

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

**DEPARTMENT:** Museums and Cultural Affairs

**AGENDA DATE:** December 8, 2015

**CONTACT PERSON NAME AND PHONE NUMBER:** Ben Fyffe, (915) 212-1766

**DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED:** All

**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.**

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

Amendment of Enabling Resolution for Hispanic Cultural Center Subcommittee to extend term

**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?**

Amendment of Enabling Resolution of the Hispanic Cultural Center Subcommittee to extend term to April 29, 2016, beyond the original sunset date of December 31, 2015. This extension allows Subcommittee to review and provide input on programmatic study concerning the use of the Abraham Chavez Theatre for the Hispanic Cultural Center (HCC).

**PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:**

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

During presentation of final recommendations to City Council by HCC on October 27, 2015, Council requested a programmatic study to explore potential repurposing of the Abraham Chavez Theatre as the HCC and for Subcommittee's sunset date to be extended to accommodate study.

**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?**

The Hispanic Cultural Center is part of the 2012 Quality of Life Bond approved by voters.

**BOARD / COMMISSION ACTION:**

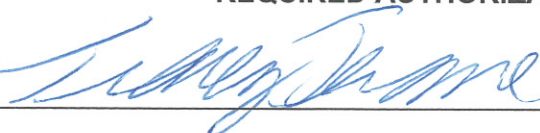
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Hispanic Cultural Center Subcommittee met regularly and presented final recommendations to Council on October 27, 2015.

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\*\*\*\*\*REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION\*\*\*\*\*

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:**



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

*Information copy to appropriate Deputy City Manager*

## **RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, on November 6, 2012, the voters of the City of El Paso, Texas approved the issuance of general obligation bonds for the purposes of constructing new and improved amenities for parks and recreation facilities, open space improvements, libraries, museums, the Zoo, neighborhood improvements, and cultural and performing arts facilities;

**WHEREAS**, on December 18, 2012, the City Council approved a resolution based upon a finding that it is in the best interest of the citizens of El Paso to establish a Bond Overview Advisory Committee to review the progress of the 2012 Bond Issue Projects and to provide oversight and feedback to City staff with regard to project expenditures and implementation; and

**WHEREAS**, on February 24, 2015, the City Council amended the Resolution establishing the 2012 Bond Overview Advisory Committee to create a subcommittee of the Bond Overview Advisory Committee to advise the City Council and the Bond Overview Advisory Committee on matters related to the Hispanic Cultural Center; and

**WHEREAS**, on May 5, 2015, the City Council further amended the February 24, 2015 Resolution to expand the duties of the Hispanic Cultural Center Subcommittee.

**WHEREAS**, the City Council would like to now amend the May 5, 2015 Resolution, the February 24, 2015 Resolution, and the December 18, 2012 resolution to expand the duties and extend the sunset date of the Hispanic Cultural Center Subcommittee.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:**

1. That the May 5, 2015 Resolution which established the Hispanic Cultural Center Subcommittee is hereby amended as follows:

Paragraph C. Duties, is amended to read as follows:

C. Duties - The Hispanic Cultural Center Subcommittee shall assist with the development of the Hispanic Cultural Center by advising the City Council and BOAC on the following:

1. The size of the Hispanic Cultural Center
2. An appropriate budget for the construction of the Hispanic Cultural Center
3. Resources for enhancing existing budget
4. Facility program and amenities
5. The types of services to be offered within the Hispanic Cultural Center
6. Recommendations regarding funding opportunities
7. Recommendations regarding public/private partnerships
8. Means for fundraising

9. Recommendations regarding the name of the Hispanic Cultural Center
10. Recommendations regarding the general area of the Hispanic Cultural Center, proximity to public amenities, transit, etc.
11. Review and provide input on the City's programmatic study on the use of the Abraham Chavez Theater for the Hispanic Cultural Center.

The Subcommittee shall not engage in negotiations regarding specific real estate or discussions regarding specific real estate except as those discussions are related to the programmatic study of the Abraham Chavez Theater.

D. Sunset – This Hispanic Cultural Center Subcommittee shall sunset on April 29, 2016, at which time the City Council can reinstate this subcommittee. The terms of all Hispanic Cultural Center Subcommittee members shall automatically expire on the sunset date.

2. Except as herein amended, the December 18, 2012 Resolution creating the BOAC and the February 24, 2015 Resolution establishing the Hispanic Cultural Center Subcommittee, and the May 5, 2015 Resolution amending the Hispanic Cultural Center Subcommittee shall remain in full force and effect.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2015.

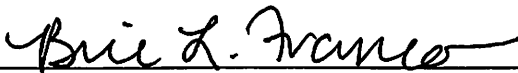
**THE CITY OF EL PASO**

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Mayor

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City Clerk

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Brie L. Franco  
Assistant City Attorney

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT

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Managing Director – Quality of Life