

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

DEPARTMENT: Mayor and Council, Rep. Limón, District 7
AGENDA DATE: December 8, 2015

CONTACT PERSON NAME AND PHONE NUMBER: Yvonne Escobar, 212-0007

DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: All

SUBJECT:

Goal 5: Set the Standard for Sound Governance and Fiscal Management

In accordance with Ordinance No. 017112 - 2.92.040 and Texas Penal Code Section 36.07 and 36.08

To accept the airfare, meals and hotel accommodations made by HCREO for Rep. Limón as a participant of the on the 2015 HCREO (Hispanic Council for Reform and Educational Options) Summit held Nov. 5 – 7, 2015, in Orlando, Florida.

To accept the airfare, meals and hotel accommodations made by NALEO for Rep. Limón as a participant of the 2015 NALEO Policy Institute on the Role of STEM & Career Technical Education in Addressing America's Skilled Worker Shortage held November 20 – 21, 2015 in San Antonio, TX.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:

Rep. Limón will give a brief overview of the HCREO and NALEO conferences she attended. Rep. Limón is a current member of NALEO (National Association of Latino Elected and Appointed Officials). NALEO invited all members to both conferences.

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

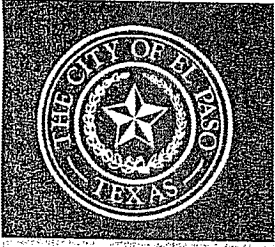
None

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

N/A

BOARD / COMMISSION ACTION:

N/A



Ordinance No. 017112 – 2.92.040 Gifts

General Rule. An officer or employee shall solicit, accept, or agree to accept for themselves or a relative, the following:

1. any gift, of which the known or readily apparent value for each separate gift, exceeds seventy-five (\$75) dollars in value;
2. any gift that might reasonably tend to influence them to act improperly in the discharge of official duties, or reasonably tend to improperly reward official conduct; or
3. any gift from any lobbyist registered under Chapter 2.94 of this code, of which the known or readily apparent value for each separate gift exceeds ten (\$10) dollars in value.

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The prohibition does not include:

1. Political contributions made or received and reported in accordance with law;
2. Awards, such as plaques, certificates, trophies or personalized mementos, which are reasonable in light of the occasion and publicly presented in recognition of public service;
3. A gift conferred on account of kinship or a personal, professional, or business relationship independent of the official status of the recipient;
4. Gifts or other tokens of recognition presented by representatives of governmental bodies or political subdivisions who are acting in their official capacities which are accepted for the city or in conjunction with the officeholder duties of an elected official;
5. Commercially reasonable loans made to an officer or employee in the ordinary course of the lender's business;
6. Complimentary copies of trade publications;
7. Reasonable hosting, including travel and expenses, entertainment, meals or refreshments furnished in connection with public events, appearances or ceremonies related to official city business, if furnished by the sponsor of such public event; or in connection with attending seminars or workshops, speaking engagements, teaching, or rendering other public assistance to an organization or another governmental entity;
8. An honorarium, transportation or lodging, the acceptance of which is not prohibited under Sections 36.07 and 36.08, Texas Penal Code;
9. A ticket or admission pass, regardless of the actual or face value of the ticket or admission pass, to an event that is sponsored or conducted by the City;
10. A ticket or admission pass, regardless of the actual or face value of the ticket or admission pass, to an event in which the officer or employee is participating in connection with official duties or in which the officer or employee is participating in connection with his spouse's or child's position or duties, provided that the receipt of such ticket is reported as a reportable gift if such reporting is required under section 2.92:070 B 2 of this code; and
11. Any solicitation for civic or charitable causes, or admission to a charity event provided by the sponsor of the event, where the offer is unsolicited by the officer or employee.