

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

**DEPARTMENT:** Fire

**AGENDA DATE:** May 8, 2012

**CONTACT PERSON NAME AND PHONE NUMBER:** Otto Drozd, Fire Chief (915) 541-4011  
Carmen Arrieta-Candelaria (915) 541-4011

**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.

Discussion and action on a resolution that will authorize the City Manager to accept a donation of \$100,000 from River Oaks Properties, for the purpose of El Paso Fire Department capital equipment. City Council also authorizes the City Manager to execute any necessary documentation required for this donation.

**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?

Pursuant to the 2012 budget resolution, all donations over \$25,000 are required to be accepted by City Council. On April 30, 2012, the City of El Paso received a check in the amount of \$100,000 from River Oak Properties for the purpose of capital equipment for the City of El Paso Fire Department. Since the amount is over \$25,000, the City Council is requested to accept the donation. With the approval from Council, the City Manager will prepare the necessary budget transfer and staff will set up a separate fund in order to track the expenditures related to this donation.

The attached press release was prepared and provides additional information about the donation.

**PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:**

Has the Council previously considered this item or a closely related one?  
Yes, the council has accepted other donations in the past.

**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?

Department:	Fire
Annual Estimated Amount:	\$100,000
Districts:	All

**BOARD / COMMISSION ACTION:**

Enter appropriate comments or N/A

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

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:** Carmen Arrieta-Candelaria

**RESOLUTION**

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

**THAT** the City Manager be authorized to accept the donation of ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$100,000) from River Oaks Properties. City Council also authorizes the City Manager to accept the donation and to utilize the funds for the City of El Paso Fire Department capital equipment and to execute any documents necessary to affect the budget transfers and other internal documentations.

**ADOPTED** this \_\_\_\_\_<sup>th</sup> day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2012.

CITY OF EL PASO

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John Cook  
Mayor

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Richarda Duffy Momsen  
Municipal Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

  
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Sol M. Cortez  
Assistant City Attorney

  
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Carmen Arrieta-Candelaria  
Chief Financial Officer  
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Press Release

April 30, 2012

Contact: Juli Lozano 541-4010 or 472-1949 (Cell)



## **El Paso Fire Department Proudly Accepts Donation from Gerald Rubin of River Oaks Properties**

*El Paso, Texas* - Last Tuesday, Mr. Gerald Rubin of River Oaks Properties shared his sadness with the loss of the building at 100 E. San Antonio that had been owned by his family for nearly half a century, and had been a part of El Paso history for 130 years. Additionally, he expressed his gratitude "to the brave men and women of the City's fire department who put their own safety at risk in their efforts to contain the fire and attempt to save the building."

Today, Mr. Rubin followed up with the Fire Department and once again expressed his appreciation by generously making a \$100,000.00 donation to the El Paso Fire Department equipment fund. Mr. Rubin's contribution helps to ensure that the fire department has the resources it needs to continue to protect public safety and property.

In addition to the gift of \$100,000 to the fire department, River Oaks Properties has hired and is paying for the contractor handling the cleanup of the site at 100 E. San Antonio. River Oaks personnel have been constantly on the scene during the cleanup and are working closely with City officials to ensure the process continues in a timely manner.

City Officials are extremely appreciative of the donation and are proud of the recognition of the firefighter's dedication to public safety.

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John F. Cook

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