

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

DEPARTMENT: Mayor and Council

AGENDA DATE: Next available agenda date

CONTACT PERSON NAME AND PHONE NUMBER: City Representative Emma Acosta, District 3

DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: District 3

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.

1. Request that the Medical Center of the Americas quiet zones be placed as a priority project for Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) purposes. The MCA area is an economic driver of the community. The city is currently investing over \$3 million annually in the area via the MCA Foundation, the Texas Tech School had been provided with \$75 million for expansion in the area, the first Bio Medical Research building in the region is under construction, a new UMC medical clinic will also be built in the area in the next year. There are currently over 5,000 employees working within the different medical & school campuses. There is an increasing number of students; medical, nursing, and high school in the area. The hospitals and clinics are regularly full of patients that deserve to have a quiet atmosphere. The area merits a quiet zone in order to continue to expand the area with economic opportunities.
2. Request a resolution on the Manor/Barker/Alameda construction concerns/issues/problems. These must be addressed before construction of these streets continues. Two community meetings have been held in the area with city staff attending and no resolution on the issues. Manor road was designed with a street choker and residents were not informed, persons residing in the area of the choker do not have enough access to their driveways, the turning lane from Alameda to Manor was narrowed, making it difficult for turning purposes. The construction continues. There have been 4 major design changes to the area without residents input.
3. Request a status of the Vocational park completion. There is inadequate access for ADA persons accessing the fields, the lights have not been installed, the issue of weeds continues to plague the park, the slopes are too steep for patrons to walk into the fields and sod has not been placed on slopes, the playground equipment has not been installed, the walking path has not been installed.
4. Status of the alternative projects for multimodal use: River bend, Resler, Viscount, Independence Pedestrian and Bicycle enhancements. The projects have been let, yet a status to the neighborhoods has not been provided. When will the contracts be on the agenda for award? What is the timeline for construction?
5. Status of the Alameda Brio system. When will the design be completed and when will the city ask for proposals to implement the system. This project has been in the works for 7 years. The constituents are requesting an update and a possible date of implementation. The Alameda corridor has the highest ridership and yet we have no information on the status of this project.
6. Status on the ordinance concerning dead trees in people's homes. Constituents are concerned with dead trees falling and causing harm to neighbors.
7. Status of the CDBG projects approved, constituents are requesting a timeline. When will projects be let, when will construction begin on these projects?
8. The status of the NIP projects for the past two years, the NIP projects for the 1st and 2nd round of requests from neighborhood associations have not been implemented. What is the timeline for these projects to begin?
9. Status of the Playa Drain walk/bike trail between the PSB and the Community Foundation.

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?

1.) Create an Environment Conducive to Strong Sustainable Economic Development

1.5 Stimulate economic growth through transit integration

4.) Enhance El Paso's Quality of Life through Recreational, Cultural and Educational Environments

4.1 Deliver bond projects impacting quality of life across the city in a timely, efficient manner

4.2 Create innovative recreational, educational and cultural programs

4.3 Establish technical criteria for improved quality of life facilities

5.) Promote Transparent and Consistent Communication Amongst All Members of the Community

5.3 Promote a well-balanced customer service philosophy throughout the organization

6.) Set the Standard for Sound Governance and Fiscal Management

6.5 Deliver services timely and effectively with focus on continual improvement

6.11 Provide efficient and effective services to taxpayers

7.) Enhance and Sustain El Paso's Infrastructure Network

7.2 Improve competitiveness through infrastructure improvements impacting the quality of life

7.3 Enhance a regional comprehensive transportation system

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*****

DEPARTMENT HEAD:

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