

**CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS
AGENDA ITEM
AGENDA SUMMARY FORM**

DEPARTMENT: Mayor and Council

AGENDA DATE: Tuesday, May 12, 2020

CONTACT PERSON NAME AND PHONE NUMBER:
City Representative Henry Rivera, District 7- 915.212.0007

DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: All Districts

STRATEGIC GOAL: Goal 8 - Nurture and Promote a Healthy, Sustainable Community
Goal 5 - Promote Transparent and Consistent Communication Amongst All Members of the Community

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.

Discuss and action for the City Council to approve that the expenditure of General Fund savings from the office of the City Council District 7 Representative in the amount not to exceed \$15,000, to reimburse El Pasoans Fighting Hunger Food Home Delivery Service, a pilot program for those who are quarantined due to diagnosis or pending diagnosis of covid-19, pursuant to the Memorandum of Understanding dated March 31, 2020, serves the municipal purpose of relieving the emergency necessity of the municipality's residents and protecting the health and safety of the community as a result of the COVID-19 crisis and approves the expenditure. The City Manager, or designee, be authorized to effectuate any budget transfers and execute any contracts and/or related documents necessary to ensure that the funds are properly expended for such purpose.

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?

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

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

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?

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

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Mayor of the City El Paso (“City”) recently declared El Paso a disaster area in need of immediate assistance due to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2020 City Council Issued an Emergency Ordinance Instituting Emergency Measures Due to A Public Health Emergency (“Emergency Ordinance”); and

WHEREAS, some local businesses have been ordered to cease operations due to national and local regulations related to the COVID-19 pandemic, causing a large number of lay-offs, economic strain, and the immediate need for food supplies for some residents; and

WHEREAS, the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic requires immediate action from the City to relieve the emergency necessity of the municipality’s residents and to protect the health and safety of the community; and

WHEREAS, El Pasoans Fighting Hunger (“EPFH”) is supporting our local needy residents to provide immediate food assistance; and

WHEREAS, on March 31, 2020, pursuant to the City Manager’s or his designee’s authority delegated in the Emergency Order, the City entered into a Memorandum of Understanding with EPFH to assist EPFH in maintaining services and providing supplies to the City residents in need by reimbursing EPFH up to \$100,000.00 for the performing the services; and

WHEREAS, the City Council Representative for District 7 desires to allocate the savings from the General fund generated by the office of City Council District 7 Representative in the amount of \$15,000.00 to the reimbursement of the City to EPFH’s El Pasoans Fighting Hunger Food Home Delivery Service program, a pilot program for those who are quarantined due to diagnosis or pending diagnosis of covid-19, pursuant to the Memorandum of Understanding; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the allocation of the savings generated by unfilled administrative position in the office of the City Council District 7 Representative from the General Fund serves a municipal purpose of relieving the emergency necessity of the municipality’s residents and protecting the health and safety of the community and desires to approve the expenditure in the amount of \$15,000.00.

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

THAT, the City Council declares that the expenditure of General Fund savings generated by the office of the City Council District 7 Representative in the amount not to exceed \$15,000.00, to reimburse El Pasoans Fighting Hunger pursuant to the Memorandum of Understanding dated March 31, 2020, for the services provided under the El Pasoans Fighting Hunger Food Home Delivery Service program, serves the municipal purpose of relieving the emergency necessity of

the municipality's residents and protecting the health and safety of the community as a result of the COVID-19 crisis and approves the expenditure; and

THAT, the City Manager, or designee, be authorized to effectuate any budget transfers and execute any contracts and/or related documents necessary to ensure that the funds are properly expended for such purpose.

ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2020.

CITY OF EL PASO

Dee Margo
Mayor

ATTEST:

Laura D. Prine
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Sol M. Cortez
Senior Assistant City Attorney

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:



K. Nicole Cote, Director
Office of Management and Budget