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City Council Approves Project Savings to Advance Public Safety Complex and Fire Station Renovations

EL PASO, Texas—El Paso City Council unanimously approved a series of budget transfers that strengthen public safety across the city and position El Paso as a regional leader in first responder training.

The approved transfers support renovations at seven (7) fire stations and advance the El Paso Public Safety Complex, a modern campus designed to train and prepare firefighters and police officers for the demands of a growing community. By investing in both neighborhood-based infrastructure and a centralized training and operations hub, the City is reinforcing day-to-day emergency response while building long term readiness for the entire region.

The projects are part of the voter-approved 2019 Public Safety Bond, and the Council actions use project savings and other existing funding sources to help move work forward while maintaining a careful, responsible approach to City finances.

The budget transfers reallocate previously authorized capital funds to ensure facilities meet current operational, accessibility, and training standards. The actions rely on existing project savings, investment interest, and previously approved capital funding, and do not introduce new taxes or new bond issuances.

A Regional Hub for Training and Preparedness

Council approved a budget transfer to support the El Paso Public Safety Complex, a consolidated campus that will serve as the City's police and fire training academies.

The complex is planned to include shared and department specific training facilities, classroom and academy space, specialized training areas, vehicle maintenance and storage, and support infrastructure. Beyond serving El Paso, the campus is expected to expand training opportunities for surrounding cities and regional partners, strengthening coordination and readiness across the greater Borderplex and West Texas region.

The approved transfers draw from a combination of public safety bond investment interest, renovation project savings, and previously programmed funds, keeping the City's focus on both community impact and responsible fiscal management.

Upgrades Across Seven Fire Stations

The approved transfers also provide additional funding for renovations at Fire Stations 2, 3, 6, 7, 18, 27, and 28. Planned improvements include interior renovations, ADA accessibility upgrades, mechanical, electrical, and plumbing upgrades, roofing, IT improvements, and site enhancements. These upgrades will improve working conditions for firefighters, strengthen the reliability of essential building systems, and help stations better serve residents in every part of the city.

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