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Citizen Outreach Group – October 7, 2019

Members Present: Stephanie Adams, Kelvin Dean, Ed Dills, Roland Rainey
Present Via Phone Conf: Annette Hagopian
Excused Members: CheyAnne Clemons, David Couch, Arthur Glynn, Creed Spillane
Unexcused Members:
County Staff Present: Kenny Hodges, Ryan Parsell, Deanna Ruschioni, Nikki Simmons
Commissioners Present: Longinos Gonzalez, Jr., Vice-Chair
Guest Speakers/Guests:

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m.

Administrative Items

- 1) Stephanie Adams, Vice-chair to the Citizen Outreach Group chaired in the absence of Creed Spillane, Chair, and it was determined that a quorum was not established for this meeting; therefore, the approval of the August 19, 2019 COG minutes will be postponed until the next meeting on November 18, 2019.
- 2) Nikki Simmons, County Controller, encouraged the COG members to watch the Harassment Training for Boards & Commissions Volunteers video that was sent to them on September 3, 2019, since the September 9, 2019 training session was cancelled.
- 3) Nikki informed the COG members that there will not be a COG meeting on October 21, 2019, and the next COG meeting will take place on November 18, 2019 at the Centennial Hall building.
- 4) Nikki also mentioned that the COG members who will be term ending at the end of November, 2019, will receive a notification regarding their personal status on this committee.

2020 Preliminary Balanced Budget & Critical Needs, 5-Year Financial Roadmap 2020-2024:

Nikki provided an overview of the 2020 Preliminary Balanced Budget & Critical Needs, and the 5-Year Financial Roadmap 2020-2024 which was presented to the Board of County Commissioners at the 2020 Budget Hearing #1 on October 3, 2019. This presentation, along



with the 2020 Preliminary Balanced Budget document can be found on the El Paso County website at: <https://admin.elpasoco.com/financial-services/budget-finance/county-budget/>; Nikki touched base on:

- **2020 Preliminary Balanced Budget**
 - Revenues
 - Property Tax
 - Sales Tax
 - Expenditures
 - Critical Needs

- **Preliminary Balanced Budget Document**

- **2020 Budget Process**
 - **Preliminary Balanced Budget**
 - Department & Elected Official Offsites – Budget Strategy – July 17, September 11, and September 20, 2019
 - Overview of County Financial Condition & Discussion of Critical Needs
 - Budget Hearing #1 – October 3, 2019
 - Presentation of Preliminary Balanced Budget Document

 - **Original Adopted Budget**
 - Budget Hearings #2 and #3 – October 15th & 17th
 - Department/Offices Critical Needs Presentations
 - Chief Financial Officer – Updated Revenue Projections & Five Year Forecast
 - Citizen Outreach Group Presentation to BoCC
 - Budget Hearing #4 – November 14th
 - BoCC Direction on the 2020 Original Adopted Budget
 - Budget Hearing #5 – December 10th
 - Resolution #1 – 2020 Original Adopted Budget
 - Resolution #2 – Certify County mill levy
 - Resolution #3 – Authorize the Treasurer to transfer between funds

Preparation of COG Annual Report to BoCC:

Nikki Simmons, County Controller reviewed the Citizen Outreach Group Annual Report to the El Paso Board of County Commissioners, which the Chair and/or Vice-chair of COG will be presenting to the Board at the Budget Hearing #3 on October 17, 2019.

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.