

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

**DEPARTMENT:** City Council, District 1

**AGENDA DATE:** March 7, 2017

**CONTACT PERSON NAME AND PHONE NUMBER:** Rep. Peter Svarzbein at 212-1001

**DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED:**

**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 & Action relative to prohibiting City of El Paso funds to be awarded to contractors and vendors receiving border wall construction related federal contracts in the El Paso region.

**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?

Recent national media reports (**Mexico border wall construction contract bids open March 6** PBS News Hour, February 25, 2017) indicate the U.S Department of Homeland Security intends to solicit and award funds for the Design-Build Structure of "wall structures in the vicinity of the United States border with Mexico". The purpose of the proposed policy prohibits the awarding of City of El Paso procurement bids to contractors and vendors which are awarded, or act as third party vendors to any contractor or vendor receiving, federal funds related to said solicitation.

<http://www.pbs.org/newshour/rundown/mexico-border-wall-construction-contract-bids-open-march-6/>  
<https://www.fbo.gov/index?s=opportunity&mode=form&id=b8e1b2a6876519ca0aedd748e1e491cf&tab=core&tabmode=list&=>

**PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:**

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

n/a

**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?

n/a

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**BOARD / COMMISSION ACTION:**

Enter appropriate comments or N/A

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\*\*\*\*\*REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION\*\*\*\*\*

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:**

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(If Department Head Summary Form is initiated by Purchasing, client department should sign also)