

JOHN F. COOK  
MAYOR



JOYCE WILSON  
CITY MANAGER

**CITY COUNCIL**  
ANN MORGAN LILLY, DISTRICT 1  
SUSANNAH M. BYRD, DISTRICT 2  
EMMA ACOSTA, DISTRICT 3  
CARL ROBINSON, DISTRICT 4  
RACHEL QUINTANA, DISTRICT 5  
EDDIE HOLGUIN JR., DISTRICT 6  
STEVE ORTEGA, DISTRICT 7  
BETO O'ROURKE, DISTRICT 8

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
JULY 23, 2009

The City Council met at the above place and date. Meeting was called to order at 2:58 p.m. Mayor John Cook present and presiding and the following Council Members answered roll call: Ann Morgan Lilly, Susie Byrd, Emma Acosta, Carl Robinson, and Rachel Quintana. Late arrivals: Eddie Holguin, Jr. and Steve Ortega at 3:07 p.m. Absent: Beto O'Rourke.

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**AGENDA**

**NO ACTION WAS TAKEN** on the following items:

For discussion and action: FY 2010 budget, as presented by the City Manager:

**Zoo**

Mr. Steve Marshall, Director of the Zoo, presented a PowerPoint presentation (on file in the City Clerk's office).

Mayor Cook and City Representatives questioned City staff.

Ms. Joyce Wilson commented.

The following members of the public commented:

1. Mr. Gary Hedrick, Member, Board of Directors for El Paso Zoological Society
2. Ms. Jennifer Wright, Director of Marketing for Kemp Smith LLP,
3. Mr. Walter Harrington, Vice President, Board of Directors for El Paso Zoological Society
4. Ms. Renee Neuert, Executive Director for El Paso Zoological Society

Motion made by Representative Quintana, seconded by Representative Lilly, and unanimously carried to **SUSPEND THE RULES OF ORDER** to allow additional speakers to address the Council after the sign-up period for the remainder of the meeting.

NOT PRESENT FOR THE VOTE: Representatives Byrd, Robinson, and O'Rourke  
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**Convention & Performing Arts**

Mr. Bill Blaziek, General Manager of the Convention Center, presented a PowerPoint presentation (on file in the City Clerk's office).

The City Representatives questioned City staff.

Mr. David Almonte, Director of OMB, commented.

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Motion made by Representative Ortega, seconded by Representative Acosta, and unanimously carried to  
**ADJOURN** this meeting at 4:29 p.m.  
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APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

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Richarda Duffy Momsen, City Clerk