Competitive Clinical
Research Hub Built
By & For Hispanics
& For the
Improvement of
Hispanic Health &
Health Outcomes



## MCA's Clinical Trial Consortium (CTC)



## **Consortium Activities**

Marketing & Communications

Networking / Partnership Introductions

Program & Initiative Implementation & Funding

Strategic Planning

## **Core Programs & Initiatives**





Webinar 1X/MO Learn, Network, Drive Trials to EP



## Clinical Trial Consortium

## Annual Impact Report



| Trial<br>Activity | 2016 | 2022 | % Increase |
|-------------------|------|------|------------|
| Overall           | 115  | 333  | 190%       |

## Type

5 Dedicated Research Sites, 8 Academic Sites, 32 Hybrid Sites

## **New Trial Specialties**

Oncology, Neurology, Allergy & Immunology, Infectious Disease, GI /Liver, Cardiology, Behavioral Health, Orthopedics, Medical Devise, / Phase II b capabilities

## **Economic Impact**

The global clinical trials market is expected to reach **USD 84.43 billion by 2030** and is expected to expand at a compound annual growth rate (CAGR) of **5.8%** from 2021 to 2030

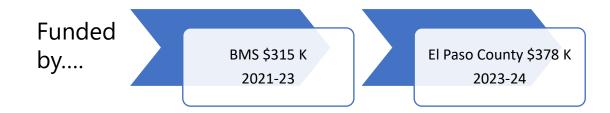
Added 90+ Jobs PI, CRC, Study Manager, CRA, etc.

\$60 + million added to our local economy

| CTA Services   | Role            | %'age<br>Hispanics | %'age<br>Bilingual | HS Diploma +<br>Community<br>College | BA &<br>Above |
|--|-----------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------|
| ACRP CRC Core Competency Course * UTEP Elective      | 49-<br>CRCs     | 81%                | 80%                | 34%                                  | 66%           |
| PI eLearning,<br>Coaching, & Site<br>Startup Support | <b>18-</b> PI's |                    |                    |                                      |               |
| Apprenticeships                                      | 3-CRC           |                    |                    |                                      |               |



The CTA program aims to grow our region's clinical research workforce (PIs, Coordinators) and the number of community outpatient clinics conducting clinical research in El Paso, Texas and Las Cruces, New Mexico.



Clinical Trial Academy

Powered by:



Sponsored by:





Patnership with:









# Medical Center of the Americas Foundation and Affiliates Project Status Report Summary For the Period September 1, 2021 through August 31, 2022

## **Economic Development Program Grant (Impact Fund):**

| 2022 appropriation                                   | \$ | 2,826,542 |               |
|--|----|-----------|---------------|
| Total grant revenues                                 |    |           | 2,826,542     |
| Count and distance has actually                      |    |           |               |
| Grant expenditures by category:                      |    |           |               |
| Non-building components:                             |    |           |               |
| Personnel expenses <sup>1</sup>                      | \$ | 949,360   |               |
| Professional fees & contract services (Supplement A) |    | 102,842   |               |
| Administrative expenses (Supplement B)               |    | 56,123    |               |
| Land acquisition (Supplement C)                      |    | 414,550   |               |
| Office & computer equipment                          |    | 4,224     |               |
| Total non-building components                        |    |           | 1,527,099     |
| Building components:                                 |    |           |               |
| TTUHSC Hunt School of Nursing funding                |    | 612,000   |               |
| Cardwell Collaborative (Supplement D)                |    | 328,382   |               |
| Total building components                            |    |           | <br>940,382   |
| Total expenditures                                   |    |           | 2,467,481     |
| Surplus  |    |           | \$<br>359,060 |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Detailed payroll and benefit records are available for review at the MCA offices.



# **Grants Won in Fiscal Year 2022**

Identifying Opportunities

Developing Grant Applications

Program Execution

Grant Management

# **Grants Won From September 1, 2021 – August 31, 2022:**

- \$500,000 EPA Brownfields Cleanup
- \$152,000 Bristol-Myers Squibb
- \$15,000 Moleen Foundation
- \$10,000 Workforce Solutions Borderplex
- \$5,000 El Paso Electric

**TOTAL OF \$682,000** 

## **Economic Development**



## **MCA Cumulative Financial Resource Leverage 2012 - 2022:**

\$99.7 million 11% MCA: Grants & Donor Contributions \$11.2 million City of El Paso: Impact Fund 2012-2022 appropriations 31% \$30.6 million MCA: CC, VA and Land Financing 44% MCA: Lease Revenue \$44.3 million 14% **Leverage Ratio** \$13.6 million

2 MCA: 1 City



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

**DEPARTMENT: City Manager's Department** 

AGENDA DATE: April 10, 2023 PUBLIC HEARING DATE: N/A

CONTACT PERSON NAME AND PHONE NUMBER: Transformation (Performance) Office,

Juliana Baldwin-Munoz (915) 212-1204

**DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: AII** 

STRATEGIC GOAL:

Goal 1 Cultivate an Environment Conducive to Strong, Economic Development

Goal 3 Promote the Visual Image of El Paso

### SUBGOAL:

6.4- Implement leading-edge practices for achieving quality and performance excellence

### **SUBJECT:**

Presentation and discussion providing a report from the following Goal Teams:

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Goal 1 (Economic Development) and Goal 3 (Visual Image)

Director, Elizabeth Triggs Assistant Director, Karina Brasgalla

### **BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:**

Goal team reporting ensures a systematic approach is sustained for operating departments to share progress made on strategic objectives across the eight goals as outlined and adopted in the Strategic Plan by the City Council. The presentation will highlight key team accomplishments and a current fiscal year, mid-year operations report.

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

## PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

Most recent Strategic Planning Session convened December 1-2, 2021.

## **AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:**

N/A

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:** 

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# FY23 GOAL TEAM REPORT RESULTS

**GOAL 1+3** 

**GOAL 1:** Strong sustainable **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** 

**GOAL 3: Promote the VISUAL IMAGE of EI Paso** 

**VIBRANT REGIONAL ECONOMY** 



### **Goal Team Report provided March 27th**



### **VISION BLOCK**

# SAFE + BEAUTIFUL NEIGHBORHOODS

Team Leads: Jonathan Killings, Zina Silva Yvette Hernandez Ellen Smyth

### STRATEGIC GOALS

**GOAL 2 - SAFE & SECURE CITY** 

**GOAL 7** - Enhance & Sustain El PASO'S INFRASTRUCTURE Network

**GOAL 8** - HEALTHY, SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY

### **DEPARTMENTS**

ORGANIZATIONAL ALIGNMENT

ANIMAL SERVICES + CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT + COMMUNITY & HUMAN DEVELOPMENT + ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES + FIRE + MASS TRANSIT + MUNICIPAL COURT + POLICE + PUBLIC HEALTH + STREET & MAINTENANCE



### **Goal Team Report being provided today**



### **VISION BLOCK**

**Vibrant Regional Economy** 

Team Leads: Elizabeth Triggs Karina Brasgalla

### STRATEGIC GOALS

**GOAL 1 - Strong sustainable ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** 

**GOAL 3** - Promote the VISUAL IMAGE OF EL PASO

### **DEPARTMENTS**ORGANIZATIONAL ALIGNMENT

AVIATION + DESTINATION EL PASO + ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT + INTERNATIONAL BRIDGES + PLANNING & INSPECTIONS

#### **NEXT UP: Goal Team Report to be provided April 24<sup>th</sup>**



### **VISION BLOCK**

### RECREATIONAL, CULTURAL + EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Team Lead: Ben Fyffe

### STRATEGIC GOALS

### **DEPARTMENTS**

ORGANIZATIONAL ALIGNMENT

**GOAL 4** - Enhance El Paso's Quality of Life through Recreational, Cultural & Educational Environments

LIBRARIES + MUSEUMS & CULTURAL AFFAIRS + PARKS & RECREATION + ZOO & BOTANICAL GARDENS



### POWERED BY THE TEAM



### GOAL 1

- Aviation
- Destination El Paso
- Economic Development
- International Bridges

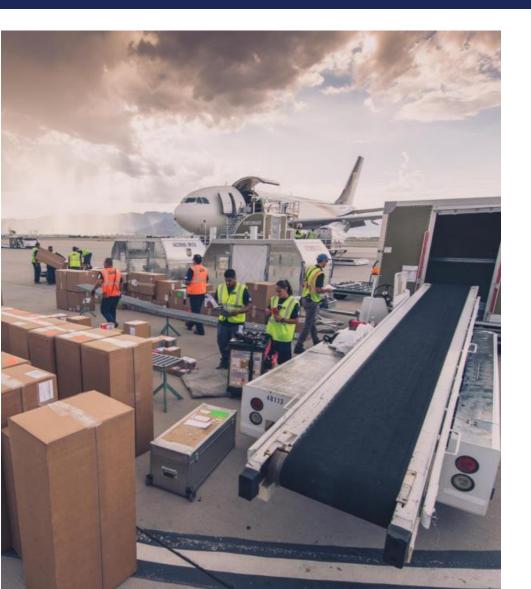
### GOAL 3

Planning + Inspections

### **Key Accomplishments**

#### Transformative Results Since Strategic Plan Adoption





#### **Aviation**

- 29 new or expanded flights and 3 new airlines added
- Best Airport in North America by size and region (2018-2019)
- Low cost per enplanement year after year (keeps costs low for airlines, attracts new flights & routes)
- Rental Car Center, expanded available rental cars
- Checked Baggage Inspection System, increased baggage processing capacity and reduced processing time
- Landscape and lighting improvements, upgraded the first impression & gateway of our City
- Terminal improvements, lighting, flooring, seating, Concourse A, additional restrooms
- World-class holiday decorations and programming as a part of Winterfest



### **Aviation:** Air Service Development







### **Aviation:** Capital Improvement Projects

- FY23 FY27: \$276,196,754
- Up from previous year: \$177,966,294
- Reflective of potential grant awards, increased construction costs, and expanding non-aeronautical development
- Major Projects Include:
  - Advanced Manufacturing District
  - Sustainability, Solar & Lighting
  - Runway Rehabilitation
  - Terminal Rehabilitation
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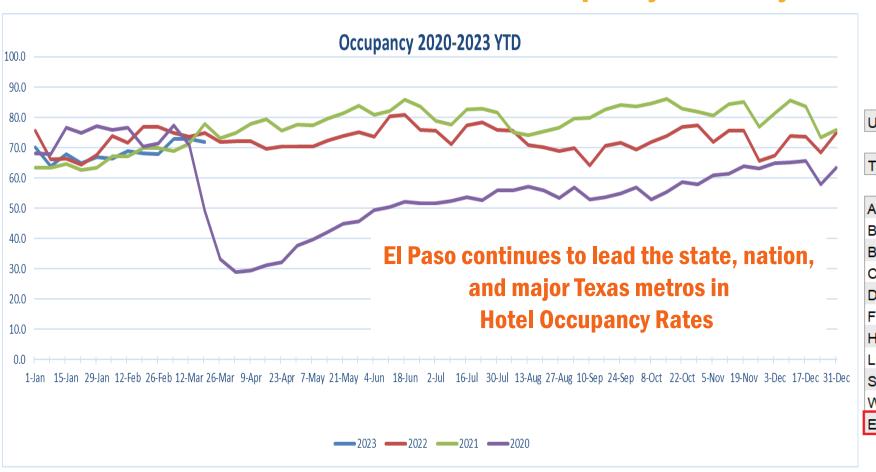


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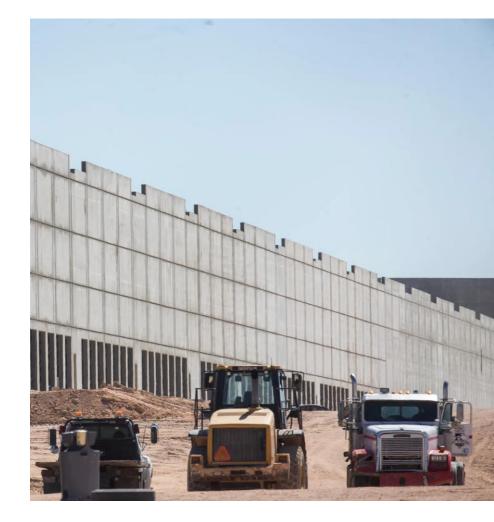
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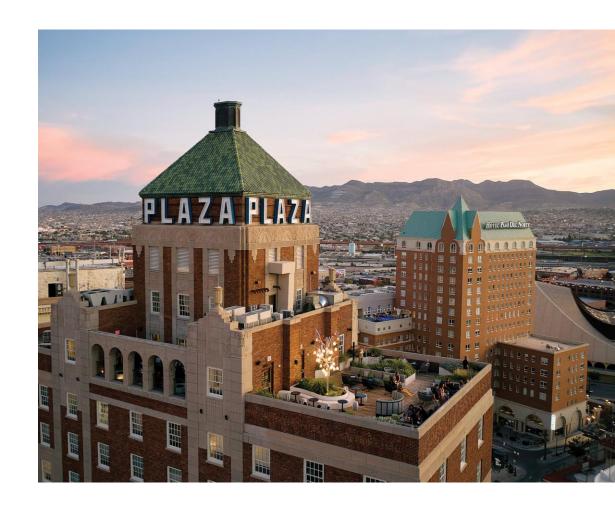
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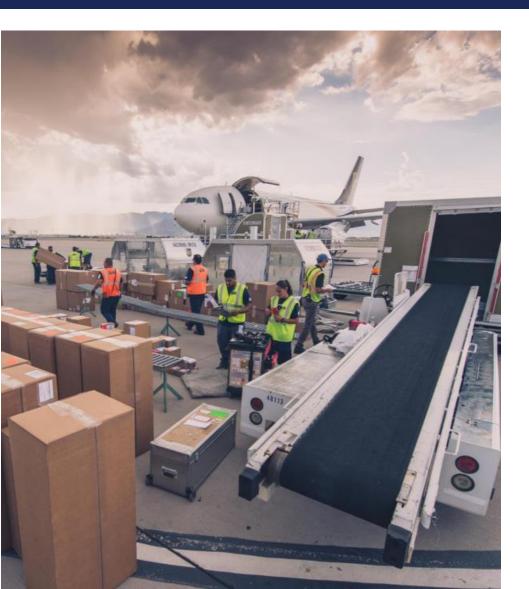
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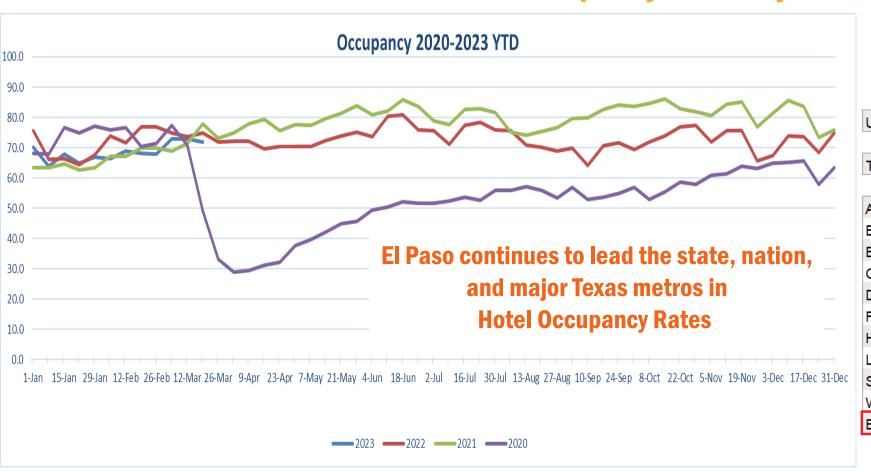


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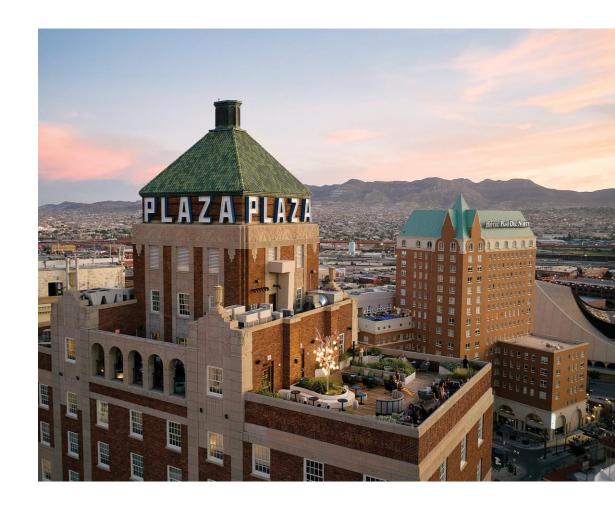
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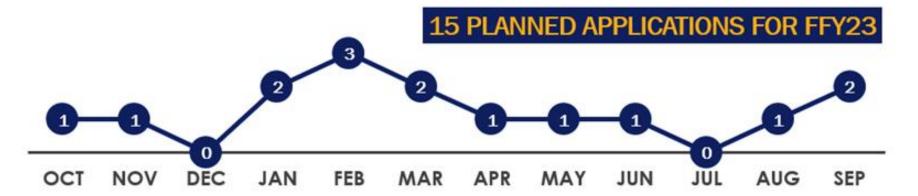


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- Implementation and enhancement of new electronic plan review program and pre-application meetings (faster plan review, cost and time savings to customers)
- LSS Projects include Tenant Improvements, new Commercial Building Permits,
   HUD payment processing, Temporary Permits
- Continuously exceeding between \$2-3 million in annual projected revenue

"I can assure you that thus far El Paso has far surpassed our typical experience in dealing with planning & building departments." - Mary Burns, Vortex Engineering

"We don't get anywhere near this level of service in other markets." - Gary Olmstead, PSRBB Industrial Group



## **Planning & Inspections**

- 10th year anniversary of the One-Stop Shop in April
  - Continued service during pandemic
  - Annually serving:
    - 25,000 in-person customers
    - 65,000 customers by phone
    - 15,000 customers by email
    - 5,000 customers by mail
- Transition Accela (permitting tracking software) to a cloud based system and a new call center software for efficiency and quality control
- Improved and continuous training to Planning and Inspections staff to enforce property maintenance and code compliance in all districts
- Promote pre-application/construction meetings for customized approach to future developments, saving customers time and money



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| Key<br>Performance<br>Indicator        | FY2017<br>Actual | FY18<br>Actual | FY19<br>Actual | FY20<br>Actual | FY21<br>Actual | FY22<br>Actual | FY23<br>Thru Q2 | Annual<br>Target |
|--|------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Amount of capital investment           | \$340M           | \$181M         | \$278M         | \$15M          | \$189M         | \$48.1M        | \$15.9M         | \$100M           |
| Number of<br>new jobs<br>created       | 1,211            | 753            | 1,747          | 420            | 1,879          | 533            | 428             | 1,000            |
| Number of jobs retained (Incentivized) | 1,183            | 1,473          | 1,117          | 578            | 0              | 956            | 1,130           | 1,000            |



#### Economic & International Development

Number of New Jobs Created

428!
Target: 1,000 (-572.00)

2023



Number of Jobs Retained (Incentivized)

1,130 Target: 1,000 (+130.00)



Amount of Capital Investment

\$15,910,438

Target: \$100,000,000 (-\$84,089,562.00)

2023



| Key<br>Performance<br>Indicator                               | FY17<br>Actual | FY18<br>Actual | FY19<br>Actual | FY20<br>Actual | FY21<br>Actual | FY22<br>Actual            | FY23<br>Thru Q2          | Annual<br>Target                                  |
|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Future hotel rooms booked                                     | 14,486         | 18,245         | 21,094         | 9,105          | 5,985          | 15,540                    | 10,736                   | 5% increase                                       |
| Facility rental revenue                                       | \$6,023,659    | \$7,356,227    | \$7,439,044    | \$4,138,042    | \$3,274,999    | \$5,617,636               | \$3,534,566              | 2% increase                                       |
| Cost Per<br>Enplaned<br>Passenger                             | \$5.89         | \$5.47         | \$4.99         | \$6.44         | \$11.33        | <b>\$5.23</b> (estimated) | <b>\$6.16</b> (budgeted) | 5% below<br>national<br>average for<br>small hubs |
| One-Stop-Shop<br>Customer<br>Average In-<br>Person Wait Time  | 6:56           | 7:48           | 6:58           | 6:53           | 6:48           | 7:05                      | 7:02                     | <8 minutes  |
| % of Inspections conducted within One Calendar Day of Request | 98%            | 98.3%          | 97%            | 97.6%          | 98.21%         | 97.6%                     | 97%                      | At least 98%                                      |



### El Paso International Airport

Cost per Enplaned Passenger

\$6.16

Target: \$9.02 (+\$2.86)

2023





#### Planning & Inspections

New Commercial Building Initial Review Time

12.30

Target: 12.00 (-0.30)

2023

Inspections Conducted within One Calendar Day

97.00%

Target: 98.00% (-1.00%)

2023



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### Strategy link + 30 by 30

## Grow the core business of air transportation

Activate targeted (re)development

Airport Development

- Continue to work with our Airline partners to expand air service for our community
- Identify opportunities for new or expanded routes and present business cases to Airlines
- Present business cases to U.S. and Mexican Air Carriers for international flights to Mexico
- Grow non-aeronautical revenue through land development
- Upgrade Terminal Lighting and Seating
- Open Innovation Factory
- Begin work on the Advanced Manufacturing District
- Master Plan for Air Cargo Development



#### Strategy link + 30 by 30

Stimulate economic growth through cross border mobility, trade, and tourism



### **Enhance cross-border mobility experience for bridge users**

Capital Improvement Plan implementation- Revamp toll operations schedules and lane management

- Design of ITS projects at Ysleta-Zaragoza and BOTA
  - ➤ Upgrade of toll collections systems, dynamic message signs, traffic cameras, traffic counters and wait time collection devices at Ysleta-Zaragoza and Bridge of the Americas POEs
- Implementation of Stanton and PDN traffic study
- Complete parking meter technology upgrades
  - Design and launch new parking website
  - Implement Garage Wayfinding for Downtown
  - > Display time on all meters from Park 915 App
  - > Display bi-lingual instructions on all parking meters
  - > Install new sensor technology
  - ➤ Update Residential Parking Permit Program for Downtown
- Capital improvement program updates/phasing implementation



#### Strategy link + 30 by 30

#### **Enhance visitor revenue opportunities**



- Maintain strong Hotel Occupancy at 68% or greater to lead state and national averages
- Develop and conduct ongoing public awareness, education and training programs related to ecotourism and cultural heritage to stimulate visitation to the region.
- ❖ Increased sales initiatives to attract meeting and convention activity, featuring new downtown hotel development and convention center renovations
- Develop destination entertainment locations to increase tourism by leveraging City-owned land (Cohen, Northwest, Zaragoza, Crosswinds)



#### Strategy link + 30 by 30

Maximize venue efficiencies through revenue growth and control



- ❖ Provide the highest levels of cleanliness and safety utilizing ASM Global's VenueShield and GBAC Star Accreditation
- Expand entertainment offerings in the ACT and the Plaza Theatre
- Convention Center Refresh Project Phase III
- CPAC Network Infrastructure Upgrade
- Expo Hall / Ballroom Conversion In Progress
- CPAC Fire & Life Safety Upgrades and Improvements
- ❖ Administration Building 1st Floor Renovation (Downtown Visitor Center / Meeting Space) Demolition Complete



#### Strategy link + 30 by 30

#### **Stabilize and Expand El Paso's Tax Base**



#### **Activate targeted (re)development**

Medical Center of the Americas/Alameda, Reimagine Cohen/Angora Loop/Northeast Parkway, Five Points, Airport Development, High priority corridor development plans, Infill growth strategies, Parking strategies, Disposition of City-owned properties



### **Expand Downtown revitalization/redevelopment** to include

Streetcar corridor vibrancy, Convention center renovation, Parking management plans, Uptown

- Activate targeted (re)development areas including Cohen, Crosswinds, Downtown, Zaragoza and Northwest, Five Points, and MCA (including Alameda Corridor) through the identification and implementation of context appropriate economic development strategies
- Enhance Downtown revitalization efforts with an emphasis on increased residential density and historic preservation
- Leverage real estate assets to support economic development priorities, such as the development of destination locations



#### Strategy link + 30 by 30

#### Stabilize and Expand El Paso's Tax Base



Grow existing and attract new target industries, including advanced manufacturing and international development; creating a innovation-driven culture of technology that fosters economic prosperity and creates high-paying career pathways

- Attract and expand investment opportunities across key industry sectors, including advanced manufacturing leveraging the new El Paso Makes: Advanced Manufacturing District
- Fill and open the El Paso Makes: Innovation Factory
- Implementation and enhancement of a Small Business Response + Recovery Plan, including the rollout of \$14 million in small business assistance funding
- Use Sister Cities as a mechanism to promote business development and foreign investment in the region



#### Strategy link + 30 by 30

Streamline processes to provide a solid foundation for development



Launch new business-friendly practices and services improving

Speed-to-market and supporting entrepreneurship/microenterprises

- Completed review of 2021 ICC building and fire codes for future Council adoption
- Improved online permitting software for automation, online payments, tracking, and reporting
- Ombudsperson utilization of Rock Solid Dynamics for CRM correspondence
- Cross-functional collaboration between P&I and EP Water to improve Community Rating System for floodplain management



### Strategy link + 30 by 30

## Provide business-friendly permitting and inspection process



Launch new business-friendly practices and services improving

Speed-to-market and supporting entrepreneurship/microenterprises

- Project management for all projects for approval, issuance of building permits and inspections
- Automation of processes for quality control
- Creation of Quality Assurance and Training Specialist to enhance customer service and experience
- Enhance cross-training for more knowledgeable and experienced workforce

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Presentation and update on the City of El Paso Downtown and Uptown Master Plan.

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| CONTACT PERSON(S) NAI                                 | ME AND PHONE NUMBER:  | Joaquin Rodriguez, 915-268-5148  |             |
| DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED:                                 | City-wide   |  |             |
|   | I - Cultivate an Environmen<br>nd expand El Paso's tax bas                                  | nt Conducive to Strong, Economic D<br>se   | Development |
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| www.elev8ep.com/downtov council in April of this year | so Downtown + Uptown Mas<br>wn. Staff is in the process o<br>r. This presentation is the se | sterplan is available for review at<br>of finalizing this draft for presentation<br>second in a series of three presentar<br>2 will focus on major findings of the | tions       |
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# **Downtown + Uptown Plan**

Planning framework for economic development, affordable and market rate housing, improved transit service, and walkability

City Council Work Session #2 4/10/2023





## **Downtown + Uptown Plan Overview**

Plan **Focus New market** Funding & Regulatory Changes rate & affordable housing units Streamlined Procedures **Areas** Create Uptown TIRZ Potential for Zoning/Bldg Codes 10,000 dwellings Tax Abatement by 2040 LIHTC **Improve 5 Catalyst Sites Neighborhoods** & Connectivity Neighborhood Infill Downtown Complete streets, transit, **Economic** Mesa Greenway City led public realm **Texas Corridor Diversity** investments Mesa/7th Generate demand for grocery, restaurants, hotels, services, and growth in employment

## **Plan Adoption**

Target May 2023 with three (3) presentations to City Council

- 1. March: Public engagement
- 2. April: Major findings
- May: Implementation strategies



# **Downtown + Uptown Engagement**







## Realize-Transform-Enhance: 3 Planning Paradigms

## Framework to localize recommendations

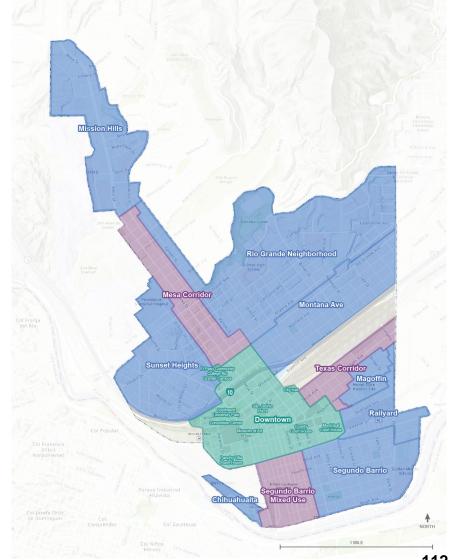
**Realize:** High density housing and economic development Downtown from I-10 to Paisano

**Transform:** Midrise walkable and transit-oriented priority corridors

Mesa, Texas, Segundo Barrio between Downtown and the bridges

**Enhance/Reinforce:** Investment in established neighborhoods

Mission Hills, Kern, Rio Grande, El Paso High, Sunset Heights, Montana, Magoffin, Railyards, Segundo Barrio, and Chihuahuita





## **Intended Outcomes**

Increased density and new development helps fund improvements to existing neighborhoods and affordable housing.

## **Realizing Housing Potential**

- Capitalize on a streamlined development process
- Rethink financial incentives
- Invest in targeted public realm amenities to stimulate private investment in new housing and commercial services.



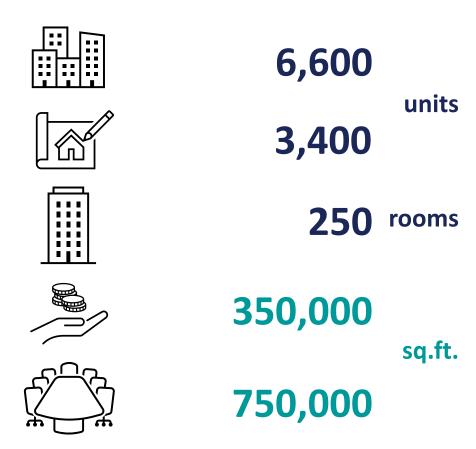


## **2040 Development Demand**

 El Paso lags compared to peer cities in for Downtown housing development. Market support for 10,000 new units by 2040

|                     | Hous      | Housing Units |        | 2010-2021 |       |        |
|---------------------|-----------|---------------|--------|-----------|-------|--------|
| DESCRIPTION         | 2010      | 2021          | Total  | # Ann     | % Ann | City % |
| Downtown            | 7,834     | 8,374         | 540    | 49        | 0.6%  | 2.1%   |
| El Paso             | 227,639   | 253,269       | 25,630 | 2,330     | 1.0%  | -      |
|                     |           |               |        |           |       |        |
| Peer Cities (2-Mile | e Radius) |               |        |           |       |        |
| Colorado Springs    | 20,872    | 22,431        | 1,559  | 142       | 0.7%  | 6.7%   |
| Albuquerque         | 20,004    | 20,996        | 992    | 90        | 0.4%  | 7.6%   |
| Oklahoma City       | 13,143    | 16,129        | 2,986  | 271       | 1.9%  | 8.5%   |
| Tucson              | 20,938    | 22,432        | 1,494  | 136       | 0.6%  | 11.0%  |
| Fort Worth          | 10,922    | 17,844        | 6,922  | 629       | 4.6%  | 11.7%  |
| Austin              | 35,709    | 50,747        | 15,038 | 1,367     | 3.2%  | 17.5%  |
| Las Cruces          | 18,232    | 19,403        | 1,171  | 106       | 0.6%  | 19.5%  |
| Waco                | 16,882    | 18,086        | 1,204  | 109       | 0.6%  | 20.4%  |
| San Marcos          | 10,407    | 12,236        | 1,829  | 166       | 1.5%  | 28.1%  |

 More housing choices encourage people to live in the city center, fueling growth in commercial, office, employment





# **Public Realm Infrastructure Gaps**

### **Estimates of missing sidewalks, lights, trees**

| Plan Area               | Sidewalks<br>(linear feet) | Light Fixtures<br>(#) | Trees*<br>transit areas (#) |
|-------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|
| Downtown                | 42                         | 27                    | 2413                        |
| Mesa Corridor           | 469                        | 13                    | 1513                        |
| Texas Corridor          | 0                          | 76                    | 681                         |
| Segundo Mixed Use       | 112                        | 17                    | 972*                        |
| Rio Grande Neighborhood | 4,564                      | 385                   | 203*                        |
| Montana Corridor        | 460                        | 47                    | 2037                        |
| Segundo Neighborhoods   | 752                        | 19                    | 138*                        |
| Sunset Heights          | 1,959                      | 76                    | 565*                        |
| Mission Hills           | 50                         | 155                   | 96*                         |
| Magoffin                | 0                          | 8                     | 0*                          |
| Railyards               | 3,830                      | 27                    | 0*                          |
| Total                   | 12,200                     | 800                   | 8,600                       |

<sup>\*</sup>Tree cover analyzed within ¼ mile of transit stops. Trees are at proposed 30' intervals in accordance with the Downtown Street Tree Master Plan.



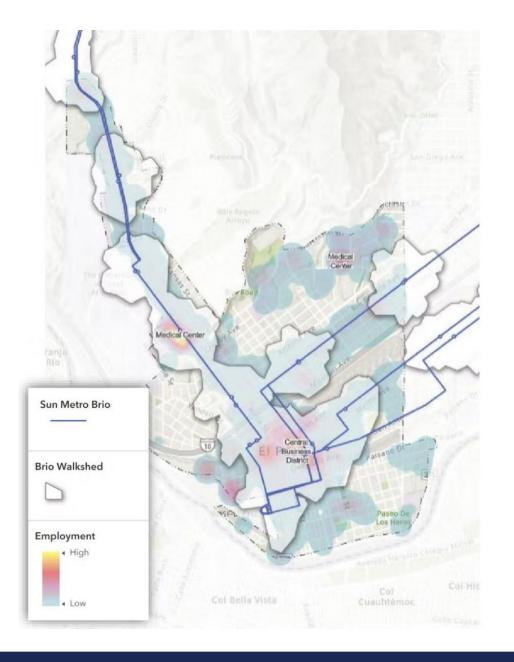


# **Mobility & Transit Findings**

- 72% of Jobs within study area are within ¼ mile of BRIO.
- Only 1% of trips for work purposes are on transit.
- Current transit service offers limited hours, long headways, and riders cite unreliability as reasons to drive

## **Realizing Transit Potential**

- Increase ridership by adding residential and commercial uses along transit corridors to realize high service frequency
- Capture \$ benefits from increased ridership
- Invest into extending service hours and reduced headways

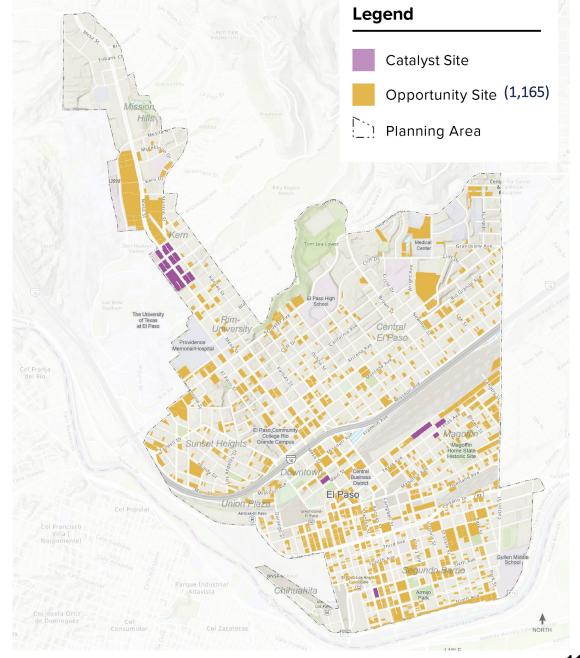




# **Opportunity Sites**

Criteria to Determine Opportunity Site locations with input from CSG

- 1. Larger, publicly owned properties that could be repositioned; **or**,
- 2. Comparatively lower value, privately owned parcels (< \$15 per sq. ft. assessed); **or,**
- Underutilized, privately owned parcels –
  vacant or undeveloped or underperforming
  sites, includes surface parking.

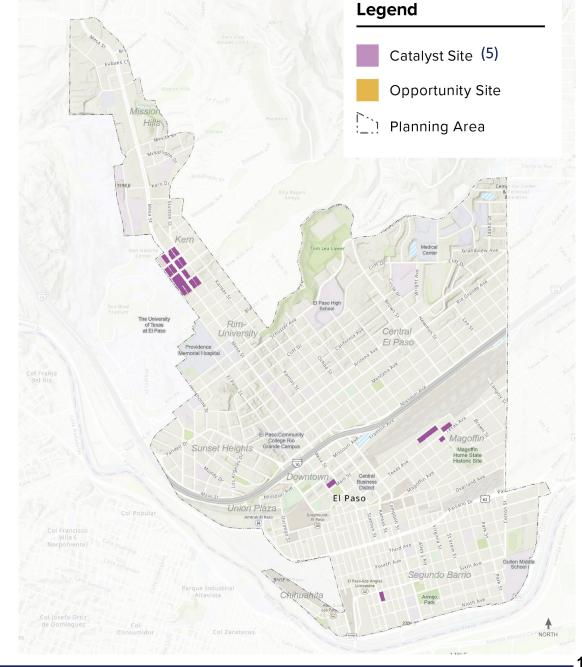




# **Catalyst Sites**

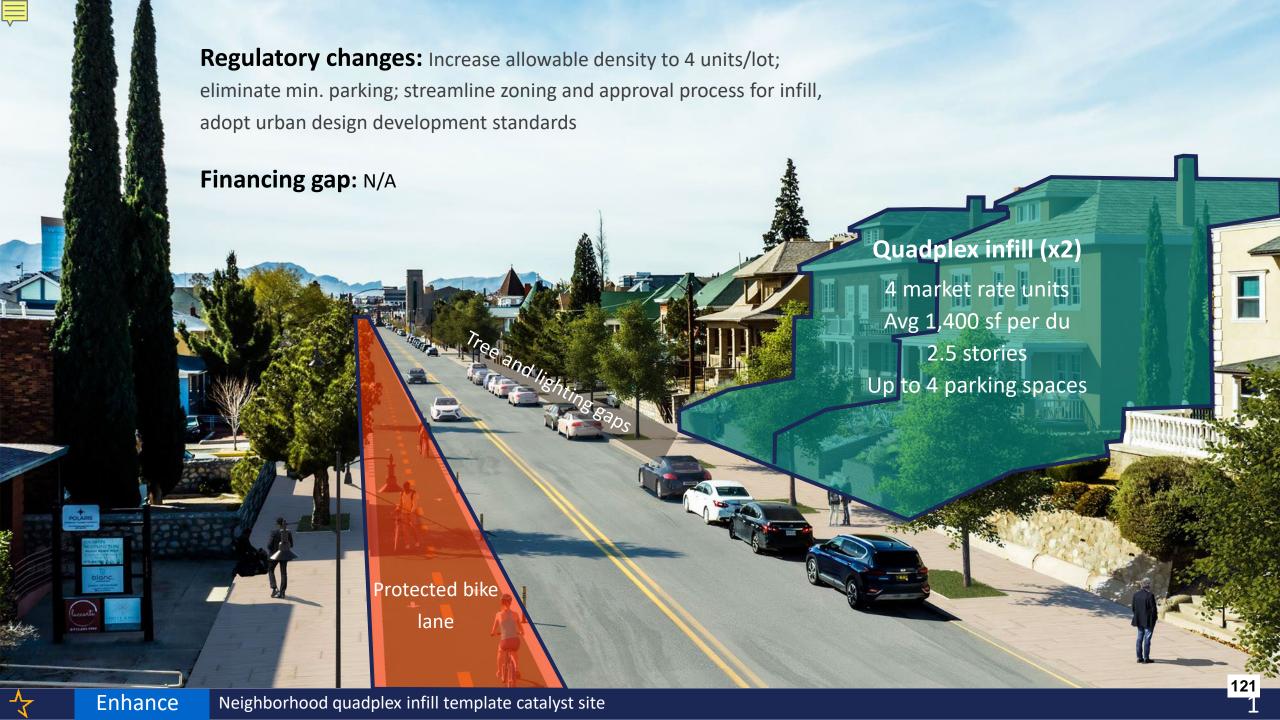
Criteria to Determine Catalyst Site locations with the Core Stakeholders

- Public benefit: tax revenue generation, and public realm enhancements
- Achievability: legitimate opportunities based on ownership and fiscal considerations
- 3. Impact: how important the location is amongst the possibilities to make a real difference in the Plan Area



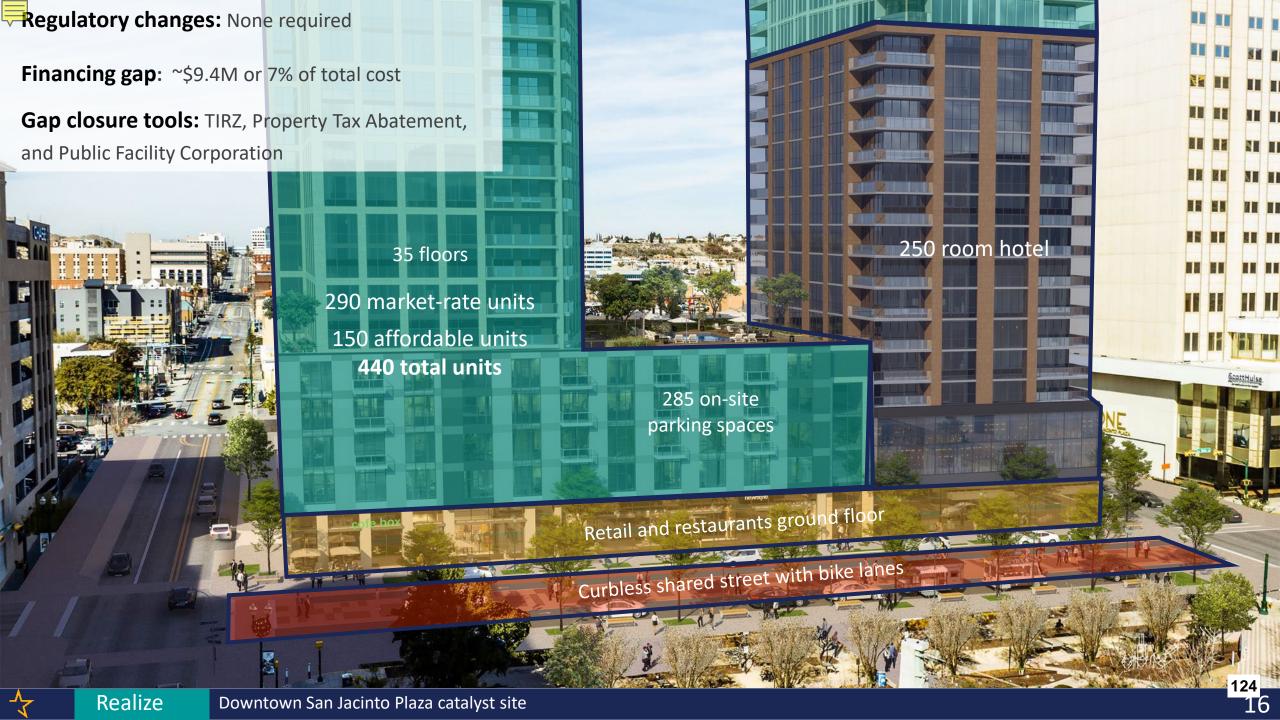


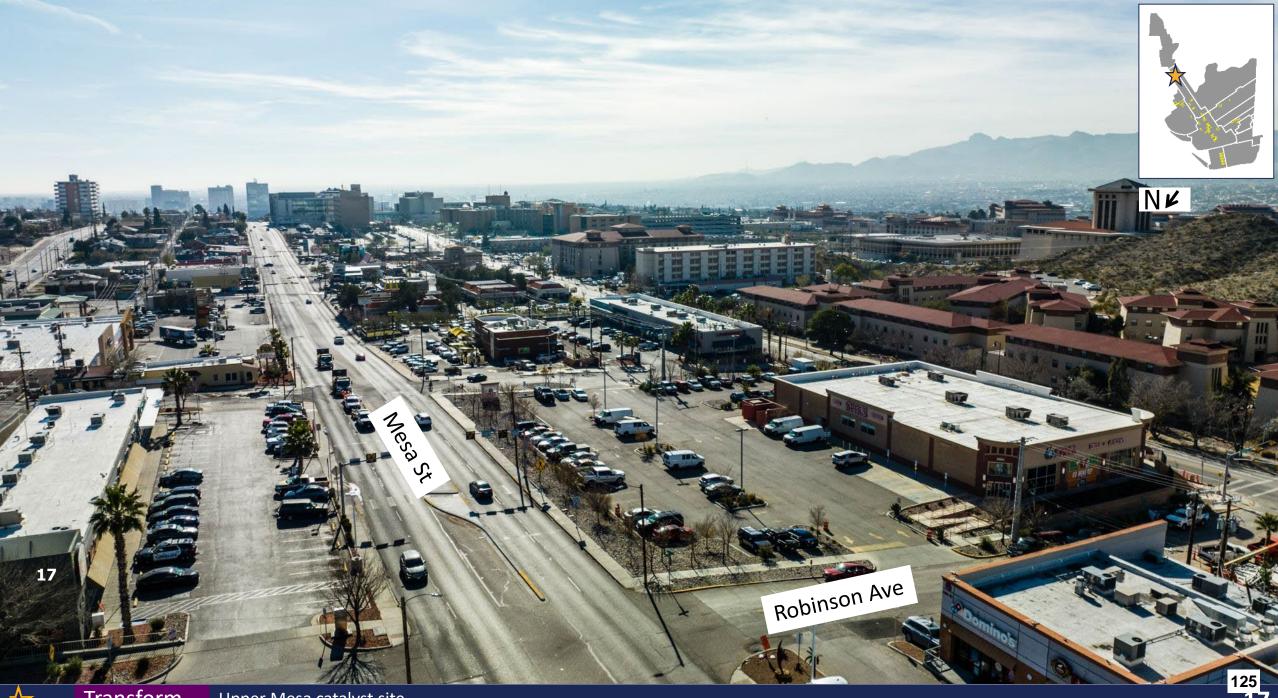


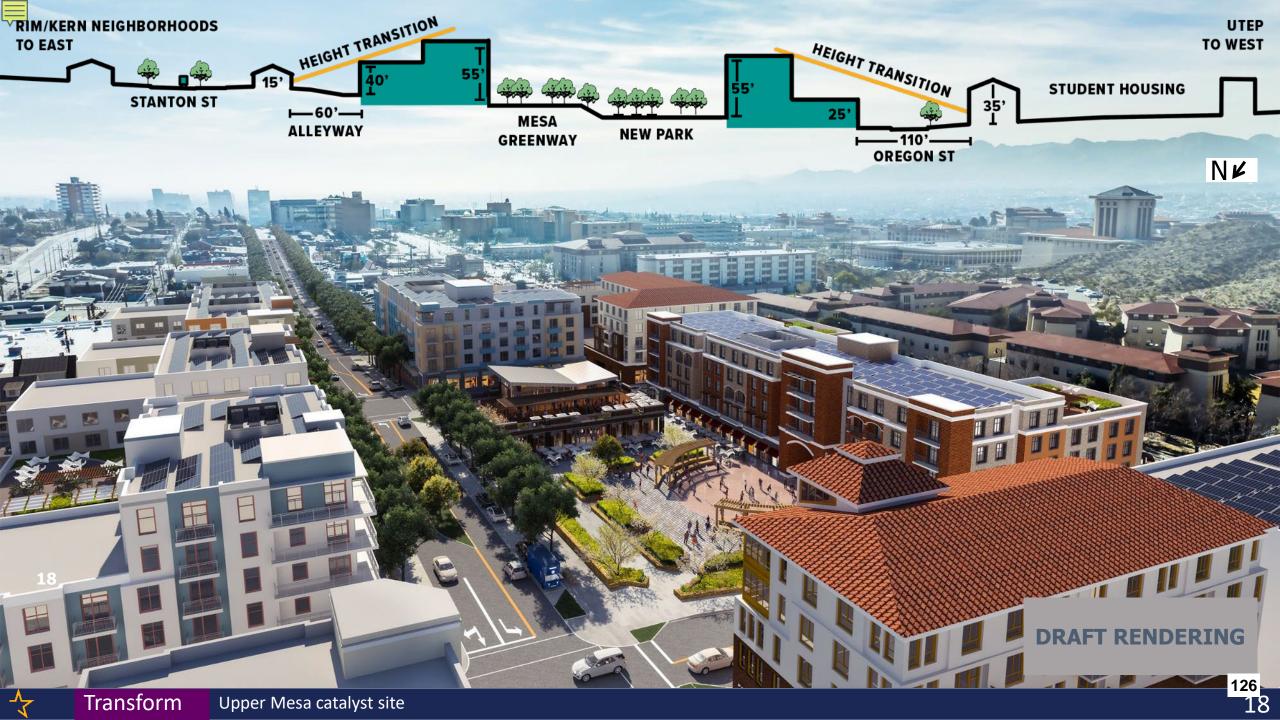






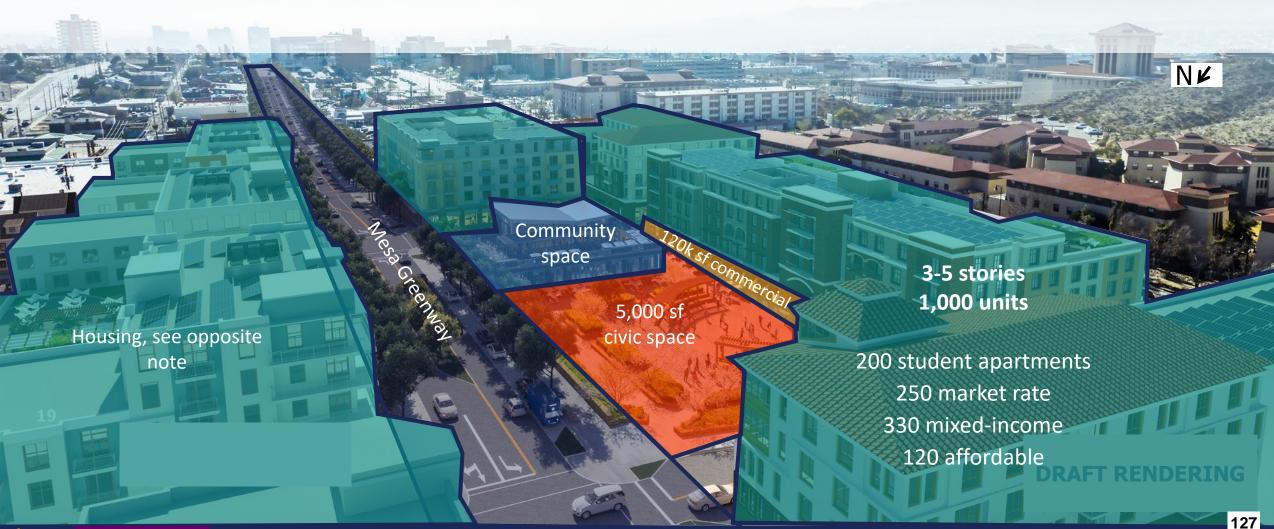






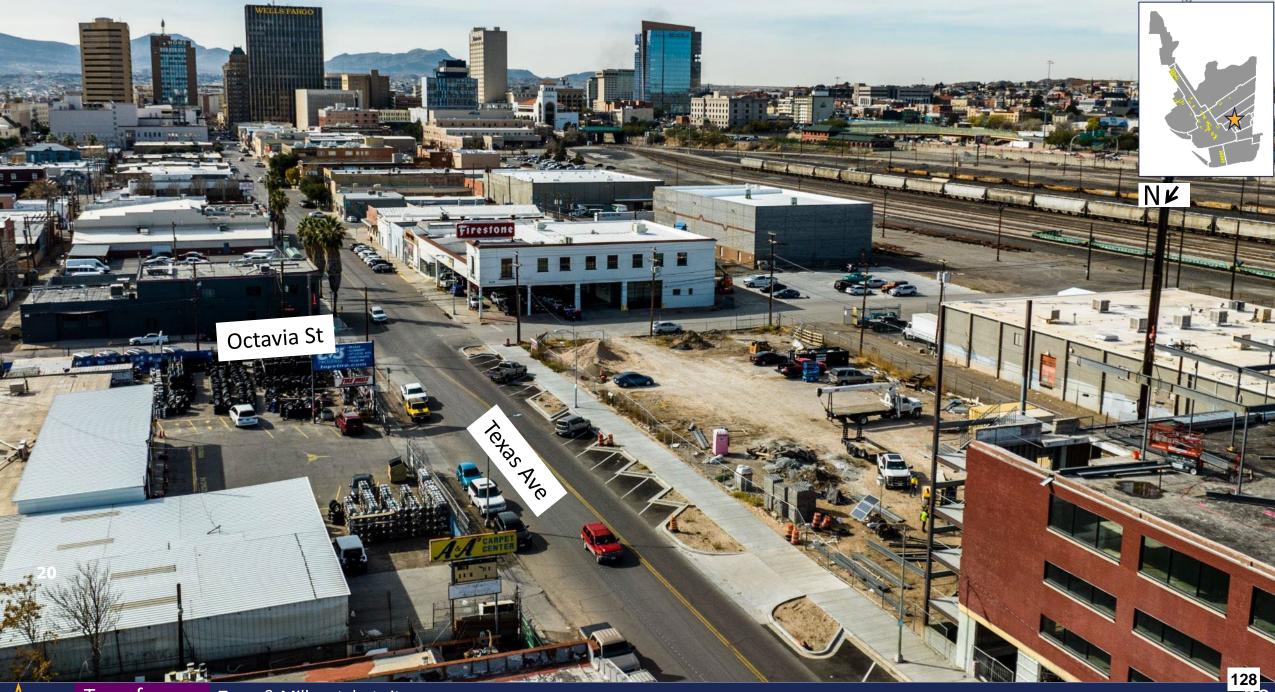
**Regulatory changes:** Eliminate min. parking; modify allowable uses; increase max. density to 90 du/ac; include bonus for affordable units; increase bldg. heights from 35' to 55' with transition to adj. residential

**Financing gap: ~**\$7.8M or 3% of total cost. **Gap closure tools:** Create Uptown TIRZ for project funding; density bonus for affordable housing; Public Facility Corporation for mixed income housing; Federal Tax Credits; Property Tax Abatement



Transform

Upper Mesa catalyst site





Regulatory changes: Eliminate min. parking; modify allowable uses; increase max. density 100 units/acre; include density bonuses for affordable housing; increase bldg. heights from 60' to 70'; adopt urban design development standards.



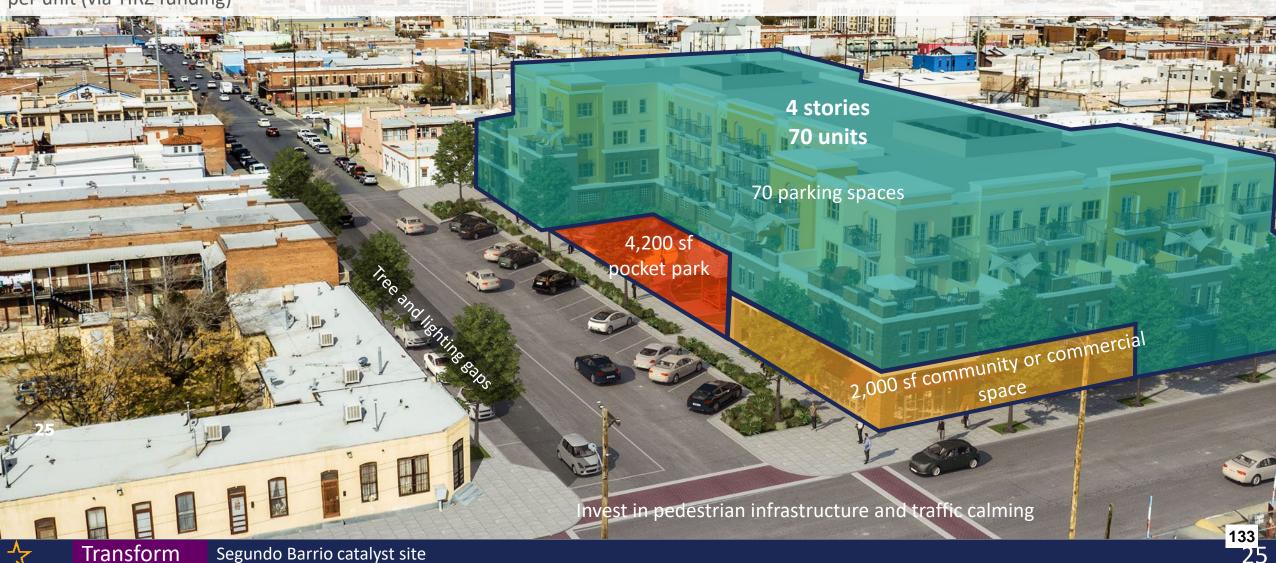
Financing gap: ~\$660K or 0.9% of total cost. Gap closure tools: TIRZ funding; density bonus for affordable housing; Federal Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC); Property Tax Abatement; Public Facility Corporation for mixed income housing





Regulatory changes: Eliminate min. parking; increase max. allowable density to 100 du/ac; include density bonuses for affordable housing and regulatory flexibility for projects with federal grants; increase building heights from 35' to 50'; require 10 ft step back after 2<sup>nd</sup> story where necessary for residential adjacency; adopt urban design development standards

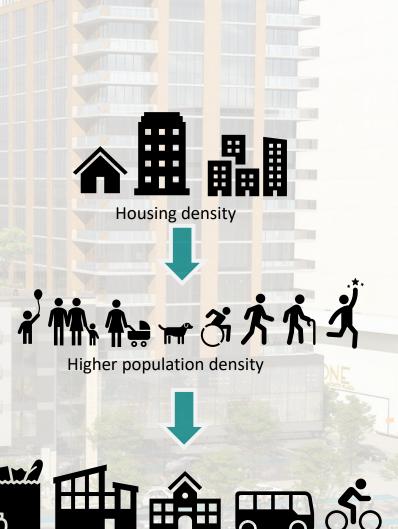
Financing: Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) rental with no gap financing, or for-sale at 80-100% area median income with \$10-30k gap per unit (via TIRZ funding)



# Downtown + Uptown Plan - Next Steps

## **May Adoption**

- **Publish Final Draft Plan**
- **Implementation Strategies** 
  - Path to realize plan goals
  - Catalyst sites in practice
  - City incentives
  - Funding mechanisms
  - Required regulatory changes





**Expanded services & opportunities** 

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