

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

DEPARTMENT: Mayor & Council, District 1

AGENDA DATE: Dec. 8, 2015

CONTACT PERSON NAME AND PHONE NUMBER: Rep. Peter Svarzbein at 212-1001

DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED:

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.

Discussion & Action relative to increasing the City of El Paso's role at promoting renewable energy (solar) and the development of a Renewable Energy & Sustainability Committee.

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?

The City of El Paso has no citizen advisory board relative to renewable energy. With the decreasing costs of providing alternative forms of energy (i.e. Solar) to the general public, this board would explore current (national and regional) trends for municipal adoption of renewable energy programs, and how to incorporate best practices.

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

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

n/a

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?

N/A

BOARD / COMMISSION ACTION:

Enter appropriate comments or N/A

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

DEPARTMENT HEAD:

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