

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

DEPARTMENT: City Manager's Department

AGENDA DATE: July 26, 2016 Consent Agenda

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DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: ALL

SUBJECT:

Notation of upcoming Urban Energy Forum, which will take place on August 18, 2016 from 1 pm to 6 pm, in partnership with the Hub of Human Innovation.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION:

This Urban Energy Forum is based on the Innovate To Sustain pillar of the Resilience Initiative.

The event will be formatted as followed:

- An Experiential set of exhibits / presentations in an open forum
- An informational lecture session intended to frame the breakout exercises including:
 - An introduction to El Paso's Innovate to Sustain module of the Resilience Initiative
 - An overview of the economic impact of sustainable technology / industry
 - A moderated dialogue regarding the future of energy in cities (Utility dialogue)
- Break out Team Exercises: Moderated tabletop sessions each aimed at a different set of challenges. Each table will be tasked with brainstorming a variety of solutions / ideas. Out of 10 breakout tables, we hope for a minimum of 20 different ideas ranging from policy and legislation to creative financing vehicles and industry development, for example:
 - Awareness + Action
 - State Legislation
 - Local Policy
 - Barriers to Innovation
 - Financing + Incentives

Following the forum, the Office of Resilience + Sustainability will vet the ideas with key working groups as well as the City of El Paso's newly formed Regional Renewable Energy Advisory Council, upon their first convening. The final output would be 4 or 5 solid recommended actions that can be taken at a variety of levels (local, state, non-profit and private industry).

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

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

Formation of the Regional Renewable Energy Advisory Council (RREAC) – December 2015

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

\$1,700 – Hub of Human Innovation

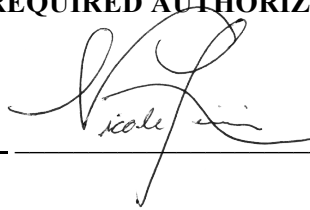
BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION:

Enter appropriate comments or N/A.

N/A

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

DEPARTMENT HEAD:

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URBAN ENERGY FORUM



SAVE THE DATE

Join the **City of El Paso Office of Resilience + Sustainability** and the **Hub of Human Innovation** at the El Paso Museum of Art for this exciting dialogue on our region's energy future!

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hub
of human innovation

8.11.16
1 pm - 6 pm



For more information contact the Office of Resilience + Sustainability (ORS) at 915.2202