

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

**DEPARTMENT:** Community + Human Development

**AGENDA DATE:** January 7, 2019

**CONTACT PERSON:** Nicole Ferrini

**DISTRICT (S) AFFECTED:** All

**SUBJECT:**

Presentation of the Medical Center of the Americas Masterplan on behalf of the MCA Masterplanning Steering Committee with a brief introduction from City Staff regarding city priorities and investment in the area.

**BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:**

The MCA Foundation (MCAF) and MCA campus partners sought to update the MCA Campus Master Plan due to several changes that have happened in the campus since 2011. First, several anchor tenants have had significant leadership changes, including TTUHSC EP, UMC and Children's, which has led to new ideas related to campus development. Second, significant portions of land in the core of the master plan have changed ownership. Third, several major buildings have been added to the campus and future development plans have become more refined. Finally, the campus use has grown from approximately 3,000 daily campus users (employees, patients, students, etc.) in 2000 to over 9,500 today. As a result, the campus has transformed from a largely residential and light commercial/industrial neighborhood to a dense academic medical campus. Needless to say, as this growth has occurred, the utility and transportation infrastructure needs for the campus have changed significantly. Thus, the MCAF began these efforts to update the MCA Campus Master Plan to account for anticipated future developments and the necessary corresponding utility and traffic infrastructure.

The intent of the Campus Master Plan is to create a framework that assists in coordinating the anchor's distinct development goals while respecting the needs of the nearby community and adjacent neighborhoods. The plan will help to guide effective campus development over the next decade.

**PROJECT CHARTER**

The proposed Campus Master Plan will provide guidance and serve as a foundation to work cohesively among campus partners to grow and develop a multi-institutional and multi-disciplinary campus that attracts and fosters translational biomedical research, innovation and commercialization focused on regional biomedical and economic development needs. It will seek to serve multiple tenants including regional universities, startup and large biomedical enterprises, public and private biomedical labs, and clinical trial network services.