

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

DEPARTMENT: Police

AGENDA DATE: December 21, 2010

CONTACT PERSON NAME AND PHONE NUMBER: Eric Shelton, Assistant Chief, 564-7301

DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: All

SUBJECT:

Approve an ordinance to amend Title 5 Business Taxes, Licenses and Regulations, Chapter 5.84, by adding Section 5.84.215 Authority to Issue Citations; the penalty as being provided in Chapter 5.84.220 of the El Paso City Code.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:

This amendment will allow civilian employees to issue citations to dealers in secondhand goods, coins and precious metals, saving time in waiting for a sworn officer to respond and issue a citation.

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

A previous related ordinance amending El Paso City Code Chapter 5.80 by adding Section 5.80.120 allowing issuance of citations by civilian personnel to pawn shop operators was passed by Council on May 11, 2010.

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

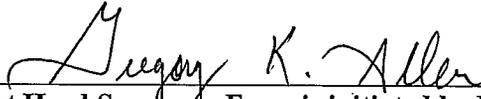
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BOARD / COMMISSION ACTION:

N/A

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

DEPARTMENT HEAD:



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Information copy to appropriate Deputy City Manager

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND TITLE 5 (BUSINESS TAXES, LICENSES AND REGULATIONS), CHAPTER 5.84 BY ADDING SECTION 5.84.215 (AUTHORITY TO ISSUE CITATIONS); THE PENALTY BEING AS PROVIDED IN CHAPTER 5.84.220 OF THE EL PASO CITY CODE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:

Section 1. That Title 5 (Business Taxes, Licenses and Regulations), Chapter 5.84 (Dealers in Secondhand Goods, Coins, and Precious Metals), is hereby amended to add Section 5.84.215 (Authority to Issue Citations) as follows:

5.84.215 Authority to Issue Citations.

A. The following public officials are authorized to enforce the provisions of this chapter and shall have the power to issue misdemeanor citations to any person who is violating the provisions of this chapter:

1. Police Chief and his designee

Section 2. Except as herein amended, Title 5.84 of the El Paso City Code shall remain in full force and effect.

ADOPTED THIS 6th day of January 2011.

CITY OF EL PASO

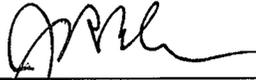
John F. Cook, Mayor

ATTEST:

Richarda Duffy Momsen
City Clerk

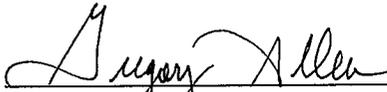
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APPROVED AS TO FORM:



John R. Batoon
Assistant City Attorney

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:



Gregory Allen, Police Chief
El Paso Police Department