
**COUNTY OF EL PASO
VETERAN'S ADVISORY BOARD
ANNUAL REPORT
June 2021-May 2022**

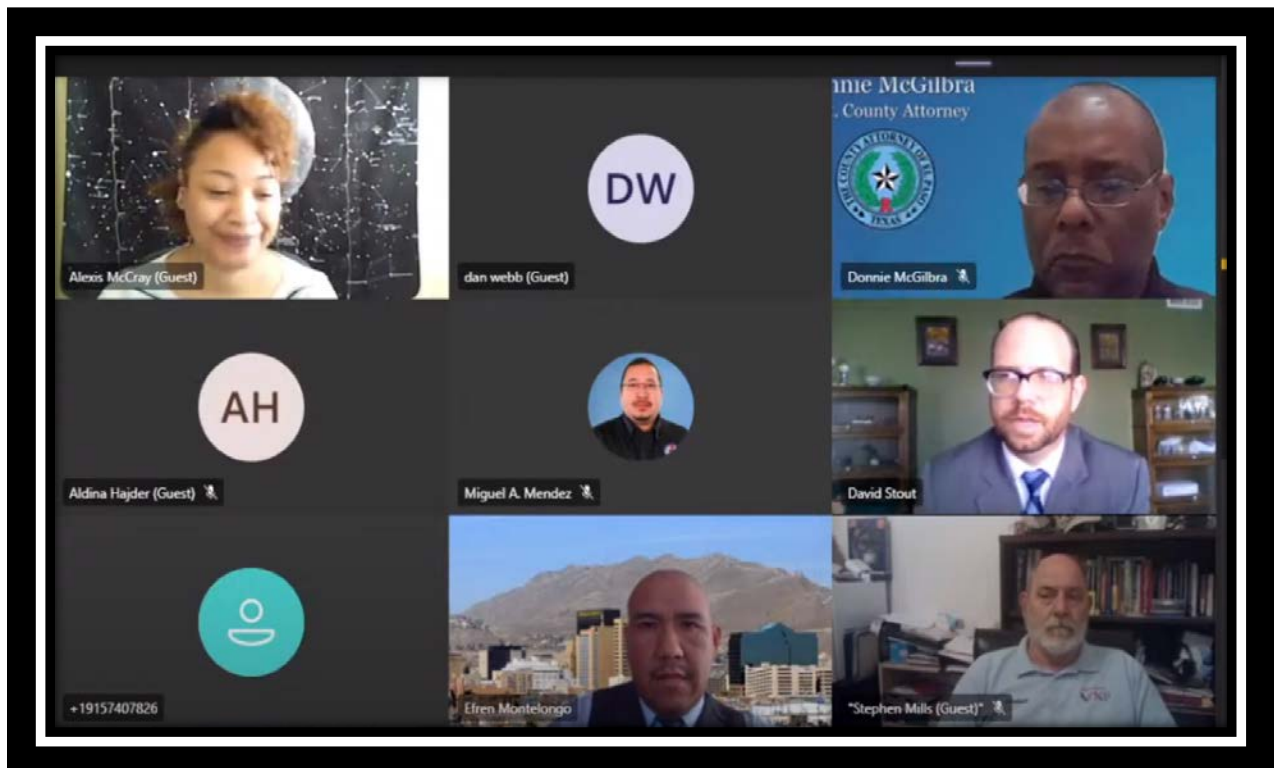


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INTRODUCTION

The Veterans Advisory Board was approved by the El Paso County Commissioners Court on September 28, 2015, to serve as a link between the Veteran community and El Paso County government. The initiative was a culmination of collaborative efforts between Commissioners Leon and Stout and local Veterans advocates.

During the January 2018 El Paso County Commissioners Court strategic planning session, an action was presented to clearly define the current purpose of the Veterans Advisory Board. This was completed through developing a Veterans Advisory Board Directive, with updated and specified responsibilities and guidelines.

VISION

El Paso County Veterans and their families' needs met through access to available food, housing, employment, education, mental health, medical, and financial resources.

MISSION

Identify Veterans services gaps throughout El Paso County and propose recommendations to the Commissioners Court to improve quality of life for Veterans and their families.

PURPOSE

The purpose of the El Paso County Veterans Advisory Board is to inform the Commissioners Court of Veterans' affairs, identify services shortfalls and propose recommendations for approval and action.



BOARD MEMBERSHIP

Ismael Lopez

- Commissioner Pct. 1 appointment

Vacant

- Commissioner Pct. 3 appointment

Alexis McCray (Chair)

- Commissioner Pct. 2 appointment

David Thackston

-Commissioner Pct. 4 appointment

Ben Williams (Vice-Chair)

- County Judge's appointment

QUALIFICATIONS

- Received honorable discharge or spouse of honorably discharged Veteran.
- Demonstrate proficiency in Veterans' matters throughout El Paso County.
- Coordinate Veteran community support.
- Dedicate requisite time and effort.

TERM

- Board members are appointed for a two-year term – with no term limit.
- Participants can be dismissed by the Commissioners Court without justification.
- Removal of a board member is permitted with a majority vote from fellow participants for conduct not in harmony with the Commissioners Court or El Paso County representative.
- Board members can resign their position at any time.
- In the event of a vacancy, the corresponding Commissioners Court will appoint a new board member to either serve the remainder of the unexpired term or commence a new term.

RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Collaborate with Veterans and Veterans' advocates throughout El Paso County to identify gaps accessing assistance and resources for Veterans and their families.
2. Attend Veterans Advisory Board Meetings and introduce, discuss then examine problems.
3. Develop a plan to resolve identified issues using collective board member experience, community stakeholders, and already established resolutions.
4. Seek solutions utilizing accessible, existing community resources first and account for all projected County obligations prior to finalizing plans and proposals.
5. As required, coordinate with the El Paso County Veterans Assistance Office to add discussion and approval items to the Commissioners Court Regular/Special Meeting Agenda.
6. Communicate regularly with appointing Commissioner/County Judge to discuss Veteran concerns, topics, and updates.
7. Assist coordinating Veterans community support and obtaining assistance.
8. Develop a Veterans Affairs policy for the County of El Paso.
9. Complete an annual report of the board's activities to be presented to the Commissioners Court, no later than June 30 of every year.

MEETING SUMMARIES

Veterans Advisory Board meetings are conducted on the second Tuesday of every month at 1:00pm as a hybrid meeting via Microsoft Teams and with a minimum quorum in person due to the pandemic. Recorded video sessions of the Veterans Advisory Board can be viewed at the following County archive link <http://www.epcounty.com/video/veterans/archives.htm>.

1st Quarter

June 9, 2021

Opening: The Veterans Advisory Board (VAB) regular meeting was called to order at 10:00 am; Ms. Aldina Hajder was absent. El Paso County staff present; Mr. Donnie McGilbra from the County Attorney's office; Mr. Efren Montelongo and Carl Dwyer from the El Paso County Veterans Assistance Office; Mrs. Nicholette Ruiz from the County Judge Samaniego Office; Mrs. Yvonne Whitaker from El Paso County Veterans Treatment Court; Members of the public present were Mr. Michael Amaral Director of the El Paso VA; Mr. Bruce Biegel from the City Veterans Advisory Committee; Mrs. Cynthia Lendof from the Texas Veterans Commission; Mrs. Shelia Anthony from the Military Veteran Peer network.

Approval of the minutes for the meeting of May 11, 2021.

MOTION: APPROVE

Motion by Ms. McCray Members Voting Aye: Mr. Baca, Mr. Webb,
Seconded by Mr. Baca Members Voting Nay: None

Discussion:

Colonel Amaral hosting their first women veteran telethon hall and will only go out to women veterans on Thursday and the VA is still giving out COVID shots for any veteran who needs it. Mr. Biegel informed the Board that they have their upcoming brief to the City on Veterans issues. The coordination for the homeless is going great with establishing a permanent housing not temporary.

Mr. Dwyer informed the board that the crisis intercept map meeting met last week and just came up with module 3 where we will have the survey with any community members who deal with veterans. The more organization complete the survey the more extensive of a crisis intercept we can develop. Wants to thank the board for their participation at the city meeting to help lower homelessness in El Paso County.

Ms. Lendof informed the board that this Saturday is Women Veterans Day which is June 12, 2021. The Texas Veterans Commission recognized Ms. Alexis McCray and Ms. Shelia Anthony for what they are doing and what they have accomplished in the community.

Discussion and vote to reconsider Veterans Advisory Board monthly meeting time and day. Move the meeting back to 1:00pm on every second day of the month.

MOTION:

Motion by Ms. McCray Members Voting Aye: Mr. Baca, Mr. Webb,
Seconded by Mr. Webb Members Voting Nay: None

Discussion and vote to approve Veterans Advisory Board Annual report for 2020-2021.

MOTION:

Motion by Ms. McCray Members Voting Aye: Mr. Baca, Mr. Webb,
Seconded by Mr. Baca Members Voting Nay: None

Discussion on Veterans Advisory Board plan of action and execution for the 2021 El Paso County Veteran of the Year and Veterans Day event. Item was voted to a standing item agenda to continue discussions every month.

MOTION:

Motion by Ms. McCray Members Voting Aye: Mr. Baca, Mr. Webb,
Seconded by Mr. Baca Members Voting Nay: None

Discussion and vote on Veterans Advisory Board plan of action to address the needs identified in the 2020 Veterans Needs Assessment.

For VAB take charge of the 5 top findings from the Veteran Needs Assessment and to be a standing item agenda to continue discussions every month.

MOTION:

Motion by Ms. McCray Members Voting Aye: Mr. Baca, Mr. Webb,
Seconded by Mr. Baca Members Voting Nay: None

Receive monthly updates from Veterans Advisory Board members on any items of interest or issues from their Representative or Precinct Veterans.

Precinct 1: Ramon Baca informed the board that a 4th of July at 10:00am parade will be taking place from Hanks high school to Album Park if anyone wants to participate. Precinct 3: Aldina Hadjer- No updates

Precinct 2: Alexis McCray informed the board of the Veterans Treatment Court graduation coming up Wednesday and a presentation on Monday's Commissioners Court resolution for Women's Veterans Day Precinct 4: Dan Webb announced that they raised 95,000 up to help establish the flag in northeast, El Paso, TX. County Judge: Vacant

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 2:15 P.M.

July 13, 2021

Opening: The Veterans Advisory Board (VAB) regular meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm; all board members present. El Paso County staff present; Mr. Donnie McGilbra from the County Attorney's office; Mr. Efren Montelongo and Carl Dwyer from the El Paso County Veterans Assistance Office; Mrs. Nicholette Ruiz from the County Judge Samaniego Office; Mrs. Yvonne Whitaker and Donna Juarez from El Paso County Veterans Treatment Court; Members of the public present were Mrs. Blanca C. Aragon from the El Paso VA; Mrs. Shelia Anthony, John Buchanan, and Natalie Castro from the Military Veteran Peer network.

Approval of the minutes for the meeting of June 8th 2021.

MOTION:

Motion by Ms. McCray Members Voting Aye: Mr. Baca, Mr. Williams, Ms. Hajder

Seconded by Mr. Williams Members Voting Nay: None

Discussion:

Mrs. Blanca C. Aragon nurse from the VA is covering for Mr. Amaral. She informed the board that the VA is still offering the COVID vaccine shot for veterans who haven't received the vaccine. The first and the third Thursday of the month are the tele town hall that the VA provides any updates for veterans in the community.

Mr. Dwyer informed the board of financial assistance grant that just kicked off who are in need of rent, mortgage, utilities, and deposits. Please spread the word to any veteran who is going through a financial hardship. The resource directory will be going out by the end of the week so if anyone needs to make final corrections to send them to the Veterans Assistance Office.

On July 22nd 2021 the El Paso County is honoring and commemorate Alexander Coleman and Arturo Benavides.

Ms. Whitaker informed the board on what the mission and vision is for the Veteran Treatment Court. She also informed the board on the requirements needed to come into Vet Court and how veterans successfully finish the court and can proceed with their lives. Mrs. Donna Juarez is the mentor coordinator who is looking for more veterans to volunteer to participate as a mentor in the Veterans Treatment Court.

Mrs. Shelia informed the board on all the benefits that are offered for veterans at the One Stop Shop is offering. Counseling and volunteering is also offered for veterans in the community who are interested. Food pantries along with financial assistance are offered at the one stop.
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Discussion and vote to consider returning to in person Veteran Advisory Board meetings.

MOTION: Ms. McCray motioned for VAB to return to in person in September 2021.

Motion by Ms. McCray Members Voting Aye: Mr. Baca, Mr. Williams,

Seconded by Mr. Williams Members Voting Nay: NONE

Discussion and vote to approve and develop Veterans Advisory Board Annual budget. VAB

MOTION: Ms. McCray motioned to create a line item on the VAB agenda for the budget or events that will arise, and what to do for board members who have departed.

Motion by Ms. McCray Members Voting Aye: Mr. Baca, Mr. Williams,

Seconded by Ms. Hajder Members Voting Nay: NONE

Discussion on Veterans Advisory Board composition and the future establishment of committees. No action taken.

Discussion on Veterans Advisory Board plan of action and execution for the 2021 El Paso County Veteran of the Year and Veterans Day event. No action taken.

Receive monthly updates from Veterans Advisory Board members on any items of interest or issues from their Representative or Precinct Veterans.

Precinct 1: Ramon Baca, no updates. Precinct 3: Aldina Hadjer- No updates

Precinct 2: Alexis McCray the service member and veteran foundation is have a party at the park on July 17, 2021 at 10:00- 2:00pm for all veteran and family members at 12480 Pebble Hills Blvd, giving free back packs to the first 200 children. Precinct 4: Vacant, County Judge: Mr. Williams informed the board that he did research on other Veterans Advisory Boards and they currently have a website for any events or items that the board was to inform the community which are taking place.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 2:30 P.M.

August 10, 2021

Opening: The Veterans Advisory Board (VAB) regular meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm; all board members present. El Paso County staff present; Mr. Donnie McGilbra from the County Attorney's office; Mr. Efren Montelongo and Carl Dwyer from the El Paso County Veterans Assistance Office; Mrs. Nicholette Ruiz from the County Judge Samaniego Office; Mrs. Yvonne Whitaker and Donna Juarez from El Paso County Veterans Treatment Court; Members of the public present were Mrs. Blanca C. Aragon from the El Paso VA; Mrs. Shelia Anthony, John Buchanan, and Natalie Castro from the Military Veteran Peer network.

Approval of the minutes for the meeting of July 13, 2021.

MOTION: APPROVE

Motion by Ms. McCray Members Voting Aye: Mr. Baca, Mr. Williams, Ms. Hajder
Seconded by Mr. Williams Members Voting Nay: None Motion Passed

Discussion: The Veterans Advisory Board (VAB) regular meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm; Mr. Ramon

Baca was absent. El Paso County staff present; Mr. Donnie McGilbra from the County Attorney's office; Mr. Efren Montelongo and Carl Dwyer from the El Paso County Veterans Assistance Office; Mrs. Nicholette Ruiz from the County Judge Samaniego Office; Mrs. Yvonne Whitaker Veterans Court Director from El Paso County Veterans Treatment Court; Members of the public present were Mrs. Blanca C. Aragon from the El Paso VA; Mrs. Natalie Castro from the Military Veteran Peer network; Mr. Bruce Biegel and Lance Lehr from the City of El Paso Veterans Affairs Advisory Committee.

Public Comment

Mrs. Amy Sunary is a spouse of a veteran whose concern is the VA medical center denied his medical appointments due to no face mask. My spouse the veteran can't use any face mask due to his respiratory problems and want to see if anyone can assist with this situation.

Approval of the minutes for the meeting of July 13th 2021.

MOTION: Approve

Motion by Ms. Hajder Members Voting Aye: Mr. Williams, Ms. Hajder, Ms. McCray

Seconded by Ms. McCray Members Voting Nay: None Motion passed

Mr. Lance Lehr the Chairman of the El Paso City Veterans Committee. He informed the board of all the initiatives the City of El Paso is working on like Employment, Housing and Education benefits. The City is working on having bus routes to the new hospital and this is a priority for the City Veterans Committee.

Mr. Montelongo informed the board that the County Commissioners approved the strategic plan that was implemented. The second updated provided was the new telephone number for the Veteran Assistance Office. The new number is (915) 875-8570.

Ms. Godfrey informed the board of Veterans who need assistance with establish naturalization and citizenship. The primary benefit is that this process is free to veterans and active duty.

MOTION: To add Veterans Pro Bono to the County Resource Directory

Motion by Ms. McCray Members Voting Aye: Mr. Williams, Ms. Hajder

Seconded by Mr. Williams Members Voting Nay: None Motion passed

Discussion on Veterans Advisory Board plan of action and execution for the 2021 El Paso County Veteran of the Year and Veterans Day event.

Receive monthly updates from Veterans Advisory Board members on any items of interest or issues from their Representative or Precinct Veterans.

Precinct 1: Ramon Baca, no updates. Precinct 3: Aldina Hadjer- the American Legion post 58 host a 5 course meal on 14 of August 2021 and all proceeding are going to Legion 58.

Precinct 2: Alexis McCray- we have secured the conference room to have our in person meeting in the court house. There will be a Travis Manion Foundation is hosting a 911 hero's run. Precinct 4: Vacant, County Judge: Mr. Williams- no updates.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 2:05 P.M.

2nd Quarter

September 24, 2021

Opening: The Veterans Advisory Board (VAB) regular meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm; Mr. Ramon Baca was absent. El Paso County staff present; Mr. Donnie McGilbra from the County Attorney's office; Mr. Efren Montelongo and Carl Dwyer from the El Paso County Veterans Assistance Office; Mrs. Nicholette Ruiz from the County Judge Samaniego Office; Members of the public present were Mrs. Camille Castillo from the El Paso Coalition for the Homeless; Mr. Bruce Biegel from the City of El Paso Veterans Committee; Mr. Sal Diaz from the Project always beside you; Rob Garza from Vitanya.

Approval of the minutes for the meeting of AUGUST 10 th 2021.

MOTION:

Motion by Ms. McCray Members Voting Aye: Mr. Williams, Ms. Hajder, Ms. McCray
Seconded by Ms. Hajder Mr. Jeskey Members Voting Nay: None Motion Passed

Discussion: Mrs. Castillo informed the Board on the way the master list is created and how it is functioning out in the community. She informed how veterans who are homeless are processed and how they are housed. All the organization who participate in the weekly coalition meeting provide some sort of temporary solution which in the long run become a permanent solution.

Mr. Bruce Biegel informed the board that the city is still working with City Council on Homelessness, Employment and Marketing. The City believes that the City of El Paso is functional zero meaning that there is a bed available to every homeless veteran. The strategic plan will be presented to City Council on October 25, 2021. Mr. Biegel also informed all the local employers to participate in the We Hire Hero' sticker. Any employer who has a 10% or more veterans working within their business can qualify to be nominated for this award.

Mr. Dwyer informed the board that the Veteran assistance Office is always open to help file a claim for veterans, DIC for dependents and surviving spouses. Also wanted to remind all veteran of our new phone number to make an appointment to come see us. We are here for you and all of you for anything we can do to assist and this is our new number. 915-875-8570

Mr. Diaz is the founder and president of this non-profit for veterans who need financial support for canines or handlers. They became a non-profit last year in 2020 and they create this project because he lost his son in Israel and it was created in his honor. The program is 100% free for veterans needing these service and for active duty personnel. They have graduation ceremonies for all veterans who participate in this program. The El Paso Chihuahuas are in partnership with this program.

MOTION: To add them to the County Veteran Resource Directory

Motion by Ms. McCray Members Voting Aye: Mr. Williams, Ms. Hajder, Ms. McCray
Seconded by Ms. Hajder Mr. Jeskey Members Voting Nay: None Motion passed

Discussion on Veterans Advisory Board plan of action and execution for the 2021 El Paso County Veteran of the Year and Veterans Day event.

MOTION: To have a special meeting an hour before the regular meeting for October 12, 2021

Motion by Ms. McCray Members Voting Aye: Mr. Williams, Ms. Hajder, Ms. McCray
Seconded by Ms. Hajder Mr. Jeskey Members Voting Nay: None Motion passed
Receive monthly updates from Veterans Advisory Board members on any items of interest or issues from their Representative or Precinct Veterans.

Precinct 1: Ramon Baca, absent. Precinct 3: Aldina Hadjer- the Steven A. Cohen is holding a

September 28th and 29th meeting on how to interact with veterans who deal with PTSD, MST and TBI. Veterans Non Profit is hosting a meeting for a battle and experience of abuse and sexual trauma for female veterans and Mr. Mills is the point of contact. Caregivers fair November 5th 2021 at the veterans one stop center. San Elizario Veterans Parade will be on November 6th 2021 at 9:00am. Precinct 2: Alexis McCray- announced American GI Form meeting at 1440 miracle way on September 25, 2021 at 9:00am, Fabens Veterans Park is hosting their meeting every Wednesday at 2:00 pm at 117 E. Main Street in Fabens, TX 79838. The County of El Paso is not going to raise property taxes for this coming year. There is a run for the 5K at the Chihuahuas park on the 16 of October and they are looking for volunteers. The Veterans Treatment Court is also looking for veterans who want to participate and become a mentor. Donna Juarez is the point of contact for being a mentee. There will be a women only tele town hall which will be on October 14, 2021. The Precinct 4: Robert Jeskey- First Annual Community Outreach hosted by DAV chapter 10.165 and 187 on Saturday November 13, 2021 from 10:00am to 1:00pm. County Judge: Mr. Williams- no updates.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 2:06 P.M.

October 12, 2021(Special Meeting)

Opening: The Veterans Advisory Board (VAB) special meeting was called to order at 12:00 pm; Mr. Ben Williams was absent. El Paso County staff present; Mr. Donnie McGilbra from the County Attorney's office; Mr. Efren Montelongo and Carl Dwyer from the El Paso County Veterans Assistance Office; Mrs. Nicholette Ruiz from the County Judge Samaniego Office; No members of the public present.

Discussion: Discussion on Veterans Advisory Board selection of the 2021 El Paso County Veteran of the Year.

Item was taken into Executive Session to vote on Veterans of the Year. All board members came up with Mr. David Garcia as the unanimous candidate to become the Veteran of the Year. Returned back to open meeting, once the board reached a decision.

Meeting adjourn: 12:46pm

October 12, 2020

Opening: The Veterans Advisory Board (VAB) regular meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm; All Board Members present. El Paso County staff present; Mr. Donnie McGilbra from the County Attorney's office; Mr. Efren Montelongo and Carl Dwyer from the El Paso County Veterans Assistance Office; Mrs. Nicholette Ruiz from the County Judge Samaniego Office; Members of the public present were Mrs. Camille Castillo from the El Paso Coalition for the Homeless; Mr. Bruce Biegel from the City of El Paso Veterans Committee; Mrs. Jodi Gillett from Hospice of El Paso; Mrs. Lorrena Villegas from the El Paso Apartments Association; and Mr. Thackston from Flags Across America; Colonel Amaral Director of the Veteran Affairs.

Approval of the minutes for the meeting of September 24th 2021.

MOTION: Approve

Motion by Ms. Hajder Members Voting Aye: Mr. Williams, Ms. Hajder, Ms. McCray, Mr. Baca
Seconded by Ms. McCray Mr. Jeskey Members Voting Nay: None Motion Passed

Discussion: Colonel Amaral informed the board that the VA is offering the Flu shot and it was a drive through but due to the weather, they are now offered at team C. The veterans who qualify for the booster shot have been contacted and will be take care of. The mask mandate is still in effect for all employees and all veterans in the building unless you notify your team and they will inform the VA to help accommodate veterans without a face mask.

Mrs. Castillo informed the board that a link was broken in Las Vegas where the database that they use to report homelessness veterans. Over the last 90 days 57 veterans have moved in to permanent housing and then 96 veterans have entered the homelessness system.

Mr. Dwyer informed the board that the Veteran assistance Office is still open and see clients in person by appointment only following all the CDC guidelines. Our new number is 915-875-8570 to make an appointment or contact our office. Our crisis intercept mapping, the goal is to set some strategic plans on veteran's suicide prevention. Remember that every day is Veterans Day at our office.

Mr. Thackston informed the board that the flag post has been posted and the funds were raised by the public. The Veterans Court went out there and did their mentor appreciation site which is located on Community College land in the Northeast El Paso, TX. All our events are held outdoors and is open to any organization who wants to use it for ceremonies. Colonel Hester will be the guest speaker for Veterans Day.

MOTION: To add them to the County Veteran Resource Directory

Motion by Ms. McCray Members Voting Aye: Mr. Williams, Ms. Hajder, Ms. McCray
Seconded by Ms. Hajder Mr. Jeskey Members Voting Nay: None Motion passed

Mrs. Lorrena Villegas informed the board that they offer free education to become certified to install and sell refrigeration services. They are just looking for the support from the community and the board to encourage veterans and spouses to take advantage of the program. The program also offer certified maintaining apartment to help get a position within the El Paso Apartment Association. The program also offers great recommendation and opportunities for veterans to get employment.

MOTION: To add them to the County Veteran Resource Directory

Motion by Ms. Hajder Members Voting Aye: Mr. Williams, Ms. Hajder, Ms. McCray, Mr. Baca
Seconded by Mr. Williams Mr. Jeskey Members Voting Nay: None Motion passed

Discussion on Veterans Advisory Board plan of action and execution for the 2021 El Paso County Veteran of the Year and Veterans Day event.

The board informed the public that a resolution will be presented at Commissioners Court on

November 8th 2021 to the winner of the Veteran of the Year. Also on November 9th 2021 we will have our Veteran of the Year ceremony at 10:00am. The board encourages and invites anyone in the public to join us.

Mrs. Gillett informed the board that Hospice of El Paso want to open a new program called, no veteran dies alone. This program will offer a comfortable death if this is possible. Every Veterans Day they honor veteran in El Paso at veteran homes, hospitals and living centers. They have inpatient facilities for really sick veterans in the community. Hospice is looking for volunteers to help donate their time. One can calls (915) 532-5699. The social service team goes out and provides service at the cemetery for all veterans.

MOTION: To add them to the County Veteran Resource Directory
Motion by Ms. McCray Members Voting Aye: Mr. Williams, Ms. Hajder, Ms. McCray
Seconded by Ms. Hajder Mr. Jeskey Members Voting Nay: None Motion passed

Receive monthly updates from Veterans Advisory Board members on any items of interest or issues from their Representative or Precinct Veterans.

Precinct 1: Ramon Baca, informed the United American Organization has their next meeting on the last Wednesday at 7:00pm at Dyer Street. Precinct 3: Aldina Hadjer- The San Elizario Veterans Parade will be on November 6 th 2021 at 9:00am. At the Hilton Hotel there is a hiring fair on October 13, 2021 from 9:00am to 1:00pm for all veterans in the community. Precinct 2: Alexis McCray- announced that Fabens Veterans Park is hosting the Veteran Ceremony and wants to recognize any veterans who would like to participate at Fabens, The County of El Paso is not going to raise property taxes for this coming year. There is a run for the 5K at the Chihuahuas park on the 16 of October and they are looking for volunteers. The Veterans Treatment Court is also looking for veterans who want to participate and become at mentor. Donna Juarez is the point of contact for being a mentee. There will be a women only tele town hall which will be on October 14, 2021. The Precinct 4: Robert Jeskey- First Annual Community Outreach hosted by DAV chapter 10.165 and 187 on Saturday November 13, 2021 from 10:00am to 1:00pm. County Judge: Mr. Williams- informed that Mr. John Ceballos from the airborne past away and would like to honor him for his service and commitment to the community of El Paso.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 2:46 P.M.

November 9, 2021

Opening: The Veterans Advisory Board (VAB) regular meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm; Ms. Hajder was absent. El Paso County staff present; Mrs. Betsy Keller from the County Administration; Mr. Donnie McGilbra from the County Attorney's office; Mr. Efren Montelongo and Carl Dwyer from the El Paso County Veterans Assistance Office; Members of the public present were Mrs. Camille Castillo from the El Paso Coalition for the Homeless; Mr. Paul Albright and Mr. Bruce Biegel from the City of El Paso Veterans Committee; Colonel Amaral Director of the Veteran Affairs.

Approval of the minutes for the meeting of October 12th 2021.

MOTION: Approve

Motion by Ms. McCray Members Voting Aye: Mr. Williams, Ms. McCray, Mr. Baca

Seconded by Mr. Williams Members Voting Nay: None Motion passed

Discussion: Colonel Amaral informed the board that the VA is offering the Covid Booster and the Flu shot for all veterans. If you are eligible to get the booster you can call ahead of time and set up an appointment.

Mrs. Castillo informed the board that they meet every Friday and that there are 74 homeless 47 are in the process of get homes and 27 of them are still homeless. The Coalition is working on housing these veterans.

Mr. Paul Albright informed the board that the City of El Paso is offering veteran who apply for a job within the city, their MOS will be considered as a plus when applying for employment. The City of Paso Veteran Advisory Committee is the one responsible for this great policy change that gives veterans a stronger opportunity to get hired and make a difference with the city.

Mr. Dwyer informed the board on behalf of the Veterans Assistance Office that on the 24 of October 2021 we can update the first veteran caregiver respite weekend in El Paso County. We executed the Bel Air veteran's recognition ceremony and we will also be participating in the San Elizario and Fabens Ceremonies. The County HR is almost finalizing with the ARMY Pace program which help potential jobs for active duty getting ready to retire and bring in their specialties to the community workforce. One learning point is for all Veterans to register their DD214 with in the County Clerk's office and file it for future references.

Mr. Elrod informed the board that he used to be a Jag officer in the military and that he offers veteran's assistance with claim, appeals and upgrades to the DD214. He provides all his services on line due to the COVID. He does 80% of his employment local for all veterans who need the help. Veterans can get a hold of him through email and make an appointment for assistance.

MOTION: To add them to the County Veteran Resource Directory

Motion by Ms. McCray Members Voting Aye: Mr. Williams, Ms. McCray, Mr. Baca

Seconded by Ms. Williams Members Voting Nay: None Motion passed

Receive monthly updates from Veterans Advisory Board members on any items of interest or issues from their Representative or Precinct Veterans.

Precinct 1: Ramon Baca, informed that Fabens is having a Veterans Ceremony for Veterans Day on November 10, 2021 at 9:00am. Precinct 3: Aldina Hadjer- Absent. Precinct 2: Alexis McCray- announced that Fabens Veteran Advisory Committee is asking the County Advisory Board to provide a letter of support for the grant they are asking for their Fabens Veterans Park. Precinct 4: Vacant. County Judge: Mr. Williams- informed the board that during the last 2 years the housing market has been really high and it has been giving veteran a hard time to

get a grant for their house making them also put in a high payment in order to get their home. The reason he is bring this up is to see if they can educate their entire real state committee and inform all veterans to be careful before investing in a home.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 2:46 P.M.

3rd Quarter

December 8, 2021

Veterans Advisory Board postponed due to quorum not being met.

January 11, 2022

Opening: The Veterans Advisory Board (VAB) regular meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm; Mr. Baca was absent- El Paso County staff present: Mr. Donnie McGilbra from the County Attorney's office; Mr. Efren Montelongo and Carl Dwyer from the El Paso County Veterans Assistance office; Mrs. Yvonne Whitaker from the Veterans Treatment Court; Ms Cynthia Reneteria from the office of Commissioners Stout Precinct 2; Members of the public present here: Mrs. Camille Castillo from the El Paso Coalition for the Homeless; Mrs. Donna Juarez and Donna Laverty from the Mentors Treatment Court Mr. Paul Albright from the City of El Paso Veterans Committee; Mr. Benito Torres and Yesenia Villareal from the office of Congresswoman Veronica Escobar; Mr. David Garcia from the office of Disabled American Vets post 187; Mr. Edgar Vines and Ronald Rucker from the El Paso VA

Approval of the minutes for the meeting of November 9th 2021.

MOTION: Approve

Motion by Ms. Hajder Members Voting Aye: Mr. Williams, Ms. McCray, Mr. Thackston
Seconded by Mr. Williams Ms. Hajder Members Voting Nay: None Motion passed

Discussion: Mrs. Castillo informed the board that 79.6 of the homeless are new to the system. Veterans who fall under reoccurring categories, there is only about 994 of veterans
Mr. Paul Albright informed the board that January 15, 2022 they will honor Colonel Chisolm at 5:00pm at the airborne chapter. It is open to the public to come join us. Please contact me if anyone would like to speak on the public comment at the Veterans Advisory Committee. The next meeting will meet on January 22nd, 2022 at 10:00 am and the meeting will be virtual.
Mr. Dwyer informed the board that we have extended our work hours in ffice Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday's. They are still working virtually on Monday's and Friday's at both location. Our social media account is still down and waiting for authorization lo go hack to operation. Still providing financial assistance and we are in the 3^d phase of our grant. So if you have any veteran looking for benefits or financial assistance please refer them to our office.

Receive a presentation from Perla Lucero from Heart2Serve about her company's efforts to prevent veteran homelessness. The purpose of the program is to provide homes for homelessness veterans in the community. The program creates 3d homes for veterans which

would save money to build and to maintain. A project is in the works to come and build here in El Paso County. No action taken.

Discussion and action regarding the development and presentation of the Veterans Advisory Boards 2022 Strategic Plan and presentation to Commissioners Court.

MOTION: To have a Special Meeting on February 3'd,2022 on this item at 2:00pm Motion by Ms. McCray Members Voting Aye: Mr. Williams, Ms. Hajder, Ms. McCray, Seconded by Ms. Hajder Mr. Thaxston Members Voting Nay: None Motion passed

Discussion and action regarding the steps needed to take to work with Historical commission and the Commissioner's court to make the Flags across America El paso County designated Historical site

MOTION: To add to the Resource Directory Motion by Ms. Hajder Members Voting Aye: Mr. Williams, Ms. Hajder, Ms. McCray, Seconded by Mr. Thaxston Mr. Thaxston Members Voting Nay: None Motion passed

Receive monthly updates from Veterans Advisory Board members on any items of interest or issues from their Representative or Precinct Veterans. Precinct 1: Absent Precinct 3: Aldina Hadjer- nothing to present. Precinct 2: Alexis McCray announced that you need to provide a monthly enrollment in order to keep receiving educational VA benefits. For veterans who transferred benefits need to remove those dates due to the new law that changed. Precinct 4: David Thaxston- nothing at this time. County Judge: Mr. Williams had no updates today

Executive Session: VOY billboard was taken into Executive Session voted on and approved by the VAB

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 3:16 P.M.

February 8, 2022 (Special Session)

Discussion: Discussion and action regarding the development and presentation of the Veterans Advisory Boards 2022 Strategic Plan and presentation to Commissioners Court.

Meeting adjourn at 11:45am

February 8, 2022

Opening: The Veterans Advisory Board (VAB) regular meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm; Mr. Thackston was absent. El Paso County staff present; Mr. Donnie McGilbra from the County Attorney's office; Mrs. Melissa Carrillo from County Administration; Mr. Efren

Montelongo and Carl Dwyer from the El Paso County Veterans Assistance Office; Mrs. Yvonne Whitaker from the Veterans Treatment Court; Ms. Cynthia Renteria from the office of Commissioners Stout Precinct 2; Members of the public present were Mrs. Camille Castillo from the El Paso Coalition for the Homeless; Mrs. Donna Juarez and Donna Laverty from the Mentors Treatment Court Mr. Paul Albright from the City of El Paso Veterans Committee; Mr. Benito Torres and Yesenia Villareal from the office of Congresswoman Veronica Escobar; Mr. David Garcia from the office of Disabled American Vets post 187; Mr. Edgar Vines and Ronald Rucker from the El Paso VA.

Approval of the minutes for the meeting of January 11th 2022.

MOTION: Approve

Motion by Ms. Hajder Members Voting Aye: Mr. Williams, Ms. McCray, Seconded by Ms. McCray Ms. Hajder Members Voting Nay: None Motion passed

Discussion: Mr. Amaral just wanted to announce that at the end of this month, he will be stepping down as the Director of the VA.

Mr. Ismael Lopez from Endeavors just provided an update on all the benefits that they are offering in person appointments if need to be. The office is still offering all their benefits if any veterans in the community is looking for mental health treatment.

Mr. Dwyer informed the board that we have as always operating with the pandemic with appointments only on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Veterans can call (915)875-8570 and ext. 1 for benefits, ext. 2 for financial assistance and ext. 3 for Mr. Dwyer. There was a proclamation for naming a portion of the US 54 for the Korean War Committee. This event is in the works and will provide update to the VAB for support. Legislative passed that Jurors can donate their salaries to the Veteran Assistance Office. We would use these donation for food vouchers and transportation which are not covered by our financial assistance grant. We are also working the parade funding for our Veterans Day Parades. We have our first Crisis Intercept Mapping on the 23 of February at 9:00am if you want to join us. Strategic planning is the number one action on this initiative. The VA director is stepping down from the VA and his replacement will be coming on board around July 2022. I suggest the VAB do a resolution in honor of Mr. Amaral for all the good work and support that he provided to our veterans in the community.

Mr. Driscoll is the local director and has been awarded a grant for veterans who need home repairs and residential. Habitat received the funding from home depot of \$20,000. It has some income guidelines which 60% of medium income. Must be a veteran to qualify and they can do any kind of repairs. Once an application is submitted the veterans will be notified of their approval. No action taken.

Discussion and action regarding the presentation of the Veterans Advisory Boards 2022 Strategic Plan and presentation to Commissioners Court.

We have 6 issues that the VAB will be working on, which are, revamping the veteran of the year program, working on a Veteran's Advisory Outreach, working with the Veterans Need's

Assessment, the Crisis Intercept mapping, Homelessness and increasing the Veterans enrollment at the VA to increase some more federal funds and know our veterans population. We will have a presentation to Commissioner's Court around end of February or mid-March time frame on the goals for the VAB.

Discussion and action regarding the development of the Veterans Advisory Board 2022 Budget and fundraising opportunities.

MOTION: To have this item added on every agenda
Motion by Ms. McCray Members Voting Aye: Mr. Williams, Ms. Hajder, Ms. McCray,
Seconded by Ms. Hajder Members Voting Nay: None Motion passed

Receive monthly updates from Veterans Advisory Board members on any items of interest or issues from their Representative or Precinct Veterans.

Precinct 1: no Appointee Precinct 3: Aldina Hadjer- VBA started their meeting again at 4800 Montana Ave at 9:00am on February 19, 2022, and on March 26, 2022 DAV will have a collaboration on how to be a Veterans Service Officer, also I will be absent for next month's meeting Precinct 2: Alexis McCray- announced that the women veteran network will be having a meeting February 22, 2022 at 6:30pm and on February 25th, 2022 at 5:00pm. We will do a resolution on February 28, 2022 for Black History Month for Major General Everett Gear. Precinct 4: David Thackston- Absent. County Judge: Mr. Williams- provided an update on the billboard which was changed to the Hercules and Dyer, and will be up on March 1, 2022 until April 30, 2022. The tax services office on Ft. Bliss closed but there are center in the community that will provide veterans with free tax services. Veterans of the Year: David Garcia- he thanked Mrs. Yvonne Whitaker for providing volunteers to help the glory road project. Wants to encourage any organization that wants to participate with the project.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 1:55 P.M.

4th Quarter

March 8, 2022

Opening: The Veterans Advisory Board (VAB) regular meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm; Mrs. Hajder was absent. El Paso County staff present; Mr. Donnie McGilbra from the County Attorney's office; Mr. Efren Montelongo and Carl Dwyer from the El Paso County Veterans Assistance Office; Mrs. Yvonne Whitaker from the Veterans Treatment Court; Ms. Cynthia Renteria from the office of Commissioners Stout Precinct 2; Members of the public present were Mrs. Camille Castillo from the El Paso Coalition for the Homeless; Mr. Bruce Biegel from the City of El Paso Veterans Committee; Mr. Scottie Wittle from Home Watch Care Givers.

Approval of the minutes for the meeting of February 8th 2022.

MOTION: Approve

Motion by Ms. McCray Members Voting Aye: Mr. Williams, Ms. McCray,
Seconded by Mr. Williams Mr. Thackston Members Voting Nay: None Motion passed

Discussion: Interim Director Mark R. Riello for the VA.

Mr. Riello is in place for Mr. Amaral while there is a director hired. The third Thursday of April the VA will host their tele town meeting and he will be giving update until June of this years. We have been working closing with VA on Homeless Data and as of last Friday March 8th, 79 veterans identified as homeless and 55 are sheltered and 24 are not sheltered at this time. Bruce Biegel informed the VAB that the City VACC will be briefing the City at the beginning of April and the main topic are homelessness, employment and outreach.

Mr. Dwyer informed the board that last week Govern Abbott presented to Private Serna the Texas Medal of Honor. On behalf of the board's letter of support thank you for that. We were able to present to the Commissioner's Court the idea of building a Wellness Center. The Wellness would be created before Veterans Day 2023. Upcoming events, the Crisis intercept mapping first quarter in person which will take place at Endeavors on the 16 th of March. Veteran's summit hosted by American GI Forum on Saturday 26 March 2022 and recognize Vietnam Veterans. Kudos for the Veteran Advisory Board for the time and dedication you do on the resolution that was done on Major General Greer.

Mr. Whittle informed the board they offer funds and they provide the services if Veteran needs home health care. Bathing, moving around, walking, eating, grooming are some of the requirements the VA is requiring to qualify as long as they are enrolled in the VA. I would like for the Board to include our organization on the Resource directory.

MOTION: To have this item added to the Resource Directory

Motion by Mr. Thackston Members Voting Aye: Mr. Williams, Mr. Thackston, Ms. McCray,

Seconded by Ms. McCray Members Voting Nay: None Motion passed

Discussion and action regarding the presentation of the Veterans Advisory Boards 2022 Strategic Plan and presentation to Commissioners Court.

Madam Chair wants to have the presentation to CC ready for the following agenda and ask the board members if they have anything else they would like to add. Nothing to add.

Discussion and action regarding planning and execution of a Women Veterans Day Brunch during the month of June 2022.

June 10 th , 2022 from 10:00am to 1:00pm, and having a brunch to go. We will be using the Pavilion at Ascarate as the location. A committee will be created to help facilitate and participate on the committee. First meeting will be virtual and a meeting every 3 weeks before the event. If anyone knows or resources or vendors who want to donate food for the event, please send an email to make contact.

MOTION: To host the first El Paso County Women Veterans Brunch for 2022 and keep it on the Agenda on Monthly basis.

Motion by Ms. McCray Members Voting Aye: Mr. Williams, Mr. Thackston, Ms. McCray,
Seconded by Mr. Williams Members Voting Nay: None Motion passed

Receive monthly updates from Veterans Advisory Board members on any items of interest or issues from their Representative or Precinct Veterans.

Precinct 1: no Appointee Precinct 3: Aldina Hadjer- Absent Precinct 2: Alexis McCray- announced that Mr. Baca resigned from his position but it will be filled up really quick. Yesterday we briefed Commissioner's Court on the Wellness Center and it went really well. They were accepting of the idea and Endeavors will be having the opening day by Veteran's Day 2023. Precinct 4: David Thackston- Military Wounded Warriors are looking for an October day at the Community College for the masking of the Colors or at the Chamizal memorial theater. Flag across America is starting their food truck night Wednesday 16, 2022. Invite the community to come out and enjoy the food. County Judge: Mr. Williams- the billboard is up and it looks great and the Mr. Garcia was happy with the outcome. Veterans of the Year: David Garcia- Absent.

Executive session: VOY billboard was taken into Executive Session voted on and approved by the VAB.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 1:55 P.M.

April 12, 2022

Opening: The Veterans Advisory Board (VAB) regular meeting was called to order at 1:00pm; All Board Members Present; El Paso County staff present; Mr. Donnie McGilbra from the County Attorney's office; Mr. Efren Montelongo and Carl Dwyer from the El Paso County Veterans Assistance Office; Mrs. Yvonne Whitaker from the Veterans Treatment Court; Ms. Cynthia Renteria from the office of Commissioners Stout Precinct 2; Members of the public present were Mrs. Camille Castillo from the El Paso Coalition for the Homeless; Mr. Bruce Biegel from the City of El Paso Veterans Committee; Ms. Diane Vega from a Non-Profit organization for deported veterans.

Public Comment: Mrs. Diane Vega is an advocate for deported Veterans in Mexico. She is here to assist all deported veterans come back and she is requesting to be added to the Agenda for next month.

Approval of the minutes for the meeting of March 8th, 2022.

MOTION: Approve

Motion by Ms. McCray Members Voting Aye: Mr. Williams, Ms. McCray, Ms. Aldina
Seconded by Mr. Williams Mr. Thackston, Mr. Lopez Members Voting Nay: None Motion passed

Discussion: Interm Director Mark R. Riello from the VA updated the board of a blood drive happening at the VA on April 22, 2022 for veteran and the public who would like to donate.

The VA is offering the next booster for shot given by appointment or on walk-in on Tuesday and Thursday's. Dental procedures and appointments are not affected for veterans who need appointments. Veterans need to have placards in order to park in the Handicap parking at the VA. This is federal requirement and will be enforced to all veterans.

Mr. Albright updated the board that the Governor's Office, Senator Blanco's Office and Congresswoman Veronica Escobar, County Commissioners and the City all gave a presentation along with Ft. Bliss and they listed all the great work that is being done. There is a program called the defense economy assistance adjustment grant for community projects that face resiliency on a military base. This defense grant will help Ft. Bliss on their water problems. The Fellowship program is receiving plenty of people interested in participating, and still taking applications.

Mr. Bennett is the Director for People fund out of Austin to help assist small business lending who get bypassed by banks for any existing or new businesses. We extend our veteran benefits to spouses and family members. Grant dollars are raised and offered to all the business who need the assistance. We also offer education benefits on how to think about marketing, how to grow sales, post loans, and how do you bring on staff to your organizations. Requirement to qualify is income, and the whole picture of the business. The phone number to reach out to Mr. Bennett to qualify is (512)222-1019 or the website is peoplefund.org. The El Paso County representative is Elvira Valles (915)229-4648.

MOTION: To have this item added to the Resource Directory
Motion by Ms. McCray Members Voting Aye: Mr. Williams, Mr. Thackston, Ms. McCray,
Seconded by Mr. Williams Mr. Lopez, Ms. Hajder Members Voting Nay: None Motion passed

Discussion and action regarding having a candlelight vigil for the war in Ukraine.
MOTION: for the Board to host a Candlelight vigil for the events happening in Ukraine
Motion by Ms. McCray Members Voting Aye: Mr. Williams, Mr. Thackston, Ms.
McCray, Mr. Lopez, Ms. Hadjer
Seconded by Mr. Thackston Members Voting Nay: None Motion passed

Receive monthly updates from Veterans Advisory Board members on any items of interest or issues from their Representative or Precinct Veterans.
Precinct 1: Ismael Lopez- no updates Precinct 3: Aldina Hadjer- informed the Board that she will be stepping down as a Board member due to personal reason with her health. She thanked the board and was honored to have served with everyone on the VAB. On April 16 th Endeavors is having a Relationship Priority class or veterans who are interested in attending.
Precinct 2: Alexis McCray- there is a resolution for Mr. Bill Sparks on April 18, 2022 for all the great work that he has done for the community of El Paso County. The next resolution will be on April 25, 2022 for Mr. Mike Amaral for his dedication and service to our Veterans in our community also at Commissioner Court. Also the upcoming Business Associating meeting will be April 16, 2022 at 9:00am at Moe's Restaurant. The Northeast Easter parade will be at 10:00am off Hercules and Diana on April 16, 2022. Precinct 4: David Thackston- any

organization who want to participate in the Easter parade are still welcome. County Judge: Mr. Williams- None Veterans of the Year: David Garcia- Provided an outline of all the work that is being done by him along with all the organization's in the community.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 2:15 P.M.

May 10, 2022

Opening: The Veterans Advisory Board (VAB) regular meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm; All Board Members Present; El Paso County staff present; Mr. Donnie McGilbra from the County Attorney's office; Mr. Efren Montelongo and Carl Dwyer from the El Paso County Veterans Assistance Office; Mrs. Yvonne Whitaker from the Veterans Treatment Court; Ms. Cynthia Renteria from the office of Commissioners Stout Precinct 2; Members of the public present were Mrs. Camille Castillo from the El Paso Coalition for the Homeless; Mr. Bruce Biegel from the City of El Paso Veterans Committee; Mr. Dennis Prickett is the president for Honor Flight.

Public Comment

Mr. Dennis Prickett presented a 3 minute video on the opportunity that they give our veterans who participate in the Honor Flight program. They informed that board that they are here if anyone wants to participate in. Flight and guardian are provided free for all veterans to see the memorials and take part on this free trip.

Rodrigo Estrada the new district director for Congressman Tony Gonzalez and is here to be a resource and participated in community outreach or meetings. Looks forward to working with the VAB on any issues or concerns that might arise.

Approval of the minutes for the meeting of April 22th 2022.

MOTION: Approve

Motion by Mr. Williams Members Voting Aye: Mr. Williams, Ms. McCray,

Seconded by Ms. McCray Mr. Thackston, Mr. Lopez Members/ Voting Nay: None Motion passed

Discussion: Mrs. Castillo informed the board that they continue to meet every Friday and they have 71 homeless veterans, 47 have been housed, and 24 are unsheltered. All of the individual have been confirmed to be veterans.

Mr. Albright updated the board that City has requested funds to address homelessness. Their marketing campaign has passes a contract that will provide 4 digital billboards around the City of El Paso to direct veterans to all the resources provide for them. Would like to thanks their environmental services division for the roll off, dumpsters, giving out waters, hat, shovels for the old glory clean up. On May the 19 th 2022, at 6:00pm, we will be doing our community salutes all of our graduates from high school who decided to join our arm forces. This event is only for graduates and their family members. Texas women veterans' day will be celebrated on June 11th 2022 at the old glory memorial.

VA office still has finical assistance available for veterans in the community and we are still helping with any type of claim assistance.

Receive presentation from David Garcia, El Paso County Veteran of the Year about the Deported Veterans Support Initiative ongoing in El Paso County and take action to recommend support to be provided by El Paso County Commissioners Court.
Mr. Garcia wanted to give kudos to all the organization that helped do the cleanup at old glory memorial. I want to reschedule my presentation for next month because I don't have any information yet.

Discussion and action regarding appointing Board Co-Chair to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Precinct 3 Appointee, Aldina Hadjer.

Motion by Mr. Thackston for Mr. Williams to be the Vice-Chair for the VAB.
Members Voting Aye: Mr. Williams, Mr. Thackston, Ms. McCray,
Seconded by Mr. Lopez Mr. Lopez Members Voting Nay: None Motion passed

Discussion and action regarding the completion of new board member orientation training for all board members not in compliance.
Madam Chair Alexis McCray schedule a virtual training for Monday at 10:00am May 16, 2022 to get all board members on the same track.

Discussion and action regarding having a candlelight vigil for the war in Ukraine.
Mr. Lopez is working with the City to change the color of the star as a vigil of the war in Ukraine. Working on the date and the process for the star to change in color. Will updated the board next month on the final preparations.

Discussion and action regarding Veteran of the Year nomination and selection for CY2022-2023.

Motion by Ms. McCray to remove or change the Veteran of the Year requirements of requiring to reside in El Paso County. The last day to submit for Veteran of the Year is August 31st, 2022.
Members Voting Aye: Mr. Williams, Mr. Thackston, Ms. McCray,
Seconded by Mr. Lopez Mr. Lopez Members Voting Nay: None Motion passed

Discussion and action regarding the Women's Veterans Day Brunch planning and support needed.
POC: Alexis McCray, Chair/Precinct 2 Appointee
Ms. McCray informed the board for help advertising the event for June 10, 2022. Food and monetary donation have been given for the event and still looking for veteran owned business who would be interest in donating for the event.

Receive monthly updates from Veterans Advisory Board members on any items of interest or issues from their Representative or Precinct Veterans.
Precinct 1: Ismael Lopez- no updates Precinct 3: Vacant Precinct 2: Alexis McCray- the

Veteran business association will be having their golf tournament fund raiser at Painted Dunes on Saturday May 14, 2022. Precinct 4: David Thackston- No update. County Judge: Mr. Williams No update. Veterans of the Year: David Garcia- No update.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 2:05 P.M.

COMMISSIONER COURT SUMMARIES

Significant Veteran Resolutions Published

- ❖ **El Paso County Women’s Veterans Day- 14 June 2021**
- ❖ **Veterans Day Resolution- 8 Nov 2021**
- ❖ **MG Edward Greer Veteran Black History Month Resolution – 28 Feb 2022**
- ❖ **Bill Sparks Retirement Resolution- 18 April 2022**
- ❖ **Mike Amaral Retirement Resolution – 25 April 2022**

