



Legislation Text

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CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY FORM

All Districts

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PUBLIC HEARING DATE: Click or tap to enter a date.

STRATEGIC GOAL:

Goal 1 - Create an Environment Conducive to Strong Sustainable Economic Development

SUBGOAL: Choose an item.

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.

Discussion and action with the Veterans Affairs Advisory Committee to update council on the status of Homelessness, Employment, and Marketing / Outreach for the El Paso Veteran and Military community.

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?

The Veterans Affairs Advisory Committee last briefed Council in June 2020. Projects and Incentives in the areas of Homelessness, Employment and Marketing / Outreach have been the focus of the committee. The Committee will discuss the efforts to minimize Veteran Homelessness. Discussion will continue to show efforts made by the City Human Resources department to recruit Veterans for Employment. The Committee will present efforts taken to reach out to the community and connect Veterans through marketing and outreach.

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

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

On June 8, 2020, City Council took no action but discussed the following topics:

1. Discussion on the implementation of a goal of 20% of the total number of qualified applicants who will be interviewed for a position will be Veterans that meet the minimum qualifications for the position by placing it in the city strategic goals. (6)
2. Discussion to direct adding the terms "or related experience" and "...degree is preferred" to our city job descriptions.
3. Discussion to implement a goal of achieving a 15% veteran workforce by 2025 by placing it in our strategic goals. (6)

4. Discussion to implement affiliating City jobs with military occupational specialty codes during hiring.
5. Discussion on finding a funding source for a rapid rehousing Permanent Supportive Housing plan for homeless Veterans.
6. Discussion to create a social media platform (FB, Twitter, Instagram....) to reach our Veterans and include venues such as Destination El Paso for outreach on events of interests to our Veterans.

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

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

N/A

*****REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION*****

Department Head:

If Agenda Item Summary Form is initiated by Purchasing, client department should sign also