October 15, 2019

Agenda Item 32.1 Management Update: August 3 Temporary Memorial

Cross-Functional Team Activated

MCAD

- El Paso Museum of History
- Public Art Program
- Cultural Programs
- Department Leadership

With assistance from:

- Capital Improvement Department
- Parks & Recreation
- Purchasing & Strategic Sourcing



Consultation with National Experts



- 9/11 Memorial Museum
- Jewish Community Center of Greater Pittsburgh
- City of Orlando
- Orange County Regional History Center

Discussions with Local Stakeholders



- UTEP Special Collections
- El Paso Public Library
- El Paso Community College Libraries
- Centennial Museum
- Independent archivists
- El Paso County Historical Society
- New Mexico Historic Sites

Core Principles

- 1. Actions related to the temporary memorial must be centered on victims and their families first
- 2. As much as possible, work to honor the intent of people who left items and carry that goodwill forward
- 3. Carefully document all stages of the process
- 4. Create immediate space for community to continue to heal while more permanent options explored

Immediate Action

- 1. Created digital repository for community images related to August 3 and aftermath on Digital Wall
- 2. Mexican poppies now populate the digital wall and exhibit community submissions when touched



Next Steps

1. Establish dates with Community Stakeholders and Wal-Mart to allow families to access site

- 2. Activate volunteers and professional staff to pack Memorial for sorting and archiving at several sites and repositories
- 3. Create temporary Memorial site on City property to allow community to continue to gather

Questions?

