

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

**DEPARTMENT:** Economic Development

**AGENDA DATE:** March 9, 2010

**CONTACT PERSON/PHONE:** Kathy Dodson, PhD, Director 541-4670

**DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED:** All

**SUBJECT:**

Formal report of the Economic and Community Development, Quality of Life and Tourism Legislative Review Committee meeting held on February 25, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. as submitted by City Representative Steve Ortega, Chair. [Economic Development, Kathryn B. Dodson, (915) 541-4872]

**BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:**

Report to the Mayor and Council of the Economic and Community Development, Quality of Life and Tourism Legislative Review Committee meeting held on February 25, 2010 at 9:00 a.m.

**PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:**

N/A

**AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:**

N/A

**BOARD / COMMISSION ACTION:**

N/A

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

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:** \_\_\_\_\_

  
Department Head

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**LEGISLATIVE REVIEW COMMITTEE  
Meeting Action Report**

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**Committee:** Economic and Community Development,  
Quality of Life and Tourism

**Members:** City Representative Steve Ortega (Chair)  
City Representative Emma Acosta  
City Representative Eddie Holguin (absent)  
City Representative Ann Lilly

**Staff Assignee:** Kathryn Dodson, Ph.D., Director – Economic Development

**Date of Meeting:** February 25, 2009 – 9:00 p.m.

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1. Discussion and action on the creation of a Smart Code Development Incentive Policy.  
[Economic Development, Kathryn B. Dodson, (915) 541-4872]

***Summary:***

A review of Smart Code advantages was given by staff and policy direction regarding the number of pilot projects and potential types of policy requested. It was determined that a cost-benefit analysis on Smart Growth Development is necessary before determining a policy to present to City Council. Kathy Dodson agreed to bring back a preliminary report of Smart Growth on the economic benefits for developers and municipalities.

***Action taken:***

The LRC determined that no formal action was needed.

***Disposition:***

Economic feasibility and cost-benefit analysis of Smart Growth to be drafted and presented at future LRC meeting.

**SUBMITTED BY:**

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City Representative Steve Ortega, District 7  
Chair, Economic and Community Development, Quality of Life  
and Tourism

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Kathryn Dodson, Ph.D., Director  
Economic Development