



## EMPOWERMENT ZONE ADVISORY BOARD

City of El Paso – Community and Human Development Department – Empowerment Zone Grant (EZ)

BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
MAIN PUBLIC LIBRARY, EL PASO, TEXAS  
JULY 8, 2008  
5:30 p.m.

The Empowerment Zone Advisory Board met in regular session at the above place and date. Meeting was called to order at 5:37 p.m. Trinidad Acevedo was present and presiding.

The following Advisory Board members answered roll call:

Trinidad Acevedo (Chair),  
Kwadwo Achampong,  
Sally J. Andrade (Vice-Chair),  
Soledad Muñiz,  
Edith Zuvanich

Absent:

Park Kerr,  
Maria Teresa Orozco,  
Han C. Park,  
Norma Tena

Staff present:

Isela Robison (Empowerment Zone Grant Coordinator),  
Priscilla Arellano (Recording Secretary)  
Marie Taylor (City Attorney's Office)

The following members of the public commented:

None

1. Approval of May 13, 2008 Minutes

Motion made by Kwadwo Achampong, seconded by Soledad Muniz, and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** minutes.

AYES: Trinidad Acevedo, Kwadwo Achampong, Sally J. Andrade, Soledad Muñiz, Edith Zuvanich

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Park Kerr, Maria Teresa Orozco, Han C. Park, Norma Tena

2. Discussion and Recommendation for Empowerment Zone Request for Proposal (RFP) Planning Process - Advisory Board Subcommittee

Isela Robison explained the Strategic Plan had been submitted to HUD, as an update of the transition, on June 11, 2008. In anticipation of approval, the City will commence the RFP process. A subcommittee may need to be established to assist in the process. The subcommittee is set up to allow one to three EZAB members to participate. Isela Robison and Marie Taylor answered questions from board members to clarify function of subcommittee.

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3. Establishing RFP Planning Process Subcommittee

The following EZAB members volunteered to participate in the RFP Planning Process Subcommittee:  
Trinidad Acevedo, Kwadwo Achampong, Sally J. Andrade, Soledad Muniz, Edith Zuvanich

Motion made by Kwadwo Achampong, seconded by Trinidad Acevedo, and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** RFP Planning Process Subcommittee.

AYES: Trinidad Acevedo, Kwadwo Achampong, Sally J. Andrade, Soledad Muñiz, Edith Zuvanich

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Park Kerr, Maria Teresa Orozco, Han C. Park, Norma Tena

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4. Set Next Meeting for EZ Advisory Board-Subcommittee

Subcommittee meeting scheduled for July 17, 2008 at 5:30 pm

Subcommittee meeting scheduled for July 24, 2008 at 5:30 pm

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5. Public Comments on Agenda Items

None

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6. Adjournment

Motion made by Edith Zuvanich, seconded by Kwadwo Achampong, and unanimously carried to adjourn meeting at 6:22 p.m.

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