

WORK SESSION AGENDA

Monday, September 28, 2020 at 1:00 PM

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Council Work Session Summary

Meeting: Work Session - Sep 28 2020

TITLE: LRU LANDSCAPE MASTER PLAN REVIEW

PURPOSE(S) OF DISCUSSION: ☒ Inform/Update ☐ Direction/Guidance ☐ Legislative
Development/Policy

BACKGROUND / KEY ISSUES / CONTRIBUTING FACTORS:

The Economic Development staff through its Airport Development program, with the support and engagement of the Las Cruces International Airport (LRU) tenants, are working with landscape architects at Sites Southwest to develop a landscape master plan for LRU.

The purpose of the plan is to guide investment in beautification, providing a unifying theme to the airfield, that will also serve to expand into the industrial park adjacent to LRU. The plan will include a plant and color palette for the entry corridor on Crawford Boulevard, parking and terminal areas, and future landscape build out. Appropriate signage to announce arrival at the airport while incorporating the new airport logo and color scheme is also part of the scope of work.

PLAN(S):

Comprehensive Plan



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TITLE: LRU PLANNING & COMMERCIAL AIR SERVICES UPDATES

PURPOSE(S) OF DISCUSSION: ☒ Inform/Update ☒ Direction/Guidance ☐ Legislative
Development/Policy

BACKGROUND / KEY ISSUES / CONTRIBUTING FACTORS:

The Economic Development Department is working with Airplanners, LLC, Air Service Development and Consulting, to conduct a commercial air service study to determine the feasibility of re-establishing passenger air service at the Las Cruces International Airport. The study is in support of the City Council Strategic Plan and Economic Development Strategic Plan goals to have daily, regional commercial flights.

This assessment is one phase of a multi-part analysis to grow the economic vibrancy at the airport and industrial park.

The purpose of this presentation is to provide information about the work completed up to this point on the evaluation to re-establishing passenger air service and in consideration of the current situation given COVID-19. Additionally, pending final stakeholder meetings, guidance and direction for next steps is needed.

PLAN(S):

City Council Strategic Plan, Department Strategic Business Plan

COMMITTEE/BOARD REVIEW:

Economic Development PRC



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TITLE: RIO GRANDE FLOOD PLAIN MANAGEMENT.

PURPOSE(S) OF DISCUSSION: ☒ Inform/Update ☐ Direction/Guidance ☐ Legislative
Development/Policy

BACKGROUND / KEY ISSUES / CONTRIBUTING FACTORS:

In 1994, the City initiated a 25-year property lease with the US International Boundary and Water Commission (USIBWC) to establish La Llorona Park and two rights-of-ways to accommodate trails from the Park north to the outfall channel and south to Mesilla Bridge. This lease has expired, and the City intends to renew the leases with recommendations to strengthen the protection of the aquatic habitat including the plants and wildlife in it. Examples of recommendations include planting a mosaic of native riparian woodland, shrub, grassland and meadow plant communities; limit mowing, herbicide treatment, etc. during active bird breeding season per the Migratory Bird Treaty Act; and, encourage responsible recreation to protect the Rio Grande's natural, cultural, and agricultural character. These recommendations support Elevate's Action CE-9.1.3 to maintain the integrity of riparian corridors and arroyos to maximize ecological services such as infiltration and habitat. This action also complements USIBWC's current aquatic restoration habitat project efforts.

PLAN(S):

Comprehensive Plan



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TITLE: HIGH DENSITY MINERAL BOND PAVEMENT MAINTENANCE SURFACE TREATMENT.

PURPOSE(S) OF DISCUSSION: ☒ Inform/Update ☐ Direction/Guidance ☐ Legislative Development/Policy

BACKGROUND / KEY ISSUES / CONTRIBUTING FACTORS:

The Public Works Department along with Andale Construction, Inc., will present a new preventative maintenance treatment to be utilized on City of Las Cruces (City) roadways, as well as the resident coordination and public outreach for the project.

PLAN(S):

Department Strategic Business Plan

COMMITTEE/BOARD REVIEW:

None