

Charlie McNabb,
City Attorney



The City Attorney's Office provides legal representation in various aspects of law as it relates to the best interest of the City of El Paso and its citizens.

The Office represents the City in all litigation, and it acts as legal advisor to the Mayor and City Council, the City Manager, 33 City departments and 58 boards, committees and commissions.

The Office handles a wide variety of legal issues including drafting resolutions, ordinances, legal opinions and agreements, working with departments to prepare agenda items; and assisting the public with issues involving the City of El Paso.

This Office is also responsible for prosecuting all actions in Municipal Court and for representing the City in lawsuits and administrative hearings.

DIVISIONS / CORE SERVICES:

- Advise City officials and departments on a wide range of legal issues
 - Research and provide advice, opinions and recommendations on legal issues that come before the City
 - Draft municipal ordinances, resolutions and agreements
 - Provide advice to City boards, committees, commissions and City Council Legislative Review Committees
 - Advise Mayor, City Council, City Manager and other City officials of pending legislation and assist in drafting proposals for legislation in areas of concern to the City of El Paso and its citizens
 - Provide legal advice on state and federal grants
 - Process claims on behalf of the City and against the City
- Provide legal representation
 - Judicial hearings
 - Municipal
 - Administrative hearings
- Acts as a liaison with other governmental entities



ACHIEVEMENTS FY05

The City Attorney's Office saw various achievements during FY05:

- Assisted in streamlining procedures and rewriting of El Paso City Code provisions to address the City's transition from a Strong Mayor form of government to a Council-Manager form of government
- Reorganization of department assignments to assist in providing quality legal advice.
- Hired and retained experienced and qualified employees in the department