

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

DEPARTMENT: **Engineering**

AGENDA DATE: **August 31, 2010**

CONTACT PERSON NAME AND PHONE NUMBER: **R. Alan Shubert, P.E., (915) 541-4423**

DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: **All**

SUBJECT:

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign affidavits required for the Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) matching fund adjustment for Economically Disadvantaged Counties for TXDOT transportation project applications for 2010 through 2013.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:

The State of Texas 75th Legislature enacted legislation approving an adjustment to the usual matching fund requirements for federally-funded projects in Economically Disadvantaged Counties. El Paso County is regularly designated an Economically Disadvantaged County as determined by the State Comptroller. The designation occurs on an annual basis and results in a reduction to the city match from the normal 20% to a match ranging from 10 to 15% depending on the economic conditions analyzed by the State Comptroller. The Mayor, as the Chief Elected official, is required to sign the required affidavits that must accompany each application for a reduction in match. This resolution authorizes the Mayor to submit the affidavits that the City will be submitting over the 2010 through 2013 period.

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

November 28, 2006, Council approved a similar resolution for the period 2007 – 2009.

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

No funding requirement is associated with this action.

BOARD / COMMISSION ACTION:

N/A

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

DEPARTMENT HEAD: _____

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Information copy to appropriate Deputy City Manager

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN AFFIDAVITS REQUIRED FOR THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TXDOT) MATCHING FUND ADJUSTMENT FOR ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED COUNTIES FOR TXDOT TRANSPORTATION PROJECT APPLICATIONS FOR 2010 THROUGH 2013.

WHEREAS, the State of Texas, 75th Legislature, enacted legislation providing for adjustment to the usual matching fund requirements for Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) transportation projects for Economically Disadvantaged Counties; and,

WHEREAS, TXDOT identifies the counties that qualify for Economically Disadvantaged Counties (EC) status from data obtained from the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts on an annual basis; and,

WHEREAS, El Paso County has been identified by TXDOT as an Economically Disadvantaged County; and,

WHEREAS, TXDOT requires that the principal elected official for the applicant transportation project of the EDC must submit an Affidavit with each application;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO THAT:

The Mayor is hereby authorized to sign affidavits required for the Texas Department of Transportation matching fund adjustment for economically disadvantaged counties for TXDOT transportation Project applications for 2010 through 2013.

ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2010.

THE CITY OF EL PASO

John Cook
Mayor

ATTEST:

Richarda Duffy Momsen
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

Mark Shoemith
Assistant City Attorney

Patricia D. Aauto, Deputy City Manager
for Development and Infrastructure Services