

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

**DEPARTMENT:** City Manager – Development and Infrastructure

**AGENDA DATE:** Introduction on August 17, 2010; public hearing on August 24

**CONTACT PERSON NAME AND PHONE NUMBER:** Patricia D. Adauto, Deputy City Manager  
(915) 541-4853

**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.**

An Ordinance amending Title 13 (Streets, Sidewalks and Public Places), to amend and rename Chapter 13.02 (Mobility Services), and sections thereunder, in the El Paso City Code, to create and establish the functions of the Department known as the Department of Transportation.

**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?**

The City Manager proposed through the Budget for FY 2011 and the City Council has decided to re-organize the City Manager's Office, the Economic Development Department, the Engineering Department, the Street Department, the Environmental Services Department and to delete the Development Services Department. This action necessitates this ordinance and others to make changes to the City Code to reflect the organizational change and to create the Department of Transportation.

**PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:**

**Has the Council previously considered this item or a closely related one?**

**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?**

**BOARD / COMMISSION ACTION:**

**Enter appropriate comments or N/A**

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

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:**

ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 13 (STREETS, SIDEWALKS AND PUBLIC PLACES), TO AMEND AND RENAME CHAPTER 13.02 (MOBILITY SERVICES), AND SECTIONS THEREUNDER, IN THE EL PASO CITY CODE, TO CREATE AND ESTABLISH THE FUNCTIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT KNOWN AS THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.**

**WHEREAS**, the City desires to rename and reorganize the services that have been provided by the Engineering Department, the Development Services Department and the Street Department to achieve efficiencies; and

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Transportation is created to manage and oversee the functions and duties relating to the city's multi-modal transportation network.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS:**

Section 1. That Chapter 13.02 (Mobility Services) of the El Paso City Code be renamed.

Section 2. That Section 13.02.010 (Creation and Purpose of the Department of Transportation) be amended to read as follows:

**Section 13.02.010. Creation and Purpose of the Department of Transportation.**

a. There is established in the City of El Paso, the Department of Transportation, which shall generally provide for the planning, management, oversight and administration of maintenance and program improvements for the City's multi-modal transportation network.

b. The primary function of the department shall be the planning, development, management, oversight and administration of maintenance and program improvements for the City's multi-modal transportation network and traffic control infrastructure; staff, maintain and operate the Traffic Management Center; conduct street sweeping and maintenance operations for city owned street infrastructure, traffic control infrastructure, street medians, shoulders, and alleys, to include the aesthetic improvements, and other city owned rights-of-way; oversight of capital improvement projects relating to the multi-modal transportation network; management of a city-wide pavement management system; maintain and manage the City's major thoroughfare plan; administration of street

maintenance and restoration practices such as resurfacing, patching, sealing, and paving; installation and operational maintenance of traffic signalization infrastructure; installation and maintenance of street signage and pavement markings; management of the city's graffiti removal program; and to generally perform duties and services relating to planning, management, maintenance and liaison relating to the city's multi-modal transportation network as to be determined by the city manager.

Section 3. That Section 13.02.020 (Staffing of the Department of Transportation) be amended to read as follows:

**Section 13.02.020. Staffing of the Department of Transportation.**

- a. The department shall be staffed by a department director and such other appropriate positions as are authorized by the Council.
- b. The department director shall be responsible for the performance of duties as assigned by other ordinances of the City including but not limited to the duties of the traffic engineer, provided however, that the City Manager may reassign such duties to other departments and staff, as he deems appropriate.

Section 4. Effective date. This ordinance shall be effective on September 1, 2010.

Section 5. Except as herein provided, Title 13 (Streets, Sidewalks and Public Places) shall remain in full force and effect.

ADOPTED this 24th day of August 2010.

**THE CITY OF EL PASO**

ATTEST:

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John F. Cook, Mayor

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Richarda Duffy Momsen  
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
Elaine S. Hengen  
Senior Assistant City Attorney

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

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Patricia D. Adauto  
Deputy City Manager