AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCES NO. 15529 AND 15185 AND ESTABLISHING A NEW ORDINANCE THAT CREATES AND ESTABLISHES THE DUTIES OF THE BUILDING AND PLANNING SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

WHEREAS, in February 2004 the citizens of El Paso voted to amend the City Charter to change from a Strong Mayor form of government to a Council-Manager form of government; and

WHEREAS, such change makes it is necessary to revise the title of the Deputy Chief Administrative Officers to Deputy City Managers; and

WHEREAS, this change necessitates the repeal of Ordinance No. 15529, which had modified Ordinance No. 15185.

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

Section 1. There is hereby established a Building and Planning Services Department of the City of El Paso. The department shall be staffed by a Deputy City Manager who will also be the department head, and with such other appropriate positions as are authorized by the City Council. The purpose of the department shall be to oversee and coordinate functions affecting the services of the City that pertain to the building and planning services functions performed by the City or other appropriate functions, independently or through various City Departments, as to be determined by the City Manager; and to report to the City Manager. The heads of all departments which are placed under the authority of the Deputy City Manager who heads the Building and Planning Services Department shall retain the title and status of department heads, and shall continue to have the authority placed in department heads as provided for in the Civil Service Charter.

Section 2. That Ordinances No. 15185 and 15529 are repealed.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect on September 1, 2004.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 24th day of August 2004.

CITY OF EL PASO

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Joe Wardy, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Richarda Duffy Momsen
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Elaine S. Hengen
Assistant City Attorney

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