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1. Introduction

Across Texas and nationwide, local governments are actively regulating data centers, in particular hyperscale facilities. Cities and Counties are deploying a mix of policies and solutions, from zoning adjustments to temporary pauses and negotiated community agreements. Smaller data centers have been operating in the region for some time, but they have largely existed without debate or public scrutiny because their size and impact were not as significant as those of hyperscale data centers.

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In coordination with concerns raised by constituents, on February 17, 2026, the City Council of the City of El Paso, TX, directed staff to develop a Data Center Policy Framework. The resolution emphasized the following considerations:

- Prioritize community engagement, utility providers, local, state, and regional governments.
- Evaluate long-term impacts on infrastructure and utilities.
- Conduct a legal analysis of 380 agreements with data centers to identify best practices, lessons learned, and opportunities to develop a new framework.

This direction demonstrates a shift from project-by-project decisions to a more structured regulatory framework. The framework aims to address a broader development pattern rather than individual projects, creating a predictable structure for decision-making.

This work is also part of the City's Climate Action Plan, which identifies the need to evaluate data center policy considering environmental, community, and economic development considerations.

The sections of this report are: Introduction; Executive Summary; Community Engagement; Case Studies/Research; and Policy Recommendations.

As data center technologies, best practices, and Federal, State, and Local regulations are continuously and rapidly evolving, this framework is a working document intended to be revised.

For this report, the term "data center" refers to hyperscale data centers unless noted otherwise.

2. Executive Summary

3. Policy Recommendations

This section outlines a list of tentative policies to help the City of El Paso deal with future hyperscale data centers.

These facilities aren't just technological infrastructure; data centers are resource-intensive installations that impact communities fully, from their energy and water systems to their air quality, land, overall infrastructure, and economic landscape.

As a City, and ideally as a region, the following policies can better align the approach for protecting our natural resources (water, air, land, wildlife), residents, workforce, and economic development. Based on the information outlined in the preceding sections, the recommended policies will act as the guiding and regulatory principles for the City of El Paso.

It is important to highlight that these recommendations will require additional development after approval and selection for implementation by the City Council. The governing body will determine what policies best address community asks, needs, and concerns. All policies and future regulations must abide by Texas and Federal laws and regulations.

The main goal of this framework is to have a much better approach and outcomes to the impact on the community by these data centers, including energy, water, land, infrastructure, economic impact, and community well-being and health.

As emphasized by the community throughout the engagement process, data centers are privately developed and owned, but have multiple externalities attached to their construction, such as environmental impacts, impacts on infrastructure, and increased utility costs. As a result of the framework, the City of El Paso wants to ensure that costs (social, environmental, and economic) are not shifted to the public.

Furthermore, the shift in federal priorities and regulations make essential for El Paso to ensure that this local Policy Framework protects the interests of the community. El Paso has to lead and take responsibility for the oversight of hyperscale data centers while following state and federal regulations. At the same time, the Framework protects our city from regulatory and political shifts at those administrative levels.

3.1. Zoning and Land Use

The community feedback provided strong concerns related to data centers and how these are permitted via land use regulations. As the City of El Paso has the authority to modify the zoning regulations within the boundaries established by the State of Texas, the following are recommended modifications to the zoning code:

A. Zoning code modifications

- Modify the definition of data processing center (hyperscale) to note either, or a combination of, size, energy capacity, Power and/or Water usage effectiveness (PUE; WUE) of energy uses. Create an additional definition for smaller facilities that are less impactful on the community.
- Modify the zoning code to remove the ability for the data processing center (hyperscale) from “by right” to a special permit in the C-4 (Commercial), M-1 (Manufacturing), and M-2 (Manufacturing) zoning districts. A special permit allows greater City Council oversight as the use is publicly disclosed throughout the process. City Council will have the ability to decide the merits of any potential future data processing centers (hyperscale) within the City limits. As part of the public process, the public would be able to provide public comment at the City Plan Commission and City Council, and direct mailouts would take place to the abutting property owners per State and Local notification requirements. The I-MU (Industrial Mixed Use) is recommended to remain the same as the zoning master plan already requires for the use to be approved by City Council. The prohibition of the data processing center (hyperscale) would continue in all other zoning districts.
- Include supplemental standards. As there are none currently codified, it is recommended to include provisions in the supplemental standards for added provisions. Some of these may include:
 - a. Requiring a distance from residential uses or natural reserves/environmentally sensitive areas.
 - b. Site design considerations, such as, but not limited to, requiring equipment to be enclosed or screened with a wall.
 - c. Requiring a comprehensive impact study at the time of submittal may be an option (accompanying the special permit request), evaluating impact on the environment, utilities, and other uses and infrastructure (see section 5.2).

3.2. Environmental

The Community meetings clearly showed that environmental concerns associated with data centers are at the top. Direct impacts on electrical and water infrastructure, wildlife, land, air, and water quality were recurrent comments during the engagement process. The

following recommendations can help ensure that hyperscale data centers within city limits operate as sustainably as possible.

- A. Require an operations plan and comprehensive study that includes energy, emissions, noise, water use, stormwater, and water treatment considerations. This plan should include compliance, monitoring, and timeline specifications.

Steps

- a. Identify the best enforcing mechanism for the adoption of the plans (code, land sale contract, etc.)
 - b. Develop specifications for all parameters/categories to be included in the plan
 - c. Annual or semi-annual enforcement
- B. Require minimum performance standards for energy, noise, energy back-up, and water. In compliance with State and Federal laws and regulations, incorporate performance standards

Steps

- a. Identify the best enforcing mechanism for the adoption (code, land sale contract, etc.)
 - b. Develop specifications for all parameters/categories to be included
 - c. Annual or semi-annual enforcement
- C. Collaboration with El Paso Electric and EP Water to promote the adoption of the most energy and water-efficient solutions for the facilities and to avoid the transfer of costs to other customers. Collaboration on state advocacy with El Paso Electric and EP Water (see section 5.5).

Steps

- a. Create a working group with utilities and regional governments
- b. Regular meetings
- c. Annual or semi-annual reporting to governing bodies

3.3. Economic

The community's input was clear regarding economic incentives and data centers: no economic incentives for hyperscale facilities, but rather to enter into Community Benefit Agreements (see 5.4).

- A. Land sale hold. Pause on any public land sale with an expected use for hyperscale data centers until the policies identified in this Framework have been developed, approved, and adopted by the City Council. Any public land sale contract should

include all commitments (environmental, economic) in writing by the parent company.

- B. No tax economic incentives for hyperscale data centers

3.4. Community Benefits Agreement

A Community Benefit Agreement (CBA) is a legally binding agreement negotiated between a data center developer and local government with meaningful representation and input from residents and community organizations. The goal of CBAs is to ensure that any tentative development aligns with local priorities. The company commits to specific, measurable community benefits¹. CBAs can include direct financial contributions for infrastructure, neighborhood programs, workforce development, or any other community priority.

There are limitations for El Paso to enforce CBAs, including: investor-owned electric utility (vs. municipally -owned); limitations on making these agreements required as part of the zoning approval. The best options for enforcement for the City would be to incorporate the CBA into the land sale contract or, if entering into a local tax abatement or some other publicly funded improvement agreement that will benefit the project (these options would be opposed to the public sentiment gathered during the engagement process).

- A. Require CBAs for any hyperscale data center

Steps

- a. Identify the best legal mechanism to enter into and enforce CBAs
- b. Define a transparency mechanism for the involvement of the community
- c. Coordinate with all other regional and local governments for alignment

3.5. Advocacy

Federal, state, and local policies shape data center impacts on water and energy, as well as the direct economic impacts on the community, including property and sales taxes and job creation. Advocacy is key because it turns a community's needs into actual decisions, funding, laws, and protections. For El Paso, leveraging advocacy efforts to promote regulatory changes related to data centers, as described in this framework, is essential to realize the community needs expressed during the engagement series. On April 28, 2026, City Council approved to amend the City of El Paso's 90th Session State Legislative

¹ [Data Center Planning Resources for EDDs & RDOs - NADO](#)

Agenda, as well as the 119th Congress Federal Legislative Agenda, to include advocacy support for policy proposals related to data center incentives and regulatory frameworks².

Steps

- a. Modify State and Federal Legislative agendas
- b. Identify and convey state and federal stakeholders
- c. Advocate

State topics

A. Data access and transparency requirements

With increasing data center presence and pressure in the region, the lack of transparency and access to energy and water prevents local governments from making data-driven decisions and keeping the public and officials informed. This lack of information impacts both the electric and water utilities (EPE and EP Water). The size of these projects requires communities to have adequate electricity and water demand data from data centers.

B. Collaboration on state advocacy with EP Water

- Advocate for the inclusion of large water-demand uses in water planning. In Texas, where, as of April 2025, over 80% of the state is experiencing drought and 17% is experiencing exceptional drought, this consumption makes an even more substantial difference for local communities with limited water supplies³.
- Reform groundwater regulations
- Incentivize or require water efficiency, reuse, or conservation for data centers; best available cooling technology; non-potable water use; and offset water use through other water-saving activities.

C. Collaboration on state advocacy with El Paso Electric

Utility coordination, efficient and transparent communication channels to ensure that the community is not impacted by increased electricity costs, and environmental impacts due to new generation linked to data centers.

- Avoid the generation, transmission, and distribution costs associated with the development of data centers, at any point in time during the life of such assets.

D. Parent Company Agreement

² <https://elpasotexas.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=7990306&GUID=A20FC9A1-F08E-4F8E-BDC0-86D9BF37ADF5>

³ Thirsty Data and the Lone Star State: The Impact of Data Center Growth on Texas' Water Supply Margaret Cook, PhD, HARC January 2026

Require that any contract or agreement related to data centers be signed with the parent company, not the subsidiary. This type of agreement is a legally binding document and ensures that if a subsidiary fails to perform or goes bankrupt, the parent company covers the obligations.

3.6. Building site

As data center deployment accelerates across Texas, future growth must be guided by strategic siting frameworks that incorporate ecological screening and regional planning coordination. At the site level, adopting nature-positive design strategies—such as permeable pavement, green roofs, ecological buffer zones, and native landscaping—can reduce environmental disturbance and enhance climate resilience. But these solutions cannot stand alone. Land and water resource management must be coordinated across state, regional, and local agencies⁴. Although data centers themselves may have a lower direct emissions footprint compared to some industrial activities, their indirect ecological impact through land transformation and infrastructure sprawl is increasingly recognized as an important component of their environmental footprint⁵.

4. Community Engagement

4.1. Overview

The Climate, Sustainability & Energy Division of the Strategic & Legislative Affairs Department, in collaboration with City of El Paso's Planning and Inspections Department, conducted a six-part community engagement and feedback series to gather community input regarding the development of data centers in the City of El Paso.

Each meeting included participant sign-in, interactive welcome boards, an introduction about the open house purpose and structure, and three rounds of facilitated roundtable discussions. One of the interactive boards asked residents to note where they live using a voting sticker dot on a City of El Paso map and the surrounding region. A majority of attendees were found to be visiting from within the El Paso City limits (see appendices).

The overall goal of these engagements was to explore potential impacts and opportunities of data centers, understand community concerns, and their public opinion to inform future planning and policy recommendations.

⁴ Dr. Ning Lin, Data Center Growth in Texas: Energy, Infrastructure, and Policy Pathways, 2025

⁵ MIT Climate & Sustainability Consortium. Investigating the Ecological Impacts of Data Centers. Mar. 2025. URL: <https://impactclimate.mit.edu/2025/03/20/investigating-the-ecological-impacts-of-data-centers/>.

Public Meetings

- The first meeting was held on March 23, 2026, at the Don Haskins Recreation Center. A total of 121 community participants attended this event. (District 1)
- The second meeting was held on March 25, 2026, at Veterans Memorial Recreation Center. This event included 100 community participants. (District 4)
- The third meeting was held on March 26, 2026, at Pavo Real Recreation Center. This event included 54 community participants. (District 7)
- The fourth meeting was held on March 30, 2026, at The Beast Urban Recreation Center. This event included 81 community participants. (District 5)
- The fifth meeting was held on April 2, 2026, at the Chamizal Community Center. A total of 93 community participants attended this event. (District 8)
- The sixth meeting was held on April 8, 2026, at the Wayne Thornton Community Center. The event included 93 community participants. (District 2)

The total number of registered attendees was 542.

4.2. Approach

Feedback Sessions

Participants joined breakout table feedback sessions that focused on three main themes: Community Benefits Framework, Community Concerns and Mitigation Strategies, and Site Considerations and Building Design.

Feedback Session Approach

A facilitator from the Climate, Sustainability & Energy Team or the City Planning Department led each table and focused on one of three themes. Meetings were structured so that attendees spent 20 minutes at each breakout table session, then rotated to the next table topic, so that all were able to contribute to all discussions. Table topics included:

- **Community Opportunities:** This table discusses the potential opportunities and community benefits through policy development.
- **Common Concerns and Mitigation Strategies:** Participants shared their concerns and questions about human and environmental impacts, noise, water and energy use, and potential rate payer increases.
- **Site Considerations and Building Design:** Participants discussed and recorded elements that should inform a site selection. This includes location, the architectural design, screenings, buffers and strategies to potentially minimize environmental impact.

Meeting Approach Adjustment

The first two meetings were structured in this manner, which led to general attendee frustration. This was due to the large number of participants in the small quarters of the first two venues. The venue spacing made it difficult to hear the table facilitator's questions, and note takers could not hear community feedback well. This led to general confusion as to how to leave comments. At each 20-minute interval, many community members were unable to hear the prompt to move to the next topic, leading to participant confusion. Event organizers noted attendees were expecting a presentation or a question-and-answer type forum rather than a feedback gathering forum.

Feedback from the community led staff to revisit the format; rather than table rotations, the following four meetings were restructured to include an opening announcement that shared the open house format, goals, expectations, and an explanation of each table's facilitation. A 1-pager information sheet was provided to all attendees, which restated the information announced at the start of the open house (see appendices). Attendees were informed they did not have to stay or interact with the table facilitators, and were welcome to leave their comments directly on boards without sharing with facilitators. An additional adjustment moved public comment boards from table top to easels so that all visitors were able to see comments and improve ease of leaving feedback.

This second format led to increased engagement as participants were now able to provide feedback freely and move about the room. This format change allowed for comments to be redirected to appropriate boards as facilitator questions were asked.

Data Collection

Participants were encouraged to write responses for each of the discussion topics on sticky notes. Facilitators assisted by capturing common themes heard during discussions by first confirming what was stated, then asking participants if the comment was correct, and adding the comment to the board.

The facilitation team photographed the boards at the end of the engagement to capture sticky notes as they were positioned on the boards. This was done before transport to preserve the input (see Appendices). Comment cards were available for anyone who wanted to provide additional notes. Those comments were integrated into the analysis.

Digitization and Analysis

Feedback was digitized and transcribed into an Excel spreadsheet. This included every Post-it note and comment card. This created an organized record for review and analysis. Comments were organized by subtopic, which helped the team to quantify areas of greatest community concern.

Online survey

Community members who were unable to attend any of the in-person open house events were invited to participate in an online survey. This survey was available on the City of El Paso's Data Center informational web page: <https://www.elpasotexas.gov/data-centers/>. The link was available from April 2nd, 2026, through April 17th, 2026. A total of 274 unique online survey responses were received.

The raw data from the online survey were downloaded to incorporate community feedback.

4.3. Key Community Feedback

The public sentiment is overwhelmingly critical of leadership, characterized by deep-seated distrust, fear of resource depletion, and frustration over the lack of transparency regarding Data Center development behind closed doors. Across the 6 meetings, participants consistently raised concerns over the following themes:

- **Water and Energy Use:** consensus that El Paso's water scarcity and desert ecosystem make hyperscale data centers a risk to future supply and water availability. Additional questions were raised about water monitoring efforts by large users.
- **Desire for Transparency and Lack of Public Trust:** reflected in comments related to how the negotiations with META were handled, as well as the inadequacy of conducting outreach more than two years after the agreements were signed.
- **Economic Incentives:** the 80% tax abatement to META is viewed as unnecessary at the expense of local infrastructure and taxpayers. Jobs attached to the development of the facility are deemed not enough, temporary, and unclear if they will be filled by El Pasoans. And questions about what the community receives in return (no community benefits agreement).
- **Utility rates impact:** fear that large load developments like data centers will lead to increased utility rates for both electricity and water.
- **Environmental Impacts:** air and water quality impacts, noise, wildlife, and health were of greatest concern. The META deal contradicts the goals and spirit of the Climate Action Plan.

META specific takeaways

Of the 1,694 comments, 86 explicitly named META (or Facebook). The sentiment regarding META is uniquely hostile compared to general data center inquiries:

The core of the anger stems from the 2023 land sale and tax incentive agreements under a subsidiary; residents feel this was an intentional act of bad faith.

Staff heard repeated calls for the City Council to cancel the 80% tax abatement agreement. Also, residents feel META is the perfect example of what the new Climate Action Plan should have prevented.

There is also skepticism regarding META's water neutrality claims, and demands for META staff to meet with community members and answer their questions.

Approximately 5% of all comments specifically name META, but the themes of those comments (Transparency, Water, Incentives) are present in a vast majority of the comments received. While only 86 mention the brand by name, the META project is clearly the catalyst for the broader community resistance.

4.4. Results

The six in-person sessions yielded 1,694 unique comments, including those from the focus discussions at the tables and the board comments. An additional 274 unique online surveys were received.

Comments were categorized by where on the boards they were placed, but not every comment reflects the category/section on the board where they were placed. For example, a comment expressing concern over water usage and air quality could have been placed within a section intending to collect feedback relating to a separate topic.

4.4.1. Community Opportunities

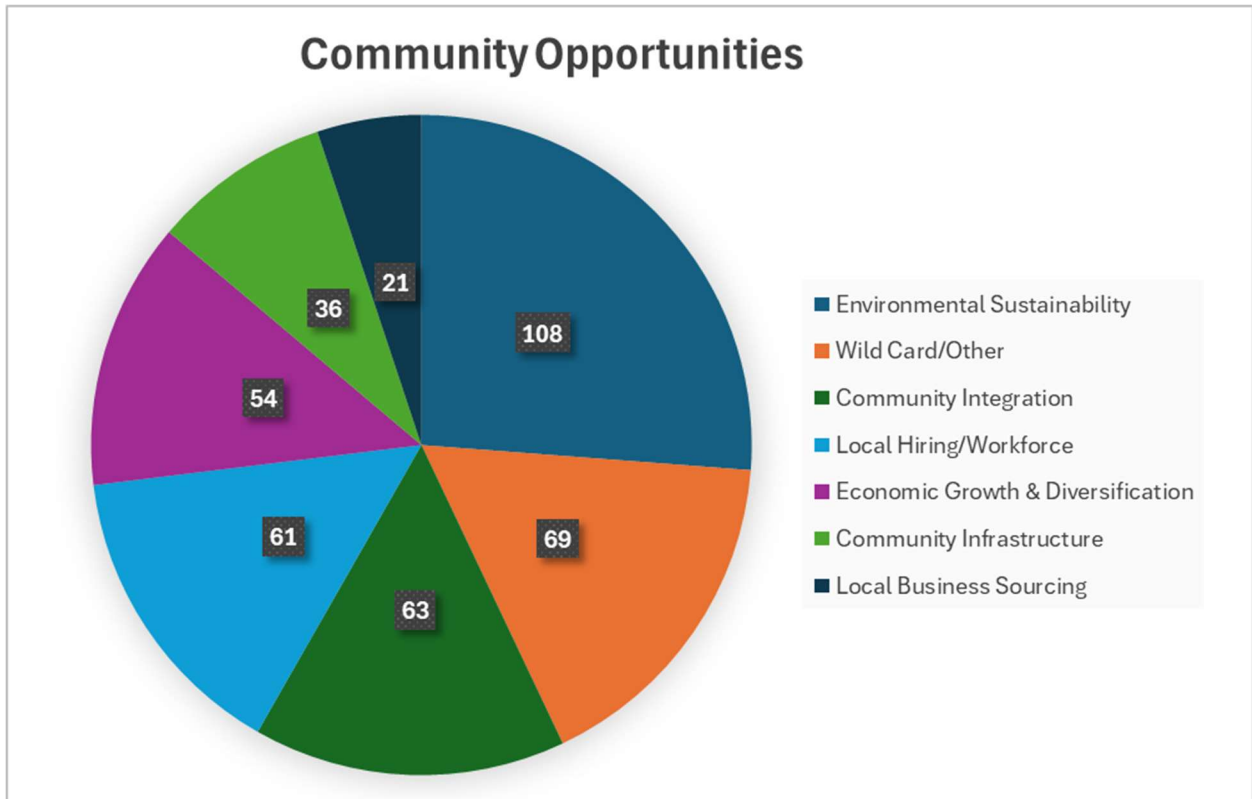


Fig 1, Community Opportunities. Comments from meetings 1-6 categorized by subtheme.

Figure 1 shows the number of comments per sub-category related to the Community Opportunities table. With a total of 412 comments and 108, 69, and 63 comments, respectively, for Environmental Sustainability, Wild Card/Other, and Community Integration were the top categories for the community. The above results can be summarized as follows:

- **Mandatory Renewables:** Demand for data centers to generate 100% of their own solar energy rather than pulling from the grid.
- **Education Investment:** Pushes for "benefit" funds to go directly to EPISD/YISD for STEM training, not just generic corporate branding.
- **Direct Economic Return:** Requests for data centers to pay for local road repairs and park developments as a "baseline" requirement.
- **Water Offsets:** Demands that companies pay for desalination plant expansions or purple water infrastructure for the city.

Environmental Sustainability

Community participants expressed concerns about how the benefits of any environmental sustainability projects implemented in the community would be offset by data center operations such as fossil fuel emissions from energy generation plants.

Feedback left by participants suggested having any future developments pay for large-scale technologies that can help improve air quality in the local airshed, as well as the installation of solar panels and wind turbines to generate clean energy. Participants suggested planting native trees as a way to both provide shade/alleviate the effects of extreme heat and combat CO2 emissions from a data center. Participants suggested requiring significant investment from data centers in city programs that help residents address environmental health hazards, and donations for purchasing of air filters, fans, insulation, water purification devices to offset potential environmental impacts that data centers could bring.

Community participants also suggested that data centers should issue money towards the weatherization of homes in El Paso.

Wild Card/Other

Community participants emphasized little to no benefits to bringing data centers to El Paso. Participants also expressed disapproval of any 380 agreement for data centers, rather than every company that wants to develop in El Paso should pay their fair share of taxes.

Community Integration

Community participants suggested that data center companies should invest in El Paso's local education systems (K-12 and higher education). Suggestions for school system investment included supplying equipment for extracurricular programs, scholarships, internships, and technology donations. Community members also suggested data centers to fund grants that provide improved broadband service to the community.

Local Hiring/Workforce

Community participants left comments asking that data centers hire more full time workers. Participants expressed concerns about the low number of full-time jobs that data centers provide compared to such a large-scale facility. Participants emphasized hiring local.

Others left concerns that data center tax breaks will affect tax income and hurt small businesses.

Economic Growth & Diversification

Many community participants left comments expressing that they did not feel that data centers could bring economic growth and diversification to El Paso. Other comments suggested that data centers should be required to pay for/invest in public/utility improvements to roads, water, electricity and other essential infrastructure in El Paso.

Community Infrastructure

Community members suggested that data centers should invest in or fund school repairs and infrastructure upgrades, as well as fund scholarships and programs in schools.

Local Business Sourcing

Community participants expressed that if a data center were to be built in El Paso, there should be a requirement for the preference of hiring local businesses and contractors.

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4.4.2. Concerns and mitigation strategies

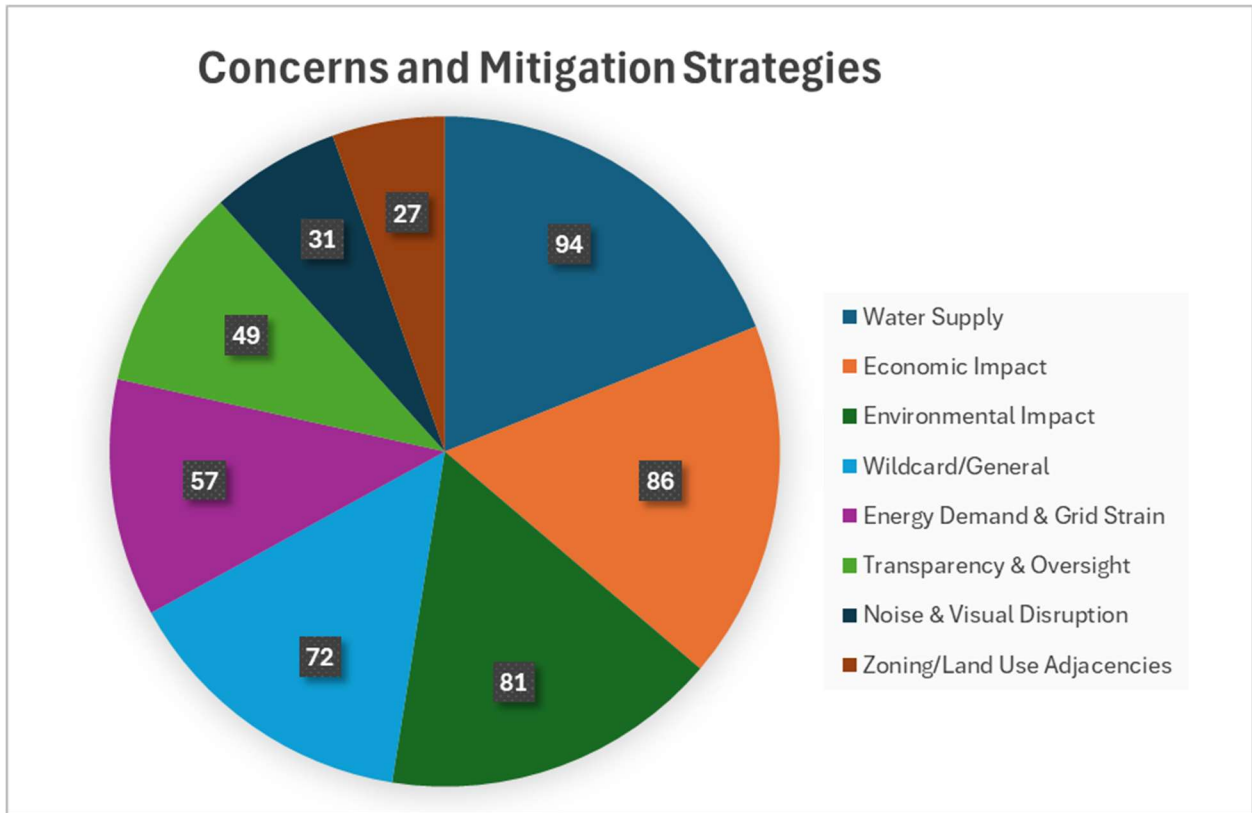


Fig 2, Concerns and Mitigation Strategies. Comments from meetings 1-6 categorized by subtheme.

Figure 2 shows the number of comments per sub-category related to the Concerns and Mitigation Strategies table. With a total of 520 comments and 94, 86, and 81 comments, respectively, Water Supply, Economic Impact, and Environmental Impact were the top categories for the community. The above results can be summarized as follows:

- Water and electricity usage: Residents want to know why renewable energy systems are not going to be used to power the META center. Deep concern about water impact (volume and quality).
- Incentive cancellation: ask to rescind economic incentives.
- Noise pollution: High concern regarding the "constant hum" of cooling fans and its impact on nearby residential property values.
- Utility rate concerns: deep concern and skepticism that data center energy infrastructure costs will not be passed on to residents.
- Transparency: lack of trust in the Framework process. Why did the City not do this back in 2023?

Environmental impact

Community participants consistently expressed concerns about air pollution and quality, groundwater depletion, high emissions, and the disruption of natural ecosystems. Many asked about environmental permits and regulations, and demanded renewable energy sources as generation systems for data centers. Impact on health, wildlife, and land were also concerns for the attendees.

Noise & Visual Disruption

Residents living near proposed sites expressed worry over the "constant hum" of industrial cooling fans and the impact of light pollution on their quality of life. Suggestions focused on strict noise ordinances, the use of "dark skies" compliant lighting, and significant setbacks to prevent industrial operations from encroaching on residential areas.

Water Supply & Quality

This topic saw some of the most intense feedback, with residents emphasizing that El Paso is a desert region. The consensus was a demand for "zero potable water" usage, with participants calling for closed-loop air cooling or the exclusive use of reclaimed (purple) water. Concerns also included wastewater impact and the potential for long-term depletion of local aquifers and other water sources.

Energy Demand & Grid Strain

Participants described the data center load as "too big for the grid," fearing that massive energy consumption would lead to utility rate increases. Many proposed that data centers be required to generate electricity using their own renewable energy, such as through large-scale solar installations, rather than drawing from the existing grid or using fossil fuel generation.

Transparency & Oversight

A significant portion of the feedback focused on the lack of transparency surrounding past agreements (META). Residents demanded an end to Non-Disclosure Agreements (NDAs) and called for proactive public notification before contracts/agreements are signed.

Economic Impact (Jobs, Taxes, & Infrastructure)

Community feedback indicates significant skepticism regarding the long-term economic benefits of data center development compared to the potential fiscal burdens on residents. Participants frequently voiced opposition to tax abatements and incentives, arguing that large-scale tech entities must pay their "fair share" to support municipal infrastructure rather than receiving subsidies. A primary concern is the potential for utility

rate increases, with residents fearing that the high energy and water demands of these facilities will shift the cost of grid and system upgrades onto local taxpayers. Furthermore, while some acknowledge the potential for temporary construction roles, there is a strong demand for local hiring mandates and a general doubt regarding the quantity and quality of permanent, high-paying jobs created. Residents also expressed anxiety over declining property values in neighborhoods adjacent to proposed sites, viewing the industry as a potential threat to local community wealth.

4.4.3. Site Considerations and Building Design

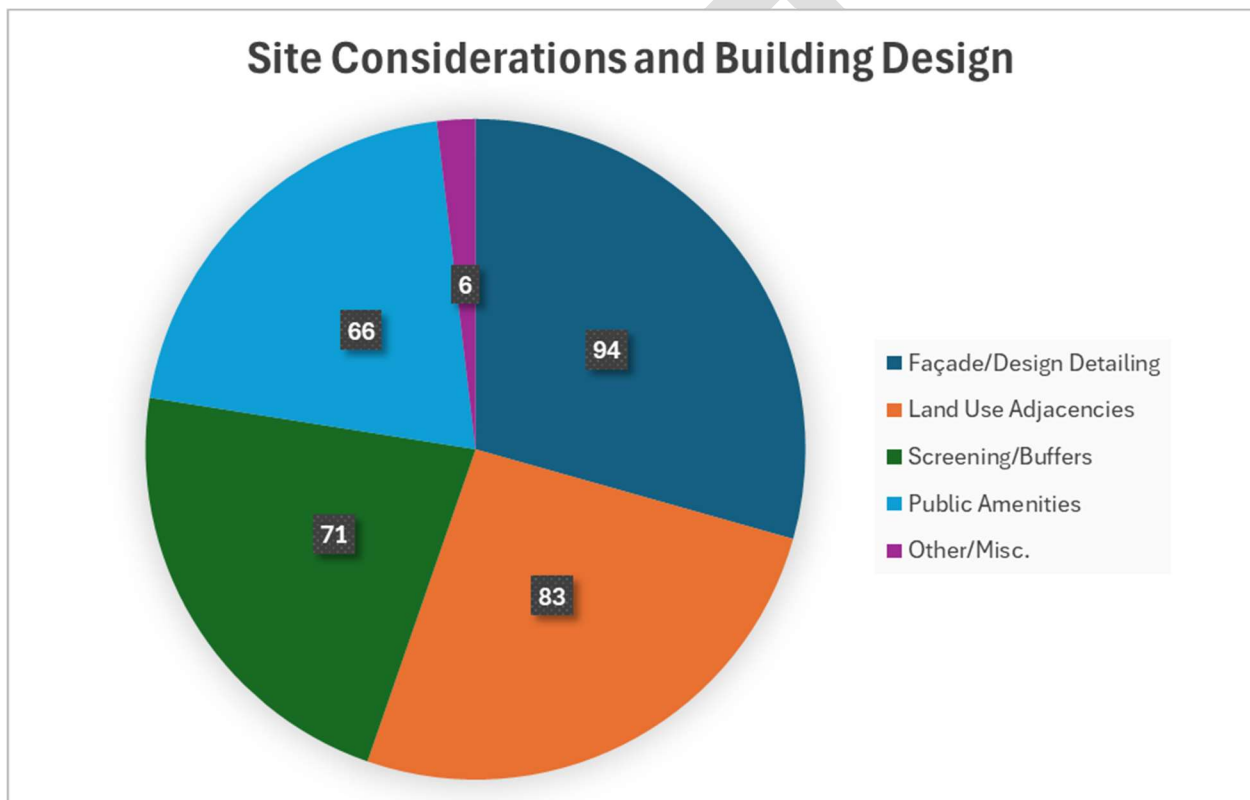


Fig 3, Site Considerations and Building Design. Comments from meetings 1-6 categorized by subtheme.

Figure 3 shows the number of comments per sub-category related to Site Considerations and Building Design. A total of 320 comments were received, with 94 related to Façade/Design Detailing, containing the greatest number of comments. The above results can be summarized as follows:

- **Aesthetic Integration:** Rejection of concrete "windowless gray boxes"; residents expressed, "If Data Centers are forced upon us," the architecture should reflect El Paso's desert aesthetic, murals, and use of building materials that minimize heat

absorption, adding to the urban heat island effect. Residents expressed that data center builds should have a small footprint, rejecting hyperscale builds, and new potential sites should be built underground.

- **Visual & Noise Screening:** Requirement for natural berms and desert-appropriate landscaping to hide industrial equipment from public view and to attenuate or absorb sound.
- **Lighting Control:** Strict "Dark Skies" compliance to prevent light pollution in quiet neighborhoods.
- **Buffer Zones:** Demand for at least 1,000-foot buffers between data centers and any schools, parks, residential areas, while leaving room for local wildlife to move freely.

Façade/Design Detailing

Residents expressed the prevention of "Industrial Blight" through the adoption of site perimeters at the cost of the data center. Many requested that site construction and blight prevention tactics be locally sourced, including building materials and labor.

Adaptive Reuse - At every meeting, this subtopic received comments expressing that new builds should be required to be designed for adaptive reuse to reduce the size of a build as technology advances.

Land Use Adjacencies

A great majority of participants expressed that new data centers should not be built within the El Paso City limits. These include extended residential areas, businesses, schools, or locations where people congregate.

Screening/Buffers

Community feedback indicates anxiety over noise and light pollution, and suggests that regulations on both be strict and enforced for data centers. Participants asked that the City fully understand the impacts on residents created by data center noise.

Public Amenities

The majority of residents expressed that they did not see any potential for public amenities and felt more harm would come from future data center builds, thus having an overall greater negative impact than any potential public amenity required or requested.

4.4.4. Online Community Survey

A secondary method to provide community feedback was offered through a community-wide survey for residents who were not able to attend any of the open house events. A news release with a survey link was issued on April 2nd and closed on April 17th. In total, 274

unique online survey responses were received. This online survey asked the same questions as those provided on feedback boards to residents during the Open House live engagement sessions.

Data Centers in Our Community

Results of the online survey correlate with what was heard during the live community feedback sessions of general opposition to the construction of data centers in the City of El Paso and the region.

Based on what you know about data centers, how much do you oppose or support data centers in our community?

274 responses

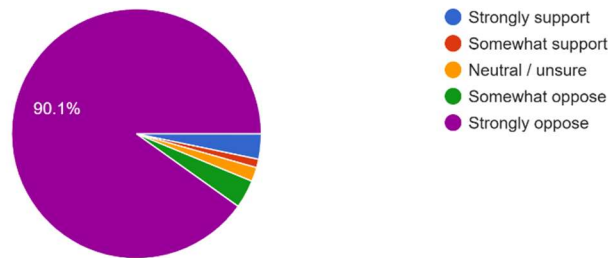


Figure X. Support/Oppose Data Centers. Feedback from online survey

Community residents overwhelmingly responded with, *Strongly Oppose (247)*, when asked how much they opposed or supported data centers in the community. This response reflected over 90% of the total responses collected. *Somewhat Oppose (10)*, *Somewhat Support (3)*, *Neutral/Unsure (5)*, and *Strongly Support (9)* were the remaining responses.

For the following sections, please refer to the appendices for the accompanying Figures and raw data.

Opportunities from Data Centers

The survey feedback revealed Environmental Sustainability to be of the greatest importance among potential opportunities that data centers may bring to our community. Over 200 responses listed Environmental Sustainability as the number one priority. Categories that followed included: *Community Infrastructure*, *Community Integration*, *Local Hiring & Workforce Development*.

Concerns Related to Data Centers

When asked what concerned residents the most about data center development, over 250 respondents listed Extreme Concern regarding the following: *Water Consumption (258)*,

High Energy Use (254), Environmental Effects (255), and Transparency (253). Public Cost (245) followed closely in the responses.

Location of Data Centers

When asked where data centers should be located, *Outside the City Limits (149)* received the greatest response. A related question asked survey respondents to select the top 3 most important considerations when choosing a data center location. Responses received listed Impact on *the Environment (206), Distance from Homes (153), and Access to Power & Water (108)*.

All responses were consistent with public feedback gathered during in-person engagements.

5. Research

To understand the context of this section and why the Framework is necessary, it helps to look at what we are experiencing in the region. El Paso has not historically been a primary market for large-scale private investment such as hyperscale data centers.

The META data center in Northeast El Paso, represents an investment valued at approximately \$10 billion. For our community, that scale can be challenging and transformative. The region is experiencing now what feels like a pipeline, with Project Jupiter, a multi-billion-dollar, campus-scale development just outside city limits in Dona Ana County, NM. That proximity matters because while it may sit outside our jurisdiction, it operates within our regional system—our power grid, our water supply, our workforce, and our infrastructure.

The region is also expecting a new commercial hyperscale data center on Fort Bliss land, adding a federal dimension to this development. This facility is expected to be larger than the META center on the eastern side of the military base.

Access to a reliable grid, low energy and water costs, and land availability are key considerations when private companies choose locations to develop hyperscale data centers. These key considerations for the development of data centers, which may become limiting factors, fully apply to El Paso:

- Power: hyperscale data centers require massive amounts of electricity on a 24/7 basis, often pushing grid capacity to its limits and driving co-located generation, as is the case for the META, and most likely, the Ft. Bliss projects.

- Water: direct water consumption at the facility for cooling purposes and indirect water use for generation result in significant daily usage of water. In desert regions like El Paso, this is becoming a key concern for the community.

- Land, infrastructure, and policies: regions with reliable grids, available land, and non-restrictive policies are attractive to a sector whose current most critical incentive is ease and speed of deployment.

- Community's position: local concern and opposition were reflected clearly during the community engagement process in El Paso, specifically around energy use, water consumption, and impacts on utility costs, among others.

5.1. Current local regulations

The State of Texas provides home-rule municipalities, such as El Paso, the authority to regulate zoning. Very simply, zoning authority is one of the greatest policy levers that a municipality has. Found in Texas Local Government Code Chapter 211, the zoning framework provides the boundaries for the municipalities to work within. The zoning regulations that are enacted apply to the respective city and do not extend beyond the city limits. Land outside of a city and located solely within a county is not subject to zoning regulations, and a city has no purview to influence the land use outside of its jurisdiction.

The City of El Paso currently has a zoning definition for data centers as found in El Paso City Code 20.02.288.1 and is as follows:

20.02.288.1 - Data processing center (hyperscale).

"Data processing center (hyperscale)" or "data center (hyperscale)" means one or more data centers and/or other facilities used to house, and in which are operated, maintained and replaced from time to time, computer systems and associated components, such as telecommunications and storage systems, cooling systems, power supplies and systems for managing property performance (including generators and mechanical and electrical yards), and equipment used for the transformation, transmission, distribution and management of electricity (including private substations), internet-related equipment, data communications connections, private communication towers, environmental controls and security devices, structures and site features, as well as certain accessory uses or buildings located on the land and other related or associated uses, buildings or structures such as utility buildings; private utility facilities; office; buildings for support staff; warehousing for logistics, storage and/or other similar uses; cafeteria; guardhouse; diesel

storage tanks; fuel storage for emergency generators; water storage tanks; security fencing; and other structures, improvements and appurtenants.

Currently, these uses are allowed by right in the C-4 (Commercial), M-1 (Manufacturing), and M-2 (Manufacturing) zoning districts. “By right” means that a given use is permitted in that zoning district and simply needs to comply with the municipal regulations for development. The data processing center (hyperscale) is also allowed in the I-MU (Industrial Mixed Use) zoning district as part of a master zoning plan. This use is prohibited in all other zoning districts.

Typical with other uses in the aforementioned zoning districts, a data processing center (hyperscale) is subject to dimensional requirements, including general setbacks and height requirements as follows, as per the El Paso City Code:

C-4 (Commercial)

- Front Setback – 0 feet
- Rear Setback – 10 feet
- Side Setback – 10 feet when abutting a residential or apartment district
- Max Height – 60 feet; may exceed 60' when an additional setback of one foot is provided from all adjacent yardlines for each foot of height in excess of 60.

M-1/M-2 (Manufacturing)

- Front Setback – 15 feet
- Rear setback – 10 feet
- Side Setback – 10 feet when abutting a residential or apartment district
- Maximum Height – 60 feet; may exceed 60' when an additional setback of one foot is provided

Per the El Paso City Code, parking is required for these types of facilities as follows:

- Minimum: 1/150,000 sf GFA⁶ Warehouse, plus 1/1,000 sf GFA Office*
- Maximum: 1/75,000 sf GFA Warehouse, plus 1/500 sf GFA Office*

* = For accessory buildings, the minimum required spaces for warehouse use shall be 1/7,200 sf GFA and the maximum shall be 1/5,000 sf GFA; the minimum required spaces for office use shall be 1/250 sf GFA and the maximum shall be 1/125 sf GFA

Please note that there are no other supplemental requirements for the data processing center (hyperscale) found in the current zoning regulations for El Paso.

⁶ Gross Floor Area

5.2. Federal and State regulations

Federal – The federal regulatory landscape for data centers is undergoing a significant transition since the beginning of 2025 and focuses on deregulation and speed of deployment of all Artificial Intelligence (AI) related technology, including hyperscale data centers. In March 2026, the National Policy Framework for Artificial Intelligence was released⁷. Although not focused on data centers, this framework calls for the following:

- “...streamline federal permitting for AI infrastructure construction and operation so AI developers can develop or procure on-site and behind-the-meter power generation to accelerate AI infrastructure buildout and enhance grid reliability.”
- “Congress should not create any new federal rulemaking body to regulate AI shifting...”

Similarly, on March 4th, 2026 the Ratepayer Protection Pledge Proclamation⁸ was signed by the President of the USA and seven AI companies⁹, committing to “leading United States hyperscalers and AI companies guarantee that data centers’ energy needs will not increase household electricity costs for American citizens. Instead, these companies will build, bring, or buy the new generation resources and electricity needed to satisfy their energy demands, and pay for all new power delivery infrastructure upgrades to service their data centers”.

These two recent examples show the current federal priority for the rapid adoption of AI technology. Recent policy shifts have deprioritized mandatory environmental reporting in favor of streamlining the permitting process and reducing regulatory hurdles¹⁰. The National Energy Protection Act (NEPA) and the Clean Air Act are under scrutiny, and some of their provisions have been rescinded¹¹. Furthermore, the previously cited examples do not outline a timeline or specific agencies in charge of implementation or compliance. In the case of the pledge, that is a non-binding document that raises questions about applicability due to state regulations related to electricity generation.

Ultimately, the shift from a focus on climate and sustainability to the current relaxation of federal guardrails has placed the primary responsibility for oversight on local and state

⁷ [White House National Policy Framework for AI - Legislative Recommendations](#)

⁸ [Ratepayer Protection Pledge Proclamation – The White House](#)

⁹ Amazon, Google, Meta, Microsoft, Oracle, OpenAI, and xAI

¹⁰ Previous directives, such as Executive Orders 14110 and 14057, federal policy emphasized rigorous reporting on energy and water consumption, particularly for facilities supporting AI

¹¹ [Trump Administration Delivers Historic NEPA Reform, Unleashing Resources on America’s Public Lands | U.S. Department of the Interior](#) ; [President Trump and Administrator Zeldin Deliver Single Largest Deregulatory Action in U.S. History | US EPA](#)

governments. This highlights the importance of municipal leaders codifying policies and protections at the local level to proactively ensure the well-being of their communities by developing protections within local ordinances.

State – Texas ranks second in the nation for data-center installations, largely owing to political support, its efficient permitting processes, and strategic proximity to demand, which have been pivotal in driving this expansion¹². Availability of land is another major consideration.

Below, the different types of regulations that apply to data centers in Texas are summarized.

Tax incentives: Texas has established state tax incentives to attract data centers, primarily governed by the Texas Tax Code. Section 151.359 from the Texas Tax Code provides the eligibility parameters to qualify for a 100% exemption on state sales and use tax for 10 to 15 years¹³. Qualifying data centers are exempted from paying the state’s 6.25% sales taxes on purchases related to building and maintaining the facility — including servers and other data storage hardware, software, office equipment, the cooling system, emergency generators and plumbing¹⁴.

Local jurisdictions can also offer tax abatements via Chapter 312 and 380 agreements.

CBA: In Texas, there are no statutory requirements for Community Benefit Agreements (CBA) or specialized environmental mandates specifically for data centers. Local governments can explore/mandate CBAs for local tax breaks or land sale contracts.

Permitting: The permitting process provides safeguards. Land-use regulations often can restrict development near environmentally sensitive areas, including habitats of endangered species and protected lands. Air and water permits impose limits on emissions and regulate water withdrawal and discharge. Ideally, these permitting processes ideally include opportunities for public comment, enabling communities to express their views and influence project conditions formally¹⁵. There are four types of permits that data centers need to obtain to operate. Those include:

- Zoning and Land Use and Site Development (City Planning and Inspections Department)

¹² Yashvi, Shipra et al. Permitting procedures for setting up data centers in Texas, COMPASS Research Consortium, 2026

¹³ <https://statutes.capitol.texas.gov/?tab=1&code=TX&chapter=TX.151&artSec=>

¹⁴ The Texas Tribune, Cobler, Paul, <https://www.texastribune.org/2026/04/08/texas-data-centers-sales-tax-break-billion-dollars/> April 8, 2025

¹⁵ See 12

- Interconnection (EPE/PUC)
- Environmental permits – air and water- (Texas Commission on Environmental Quality)
- Building Permits, Certificate of occupancy, Fire and Safety Inspections (City Planning and Inspections Department)

In 2025, Texas adopted SB6 at the 89th Legislature. This bill adds new regulations for loads exceeding 75 MW that require projects to demonstrate financial security and, in some cases, provide on-site generation or demand response capabilities to prevent grid strain during peak periods. SB6 only applies to ERCOT territory, and therefore, the El Paso region is excluded. Advocating for similar regulations for our vertically integrated market should be a priority.

5.3. Data centers and the Climate Action Plan

The Climate Action Plan (CAP) identifies the need to develop a data center policy (under Measure 1: Enhance or create a community-wide building energy efficiency and electrification rebate program). The CAP calls for a policy that incorporates environmental (e.g., energy and water usage), community, and economic development considerations.

As detailed in the Community Engagement section, hyperscale data centers pose major environmental, economic, and social concerns for the community, with environmental impacts at the top of the list.

The CAP region-wide GHG inventory includes major emissions sources within El Paso and Hudspeth Counties for the calendar year 2019. In calendar year 2019, the El Paso region's gross emissions were 7,572,602 MTCO₂e. Emissions from hyperscale data centers will be included under the Commercial Energy category that currently represents 21% of the total (1,595,866 MTCO₂e).

Hyperscale data centers like the one META is constructing in the Northeast, and the one recently announced at Ft. Bliss, will have a significant negative impact on GHG emissions, co-pollutants, and overall air quality.

The META site, as communicated by the company and El Paso Electric (EPE), is expected to need 1 GW of capacity¹⁶, with 475 MW required for the first phase of operations by 2027;

¹⁶ Ft. Bliss, while still unclear at this time, is expected to need a larger capacity from unknown generation sources.

250 MW will be served by current EPE resources, and 225 MW will be provided by the McCloud natural gas facility¹⁷.

The current EPE's owned generation capacity is 2,95 GW and its associated emissions 3,091,383 MTCO₂e¹⁸. Adding 366 MW of natural gas generation (of which 225 MW will run 24/7) represents 8.6% and 17% increases in the total EPE's generation and EPE's natural gas generation, respectively.

With 525 MW still to be defined in terms of generation technology for the META project, and the uncertainty related to the Ft. Bliss project generation, the outcome for the regional GHG emissions and co-pollutants can be devastating, directly impacting the goals set in the CAP and moving the baseline for 2019 significantly upwards, jeopardizing the 2030 and 2050 goals.

The correlation between health outcomes and air quality has been long established, with pollutants such as particulate matter (PM), carbon monoxide (CO), ozone (O₃), nitrogen dioxide (NO₂), and sulphur dioxide (SO₂) having adverse impacts on health¹⁹. Health impacts were a clear concern to the community during the engagement process, particularly to residents of Northeast El Paso, where the META data center is under construction.

5.4. Impact on utilities

Two key metrics are used when describing the resource intensity of data center facility infrastructure. Power Usage Effectiveness (PUE) is defined as the total electricity demand of the data center divided by the electricity demand of the IT equipment. Water Usage Effectiveness is defined as the total water consumption of the data center divided by the IT equipment's electricity demand. PUE is technically dimensionless (kWh/kWh), while WUE is reported in terms of liters per kWh. Various factors, including cooling systems, operational practices, and climatic conditions, influence the PUE and WUE metrics of data centers²⁰. Lower PUE and WUE values indicate higher energy and water efficiency.

¹⁷ [26-0405 - CC 33 - Enchanted Rock CCN \(EP City Council\)](#)

¹⁸ [2025 Corporate Sustainability Report](#)

¹⁹ [https://www.who.int/teams/environment-climate-change-and-health/air-quality-energy-and-health/health-](https://www.who.int/teams/environment-climate-change-and-health/air-quality-energy-and-health/health-impacts#:~:text=What%20is%20air%20pollution%20and,(household%20air%20pollution%20only).)

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²⁰ Shehabi et al. 2024. United States Data Center Energy Usage Report. Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, Berkeley, California. LBNL-2001637

From 2014 to 2023, the annual average across U.S. data centers for PUE and WUE has decreased and increased, respectively²¹. PUE and WUE values vary depending on individual choices for cooling and electricity generation specific to each data center; this framework looks into promoting lower PUE and WUE for data centers looking to establish themselves within City limits (see section 5).

Both energy (electricity) and water are inextricably linked in all systems, but particularly when discussing large-scale data centers. This technical reality showed as one of the key community concerns (see section 3). There is a tradeoff between water and electricity intensity, with, for example, air-cooled facilities requiring significantly less water while increasing electric usage.

Energy –

The construction and deployment of data centers require significant power infrastructure. How much of that infrastructure is behind-the-meter vs. grid-tied is highly uncertain for most projects, with negotiations between developers and utilities in many cases not public until filings occur at the state level.

While behind-the-meter systems can protect the rest of the ratepayers from rate increases. In hybrid or fully grid-dependent facilities, if investments are made on the grid (generation, transmission, distribution) and the load (data center, in this case) fails to materialize, the ratepayers can end up paying for the cost recovery. More and more data centers are seeking approval for behind-the-meter generation systems to overcome regulatory delays and to speed up deployment.

Research from energy economists, data center modelers, grid modelers, as well as others, is needed to identify key risks for existing customers, data centers, and utilities, explore existing contractual arrangements, and propose novel methods for risk-sharing and cost recovery²². Two of the main risks from the developers' perspective are grid reliability and speed of deployment. From the community's side, environmental risks and increased utility costs are at the top of the list.

Roughly one-half or greater of the electric power demand of data centers stems directly from the operation of electronic IT equipment²³. Computation generates large amounts of

²¹ Shehabi et al. 2024. United States Data Center Energy Usage Report. Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, Berkeley, California. LBNL-2001637. Page 48.

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heat, with the cooling needed as a result amounting to much of the rest of the electric demand.

As of September 2025, data centers require 9,567 MW of power capacity, with Transmission System Providers in ERCOT estimating an almost tenfold increase by 2030 for a total of 77,965 MW²⁴.

There are multiple ways of powering data centers with electricity (or a combination of them): i) Use current grid power; ii) Updated grid power; iii) Onsite gas generation; and iv) Onsite renewable generation. While the power needs don't vary for any of those four options, water consumption, emissions (and therefore air quality and health outcomes), and noise levels are very different based on how the electricity generation needs are met.

As described in section 4, META's facility will require 1 GW of generation capacity, with 250 MW provided by the current grid and 225 MW for the McCloud Natural Gas plant. The remaining 525 MW generation option needed is still to be made public. Those 225 MW provided by McCloud, with a total capacity installed of 366 MW, will be paid for by META to protect current customers²⁵. There is a significant risk that after 5 years (timeline referred to by both EPE and META), EPE may require the interconnection of such a system, with unpaid costs, at that point, shared by all EPE customers. While the utility refers to extensive regulatory approval for that to happen, the 5-year depreciation of the assets would make them the most cost-effective technology presented to the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUCT) at that point. In such a case, residents and businesses will bear the remaining costs of McCloud.

Water – Water use in data centers results from both direct and indirect consumption. Direct water use refers to the on-site need for operations, specifically for the cooling of servers. Indirect consumption is associated with the water demand for electricity generation to power the data center.

The total expected water demand varies based on the type and size of the data center, the cooling technology at the data center, and the power supply and its cooling needs²⁶.

Nationally, water use for cooling is expected to increase by 2-3x by 2028. If data growth projections hold, this demand could increase to 29-161 Bgal by 2030, or 0.5-2.7% of total annual water use in Texas²⁷.

²⁴ Thirsty Data and the Lone Star State: The Impact of Data Center Growth on Texas' Water Supply Margaret Cook, PhD, HARC January 2026

²⁵ [26-0405 - CC 33 - Enchanted Rock CCN \(EP City Council\)](#)

²⁶ See 24

²⁷ See 24

Texas' State Water Plan does not include projected demand growth for data centers. Because there are already unmet needs, including the current 4.8-million-acre-foot shortage as determined by the Texas Water Development Board, data centers' unknown unmet needs are poised to place unprecedented stress on local water supplies across the state. Water stress in particular parts of the state will impact communities and other industries, including agriculture, differently²⁸.

Options to reduce water consumption by hyperscale data centers include:

- i) Use of air-cooled systems: Air-cooled systems decrease direct water use at data center facilities; there is a direct trade-off in the increase of electricity used by the facility.
- ii) Promote non-water-intensive electric generation plants (i.e. solar PV, solar+storage, and wind): this option eliminates, at least partially, depending on the whole generation portfolio for the facility, data centers' indirect water demand.
- iii) Use of closed-loop systems.

For the city of El Paso, and the larger region, the construction of hyperscale data centers presents two main challenges (which were raised by the community during the engagement series):

1. Potable water availability and aquifer impact: hyperscale data centers consume millions of gallons of water per day²⁹. For the El Paso region, the impact of three very large facilities like Jupiter, META, and the one at Ft. Bliss, could be significant, in particular for the Hueco and Mesilla bolsons.
2. Wastewater and impact on infrastructure costs and utility rate upgrades: the discharge from data centers often has a higher concentration of solids. EP Water has the mandate to monitor that the discharge meets State limits and regulations. EPWater does evaluate the need for infrastructure upgrades. Resident feedback specifically cited concerns regarding "utility rate increases" and "impact on the quality of the discharged water".

The recent rate increases for water service have been driven by EP Water's Capital Improvement Plan (and in particular, the upgrades to the wastewater treatment system), and supplying water to META would not result in rate increases. In case new data centers

²⁸ See 24

²⁹ For Meta, the total maximum allocation for Tier III, or full implementation phase, is 2.5 million gallons per day (GPD), with an average GPD of 1.5 million.

(as the Ft. Bliss one) require new infrastructure, and EP Water moves forward with such infrastructure, that could tentatively impact rates.

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6. Appendices

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Appendix B. Community Meeting Documentation

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Appendix A

Public Meeting Materials

Interactive Poster Boards



Community Meeting Goals & Agenda

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 - Energy use
 - Water Consumption
 - Potential public costs

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Facilities that are rented out to individual businesses.

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Compact, decentralized facilities that process data closer to end users, reducing latency and boosting speed for real-time applications and local computing needs.



What Brings You to This Gathering Today?



Place a dot or sticky note next to the statement that describes you best!

I am an El Paso City resident
How long have you lived here?

I live in the El Paso region

I go to school here
Which school?

I work at/in (....) industry

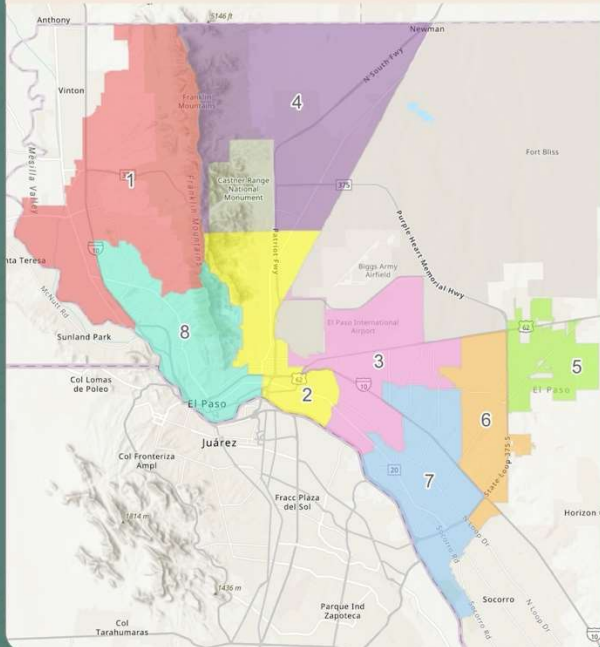
I want to learn more about data centers

I'm here to voice my concerns

Something else

Where do you live?

Record where you live with a dot



Do you live somewhere else?
Use a post-it to tell us where you're coming from

Any Other Ideas?

Use a "post-it" to write in...

Any Other Concerns?

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Chihuahuan
Desert
Climate
Collaborative

¿Necesita Ayuda con la Traducción?

Table 1: Community Benefits Framework



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Environmental Sustainability	Local Hiring and Workforce Development	Community Integration	Wild Card
Community Infrastructure	Economic Growth and Diversification	Local Business Sourcing and Contracting	

Table 2: Common Concerns and Mitigation Strategies



Follow instructions on handout and write your feedback on a post-it

Environmental Impact	Energy Demand and Grid Strain	Water Supply
Land Use and Historical Preservation	Noise and Visual Disruption	Transparency and Oversight
Economic Impact (Jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	Zoning	Wild Card

Table 3: Site Considerations and Building Design



Land Use Adjacencies

Facade / Design Detailing

Screening / Buffers

Public Amenities

Community Engagement Overview Leaflet

DATA CENTER POLICY FRAMEWORK: COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT OVERVIEW

CITY COUNCIL DIRECTION

On February 17, 2026, El Paso City Council authorized the City Manager to develop a proposed Data Center Policy Framework for the City of El Paso.

As directed by Council, the framework shall:

- Prioritize community engagement, utility providers, and local, state, and regional government in implementation considerations
- Evaluate long-term impacts on infrastructure and utilities

Council also directed the City Attorney to conduct a legal analysis of 380 agreements with data centers to identify best practices, lessons learned, and opportunities to develop a new framework.

This work is also part of the City's Climate Action Plan, which identifies the need to evaluate data center policy through environmental, community, and economic development considerations.

The Council direction is focused on developing a policy framework to guide future decisions.

It does not direct staff to reconsider, reopen, cancel, or void any existing agreement.

WHAT WE'VE HEARD SO FAR

Residents have raised significant concerns, particularly related to the META project in Northeast El Paso. Key themes include:

- **Opposition to Data Center Development:** Requests to cancel existing agreements and avoid future data center projects
- **Environmental Concerns:** Water use, air quality, noise, energy demand, and impacts to wildlife and surrounding neighborhoods
- **Transparency:** A desire for earlier, clearer communication before large-scale projects move forward
- **Community Benefit and Cost:** Questions about whether data centers could increase utility costs or provide enough benefit to the community in return

PROCESS

The City is using a community-informed process to develop the proposed framework. The City cannot build a meaningful framework without community input.

- **Community Meetings:** Open-house meetings are being held across the City to gather direct public input. This format allows residents to attend during the meeting window, speak directly with staff, ask questions, and share feedback in a more accessible, less formal setting focused on listening, not formal action.
- **Community Survey:** The City is also developing a survey to give residents another way to share input, especially those who may not be able to attend an in-person meeting.
- **Stakeholder Coordination:** The City is meeting with utility providers and local and regional partners as part of implementation considerations.
- **Public Information Hub:** A dedicated FAQs can be found on the City's website to provide updates, facts, and information related to data center development: ElPasoTexas.gov/Data-Centers/
- **Draft Framework and Continued Engagement:** Community input gathered now will help shape the first draft of the framework. Once a draft framework is developed, the City anticipates additional community meetings and opportunities for public review before final recommendations are presented to City Council.
- **Final Recommendations:** Community input, technical analysis, and legal review will be compiled into recommendations for City Council consideration.

WHAT WE NEED FROM YOU TODAY

We are here to listen. Community input is essential to shaping a policy framework that reflects El Paso's priorities.

We want to hear from you about:

- The protections you believe are most important for infrastructure, utilities, and the environment
- The standards and opportunities that should be considered in any future framework
- The lessons the City should take from existing agreements as it develops a new approach

Your feedback will help inform the recommendations presented to City Council.

Table Handouts

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Site Considerations & Building Design

What should data centers in El Paso look like?

- What building design features would make a data center more compatible with its surroundings (e.g., landscaping, screening, building materials, etc.)?
- What factors are most important when choosing a data center site (e.g., distance from homes, access to power infrastructure, environmental sensitivity)?
- How can data centers contribute to environmental sustainability through their design?

Directions:

Place sticky notes on images that you like or dislike, with comments explaining why



Appendix B

Community Meeting Documentation

Don Haskins Recreation Center (March 23, 2026)

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Chihuahua Desert Climate Collaborative

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Handwritten notes:

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- Make sure future meeting have open space for community announcements open floor

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This discussions goals need to be reassessed: if this is a + then policy may impact the situation too much!

The Public demand this to be a voting item & we will VOTE NO!

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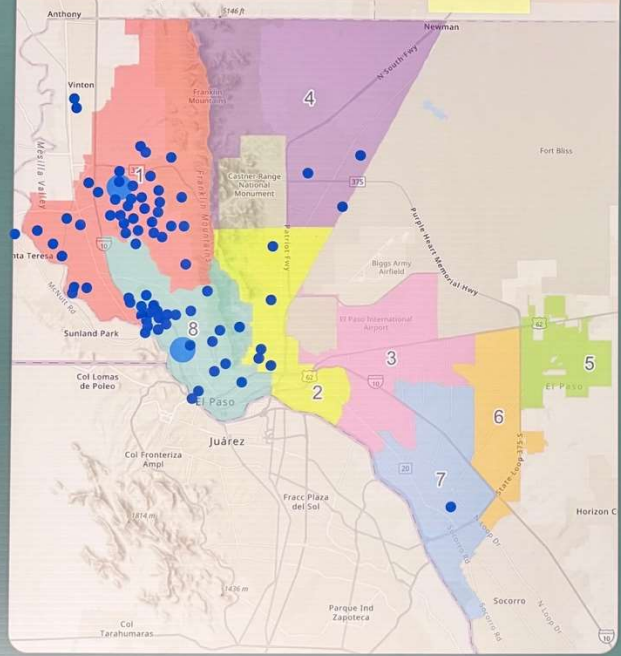
I'm here to voice my concerns

Something else

Where do you live?

Record where you live with a dot

Use Small Dots



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Any Other Ideas?

Use a "post-it" to write in...

Don't burden the community with additional energy costs. We already pay some of the cost of the water. The water is not cheap. Consider a rate of increase that is not too high. Consider a rate of increase that is not too high. Consider a rate of increase that is not too high.

We need more environmental education on climate change. City leaders should be held accountable as well.

Break the deal with META

Because data initially show that the data center could be powered with renewable energy and later revealed the contract should be withdrawn!

Cancel the P&H. P&H is a bad idea. The P&H is a bad idea. The P&H is a bad idea.

1. NO data centers near El Paso

2. If more data centers are built, all costs should be covered by those companies. No tax incentives, no grants, no other support. No growth without city approval.

3. This is a threat to the public. It will be a threat to the public. It will be a threat to the public.

Terminate contract w/ Meta

Air Contamination

Water Water Water! Water use and chemicals in the wastewater treatment is discharged.

Increased fees for infrastructure.

Health issues from pollution, run off.

Massive water use is my concern!

et people vote!

Do July water budget contract!

Where are the national and state powers? How are they going to be? How are they going to be? How are they going to be?

Prior to city Council approving this huge project, we need to be involved.

Other Options?

Use a "post-it" to write in...

No frayed reaches on electricity. Consider a large data center. That requires cool temperatures and massive amounts of water in a hot area.

Why would that be? A large data center. That requires cool temperatures and massive amounts of water in a hot area.

Do not want that data center to be built. Because of the location of the center and the amount of water that will be used. The water is not cheap. Consider a rate of increase that is not too high. Consider a rate of increase that is not too high. Consider a rate of increase that is not too high.

Why did the city not properly inform citizens ahead of any final contract awards? Who is responsible?

Increasing electricity and H2O costs.

If this is built how will we stop the Earth quakes?

Will there be a heating unit coming out of the data center that the city has to pay for?

Job creation. How many jobs will be created? How many jobs will be created? How many jobs will be created?

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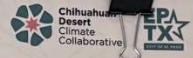
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Air Quality
Health Disparities
Depleting WATER USAGE
CO2 not party
Walden Ecosystem
Light & noise pollution affecting community
NO ODS

Energy Demand and
CONCERN ABOUT AG ABOUT CONSUMPTION & ELECTRIC BILLS
Waste on solar panels
Use solar energy
Solar energy
More land will be used for solar panels instead of agriculture

Land Use and Historical Preservation
Increasing costs when thinking company will spend money on public
The history of the state should be kept in mind
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and Visual Disruption
TRAFFIC NOISE ARE AFFECTING
we are being asked to do
Stricter Zoning Environmental Studies
Don't use commodities water

Transparency and Oversight
Cancel contract
Do Not Want Them
Cancel contract

Economic Impact
The CITY OFFICIALS SHOULD REVIEW THE PUBLIC OFFICIALS BEFORE ACCEPTING ALL CONTRACTS
Any requests should have a BIG BENEFIT IN REVENUE AND JOB OPPORTUNITIES BEFORE BEING ACCEPTED IN THE CITY
We lost the resources at the first place
TAX Increases
NO Dam Cases

NOISE & VISUAL
How can things be mitigated if they don't know what to be concerned about?
Request more information for zoning
Consult the community first
Can we request the data center built in a renewable way so they are green?
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WATER SUPPLY
IMPACT ON WELLS in Pajaredo Canyon
WE ARE A PART IN A DROUGHT IN WATER
We are a part in a drought in water
We are a part in a drought in water

WATER WASTE
Water for the people, not big tech
Ritig: Recycling of water, also possible
Water volume + waste
Make sure that the center uses recycled water like Intel @ Oregon & Dalph @ Joazez

TRANSPARENCY
Late for Public opinion
Have a letter writing campaign to federal officials that they need to revamp Data Center Policy

ECONOMIC IMPACT
Taxes ↑
Property Value ↓
Loss of jobs despite the "100" jobs through meta, people will leave El Paso and it will impact the economy
Being hard for not complying with contract
NO increase in property taxes.

ZONING
noise pollution

WILD CARD
Break contract why is it food?
IMPACT on future jobs
We don't want any AI data centers
Break the contract

TABLE 2. CONCERNS & MITIGATION

NOISE & VISUAL
noise pollution

ENERGY & DATA CENTERS
NO Data Center!
USE AN BLUEPRINT IN AN HIGH SCHOOL TOO BIG FOR THE AREA!

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Veterans Recreation Center (March 25, 2026)

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Logos: Chihuahuan Desert Climate Collaborative, EPA TX

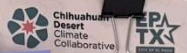
Instructions: Use large dots, TO LIVE TO KNOW MORE ABOUT THE RESOURCES REQUIRED

Sticky Notes:

- Water efficiency of packaged food
- Why are when our resources (water, energy) are already scarce?
- Why do you use a laptop to watch a document?
- Who thought it a good idea to have a water-guzzler in the office?
- THIS WILL BE A PROBLEM!
- Who receives campaign contributions? What about Non-Direct Agreements?
- DATA CENTERS IN EL PASO OR ANYWHERE AT ALL?
- NOISE !! Water electricity
- Are the consumers/residents going to have to pay the more utility costs?
- Will this center deplete our water?
- Will this center contribute to more air pollution?
- Why are we building business parks to compete with 54 that don't even have a city?
- I spoke against the land giveaway to META - META SHOULD HAVE TO BUY ME OUT BUT OUR CENTER REJECTS US
- LOOKING TO MOVE BEFORE PROPERTY VALUES CRASH META SHOULD HAVE TO BUY ME OUT
- ROAD AHEAD: environmental sustainability
- Concerned that our electricity water rates will go up because of data centers' huge use of electricity & water
- recall stories for including not updated using the city website family meeting
- Do we have any data centers in El Paso?? or anywhere else!!!
- How do we start a recall of our representatives for refusing to have citizen interests first?
- Concerns about Pollution Green GLASSES
- Use of Water + Electricity
- I've seen the companies that are building data centers had on other communities
- Locations
- How do we start a recall of our representatives for refusing to have citizen interests first?
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Environmental Impact

Wildlife - How on Earth can you possibly return more water than you use?

Wildlife - Will it change migration patterns or drive them away?

Parasitic business no give back to the land in any manner

Data center in the Desert Disaster

Economic Impact - taxes, infrastructure

Wildlife - Do not advocate but eliminate the threat

Energy Demand and Grid

What Supplemental Energy Resources will be used?

Energy Demand - Solar farms

Will we feel the vibrations?

Will the noise be loud enough to interrupt our sleep?

Noise distance

Zoning - The Downer Ranch Family sold EP out. Shame on them!

Wild Card - If we have seen the fact sheets, why are we having these meetings to consider the Data Centers. It seems EP Centers. It seems EP City Council has made up its mind.

Water Supply

Recycle the water used per drop

Depends on the size of the facility

Wild Card - While I appreciate the fact sheets and questions for my City Reps - this process feels like the process is backward with the focus behind the scenes

Transparency / Oversight

Who will be providing the energy needed for data centers?

Who will be paying the bill? Best kind of the price do they get?

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TOPIC 2: COMMON CONCERNS AND MITIGATION STRATEGIES

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

How will we have enough water to sustain?

Temporary municipality... How many permanent jobs will be created?

LAND USE

ECONOMIC IMPACT

ENERGY & GRID

El Paso Electric - stated the data center would use the same amount of electric as the city, but would demand more power than the city could supply.

What type of energy solar Panels or Wind Farms

NOISE & VISUAL

Chihuahua 2477
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ZONING

WATER SUPPLY

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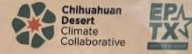
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TRANSPARENCY / OVERSIGHT

WILD CARD

Table 3: Site Considerations and Building Design



Land Use Adjacencies

WHAT IS THE ISSUE WITH WATER USAGE? IF DOES NOT HAVE A LOT

Take wildland mitigation funds into account water strip projects

Why not have a water tank?

BUILD IT ON MARK ZUCKERBERG HOME!!

Facade / Design Details

Does changing of glass colors all over the complex but not in a central hall affect the way the complex is perceived?

Can the facility be built underground to stay cooler?

Facade materials - how do they affect the way the complex is perceived?

make my data center the most green POSITIVE BUILDING METHODS

Screening / Buffers

Screening - how do we screen the facility from the surrounding area?

Data Centers do not belong in a desert climate.

Light cannot be transmitted - how do we screen the facility from the surrounding area?

Prepare that the facility be designed to be without any

Public Amenities

Only use Purple water

Equipment upgrade - what equipment is needed to support the facility?

Solar - how do we use solar to power the facility?

Use solar - how do we use solar to power the facility?

Availability of water - how do we use water to power the facility?

Use solar - how do we use solar to power the facility?

TOPIC 3: SITE CONSIDERATIONS & DESIGN

LAND USE ADJACENCIES

Nothing within 100 miles

They can go somewhere else

Far away from civilization

Data Centers must be located far away from residential areas

FACADE / DESIGN

An underground building or desert appropriate

Tall trees must surround the facility, trees will help absorb light and sounds

Data Centers must be designed to blend in with the natural surroundings. Tall trees must surround the complex

SCREENING / BUFFERS

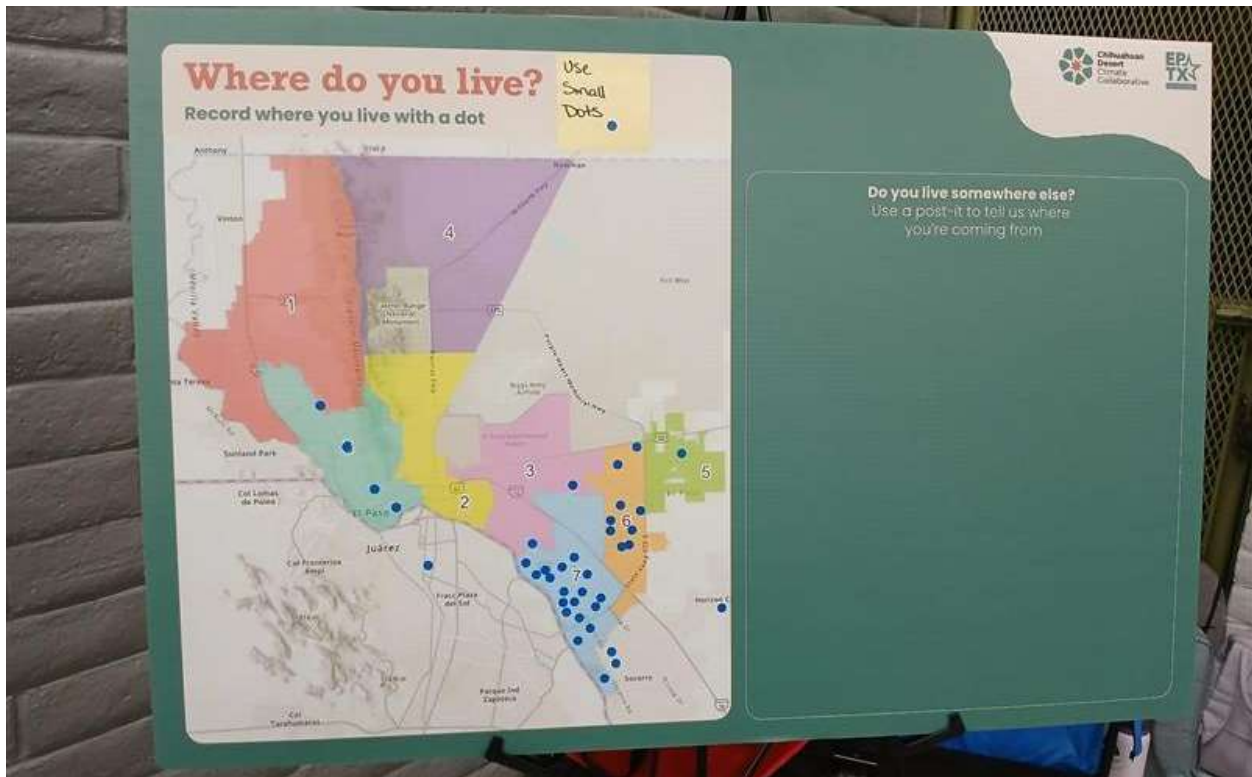
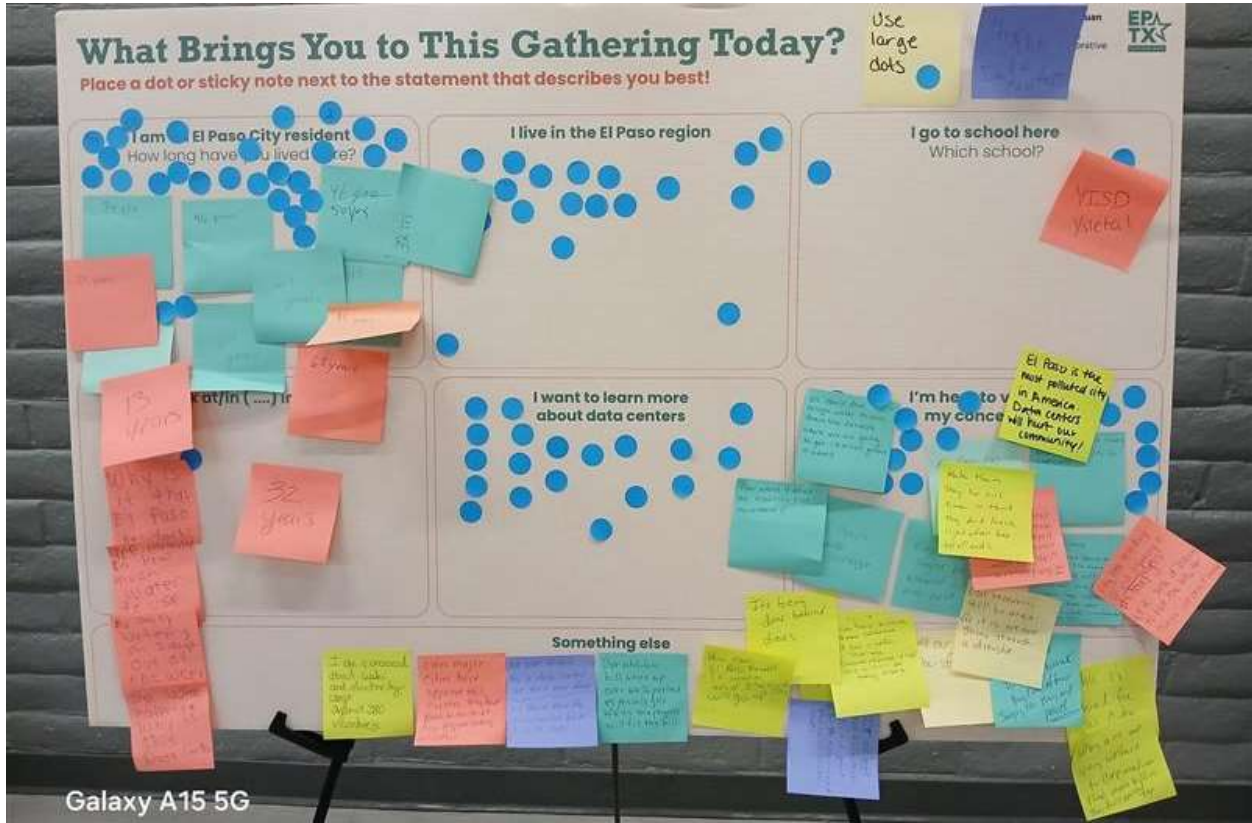
Table 3 - Why are we considering site? Existing design when we have resources overlooking the detrimental effects of Data Center

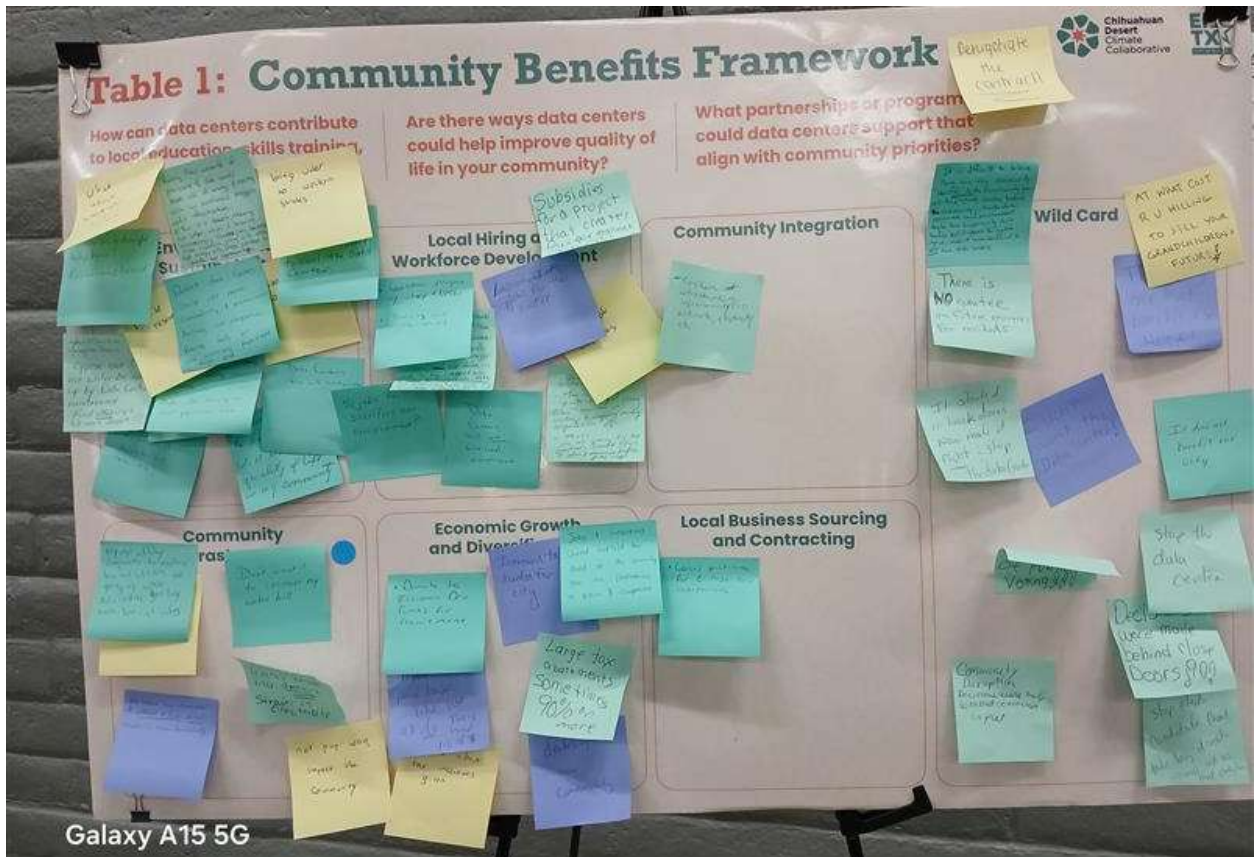
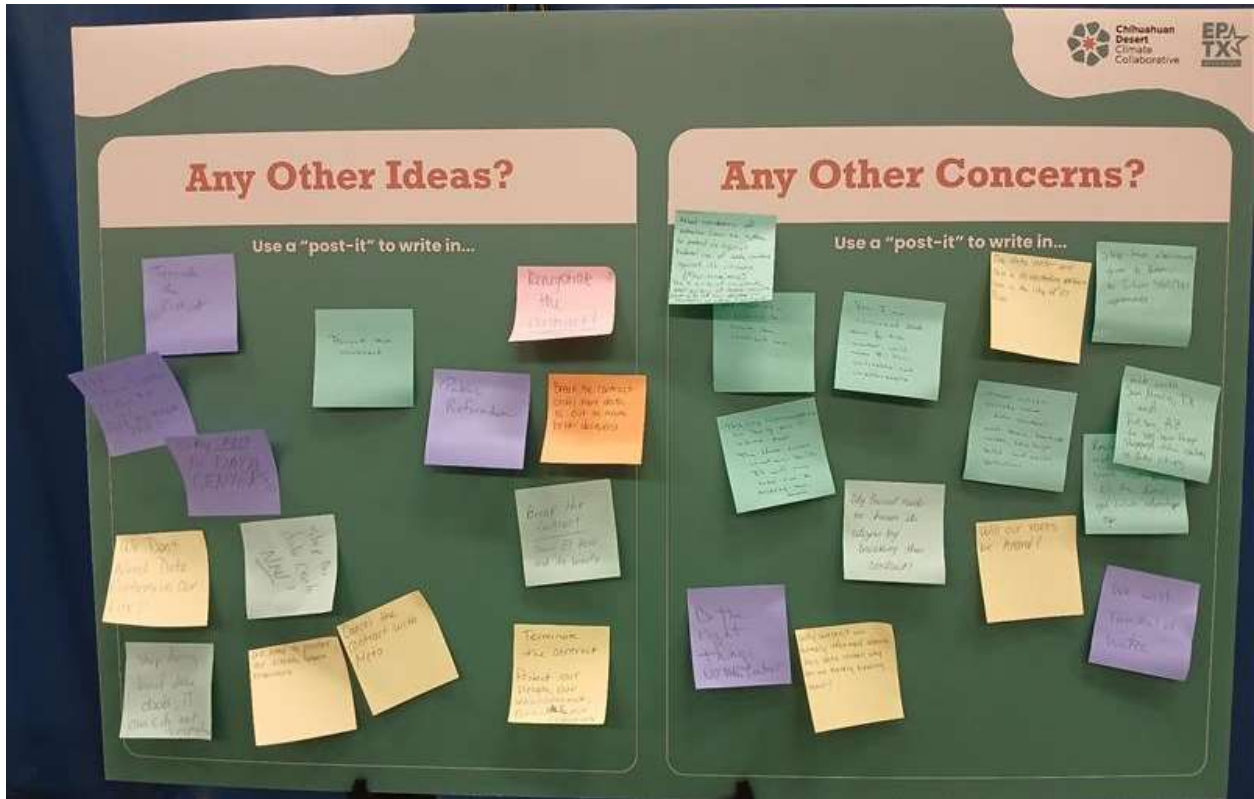
PUBLIC AMENITIES

Pay complete taxes as well as all other taxes

What public amenities? A data center is a wilderness facility, why would there be a need for public amenities?

Pavo Real Recreation Center (March 26, 2026)





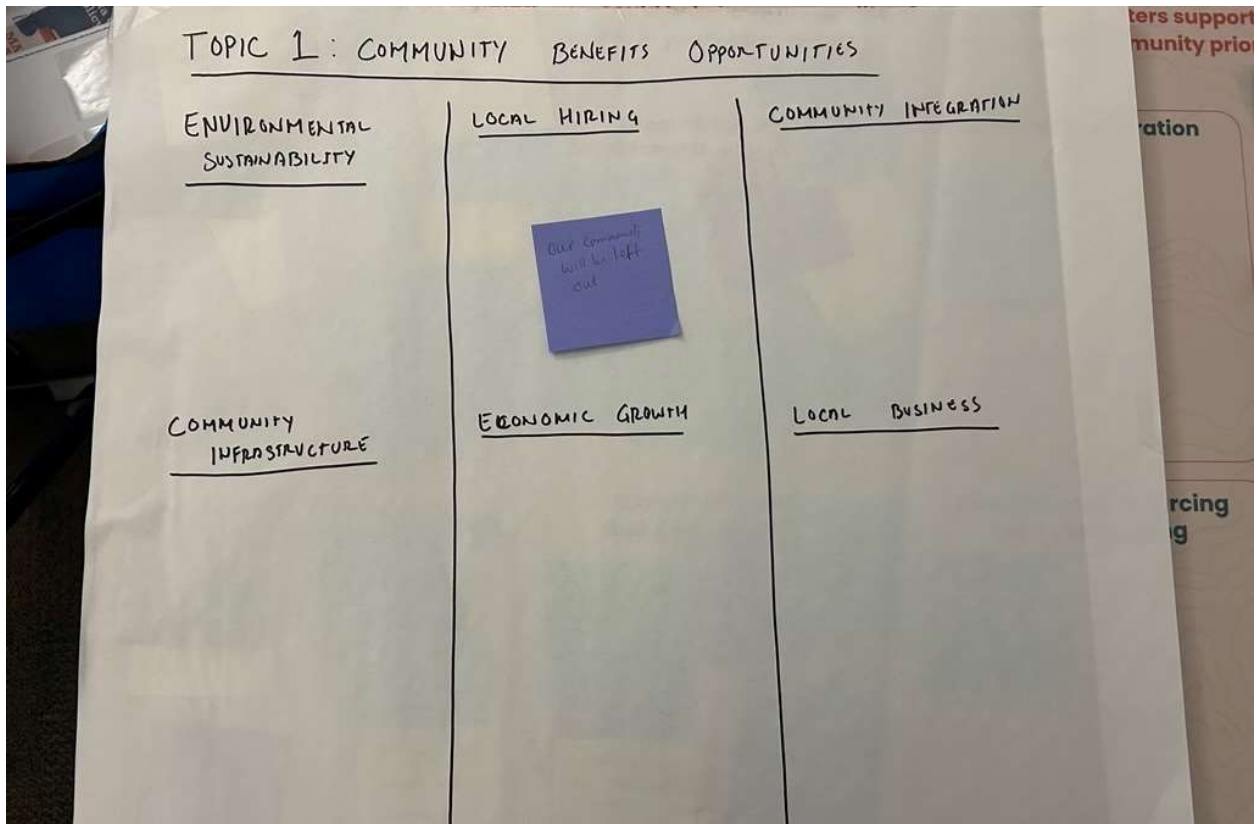


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City must pass a law to prevent all data centers
 Break the 380 agreement with META

TOPIC 2: COMMON CONCERNS AND MITIGATION STRATEGIES

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

Handwritten notes on yellow and orange sticky notes under Environmental Impact.

ENERGY & GRID

Handwritten note on an orange sticky note under Energy & Grid.

WATER SUPPLY

Handwritten notes on three orange sticky notes under Water Supply.

LAND USE

NOISE & VISUAL

Handwritten note on an orange sticky note under Noise & Visual.

Handwritten note on a green sticky note under Noise & Visual.

TRANSPARENCY / OVERSIGHT

Handwritten note on a green sticky note under Transparency / Oversight.

ECONOMIC IMPACT

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ZONING

Handwritten note on a green sticky note under Zoning.

WILD CARD

Handwritten notes on two orange and one yellow sticky notes under Wild Card.

TOPIC 2: COMMON CONCERNS AND MITIGATION STRATEGIES

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WATER SUPPLY

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NOISE & VISUAL

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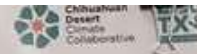
ZONING

WILD COOP

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Table 3: Site Considerations and Building Design



Land Use Adjacencies

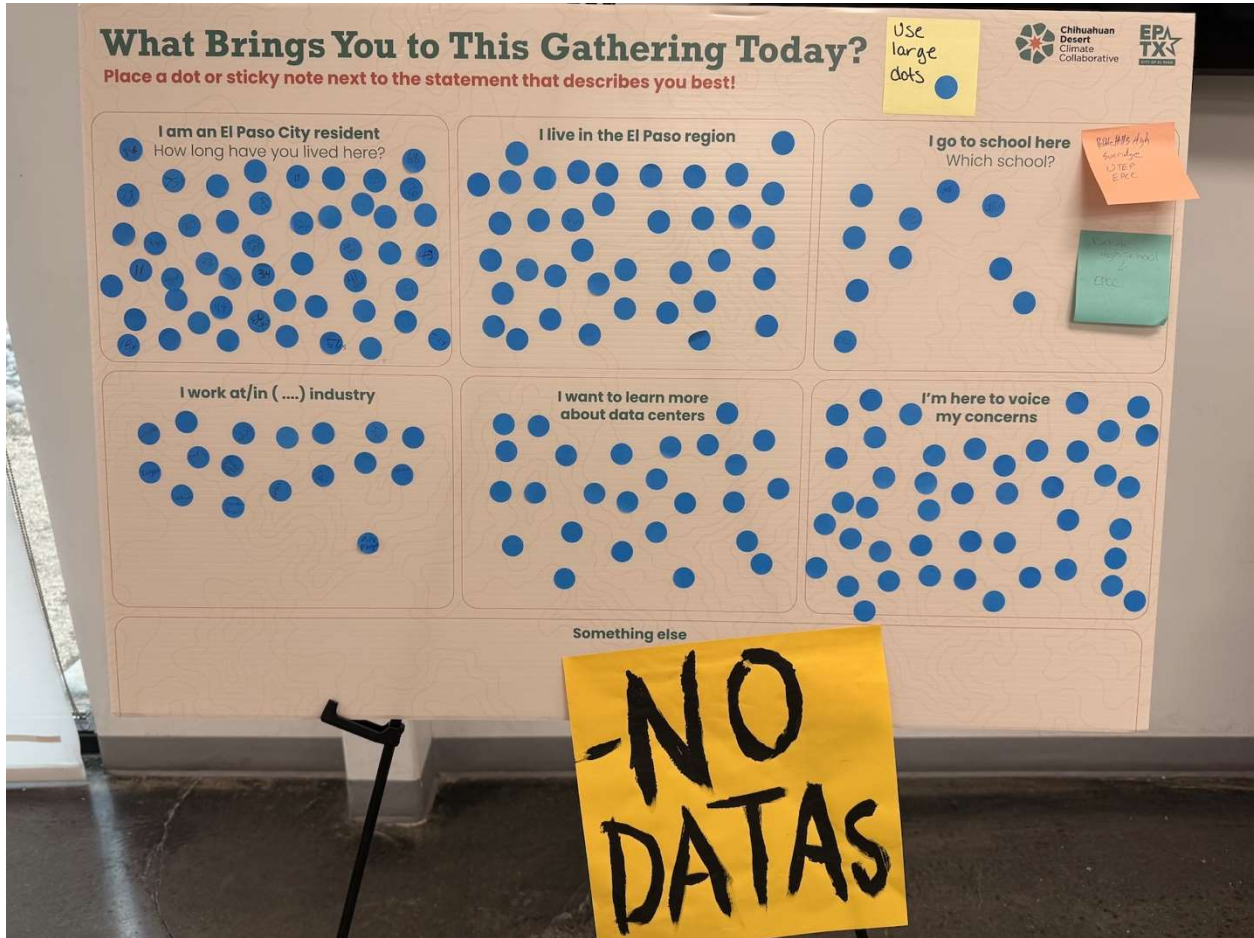
Facade Detailing

Screening Elements

Perennials

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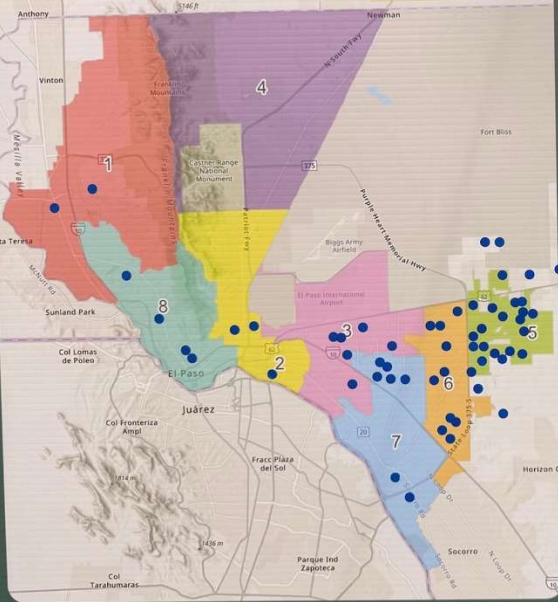
The Beast Urban Recreation Center (March 30, 2026)



Where do you live?

Record where you live with a dot

Use Small Dots



Do you live somewhere else?

Use a post-it to tell us where you're coming from

Nope, no other post-it's

Mañana, Vinton

Any Other Ideas?

Use a "post-it" to write in...

Capitol The Data Center

No tax in desert, yes

More data center pay attention to Feb 11 24 30 11:00pm, what's the way to pay for it?

Why are the brands of the first being made in the public sector or the city? I would really like to see brands from other areas and companies.

Any Other Concerns?

Use a "post-it" to write in...

Comments: This is not taking the residents into account. We should be taking into account the people who are already living in the area. It is not just about the data center, it is about the people who are already living in the area. We should be taking the residents into account.

The desert has been round!

Pollution

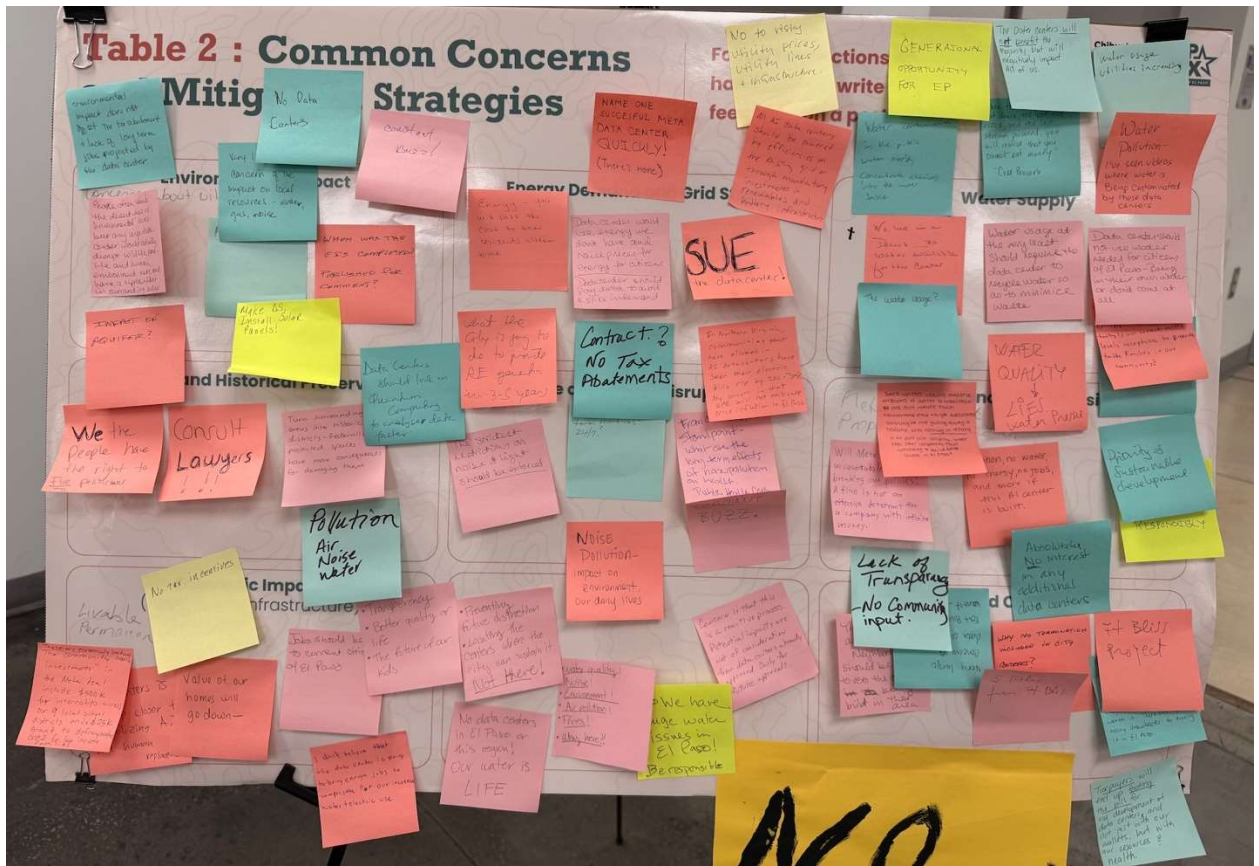
No Tax Abatement NO 15 Billion for streets

It will create jobs, but it will also create a lot of pollution. We should be taking the residents into account.

Good DATA CENTERS PROBABLY

Utility Increases

When you have a data center, you have a lot of power. We should be taking the residents into account.



TOPIC 2: COMMON CONCERNS AND MITIGATION STRATEGIES

<u>ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT</u>	<u>ENERGY & GRID</u>	<u>WATER SUPPLY</u>
<u>LAND USE</u>	<u>NOISE & VISUAL</u>	<u>TRANSPARENCY / OVERSIGHT</u>
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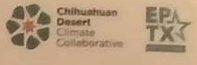
Note: A sticky note is attached to the 'ECONOMIC IMPACT' section with the text: 'Will AI still be something worth investing in 20 years? Meta recently had to shut down Metaverse as a \$80 Billion loss, how can we see this world be?'

Chamizal Community Center (April 2, 2026)

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Something else

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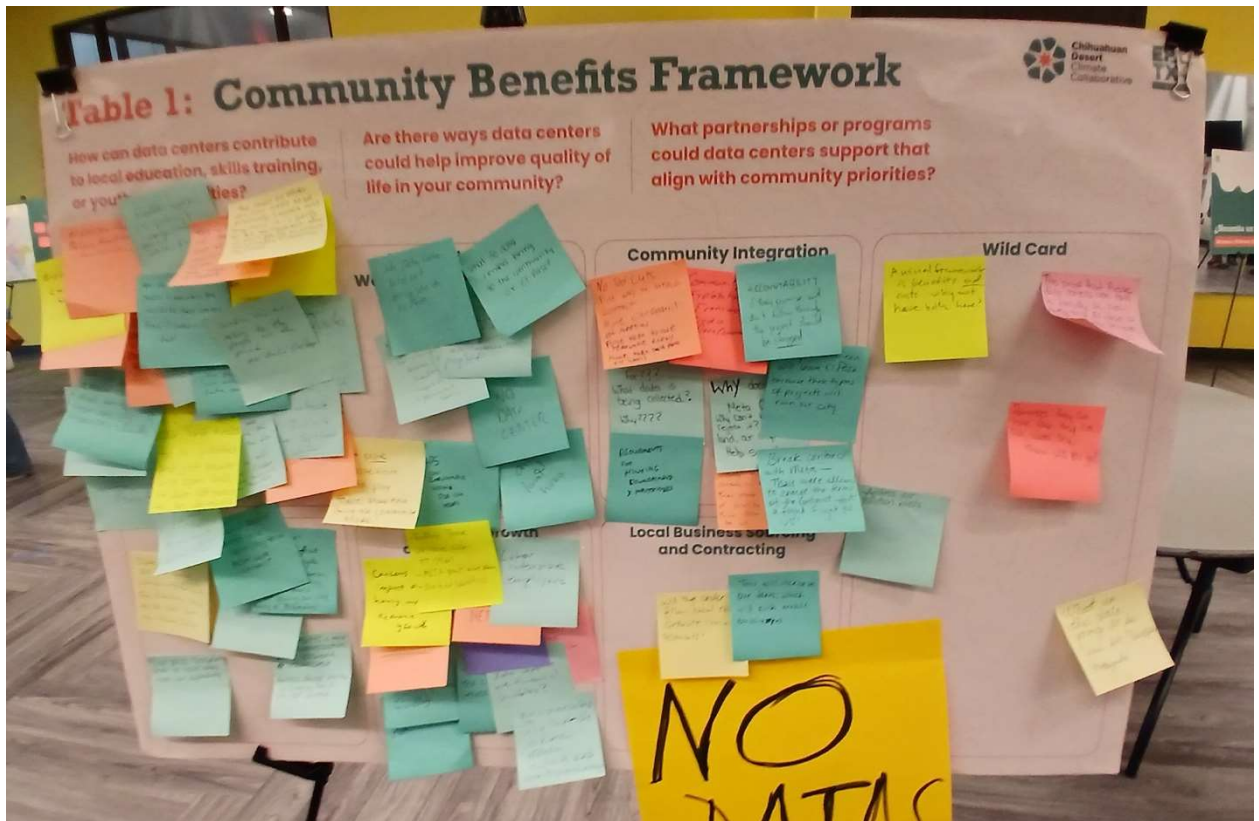
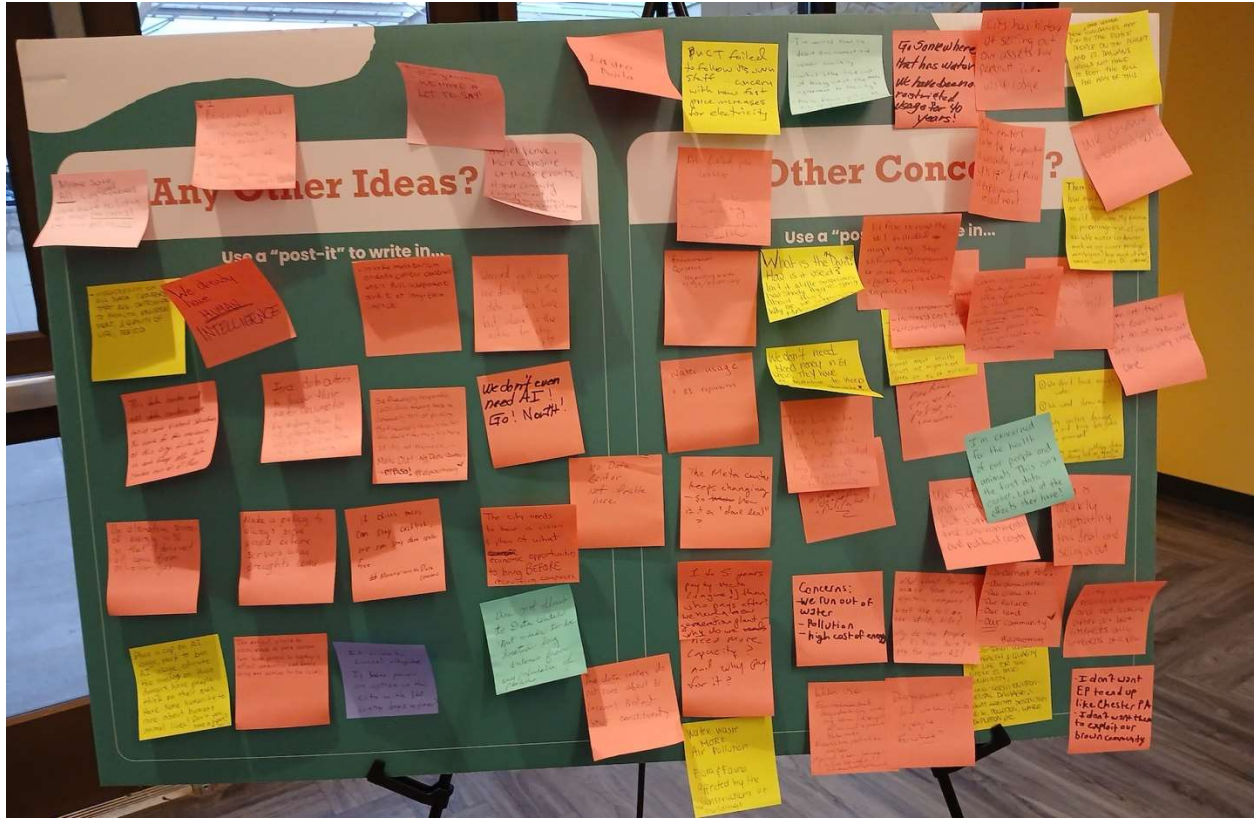
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TOPIC 1: COMMUNITY BENEFITS OPPORTUNITIES

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

LOCAL HIRING

COMMUNITY INTEGRATION

COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE

ECONOMIC GROWTH

LOCAL BUSINESS

Break the contract because META keeps changing the terms of the initial agreement. It's like a penalty and rather pay that than suffer the consequences of their recklessness.

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Environmental Impact

Concern about wildlife

EPA should include measures to benefit E/PA not enable bilbies to exploit common and heritage values our area use our United water.

Energy Demand and Grid Strain

Construction of thousands of solar panels that will be used over all construction sites. If the project is not completed in a timely manner.

EPE grid will be 5% increase in demand over 2020-2025. Impact on E/PA consumer.

Power quality both ability of power grid - reliability - planning + expensive.

Water Supply

Only use recycled water for cooling the servers. It's not that simple we will.

Keep their sustainable cool year for water consumption.

Find how to handle with all facilities. Don't have to be a dog in the hot.

Cost of water a day about 100k.

Land Use and Historical Preservation

Noise and Visual Disruption

Transparency and Oversight

Meta agreement Proposition for system

Will the project be completed on time? How long it going to make the system? It's not clear what the cost is and going to be. It's not clear what the cost is and going to be. It's not clear what the cost is and going to be.

Economic Impact

Available Permanent

Jobs not for EE Passans.

Infrastructure tax increases on resources and nobody is going to benefit.

But they're not going to be permanent. They're not going to be permanent. They're not going to be permanent.

TAXES SHOULD BENEFIT THE PUBLIC NOT BILLIONAIRES

NO DATAS




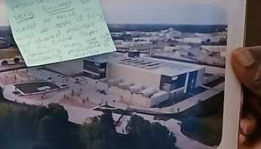
Wild Card

Call near data center each through the city in a better way?

TOPIC 2: COMMON CONCERNS AND MITIGATION STRATEGIES

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT	ENERGY & GRID	WATER SUPPLY	OTHER CONCERNS
<p>NO Interference</p> <p>My concern with the environment is that with these data centers we are going to have a lot of... (handwritten notes)</p> <p>El Paso jump... most major poll... City. The long impacts are not... (handwritten notes)</p> <p>What studies are being done... possible as to how... (handwritten notes)</p> <p>El Paso... (handwritten notes)</p> <p>What studies are being done... possible as to how... (handwritten notes)</p>	<p>McCloud</p> <p>Concern about energy & rates</p> <p>The Center could be using... (handwritten notes)</p> <p>Why is PNM? It's a desert</p> <p>and visually obscene.</p> <p>How will the... (handwritten notes)</p> <p>Why is PNM? It's a desert</p> <p>How will the... (handwritten notes)</p>	<p>Water supply</p> <p>How will the... (handwritten notes)</p> <p>Water supply</p> <p>How will the... (handwritten notes)</p> <p>Water supply</p> <p>How will the... (handwritten notes)</p>	<p>What is the... (handwritten notes)</p> <p>How will the... (handwritten notes)</p> <p>Water supply</p> <p>How will the... (handwritten notes)</p>

Table 3: Site Considerations and Building Design

Land	Facade / Design	Site / Buffers	Public Amenities
<p>What is the city doing to make sure our amenities are protected?</p> <p>Public Amenities are sun break... (handwritten notes)</p> <p>What is the city doing to make sure our amenities are protected?</p> <p>Public Amenities are sun break... (handwritten notes)</p>	<p>Build</p> <p>Don't build... (handwritten notes)</p> <p>Use Adobe... (handwritten notes)</p> <p>No Build = problems solved</p>	<p>Build something... (handwritten notes)</p> <p>Public Amenities... (handwritten notes)</p> <p>Build something... (handwritten notes)</p> <p>Public Amenities... (handwritten notes)</p>	<p>Public Amenities... (handwritten notes)</p> <p>Build something... (handwritten notes)</p> <p>Public Amenities... (handwritten notes)</p> <p>Build something... (handwritten notes)</p>

NO DATA NO

Wayne Thornton Community Center (April 8, 2026)

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Chihuahuan Desert Climate Collaborative
EPA TX

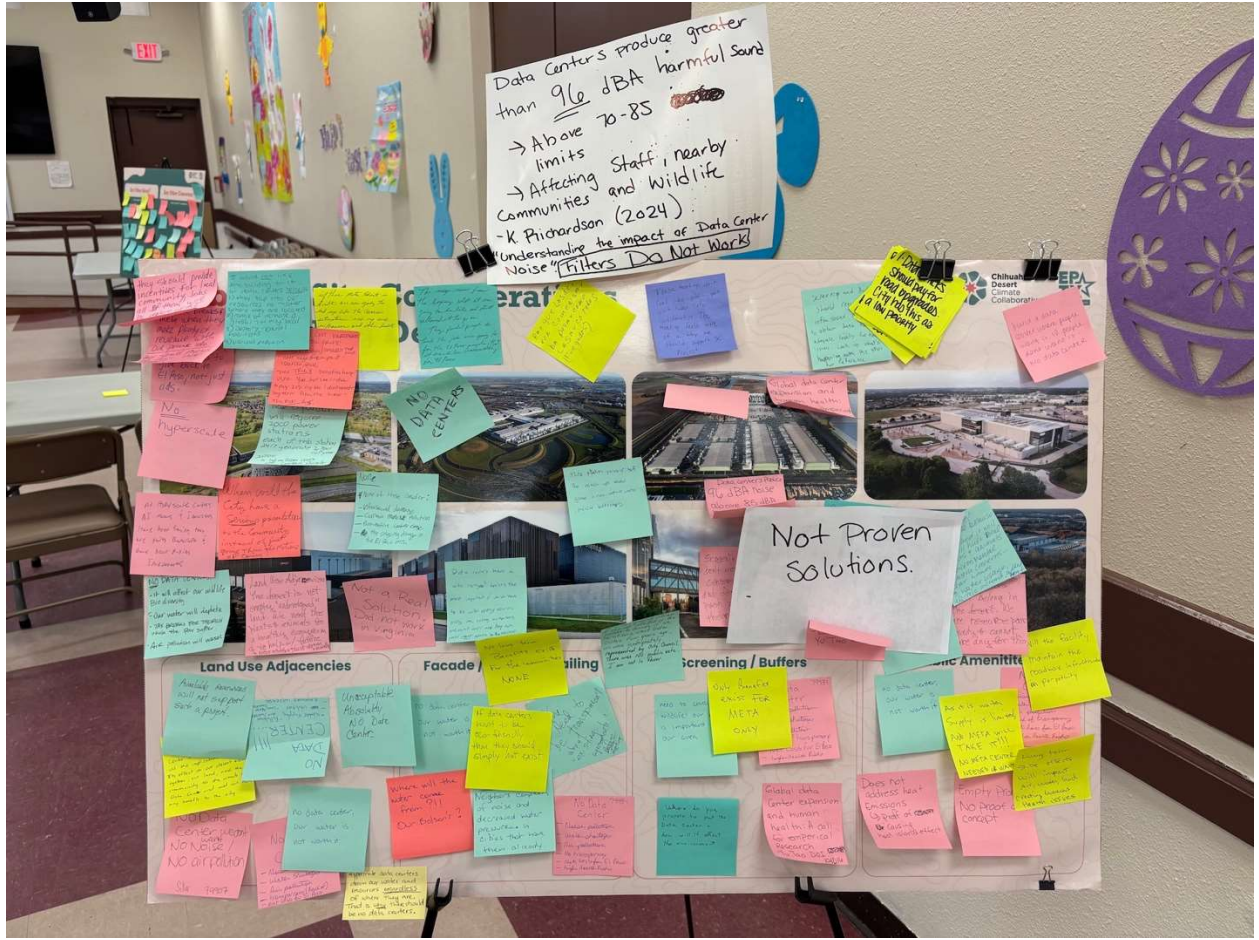
NO DATA CENTERS

UTEP

School of Medicine at Mount Sinai

EPCC El Paso Community College

Why are our elected officials not showing up to their communit... maybe we have more responsibility



Data Centers produce greater than 96 dBA harmful sound than 70-85 limits
→ Above limits
→ Affecting Staff, nearby Communities and Wildlife
- K Richardson (2024)
Understanding the impact of Data Center Noise Filters Do Not Work

DATA CENTERS PRODUCE HARMFUL SOUND IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD



Central area of the board containing several aerial photographs of data center facilities. The photos are surrounded by numerous handwritten notes in various colors (pink, yellow, green, blue) providing detailed commentary on the noise levels and environmental impacts of these facilities.

Not Proven Solutions.

Land Use Adjacencies

Facade / Screening / Buffers

Public Amenities

Bottom section of the board, organized into three columns corresponding to the headers above. Each column is filled with handwritten notes detailing specific mitigation strategies, such as 'Acoustic enclosures', 'Sound barriers', and 'Vegetation buffers'. The notes often include technical details and references to specific studies or standards.

Appendix C

Digitized Community Input

Community Meeting Dates

Meeting #	Date	Location
1	March 23, 2026	Don Haskins Recreation Center
2	March 25, 2026	Veterans Recreation Center
3	March 26, 2026	Pavo Real Recreation Center
4	March 30, 2026	The Beast Urban Recreation Center
5	April 2, 2026	Chamizal Community Center
6	April 8, 2026	Wayne Thornton Community Center

Community Benefits Opportunities

Original Category	Location	Comment	Meeting #
Environmental Sustainability		Our city needs large scale outdoor air purification technology ex) SALSCS tower in Xi'an. Smog tree towers.	1
Environmental Sustainability		In a region strapped for water. Already poor air quality, this will worsen our current situation	1
Environmental Sustainability		NO DATA CENTERS! Predators	1
Environmental Sustainability		Our city already looks like a war zone with walls, razor wire, little water. Build something of beauty. No more boyes	1
Environmental Sustainability		What happens to tons of server toxic computer chips at end of life? Who eats them?	1
Environmental Sustainability		Decentralize the data center and pay El Paso residents rent for using their solar panels.	1
Environmental Sustainability		Require solar energy instead of gas or electricity	1
Environmental Sustainability		NO BENEFITS TO EL PASO	1
Environmental Sustainability		Not sustainable to our air and water	1
Environmental Sustainability		Pollutants by the schools. No benefits for eco or wildlife. No benefits!!!	1
Environmental Sustainability		Put windmills, solar panels before they are instaled the Data Centers. Recycle used water	1
Environmental Sustainability		<u>Require</u> recycle used water	1
Environmental Sustainability		They can promise all the benefits they want but we do not any data centers!	1
Environmental Sustainability		No benefit	1
Environmental Sustainability		A) Community Investments: <u>Ideally</u> 1. Major taxbase contributions to local school districts. 2. Mandatory on-the job training and post work-day human capital development activities. B) Sponsorship to local sports leagues.	1

Environmental Sustainability	Prioritize <u>environmental sustainability</u> . I understood solar power was going to be used + now they're not!	1
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	Not worth the damage and impact on quality of life and our environment	1
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	How many white collar jobs will be lost due to AI in EP.	1
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	There should be a hugely substantial amount of local El Pasoans hired like no less than hundreds of thousands of jobs.	1
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	No benefits to local hiring	1
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	Good paying jobs over 80,000 yearly	1
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	50-100 employments are not enough for the amount of taxes and increase in electrical bill	1
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	50-100 employees is NOT enough	1
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	If I owned shares in Meta and did not care about air, water, energy useage, or El Paso--then, yes! Otherwise--NO	1
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	If we do plan to build the centers, my biggest concern is the next generation. I'm 24, and the job market in El Paso is sparse. Will Meta or whatever AI firm plan to contribute funds to local educational institutions? If so, which departments of studies will the fund and how will the firms motivate the youth?	1
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	NO BENEFITS TO EL PASO	1
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	Where is the data on actual benefits for communities and data centers?	1
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	People will get sick from the air pollution and water pollution. We are already having a shortage of physicians.	1
Community Integration	Help with grants for school programs	1
Community Integration	No benefits for El Paso.	1
Community Integration	The potential "benefits" of a data center do not reflect enough of the El Paso population, there is a lack of knowing the long term effect in order to justify its stay. El Paso does not need a data center, it would clash with existing infrastructure.	1
Community Integration	City council needs to make special exerted efforts to get the word out everywhere to the public, social media, news commericals, in local institutions.	1
Community Integration	Meta has contributed to the cause of atrocities across the world. Political violence. They are bad for our community.	1
Community Integration	B) Community Investments. IDEALLY: Improvement in Q of L -> VERY limited. Stands to be an extrative relationship.	1
Community Integration	If we were forced to have a data center we want a deal. How much can we leech from Meta to pay giant bucks to our city?	1
Community Integration	No benefits to community integration	1
Community Integration	Does not contribute to education--at all	1
Community Integration	This has to be regional, otherwise Meta and others just take it to the county	1
Community Integration	Pay every resident's/home owner's property tax for 50 years.	1
Community Integration	People leaving El Paso if poor air quality/heat/water shortage.	1

Community Infrastructure	Economic loss. People will leave El Paso due to the health hazards. Jobs will leave.	1
Community Infrastructure	Just more flock cameras	1
Community Infrastructure	The continuous movement from Data center impact on ?? -Wildlife - Tectonic region - Water basins - air quality.	1
Community Infrastructure	How will you protect plumbing for local residents that are affected by constant movement	1
Community Infrastructure	What infrastructure will be added to outweigh negative effects on local air and water?	1
Community Infrastructure	It will not pay the taxes it is supposed to. It will contribute to our crumbling infrastructure.	1
Community Infrastructure	No benefits. No Meta. They're going to steal all the water sources. They. [Dot added]	1
Community Infrastructure	Cancel the Meta contract! Our community and resources are against it.	1
Community Infrastructure	Will increase pollution	1
Community Infrastructure	Need to give money to parks, roads, etc	1
Community Infrastructure	No more increase in our bills and taxes and no more was cars places	1
Community Infrastructure	No benefits for community infrastructure	1
Economic Growth & Diversification	A.I. is a cost sink.	1
Economic Growth & Diversification	Those who can afford to leave, will leave. Once again lower income will have to stay and live with the pollution	1
Economic Growth & Diversification	380??? Are you kidding us? No 380's. Pay your TAXES!\$	1
Economic Growth & Diversification	Select few will benefit	1
Economic Growth & Diversification	What is the need to have this in El Paso? What are the environmental impacts? To water to electricity? To pollution. No AI. This is the Desert! What impact/loss will El Paso suffer?	1
Economic Growth & Diversification	NO BENEFITS FOR THE CITY. Will Increase taxes	1
Economic Growth & Diversification	No benefits in economic growth	1
Economic Growth & Diversification	No benefits. There is not even a guarantee it will exist in 5 years (AI bubble). AI is a destructive technology completely unregulated. Quality of life is more important that 50 jobs.	1
Economic Growth & Diversification	No more money for our politicians	1
Economic Growth & Diversification	CANCEL THE META CONTRACT! They deceived the city when they originally said they would use renewable energy.	1
Economic Growth & Diversification	Meta has to pay taxes. No brakes for 15 years???	1
Local Business sourcing & contracting	NO benefits for local business	1
Local Business sourcing & contracting	Must use local contractors	1
Local Business sourcing & contracting	They should be able to guarantee the jobs should be local	1

Local Business sourcing & contracting	C) Community Investments. Partnership: Mandated monthly public information forums moderated by independent advisory board.	1
Local Business sourcing & contracting	NO data centers. Data centers only benefir the companies operating them	1
Local Business sourcing & contracting	Who stands to make the money? Will the AI bring their own water center? No AI	1
Local Business sourcing & contracting	0 benefits	1
Wild Card	We want the Texas Public Utility Commission to vote NO in any further agreements; such as the gas powered plant. No data centers!	1
Wild Card	I work outside everyday. When I get home my lungs hurt. We already live in a polluted landscape, and you're telling me you want to further pollute by building data centers? Why? No data centers	1
Wild Card	Very vulnerable to any kind of attacks because its so near the border	1
Wild Card	No tax breaks for billionaires!	1
Wild Card	NO Meta NO data centers	1
Wild Card	NO META NO META	1
Wild Card	Don't pass on utility increases to residents	1
Wild Card	NO META! Break contract	1
Wild Card	<u>BIG!</u> Campaign contributions for politicians from Meta	1
Wild Card	Has the city researched economic benefits of Meta in other cities?	1
Wild Card	No benefits to the city [Dot added]	1
Wild Card	No benefits to El Paso. No consultation	1
Wild Card	Cancel Meta deal!!	1
Wild Card	At this time 2026 we do not want them	1
Wild Card	Don't think potential benefits outweigh the challenge to our local environment	1
Wild Card	AI is dystopian	1
Wild Card	No benefits to El Paso	1
Wild Card	<u>No</u> data centers! No or future. No Meta!	1
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	50 jobs for the facility when it is complete! Really? What jobs	2
Community Integration	The terms "public meetings", "community input" seems more like a facade to ease us into being unwilling (and powerless) participants of Meta's sweetheart deal	2
Community Integration	If City Hall is seriously considering the community's feedback, are City Council members in attendance at these meetings	2
Economic Growth & Diversification	50-150 jobs IS NOT ENOUGH	2
Environmental Sustainability	the Northeast just had a water pipe damage. The city doesn't fet rain a lot and we are going to have a data center that needs water?	2
Environmental Sustainability	Where is the waste water going. We need a cap of water they use who will check pollution levels	2
Environmental Sustainability	Don't use our water and power resources. This city can't afford it	2
Environmental Sustainability	Don't use our water, bring in more.	2
Environmental Sustainability	Require any companies that want to site here to heplp El Paso get out of nonattainment for air quality. Reinvest money to tech or other things to clean the air.	2

Environmental Sustainability	Have them clearly explain what they mean by "closed loop" systems in layman's terms	2
Environmental Sustainability	Require frequent environmental quality inspections by state or federal agencies	2
Environmental Sustainability	Recapture heat loss/figure out alternative cooling methods that are NOT water/ insulate facilities to reduce noise pollution	2
Environmental Sustainability	Where is their wastewater going after its been used to cool the servers?	2
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	Make data centers contribute significant sums to climate and sustainability projects in El Paso. If they're inevitable we need to ask for the most.	2
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	more jobs	2
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	Require a minimum of 75% jobs to be sourced from within the county	2
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	For such a big product we only going to have about 50 jobs? That's bad	2
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	Require them to promise an impactful amounts of local AND well paying long-term or permanent jobs	2
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	Have data center reps post notification on local papers to reach larger audience	2
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	Meta, scholarships/grants to EPCC and UTEP	2
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	Hire local first	2
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	What possible positive impact other than construction jobs will this plant have on El Paso	2
Community Integration	Make the data center reps be physically present and responsive at community meetings	2
Community Integration	Community benefits should be identified and prioritized by impacted community, not local gov. or private sector leaders	2
Community Integration	How can a data center integrate to our starved water community	2
Community Integration	Community Benefits Agreement (80% stays in impacted community) e.g. Meta and Northeast	2
Community Integration	Increase hire force	2
Community Integration	Contracts to maintain worforce/won't be laid off	2
Community Integration	Not taking advantage of immigrants	2
Community Infrastructure	Quality og Life Ship in Water??	2
Community Infrastructure	Our current inftastructure won't be able to handle it	2
Community Infrastructure	The infrastructure in the Northeast is old and we have to maintain a data center?	2
Community Infrastructure	Education - multiple scholarships	2
Community Infrastructure	School repairs	2
Community Infrastructure	Tech2O for Meta	2
Community Infrastructure	Internship programs	2
Community Infrastructure	cooling ponds onsite	2
Community Infrastructure	donate IT to schools	2
Community Infrastructure	No increase in taxes or utilities. Meta or any other data facilities should absorb these increases	2

Economic Growth & Diversification	How are we going to have economic growth with a data center?	2
Economic Growth & Diversification	Funds for programs of the surrounding schools	2
Economic Growth & Diversification	Reframe El Paso. We are doing fine without data centers. we need to stop incentivizing billion dollar companies. THEY are the ones that want to site facilities here	2
Local Business sourcing & contracting	What plans to use Fiber Optics that is cheaper more reliable and safer for the environment	2
Local Business sourcing & contracting	I see no benefits to this for El Paso or residents	2
Wild Card	Require significant investment from data centers to city programs that help people address environmental health hazards. Donation for purchases of air filters, fans, insulation, water purification devices, all things that the presence of data center will adversely affect	2
Wild Card	Notify much larger areas surrounding future building sites. Pollution/noise is much larger from these types of facilities	2
Wild Card	Remove 380/381 agreements. These companies do not need incentives to site their centers in El Paso	2
Wild Card	Data centers are bad for the environment and city council should have done their homework before entering into negotiations with META	2
Wild Card	Send a representative to meet with community NOT just stakeholders/steering committes/city leadership	2
Wild Card	Invest in school sytesm. 1/4 of 1% of your gross profit yearly	2
Wild Card	Donate to UTEP scholarships/athletics 0.05% of your gross profit yearly	2
Wild Card	Data centers should be required to pay BILLIONS to local lung associations, low-income medical facilities, boys & girls clubs, local district scholarships	2
Wild Card	Please require council to have an adequate understanding before taking things to a vote. The agreement with Meta made before the AI boom seems rushed. Council's main concern with big name projects is a detriment to our community.	2
Wild Card	Privacy from personal data collection	2
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	Our community will be left out	3
Environmental Sustainability	No contrbution to locate education. Will not improve quality of life in my community	3
Environmental Sustainability	Data centers are not sustainable	3
Environmental Sustainability	This data center will deplete our resources	3
Environmental Sustainability	Where is our water going to come from when the aquifers run dry? And who is going to pay for water being brought into the city	3
Environmental Sustainability	Oppose our limited use water be used up by data center's mainetnace. Find other ways. We are a desert!!!	3
Environmental Sustainability	If built, data centers & owners should definitely look into aiding local education. Maybe job training for local population also.	3
Environmental Sustainability	Finite resources	3
Environmental Sustainability	Water concerns	3

Environmental Sustainability	Desert data centers should add more sustainability and environmental positives, not negatives. Provide tools or use materials that meet that end.	3
Environmental Sustainability	Running mass amounts of processors and data cards needs a lot of energy and cooling which can bottleneck energy in unfit infrastructure. El Paso is a desert, meaning our water, which is becoming increasingly scarce, will become more expensive, along with already high energy bills. Data centers will divide our communities.	3
Environmental Sustainability	We are in a drought. Why here? Environmental hazard!	3
Environmental Sustainability	What about wastewater and impact	3
Environmental Sustainability	Too much WATER USAGE. Use sewage effluent to cool the data center.	3
Environmental Sustainability	Bring water to western states	3
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	50 jobs to sacrifice our environment?	3
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	Data centers will not hire local employees	3
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	lack of employees	3
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	Workforce program with UTEP and NMSU. Training and internships	3
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	While job availability sounds good on the surface, I have concerns on top of resource usage; water, building materials, energy. Privacy is a major concern, our data is sold to big corporations in order to exploit us, take our attention and money away faster, faster. This data center will be better built than our roads.	3
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	Low amount of jobs for the data center. Subsidies for a project that creates few permanent jobs!!!	3
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	At least 90% El Paso -jobs are top jobs for El Paso Really? - the community Partners (?) (?) Better have all in Writing & legally binding Cooperation - taxes Are we giving big tax Breaks? Could this Co. Plus(?) & down before Paying	3
Community Integration	Coshare infrastructure w/ community (i.e., network, electricity, etc.)	3
Community Infrastructure	request utility companies to explain how our utilities are going up while data centers get long-term low cost rates	3
Community Infrastructure	Utility concerns	3
Community Infrastructure	Strain on utilities water we are in a desert. Strain in electricity	3
Community Infrastructure	Don't want it to increase my water bill	3
Community Infrastructure	We need new businesses to attract and hire local people in our community	3
Community Infrastructure	Not pay way, impact the community	3
Economic Growth & Diversification	Make them pay tax like we all do. They have lots of \$	3
Economic Growth & Diversification	Concerns about tax incentives given	3
Economic Growth & Diversification	Destroy our community	3

Economic Growth & Diversification	Large tax abatements sometimes 90% or more	3
Economic Growth & Diversification	increased tax burden for city	3
Economic Growth & Diversification	Jobs & incentives should reflect the need of the community over the preferences of billion \$ companies	3
Economic Growth & Diversification	Donate to Economic Dev. funds for recruitment	3
Local Business sourcing & contracting	Local preference for El Paso local contractors	3
Wild Card	It is difficult to believe there are any community "benefits" to the community given all the negative impacts centers have on community infrastructure, resources, and environment. Maybe there is opportunity for [more] benefits but it appears the negative impacts make it more beneficial to NOT have data centers.	3
Wild Card	Renegotiate the contract!	3
Wild Card	at what cost r u willing to sell your grandchildren's future!	3
Wild Card	The only one that benefit is META!	3
Wild Card	It does not benefit our city	3
Wild Card	There is NO guarantee on future resources for residents	3
Wild Card	It started in back doors now make it right and stop the data center	3
Wild Card	I don't want the data center!	3
Wild Card	stop the data center	3
Wild Card	lack of transparency of public voting!!!	3
Wild Card	community disruption. Decisions were made without community input	3
Wild Card	Decisions were made behind close doors!!!	3
Wild Card	stop electing candidates that take big donation. Will sell us out every time.	3
Environmental Sustainability	They can't contribute anything to the community. The data center rake up water to cool down the computers and that water is not reusable.	4
Environmental Sustainability	don't use our water nor our electricity.	4
Environmental Sustainability	Don't tap into our water. Bring in your own water!!	4
Environmental Sustainability	Waste of water in an arid state like Texas.	4
Environmental Sustainability	We want 100% renewable energy.	4
Environmental Sustainability	AI centers will cause more pollution in El Paso and the air quality here is already an issue. It will also take our water and energy.	4
Environmental Sustainability	Concerns over air pollution and livestock/animals	4
Environmental Sustainability	Do you believe that El Paso has enough infrastructure to support your center? Have you taken account our current drought?	4
Environmental Sustainability	Any potential gain would be negelgible in comparison to the environmental cost. If it HAS to happen do it sustainably.	4
Environmental Sustainability	The water resources need to be addressed	4
Environmental Sustainability	Water usage is a concern in an area that does not have a lot of rain	4
Environmental Sustainability	There are NO community benefits that outweigh environmental costs	4
Environmental Sustainability	Environmental impact pollution: air noise	4

Environmental Sustainability	Should consist entirely of renewable energy, no new coal plants should be built to accomodate a corporation.	4
Community Integration	No partnerships or anything will change my mind. NO DATA CENTERS!	4
Community Integration	Create grants that provide internet, AI, IT skills to underserved communities	4
Community Integration	There is NO benefit to the community. Even if this data center provided 10x more jobs, what they are asking for (our resources) cannot be paid back.	4
Community Integration	How can a data center bring the community together? Is not a place where you can gather	4
Community Integration	Require more investments be made to support IT AI learning in schools	4
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	There are no ways data centers can improve the quality of life in my community, All it does is take away water from the community	4
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	How many jobs is a data center really creating? Cost benefit	4
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	Require more full time jobs. Require certain percentage of construction to be local.	4
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	More jobs higher pay	4
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	Data centers should provide opportunities for grad students in the science and other fields that is related to their work	4
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	Supporting data centers only pushes for human replacement (less jobs)	4
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	What lonf term employment? Local? Outside?	4
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	Apart from construction jobs, what other type of jobs are you bringing in long-term? Are you planning to train workers in the area?	4
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	Require more local suppliers and construction materials	4
Community Infrastructure	Data centers will help our community	4
	Should be on META	4
Economic Growth & Diversification	Higher paying jobs	4
Economic Growth & Diversification	How many El Paso jobs will this create? How many jobs will this data center terminate in the future?	4
Economic Growth & Diversification	Don't be stingy give us a piece of that pie \$\$\$	4
Economic Growth & Diversification	These companies are coming here for one reason low wages. They have zero vested interest in our community ZERO!!!	4
Economic Growth & Diversification	Tax abatements	4
Economic Growth & Diversification	Require suppliers to be local	4
Local Business sourcing & contracting	Require more full time workers	4
Wild Card	Generational opportunity for El Paso	4
Wild Card	We need a full moratorium on data centers	4

Wild Card	There are NO community benefits that outweigh environmental costs	4
Wild Card	No data centers preferred	4
Wild Card	Economic growth	4
Wild Card	Bringing new industries to El Paso	4
Wild Card	Are we ordering water in? From where?	4
Wild Card	No Data Centers! No amount of jobs and "growth" can justify the pollution of air/water and natural resources the data centers cause. No to mention the health impacts on our community and wildlife	4
Wild Card	No tax incentives	4
Wild Card	Bring more data centers responsibly	4
Local Business sourcing & contracting	Will they order from local non corporate chain restaurants?	5
Local Business sourcing & contracting	This will increase our taxes which will sink small businesses.	5
Economic Growth & Diversification	No tax breaks. Higher taxes. Exponentially higher	5
Economic Growth & Diversification	No secret agreements. No NDAs involving public funds	5
Economic Growth & Diversification	Pay your fair share in taxes	5
Economic Growth & Diversification	Pay all their <u>TAXES</u>	5
Economic Growth & Diversification	Full enforce of all terms in the contract	5
Economic Growth & Diversification	Enforce tax utilities code 37.0561. Meta pays everything. No tax benefits	5
Economic Growth & Diversification	Labor intensive employers	5
Economic Growth & Diversification	NO CONCESSIONS 4 META	5
Economic Growth & Diversification	Concerns about impact on housing market, economic growth	5
Economic Growth & Diversification	No concessions. Why lowish income El Paso subsidizes wealthy businesses	5
Economic Growth & Diversification	How many data centers are financial bubbles?	5
Economic Growth & Diversification	Do not allow tax exemptions the city needs those funds	5
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	Only local hires.	5
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	CAPS on employment hiring for 10+ years	5
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	NO DATA CENTER	5
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	What do data centers bring to the community of El Paso?	5
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	Get <u>more</u> value from Meta. Pay taxes. Make Meta give the community more!	5

Local Hiring & Workforce Development	No data center, will not bring jobs to El Paso	5
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	Data centers are very capital intensive with low labor demand. A lot of \$ for low employment pay off	5
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	<u>Minimal</u> jobs for a huge environ/human health impact on a permanent basis,	5
Community Infrastructure	How will El Pasoans benefit in a short/long term from data centers?	5
Community Infrastructure	Invest in programs that benefit the people here - transportation, schools, community centers, veterans. STOP giving our city away to billionaires.	5
Community Infrastructure	Data centers do not bring community benefits. The industry needs to be net zero on their dime.	5
Community Infrastructure	Increase access to healthy food and nutrition education	5
Community Infrastructure	Fund public transportation to move away from car dependency	5
Community Infrastructure	Fund FQHCs and other organizations serving uninsured and underinsured. Address dental shortage by funding free and low cost dental	5
Environmental Sustainability	The levels of water pollution need to be publically stated and sat how it is going to be mitigated. How is this going to affect our water filtration system.	5
Environmental Sustainability	This will destroy our resources take all our water massive pollution hike up our utilities and make El Paso unliveable	5
Environmental Sustainability	Set limitations and wastage is set out (water)	5
Environmental Sustainability	Water and air belong to the people and the planet. No data center	5
Environmental Sustainability	Health impacts (air quality) noise/stress potential water disruptions	5
Environmental Sustainability	We don't have enough water to maintain the needs of these data centers they'll send us to hell.	5
Environmental Sustainability	All electric from solar, geothermal, and wind	5
Environmental Sustainability	Ensure EPW can provide service	5
Environmental Sustainability	Install water treatment systems onsite. Treat reuse 100% of water	5
Environmental Sustainability	El Paso is already the #1 most polluted city. What will be done to lower our place on that list with regard to data centers?	5
Environmental Sustainability	Permanent impacts to land water nature animals that cannot be undone	5
Environmental Sustainability	We do not want a data enter that takes away from our city resources and health.	5
Environmental Sustainability	Fund planting of native trees etc. throughout site and El Paso to reduce heat levels, clean the air, etc.	5
Environmental Sustainability	1) Atmospheric water generators	5
Environmental Sustainability	Our land needs to be protected and just because it is open land, it does not need to be developed	5
Environmental Sustainability	What kind of research has been done regarding the affects of the data centers? Who will be held accountable if/when the water runs out from the aquifer	5
Environmental Sustainability	Seawater greenhouse for infinite loop system water	5
Environmental Sustainability	Air Joules at Fort Bliss	5
Environmental Sustainability	1) Energy source 2) Water supply	5
Environmental Sustainability	Water control in area	5

Environmental Sustainability	No amount of "community benefits" is worth losing the environment around us	5
Environmental Sustainability	Transparency about water levels and service area	5
Environmental Sustainability	Water water water	5
Environmental Sustainability	Small nuclear reactors! Wasting house	5
Environmental Sustainability	Other renewable resources	5
Wild Card	Address air pollution levels	5
Wild Card	The proof that these data centers are evil is literally how they and El Paso is silencing the people. Don't be on the wrong side of history. LOCK IN	5
Wild Card	Remember- they can leave when they run our water dry. Where will you go?	5
Wild Card	What is the data going to be used for? Deception? Propoganda?	5
Wild Card	A usual framework is benefits <u>and</u> costs. Why not have both here?	5
Community Integration	Break the contract because META keeps changing the terms of the initial agreement! If there is penalty, we'd rather pay that than suffer the consequences of their recklessness	5
Community Integration	Requirements for housing downpayments and infrastructures	5
Community Integration	What is the data for??? What data is being collected? Why????	5
Community Integration	No tax cuts. Find way to break contract. More city council at meetings. Force them to use renewable energy. Make them build parks, fix schools	5
Community Integration	I do not believe these entities are willing to honor concession agreements. Their power and lack of locality unburden them from committing to us.	5
Community Integration	People who can will leave El Paso because these types of projects will ruin our city	5
Community Integration	Break contract with Meta-- <u>They</u> were allowed to change the terms of the contract w/out a fight. Fight for us!	5
Community Integration	Why does Meta own us? Why can't we fully reject it? Its our land, our city. Help save us.	5
Community Integration	ACCOUNTABILITY: if they promis, and don't follow through, the project should be <u>stopped</u> .	5
Community Integration	Community exploitation framework: 1) Find a poor community	5
Community Integration	NO DATAS [written on a large yellow paper and attached to poster]	5
Environmental Sustainability	Data center must use the best technology (contractually) to ensure low water + energy ise. All water used should be reclaimed from out wastewater stream.	6
Environmental Sustainability	Environmental surveys	6
Environmental Sustainability	100% regenerative energy used	6
Environmental Sustainability	no water used	6
Environmental Sustainability	use 100% renewable energy	6
Environmental Sustainability	can't use our grid nor build their own grid	6
Environmental Sustainability	Human Health #1 Priority	6
Environmental Sustainability	Clean water is a human right.	6
Environmental Sustainability	Losing water can effect human health, and environmental cleanliness, and may affect patient care within hospitals as water is very essential within labs, medications, diseases spread and <u>water</u> is a main human source	6

Environmental Sustainability	Water is essential to human health	6
Environmental Sustainability	Without essential health humans: children and adults will Die	6
Environmental Sustainability	They are not sustainable. These companies keep changing their plans to use more energy + water.	6
Environmental Sustainability	And when the water runs out? *WATER* How will water be supplied over 5, 10, 25... years?	6
Environmental Sustainability	Pollution levels air noise etc...	6
Environmental Sustainability	Even if it helps improve, the consequences are worse for us there is no benefit for AI we've been seeing this with others. NO Data Centers.	6
Environmental Sustainability	How much water + electricity will this facility use? Not green as initially stated	6
Environmental Sustainability	Data center must use 100% renewable energy + ensure no new coal/gas/fossil fuels are used by EPE to backfill any renewable energy the data center gets from EPE	6
Environmental Sustainability	Data centers in 2030 could contribute to nearly 1300 deaths annually = \$20 billion burden on public health	6
Environmental Sustainability	Utility usage + oversight	6
Environmental Sustainability	Data centers are not worth it. I don't care if they invest x amount of money, not worth the water.	6
Environmental Sustainability	META bears expenses if water supply runs low or becomes contaminated	6
Environmental Sustainability	Quality of life? -We don't have an endless water supply. -Utilities keep going up!!! -Property taxes keep going up! There's no quality of life with centers	6
Environmental Sustainability	-water usage: data centers degrade the environment + use more data than estimated. -Power demand-it will NOT be powered by sustainable power	6
Environmental Sustainability	No data center, not worth the water	6
Environmental Sustainability	Concerns 1. lack of water for citizens & El Paso community. Increase cost of utilities. ELP is a low income community	6
Environmental Sustainability	What waste is produced by the data center? -dangers -disposable	6
Environmental Sustainability	<u>NO DATA</u> Centers. The City of El Paso loses \$, resources, environment	6
Environmental Sustainability	We need transparency from the plans for the data center and how they won't extract resources but provide them.	6
Environmental Sustainability	How can a data center that draws on one of our precious resources in the desert be approved? Environmental impact - what will happen with the grey water	6
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Local Hiring & Workforce Development	Bring in tech jobs for local talent tie to 380	6
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	Data centers should hire locally + <u>train</u> if local talent. The local talent is sufficient.	6
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	What <u>kind</u> of jobs & how <u>many</u> will be provided?	6
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	Most data centers don't hire local or there will be minimal jobs available to locals.	6
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	Yes - data centers can fund an AI Endowed Chair faculty position at UTEP	6

Local Hiring & Workforce Development	Ask Van Horn (Blue Origin) just how many high paying/high skill jobs go to the local. Very very little.	6
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	With data centers shouldering the burden of AI's cost, how many more jobs can truly be created over what will be replaced? Maintenance level support is bare bones & not sustainable long term	6
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	We are concerned about the implications a data center will have. The benefits of "some" jobs do not outweigh the costs and destruction the city will suffer	6
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	-the promise of construction jobs is exaggerated. -The promise of permanent jobs is exaggerated. -& i.e. some jobs will require technical expertise that will need to be imported	6
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	Data centers should be required to host quarterly or twice-a-year workforce training in El Paso, TX.	6
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	IT training centers improvement/growth local hiring. Secondary effects include more work at Schneider potentially more plants more jobs. IT support companies grow up in surrounding area creating more jobs. All this growth also means more taxes.	6
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	Assure contract compliance- Hire locally, do not outsource construction, IT, etc.	6
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	Local Hiring? -Construction jobs will be temporary. -Limited number of employees in Data Centers. -Average paying jobs for El Paso Market?	6
Local Hiring & Workforce Development	What auxiliary jobs can we expect to be created from the creation? What increase to infrastructure jobs are likely to be made	6
Community Integration	Hyperscale Data Centers <u>Destroy</u> communities.	6
Community Integration	Sponsoring youth programs/scholarships	6
Community Integration	META contributes to weatherizing homes & nonprofit that provide housing	6
Community Integration	Data centers bring <u>cancer</u> & death you cannot preach community when you are making <u>us sick</u>	6
Community Integration	When is the project starting as they are already building roads & putting lighting! How much are getting paid for this project? It is already being built! How are you going to stop it? We don't even have water in El Paso and they are going to take it!	6
Community Integration	Data centers are not worth it. I don't care if they invest x amount of money, not worth the water.	6
Community Integration	Data centers must provide research & employment opportunities for local high school & college students	6
Community Integration	Data centers need to provide research investments on how they increase cancer	6
Community Integration	-NO TAX deferrals. -Guarantee if economic development - Community stakeholders	6
Community Integration	Community has a <u>viable</u> voice in decision making re: operation	6
Community Integration	Community Input <u>Prior</u> to Contract	6
Community Integration	How many permanent full-time jobs are legally guaranteed, not estimated?	6
Community Integration	Auxiliary jobs for maintenance. What are we expecting for local US imports??	6
Community Integration	Data centers only <u>take</u> from a community. They give <u>nothing</u> back. There is no net benefit.	6

Community Integration	No benefits to community. No transparency.	6
Community Infrastructure	Monitor & strict oversight of usage	6
Community Infrastructure	Data centers must be serviced by free public frequent buses paid for <u>entirely</u> by the data center	6
Community Infrastructure	Empty promises of NO TAX BREAKS, when we know power is moved by money and not by its people	6
Community Infrastructure	Will they maintain roads of other infrastructure?	6
Community Infrastructure	<u>NO</u> data centers past present or future! Outrageous water usage. Gas emissions will worsen air quality that's already bad	6
Community Infrastructure	Data centers pay for infrastructure streets & schools	6
Community Infrastructure	How & who approved the data centers? This should be put to a public vote	6
Community Infrastructure	Survey land for	6
Community Infrastructure	Please think of the future of the city. If there are no resources there is no future here.	6
Community Infrastructure	Why do residents have to shoulder the cost while the city hands out 80% tax abatement?	6
Economic Growth & Diversification	No tax breaks!	6
Economic Growth & Diversification	Please stop the data centers. Do not sell out. We want to live here and do not want to move to other cities.	6
Economic Growth & Diversification	Why are Data Centers get so much \$\$ for tax breaks? Communities need the \$ for maintenance parks, transportation	6
Economic Growth & Diversification	Centers are not required to hire local, what is the point of tax incentive? This is a 1 way flow of resources and profit	6
Economic Growth & Diversification	No more additional data centers we don't have water	6
Economic Growth & Diversification	Only about 100 jobs are permanent the rest are <u>temporary</u> jobs related to construction	6
Economic Growth & Diversification	How many jobs are actually going to be created?	6
Economic Growth & Diversification	Data centers must pay for all public/utility improvements needed- roads, water, electricity, any other infrastructure. El Pasoans should NOT pay.	6
Economic Growth & Diversification	Taking benefits for people is unfair	6
Economic Growth & Diversification	UPDATE THE AGREEMENTS. NEW Investment	6
Economic Growth & Diversification	No Tax Breaks	6
Economic Growth & Diversification	NO TAX BREAKS! How will this affect the residents of EP?	6
Economic Growth & Diversification	No Tax Breaks	6
Economic Growth & Diversification	NO tax breaks. None.	6
Local Business sourcing & contracting	Why do they want to come here? Build in the backyard of the people making the money. We do not benefit	6
Local Business sourcing & contracting	Data centers should be required to give local suppliers get a 1st look as vendors & enter into contracts w/ local vendors	6

Local Business sourcing & contracting	Revisit the approval. Community is opposed to the building of the data center	6
Local Business sourcing & contracting	There is <u>no</u> community benefits	6
Local Business sourcing & contracting	The only "local" business benefit will be for EPE & other big investors. The Borderplex "Alliance" is using El Paso to make \$	6
Local Business sourcing & contracting	At what year the city recover all incentives and begin making net revenue?	6
Local Business sourcing & contracting	Benefits for the worlds richest people. None for us.	6
Local Business sourcing & contracting	AT most 20 job permanent. Meta will outsource	6
Wild Card	I was not included in the process to decide if <u>we</u> want data centers. 4 years ago we were inadequetately represented by city council. There was <u>no</u> public vote! I am not in favor.	6
Wild Card	THERE ARE NO Benefits STOP LYING	6
Wild Card	Money is not worth it. We want to keep our city clean and with water for our kids and our generations to come.	6
Wild Card	There are <u>no</u> beenfits to data centers it's why no representatives spoke during these meetings!!	6
Wild Card	Strict permits zoning	6
Wild Card	Any "benefit" to El Paso will be dwarfed by the benefits to big Tech and our local oligarchs. Those benefits will come back to bite us as they lobby against our community rights and political power.	6
Wild Card	Feedback on other data centers across the country is mostly negative	6
Wild Card	They're <u>not</u> wanted	6
Wild Card	The <u>limited</u> benefits will <u>not</u> outweigh the negative outcomes it will have on land, animals, and people!	6
Wild Card	Impact on human lives. Cancer risks for people living in the area	6
Wild Card	Energy demands accuracy & transparency	6
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Other	NO DATAS	6
Other	Paradoxical Economic Impact: -limited long-term employment - impose heavy burdens on infrastrucutre - guaranteed raise on utilities-Sean O'Leary Ohio River Institute	6

Common Concerns and Mitigation

Original Category Location	Comment	Meeting #
Environmental Impact	Vibrations and impact on environment	1
Environmental Impact	Efficiency of building	1
Environmental Impact	Purifying our air with towers	1
Water Supply	Waste water pollution	1
Environmental Impact	Increased air pollution and increased medical intervention needed	1
Environmental Impact	Poor air quality. We already have poor air quality, this data center will worsen the quality and force people out of El Paso	1
Environmental Impact	Water and energy for the people not rich big tech	1
Environmental Impact	Poor air quality and water pollution	1
Environmental Impact	Ozone. Non-attainment already	1
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	No data centers. Only people that benefit and profit	1
Wildcard	No data centers	1
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	Like an elephant in a herb garden, too big for the grid!	1
Noise & Visual Disruption	Noise pollution	1
Land Use Adjacencies	earthquakes. Shift of plates	1
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	no increase in property taxes	1
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	Being sued for not complying with contract	1
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	Decreased property value of homes close to data centers	1
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	Loss of jobs. Despite the "100" jobs through Meta, people will leave El Paso and it will impact the economy	1
Water Supply	Water volume and waste water concern	1
Water Supply	Recycling of water when possible	1
Water Supply	Water waste	1
Wildcard	Water for the people, not big tech corps	1
Water Supply	Make sure that the centre uses recycled water like Intel @Oregon and Delphi @Juarez	1
Water Supply	Overall impact on water supply	1
Wildcard	We don't want any AI data center. Break the contract	1
Wildcard	Break the contract. Why is it good?	1
Wildcard	Impact on future generations	1
Transparency & Oversight	Late for public opinion	1
Transparency & Oversight	Have a letter writing campaign to lead federal officials that they need to revamp data center policy	1
Environmental Impact	Air pollution	1
Environmental Impact	Damage to the environment - wildlife, plant life, air pollution	1
Environmental Impact	Air quality and emissions. No gas	1
Noise & Visual Disruption	Light and noise pollution affecting community	1
Environmental Impact	CO2+ air quality	1
Environmental Impact	Environmental impact, Depleting resources, Water consumption, Noise generation	1

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Environmental Impact	Do environmentl study without biases before signing new contracts	1
Environmental Impact	Air pollution. Gray water	1
Environmental Impact	Depleting water usage	1
Environmental Impact	Air pollution. Health impact	1
Environmental Impact	Air pollution and water	1
Environmental Impact	Impacts to move earthquakes due to weight of facilities or ground movement impacting community	1
Environmental Impact	Wildlife ecosystem impact	1
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	Increasing costs when the electric company will need to update their technologies. Increased takes on public	1
Land Use & Historical Preservation	Historical assessment	1
Environmental Impact	The building of the data center will damage El Paso in any and allways if built, these data centers have a proven record of destroying their environments. Do not build it	1
Land Use & Historical Preservation	Historical site loss. Long term land damage	1
Environmental Impact	Long term impact on wells	1
Transparency & Oversight	The City officials should notify the public sufficiently before accepting any contracts	1
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	The construction jobs should be allotted to local companies. For example if the contract is for \$100k then it should go to an El Paso company	1
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	No tax incentives	1
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	You can't mitigate my concerns. No tax incentives!. Data centers run our water supply dry. What will El Paso suffer as a result of loss of water?	1
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	Cost increase	1
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	The 17 jobs that are generated should pay a livable wage of \$75k, MIT calculator	1
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	Property taxes going higher	1
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	No tax incentives	1
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	Tax breaks given to businesses not needing them	1
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	No (480) subsidies for reach tech companies	1
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	No tax incentives. Cancel contracts	1
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	Of pollution. Reverse this!	1
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	Any projects should have a big benefits in revenue and job opportunities before being accepted by the city	1
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	We lack the resources at baseline - fix this first please	1

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Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	Don't increase taxes to the constituents for the benefit of the millioners	1
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	Remove the tax abatement. They are rich enough.	1
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	Not a lot of jobs. No investment in community. What type of jobs?	1
Water Supply	What is the overwhelming need? Why? How will water be affected? Cost to residents? What Pollution do we face?	1
Water Supply	No increase in water cost for residents	1
Water Supply	Concern about water consumption	1
Water Supply	Require them to dig a well + not use EP water	1
Water Supply	Do environmental study before contracts	1
Water Supply	Water Cooling generating more heat for community	1
Water Supply	Systems that use less water?	1
Water Supply	Impact on wells in Chaparral	1
Water Supply	No transparency for the generation and the impact on water	1
Water Supply	Charge Meta more so it doesn't impact residents' water bills	1
Water Supply	How is there no regulation? What is the difference between environmental study and assessment?	1
Water Supply	We are a desert in a megadrought!!! No water ogres - No water thirsty billionaire	1
Zoning	strict 500' away. Is there an environmental study to show how water table will be affected?	1
Zoning	Require special permit for zoning. Consult the constituents first	1
Zoning	Require a special permit for us of data centers + require public hearing	1
Zoning	Can we request the data if built, is powered by a renewable energy source? why or why not?	1
Zoning	Common concerns: examples of successful addressing + class action law suits!!!	1
Zoning	No data centers	1
Zoning	How can things be mitigated if they don't know what to be concerned about?	1
Wildcard	What kind of pollution will be created?	1
Wildcard	AI promotes/brings pornography	1
Wildcard	Impact on wildlife + endangered species	1
Wildcard	Concerns: all of them	1
Wildcard	Who says growth + "development" is wanted?	1
Wildcard	Build data centers in the North of The Nation no water in El Paso	1
Wildcard	We just do not want data centers. CANCEL CONTRACT	1
Wildcard	This is just for show	1
Wildcard	AI is culturally corrosive in and of itself	1
Wildcard	Data centers are for processing data and supporting technologies like algorithms. Whoever opens IG or FB is exposed to this. Limiting these also weakens the grasp on the kids	1
Wildcard	Health studies on air pollution and increased risk of respiratory problems in children, elderly, sick	1

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Noise	Traffic, Noise, Air pollution	1
Noise	Stricter zoning environmental studies	1
Noise	Build a well for data centers. Don't use community's water	1
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	Concerned about energy consumption and electric bills	1
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	Give El Paso residents solar panels	1
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	Depleting bills	1
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	More land will be used for solar panels instead of open space	1
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	Strain on electric grid. BASE program for EPE to cover strain on grid	1
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	I'm concerned about air pollution, water use, noise level, energy use and cost to the people of El Paso	1
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	Use solar energy	1
Transparency & Oversight	Do not want them	1
Transparency & Oversight	Future data centers need to be voted on!	1
Transparency & Oversight	Cancel contract	1
Transparency & Oversight	Public participation processes, please!	1
Transparency & Oversight	Terminate + renegotiate all contracts	1
Transparency & Oversight	Why not before the contract?	1
Environmental Impact	Wildlife concerns. Noise from the 24/7 running. Light pollution. Natural habitat of wildlife.	2
Environmental Impact	Data centers create light pollution!	2
Environmental Impact	How on Earth can you <u>possibly</u> return more water than you use?	2
Environmental Impact	Wildlife - noise and vibrations. Will it change migratory patterns or drive them away?	2
Environmental Impact	Meta dijo que ellos restaurarian el 200% del agua que utilizaron, como lo haran? De donde la tomarán? Acaso la IA puede producir agua potable? *Negocio que solo enriquece a algunos.	2
Environmental Impact	Data centers are going to have a negative impact on our desert, local flora and fauna.	2
Environmental Impact	How will we have enough water to sustain?	2
Environmental Impact	I'm very much concerned about the electricity we pay a lot now, and if this data center will even use more H2O + electricity which means it will affect us, we live in desert, not much H2O.	2
Environmental Impact	Environmental impact Study??	2
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	People in communities with data centers have increasingly higher water and electric bills to make up for the drain the data centers create.	2
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	What supplemental energy companies will come in? How will this affect the energy of the Northeast residents.	2
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	Data centers drive up prices for all utilities	2
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	Energy demand - solar farms	2
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	El Paso Electric stated the data center would use the same amount of electricity as the city, but: could not say where there needed electric would come from.	2
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	Residents shut down no Meta. PUC	2
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	We're concerned about constant power outages	2
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	What type of energy? Solar panels or wind farms	2

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Energy Demand & Grid Strain	Water usage, energy demand. Why come to a desert, and many low income citizens	2
Land Use & Historical Preservation	Future of our land and resources: with no to low incentives on taxes the data centers are not obligated to give back to the community.	2
Land Use & Historical Preservation	EP Water at fault for water main break. No accountability for the families at loss.	2
Land Use & Historical Preservation	Data center in the desert disaster	2
Land Use & Historical Preservation	Parasitic business no give back to the land in any manner.	2
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	Do not mitigate but eliminate the threat.	2
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	No data center in our region, they have little to no benefit to residents	2
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	How many permanent jobs will be created?	2
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	The economic impact doesn't seem to outweigh the environmental risks.	2
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	I am with AQUA Coalition Preventative Health Community Infrastructure. We need a water [illegible] A 50m pool. IT MATTERS what META BRINGS IN	2
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	How is the data center help with the local economy?	2
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	We just had rate increases from all 3 utility companies. How will the data centers impact the cost of living for residents?	2
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	Water is MORE valuable than DATA!! :(2
Noise & Visual Disruption	Noise - surround center with the sound dampening walls- will also reduce the effects of light.	2
Noise & Visual Disruption	How will you mitigate the 24/7 noise?	2
Noise & Visual Disruption	Noise disturbance	2
Noise & Visual Disruption	Data center have a hum to them. We already have a lot of noise pollution and now more?	2
Noise & Visual Disruption	Data centers are loud! Residents in other communities report bangs and pops all night long.	2
Noise & Visual Disruption	Constant 24/7 noise levels are unbearable for communities close to data centers.	2
Noise & Visual Disruption	Will we feel the vibrations? Will the noise be loud enough to interrupt our sleep?	2
Zoning	Community support AQUA believes in helping improving of neighborhood. Advocates for quality URBAN AQUATICS. WE NEED A SEAT AT THE TABLE with META. Health.	2
Zoning	We need an aquatic center. We need better pools. Northeast has nothing like the Beast or Westside. Why? META NEEDS TO GIVE BACK. Health-economic	2
Zoning	More transparency, how did a rezoning request and building permit by meta not get publicity at they time they applied, were they operating under a different name?	2
Zoning	Publish rezoning requests for data center sites more broadly not just within 300 feet.	2

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Zoning	The Bowen Ranch Family sold EP out. Shame on them!	2
Water Supply	Recycle the water used per day. 1 million to 5 million per dat is too much water.	2
Water Supply	Communities in Georgia have had their water become undrinkable due to data centers.	2
Water Supply	Hyperscale data centers use 300,000 gallons to 528,000 water for cooling.	2
Water Supply	Residents vs META	2
Water Supply	Water use - "they" build add ons towaste water treatment plants El Paso owns in the end	2
Water Supply	Water - cooling ponds	2
Water Supply	H2O restrictions for water usage in El Paso <u>residents</u> . We need water to survive no the machines	2
Water Supply	Make a policy that requires data centers to use renewable resources, not our water source	2
Water Supply	Run out of water	2
Water Supply	Data centers consume vast amounts of water, despite promises that they don't!	2
Water Supply	Use of water 1 million - 5 million	2
Water Supply	They get none	2
Water Supply	We don't have enough water and it doesn't rain as much. We gotta support a data center?	2
Water Supply	Recycle the water	2
Water Supply	It's not a close loop. Trucking water	2
Water Supply	Impact on water quality	2
Water Supply	Depending on the size of the facility	2
Transparency & Oversight	Use of water 1 million + 5 millions gallons per day.	2
Transparency & Oversight	How much money are they payng the city? What kind of tax break did they get?	2
Transparency & Oversight	Noise level? Radius of noise	2
Transparency & Oversight	Who will be providing the energy needed for data centers.	2
Wildcard	Is geothermal energy feasible to power these? Can they be built underground or below grade to reduce cooling costs?	2
Wildcard	Light pollution	2
Wildcard	How will the data center really be held accountable for the environmental impact?	2
Wildcard	If we have seen the fact sheets, why are we having these meetings to "consider" the data centers. It seems EP city council has made up its mind.	2
Wildcard	While I appreciate the fact sheet and questions for our city reps, this process feels like the process is backwards with the horse behind the carriage.	2
Wildcard	How can data center build gas plants for power when solar is available	2
Wildcard	Percentage of taxes being used to run this data center. How will this effect the job market	2

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Wildcard	Concerns should have been addressed and mitigated before. This dog and pony show on collaborating on the policy framework is a joke.	2
Wildcard	Reduce use of AI by city departments to help lead by example.	2
Wildcard	Educate community about how using AI in their daily life is a large driver in informing demand projections that make these companies want to build more data centers.	2
Wildcard	More city leadership accountability if they were in office at the time of approval. More active listening and ACTION if they were not in office.	2
Wildcard	TCEQ ask for studies.	2
Wildcard	Data centers are bad for the environment. They will use all of our water and pollute our environment.	2
Transparency & Oversight	Our voice is not being heard by our representatives. We do not want these Data Centers!	3
Transparency & Oversight	What projects will owners of this data center contribute to in this city and community? Name(s) of projects in El Paso	3
Transparency & Oversight	Why were no community meetings done this way before the Data Center was approved? Why did the citizens not have the opportunity to vote on having this Data Center?	3
Transparency & Oversight	How does data collection of our families and community help our city. Data collection is often sold and used for malicious intent and exploitation of consumers. Any company or entity with interest can buy our information without regulation	3
Transparency & Oversight	No stake in the community. Useless promises. Outright lies.	3
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	If we are called the "Sun City" why do we pollute us with gas and forever chemicals	3
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	El Paso Electric to raise our rates to make us pay for the data centers power	3
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	No data center	3
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	Who is going to pay for the additional demand on utilities and grid strain? Is there a guarantee citizens are not going to be burdened with higher costs for them?	3
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	Will they supply their own power? What kind of backup?	3
Water Supply	Our water bill will increase?	3
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	Water concerns! Energy concerns!	3
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	Don't put in the data center	3
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	I feel my utility will increase tremendously	3
Land Use & Historical Preservation	How will it affect our already scarce resources?	3
Land Use & Historical Preservation	Will the Rio Bosque be drained to have the data center?	3
Noise & Visual Disruption	Other cities already have data centers and the noise pollution stops people from sleeping and hurts animals	3
Environmental Impact	What do the environmental impact studies of data centers conclude? How about for the gas plant?	3
Noise & Visual Disruption	Not only would there be noise pollution but light pollution	3
Environmental Sustainability	Limited water and limited energy sources. Too much air pollution from gas plant	3

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Transparency & Oversight	We should vote on this matter. City Council should listen to its people	3
Environmental Impact	My concern is the consumption of our resources that will be consumed. I don't think this is a good idea for our city.	3
Environmental Impact	Need proven, concrete, infalable research that details we should not be concerned about data centers environmental impacts that are widely publicized (negative one)	3
Environmental Impact	El Paso was the most polluted city in America in 2025, this data center will make it worse.	3
Environmental Impact	Health condition, contaminated water can kill me	3
Environmental Impact	Air pollution. Water pollution. Noise pollution.	3
Environmental Impact	How is it going to impact our environment, our water, our air. My boyfriend has lung disease. I am concerned it can affect his health	3
Environmental Impact	Are people aware that there is a usage of 1.5 millions gallons of water per day?	3
Environmental Impact	Franklin Mountains; Rio Bosque; Chaparral; Ocotillos; poppies; lizards; snakes. I speak for them today! Stay out of their home	3
Environmental Impact	Direct harm to our water and air quality. Representatives are not listening to the common people. High cost for us as taxpayers	3
Environmental Impact	Too many environmental concerns not considered in initial deal. More thorough processes, public input	3
Environmental Impact	The environmental impact/depletion of our resources cannot ever be reversed	3
Environmental Impact	Will this harm (already small in size) nature reserves in El Paso? Excessive noise, lack of water, polluted air. Damn the man, save the animals!	3
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	We the citizens will be the ones fitting the bill. City Council should hear the people choice	3
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	We lose money with tax break, with sickness. Environmental impact and quality of water	3
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	Who is going to truly carry this project financially? Big business shouldn't get big tax breaks. We all need to pay our portion.	3
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	Elect people that don't take big money	3
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	Other cities with data centers already report \$600 electric bills. Their utilities are not affordable.	3
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	Benefits given in initial deal will not equate to benefits to El Paso. Gives too much away in "incentives"	3
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	Why do this big corporations always get tax breaks and the citizens don't?	3
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	No tax breaks	3
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	The only benefits of Meta is to disburse the benefits identified be distributed equitably. No to data centers.	3
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	Tax abatement for Meta adding t any debt or tax increase from Deck Park	3
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	Is this going to affect our property taxes?	3

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Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	They have tried to build these centers in other cities. And those cities voted no.	3
Zoning	Construction of data centers will take away the focus of our builders from currently, in construction, road projects. Our roads will never be complete, which could lead to traffic inflation and higher average of accidents on our beloved city.	3
Zoning	Cancel agreement until more research and policies are in place	3
Zoning	No guarantees in a contract with the city	3
Wildcard	Let the people of El Paso TX to have a vote for it. Data centers destroys our future for our kids. Drain water under the ground	3
Wildcard	Public knowledge right now doesn't present that data centers positive benefits are, far, far, far less than the negative benefits impact. How do you mitigate that? I don't think we can.	3
Wildcard	The people of our city should be able to vote	3
Wildcard	Where is the guarantee to residents that we have water in future?	3
Wildcard	Cancel the agreement even if we must put money	3
Wildcard	Break the 380 agreement with Meta	3
Wildcard	City must pass a law to prevent all data centers	3
Wildcard	Renegotiate the contract	3
Wildcard	I've seen cases where people don't have potable water not only that but their daily life's have changed due to the data center	3
Wildcard	My concerns: Regional drought 10 years +; Natural resources tainted and drained; We are finite; Meta and other AI companies are being greedy and don't care about us; utility rates increase despite what they say (the news show it)	3
Water Supply	These data centers will deplete our water supply	3
Water Supply	How can we be assured water supply in our desert is not going to be taxed? Especially, during droughts like the one we are in now!	3
Water Supply	What type of cooling system? Cooling towers? Fin fans?	3
Water Supply	We are already depleting our water, why have data center that will make it worse, will we be paying for the water. El Paso Water always raises water bills almost every year. They are sneaky about it, as well, especially with now paying for road repairs through water bill	3
Water Supply	Will my utility bill increase?	3
Water Supply	How much water will the proposed gas plant use?	3
Water Supply	Where will the farmers of El Paso get their water for their crops?	3
Water Supply	Mass water usage + desert = further drought concerns	3
Water Supply	We run out of water. Water is life.	3
Water Supply	I don't want a data center in El Paso. Our water is a very important resource. We need to protect it.	3
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	No to rising utility prices, utility lines + gas infrastructure	4
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	Name one successful META data center quickly! (There's none)	4
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	All AI data centers should be powered by efficiencies on the existing grid or through mandatory investments in renewable and battery infrastructure	4
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	SUE the data center!	4

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Energy Demand & Grid Strain	In Northern Virginia communities that have allowed in AI datacenters have seen their electric bills rise 200-300%. My concern is that EPE will not mitigate price inflation in El Paso	4
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	What is the City going to do promote RE generation in 3-5 years?	4
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	Contract? No Tax Abatements	4
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	Data centers would use energy we don't have and raise prices for energy for citizens. Data centers should pay extra to avoid a spike in demand	4
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	Energy - you will pass the cost to the residents within time	4
Environmental Impact	When was the Environmental Impact Study completed? Published for comment?	4
Environmental Impact	Very large concern of the impact on local resources - water, gas, noise	4
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	Property values?	4
Noise & Visual Disruption	Constant buzz	4
Wildcard	No data centers	4
Environmental Impact	environmental impact does not offset the tax abatement and lack of long term jobs projected by the data center	4
Environmental Impact	People often think the desert has no "environmental" issues but any large data center would radically disrupt wildlife, plant life and human environment here and have a ripple effect in surrounding areas	4
Environmental Impact	Impact on aquifer?	4
Wildcard	Data centers should look into quantum computing to analyse data faster	4
Environmental Impact	Pollution: air, noise, water	4
Environmental Impact	Make data centers install solar panels	4
Noise & Visual Disruption	The strictest restrictions on noise and light should be enforced	4
Noise & Visual Disruption	Noise pollution - Impact on environment, our daily lives	4
Noise & Visual Disruption	Noise pollution from machines 24/7	4
Noise & Visual Disruption	from a health standpoint - what are the long term effects of noise pollution on health. Public health concern	4
Noise & Visual Disruption	Constant buzz	4
Wildcard	The data centers are `ugly. Neighborhoods should be able to veto the center being built in their area	4
Transparency & Oversight	Lack of transparency. No COMMUNITY INPUT	4
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	Taxpayers will end up footing the bill for the development of data centers and not just with our wallets, but with our resources and health	4
Wildcard	I live 5 miles from Ft Bliss	4
Wildcard	Very large concern of data center at Fort Bliss. Do not want it	4
Environmental Impact	Plain and simple, data centers don't outweigh benefit to cost. I understand that they will bring jobs and revenue, but the cost of high energy, water usage, and noise pollution isn't worth it. There are too many drawbacks to having it in El Paso	4
Wildcard	Ft Bliss project	4
Transparency & Oversight	Why no termination included in city contract?	4

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Wildcard	When the last tree is cut down, the last fish eaten, and the last stream poisoned, you will realize that you can not eat money. Cree Proverb	4
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	Generational opportunity for El Paso	4
Water Supply	Water contamination in the public water supply. Concentrate chemicals into the water table	4
Water Supply	Have you consider our drought with the water consumption? Is our current water levels acceptable to provide to the families in our community?	4
Water Supply	Water evaporation while cooling data centers	4
Water Supply	Lies about water quality and water pressure	4
Water Supply	Water usage at the very least should require the data center to recycle water so as to minimize waste	4
Wildcard	The data centers will not benefit the majority but will negatively impact all of us	4
Water Supply	The water usage?	4
Water Supply	We live in a desert. No water available for this center	4
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	Will AI still be something worth investing in 20 years? Meta recently had to shut down Metaverse as a \$88B loss, can we sure this won't be?	4
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	I don't believe that the data center is going to bring enough jobs to compensate for our increased water and electric use	4
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	Jobs should be given to current citizens of El Paso	4
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	Value of our homes will go down	4
Wildcard	Data centers is one step closer to normalizing AI and human replacement	4
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	These are economically backward. The community deals " investments" in the Meta deal include \$500k for internships across our 9 local school districts and \$25k grant for water costs for low income families	4
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	No tax incentives	4
Transparency & Oversight	Transparency. Better quality of life. The future of our kids.	4
Transparency & Oversight	Concern is that this is a reactive process. Potential impacts are not of consideration from data centers already approved. Only for future approvals.	4
Water Supply	We have huge water issues in El Paso. Be RESPONSIBLE!	4
Environmental Impact	Water quality! Noise! Environment! Air pollution! Prices! Why here?!	4
Zoning	No data centers in El Paso or this region! Our water is LIFE	4
Zoning	Preventing future destruction. Locating the data centers where the city can sustain it, not here!	4
Wildcard	Pollution, no water, no energy, no jobs and more if this AI center is built	4

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Transparency & Oversight	Data centers require massive amounts of water to maintain and don't require much maintenance since they are automated meaning we are giving away a resource with nothing in return. If we don't voice concerns, what stops other companies from continuing to build data centers in El Paso?	4
Transparency & Oversight	Will Meta be held accountable for breaking our policies? A fine is not an effective deterrant for a company with infinite money	4
Wildcard	Priority: sustainable development	4
Economic Growth & Diversification	Bring more data centers responsibly	4
Transparency & Oversight	We the people have the right to fire politicians	4
Transparency & Oversight	Consult lawyers!	4
Zoning	Turn surrounding areas into historic districts - federally protected spaces have more consequences for damaging them	4
Water Supply	Water utilities - Utilities increasing	4
Water Supply	Water pollution. I've seen videos where water is being contaminated by these data centers	4
Transparency & Oversight	Why use potable water? Can we use reclaimed water? How are we going to make this sustainable? It will affect water, air quality, and ecology, it's a fact. So what are you going to do? Poor air quality will cause more illness here in El Paso. Potentially worsen ozone here and it's already bad. Ecology will be so bad. El Paso will be really unhealthy to live in, unless we make this sustainable if possible. Future generations will be affected economically and health wise (from PhD student UTEP)	5
Transparency & Oversight	A certified and knowledgeable group of citizens are allowed to 3rd party test all emissions and systems of the company to ensure there are third party tested results, that the limits of all sort of pollutants are in check. If it is not the report is given to the City to halt/mitigate operation until it is corrected.	5
Transparency & Oversight	Our water supply would be decreased. Stop the data center.	5
Transparency & Oversight	How is it actually possible to hold multi-billion dollar corps accountable when they have endless resources for legal fees + paying fines without changing anything?	5
Transparency & Oversight	Corporations such as META making "promises" that aren't actually in any of the contracts and City Reps not reading or paying attention to fine print	5
Transparency & Oversight	Bring META to address the citizens. Break this contract now and don't enter another one	5
Transparency & Oversight	Process to vote on this project or similar	5
Transparency & Oversight	lack of transparency on this process. Citizen input not being reflected in decisions	5
Wildcard	Human life doesn't need data centers, what world are they building? WHY?	5
Zoning	Will there be zoning changes that protect companies or create permanent industrial protected areas? I hope not!	5
Zoning	Future generations. Utility costs. Ordinances?. Land stripping. Alternative cooling that isn't evaporative ex. Immersion cooling. Who benefits from this (short term Prof)	5

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Zoning	Northwest is El Paso's greatest growth area. Power+data center will drive away growth making it unlivable. We will lose opportunity for business and housing.	5
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	Poor quality technology (small gas turbines) - Polluting and expensive	5
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	Impact on typical (poor) El Paso costumer	5
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	EPE paid profit as % of investment - incentive to over-build	5
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	Construction of otherwise unnecessary new power plants whose costs are spread over all consumers even if the real user of added increments is a private company	5
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	Emissions. Air quality. Already high asthma rates	5
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	The Center will be using our resources and there at our cost. Not fair. No data center.	5
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	Concers about energy hikes	5
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	After some time these centers end up being paid for by the citizens. Larry Ellicon did this just recently. We can't afford this when our utilities are already climbing now.	5
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	In Virginia ther are hundreds of data centers. The electricity and water bill is being paid by the consumer. My bill has jumped from \$120 to \$500 and more for electricity	5
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	If any data centers are built they need to run on 100% renewables	5
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	Mandate for 100% renewable grids	5
Land Use & Historical Preservation	I am concerned with the valuable land that is being prioritized for data centers instead of being utilized for the people. There is very limited positive impact this will bring to the community. Our land should be used for housing, community spaces, and things that the people will benefit from	5
Land Use & Historical Preservation	Desert needs to be protected and preserved and urban sprawl avoided whenever possible. Stop building out!	5
Land Use & Historical Preservation	This land is displacing people, animals and other important components of our ecosystem. The land could be left alone or used for something more beneficial	5
Land Use & Historical Preservation	With a new industry, the longevity is already uncertain, but should the AI bubble bust, our biodiversity and land is affected unavoidably.	5
Land Use & Historical Preservation	Mass construction movement, pollution, noise pollution is harmful to humans and our delicately balanced bioregion. We'll still be here after the AI bubble bursts.	5
Water Supply	Only use recycled water for cooling the servers. Or new tech that does not use water	5
Water Supply	Keep them accountable each year for water consumption	5
Water Supply	Force them to work with EPWater to make sure all pollutants have been removed and a way to test	5
Water Supply	Can you use new cooling technology so not use 10 M gallons a day on cooling?	5
Water Supply	How is EPWater positioned to plan for next 50+ years when there are major changes in water demand and supply happening very quickly and unforeseen circumstances?	5
Water Supply	El Pasoans, specially Northeast area will be affected with water supply. How will that be managed?	5

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Water Supply	Close loop system specification. How does it work? Where it discharges? Do they recycle their own water and reuse it? Will the water be mixed with any chemicals to create a more efficient cooling system?	5
Water Supply	We already have a water shortage - how can we support the water needed for a data center?	5
Water Supply	The Rio Grande has been under filled for many years	5
Water Supply	Corpus Cristi is running out of water. I don't want us to expedite that for EP with data centers	5
Water Supply	Water conservation promoted for decades and now this company is using millions of gallons	5
Water Supply	Why was the decision made to bring a data center to El Paso knowing the water scarcity issues we have to face?	5
Water Supply	This is water unstable environment	5
Water Supply	The data center need to be clear which the pollutants are and how will the city be able to fully filter water to be able to be sustainable	5
Water Supply	Less drought intense cities have had issues with running out of water. We're a large desert city with frequent drought issues. This is so completely unsustainable.	5
Environmental Impact	El Paso should allocate resources to benefit El Paso, not enable billionaires to exploit our area, and further pollute our air and use our limited water	5
Water Supply	My concern with the environment is that with the less amount of water El Paso is having, as each year we got less rain and snow we will run out of water for the citizens. Also the infrastructure we have now is not equipped to filter and treat the water from the center. The waste water we will have will be too polluted to clean	5
Environmental Impact	A data center in El Paso will have terrible consequences for the environment (water, air, soil, weather) of El Paso and the surrounding areas, especially against the wildlife	5
Environmental Impact	Don't allow companies this big (set a threshold) that require new infrastructure to pawn off the cost of the infrastructure to the citizens; make it part of the contract. Do not raise the citizens monthly bills due to it.	5
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	No tax exemption	5
Environmental Impact	This needs to stop. The environmental racism with milestones like Smelertown one why our children have higher rates of asthma. Your investment in their sickness. There is no center that would have zero impact	5
Environmental Impact	Increased temperature up to 6 miles radius, 6-16 degrees. Heat island.	5
Water Supply	Aquifer. Water supply depletion	5
Water Supply	Water cannot be made out of nothing. If our aquifer is depleted, what will we do? What will Meta do?	5
Environmental Impact	Permanent damage to the land there. Permanent loss of land even if the AI bubble bursts	5
Environmental Impact	El Paso jumped to #1 most major polluted US city. The long term impacts are not predictable. What studies or safe guards would even be possible aside from ban on data centers?	5

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Environmental Impact	The possibility for mitigating the effects of the damage are nil. There is no coming back. Water like profits cannot be produced.	5
Environmental Impact	Obviously do not get rid of historic sites to give space to big buildings like the data center. National Parks included and areas with current population density. As well as forecasted dense areas.	5
Environmental Impact	Groundwater depletion. Very high emissions. Natural habitat disruption	5
Environmental Impact	Health with McCloud Plant	5
Environmental Impact	There is not enough water. We will be introducing contaminants into our scarce drinking water. What will the company do once pollutants get to each persons house? How will they help? How will the government help? What rules?	5
Wildcard	Could micro data centers exist throughout the city in a holistic way?	5
Wildcard	What is the "data"? How is it used? How is it collected?	5
Wildcard	Plan for wider society AI job losses? What if AI bubble happens?	5
Wildcard	Impact on health. They don't care about El Paso	5
Wildcard	Less water at hydrants.	5
Wildcard	Hydrants: why have we changed them from 1,500 to <500 g/min? Is this connected to META?	5
Wildcard	The city approved a 2 year climate plan, so the city knows what we are going through, Climate change. But then the city want this data center. These two contradict each other.	5
Wildcard	How soon will this framework be in use and who will be accountable to follow it?	5
Wildcard	What is the total data centers projected in the future?	5
Wildcard	What corporations are invested in this development?	5
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	Not a big economic impact for the amount of tax abatements or the resources it will use	5
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	Jobs not for El Pasoans	5
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	Taxes should benefit the public not billionaires	5
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	Tax incentives, our resources, and nobody is going to benefit	5
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	The environmental issue is bringing pollution to a polluted El Paso	5
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	Utility costs? Taxes? Who will fund the centers?	5
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	What guarantees are offered that jobs will be long term? There have been a lot of tech layoffs	5
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	We have seen what data centers have done to other cities. We do not want that here	5
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	Cost of energy for consumers has increased in areas in the East coast in the last 2 months. How can the City justify an increase in energy cost in a low income region?	5
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	Our bills/taxes must not increase because of their presence in our region	5
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	No tax cuts for META. They are destroying our resources. We do not want data centers	5

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Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	Texas Utilities Code Section 37.0561. Large load regulation. Impacts demand of 75Mw or more. Meta requires 366 Mw	5
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	Residents might have to be paying for water like in Boca Chica with Space X. They should not be put upon the people	5
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	\$500M power plant to be funded by EP taxpayers after the first 5 years	5
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	Making billions and we are paying their jobs	5
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	1. It won't bring as many jobs as promised. 2. Jobs will be technical, likely filled by out of towners. Minimum long-term employment for locals	5
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	\$12.5M tax money for project that we don't know about	5
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	You want jobs but at what cost? This is more harm than good	5
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	Not many permanent jobs. Too technical, out of town people.	5
Wildcard	Why El Paso? It's a desert!	5
Noise & Visual Disruption	How will the owners of the centers be accountable for?	5
Noise & Visual Disruption	Constant humming keeping community awake and destroying quality of life + ugly buildings	5
Noise & Visual Disruption	Noise concerns	5
Noise & Visual Disruption	Noise disruption. Are there any current limits to decibels that can be emitted? There have been reports in other cities that long exposure to constant noise pollution causes dementia. Keep the allowable limit less than that. Keep the citizens healthy!	5
Noise & Visual Disruption	Noise pollution harms mental health AND visually obscene	5
Other	[Comments written on Site considerations handout, attached to poster]: <u>Gone</u> [in response to first question]. Far away from El Paso [in response to second question]. NO DATA CENTERS [in response to third question]. RESOURCES FOR THE RESIDENTS <u>NOT</u> META [written at bottom of page]. GONE [written on post-it attached to page]	6
Other	"Data centers consume up to 57% [boxed for emphasis] of cooling water from <u>potable</u> sources <u>worsening</u> WATER scarcity in stressed regions" "Data center water consumption" NPJ Clean Water (2021) p11 [Written on reverse side of Table 2 handout and attached to poster]	6
Other	Public health burden of more than 20 billion. "The unpaid toll: quantifying the public health impact of AI" arXiv (2024) DOI: 2412.06288 [Written on reverse side of Table 2 handout and attached to poster]	6
Environmental Impact	Most huge corporations try to skirt cultural and environmental protections. Data centers would be no exception. They just see empty desert (which it is not).	6
Environmental Impact	Data centers are powered by fossil-fueled power plants and diesel backup generators who emit hazardous pollutants.	6
Environmental Impact	How much water will be used with expansion?	6
Environmental Impact	What if the data center closes? How will the land be reclaimed and brought back to its natural state	6

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Environmental Impact	Health concern. Increase rate of cancers and increase in miscarriages in areas around data centers.	6
Environmental Impact	Use RENEWABLE ENERGY	6
Environmental Impact	Fragile ecosystem -> They have to ensure power clean energy; it's sad.	6
Environmental Impact	Data centers generate heat. We are in the middle of a climate crisis. How do data centers fit into our Climate Action Plan?	6
Environmental Impact	Environmental Impact. We are a desert - using all of our water/electricity for cooling all these data centers <u>will</u> affect our utilities!	6
Environmental Impact	El Paso has just been ranked #1 most polluted major American city due to large concentrations of PM2.5 which causes cancer and death. We cannot afford more natural gas energy generation, it literally kills people.	6
Environmental Impact	New fossil-fuel powered infrastructure not only hurts our city, but has a greater impact on communities more vulnerable than our own in the global south.	6
Environmental Impact	We are a beautiful city that do not have the resources to sustain these centers. We do not want these centers. Think of your children's future.	6
Water Supply	The water usage of any data plant needs to be the most restrictive possible, not flexible for the data center to choose.	6
Water Supply	WE LIVE IN THE DESERT...Water is precious. Why are we allowing Meta to consume our water and why did EP Water ALREADY signed a contract w/ them.	6
Water Supply	El Paso is a <u>desert</u> !! Suck up all the water from our aquifers for New Mexico, For Bliss ICE camps? <u>NO</u>	6
Water Supply	Not only am I concerned about the <u>amount</u> of water, but the disposal of used water	6
Water Supply	The N.E. of EP has decaying and constantly depreciating water infrastructure. Why invest in something new and net-harmful when what exists needs improving?	6
Water Supply	Data centers have poisoned the water of various cities. What is the city doing to mitigate the chance of that happening here?	6
Water Supply	NOT USE ASTROTURF for the 200% reclaim commitment	6
Water Supply	The residents of El Paso City and County have ben told to conserve water. We live in a desert and yet the data centers are allowed [illegible] their water usage and I say <u>NO</u>	6
Water Supply	How do you plan to replace the water? No water = no life	6
Water Supply	Water shortages now and in future	6
Water Supply	Businesses should not access water through wells or farm/land allotments so that they don't take more water than agreed.	6
Water Supply	Inadequate water resources, water is at premium already.	6
Water Supply	Depletion of the water table	6
Water Supply	Avoid space that has historical significance, moves people from low-income/accessible projects to the "boonies," expensive areas, causes traffic delays, or where there is protected wildlife.	6
Water Supply	Use 0 power 0 water. Matter as fact NO data centers	6
Water Supply	We are the community why do we not have a say so. Pollution, H2O resources exploitation	6

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Water Supply	We must limit how much water El Paso Electric can buy for <u>any</u> power plants.	6
Water Supply	We must prohibit the use of our water for AI data centers	6
Water Supply	No data centers in the desert [drawing of cactus]	6
Water Supply	Concerned with water quality. No such thing as a closed loop system. It will drain our supplies. It will also eventually discharge the dirty water and it will go back into the supply. We don't have the right treatment facilities. This will only impact our water quality.	6
Transparency & Oversight	Transparency. Share the "existing agreement" so that we can teach you all some lessons on environment/demands	6
Transparency & Oversight	We need our elected officials to be transparent and not just listen to people (Borderplex Alliance) with \$. We should have a vote on anything that impacts our shared resources.	6
Transparency & Oversight	If this were put to a vote it will be a "no" from all of us. Why not let us decide? Let the people who live here decide.	6
Transparency & Oversight	Why has the data center been expanded from \$1.5 billion to 10.5 billion?	6
Transparency & Oversight	We need a simple report that shows us what the city agreed to with the current data center.	6
Transparency & Oversight	There has been 0 <u>zero</u> transparency. Lack of respect for community.	6
Transparency & Oversight	They should not expand the project because they will increase the energy and water resources they use.	6
Transparency & Oversight	I'm concerned that our government listens to Borderplex Alliance too much	6
Transparency & Oversight	Transparency?! You already began w/o community input!	6
Transparency & Oversight	Who is in charge of finalizing the decision? When would they notify the public about the decision?	6
Transparency & Oversight	Provide info such as bullet points regarding agreement and resident questions and answers on webstie.	6
Transparency & Oversight	Inform community about avenues to CANCEL	6
Transparency & Oversight	Make a blueprint for the community (flow graph) showing how the finalization of policy is going to be made. Example: City community data -> City Workers -> City Council -> ???	6
Transparency & Oversight	Power cortuption and lies.	6
Noise & Visual Disruption	Noise levels reach up to 96 A weighted decibels (dBA) < 85 dBA HARMFUL	6
Noise & Visual Disruption	WE DON'T WANT IT	6
Noise & Visual Disruption	Monitor Air Quality	6
Noise & Visual Disruption	Greater Noise pollution	6
Noise & Visual Disruption	Noise pollution -> health -> level of decibels	6
Noise & Visual Disruption	Why wasn't the community included in the other agreements that were made?	6
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	What are the <u>pros</u> and <u>cons</u> and do they balance in any way?	6
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	Any new construction of any variety should be funded entirely by the data center, not by residents (roads, utlities, etc.)	6
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	I do not agree with providing tax rebates to companies that can invest billions in infrastructure for a data center.	6

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Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	No tax breaks!	6
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	More jobs and higher pay	6
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	No tax incentives. Close loop -> bond in the contract.	6
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	Noise pollution will affect wildlife (Bad enough there is a border wall). What about large amount of waste water.	6
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	Lower property taxes as a result of data center high pollution machine.	6
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	Why is meta getting a tax break when ordinary citizens have to pay their full taxes?	6
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	How many jobs will be available to El Paso residents once construction is complete? (Estimated).	6
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	<u>No</u> tax incentives for data center.	6
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	Bottom line: how much will residents pay in taxes?	6
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	There should be a significant financial consequence or cancellation of legal agreements if they do not follow agreements including using more water than they promised	6
Economic Impact (jobs, taxes, infrastructure)	No tax breaks	6
Land Use & Historical Preservation	Our water bills are already increasing. What kind of water costs will we have with the new data center? Why are they being permitted to use up <u>our precious water</u> ?	6
Land Use & Historical Preservation	Revisit the contract about the wwater, no public information	6
Land Use & Historical Preservation	What % of water used will be recycled? Will the data center affect my water and electric bills? Or property values? How will the tax abatement be covered over the 25yrs? What this do towards police [resence throughout the NorthEast?	6
Land Use & Historical Preservation	Concerned with wildlife & land use	6
Land Use & Historical Preservation	50 permanent jobs and not even necessarily from our community? TAX abatement for 25 years? What is in it for us citizens?	6
Land Use & Historical Preservation	Why was land already sold to META <u>BEFORE</u> coming to the community?	6
Land Use & Historical Preservation	Data centers destroy local economy	6
Land Use & Historical Preservation	I am concerned about the land use & how it impacts wildlife	6
Land Use & Historical Preservation	We are in a deser that cannot sustain a data center, let alone multiple, with out limited resources , water, electricity, etc. We can barely maintain and service our current citizens. Multiple elect. Outages.	6
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	No new fossil fuel energy sources (e.g., new natural gas facility) for data centers	6
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	Stress on our power grid and Meta making us pay for it	6

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Energy Demand & Grid Strain	Why are EP Electric customers paying for electricity after bridge period?	6
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	There have been issues servicing areas in central and northeast related to water and pipe breakages. How can we expect our infrastructure to sustain such centers that will multiply our necessities	6
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	El Paso Electric must become a public utility again if we want them to act in our interest	6
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	NO DATA CENTERS	6
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	<u>No data centers</u> . El Paso has limited H2O resources. Why are we selling out?	6
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	McCloud power plant must not be built	6
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	Where the water restoration project will happen? In the city or where? Meta claims 200%	6
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	Don't approve the project until we have enough RENEWABLE power	6
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	No data center. Increase in energy costs on El Pasoans	6
Energy Demand & Grid Strain	The data centers in Virginia are causing low water pressure and more frequent power outages. El Paso cannot afford to handle this impact. It is already resource poor.	6
Zoning	<u>Tax abatements</u> . 80 million \$ for what. What does El Paso gain from this	6
Zoning	Meta data centers and hyperscale data centers do not produce enough jobs to be "industrial"	6
Zoning	Targetting areas where individuals of lower income or resources directly contributes to the economic disparity already present in EP. Not everyone can afford avoiding these centers.	6
Zoning	When the website will update the new agreements of the IGW expansion	6
Zoning	We were <u>not</u> given an opportunity to vote whether we wanted DATA Centers. We had inadequate City Council representation and were not explained/educated on all the concerns. I am not in favor.	6
Zoning	NO DATAS [written on a large yellow paper and attached to poster board]	6
Wildcard	Stop giving tax breaks to trillion dollar corporations that bring 100 jobs.	6
Wildcard	Heat, water usage, electric usage, pollution, land usage, noise, wildlife.	6
Wildcard	I'm concerned about the electric usage.	6
Wildcard	Data centers have been linked to rare cancers, heart problems, and respiratory problems. What will the city do to expand the coverage of citizens who are uninsured?	6
Wildcard	Want to know more about existing Meta agreement	6
Wildcard	I'm concerned about the increase in heat created.	6
Wildcard	There should be significant financial consequences for noise pollution.	6
Wildcard	" <u>No</u> " or very limited tax abatements	6
Wildcard	We do not want data centers in El Paso!	6
Wildcard	Don't lie about "replacing" 200% water and using renewable energy	6

Site and Design Considerations

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Land Use Adjacencies	No data centers	1
Land Use Adjacencies	No Datas	1
Land Use Adjacencies	That the business deoes not devalue the property value	1
Land Use Adjacencies	No Fracking - which creates earthquakes and possible water contamination	1
Land Use Adjacencies	the building of the data center must currently developed regions of El Paso would have an immediate set of downsets to taking up space that is set in comunity established areas	1
Land Use Adjacencies	Earth Quakes Shift of Plates	1
Façade/Design Detailing	Clean energy; such as , solar and wind	1
Façade/Design Detailing	We want a company thist is transparent and does not have an NDA in place	1
Façade/Design Detailing	CRetire the NDA consideration	1
Façade/Design Detailing	We want transparency therefore for any company we want to know their impact on air quality/water/electric usage	1
Façade/Design Detailing	If it must be built - use the roofing + parking areas to off set CO ² - Garden roofing, water recycling	1
Façade/Design Detailing	Energy concerns	1
Façade/Design Detailing	I want the design to be smaller	1
Screening/Buffers	Air quality-Pollution	1
Screening/Buffers	No businesses that demand more electricity on the electrical guide	1
Screening/Buffers	No tax incentives	1
Screening/Buffers	Site wide enviornmental impact statement of a business operation	1
Screening/Buffers	No data centers period- if we must have environmental protections in place	1
Screening/Buffers	If it needs screened, don't build it	1
Screening/Buffers	Pay thier TAXES Property taxes	1
Screening/Buffers	No abatements	1
Screening/Buffers	Air Qualtiy & Water	1
Screening/Buffers	Air pllution & water consumption	1
Public Amenities	No Datas	1
Public Amenities	Utility Rate Increases	1
Public Amenities	No use of public water- Water Conservation	1
Public Amenities	We do not want any data centers in El Paso or the surrounding areas. This demands more water, electricity and are asking for a fire powered gas plant that will affect our air quality - pollution, respiratory illness	1
Public Amenities	No noise pollution	1
Public Amenities	Add more schools, hospitals	1
Public Amenities	More jobs	1
Public Amenities	More higher paying jobs	1
Land Use Adjacencies	META Corp does not care about our community They already violated the contract	1
Land Use Adjacencies	Too close to Chaparral Neighborhood	1

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Land Use Adjacencies	Buildin the middle of the dessert NOT IN EL PASO	1
Land Use Adjacencies	If community feedback mattered to Rep. Chavez, she would vote to re-open the Meta contract!!	1
Land Use Adjacencies	Privacy	1
Land Use Adjacencies	Transparency on the kind of data that data center is going to have	1
Land Use Adjacencies	Should not destroy desert environment habitat for local wildlife. Pollution should be away from residential /schools.	1
Land Use Adjacencies	We do not want any data centers	1
Land Use Adjacencies	Too hot for the dessert not for El Paso	1
Land Use Adjacencies	No NDA's	1
Land Use Adjacencies	ONLY consider this option after all efforts to cancel META	1
Land Use Adjacencies	No land use adjacencies	1
Land Use Adjacencies	send used H2O to deslination plant if high in salt	1
Land Use Adjacencies	use land adjacent for communtiy gardens	1
Land Use Adjacencies	no long use permits for data centers	1
Façade/Design Detailing	concerns about the health of people air pollution water qualtiy and quantity noise pollution	1
Façade/Design Detailing	no to data centers in El Paso area	1
Façade/Design Detailing	Dont want a data center in EP	1
Façade/Design Detailing	NO META	1
Façade/Design Detailing	Data collection on us.	1
Façade/Design Detailing	Pollution recapture?? Waive tax rebates	1
Façade/Design Detailing	Make it look like UTEP Bhutanese. / Then hire monks in orange robes to run it.	1
Façade/Design Detailing	If you must build put his in Abbots backyard or at Maralago! What will be the cost to El Paso? Waterwise? Electric wise? Pllution wise? No AI	1
Façade/Design Detailing	There's no REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS How could City Council bote for this Reverse it	1
Façade/Design Detailing	Use grey water for landscaping	1
Façade/Design Detailing	low buildings not to block views	1
Façade/Design Detailing	landscaping + trees using recycled water	1
Façade/Design Detailing	How is it legal that a contract was signed with out community input first!	1
Façade/Design Detailing	No Facade/Desgin Detailing	1
Façade/Design Detailing	What happens to the centers become obsolete?	1
Façade/Design Detailing	Site considerations design features Solar, wind powered. On-site water treatement/recycling. Gilding material: non-toxic	1
Screening/Buffers	No META's	1
Screening/Buffers	Transparency	1
Screening/Buffers	Protect the El Paso community's health - No polluting data centers here	1
Screening/Buffers	Need Transparency! Environmental Impact study./Before signing any contract	1
Screening/Buffers	Any new facilities should be committed to using renewable energy	1
Screening/Buffers	None of the designs	1

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Screening/Buffers	Safety & surveillance regulations need to be considered too	1
Screening/Buffers	What happens if center is deccmisssioned?	1
Screening/Buffers	El Paso is tired of deals done in secret then presented to us as (illegible) like the AAA, like the Deck Plaza	1
Screening/Buffers	Noise reduction required	1
Screening/Buffers	None! No compromise, no design can fix this!!!	1
Screening/Buffers	Needs to be at least 5 miles from residential area	1
Screening/Buffers	use desert landscaping	1
Screening/Buffers	no sreenings/buffers/ no need	1
Screening/Buffers	The money is not for El Pasoans	1
Screening/Buffers	To much noise not in our <u>communitites</u>	1
Screening/Buffers	It doesnt make sense to send a new generation into a world with data centers	1
Screening/Buffers	We don't want data centers. No design is good.	1
Screening/Buffers	No data centers!	1
Screening/Buffers	Ugly	1
Screening/Buffers	No public amenities	1
Screening/Buffers	Far away from neighborhoods so people can <u>sell</u> their homes and <u>stay</u> in their homes	1
Screening/Buffers	Don't want it in El Paso Pollution	1
Screening/Buffers	<u>Site Selection</u> - No environmentally sensitive land use!!!, Adequate Set backs., Site Sustainable power generation!	1
Screening/Buffers	<u>Contribution</u> to environmental sustainability? Are you kidding! Negative <u>value added</u> .	1
Screening/Buffers	A better use of this architecture wold be for public/higher education. As an IA data center, those are eyesores.	1
Screening/Buffers	No!	1
Screening/Buffers	The City officials should notify the public sufficiently before accepting any contracts	1
Land Use Adjacencies	nothing w/i 100 miles	2
Land Use Adjacencies	They can go somewhere else	2
Land Use Adjacencies	Far Away From Civilization	2
Land Use Adjacencies	Data Centers must be located far away from residential areas.	2
Land Use Adjacencies	What is the issue with water usage? EP does not have alot!	2
Land Use Adjacencies	take wildlife migration corridors into account before siding projects	2
Land Use Adjacencies	El Paso has few resources we are stretched thin on resurces & have particulates in the air close to clint & pollution. If you want a data center put it 100 miles from here inthe desert where you wont make us sick	2
Land Use Adjacencies	Why not recycle the water used per day	2
Land Use Adjacencies	BUILD IT ON MARK ZUCKERBERG's HOME!!!	2
Façade/Design Detailing	An underground building or desert appropriate	2
Façade/Design Detailing	Tall Trees must surround the facility. Trees will help absorb light and sound.	2
Façade/Design Detailing	Data Cenerts must be designed to blend in with the natural surroundings. Tall trees must surround the complex.	2

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Façade/Design Detailing	Building material-aircrete blocks for thermal and noise insulation isolation	2
Façade/Design Detailing	These examples of data centers all give green environments. We live in a desert. What impact will having a data center in the desert?	2
Façade/Design Detailing	Recapture heat loss/figure out ways to use non-potable water	2
Façade/Design Detailing	Drop facility down underground as deep as possible	2
Façade/Design Detailing	Can the facility be built underground to stay cooler?	2
Façade/Design Detailing	Make any data centers that might come follow PASSIVE BUILDING METHODS	2
Screening/Buffers	Why are we considering Site/Building design when we have research indicating the detrimental effects of Data Centers	2
Screening/Buffers	Sound damping barriers - like TXDOT, Renewable energy, Meta to Pay for improvements to the waste water treatment plants	2
Screening/Buffers	Jobs cannot be temporary. Contract People from El Paso mainly/only to build & work. Long term jobs should be for El Pasoans	2
Screening/Buffers	Data centers do not belong in a desert climate.	2
Screening/Buffers	Require them to follow landscaping code without exemption 5.	2
Public Amenities	Pay complete taxes. No breaks + we will use the Tax \$ to get our own.	2
Public Amenities	What public amenities? A data center is a utilitarian facility. Why would there be a need for public amenities?	2
Public Amenities	Only use purple water	2
Public Amenities	Use of solar, any excess goes to surrounding community, if they leave then solar stays	2
Public Amenities	Accountability of water consumption. How will we know how much is being used?	2
Public Amenities	Equipment upgrades - outphased equipment goes to UTEP /El Paso	2
Public Amenities	Use Solar - Arrange w/NM BLM (if possible) to use cattle grazing areas for solar	2
Public Amenities	Provide City support to complete construction of US 54 toward NM	2
Public Amenities	The Data Center should be required to donate billions to local health organizations, lung associations, low income health centers, public schools, parks & rec., boys & girls club in EP., etc...	2
Public Amenities	Cata Centers do not belong in the desert. No sustainable architecture + engineering exists to avoid harm to env. + human health.	2
Land Use Adjacencies	Don't want it put it near Zoro ranch or billionaire homes	3
Land Use Adjacencies	Use future land use map for adjacency limitations not just zoning areas	3
Land Use Adjacencies	We don't want the Data Center	3
Land Use Adjacencies	We will not use any land adjacent to it	3
Land Use Adjacencies	Make more affordable housing	3
Land Use Adjacencies	We don't need nor want a AI Data Center	3
Land Use Adjacencies	El paso citizens Do Not want a data center!	3
Land Use Adjacencies	Place the data center in mayor and councils own back yard.	3
Land Use Adjacencies	not interested in the bulding the site.	3
Façade/Design Detailing	Commission large scale public art from local El Paso and Juarez artists	3

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Façade/Design Detailing	require companies to use higher amounts of local materials or more locally sourced	3
Façade/Design Detailing	require on site ponding areas to be usable community park ponds	3
Façade/Design Detailing	Southwestern/Desert Design Give it more of a community feel.	3
Façade/Design Detailing	Make it smaller, smaller foot print	3
Façade/Design Detailing	Passive building methods building orientation maybe look into burying it slightly to reduce cooling costs	3
Façade/Design Detailing	Bury them underground potentially look at old existing mine shafts examples are intacture Data Center Cavern technologies	3
Façade/Design Detailing	Create just communities design environmental building throughhaul OLm city Wut data center	3
Façade/Design Detailing	Don't build it.	3
Façade/Design Detailing	Should be far from homes, should be required to minimize its carbon foot print meaning, plant trees for every ppm of carbon monoxide released, should cost as little as possible-blend with the scenery but don't waste money on vanity	3
Façade/Design Detailing	More ugly building instead of improving our communities	3
Façade/Design Detailing	This building should look like businesses building, not like a <u>box</u> or warehouse something that is a business site.	3
Façade/Design Detailing	Design it like its surrounding & not like a christmas tree	3
Screening/Buffers	Concrete sound barriers	3
Screening/Buffers	Sound walls and barriers to avoid noise affecting our neighbors.	3
Screening/Buffers	Gas plant permit promise that it is in place + followed up for compliance	3
Screening/Buffers	Put it underground out of sight , or inside a mountain. No sign of it.require installation of large caliper tree native forests around all sites	3
Screening/Buffers	Stop Data Center!	3
Screening/Buffers	Data centers have no place in El Paso, Tx.	3
Public Amenities	<u>No tax incentives</u> , public schools changed to refrigerated air (no Charter or private), all parks given yearly donations, every El Pasoan given \$4,000 every year	3
Public Amenities	Adaptive reuse requirements for buildings as technology advances data center buildings will get smaller	3
Public Amenities	if a data center is no longer in service require company to demolish and return site to natural state options or wildlife refute or wetlands	3
Public Amenities	The design of a data center is not important to me as an El Paso citizen. Data centers harm our water, air & environment and have no place in our community :)	3
Public Amenities	It doesn't matter how nice they look, they are a threat to the survival of this city.	3
Public Amenities	Screening buffers <u>must</u> fully diffuse the noise generated by center	3
Public Amenities	Require data cetner construction to utilize carpooling, trasit etc. reduce increase in traffic	3
Public Amenities	At some point, data centers will be obsolete, so how will the building be able to be repurposed for future use after the building are liquidated and gone.	3
Public Amenities	We are being selfish since the next generations are going to suffer in several ways because of these plants. Stop!	3

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Public Amenities	No Data Center's here in El Paso tx	3
Public Amenities	Green spaces nearby, build parks	3
Public Amenities	require equal exchange of native desert landscaspe according to building footprint size allow for landscape exchange to be installed off site within city limits	3
Land Use Adjacencies	Are there studies going for the placement of the data cetner? Are there considerations for when the city outgrows to the building location?	4
Land Use Adjacencies	Develop far away from community's, out in the county - where there are <u>NO</u> people.	4
Land Use Adjacencies	Outside El Paso City where no houses will be built	4
Land Use Adjacencies	Are we transparent about the environmental impace of data cetners w/ our neighbors in Mexico?	4
Land Use Adjacencies	Desert areas not in use. Using grey water	4
Land Use Adjacencies	Impace on safety & Env is real	4
Land Use Adjacencies	Use grey waters, not clean water.	4
Land Use Adjacencies	No land from El Paso should be used for a data center we're in a desert!	4
Land Use Adjacencies	Sho decides where the data center would go? Neighborhoods wihin a 5 mile radius should be able to say No!	4
Façade/Design Detailing	Need more: -landscaping -bioswales -screening and design standards -setback requirements	4
Façade/Design Detailing	El Paso has a rich architectural history, please use design elements of what we already have. No gray rectangles!	4
Façade/Design Detailing	We live in a naturally beautiful region. This data center, besides being immoral, is asthetically hideous.	4
Façade/Design Detailing	Solar Panels!!!	4
Façade/Design Detailing	Noise Barriers	4
Façade/Design Detailing	No fancy design changes my mind <u>NO DATA CENTERS</u>	4
Façade/Design Detailing	Is noise being taken in consideration in building plans? are there any plans in limiting noise pollution?	4
Façade/Design Detailing	Deal is not the same as 2023	4
Screening/Buffers	The data center isn't a part of culture, community, or any aspect of El Paso.	4
Screening/Buffers	There is no water making machine! Be responsible with our water	4
Screening/Buffers	Build data centers responsibly	4
Screening/Buffers	Noise pollution of machines running 24/7?	4
Screening/Buffers	Screening & buffers don't protect families from noise pollution	4
Screening/Buffers	Noise & light pollution rules should be <u>strict</u> and enforced.	4
Screening/Buffers	Hydraulic energy should be able to conserve the water they use instead of ruining it.	4
Screening/Buffers	<u>No Data Centers</u>	4
Screening/Buffers	Data centers should go up north, where there is <u>no water</u> restrictions	4
Public Amenities	Defund the police department and use their money	4
Public Amenities	Use City funds to SUE data centers.	4
Public Amenities	Accounting for future changes to be irreversibly drawn into all contracts	4

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Public Amenities	Wheres the limit? These are being build 5 miles from my home- so will it eventually be in our backyard??	4
Public Amenities	Scale down when necessary, then bring back the environment to its original state w/ Meta funding - <u>No</u> City funding	4
Public Amenities	Use our land for building a better quality of life! Invest the money, energy, man power on creating life instead of destroying it!	4
Public Amenities	Don't tax residents or ask funds from residents	4
Public Amenities	Use nonpotable water instead. Why OUR city water?	4
Public Amenities	They need to be good corporate citizen, provide social benefits not just economic benefits (potential)	4
Other	NO DATAS!	4
Other	Generational opportunity for El Paso	4
Other	Absolutely NO interest in any additional data centers	4
Other	how close to Square Dance & Montana? Will poer infrastructure lines run thru their community? Impacts to the environment? Community already runs thru EPE	4
Land Use Adjacencies	This isn't even an area where grass is a stable landscape. This will use even more water which we don't need.	5
Land Use Adjacencies	The land belongs to its people, animals, & environment, not corporations.	5
Land Use Adjacencies	What is the city doing to make sure our animals are protected?	5
Land Use Adjacencies	Tax Abatements None	5
Land Use Adjacencies	Build something else that brings thousands of jobs and does not destroy the environment	5
Land Use Adjacencies	We need more information about the environmental sensitivity	5
Land Use Adjacencies	No gracias	5
Land Use Adjacencies	Consideration: El Paso is a dersert, therefore design cannot include unrealistic goals such as green lawns - these would require even more water and resources to maintain on top of the resources that the center would take up.	5
Land Use Adjacencies	We need to better stewards of our public lands and this is not the way.	5
Land Use Adjacencies	No build on what would be considered historical or where there is the possibilities of dinosar footprints and possible walk trails	5
Land Use Adjacencies	Destroy as little land/natural environment & habitat as possible. Stop clearing the desert to build new sprawl	5
Land Use Adjacencies	Our land doesn't need more disruption, destruction, and pollution. Migration is crucial, data centers are not. The designs are irrelevant - There should be <u>no build</u> at all.	5
Land Use Adjacencies	Land it should not be used freely when we don't have a place for it. Hurting the beauty of the west side, pollution in the NE, if added next to the coal plant, draining water from farmers in the south & hurting migrants in Ft. Bliss on camp montana No land should be given	5
Façade/Design Detailing	Why does Meta need 1000+ acres of land? Is there option to reduce the size?	5
Façade/Design Detailing	Build underground, use adobe - eco infrastructure	5
Façade/Design Detailing	There is other technology that can be used to cool down servers that does not require water. At least use some % of the design to use those	5

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Façade/Design Detailing	-EnForce Texas Code Section 37.0561 <- WARNING SHOT	5
Façade/Design Detailing	Don't build them. Not anywhere in El Paso no matter how they look or where they are they harm PEOPLE	5
Façade/Design Detailing	No Data Center! No Design Pants!!	5
Façade/Design Detailing	No Build	5
Façade/Design Detailing	Data centers need more regulations. Water, air, & all resources need to be returned in the same or better condition to us. Can there be green landscaping to battle heating? Can a reservation for animals be mandatory?	5
Façade/Design Detailing	No Design! No Meta	5
Façade/Design Detailing	We don't want a data center. Doesn't matter the design or "site considerations"	5
Façade/Design Detailing	Don't care about design. Do Not Want Data Center	5
Façade/Design Detailing	Ugly Loud drain on our community don't design it don't build it	5
Façade/Design Detailing	Sustainable design with net zero emissions. Architectually thoughtful, contextual & adds to beauty of surroundings instead of being an ugly eyesore	5
Façade/Design Detailing	How will the landscaping and construction affect the current traffic, roads, and overall community or El Paso?	5
Façade/Design Detailing	Design doesn't matter - it shouldn't exist in the first place.	5
Façade/Design Detailing	If the center were to be built there needs to be a "cap" as to how much green house emissions are being produced. As well as making the center as more sustainable as possible. This is because of the people (like me) that live here are going to potentially be affected by it.	5
Façade/Design Detailing	Design MUST be in a holistic desert style as all designs showed were green & lush. Impossible here, it should reflect, absorb, and diffuse heat in a safe manner along with using regional materials	5
Façade/Design Detailing	No Build = Problems solved	5
Façade/Design Detailing	NO DATAS	5
Screening/Buffers	Intense, intimate transparency. multiple 3rd party verifications. Public/Edu. cooperation. Severe penalties for violating transparency. Community reciprocity. In what way do they provide the necessary infrastructure to pay the costs that these projects demand to come into existence and to continue to exist?	5
Screening/Buffers	Major concerns regarding air pollution, water consumption and overall environmental disruption. This came about with no input from the community. A group of people making a decision this detrimental to a community for years to come without even consulting with the very own people who will be affected is immoral/borderline criminal.	5
Screening/Buffers	Finding a space away from population (surrounding the city). Where emissions and pollutants can be controlled. And where it does not affect society.	5
Screening/Buffers	NO DATAS	5
Screening/Buffers	Build underground Screens & Buffers should not hurt as best as possible the desert wildlife & the natural wildlife	5
Screening/Buffers	I dislike this because it shows the physical manifestation of greed and indifference. God gave us the eden of earth and this shows evil is above all else.	5

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Screening/Buffers	We do not want data centers. Do not build them anywhere near El Paso	5
Screening/Buffers	No Data Centers It doesnt matter the building shape. Think of resources	5
Public Amenities	Build and maintain forest parks around data centers to hike them. Park should have walking or running paths and	5
Public Amenities	El Paso's resources are already <u>very limited</u> . We need to think in terms of costs of living and strained resources for the future. Super concerning they are <u>not</u> considering renewable energy!!	5
Public Amenities	Build something meant to improve our city, not destroy it.	5
Public Amenities	Environmental crisis is already bad. We don't want any data centers to take our water or pollute our air w/gas plant!!!	5
Public Amenities	For the building to be using materials that are sustainable. Haul off of materials to be restricted as environmental impact use building code that restricts pollution.	5
Public Amenities	-alternatives to evaporative cooling (immersion) -Utility costs -steps to adjust zoning ordinances -who's benefitn (short term profit maxization) -Libraries -parks	5
Public Amenities	Public amenities -should be charged for anyone and everyone all their devices - Free transit -Free low cost internet	5
Public Amenities	We need policy making in regard to teh overall environmental sustainability.	5
Public Amenities	Parking either below or above data centers multilevel parking - smallest footprint possible	5
Public Amenities	Data centers should provide parks/green spaces for people to just exist without having to pay for anything & they need to be accessible to all	5
Public Amenities	Will property close to centers devaluate?	5
Public Amenities	Infinite loop system - 100% self sustaining	5
Public Amenities	Bring own water	5
Public Amenities	As far as these DCs go, with regards to their design and sonstruction, what are consumption demands? How much land, water, electricity, labor, concrete, and headache no such projects demand? And to what degreewill the companies who are endeavorig to build these, and not the local s/the public	5
Public Amenities	NO DATAS	5
Land Use Adjacencies	they should provide incentives for local community jobs all of them will be replace w/AI eventually, so we get the end of stick/nothing	6
Land Use Adjacencies	I would <u>not</u> like any building built for data centers because 1) they tap into our resources no matter where they are located 2) range of damage is global not only local 3) destroy natural habitats 4) various pollution	6
Land Use Adjacencies	Why tax breaks for Meta when they make plenty of revenue with our private info. /They should pay us for their Data Centers	6
Land Use Adjacencies	We need policies that keep data center more responsible in long terms to give back to El Paso, not just ads.	6
Land Use Adjacencies	Take the cost yourselves. You will still profit! -efficient design/smallest foot print -least negative inpart resources, space - who <u>TRULY</u> benefits here? Us, no. You First like I refuse to pay 20% tip b/c I don't benefit long erm from the labor-the <u>boss</u> does!	6

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Land Use Adjacencies	if this Meta Plant is built, are we going to end up like the Asarco situation, end up sick w/cancer and other health issues?	6
Land Use Adjacencies	New expansion will require 2000 power stations each of this station 2417 generate 2,780 CO ² year 20000=102 million cars of Carbon Dioxide	6
Land Use Adjacencies	When will the City have a <u>Serious</u> presentation to the community instead of just going through the motions of caring?	6
Land Use Adjacencies	<u>No</u> hyperscale	6
Land Use Adjacencies	Do hyperscale centers AI maters & investors have been saying they are going Bankrupt & have been pulling investments	6
Land Use Adjacencies	NO DATA CENTERS! -it will affect our wildlife Bio diversity. -Our water will deplete -TAX BEEAKS FOR THE RICH while the poor suffer. -Air pollution will worsen.	6
Land Use Adjacencies	Land Use Adjacencies the desert is not empty "undeveloped" land. We need the plants & animals for a healthy ecosystem & to help w/future & water retention - dust storm prevention	6
Land Use Adjacencies	NO DATA CENTER!!! -WaterSupply - Utilities -expensed increase - Pollution air/water -Long term reamifications	6
Land Use Adjacencies	Unacceptable. Absolutely NO Data Center	6
Land Use Adjacencies	Available resources will not support such a project.	6
Land Use Adjacencies	Born and raised El Pasoan who does not want a Data Center in El Paso because of all the implications it entails. The effect on our desert ecosystem, our land, and the community. No one wants the Data Center and will not have any benefits to the city.	6
Land Use Adjacencies	Not Proven Solutions	6
Land Use Adjacencies	no data center, our water is not worth it	6
Land Use Adjacencies	NO Data Center we dont want No Noise/No air pollution Siller 79907	6
Land Use Adjacencies	No Data Center -Noise -Water Shortages -Air pollution -transparency (lack of) -Net Loss for El Paso	6
Land Use Adjacencies	Hyperscale data centers drain our water and resources <u>regardless</u> of where they are. That is <u>why</u> there should be no data centers.	6
Land Use Adjacencies	Not a Real Solution. Did not work in Virginia	6
Façade/Design Detailing	Data Centers produce greater than 96 dBA harmful sound ->Above 70-85 limits ->Affecting Staff, nearby communities and wildlife -K. Richardson (2024) "Understanding the impact of Data Center Noise" Filters Do Not Work	6
Façade/Design Detailing	Por qué los deja por comenzar va a pasar como L a Sarco todos (Fregados)	6
Façade/Design Detailing	The mayor knew from the beginning what it was going to be like, and still allowed it to go on. They fooled people to think the jobs were going for the El Paso people, that it would be economically for El Paso.	6
Façade/Design Detailing	NO DATA CENTERS	6
Façade/Design Detailing	None *None of these consider: -Infrasound damage -carbon monoxide pollution -non-native water usage -the ongoing drought in the El Paso area	6

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Façade/Design Detailing	Data centers have a wide range of designs, the most important of which have to do with energy sources, energy use, cooling mechanisms, and overall water use. Any data center <u>must</u> adhere to the strictest standards.	6
Façade/Design Detailing	This station parodies itself. The mock ups show grass & non-native water intensive landscaping.	6
Façade/Design Detailing	No longer term Benefits exist For the communities NONE	6
Façade/Design Detailing	If data centers want to be eco-friendly then they should simply not exist	6
Façade/Design Detailing	Where will the water come from?! Our Bolson's?	6
Façade/Design Detailing	no data center our water is not worth it	6
Façade/Design Detailing	No Data Centers. Neighbors complain of noise and decreased water pressure in cities that have them already.	6
Façade/Design Detailing	You need to be transparent about "existing agreements" Before meeting	6
Façade/Design Detailing	No Data Center - Noise pollution -Water shortages - Air pollution - No transparency - Net Loss for El Paso -High Health Risks 79934	6
Screening/Buffers	Public health Burden of more than 20 Billion / Y Han et al 2024 DOI: 2412.06288	6
Screening/Buffers	Global data center expansion and human health: A call for emperical research Yu Tao et al. Doi: 10.1016	6
Screening/Buffers	Creening and Buffer should require infrasound surveys to obtain data to show adequate levels for health issues. Look up what's happening with the 49ers for refernce	6
Screening/Buffers	These meetings don't feel like public input isn't taken into consideration. The meeting feels more of a why we should support x project.	6
Screening/Buffers	Does not address Particulate matter -DOI: 10.1016 YuTao et al	6
Screening/Buffers	Data centers can contribute to sustainability by... remaining a figment of billionaires' imaginations	6
Screening/Buffers	Only Benefits exist For META ONLY	6
Screening/Buffers	need to consider wildlife! Our wildlife is important to our area	6
Screening/Buffers	No Data Center -Noise Pollution -Water shortages -Air pollution - Lack of transparency -Net Loss for El Paso -higher Health Risks	6
Screening/Buffers	Where do you propose to put the Data Center & how will it affect the environment.	6
Screening/Buffers	Data centers produce 96 dBA noise above 85 dBA threshold considered harmful to hearing Richardson (2024) -Understanding the impact of data center noise pollution	6
Screening/Buffers	Screening/Buffers don't work - data centers are loud and disruptive & push people off their land & homes	6
Screening/Buffers	As a tax paying citizen, I was not included in the process to decide if we, the citizens, want Data Centers. Four years ago, we were inadequately represented by City Council. There was NO public vote. I am not in favor.	6
Public Amenities	build a data center where people want it. If people dont want it-No data center	6
Public Amenities	We don't want them here because 1. The land it will use will hurt local plants & animals 2. environmental justice concern - near homes 3. water usage, electric increase, added heat	6

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Public Amenities	If we must have a data center it must fund renewable energy transitions in El Paso and direct potable reuse of our wastewater.	6
Public Amenities	(Public Amenities) Data centers don't belong in the desert. We are resource poor already & cannot spare any for this.	6
Public Amenities	Will the facility maintain the roadway infrastructure in perpetuity.	6
Public Amenities	Long term side effects will impact air, water, land creating numerous health issues	6
Public Amenities	As it is, water supply is limited and META will TAKE IT!!! NO META CENTER NEEDED OR WANTED	6
Public Amenities	Does not address heat Emissions -> Proff of causing heat island effect	6
Public Amenities	no data center, our water is not worth it	6
Public Amenities	Empty Promises No Proof of concept	6
Public Amenities	No Data Center - Noise pollution -Water shortages - Air pollution - No transparency - Net Loss for El Paso -High Health Risks 79934	6
Public Amenities	<p>1. Data centers should pay for road upgrades. City has this as a low priority. 2. If people keep housing info on "the cloud" then the data centers should help off-set costs for people within a certain parameter of the data center. 3. Water company should have <u>NEVER</u> built a new hdqtre & instead used that \$ to fix antiquated water mains. 4. Have Meta invest in schools in ELP. Esp. in central. 5. Cancel Deck project and use this \$\$ to help communities w/Parks and use the fwater to maintaingrass at parks to have green grass. 6. Have Data centers donate \$ to schools to help keep teachers paidequitably. 7. Have Meta pay for more PD resources to help build our canidate pool in ELP. 8. Make a policy for data cenerts to only be able to build in certain zones (ie. commercial or residential). 9. If none of this works then we need to rethink this. -Summary- Meta has META money! If the city can't Pay for certain things then have the DATA center companies pour \$\$ into it for us. City doesn't pour enough \$\$ to make our city beautiful & attractive. We waste our money on dumb things like a deck park or splash pads which are a waste of water too!</p>	6

Other Ideas and Concerns

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Other Concerns	The region is in a deep water crisis. We have to restrict these projects outright. Our river system is collapsing. Our air quality kills. AI is reckless and not a mature technology. We cannot survive this. Our only option is no.	1
Other Concerns	No hay muchos curriculos en educacion abiental sobre el cambio climatico. No hay discusión sin política.	1
Other Concerns	Data centers create an extreme amount of pollution that we don't need and approve of. Preserve our fragile ecosystem.	1
Other Concerns	Why would one build a huge data center that requires cool temperatures and massive amounts of water in a DESERT???	1
Other Concerns	I do not want this data center to be built because of the pollution it will cause and wasting of water which is already a concern for residents. This never should have been allowed w/out a public vote.	1
Other Concerns	Why did the city not properly inform citizens ahead of any formal commitments? Who is responsible? [Comment added: "Ditto!"]	1
Other Concerns	Increasing electricity + H2O costs. Hurthing the environment. Global warming. Drought.	1
Other Concerns	If this is built how will we stop the Earth Quakes [1 dot added]	1
Other Concerns	Will there be a buzzing noise coming out of the data center + how far does that noise carry?	1
Other Concerns	Environmental impact. Water consumption. Noise generation. Gray water.	1
Other Concerns	I am all for bringing high paying jobs to El Paso + improving the quality of life here. I don't think data centers are the answer due to greenhouse gas emissions, use of water + electricity + not many jobs once the centers are up and running.	1
Other Concerns	Use of water. El Paso already has restrictions on water usage. Why are we allowing an industry in that uses so much water?	1
Other Concerns	What is the impact (green house emissions) be to our environment?	1
Other Concerns	Job creation - how many long term jobs will be created once the facilities are up + running. What is the median salary for those jobs.	1
Other Concerns	The proposed generators are antiquated, even compared to combined-cycle gas gen. They are wildly inefficient and will surely be added to EP's energy portfolio against the wishes of residents for modern, cost-efficient power.	1
Other Concerns	How will EP deal with the spike in use of electricity. Will the cost of using electricity increase for EL Pasoans?	1
Other Concerns	Pay their fair share of taxes	1
Other Concerns	Massice water use is my concern!	1
Other Concerns	Health issues from pollution, run off	1
Other Concerns	Let people vote!	1
Other Concerns	What 's in it for us? (we, the people)?	1
Other Concerns	Water water water! Water use and chemicals in the wastewater that is discharged	1

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Other Concerns	Increased taxes for Infrastructure	1
Other Concerns	Air contamination	1
Other Concerns	Environmental negative economic impacts. Locals were not informed nor given the option	1
Other Concerns	No data center. We cannot afford to waste our limited water supply. We are already too polluted. Our utilities are already too high.	1
Other Concerns	Where are the natural gas powered generators for the Meta plant going to be? On-site?	1
Other Concerns	The public was not informed prior to city council approving this huge project that will degrade the quality of life.	1
Other Concerns	No information before contract!	1
Other Ideas	Don't burden the community with additional energy costs. We already pay some of the highest property taxes in Texas. This should be put to a vote	1
Other Ideas	Protecting our environment. Our current poor air quality without compounding this further. Lack of water. [Dot added]	1
Other Ideas	We need more environmental education on climate change. Stop labeling sustainability as "woke"	1
Other Ideas	Break the deals with META	1
Other Ideas	Because Meta initially said that the data center would be powered with renewable energy and later reneged, the contract should be withdrawn.	1
Other Ideas	Cancel contract. We do not want any data centers.	1
Other Ideas	This is a chaotic set up to address this with the public. A better format would be to discuss the pros + cons + then let the audience ask questions.	1
Other Ideas	Use negotiating leverage in subsequent rounds to demand clear employment goals with clawbacks if they are not met, and <u>enforceable, strong</u> financial protections for El Paso rate payers!	1
Other Ideas	Cancel the data centers. Once you do that, turn the former data centers to residential	1
Other Ideas	1. How much water/electricity will the AI center use? 2. What regulations will govern this entity? 3. What is the cost? 4. What loss to water will El Paso suffer?	1
Other Ideas	1. No data centers near El Paso. 2. If must have framework, then all costs should be covered by these companies, net zero emissions, renewables only, no water evaporation, no growth in future w/o city input.	1
Other Ideas	Renewable energy only. We can do better and invest.	1
Other Ideas	Infrasound pollution. Utility rate hikes. Useless water consumption while climate change concerns haven't been addressed. Data centers only benefit the companies that operate them	1
Other Ideas	Terminate contract w/ Meta.	1
Other Concerns	I want full disclosure on how this affects the NE and the city as a whole!	2
Other Concerns	They are getting billions in incentives I want 1B back to my community!	2

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Other Concerns	Our water belongs to us locals, not power hungry data centers that will bleed us dry. You can't dring money.	2
Other Concerns	Data Center only target low income communities	2
Other Concerns	How will this affect our utilities?	2
Other Concerns	Environmental Safety Studies - who conducted the studies	2
Other Concerns	Did anyone inform Campo Del Solof waht they will be dealing with, noise, gas generators, etc?	2
Other Concerns	When will the oncelers be satisfied? (think Lorax)	2
Other Concerns	Who approved it without consulting the area where it was going to be built?	2
Other Concerns	Meta exploits children	2
Other Concerns	Impact-on the water usage - as we are a desert community & already uner water restriction. More droughts predicted.	2
Other Concerns	How is this benefitting the community & city of El Paso Today? People need help today?	2
Other Concerns	Will this data center bring in more data centers? Or energy plants to accomodate?	2
Other Concerns	Why is this good for El Paso? Wo authorized this? And why??? How will this effect the citizens? negative + positive outcomes?	2
Other Concerns	buiding data centers w/o resident consent!! Usurping resources!! Using NE!!	2
Other Concerns	Does 35-90 jobs really make a difference?	2
Other Concerns	Impact on Taxes!!!	2
Other Concerns	Financil - Empact on El Paso Tax-payers -Especially on Elder Retired Residents	2
Other Concerns	Will my opinion <u>really matter</u>	2
Other Concerns	This is Fucked	2
Other Concerns	how many permanent jobs? how much are these companies investing in community? are there any hard figures as far as resource usage?	2
Other Concerns	Who voted on the approval of the data center?	2
Other Ideas	No estamos de acuerdo en abrir estos centros, ya que consumirán mucha agua, creemos que son los residentes quienes pagan y tienen derecho al agua y no empresas extranjeras con fines propios. NO AI CENTRO DE DATOS	2
Other Ideas	The Bowen Family should be ashamed!	2
Other Ideas	Worst venue!	2
Other Ideas	What research has been done on negative impacts of the health of the humans who live within the vacinity?	2
Other Ideas	Surcharge water higher taxing tighter noise ord disccnect during brown-outs	2
Other Ideas	They need to not come here	2
Other Ideas	recall elections	2

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Other Ideas	Google Northern Virginia Issues!!	2
Other Ideas	Cancel all current agreements & <u>do not</u> allow any future data centers	2
Other Ideas	I do not feel this is a good investment for the concessions given to them!	2
Other Ideas	El Paso's water source-depleting dessert water	2
Other Ideas	Don't build data centers!!!	2
Other Ideas	Put it in Alaska! Where do you see a body of water near by?	2
Other Ideas	Are these meetings a serious attempt to revoke the billionaire's subsidy or are they just busy work?	2
Other Ideas	Data centers should be built underground to reduce energy and water wast in this climate	2
Other Ideas	We need to vote on this, why did we not get a change to vote on it	2
Other Ideas	Most data centers jobs are short term. We don't need them.	2
Other Ideas	Cancel all data center agreements (current + pipeline + future	2
Other Ideas	They (Meta) should be <u>paying us</u> for the <u>priviege</u> NO communities want data centers, so They are the beggers	2
Other Ideas	Please don't let Meta ruin our neighborhoods (heart) Corina of 79924	2
Other Ideas	Traffic issues on 54. We do not need more traffic	2
Other Ideas	Do not build ths data center. It will destroy what water we have left, noise or bills, increase our temperature and hunt our people with lung illnesses.	2
Other Ideas	Should get El Paso citizens a voice or change to vote on the issue	2
Other Concerns	What considerations of protection laws are in place to protect us against federal use of data centers against its citizens. (Mass surveillance) This is a city of immigrants, past actions of federal executive power with ICE has divided our country. We are a nation of immigrants!	3
Other Concerns	We want city council to break the contract now.	3
Other Concerns	Yes, I am concerned that this <u>1</u> data center will make El Paso unlivable and unaffordable	3
Other Concerns	One data center will have a devastating effect here in the city of El Paso	3
Other Concerns	Stop tax abatements given to them no future 380/381 agreements	3
Other Concerns	Talk with San Marcos, TX and Tucson, AZ to see how they stopped data centers in their cities	3
Other Concerns	Review current and future contract terms more so El Paso doesn't get taken advantage of.	3
Other Concerns	Other cities already have data centers and they have <u>no</u> water, sky high bills, and noise pollution	3
Other Concerns	The city representatives are saying this is a done deal. The Meta center is not even built. It will only take one to destroy our town.	3
Other Concerns	City council needs to honor its citizens by breaking this contract!	3

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Other Concerns	Will our voices be heard?	3
Other Concerns	We will run out of water	3
Other Concerns	Why weren't we formally informed about this data center, why are we barely hearing about?	3
Other Concerns	Do the tight thing. No data center	3
Other Ideas	Renegotiate the contract!	3
Other Ideas	Break the contract until more data is out to make better decisions	3
Other Ideas	Break the contract. Save El Paso and its beauty	3
Other Ideas	Public referendum	3
Other Ideas	Break the contract	3
Other Ideas	Terminate the contract	3
Other Ideas	Let's stand together El Paso TX and fight this Meta shit!! [dot added]	3
Other Ideas	Say <u>NO</u> to data centers!!!	3
Other Ideas	Stop the data center <u>now!</u>	3
Other Ideas	Terminate the contract. Protect our people, our environment, our wildlife, our resources	3
Other Ideas	Cancel the contract with Meta	3
Other Ideas	We need to protect our already scare resources	3
Other Ideas	We don't need data centers in our city!!	3
Other Ideas	Stop doing back door deals, it our city not compatible	3
Other Concerns	You are not taking our concerns into account. You have made up your mind and you just are providing lip service. I would like to see the portfolios of the people pushing this down our throat. I bet they dont live here and make lots of money at our expense. The answer is NO to this idea	4
Other Concerns	The decision has been made	4
Other Concerns	No tax abatements. No 1.5 million for our streets	4
Other Concerns	Pollution	4
Other Concerns	If we've already agreed to a project we physically cannot sustain, why are we pushing for more? Why are we allowing our city to be run to the ground	4
Other Concerns	utility increases	4
Other Concerns	With some data centers being built outside of the city limits, who's to say our city's rapid expansion won't cause the blending of data centers within our everyday life?	4
Other Concerns	Build data centers responsibly	4
Other Ideas	No tax incentives	4
Other Ideas	cancel the data center	4

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Other Ideas	Why was the project approved first without being taken to the public opinion or the city? I understand development, but knowing that data centers are controversial, why wait?	4
Other Ideas	Make data center pay and maintain the dek plaza so that tax payers wont have to pay for it	4
Other Concerns	Disrespect of land, water, plants & people... For what?	5
Other Concerns	I don't want EP to end up like Chester PA. I don't want them to exploit our brown community	5
Other Concerns	Water use, Environmental degradation or over long term/disruption of animal & plant habitats, Excessive pollution & noise, Minimal gain, benefits (who benefits? where does revenue go?)	5
Other Concerns	1 to 5 years pay by Meta (vague!) then who pays after? We have a new generation plant_ why do we need more capacity? and why pay for it?	5
Other Concerns	Water Waste More Air Pollution Flora & Fauna affected by the constructions of these buildings	5
Other Concerns	Longer-term consequences to health & quality of life for the whole El Paso community, long term environmental damage. Heat, habitat destruction, noise, pollution, water depletion, etc. Concerned for ... Our clean water, Our clean air, our future, our land, our community #elpasostrong	5
Other Concerns	City is poorly negotiating and not looking after our best interest only interests of a few	5
Other Concerns	What about the water usage from our electric company? What the toll on our utility bills? Why do the people of El Paso have to pay for your AI?	5
Other Concerns	Concerns: We run out of water, pollution, high cost of energy	5
Other Concerns	I'm concerned for the health of our people and animals. This isn't the first data center. Look at the effects they have!	5
Other Concerns	We get zero marginal benefit but suffer all the environmental and political costs	5
Other Concerns	City is weakly negotiating this deal and selling us outThis has to be put for a vote bythe public and not decided bya few @ City Council & billionaires.	5
Other Concerns	The Meta center keeps changing - so how is it a "done deal"?	5
Other Concerns	Water, sun & evaporative cooling but a massive unefficent Data Center?!	5
Other Concerns	Water usage + AI expansion	5
Other Concerns	I do not trust City Council and will vote all of them out They show very little care	5
Other Concerns	Costs associated w/ power & water/of the infrastructrue builld out. Will companies pay the entire cost the entire period or is it passed on to consumers?	5
Other Concerns	1. We don't have enough water. 2. We need clean air. 3. Data ceners damage more and bring less jobs than promised. 4. Money means nothing when there's nothing left to breathe or drink.	5

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Other Concerns	What is the "Data"? How is it used? Isn't it a little suspicious how shady they're going about this? Why are we supporting MASS SURVEILLANCE???	5
Other Concerns	Environmental concerns, regarding water usage/electricity	5
Other Concerns	AI-fueled job losses, Groundwater Scarcity, Future Generations: Health	5
Other Concerns	PUCT failed to follow its own staff...concern with how fast price increases for electricity	5
Other Concerns	I'm worried about the desert environment and water availability. What is the true cost of backing out of the meta agreement to the city? Meta doesn't want an AI data center in Palo Alto. Why would we want it here?	5
Other Concerns	We don't need blood money in El Paso. They have no incentive to keep our place liveable!	5
Other Concerns	El Paso is now the #1 polluted major city. Stop allowing entrepreneurs to make decisions affecting our health disparities!	5
Other Concerns	Pollution, heat islands, water usage, broken promise (renewable to power plant), grid instability, increased cost of utility, circumventing Texas law	5
Other Concerns	Higher taxes, using our resources, we need the water to survive not to maintain a machine, what about health issues we might have later on bc of pollution	5
Other Concerns	The terms have been changed by META for the water.	5
Other Concerns	Water and electric usage, use of data to surveil residents	5
Other Concerns	There is a lot said about how much water such an endeavor/business would consume. My question is, percentage-wise, of our available water (or however much we can source per day/month/year) how much of that amount would the DC consume?	5
Other Concerns	We deserve more and better	5
Other Concerns	Data centers raise the temperature of surrounding areas up to 17degrees. El Paso is experiencing record heat.	5
Other Concerns	These Data Center companies are run by the richest people on the planet and El Pasoans should not have to foot the bill for any of this	5
Other Concerns	City has history of selling out our assets for peanuts i.e. Wolf Lodge	5
Other Concerns	Go somewhere that has water! We have been on restricted usage for 40 years!	5
Other Ideas	Place a cap on AI usage, work to ban AI usage, educate the masses on these dangers, have people think on their own. Have some humanity to care about human & animal lives! Don't you have a heart? A soul?	5
Other Ideas	The project should be reconsidered as data centers have been proven to negatively affect communities and barely bring any services for the locals.	5
Other Ideas	If unable to cancel altogether, is solar power an option in this City with 360 sunny days a year?	5

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Other Ideas	Am not opposed to data center, but needs to be located long distance from any population of people.	5
Other Ideas	The city needs to have a vision & plan of what economic opportunities to bring BEFORE recruiting companies.	5
Other Ideas	if chicos tacos can stay cashless, we can stay data center free #moratorium on Data Ceners	5
Other Ideas	Make a policy to always serve people before servers when droughts come	5
Other Ideas	use alternative sources, of energy in % so that it does not all come from petroleum/gas	5
Other Ideas	This data center and all data centers are racist and violent structures. You work for the resident fo this city. Listen to us and keep <u>all</u> data centers out of El Paso.	5
Other Ideas	MORATORIUM ON ALL DATA CENTERS THAT ARE DETRIMENTAL TO HEALTH, ENVIRONMENT & QUALITY OF LIFE, PERIOD	5
Other Ideas	Force data ceners to lower their water consumption by asking them to use alternatives to water for cooling thieir servers	5
Other Ideas	Be financially responsible 100% Give money back to community 70% of profits. Be financially responsible for the whole time they are here. If it's not reasonable, ...Meta OUT! No Data Ceners in El Paso! #elpasostrong	5
Other Ideas	We don't even need AI! Go! North!	5
Other Ideas	Worried ya'll know we don't want the data centers here...but where is the action to stop it?	5
Other Ideas	invode moratorrium on data cener constrction until full independent audit of long-term impact	5
Other Ideas	We already have <u>HUMAN</u> INTELLIGENCE	5
Other Ideas	Make sure <u>ALL</u> City Council members are here to listen to the concerns! We are <u>ALL</u> busy!	5
Other Ideas	#1 Concerned about our natural resources living in a desert #2 the cost of utilities #3 taxing these billion dollar corps <u>fairly</u>	5
Other Ideas	Bigger sticky notes, WE HAVE A LOT TO SAY!	5
Other Ideas	Bigger venue; more exposure of these events. Higher community engagment especially on matters that affect <u>every</u> citizen now & in the Future	5
Other Ideas	No Data Center Not feasible here.	5
Other Ideas	The data centers do not care about El Pasoans. Protect your constituents.	5
Other Ideas	Laura Avila	5
Other Concerns	NO DATAS [written across a large yellow paper attached to board]	6
Other Concerns	Maybe we should have Meta pay for things like new roads and water upgrades in exchange for being here. We should maybe focus on why we have pollution now and how to fix that rather than the data centers.	6

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Other Concerns	<u>Why</u> does Borderplex Alliance have so much power over y'all?	6
Other Concerns	Who benefits from these deals? <u>El Paso doesn't</u>	6
Other Concerns	Stop lying you are not helping anyone	6
Other Concerns	No tax breaks for data centers	6
Other Concerns	Moratorium on data centers	6
Other Concerns	Gentrification. Pollution. Cancers. Heat. Habitat loss. This action only benefits a few and dooms the rest of us	6
Other Concerns	No "NDAs" and full transparency	6
Other Concerns	Honoring the Meta contract will cost us more than cancelling it - and residents will foot the bill in utility costs, taxes, and their health and well being. Cancel the contract and only sign a new one if it is actually good for El Paso and El Pasoans.	6
Other Concerns	Who's listening? Who's making the best decisions for El Pasoans? <u>I live here!</u> Do you?	6
Other Concerns	Meta will cost us over 1 billion of tax breaks	6
Other Concerns	No Meta. No data centers. 50 jobs just isnt justifiable. Desert communities shouldn't allocate water to data centers	6
Other Concerns	I do not want the noise, the use of our lands for data centers. Where will the water come from? We live in a desert.	6
Other Concerns	How many officials that voted for/in favor actually live in the immediate surrounding areas? Do you have family there?	6
Other Concerns	The majority is against, and our reps are not listening?!	6
Other Concerns	Who is listening to the community and their concerns. WHO!!	6
Other Concerns	Trade? Meta gets: 80% tax break, unlimited access to water, custom power plant, more AI infrastructure. El Paso gets: 50 temporary jobs, noise pollution, carbon pollution, low water quality, low air quality, empty promises.	6
Other Concerns	Why is not the mayor at this meeting?	6
Other Concerns	Where are the elected officials to answer <u>questions</u>	6
Other Concerns	Whys is the city reps not listening to our concerns?	6
Other Ideas	Better times (variety) for community meetings for 9-5 workers	6
Other Ideas	More community OUTREACH (everyone should know about this)	6
Other Ideas	Has anyone from city council or our mayor attended any of these community meetings?	6
Other Ideas	We need a back up plan for use of these facilities when these centers leave or close.	6
Other Ideas	Meeting with the mayor, chosen representatives (of the community) and whoever/whomever the "policymakers" are for the data center.	6
Other Ideas	How can we reduce the political power of rich developers in El Paso? It's not just data centers	6
Other Ideas	Data center fix our streets. No tax breaks	6
Other Ideas	No data center. Invest in El Paso utility infrastructure	6

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Other Ideas	Policy ideas: 1) Zero tax breaks for data centers. 2) They have to use renewable energy (either their own or MAYBE through EPE). 3) They are last in line for water (sign contract)	6
Other Ideas	Why does the city and representatives not really care what the community wants? (This meeting format is useless!)	6
Other Ideas	Invest in clean water infrastructure. Invest in education. Bring the mayor to a meeting	6
Other Ideas	Depose city council and mayor	6
Other Ideas	Let El Pasoans decide. We will vote NO	6
Other Ideas	Cancel the contract	6
Other Ideas	Make data centers mobile so they do not exhaust local resources	6
Other Ideas	Look into project silica for glass data storage that does not require data storage solutions.	6
Other Ideas	Public meeting <u>needed</u>	6
Other Ideas	META should <u>NOT</u> have an 80% discount on taxes!!!	6
Other Ideas	We need a moratorium on AI data centers	6
Other Ideas	CANCEL THE CONTRACT	6
Other Ideas	If other Meta data centers can be cancelled after being built, ITS NOT TOO LATE for <u>US!</u>	6

Other

Original Location	Comment	Meeting #
Comment Card	If the Meta data center produces energy, and pollutes El Paso's air + contributes to climate change, what action will the City take against Meta?	1
Comment Card	Escrow acct for unility costs dedicated pay-in by data action for streets + infrastructure	1
Comment Card	noise mitigation infrastructure + design alternative to zero	1
Board 2 - Goals and Agenda	Make sure future meetings have open space for community announcements <u>open floor</u>	1
Board 2 - Goals and Agenda	Placing this->[arrow pointing to Table 1 discussion] as #1 is Biased & Tondeaf. We want it gone!!!	1
Board 3 - What is a Data Center?	This discussions goals need to be reassessed: if thisis to develop a policy that might "regulate" Then it is not enough!	1
Board 3 - What is a Data Center?	The public demands this to be a voting item & we will vote no!	1
Comment Card	Water restrictions already in place, what is the cost of wasting more?	2
Comment Card	Nothing citizens can do if city can't guarantee protections?	2
Comment Card	Data centers should provide a detailed plan on how they plan to replenish our local natural resources. The amount of power and water it takes to run the centers exceeds what we use as a city.	2
Comment Card	The City of El Paso should present to the public a realistic plan of benefits vs. the real cost. The benefits should outweigh the costs right now, it doesn't seem beneficial in the long run.	2
Board 4 - What Brings you in? I go to School Here	I'm concerned about electric and water usage. Why did you want to come to a desert	2
Board 4 - What Brings you in? I go to School Here	What is the status of the data ctr	2
Board 4 - What Brings you in? I go to School Here	Why such huge tax advantage	2
Board 4 - What Brings you in? I go to School Here	Water necessary if recycled how. Electrical costs and impacts	2
Board 4 - What Brings you in? I go to School Here	Why here when our resources (water, energy) are already scarce?	2
Board 4 - What Brings you in? I go to School Here	We the people don't want this! You will deplete our water and power.	2
Board 4 - What Brings you in? I go to School Here	I'd like to know more about the resources required	2
Board 4 - What Brings you in? I want to voice my concerns	Desert area	2
Board 4 - What Brings you in? I want to voice my concerns	Water use	2
Board 4 - What Brings you in? I want to voice my concerns	1) Impact of rising taxes. 2) Household water pressure impact. 3) Possibility of increasing data and energy centers?	2
Board 4 - What Brings you in? I want to voice my concerns	Recall elections for leadership that approved existing data centers without community meetings	2
Board 4 - What Brings you in? I want to voice my concerns	Worried about pollution green gases	2

Original Location	Comment	Meeting #
Board 4 - What Brings you in? I want to voice my concerns	Who thought it a good idea to have a water-guzzler in the desert?	2
Board 4 - What Brings you in? I want to voice my concerns	Data centers do not belong in El Paso!!! Or anywhere else!!!	2
Board 4 - What Brings you in? I want to voice my concerns	This will <u>HARM</u> NE El Paso! [dot added]	2
Board 4 - What Brings you in? I want to voice my concerns	Clean water!! I am aware of the A.I. center in Tennessee and how it's affect P.O.C. communities	2
Board 4 - What Brings you in? I want to voice my concerns	We need to vacate the contract. I would rather pay for litigation than the increased electric and water.	2
Board 4 - What Brings you in? I want to voice my concerns	I have seen the negative impact data centers have had on other communities [dot added]	2
Board 4 - What Brings you in? I want to voice my concerns	The amount of water usage and electricity. <u>Recylce water</u>	2
Board 4 - What Brings you in? I want to voice my concerns	We don't have enough water as it is. The data center will only use our resources and give nothing in return.	2
Board 4 - What Brings you in? I want to voice my concerns	How do we start a recall of our "representatives" for refusing to have citizen interests first?	2
Board 4 - What Brings you in? I want to voice my concerns	Use of water and electricity [dot added]	2
Board 4 - What Brings you in? I want to voice my concerns	Environmental concerns. Water concerns. Zero day plans	2
Board 4 - What Brings you in? Something Else	Road ahead: Environmental accountability	2
Board 4 - What Brings you in? Something Else	I don't want data centers in El Paso or ANYWHERE AT ALL! [dot added]	2
Board 4 - What Brings you in? Something Else	Who received compaign contributions? What about those non-disclosure agreements?	2
Board 4 - What Brings you in? Something Else	Concerned that our electricity and water rates will go up because of data centers' huge use of electricity and water	2
Board 4 - What Brings you in? Something Else	Water and power usage. Low # jobs. Low tax rate. Noise pollution. Doesn't build businesses	2
Board 4 - What Brings you in? Something Else	Noise!! Water, electricity	2
Board 4 - What Brings you in? Something Else	Are the consumers/residents going to have to pay for more utility costs?	2
Board 4 - What Brings you in? Something Else	Will the residents have to pick up the costs?	2
Board 4 - What Brings you in? Something Else	Will this center deplete our water?	2
Board 4 - What Brings you in? Something Else	Will this center contribute to more air pollution?	2
Board 4 - What Brings you in? Something Else	Why are we building businesses and homes prior to completing 54 past Sean Haggerty?	2
Board 4 - What Brings you in? Something Else	I spoke against this land giveaway to Meta-but our contractor rich guys won	2
Board 4 - What Brings you in? Something Else	Looking to move before property values crater. Meta should have to buy me out	2

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Board 4 - What Brings you in? Something Else	We don't want the data centers. Break the deal [located on back of board]	2
Board 4 - What Brings you in? Something Else	Other. -Power resources? Windmills, solar panels already to be installed. - Taxes. 100 million tax defered. -Are taxes to be increased. - 50 employees. - Increase of 50 plus in electricity. -We r in the deser getting hotter less rain. - Income per capita low	2
Board 4 - What Brings you in? Something Else	- Health insurance payments increasing this year. -Who is going to be employed. - Environmental impacts. -Pollution hazard	2
Board 4 - What Brings you in? I want to learn more	How would it affect our resources and environment?	3
Board 4 – What Brings you in? I work in [...] industry	Why is it that El Paso residents are restricted to how much water to use. By only watering on 2 days out of the week. So what happened why is this data center are going to be aloud unlimited water??? :(Stop it!!	3
Board 4 - What Brings you in? I want to voice my concerns	El Paso is the most polluted city in America. Data centers will hurt our community.	3
Board 4 - What Brings you in? I want to voice my concerns	Strain on environment, wages and benefits for employees	3
Board 4 - What Brings you in? I want to voice my concerns	El Paso's water shortage	3
Board 4 - What Brings you in? I want to voice my concerns	Residents should be allowed to vote on it.	3
Board 4 - What Brings you in? I want to voice my concerns	City has a history of <u>not</u> listening to its taxpayers. We're sick of having to foot the bill for things we don't want	3
Board 4 - What Brings you in? I want to voice my concerns	I am very concerned about the water the data centes will use. I am very concerned about the utility bills that other communities are already seeing.	3
Board 4 - What Brings you in? I want to voice my concerns	Our resources will be drain. As it is we are going through a drought.	3
Board 4 - What Brings you in? I want to voice my concerns	We don't have enough water to cool down the servers. Where are we going to get 1.5 million gallons of water?	3
Board 4 - What Brings you in? I want to voice my concerns	Make them stay for full time so that they don't leave right after tax relief ends	3
Board 4 - What Brings you in? I want to voice my concerns	El Paso has a water shortage	3
Board 4 - What Brings you in? I want to voice my concerns	I am concern with the water consumption and other utilities that this center will consume.	3
Board 4 - What Brings you in? Something Else	To stop the data centers	3
Board 4 - What Brings you in? Something Else	I am concerned about water and electricity usage. Against 380 incentives	3
Board 4 - What Brings you in? Something Else	It is not cost affective. Also not good for the environment. Will raise water cost.	3
Board 4 - What Brings you in? Something Else	Other major cities have opposed this centers They have been kicked out. Now they are looking at El Paso	3
Board 4 - What Brings you in? Something Else	We never asked for a data center we don't need them. We don't have the infrastructure for an ai data center	3
Board 4 - What Brings you in? Something Else	Our utilities bill when up over 300% percent especially gas. We as tax payers will fit the bill.	3

Original Location	Comment	Meeting #
Board 4 - What Brings you in? Something Else	How can El Paso benefit if water and electricity will go up???	3
Board 4 - What Brings you in? Something Else	Its being done behind doors...	3
Board 4 - What Brings you in? Something Else	I am here to voice extreme concerns.. EP has a water shortage, climate change is real, cost is high in many areas.	3
Board 4 - What Brings you in? Something Else	This is another profit over people project	3
Board 4 - What Brings you in? Something Else	Will our water be affected?	3
Board 4 - What Brings you in? Something Else	Why are we giving welfare to corporation that make billion, they don't need tax	3
Board 4 - What Brings you in? Something Else	This is bad for our city	3
Board 4 - What Brings you in? Something Else	Say no to tax break they can afford. Saying no they will <u>leave</u>	3
Comment Card	As you know, El Paso is located in the middle of the Chihuahua desert. It is irresponsible to commit to an industry that will take our water for someone else's profit. What about the City residents? + county	4
Comment Card	Will AI still be something worth investin in 20 years? Meta recently had to shut down Metaverse as a \$88 Billion loss. Sora AI was deemed non profitable and shut down. Can we be sure this center will not be the same?	4
Comment Card	I am a lifelong El Paso resident and i am strongly opposed to the current Meta data cetner. Giving a mult-billion dollar corporation an 80% tax abatement over 25 years is a particularly igregious slap in the Face to tax payers. The vast amounts of resources that this center will requie are un-tenable, The city council members who forced this through should be remembered and voted out.	4
Comment Card	No Data Centers/The people were not informed of these actions. / Any action like should be placed and a referendum to the people.	4
Comment Card	The cost of building the data center should not be forwarded onto El Pasoans. Policy should be in place to make Meta treat their surroundings as though they lived here. Limits on emissions, water sonsumption, power consumption, land usage. Any corporation given free reign will only take and take and take - hold them accountable.	4
Comment Card	No Tax Avatements NO DATAS!	4
Comment Card	Not a single data center has benefitted the communities they're placed in. There is too much environmental, health, and personal damage for there to be any benefit. No one will benefit except for the corporations who destroy those people's lives. If a city council member won't live next to one, if a corporate worker won't live next to one, why should we? We don't want t live like this.	5
Comment Card	I vote No! For only 50 new jobs We have to pay higher water and light. Ridiculous! What studies or statistics have been done how these centers affect environment?	5
Comment Card	I am totally against the building of a NEW Data center. We as citizens of El Paso pay more for gas, water & electricity as it is. We don't want to be blindsided by dishing out more \$\$\$	5

Original Location	Comment	Meeting #
Comment Card	"The City will provide Meta an 80% tax abatement for 25 years." WHAT ABOUT US!?? I am a 68 yr old senior and have to still pay property taxes?? Who decides this??	5
Comment Card	I am scared of water abuse & an actual water war will ensue. Should data centers have failed in very wet areas why here in the desert!	5
Board 4 - What Brings you in? I want to voice my concerns	No data centers in EP	6
Board 4 - What Brings you in? I want to voice my concerns	No data centers	6
Board 4 - What Brings you in? I want to voice my concerns	Now new gas for data centers	6
Board 4 - What Brings you in? I want to voice my concerns	:(6
Board 4 - What Brings you in? I work in [...] industry	Software engineer. Cancel the Meta contract	6

Appendix D

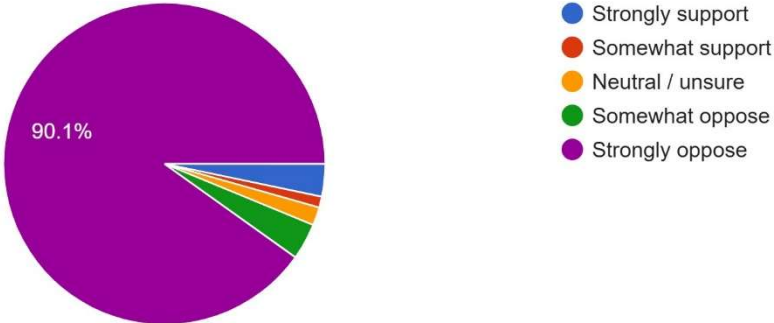
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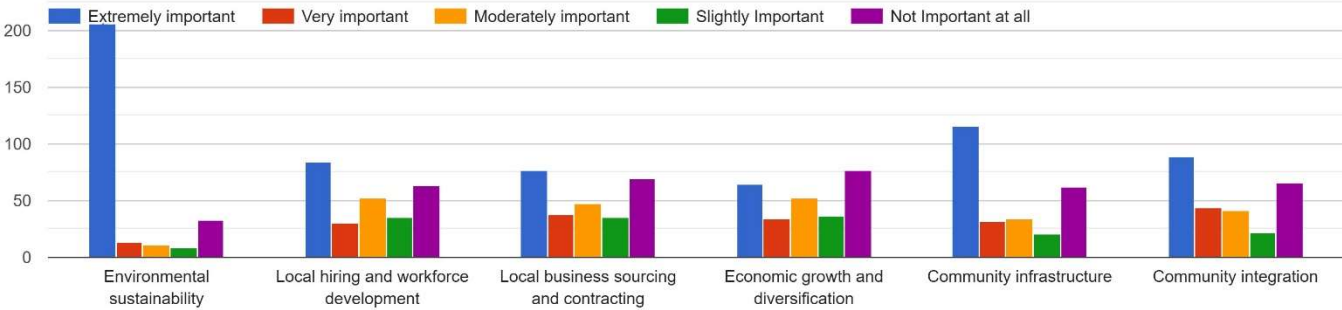
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Based on what you know about data centers, how much do you oppose or support data centers in our community?

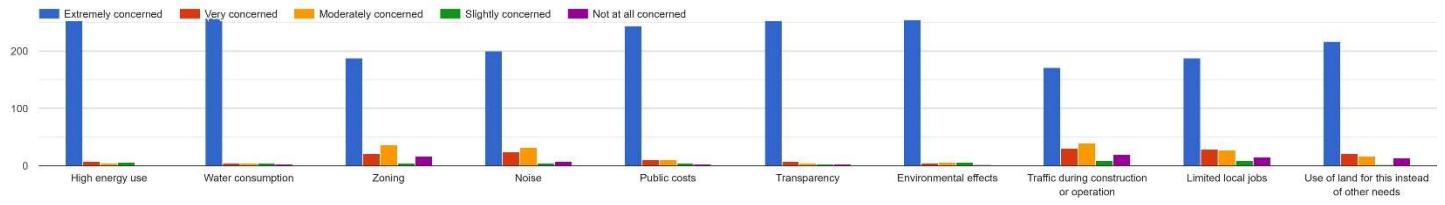
274 responses



Of the potential opportunities listed below that data centers may bring to the community, please indicate how important each is to you.

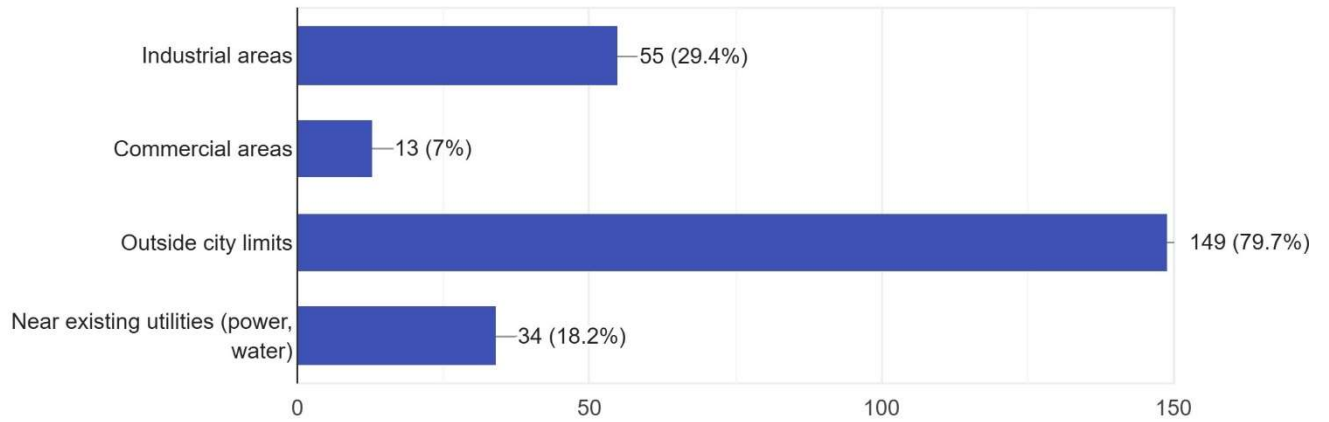


Of the concerns listed below, how concerned are you about each?



Where do you think data centers should be located? (Select all that apply)

187 responses



What should be most important when choosing a location? (Select only the 3 most important to you)

266 responses



Individual Survey Responses

1. Based on what you know about data centers, how much do you oppose or support data centers in our community?

Neutral / unsure

Strongly oppose

Strongly oppose

Strongly oppose

Strongly oppose

Strongly oppose

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Strongly support

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2. Of the potential opportunities listed below that data centers may bring to the community, please indicate how important each is to you.

Environmental Sustainability	Local Hiring & Workforce Development	Local Business Sourcing & Contracting
Extremely important	Extremely important	Extremely important
Moderately important	Not Important at all	Not Important at all
Extremely important	Not Important at all	Not Important at all
Extremely important	Moderately important	Very important
Extremely important		
Extremely important	Very important	Very important
Not Important at all	Not Important at all	Not Important at all
Extremely important	Moderately important	Moderately important
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Very important	Very important	Very important
Extremely important	Slightly Important	Slightly Important
Very important	Moderately important	Slightly Important
Extremely important	Very important	Very important
Extremely important	Slightly Important	Very important
Not Important at all	Not Important at all	Not Important at all
Slightly Important	Slightly Important	Slightly Important
Extremely important	Not Important at all	Not Important at all
Moderately important	Moderately important	Moderately important

Economic Growth & Diversification	Community Infrastructure	Community Integration
Extremely important		Extremely important
Not Important at all	Not Important at all	Not Important at all
Not Important at all	Not Important at all	Not Important at all
Very important	Moderately important	Moderately important

Not Important at all	Not Important at all	Not Important at all
Slightly Important	Extremely important	
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Slightly Important	Not Important at all	Not Important at all
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Slightly Important	Extremely important	Not Important at all
Very important	Very important	Very important
Very important	Very important	Very important
Moderately important	Very important	Very important
Not Important at all	Not Important at all	Not Important at all
Extremely important	Extremely important	Moderately important
Very important	Very important	Very important
Very important	Slightly Important	Slightly Important
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Moderately important	Very important	Very important
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Very important	Very important	Very important
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Very important	Moderately important	Moderately important
Moderately important	Slightly Important	Slightly Important
Extremely important	Very important	Very important
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Not Important at all	Extremely important	Not Important at all
Very important	Extremely important	Extremely important

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3. Of the concerns listed below, how concerned are you about each?

High Energy Use	Water Consumption	Zoning	Noise	Public costs
Extremely concerned	Extremely concerned	Extremely concerned	Extremely concerned	Extremely concerned
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Extremely concerned	Extremely concerned	Moderately concerned	Moderately concerned	Extremely concerned
Very concerned	Very concerned	Not at all concerned	Not at all concerned	Not at all concerned
Extremely concerned	Extremely concerned	Very concerned	Moderately concerned	Extremely concerned

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Transparency	Environmental effects	Traffic during construction or operation	Limited local jobs	Use of land for this instead of other needs
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3.1 Do you have any other concerns about the potential impact of data centers that were not listed above?

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The city is trying to make it sound as if this is a good thing for El Paso. You might as well plant a nuclear bomb. This is going up crush El Paso in ways that El Paso citizens don't even realize cause the City is Mali g it seem as if this is going to bring jobs! It's not cause it's all automatic. Only a handful of staff will run this center. Also, we barely have water to sustain us! And we will be stick with the bill and the heavy pollution this will cause!

None

How much the of the cost of supporting infrastructure is being passed to people

JUÁREZ and their water and contaminants

And how much of the cost is being offset by the people to build supporting infrastructure

I am strongly opposed to data centers and believe El Paso should investigate every avenue to stop the deal with Meta. Just this week, CNN reported that data centers raise the temperature in surrounding communities by up to 17 degrees while El Paso - and the world- are facing record heat. To build a massive, power source using gas just for meta will increase carbon dioxide and particulate matter- particulate already exceeds the levels deemed safe by the EPA. The agreement promises only 50 jobs and gives meta 80 percent break on property taxes for 25 years. We are a desert region with a history of over relying on groundwater, that has been invoked in water lawsuits, that purchases water from Dell- and now we have promised 1.5 million gallons a day to a corporation. Frankly, it is hard to see what El Paso does get out of this. To talk about jobs- without noting how AI is being used by these same corporations to fire people- is to not accurately look at the whole picture in the first place- even if El Paso does get 50 jobs, which is frankly insulting, how many people in El Paso will lose their jobs in the coming years because of AI?

Also the contact with meta states that the city shall not implement laws adverse to the 'data centers industry'. So my concern is, what does this mean for the residents and our climate action plan?

The fish only sees the bait. Never the hook

We are struggling to provide needed water as it is without all of these data centers being built. I want a guarantee that electric rates won't be affected.

lack of transparency

One thing that I strongly think needs to be considered is the amount of transient workforce that will be in the area for several years while the data centers are being built. We need a temporary housing solution. This will reduce traffic congestion, which we are already seeing on the west side with Project Jupiter, the NE with the Meta project, and will see with the Ft Bliss and potential far east Goggle project. The traffic congestion will undoubtedly cause accidents, delays, and dangerous conditions for residents. Also, without a temporary housing solution, hotels, rentals, air bnb's will be full, prices will skyrocket, rent will increase, displacement of local residents will happen, and availability will be limited. While the construction companies do a great job hiring as much local talent as possible, there's NO WAY they can hire enough to fulfill the requirements locally at the manpower curve peak. We are already seeing traffic and housing issues with both data centers only having around 1,500 on site each. Meta will peak at 4,000 workers and Jupiter will peak at over 5,000, with an additional 1,000 management and over 1,000 more for the power grid construction. The west side and NE are going to be a mess if this isn't addressed. There are solutions to de-risk this problem for the community!!

Water quality. Research shows data centers impact water quality and introduces new pollutants into the supply. We also need to think about wildlife.

Not using Microsoft's Project Silica as a far superior data storage solution. Not using Solar Energy as a viable energy source. Not using a closed cooling system. Not creating a heating island effect that drastically increases the outside surrounding temperature by an additional 10 - 20 %. not being fully transparent with the community that will have to burden the brunt growing pains of long term use and end up being a worlds fair relic several years later. Potential end of life creator for a monetary cash grab scheme at the cost of real world consequences notwithstanding. Why isn't this simply left to the natural cold vacuum of space where temperature can easily sustain a project of this size, or on the moon and simply beam the information to Earth. Simply protesting an item without hosting progressive community feedback only makes El Paso appear vulnerable in nature and a prime candidate for something we never asked for as a collaborative be given. Do the right thing for continued peace and tranquility in our region, reject all future attempts to construct resource driven, life destroying, and overall extremely high impact on quality of life data center facilities in our region

That this could attract more data centers to our area which cause more harmful effects to the already poor air quality in this area

I am concerned about the toxins that are emitted in our environment.

You already know where you're building them so you should have been transparent since then. You give us a limit on watering days yet these data centers are going to waste more water.

Data centers don't create long-term employment, and will crash the job market if we continue to let AI steal human jobs. El Paso is a wonderful place and we already don't have much water as it is, please don't take more water away from us.

What will happen if the economy crashes?

high cost to utility consumers

Forever chemical contaminated water aka dioxins.

Passing the continued infrastructure, utility costs to taxpayers after a certain number of years. Also, tax incentives that have been granted or may be granted- this impacts taxpayers directly... There should be NO tax incentives, 380 agreements period. Environmental impact, particularly air pollution (particulates)

Don't build it because we the people will take on the cost in the short and long term.

Yes. What this plant will do to the environment and water aquifer. Also this will effect the health of people living next to it.

There is not one good thing about this data center. Not one.

The we live in an already dry area the center would be detrimental

To our water

1-Health concerns for residents in the county

2-Does the city have the facilities to clean and recycle the water from the data center

Water cost increasing in the community, use of clean water sources, losing water pressure around the area

1. Blackouts, having no electricity in 100°+ summers. 2. Having water restrictions in the summer and the ability to sustain my yard and garden 3. Gas generator pollution, noise, & environmental impact, 4. Heat generated from this facility into our environment 5. The property taxes META will not be paying 6. How little META is giving back in exchange for polluting our city even more, as if the refinery and Juarez aren't enough 7. Our property taxes going up to sustain this monstrous facility 8. Our utilities going up to sustain the infrastructure of that facility 9. More electromagnetic radiation 10. Air quality decline 11. Nuclear energy used to run this facility, we don't want ANY kind of nuclear facility here in this county or in the surrounding area.

It will cost this community a fortune and it's a colossal waste of resources

WE DONT NEED IT!

We know we have very limited use of water here in El Paso. If we water on the wrong day we face fines. The Data center is coming in and being allowed 150 GALLONS A DAY. Since the Data Center has been approved our utility bills have raised their fees. I feel this is in preparation to pay for the use of Data center which isn't fair to the citizens.

They will further decrease the quality of life in El Paso. Not everything should be about money and economic growth. The assumptions that city leaders are operating on are wrong to begin with. There is no real data showing the positive impact of these data centers.

City needs to explain tax incentives they provided.

Learning from the experience of other cities with data centers

The FACTS need to be read in to the record!

Cost of basic utilities increases

I manage data centers. My concern is the amount of disinformation that is out there. You need people who know data centers to educate people.

No

The Mehta data center was approved without any input from the citizens of El Paso, who will be affected by the environmental impact and the use of our precious resources. We live in a desert. El Paso's limited water should be prioritized for the humans who live here, not to enrich corporations owned by billionaires who don't live here.

Data Center in the desert is a stupid idea. This dumb idea should not be entertained. META will take, take, take and there will not be any gift. Or if it needs to happen TAX them at 70% and ensure they pay more than their fair share of utilities. Data Centers consume so much fresh water and we are in the desert.

Air pollution from engine generators

Long-term strain on local water supply in a desert region, potential increase in electricity costs for residents, and lack of guarantees that benefits outweigh resource consumption.

You all fail to mention the impact the air pollution will have on our HEALTH, yet you are still trying to push these fucking contracts. Not only OUR children will suffer because of these fucking data centers, but your own children are not exempt from this suffering. They will suffer the same way, even if you sell out this city and move to another city where your children are "safe", there won't be ANY "safe place" where people don't have any water dumb fucks.

I am concerned that the cons electrical and water usage, impact to the environment will outweigh the pros such as job creation and economic benefits being considered. Once a data center is built they will require a small amount of local employees to operate. While the use of our local resources electrical and water usage will be continually drained by the data center.

Why can't they use brackish water from the Bolson

We are already billed for building infrastructure through the utilities we pay, especially for water. With the detrimental lack of snow pack in the north, which we rely on for river water, we face a very serious drought—worse than the drought we are already in. What is the benefit of giving any of this precious water to corporations that profit from this? No amount of incentives will fix the fact that we will run out of water if this is allowed to continue.

Long term environmental effects, tax exemption effects on city/county funding

it'll make a few rich people a bit rich richer, drive up electricity rates for the rest of us, and waste El Paso's water on AI nonsense

This is a moot point because there are already being built negotiations are closed and we're stuck with them!

Have ALL construction permits been obtained before work started??

High City investment into these Data Centers at the expense of El Paso's resources, community health and overall quality of life.

This should be voted on by public! We live in a desert and water is a major concern. Also why are we the consumer paying the bill for the power plant! What benefit is this for our communities. I understand that it will not provide many local jobs or contribute much of any positives to our community yet it will drastically reduce our quality of life!

This needs to go to the public for a vote ASAP!

It would be criminal to give these data centers one dime in tax abatements.

Yes, they not only consume our limited water supply but also HEAT the surrounding areas even more. Pollution...it's ALL bad. And I DO NOT want my house to depreciate b/c of these factors.

No. The impacts are clear. We live in one of the driest cities in America and we're going to hand over our water to these charlatans?

The borderplex alliance was instrumental in the deal to bring the Meta data center here. This group has a history of proposing/implementing deals without public input or feedback, that will affect the community environmentally, economically, and culturally. Is this group the elite class that makes the decisions for this city? EP electric is making a gas power plant just for this center, how is this environmentally conscious. Didn't the council just sign a climate change charter? The decision of the El Paso government is clearly favoring corporate elites, if someone was to investigate each official, how easy would it be to find proof of corruption?

El Paso has a bad record of providing tax breaks to very wealthy people and businesses who don't really need them and then costs go up for the residents in the form of utility rate increases, property taxes increases, and costs for infrastructure related to the businesses.

We don't have much water, and our air is already polluted. If the data centers bring jobs without using water and polluting, I could support them.

They have been known to cause mental issues, privacy issues, censorship, pornography, misinformation, brain rot. Social anxiety. It's a social media platform what do you expect?

There are articles about how cancer rates are increasing for people living around data centers
Health and temperature of the area

If data centers are allowed to come here- NO TAX CUTS

This would hit bad to the community
Tax Abatement for Meta.

This project seems rushed. The outcome only benefit the pockets of a few at the expense of the whole community. Other cities in the country are already hurting by the negative impact of these projects; we cannot follow into their footsteps.

Impact on local resources

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Lack of communication regarding data centers

The future of El Paso generally speaking I feel is headed towards a very negative path

El Paso doesn't have the best water, we struggle to obtain less than decent potable water. We still have to buy filters to drink it, it still gets recycled. We need a better water plant instead.

I do not want a Data Center in my city

Using clean water from a desert habitat can bring horrible consequences to our city!

No

If we as a community who are against the meta centers are ignored considering how strongly we do not want this built, because of the ways it would affect the dessert in which we live in.

Sustainability issues in the long run versus the limited benefits it actually brings to our community and city. We do not want these data centers.

yes, their profits are not going to stay here, they will left us only with destruction

The long term effects and impact on an already stressed environment. The long term pollution, the lack of transparency, the lack of information on how they plan to hire locals and boost the economy.

Transparency on who is benefiting. A project like this should keep the money here and not go to corporations. How is this going to affect youth and younger generations.

We're a deserted area . Running out of water because of this data centers

Yes, but let's start with those.

The congress and senate knows how harmful this data centers are, and it only benefits certain people that are not even part of our community that we love so much! They don't care about us!

Our own water supply and our bills.

no i do not

Transparency

A data center will take a large swath of land and turn it into a community dead zone that does not serve El Paso in any way and only takes limited resources.

rising utility costs, pollution of our limited natural resources, the health impacts of the pollution on el pasoans

The initial plans always seem to change by a lot when it comes to water consumption

Why Here? Do we need this? How will it affect my property values? Who's paying utilities?

Lack of concern for our city.

We are shooting ourselves in the foot if we allow the data center to exist in our region. The Border Alliance is not putting the good of our community at the forefront if they are jeopardizing our water and land (which are our life sources) and imposing costs for electricity and taxes on our people. Many other towns across the US are revealing the dangers of data centers. We need to listen to their warnings and protect our water, land and people. I encourage growth and prosperity for our area; however, this is not the answer.

Data centers in El Paso is a bad idea!

I am concerned about data center draining our resources and the environmental impacts as well as residents having to pay higher utility bills as a result. I am concerned the data center will drain from the community and provide very little in return. I dont trust them.

Impacts to the health of those living in the vicinity of the data center

I do not want data centers in our area

City Costs. If the project is cancelled the remaining costs will burden the City.

Native animal habitat pollution, destruction of land, increase of CANCER

I am strongly opposed to any data Centers in our area, due to excessive water consumption and pollution it will bring.

Depletion of water supply for future generations

Our electric bills will increase a lot. The taxpayers of EP, a poor city, will be paying the costs for construction and infrastructure, instead of the multi-billion dollar company that is building it! They are not planning to share their profits with taxpayers. In addition, they will not be paying local taxes. How does this contribute to the growth and development of our economy? The outlines of the deal were made in 2023, without public notice or input, under the supervision of City Attorney Niemann who was in way over her head, and was played by the AI corporate lawyers. The company has changed the terms agreed to in 2023. Essentially, it is a new "contract". The city must re-negotiate its terms to protect the interests and budget of its citizens.

No one wants data centers in our community. Other cities that do have them are struggling. Data centers are modern day refineries. This would be the same as having ASARCO all over again.

Rate increases, more polluters in our region like power plants, water use indirectly, water importation due to less water in our region, tax incentives, NDA's, opening the door to data centers and closing it to a different type of industry.

No

Long-term effects of increased air pollution and its impact on our already struggling health services.

the water usage these data centers will eat up - we live in a desert and water is scarce

We live in a desert. No amount of economic development will make me prioritize data centers over our access to clean water.

How these data centers will impact communities health in the long term

Health concerns, this has been raised in other areas that have a data center. Not enough research has been done. Polluting gas turbines. Tax incentives give to a multi billion dollar company. Power outages. The data center will get priority.

El Paso was just ranked the most polluted city in America and adding a data center will only add to that exponentially.

the data centers in corpus christi are putting a strain on the water resources, el paso will experience the same at some point what is the cities plan for water sustainability

With organizations like the Environmental Protection Agency, who no longer have the budget or authority to reinforce environmental regulations, how can El Paso be prepared when a billion dollar corporation such as Meta has no incentive to follow said regulations?

The "potential opportunities" question is extremely biased and will not return reliable data. It is designed to trick survey takers into checking things that are objectively good that the data center would take away, but it looks like support for the data center. Shame on you.

This is nothing but an attempt to grab cash and take advantage of the community without our consent. This will ruin El Paso's clean air and natural resources for a quick buck. Do the right thing and cancel this contract. You know better. Choose the greater good over your selfishness for once.

Environmental Compliance

Increase in cost of utilities for residents, air pollution standards as the gas power plants will significantly pollute our air, effect of temperatures rising because of data center activity, the fact that city council was not transparent with the residents on the ill effects a project like this could have (past city council), that they made an agreement with Meta giving away 25 years of tax revenue for so few jobs.

Introduction of new gas power plants to region

The fact that a data center is being built in the first place. Lack of trust in Meta and other companies to keep their word.

Although the city and utility companies continue to assure the community that rates will not go up, that is clearly a lie and if our reps truly believe this, I suggest they educate themselves in city infrastructure . Anyone who knows what it takes to build this type of infrastructure knows that our rates for water, gas and electricity will shoot up on top of the current rate increases. We are already experiencing power outages at an increasing rate on top up increased bills, same with all the pipes bursting and work te water company has had to put in. And everyone knows that the gas bills DOUBLING with no explanation is really hurting our community. And then you add this Data Center which will be sucking water away from our community when we're already in a global water shortage crisis. Moving forward with all these data centers is destructive to the longevity of our community.

I don't want to pay for the data centers, electricity, and water usage.

It seems odd to bring a data center to a region with extreme heat instead of a place up north were is colder and not as costly to cool down. If it requires vast amounts of water take it tona region were water is more abundant instead to a desertic city were water is more scarce and might affect surrounding population.

Climate change, pollution, and impact on environment over time. It used to snow knee deep in El Paso 40 years ago. Now, it doesn't even pile up. We are always on drought, not enough rainfall. This will devastate our environment and raise the price of living expenses we cannot afford. We do not have enough water to sustain the data center and the needs of the people of our city future generations.

In El Paso water shortages, electricity costs to its citizens, long term environmental impacts such as shifts in higher temperatures.

Wildlife

Stop data centers! They are destroying humanity and life as we know it. They are harmful.

Will make El Paso an unappealing place to live because of higher taxes and lack of natural resources

We are GIVING AWAY our resources to multibillion dollar companies and making El Paso residents pay. All for negligible (if not negative) public benefit.

All of the above are valid key points

You cancelled a long standing lease with people who actually was good for our community and brought in this monstrosity

We don't want it here

We do not want a data center under any terms or circumstances.

Tax payer money rise on water and electric bills.

I live very close to it so I'm concerned about noise, wildlife, water pressure, home resale, home value

How it will affect our health and the future of our kids.

This data center will only be unwanted noise to our city.

Yes we have just enough water to support us we do not have the water to support anything other than us

Data centers need to research on other methods to cool off their data centers because it is possible not to use water

I am extremely concerned about water resources and the strain on our electricity grid. Price hikes will make it almost impossible for low-income families to survive.

To me the "potential opportunities" will not matter once all of our water is gone. Also not sure why would you include environmental sustainability as a potential opportunity when we know and have seen around the country the environmental challenges data centers cause in the community. Very misleading. Also any "opportunities" will be outweighed by the damage and resources consumption of this data center.

Our children's future will be affected in a bad way because of this.

Increases taxes to El Paso citizens instead of that business

No

Data Centers are high air polluters, they increase consumer utility rates. It's all been confirmed and reported to the public. There are many municipalities that are deny their entry. If this endeavor is not stopped there will be a political backlash from the voters when the utility rates start to skyrocket. The city leaders dropped the ball allowing these data centers in.

Directly impact home values, and will bring a tremendous amount of traffic on an already over-stressed hwy 54 in the northeast.

I do not want this or any data center built here in El Paso, TX or the surrounding areas.

Noise and heat said to be emitted from data centers elsewhere in the country. City of Corpus Christi Texas where there is a data center is said to run out of drinking water within the next six months due to a data center built there that consume HUGE amounts of this resource.

Potential property value decreases for those of us in the northeast

Yes. Beyond the issues already raised, another major concern is the long term strain data centers place on public safety and emergency services, including fire response, grid stability, and disaster preparedness. These facilities introduce new risks without providing proportional support to local services.

There is also concern about transparency and accountability. Once approved, data centers often operate with limited public oversight, making it difficult for residents to track water use, energy consumption, environmental impacts, or compliance with commitments. When problems arise years later, communities are left dealing with the consequences.

Finally, there is the concern of opportunity cost. Approving data centers means dedicating scarce land, water, and infrastructure to a use that offers little community return, while we could carve out development that could better support housing, healthcare, education, and sustainable local employment, with union backed jobs. In a desert city like El Paso, every resource decision matters, and data centers simply do not justify what they take from the community.

Yes—beyond the concerns already listed, large-scale data centers would place significant strain on El Paso's already limited water and energy resources, which are critical in a desert region. These facilities consume enormous amounts of electricity and often require substantial water for cooling, exacerbating existing infrastructure challenges and potentially driving up utility costs for residents. They also provide relatively few long-term local jobs compared to their footprint, while contributing to noise pollution, land use disruption, and environmental degradation. Overall, the burden on the community far outweighs the limited benefits, especially in a region already facing resource constraints.

I am concerned about the cities spending and resource usage. I'm concerned the data center will only amplify that and then return raise cost of electric electricity and water for all of El Paso.

This isn't beneficial to our community! The city and everyone states they are for the people in doing something about this yet construction continues every day. I just bought a house by there. If the data center continues being built I am 1000% going to sell my house and leave El Paso. And I hope that if the community isn't being taken serious; that they follow behind us!!

Long term health issues caused by data centers for my kids and grandkids in 25 yrs

The impact of data centers on public health.

The fact our previous city council obligated the city to this project with a potential \$1 billion dollar due if we terminate the project.

Environmental impacts due to extreme increase in electrical demand/production and water use.
Atmospheric and thermal emissions from on site power generation and cooling of the servers/equipment

Let Meta sue us. It will cost us more than \$1 billion later on with negative economic impact.
No jury will award that much to traitorous and lying big business.

I don't think the City is accounting for the heat this project will create. A recent paper designates AI centers as "heat islands" which is the last thing we need in the desert! See "The data heat island effect: quantifying the impact if AI data centers in a warming world"; DOI: 10.48550/arXAiv.2603.20897

The "potential opportunities" listed above are not favorable to the city of El Paso, and listing it as such on this survey could be interpreted as misinformation. The data center will cause harm in every category listed in said question, as previously stated by many of El Paso's citizens.

80% tax abatement will lose the city millions while only making the people who brokered this deal richer. Cities with data centers have the highest utility rates and taxes in the country. Do not do that to the city of El Paso.

I do not agree with the City of El Paso giving corporations tax rebates, especially when potential incoming corporations have multi million or billion dollar profits. If a corporation is looking to invest in our community, they should pay their fair share of taxes so we can reduce the tax burden of El Paso residents. Multi-year tax rebates are not good for the community, especially when many companies do not stay in our community for the length of the rebate. I also do not think that we have the appropriate environment to support more data centers. Between the Meta data centers and the other data center that will be built in Fort Bliss, we run the risk of major environmental impacts, especially water sustainability, if these two centers use more water and other resources than they project. I don't want to end up like Corpus Christi where they let the refineries use their water resources to the point of a public crisis.

DATA CENTERS ARE KILLING COMMUNITIES ACROSS THE COUNTRY, DON'T LET THIS HAPPEN TO EL PASO

El paso is a desert, the water consumption alone is concerning. Not to mention the rise in utilities the public will be facing, along with the added pollution.

Data centers place an unsustainable burden on our environment, especially in already resource-limited areas like ours. I believe we should prioritize development that truly supports residents and preserves our natural resources.

That this has already cost the taxpayers money and the company is getting tax breaks to ruin our land and polluting the area

NO tax breaks for billionaires!!!!

The creation of heat islands by these data centers; downstream pollution from Santa Teresa data center; tax abatement benefits large, financially-prosperous companies for what ? I've yet to hear how this actually benefits El Paso long-term. Also, projects such as these should be shared about from the beginning with citizens having say as to their development, not behind closed doors.

Senior citizen and El Paso Water left us without water 4 days because of aging water infrastructure that has not been corrected, yet we are adding service lines for a Huge Data center. El Paso Water is a City owner utility and we the people should not have had our water rates increased because we have poor service and low quality water we all know even with a closed system the data center will use an extreme amount of water any time the temperature is above 85 degrees so about 290 days a year in El Paso Texas. The electricity rates were also increased and I fear blackouts; especially during the summer months. The Data center us very close to Nolan Richardson Middle School and studies have proved the hum / noise; low frequency noise the large servers emit cause many health issues, especially in children: anxiety, sleep disturbances, memory issues are just a few. Data centers cause the surrounding land temperature to increase as much as 15 degrees; we already have several days over 100 degrees so adding another 15 degrees is intolerable. Also the plan was agreed for solar energy and now a large natural gas power plant will be added; so more pollution to a city that already has one of the highest amount of air pollution in the USA. The citizens deserve better.

Yes the rise in Utilities for City that under average per capital in income will Hurt the poor people with food and housing and Senior Citizens like myself to keep up with Taxes

Needs of community should be considered more than money made by commissioners

Usage of tax payers money.

If we don't have enough water here to have grass for our kids to play on or trees to give shade, then we definitely don't have enough water for a data center either. We're already living in a modern dust bowl due to tearing out desert shrubs and building and being incentivized by the city to rip out our plants and lawn and put in rock instead. These data centers do not contribute to quality of life or job security for many people. They're a drain on the already limited environmental resources in the desert.

We are on a very hot city, very dry, don't waste our water.

That we are getting 3 in our community

These data centers are horrible and should never be placed so close to where people reside. There is plenty of cities who were able to stop the data centers from being built by them, and we need to do so as well. When I bought my house I had no clue this was in the plans. I do not want this data center near where I am raising my children. The pollution, noise and usage of our resources is not worth the money the city will make. No one wants this data center here. I'm fully opposed to the data center here in the Northeast of El Paso, and anywhere else for that matter. Please listen to the people and put a stop to this!

Cost of operations being passed down to el pasoans

Citizens paying for this. Meta should be biting the bill, lower our rates and give it to meta

Data centers do not bring any viable opportunities for the community.

No

No

The use of Water in a desert city. With water restrictions on the summer

Providing data centers tax dollars when they're just here using our resources and providing limited jobs that are not long-term.

Health concerns to the public, population leaving, home value

Who does it benefit? Not the residents!!! Wasting valuable resources that we need to conserve.

WATER USAGE

Increase in utility expenses/taxes for the community

The tax incentive agreement known as the "380 agreement" with META is very concerning. If the contract is not broken, META will not pay 80% of property taxes to the City for 15 years. It is neither practical nor possible for our community to inherit tax responsibility for facilities that would increase pollution and raise utility rates, especially as how El Paso was just named the most polluted city in the United States.

NO DATA CENTERS

It feels like the City is subsidizing these out-of-town gigantic corporations to come take advantage of our impoverished state.

Water consumption that is going to be affecting tax payers

Once the data center is built they will not provide the City of El Paso with much financial benefit due to the enormous tax incentives in the current agreement.

They're being given a lot of tax-exempt benefits when they don't contribute anything to our community.

Drought

none

Our neighborhoods should not be forced to subsidize massive data centers through rising utility demand and long-term infrastructure strain while companies like Meta receive extraordinary tax abatements. Residents will ultimately shoulder these costs through higher rates and reduced public revenue. After construction ends, the permanent job count is only a few hundred—and there's no guarantee those jobs even go to local workers. This is not a fair trade for our community, and it deserves far greater transparency and public accountability before moving forward.

Cost of living will increase

Yes, economic impact of meta trading watts at our expense while they syphon the profits elsewhere. Add a tax to every watt generated, distributed, purchased or sold. Meta is already in the energy business and it will become even more lucrative. Meta and oracle chose this area for strategic purposes if our grid, don't let them run it to the ground. Make them upgrade it.

If you want to hear more email me.

We have seen what has happened with places like Corpus Christi and are not paying attention to the negative effects this will have in the coming decades. We are not being intelligent and protecting our community.

Your survey questions are misleadingly written to obfuscate the issues. The development of data centers in this area will wreak environmental havoc on our region, impacting the poorest of our community with rate hikes, and ONLY benefit the already wealthy.

The 25 year tax abatement that could possibly cost the city up to 1 billion in lost tax revenue.

Water consumption and pollution are the 2 biggest concerns. We live in a DESERT where we already limit water consumption, so why are we entertaining the idea of a data center?

3.2 How could your concerns be addressed or mitigated? Please be detailed with your answer.

frrr

My concern is the Governor dumping this data center in us cause he does t care what this is going to do to our City! Other Cities are suffering that have data centers. I thought the Mayor was sincere about wanting to improve our City! This data center will destroy our City!

Do NOT want data centers at all!

Scale back by a lot

Cancel the current contract. Institute of moratorium on data center construction for at least five years. Begin rigorous, scientifically study about the health and environmental impact of data centers. Create a community oversight board made of member of the community that have a real say in decision making.

Why so many others have declined this gift

Why us. Why not Lubbock or Fort Stockton, etc?

Let them go somewhere else.

meta needs to put forth a plan to have an independent group that in the interest of the community to be monitor water usage energy usage air pollution ground water pollution. the rate increases need to set forth to the community with complete transparency. otherwise we will ban together and start litigation. our children will be hurt by this and it was done behind our back

I know of companies that do this all over the county to help solve these issues. Public awareness and pressure to ensure that the transient workforce is managed only enhances the value of the data centers.

I don't want data centers at all. I don't care if they bring 50 jobs or 200 jobs or 500 jobs. The community has spoken and we don't want data centers. We recognize how precious our water is. On top of that, I don't want the gas plant. If we allow this to happen, who knows how we will leave El Paso for future generations (contaminated water and worse air quality)

I mean we might as well all drop dead right this very second. The very thought of dancing or installing a tech facility without oversight and consideration of all the impacts on quality of life and beyond is honestly a reckless endangerment act by all standard of sound logical decision making ability. The continued resounding echo chamber of the community is clear; to oppose any further investment, time, and consideration of the realization of multiple center facilities in our region. We as long time citizens have earned the right to be heard on a stage such as this. Without question life in general is already quite the daily struggle, adding additional quality of life burden such as this will only multiply the chaotic effect of I told you so effects to follow. To reiterate, El Paso barely has a steady flow of clean drinking water and basic sustainable electricity to provide a generous amount of healthy life well into the future for basic needs, not for one singular voiceless power hungry soulless entity that only seeks to wow with tech marvel and for lack of better word poisonous snake intentions.

I want guarantees that our water and air quality will be safe. We don't need data centers! We need more child care centers, affordable and high quality healthcare, cleaner parks!

I want complete transparency in regards to potential environmental damage.

If you really want them, build them more than 50 miles outside of the city COUNTY and not right next to our homes

Data Centers will have to provide their own resources, like electric & water and not use any of the public resources. There shall further be no special tax treatments and they shall pay taxes like any other business.

Put off the data center for at least another 10 years and see if it's still a good idea. I'm willing to bet millions that data centers all over the US will be obsolete in that time, and/or catastrophic to the areas they reside in.

stop data center construction

Do not build in El Paso, we have limited water resources.

Enforceable contract by the city to taxpayers that data center costs will NEVER be passed on to taxpayers as well as NO impact to tax payer utility (water, electric, etc..) consumption/ cost. NOT promises, but something enforceable.

They won't

Stop building it.

Don't let them build.

No center at all

Well it is too late as this is already underway. Tell the community the truth about what this is going to do to our water supply, electric use, temperature around the area, and noise.

It would be nice to get facts about the data center. Someone should address the concerns of the tax payers and residents with actual facts about what has happened to other areas where there are data centers already established. Independent research on the impact of data centers.

WE do NOT want any data centers here in our community, county, or surrounding areas. The negatives are far too big and many and long-term to even consider how little META is giving back!

Don't allow it to be built

Move the Data Center where water is not an issue, here it is. All data centers are exhausting water supplies and increasing the consumption and price of electricity. The jobs are not permanent except for a small high tech jobs.

Stop the building of the Data center. As a resident of northeast El Paso I don't want it here. AI is stealing people's hard work and I don't want them built anywhere.

Say NO to all data centers in El Paso. WE DO NOT HAVE THE WATER.

By not allowing data centers PERIOD. Not giving tax rebated to multi billionaire corporations!!! Not being gullible and think about your constituents instead of all the debt you ran up!

Hire someone to do an economic forecast of the benefit of the \$10 billion investment, multiplier effect, etc.

Talk with other cities to identify problems, solutions, and lessons learned, and incorporate them. Provide more information to the public.

The FACTS need to be read in to the record!

Please stop.

Have data center professionals and legitimate environmentalists attend and speak at the meeting.

Meta has to explicitly write on paper contract that they will be responsible for all costs for 20-30yrs. They pay all.

Why was this plan not voted on by the citizens of El paso

Citizens want answers as to how this contract was signed after Meta verbally indicated that it would use sustainable power and solar. That apparently was not written into the contract, and now Meta has reneged on what they verbally proposed. Citizens want to know how the city can void this contract, given that the project no longer resembles the one that was initially described to the city council. I believe the state, and indeed, the federal government, should call a moratorium on all construction of future data centers until more research can be done on their environmental impact. I would like the city of El Paso to say NO to any future proposals to build data centers here.

My concern would be mitigated if you offered NO tax breaks and make them pay for all of the infrastructure and actual electric costs; they should get NO breaks... I would prefer that no data center be build period!! Billionaires taking the limited resources of the citizens of El Paso is criminal, and those that voted for this horrible decision likely were bribed with cash, favors or future jobs. No logical person with a brain would agree to a data center being build in the desert.

Well announced Public hearings, surveys

Require strict limits on water usage, including use of recycled or non-potable water only. Ensure data centers supply or offset their own power so costs are not passed to residents. Require independent environmental impact studies, full transparency on resource use, and enforceable penalties if limits are exceeded.

By not letting them have access to local water or power grid

My concerns can be addressed by canceling the fucking contract with Meta.

My concerns would be mitigated or rather eased if the data center was not build in our community.

Cancel the existing plan for a DATA Center & don't make any other plans for others!

Announce that they won't use city water (we're in a desert)

Stop all data center contracts and block all data center building in the future. We cannot sustain the demand with our resources.

I would like more information on how it will really affect our city and if we really need it.

Independent studies from outside organizations with no vested interest in the subjects to be studied.
don't allow data centers in El Paso

Pause until you get approval by we the people and never do this again to is i

OPENESS. OPENESS. OPENESS. Enough with all of the secrecy about the project.

Terminate data center contract, immediately. Preserve our community's fragile resource ecosystem and support economic development and vitality by investing MORE in local businesses, and targeting more ethically-linked national corporations to partner with. Don't sell out our community for money.

Stop the build now! Explain how they plan to use the water and how that will benefit the people who live here! Get a public vote! Explain who will ultimately pay for the electricity and water use! Who will benefit the most! There is no communication with the public! This is a life altering decision for the city it should be made public and needs to be voted on! This is a representative government and we should have a voice!

Do NOT give any tax abatements. We CANNOT give them our resources and tax breaks.

Stop the Meta contract. Get a new legal team to object to the contract which is already not being honored (like using solar panels). STOP all future data centers from going up in our area. Just b/c land is cheap, WE are not cheap. We are worth more. My home is worth more.

By banning these wasteful, harmful and unnecessary data centers. I'm extremely worried about the impact on my community, the waste of water, the power of the lobbyists, the waste of electricity while providing so few jobs and no clear economic benefits. These data centers need to go elsewhere. They are not welcome here.

All data centers should be stopped in their construction stage. The city should sue Meta for environmental damages and not adhering to the contract they signed with the city. The contract goes into details about how it will be "green". The building of a gas powered plant already goes against the solar or wind powered generators they proposed in the deal. If the city goes through with this, the citizens should sue the city officials and force an emergency voting session to deal with the corruption.

Tax the crap out of these guys. If they want to come in and use scarce water, electricity that rate payers subsidize, and pollute our already-taxed environment, they should PAY, PAY, PAY. Their tax rates should be 5 times what a sustainable business is charged. Their electricity rates should be double what a sustainable business is charged. Their WATER RATES should be 20 TIMES what a sustainable business is charged. We live in the desert, we should not be allowing water-guzzling businesses to set up shop here. IT IS NOT SUSTAINABLE.

By requiring the data centers to have no pollution/emissions and to use 100% recycled water/wastewater. Cancel deal. DO NOT SUPPORT SOCIAL DEGRADATION.

No

Getting rid of them altogether, otherwise no tax breaks and mandating environmental reparations and investing in the communities and environment wellbeing

NO DATA CENTERS IN EL PASO OR SURROUNDING AREA

It can affect on all the people around the city this isn't safe

End agreement with meta.

Stop the project and protect our limited resources.

Stopping the data centers from being built

Stop the project and protect our limited resources.

Sources information and communication

By not making a data center here. This needs to be placed by areas where they have enough resources to make them work, instead of going to a city where theres barely enough potable drinking water for their residents. El Paso needs better drinking water.

Transparency on the actual use of water, the pollution that having this will affect us all, we are a desert and the tax payers will be paying for this not only monetary but with our health!

DO NOT bring a data center to our area.

No data centers in our dessert

Data centers can be self sustaining by having their own clean energy

Considering a lot of the community are against this being built, relocation could be an option. Somewhere where the supply of non renewable resources are greater. Another option is making AI only accessible for those who NEED it would save a lot of energy for people using it for entertainment purposes uses our clean drinking water to keep these data centers working and the use is pushing on them being built which isn't a necessity.

Breaking contract with these data centers and to ban their abuse on our community, resources, and city. the only way is canceling these projects. Then to work the proper rules of the good projects that will keep our city clean and healthy, no mining, no fracking, no data centers, no pollution, only green projects that will help our city grow with sustainability. And to cut the influence of borderplex in our city, they are not working for the people of El Paso and close areas. No Data Center, No IA centers

By denying the construction of data centers. We don't have the local resources. Farmers are already struggling with water, we don't an industry that is not life or death threading to stress the environment and community any more than what is already is.

Elected officials should prioritize the common wellbeing of residents of El Paso and the region, environmental impacts and effects take please in a broader area not just a boundary.

DO NOT approve data centers in this region

cancellation of the project

Do not building the data center here in El Paso nor near El Paso.

To not build the data centers in El Paso or Santa Teresa

Maybe not approving a data center in the literal desert????

by sharing it to others so they could understand that a ai data center provide high risk and low rewards to the city of el paso

I'm unable to attend meetings therefore continuing communication through emails is a great way to keep updating our community

I'd appreciate for our concerns as a community to be heard and for action to be taken, to stop the building of these data centers. It is clear we do not support the building of these data center or for those who are public servants to make decisions that do not have the best interests of the constitutions.

Cancel all existing contracts with META, do not bring other data centers here.

cancel the contract with Meta, don't allow construction to continue. make a pledge to el pasoans that we will not be sold to the highest bidder

Don't build the Data Center in El Paso.

Data centers should not be allowed in drought prone regions

Don't built it here. We don't need this here. Don't build it here. They pay all of their utilities.

No data centers.

It can't. The data center needs to fill their pockets elsewhere.

Not allowing data centers built in Desert Southwest.

My concerns will be mitigated when the data center decide to exist elsewhere.

No data centers within a certain amount of miles of residents / or any buildings. Strict environmental guidelines to include no subsidies.

Data centers should not be in this area with limited resources

Do not bring AI Data Centers into El Paso. The city's infrastructure and environment cannot support them. There are better means of bringing technology jobs to El Paso, like Aerospace.

STOP Data Centers from being built

Stop construction.

I will attend the meetings opposing the data centers

Renegotiate; tax the Meta AI facilities, just like small businesses are taxed. The AI center will create noise, traffic and raise the temperature in the area where it is built. EL Paso is already too hot, and is getting hotter. The rise in utility costs, both electricity and water, the pushing of gigantic debt onto the taxpayers, and rising temperatures, will all make El Paso more unlivable, unaffordable, unsustainable, unhealthy and unattractive. You won't keep your most livable city status very long, when people considering moving here learn about your plans. I am very discouraged by the undemocratic manner in which this has been handled. Plans and deals are made by the powerful long before the people are informed. I never thought I would, but I am considering if I should move out of El Paso, my home, and a city I love. Another great job by the city government, esp. the Council, serving the interests of the contributors who put them in office.

Saying NO to Data Centers!

Do not allow data centers in El Paso desert with limited water already.

More detailed air and water quality surveys and more money put aside to mitigate these harms with plans put in place immediately.

No data centers. Period.

If the city canceled the deal they made with Meta and instead focused on creating social programs that would address food and water scarcity in the region.

Cancelling the contract with meta

The desert is the last place a data center should be built. I truly believe it will destroy our quality of life. Poor air, higher bills, scarce water. You have to look 10 -15- 20 years ahead. EP will be ruined. Put it to a vote.

Do not add data centers

Don't build the data centers here.

Banning data centers in our city and it's nearing limits.

Cancel the project

stop giving data center and corporations billion dollar tax breaks, that use up all the resources and bring no real value for the community, empty promises. they polluted the air, land and water with no accountability

I want the City of El Paso to break the contract with Meta. There are no regulations in place for these data centers as seen with XAI in Memphis, Tennessee, and many others. These facilities are known to create noise, water, and air pollution affecting communities and causing severe health problems among them. For a city located in a desert there is no logical reason why a data center should be located in a drought prone region with already high temperatures and pollution levels at a national high.

Cancel the contract for the data center. Meta has the resources to take it somewhere else. It is so obvious that the return on benefits for the city are diminishing beyond 100 jobs. Cancel it. Walk away from it.

If the proposed dedicated power plant were to be a nuclear plant using water piped in from a different aquifer, and if all the data center's water were to be piped in from a different aquifer, my concerns (massive water use and pollution incommensurate with small job creation) would be fully mitigated. Barring this, if there were clear enforceable limits placed on the water consumption of the data center, including the water consumption of its dedicated power plant, and these limits were quite aggressive such that Meta's desires for water were not nearly being met, my concerns would be greatly mitigated.

1. Assessment of current environmental.

2. Provide specifics concerning how data centers impact the environment. 3. Develop review and report periods. 4. Commit to transparency.

Complete transparency; admonishing Borderplex Alliance for disparaging the residents of El Paso; rejecting the horrible deal that it is. The list goes on.

My concerns could be stopped with stopping and canceling anything regarding data centers in the region. We already don't have water and for this thing to consume that much.

Data centers should simply not be allowed in the desert especially during a mega drought. There is no mitigation possible for water lost to centers.

Don't build the data center.

As mentioned in my above response allowing the data center is negligent, reckless and shows the lack of education and knowledge about the topic. The way the communities concerns can be addressed is by stopping the construction of current data centers and banning any future data centers being built near the El Paso county. The country and county are experiencing unprecedented low water levels in lakes that we rely on for water and you are willing to sell that to these data centers. I urge City councils and all reps to read up and educate themselves on the environmental impact and current environmental state we are in and how this DIRECTLY affects every single person. Our community gains absolutely NOTHING from this deal, no money is being brought in and all of our resources are being taken from us while driving the cost of living up with increasing utility rates. We are all suffering with inflation as it is. This is truly baffling that anyone is even on the side of the data centers. EDUCATE YOURSELVES. and answer the question below, nowhere. Data Centers belong no where. AI is making our youth dumber (there is proof of this) and AI is being used recklessly rather than usefully.

Force meta to build renewable power to supply their data center and make sure they pay for their electricity and water. The citizens of El Paso should not have to suffer any rate change from El Paso electric or El Paso water just because a billion dollar company struck a deal to get services for thousandths (.001) of penny on the dollar.

I would also like to see them have to build closed loop cooling systems. Just because the hueco and bolson aquifers have ample capacity now doesn't mean a billion dollar company can use it all for cooling with no real use after. (Contamination is never avoidable so there's no way it can be "processed" for return to a potable supply)

The data centers built around the country don't have a good record with the community so how is this one be any different.

Do not approve or continue with development of data centers.

By not following through with this data center. The city needs to listen to the people of El Paso. We as a community strongly oppose data centers here in our community.

Building elsewhere not in the desert where there is already an extreme shortage of resources.

Don't build them here without community support

No data center

Not building data centers in our communities.

Break contract with META. No more future data center projects

Don't do it

Don't allow data centers to be built in El Paso. IF they are built here, required them to be responsible for providing their own energy. They cannot be allowed to steal our limited resources.

Empathetic value towards the community and environmental courtesy. Numbers of continued increases to heat, resources sustainability and the effect of private companies are already plaguing El Paso and our voices go unheard and corporations only see numbers. As we have seen with push back and outbursts of the community compared to other locations, in Texas, as well as in the US

There was no transparency...the people should have had a say in what you. Are doing to the community Simple. Don't build it here.

Do not operate a data center. My concerns will not be resolved until this project is cancelled completely. Under no circumstances will the community ever want a data center. I don't know how else to detail this concern. If this is built, I and many other citizens will vote against anyone responsible for this decision. NO DATA CENTER. EVER. To answer the very biased question below - "Where do you think data centers should be located" NO WHERE. NO. WHERE. NO DATA CENTER UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES.

To provide and confirm that we will not be hit with more rate increases.

Community meeting

They haven't.

I strongly oppose the construction of this data center in our city. Its extreme energy demands and the plan to build a natural gas facility to support it raise serious environmental concerns. In a region already facing severe water scarcity, with the Rio Grande nearly dry, this project places additional strain on limited resources. Rather than supporting our agricultural community and long-term sustainability, this development risks increasing pollution without providing meaningful benefits to our residents.

Put the Data Centers in Mississippi that state could use everything data centers offer

How are they planning of disposing of their e waste

Data centers should provide their own infrastructure without using community resources

Go to the middle of nowhere not in our city!

Solar powered plants, closed loop water cooling. Or do not build a giant center like this in the desert, seems like such an idiotic idea.

By dissolving any and all contracts with META and not ever agreeing to any other Data centers

DO NOT BUILD DATA CENTERS

Decrease their tax breaks. Do not allow data centers to be built. How many will that be now? 3 in one moderate sized city

Fines or halting of operations for non-compliance

There would have to be air quality and utility rate increase triggers. If the data center exceeds the air pollution parameter, they would start being fined up to complete shutdown. If the utility rates go up by a certain amount because of their usage they would have to create their own power or lower their consumption.

Find another location better suited to this, or put the proper infrastructure in BEFORE this is built, so the impact will be minimal.

Plain and simple. DON'T BUILD OR ALLOW DATA CENTERS HERE.

Do not build the data center.

Don't build the data center

My concerns could only be addressed through very strict, enforceable conditions, and even then, I remain skeptical that data centers belong in a desert community like El Paso. Mitigation cannot rely on promises or voluntary actions. It would require binding requirements that put residents first.

First, water and power use would need to be tightly regulated, capped, and fully transparent. Data centers should be required to use non potable or recycled water only and invest in their own infrastructure so there is no impact to residential supply or utility costs. Any increase in local utility rates connected to their operations must be legally prohibited from being passed on to residents.

Second, there must be full environmental accountability through independent oversight. All environmental studies, monitoring, inspections, and long-term impact assessments must be paid for by the company but conducted by a third party inspector chosen by the City, not the developer. Ongoing monitoring of soil, air, and groundwater should be required, with results made publicly available. If contamination or environmental harm occurs at any point, the company must be fully responsible for cleanup and damages, without any burden placed on taxpayers.

Third, there should be no tax abatements, incentives, or special treatment of any kind. The only real benefit to the city is when data centers pay full taxes from the beginning. Anything less means El Paso is subsidizing private companies while giving up land, water, and infrastructure.

Fourth, job creation requirements must be enforceable and meaningful. This includes guaranteed permanent jobs for local residents with wage and benefit standards, not just temporary construction work. Training investments must focus on fields the community actually needs, such as skilled trades and healthcare, including nursing and medical professions. These investments must include substantial funding for the local school system, not minimal contributions that are quickly absorbed by basic costs.

Fifth, strong land use protections must be in place. Data centers should not be located near residential neighborhoods or displace land that could be used for housing, healthcare, or community serving development.

Finally, there must be ongoing community oversight with the authority to enforce penalties or revoke approvals if commitments are not met. All enforcement and review processes should be funded by the company and carried out by independent third parties selected by the City.

Even with these conditions, the reality remains that data centers demand too many limited resources while offering very little in return. Given El Paso's water limitations, rising costs, and infrastructure needs, the most effective way to mitigate these concerns may be to not approve data centers at all and instead focus on development that directly benefits the community.

Communities across the U.S. have already shown that these concerns are serious enough to pause, restrict, or outright reject data center projects when impacts outweigh benefits. For example, in Loudoun County—often called “Data Center Alley”—residents have pushed back against rapid expansion due to noise, visual blight, and massive energy demands, leading officials to reconsider zoning and slow approvals. In Chandler, community opposition to a proposed data center focused heavily on water usage in a drought-prone region, forcing developers to revise plans and justify their resource consumption. Similarly, towns in Oregon and Iowa have implemented stricter regulations or denied permits due to tax incentive concerns, minimal job creation, and strain on local infrastructure. The proposed data center should be rejected outright, and the city should void any existing agreement immediately. Since the initial proposal, changes have already shifted the burden onto residents—financially, environmentally, and in terms of infrastructure strain. El Pasoans should not be forced to absorb increased utility costs, water depletion, and long-term environmental impacts for a project that offers minimal benefit to the community. This is not a balanced or fair agreement; it is one where residents carry the risk while private interests reap the rewards. The city has a responsibility to protect its people and resources, and that means stopping this project now before the damage becomes irreversible.

I feel like Council city members and county representatives need to be more informed on the decisions they're voting for. I think before making decisions it should be thoroughly research surveyed. All city and county projects should be properly budgeted for with plans on maintenance without it being a huge tax burden on homeowners.

Stop construction of this center

Honestly, they've already decided on building them our opinion doesn't matter. It should have been something we voted on not just city council.

By not building data centers in El Paso or the surrounding areas

Establishing a framework so that this can never happen again with the large corporation getting so much money or exactly what they want.

Keep the datacenters out, they offer little benefit past short term spending for construction yet heavily demand our resources

Break the 380

Monitor the air temperature around the facility and compare it to other sites around the area.

The void/cancelation of the data center contract and building all together. The citizens of El Paso have voiced their opposition to data centers on multiple occasions.

Stop construction, break the deal with META and Project Jupiter.

I think that we need to pass ordinances that penalize any corporation if they overuse resources that impact the community (i.e. the electrical grid, water, and increase in methane and other toxic gases). We also need ordinances that address increased heat and sound in surrounding areas. The financial penalties need to be significant so that the companies are incentivized to address the concern rather than pay fines because its cheaper to break the rules rather than take care of issue. We should not offer tax rebates to corporations, and if we do, they should not be fore more than one or two years. If the company can't make their venture work without paying taxes, then they do not belong in our community.

El paso does NOT want the data center. We are moving in the wrong direction.

Data centers generate significant heat and can affect surrounding ecosystems. Proper zoning, buffer zones, and environmental impact studies should be required before approval. Facilities should incorporate heat mitigation technologies and avoid placement near residential neighborhoods or sensitive habitats.

Put these data centers in areas that are no where near cities and away from areas that are already being challenged with water supply issues

Dont build it

That's like asking "...at what cost, are you willing to have your land, air & water poisoned?" These data center owners are ALL billionaires, you're telling me they can't figure out how to build them with eco-friendly designs that help bring down our utility costs AND alleviate citywide infrastructure costs!!!!

Cancel the project. The City of El Paso should establish a moratorium on future data centers (including in Ft. Bliss as I just read a data center will be built there too). The public service board should also severs their agreement with META.

City officials must demand the original agreement to use solar energy be upheld and not allow a national gas plant be added. Sound barriers must be added so the community is not inundated with the low frequency noise. Any water use that takes from the community must not be allowed. The tax break for property taxes must be renegotiated, Meta is a TRILLION Dollar company and the poor people of El Paso with incomes of around 35,000.00 to 50,000.00 are not given property taxes breaks of 80% for 25 to 35 years, this company should pay full property taxes.

Stop the 80% property Tax rebate and make META pay for the infrastructure not the peoples money (City)

Do not bring Data Center to community

Cancel contracts. Or make sure clean energy circular systems and water unsafe

Stopping this construction and sending it out of El Paso. This will not bring anything good but cause more financial trouble to us all

By answering with facts at the community meetings or public conference.

Zero public funds used to build this, create infrastructure for it, or maintain it. Zero tax incentives offered at public expense to build this, create infrastructure for it, or maintain it.

Just do not put that monster on our city

By it not coming close to our homes

Do not allow such a drain on our city and resources be built here. Find some other open land far from where families live.

There is no evidence that data centers have been a benefit to any community in the US. I think my concerns can only be addressed by canceling the project. This is our city, not meta's.

My concerns will only be addressed and or mitigated if data centers are not buying my community

No data centers

They won't be. This isn't something the people of El Paso want.

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Clarify how much water will actually be used in a closed loop cooling system

Promoting economic development by supporting businesses that are environmentally compatible with the desert landscape, economically accessible within a context of limited income growth, and socially responsible in their impact on the community's socioeconomic well-being.

I Understand the data centers are part of the future of how we do things however come into a community taking our tax dollars and providing very little benefits to the community is concerning.

NO DATA CENTERS IN OR NEAR EL PASO

We are not getting real answers as to how this is going to benefit the city and their residents. It sounds like the only people benefiting from these are the data center owners and their investors. They are also going to be using allot of resources that we as a city cannot spare, especially our water.

Not building the data center.

Cancel the development of the data center all together. These billionaires are corrupt and only want to take advantage of our city for their own benefit. We need to put our community first, before money and greed

The attorneys at the city, county, and EP Water need to jointly discuss how to end the agreements with META. It is not practical to provide META with the water it needs for the data center and the 1,000 MWs it needs for its power, which will use water as well.

NO DATA CENTERS

They could be addressed by not having data centers in a dry, water-scarce region, or trying to take advantage of our area's general impoverishment.

Rework the agreement to not give such huge tax incentives and new utility development aids to Meta.

Ensure costs of living such as water/electricity would not increase for residents. Ensure low impact to the environment/water supply.

Not exempt them from taxes, and also cover the property taxes for all the houses in the city. In other words, if they come to do harm, we must try to prevent it at all costs; the only way to do so is through money.

Don't open it here.

We live in a desert. there is no other land use.

By requiring a public, regularly updated dashboard that transparently tracks contractual commitments versus actual performance—such as construction jobs created, permanent local hires, utility consumption impacts, tax abatements granted versus community return, and infrastructure costs borne by taxpayers. The city should also require enforceable clawback provisions if job, hiring-local, or investment targets are not met, along with annual public reporting and hearings so residents can verify whether promised benefits are materializing—not just projected

El Paso citizens should be able to vote if a data center is a possibility

Data centers do not belong in the dessert where our resources are limited.

Cancel the data center contract. DONT SELL OUT OUR COMMUNITY.

Vacate the contract. This should have been put to a vote considering all the impact to El Pasoans
#BREAK380

No DATA CENTERS at all would mitigate all concerns.

4. Where do you think data centers should be located? (Select all that apply)

Industrial areas, Commercial areas

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Outside city limits

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Near existing utilities (power, water)

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Industrial areas, Commercial areas

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Industrial areas, Outside city limits, Near existing utilities (power, water)

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Industrial areas, Near existing utilities (power, water)

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5. What should be most important when choosing a location? (Select only the 3 most important to you)

Distance from homes, Access to power and water, Economic benefit to the area

Anywhere but here!!

Not in El Paso county!

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Traffic impact

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water, They should not be here. They are not a good fit. We do not want them and they do not bring economic benefits or jobs to the people of El Paso that are close to outweighing the damage they cause

Bills for common people will go up. Look at the evidence and not what they offer.

Impact on the environment

Impact on the environment, Access to power and water, A location that has plenty of water available - not El Paso or Las Cruces

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water

Distance from homes, Traffic impact, Economic benefit to the area

No data center at all.

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Quality of Life impact.

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Traffic impact

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Fit with surrounding land uses

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Fit with surrounding land uses, Traffic impact

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Fit with surrounding land uses

Access to power and water, Traffic impact, Economic benefit to the area

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water

Fit with surrounding land uses, Economic benefit to the area

Put it on the moon for all I care, but not in El Paso

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Fit with surrounding land uses

Access to power and water, Economic benefit to the area

Impact on the environment

No data centers period.

Impact on the environment, Fit with surrounding land uses, Traffic impact

Distance from homes, Access to power and water, Economic benefit to the area

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water, Fit with surrounding land uses, Traffic impact, Economic benefit to the area

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water

Impact on the environment, Fit with surrounding land uses, Traffic impact

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water

Economic benefit to the area, 100 miles away, minimum, from our county.

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, I don't think they should be built at all

Impact on the environment

Don't build them.

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Fit with surrounding land uses

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Fit with surrounding land uses

Distance from homes, Access to power and water

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Economic benefit to the area

Distance from homes, Access to power and water, Economic benefit to the area

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Economic benefit to the area

Impact on the environment, Access to power and water, Fit with surrounding land uses

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, This data centers house a massive amount of equipment that needs to stay cool, requiring massive amounts of water. Therefore, it makes no sense to build one in the middle of a desert where temperatures regularly are in the triple digits in the summer, and in the city that has very limited water. My understanding is that China is building data centers under the ocean, where equipment can be kept cool and there are no dangerous emissions posing a health threat to the public.

Impact on the environment, Access to power and water, That they get NO tax breaks, instead by 70% more and pay for any infrastructure and more than their fair share with all utilities and find an alternate source to cool the servers (e.g. don't use fresh water)

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water

Impact on the environment, Access to power and water, Fit with surrounding land uses

Shouldn't have these at all

NOWHERE

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water, Fit with surrounding land uses, Traffic impact

NOT IN EL PASO

Near a well for brackish water

Impact on the environment, Economic benefit to the area, Massive investment in renewable energy that doesn't impact the environment at all

Distance from homes, Access to power and water, Fit with surrounding land uses

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Economic benefit to the area

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water, Fit with surrounding land uses

Fit with surrounding land uses, Traffic impact, Economic benefit to the area

Impact on the environment, Access to power and water, Fit with surrounding land uses

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, there are no economic benefits. oppose this.

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water, Fit with surrounding land uses, Traffic impact, Economic benefit to the area, These data centers do not belong in a desert community.

Impact on the environment, Economic benefit to the area, They should be built offshore and be powered by wind farms and create enough energy to supply several fold power for the country!

Access to power and water, Economic benefit to the area, Letting them fund themselves without a single dime of tax break

Distance from homes, Traffic impact, Effect on utility rates

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water, Fit with surrounding land uses, Traffic impact, Economic benefit to the area, Creation of heat, water source, electricity source

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Traffic impact

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, I don't want any of these energy guzzlers anywhere near El Paso. May these fraudsters eff off.

Impact on the environment

Impact on the environment, Access to power and water, The people should vote directly on whether data centers should be built in city limits.

Impact on the environment, They should choose a location close to easily accessible water. NOT EL PASO.

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Fit with surrounding land uses

How about not providing tax grants.

Impact on the environment, Fit with surrounding land uses, No more data centers in deserts

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water

Impact on the environment

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Fit with surrounding land uses

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water, Fit with surrounding land uses, Traffic impact, Economic benefit to the area

Impact on the environment

Impact on the environment

This land is NOT fit for this project. We do not have natural resources to sustain it.

Impact on the environment, Traffic impact, Economic benefit to the area

This land is NOT fit for this project. We do not have natural resources to sustain it.

Economic benefit to the area

Impact on the environment, Access to power and water, Fit with surrounding land uses

These centers should NOT exist and if they do limit them! They should not be built where there are communities of people

Impact on the environment, Access to power and water, Fit with surrounding land uses

Impact on the environment, None in El Paso

Impact on the environment

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Economic benefit to the area

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water

We can live without them. Nowhere.

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, The options are set to give them the opportunity to built, and I dont want them close to anything.

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water, We don't want data centers. Cancel the project. Far away from sensitive natural and cultural resources

Impact on the environment

Impact on the environment, Access to power and water, Fit with surrounding land uses

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Traffic impact, Distance from water basins

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water, Fit with surrounding land uses, Traffic impact, Economic benefit to the area, How it screws us over economically

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Fit with surrounding land uses, Traffic impact

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Traffic impact

Impact on the environment, Access to power and water, Fit with surrounding land uses

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Fit with surrounding land uses

data centers have NO PLACE in the desert, especially not ours

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water

Impact on the environment

Distance from homes, Access to power and water, Traffic impact

Impact on the environment, Access to power and water, Traffic impact

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Find another way to cool their buildings WITHOUT natural resources

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Fit with surrounding land uses

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Traffic impact

Impact on the environment, Access to power and water, Fit with surrounding land uses

Impact on the environment

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Economic benefit to the area
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, I would rather them not be built at all
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, BOYCOTT Data Center entirety

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water, Fit with surrounding land uses, Economic benefit to the area
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water
I do not want data centers in our city.
Not in our desert! No City or County of El Paso, Tx
Impact on the environment, Access to power and water, Economic benefit to the area
Impact on the environment
Impact on the environment, Fit with surrounding land uses, Economic benefit to the area
Impact on the environment, Access to power and water, Fit with surrounding land uses
Impact on the environment, Economic benefit to the area

No data centers in the desert. We can't afford the costs and loss of water look what happened to Corpus Christi
Impact on the environment, Consider building all of them outside of the billionaires' backyards. They have the money to cover them.
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water
Impact on the environment, Economic benefit to the area, An area with abundant water, moderate climate. Absolutely not a desert.
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water

Impact on the environment, Access to power and water, Fit with surrounding land uses, Traffic impact, Economic benefit to the area
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Traffic impact
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water, Fit with surrounding land uses, Traffic impact, Economic benefit to the area, consider what the impacts are to the community long term not short term
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, The facility should not have access to our cities water or energy.
Nowhere near El Paso. Again, this survey is extremely biased.
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Economic benefit to the area
Impact on the environment, Fit with surrounding land uses, Traffic impact
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water
Impact on the environment
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Economic benefit to the area
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Very far away from here
Impact on the environment, Again, there is NO economic benefit that outweighs the destruction
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water
Impact on the environment, Self sufficient! If it requires vast amounts of water they should build their own water treatment plant to use and recycle the water they use without affecting the water supply of the region!
Impact on the environment
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water

Access to power and water, Fit with surrounding land uses, Economic benefit to the area
Distance from homes, Access to power and water
Impact on the environment, Access to power and water, Economic benefit to the area

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Traffic impact
Nowhere in El Paso

Don't do it

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, These centers don't belong in a desert region where water is already scarce.

Impact on the environment, Access to power and water, Economic benefit to the area

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Fit with surrounding land uses, Economic benefit to the area

Impact on the environment, Fit with surrounding land uses

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, No Data Centers at all!

DO NOT BUILD A DATA CENTER ANYWHERE oh my god

Impact on the environment, Access to power and water, Fit with surrounding land uses

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment

Impact on the environment, Access to power and water, Fit with surrounding land uses

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Another state like Mississippi

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water, Fit with surrounding land uses, Traffic impact, Economic benefit to the area

Impact on the environment, Access to power and water, Economic benefit to the area

Impact on the environment, data centers should not be located anywhere

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Economic benefit to the area

Impact on the environment, Access to power and water, Economic benefit to the area

Impact on the environment, Access to power and water, Fit with surrounding land uses

As far away from citizens as possible

Distance from homes, Access to power and water, Traffic impact

Not building it in El Paso, TX

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Fit with surrounding land uses

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Fit with surrounding land uses

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Traffic impact

Not in El Paso, we can find other form of economic Infrastructure

WE LIVE IN THE DESERT AND THEY RUN ON WATER. WE DON'T WANT THE CENTERS HERE AT ALL!

I do not support the data center

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water, Economic benefit to the area

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Long term consequences

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Economic benefit to the area

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water

Impact on the environment, Access to power and water

Impact on the environment, Economic benefit to the area, not in a drought stricken and power poor city (ergo El Paso)

Impact on the environment, Access to power and water, Economic benefit to the area

Distance from homes, Access to power and water, Economic benefit to the area
Distance from homes, Access to power and water, NOT the desert
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Traffic impact
The city of El Paso does not want or need a data center.
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water
Not in El Paso
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Fit with surrounding land uses
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Fit with surrounding land uses
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water
Impact on the environment, The United States has plenty of land that is empty not near any cities that can be utilized for these types of centers. Even if they need employees to run the facilities they can be at least 50 miles from any city to prevent harm from people that live in those areas.
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Economic benefit to the area
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Fit with surrounding land uses
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, 80 % property tax should not be allowed
Distance from homes, Access to power and water, Traffic impact, This Data Center is not environmental friendly for our City especially since it gets very HOT here
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Traffic impact
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment
Impact on the environment, Fit with surrounding land uses, Economic benefit to the area
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Traffic impact
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Economic benefit to the area
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Economic benefit to the area
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Traffic impact, Economic benefit to the area
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, A place with enough rainfall
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water, Fit with surrounding land uses, Traffic impact, Economic benefit to the area
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water, Traffic impact
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment
Impact on the environment, Economic benefit to the area
No data centers anywhere no location is good
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water, Fit with surrounding land uses, Traffic impact
Impact on the environment, Access to power and water, Economic benefit to the area
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water, Fit with surrounding land uses, Convince the to use solar power

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water
Distance from homes, Economic benefit to the area
Impact on the environment, Fit with surrounding land uses, Economic benefit to the area
They shouldn't be around
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, AWAY FROM POPULATIONS
Not in our county
Impact on the environment, Access to power and water, Fit with surrounding land uses
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment
Impact on the environment, Economic benefit to the area,

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, NO DATA CENTERS
Impact on the environment, Access to power and water,
Impact on the environment, Access to power and water, Fit with surrounding land uses
Impact on the environment, Access to power and water, Economic benefit to the area
Impact on the environment
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Traffic impact, Economic benefit to the area
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water
Distance from homes, Access to power and water, Fit with surrounding land uses
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, the burden of costs on residents

Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Access to power and water
Impact on the environment, Economic benefit to the area, The rest we can change but those two usually come from elsewhere
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Understand the long-term impact on environment, water usage, pollution etc.
THEY SHOULD NOT EXIST ANYWHERE AT ALL.
Distance from homes, Access to power and water
Distance from homes, Impact on the environment, Long-term effects
Economic benefit to the area

Additional Write-in Responses

What should the City require or consider (e.g., land use adjacencies, façade/design detailing, power or water usage, public amenities, etc.) before approving a data center?

frrr

Do the research on our water consumption/use and how much our City has. And realize the El Paso cannot afford data centers!

The city nor the county should NOT approve at all!

Water scarcity, people opinions, infrastructure to support the facility

They should not approve them. There should be a moratorium. Any data center considered should require a significant environmental impact report and things in the contract that require the company to pay for any negative environmental consequences. They should get no tax abatements. They should be required to use renewable, clean energy and there should be consequences built into the contract for failure to deliver on promises to replace water they use if match energy

If it is to be considered. Meta should pay all increases to electric and water bills. There is a correlation.

Consider the voice of the area's population and their needs. You are selling us out!!

how about dont do it again

Behind the meter power generation (which they are), distance from residential areas, workforce housing addressed during planning and zoning.

Everything. They also need to consider public input. No one wants a data center. I live 6 miles away from the construction.

If you are truly considering, and I mean after weighing against all known researched, and thorough possibilities, then consider this: 1.) A separate closed circuit utility is absolutely a must to prevent established already fractured and weakened state utility grids from being overwhelmed.. 2.) Safeguards are paramount to continued success. Without proper oversight there can be no guarantees that something was created without full and transparent will. If utility connection should fail the citizens should not be the ones to foot the front end of such an instance. (This year we have already seen multiple utility outages from an already weak and outdated utility grid in desperate need of overhaul and repairs) We simply cannot afford to layer one amusement park investment over another for a lack of a better term. 3.) Know and understand all aspects of the technological investment. Simply buying a sweet smelling candy bar for lack of a better term will not sit well with the community as a comprehensive cope to a deal made without deep dive and full transparency and understanding. And for the love of God please do not default on ironic methods such as using AI to ask the Internet and have it return with mediocre responses. 4.) Community investment should be a key seeking point or pice of admission per say. If your just coming in here to sell a wonderful piece of paper that bends and folds but crumbles over time without purpose then why are you here? We live here, we work here, we play here, see us, talk to us, walk a mile in our shoes and gain perspective, all shall feel the warmth of man once the gaze of the proper horizon has been met. 5.) The final decision after all the dust clears is on your shoulders. The decision will reflect a bright future or a grimm reality. Do what is right for El Paso, do what is necessary for continued staility in the region. As a food for thought this decision too will be recorded in history and looked back upon by future generations and quite possibly come up for air as an AI chat result. Will it reflect positive action taken by the brave or will it effect the sad a cold truth, that no matter how small, ultimately the world does not care for the common opinion of one?

Water usage and toxins emitted when equipment has to be changed. Also, electricity.. who is going to cover the cost???

Environmental impact

ONLY approve them outside the COUNTY limits

Data centers should produce their own electricity and have their own water treatment plant

Push off approval for another 10 years and see if the data center is still a good idea.

Them to be 100% sustainable, and rely on air cooling instead of water cooling
impact on utility consumers

For decades we have been told we are running out of water, and now we are not?

Data centers should NOT be approved.

The people voting for it.

Not to approve it. Period.

Everything they didn't consider when they dropped this on the public. They saw money that's it.

The water we would lose and how polluted it would become

Everything above and put it on a ballot to let voters have a say before putting something that will have such a huge impact to our city. Now we will have it, but our city government people will pay at the next time they are on the ballot.

The City should consider water usage, power usage, and the use of extreme tax breaks for companies that do not require them. The voting people should be able to vote on whether we should have a data center since it seems like our elected officials do not listen to their constituents.

NO APPROVAL. WE THE MAJORITY OF EL PASOANS DO NOT WANT IT. A huge mistake by our city representatives to allow this to even begin without having us vote for it.

Water usage and impact on the community

No electricity increase signed by contract, any increase due to demand they pay that increase, however not having here is best!

If the citizens of the city WANT the data center in their community.

Data centers should not be considered at all- period. We do not have the natural resources to support them. It's that simple.

Do NOT APPROVE THEM. Your constituents have spoken!

Information on power and water usage, and how they will obtain power during outages.

Do we have enough water and will you make them pay taxes and water without increasing our costs.

It's a free country. Unless it's doing something illegal or you simply can't support it for a legitimate reason it should be approved.

Large companies like Meta should pay all costs and write on official contract that they will be responsible for all, ALL costs and damages. That large corporations can be sued.

NO MORE DATA CENTERS!! No more tax breaks to companies who want to build data centers here. And no increase in utility bills to residents of El Paso to help subsidize those tax breaks.

City should not allow this project to proceed!!

Water usage and air pollution

The City should require strict limits on water usage, including prioritizing reclaimed or non-potable water and ensuring local drinking water supplies are not impacted. Data centers should also be required to supply or offset their own energy so electricity costs are not passed on to residents. Independent environmental impact studies, clear transparency on resource usage, and enforceable accountability measures should be mandatory. Facilities should be located away from residential areas with proper zoning buffers, and long-term impacts on infrastructure, environment, and community resources must be fully addressed before approval.

City should never approve

To cancel the fucking data center.

I do not want the city to make any concessions other than prohibiting the construction of a data center.

NONE- DON'T APPROVE ANY.

WATER USAGE

If it's a self sustaining unit that does NOT use any of our resources nor impacts the environment negatively.

Damaging homes, employment, water consumption, cost, environment damage.

number of jobs that will be created and pay range of those jobs; power and water usage; and its effect on the environment

How it will affect the community with utility costs, noise and environmental issues

A final approval vote by citizens

consider how this will hurt the environment and hurt local people economically

Put them on Mars we don't understand why we need data centers with all of Musk's satellites etc surely he can stick them up in the sky

A detailed plan on all of the promises such as jobs, environmental stewardship, etc.

The City should consider terminating the contract as is.

The future of El Paso water supply and the environmental impact of noise and power consumption!

Propose financial assistance to city or water utility for de-salination of shallow ground water
Power/water usage and traffic congestion

Get rid of any possibility of data centers now or in the future and preserve nature.

We should decline their invitations to set up shop in our community. We get so little water in the best of circumstances and we're going to give carte blanche to these companies who don't give a damn about our community and just want to take advantage of us with low wage jobs and environmental decimation. I just don't understand how we can accept these companies into our communities when we are one of the driest cities in the United States of America. I have heard estimates of these wasteful companies using up to 400,000 gallons of water per day. It rarely rains here, remember? How are we going to have enough water for the residents of this community? I already pay up to \$400 per month on water. I live alone, and I'm extremely conservative about my water usage. My bills will increase as the fat cats get tax breaks and incentives to destroy our community. This is ridiculous and it won't end well.

Pass an ordinance to prohibit data centers

The people's voice. Make a proposition and have the citizens vote.

The city needs to require the data centers have NO IMPACT on the environment. NO IMPACT on the water table. NO IMPACT on the rates residents pay for utilities. The city needs to require the data centers provide a minimum of 500 jobs for a minimum of 10 years with benefits and COLAs guaranteed. The city needs to provide NO TAX ABATEMENTS of ANY KIND for these places. The city needs to require that the businesses pay for new roads and other infrastructure and the repair of all infrastructure damaged in the course of building the business. The city needs to require an investment in El Paso equal to 10% of gross receipts YEARLY for as long as the business is operating in El Paso.

No negative impact to our environment (water, air)

Consider that you will be funding an advertisement machine that is already on it's end game SYNTHETIC CONTENT. They already fired human resources they do not plan to reinvest in a community.

They shouldn't approve any other data centers

Water usage. There should be a cap depending on the city's budget and amount of water available.

ALL of those listed- no use of our resources and at the cost of citizens

All of the above

They supply their own electricity and water.

Consider stopping this project and acknowledge this project does not benefit the community. Water is limited and tax payers should not pay so a few can benefit and exhaust our natural resources.

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Community Benefit Agreement

Water usage

Power, water usage consider first the current state of our city .. main water pipes bust locally more than 3times a year now .. this city is not made to be over run! It was build to slow down!
Enjoy desert life not over work and polute

Water usage

The impact on the health, resources of the people!

DO NOT APPROVE THE DATA CENTER.

Power and water usage

Should weigh all costs to all stakeholders and be approved only if they are well regulated and a net benefit to the community

Use of renewable resources such as solar energy. Finding the right technology to not use of our non renewable resources such as clean drinking water.

Public opinion, as we are the taxpayers and we are the ones directly affected by decisions taken "on behalf" of everyone.

The city requires first the permission of the people of the city, not the owners of the companies that will make money of this, then to set the specifics on what, how, and where this type of project might be built. No pollution (any kind), no use of any natural resources, 100% taxes or more, no build of anything that will pollute our area later, they will need to use only clean energy (wind or sun). all jobs have to be local, and will depend in the area they use, and they need to pay all the studies that the city need to do to define where will be the less impact on the environment, how big or small can be, so if they want to built here they need to paid for everything even if, at the end, they dont like the rules.

Do not approve data centers

DO NOT approve data centers

Do not approve data centers

Power AND water usage and pollution emitted

They should let go of the contract and invest in our city infrastructure and better pay not this non sense of data centers

How it would affect our own supply, the climate, and the environment. We already have the oil refineries that contaminate and pollute our environment.

they should consider the fact that these corporations are scummy and will try everything to not meet the demands that the city put in place for these data centers like water consumption engery bills clean energy and job opportunities which will most likely be outsource to out of town workers and will be remote.

Environmental impact, higher utility bills for the community

A consensus of the tax payers

Power and water usage! The long term cost to El Pasoans!

the opinions of the constituents that pay the tax dollars that fund this, water use, price of utility hikes which are also funded by the taxpayers

Exact usage of water and electricity.

Land use, water use, power use and proximity to residential areas

power usage

impact on property values, utilities. Who's paying for this? Who will use it.

DO NOT APPROVE

Use of public utilities i.e. electricity, water

Power and water usage

Don't approve data centers!

They should think about how this will affect the environment and the local community. There is no reason for there to be one in a low water area with limited resources.

Yes of course. The city should NOT approve the data center at all unless the environment, community resources or economic standing will not be adversely affected. There is NOTHING to gain that is worth what the community will be sacrificing.

Water usage and power

water usage and environmental impact

That it does not impact the economic and bodily health's of the areas people

The city should not have any Data Centers. However, the City should require public amenities, land use adjacencies, power/water usage. META should be paying as much money for sustainable land restoration and civilian infrastructure development as they are for construction.

Build them on rich neighborhoods & stop poisoning low income ppl & our native environment

Power and water usage

Meta should pay for the building of the power plant EPE will have to build, or put in their own solar farm and batteries. They should only be given non-potable water to run their plant. The data center should pay to put in the pipes to get the water there. They should be required to contribute to programs to provide cooling technology/ac to low income residents. They should be required to plant desert trees around their facilities.

I do not approve data centers in my community.

No Data Centers should be ideal... but at least have agreements in writing of their promises, only renewable energy, 90% of jobs local guarantee for permanent jobs and construction jobs and most importantly consultation with the community.

power and water usage, how the data centers will negatively affect the environment

Include the 6 Mandates from Jonathan Zayan and PI.QUE LLC in the Data Center Plan

Power and water use and its effects on the community and environment.

Use solar power

Do not use utilities for a data center before using them for the community

Power and water usage. The negative impacts of AI to society and jobs

none. Say NO to all data centers. Not worth it.

All of the above, plus taking a look at cities that have already seen the devastation that data centers have caused to their environment and to their citizens' well being.

Health impact, financial impact for residents

I just cannot see a single benefit for EP. To power this , over 800 gas generators will be built, it makes zero sense. No matter where it is built, anything to do with EP electricity or water is very detrimental to our community.

Pollution, water usage in a drought city, the limited job opportunities impacting the local economy, the impact on traffic and car crashes, energy usage and blackouts—especially considering the amount of energy people use in the summers and winters to survive, as well as what the land could be used for instead.

#Water and energy usage

consider environmental, financial, risk to benefit for the community. more then likely these data centers hold high risks with little benefits

I want the City to put its own citizens first. The city should require a very strict set of regulations for Meta to follow and a very detailed disclosure agreement of resource requirements that the company plans to use.

Do not approve the data center.

Water use, electricity use, pollution (as in toxic gasses causing chronic respiratory illness)

Impact in neighborhoods especially power and water usage.

We cannot afford the 3 that are already in progress. NO MORE data centers period. Where in the hell do they think the water is going to come from? The prior question did not include: not in the desert or not where the rainfall is less than 8 inches a year.

Affect this data center will have on homes like noise and light pollution, reduced water availability, the damage to the native environment and its inhabitants.

Power and water usage, noise, light pollution, air emissions, heat island effects, community health and well being.

Power and water usage, taxes the residents will have to pay

Absolute transparency from all parties.

Power usage, water usage, cost of new infrastructure, rate increases, pollution (water pollution, air pollution, noise pollution, light pollution etc.) anything that hurts the environment and the community. Proximity to our city since it will be polluting us .

New data centers must build renewable energy production to fulfill their own needs (grid tied with battery reserves in case they have energy surges) and have closed loop cooling systems.

It would be nice if they could build enough renewable energy on site to power their own stuff and even contribute to grid capacity but the billionaires might charge for what their centers put out on to the grid

Public input! If data center cannot be self sufficient and not willing to be we don't want them here! If is going to cost the city kicking them out so be it, "por pendejos" is going to cost the same as letting them stay but with all the environment issues. So get them out of the city.

Research on the impact on our water supply and environment. Not enough water for everyone over a period of time. It's already expensive.

The City should strongly consider and require the vote of the people of El Paso.

Water usage limits

Yes

The city should really consider it's citizens and stop doing what benefits them financially, because at the end of the day, we are the ones struggling to survive with these already high costs of living!

No tax breaks. And consider the environmental damage they will bring

It's not for us don't do it

Environmental impact and sustainability. These data centers do not belong in our desert.

Utility resource usage, community impacts, and future responsibilities are pushed towards the consumer in tax increases or utility rate hikes.

Health, environment, the communities you are destroying, they should have to pay the same taxes we have to with no incentives.

The communities approval

No data centers at ALL!

The city should consider that no one wants a data center. Canceling the project is the only way to keep constituents from voting everyone out.

Infrastructure capacity: Ensure adequate and reliable access to power, water, and fiber connectivity without straining existing public resources.

- Environmental impact: Evaluate water usage, energy efficiency, heat output, and require sustainable practices such as renewable energy integration.
- Land use compatibility: Confirm the site aligns with surrounding zoning (preferably industrial) and minimizes impact on residential areas.
- Noise and visual impact: Require buffering, landscaping, and design standards to reduce noise from equipment and improve overall appearance.
- Traffic and construction impact: Assess temporary construction traffic and long-term operational impact on local roads.
- Emergency and utility resilience: Ensure backup power systems, fire safety measures, and grid reliability are in place.
- Economic contribution: Consider job creation, tax revenue, and potential community benefits.

Distance from homes.

The city should consider NOT building a center here. Or anywhere.

Possessing the necessary infrastructure to facilitate the operation of a data center.

A different state to relocate to

No water should be utilized for these data centers. Other parts have used oils to cool off why can't they do the same?

Water Usage

Clear and concise language around how much water will be used, what they are going to do to clean the water, how will the mitigate cancer causing substances being introduced to the local population, and how much of the cost to power the plant will be taken in by the center versus being handed off to consumers.

City should consider what its constituents want and that is no data centers.

DO NOT BUILD DATA CENTERS

Improve our own water and energy supply and efficiently. We've already wasted so much water with all the water main breaks and now we're going to waste more on this data center. Our city will become more dry than it already is.

They should be away from populated areas. They are high air polluters because of the energy that has to be created to run them.

Infrastructure plan that can be directly shared with the public with definite timelines.

CONSIDER NOT BUILDING THE DATA CENTER IN EL PASO TX

Talk to cities like Corpus Christi Texas how their cities are being negatively impacted by these places.

The cost of utilities to residents

Before approving any data center, the City should first consider whether this type of development is appropriate for a desert community like El Paso at all. Data centers place extreme demands on water and power, two resources that are already limited and becoming more expensive for residents. In a region facing long term water scarcity, this alone should be a deal breaker.

The City must also consider land use and environmental risk. Data centers take up large amounts of land, provide very few permanent jobs, and offer little benefit to surrounding neighborhoods. Even more concerning is that the long term environmental impacts are still not fully understood. Communities in other states, including Ohio, are already facing contamination and environmental issues linked to large industrial and technology facilities. El Paso should not take on that risk.

Any claimed public benefit often falls apart when tax abatements and incentives are involved. The only real benefit to the city is when data centers pay full taxes with no abatements or special treatment. These companies want our land and our resources, but they are not genuinely committing to our city or its long term well being.

El Paso has more urgent priorities, including fixing streets, investing in schools and healthcare, supporting skilled trades, and protecting residents from rising living costs. Data centers do not meaningfully serve those needs and should not be approved in our community.

Outlaw all centers. As stated above Communities across the U.S. have already shown that these concerns are serious enough to pause, restrict, or outright reject data center projects when impacts outweigh benefits. For example, in Loudoun County—often called “Data Center Alley”—residents have pushed back against rapid expansion due to noise, visual blight, and massive energy demands, leading officials to reconsider zoning and slow approvals. In Chandler, community opposition to a proposed data center focused heavily on water usage in a drought-prone region, forcing developers to revise plans and justify their resource consumption. Similarly, towns in Oregon and Iowa have implemented stricter regulations or denied permits due to tax incentive concerns, minimal job creation, and strain on local infrastructure.

Tax burden and resource usage that causes increase in utilities

Water usage! El Paso water can't even deal with sinkholes, major outages like the one the northeast dealt with.

Why build so close to our city that is still growing. So in 25 yrs it will be in middle of the city.

Land use adjacencies, power and water usage, economic impact on citizens, environmental impact (on full ecosystems), public health impact

Economic benefit versus tax incentives. Actual viability (as in we do not have the water or power infrastructure in place).

Power and water usage, and stop giving them tax incentives to build here.

N/a

Limit power usage, limit water, adjacent land use, total transparency

Maximum utility inputs. If the center uses more water or power over a set threshold, the owner must be sanctioned

The opinions and voice of their citizens.

Water consumption the impact to locals and the environment

Pay full taxes. No tax breaks. Punishment for Castro, Hunt, JOBE, Paul foster, Kelly Tomblin, Franklin Mountain Investments for bring META to El Paso.

If we have new data centers, they need to have a significant buffer of land around them so that the impact to the surrounding community can be minimized. We need to make sure agreements show zoning violations if they do not keep that buffer (i.e. they build on their land after their initial plan) and the only way to mitigate the zoning violation is tear down new buildings or equipment if there is a violation. These companies need to agree to have onsite monitoring for air quality and sound that the City maintains and has 24 hour access to the data. All violations have to be fined and failure to mitigate the violations can lead to escalating fines.

THEY SHOULD CONSIDER NOTHING, DON'T DO IT

Consider the other cities data centers have ruined, the water cost/usage, the spike in utilities.

Data centers generate substantial heat that can disrupt surrounding ecosystems and contribute to localized environmental stress. To address this, projects should require strict zoning regulations, adequate buffer zones, and comprehensive environmental impact studies prior to approval. Additionally, facilities must incorporate effective heat mitigation technologies and be located away from residential areas and environmentally sensitive habitats to minimize long-term harm.

Quit considering the money over citizens, profits over people, water is valuable to a desert community and you cannot afford even a little over the crops we need to produce food.

Residents near the facility

ALL of the above NO data centers until they are redesigned to be ecofriendly!

No tax abatement, no data centers in or around El Paso, TX. We are a desert.

Solar energy Not a new natural gas plant that will add more pollution and a cap on water and electricity usage; with automatic shut off over the allotment and sound barriers should be installed

Cost up front and what benefits does it bring to each person that lives in El Paso, your are using Peoples money to build their infrastructure that is not right our City streets are falling apart but we found 7.6 million when META is Billion dollar company. We are using funds from supposedly the sale of the Electric company never used for the purpose it was supposed to be this game plan doesn't go.

Power and water usage

The people concerns about impacting our lives with higher bills, no work

We are struggling with water as a community, it is very important that we do not bring any more centers or developments that will use our water.

Water and power usage. Stop raising our property taxes and utilities to benefit corporations that should not need our help to exist.

Water usage, pollution in general.

All of these

The city should require a vote from the citizens living near these data centers.

That actual trusted studies are provided. If they were, no data center would've been approved.

Power/water usage

The city should place a ban on data centers.

Property tax deduction during construction

Power and water usage and the infrastructure to support it. We already have major water issues.

Power and water usage and the infrastructure to support it. We already have major water issues.

No public funds.

Water usage must be a primary consideration.

The City should require a clear plan outlining how water will be sourced, used, and conserved. If a data center is approved, it should include its own water recycling system to minimize strain on local resources—especially in a desert environment where water is limited.

The City should also evaluate the economic impact. Developers must demonstrate a commitment to hiring locally and contributing to meaningful, long-term economic growth within the community. While data centers often support large corporations serving broad populations, El Paso should not simply serve as a resource base without fair return. Instead, the City must ensure it is an active beneficiary of the investment.

Ultimately, El Paso CANNOT function as a door mat for outside interests. Decision-making should prioritize the well-being of the entire community, ensuring that benefits are equitably distributed and that development serves the city as a whole—not just a select few.

It's too dangerous. More cons than pros

Power and water uses.

Health impact, water usage/quality, environmental impact. NEVER APPROVE DATA CENTERS

More recreational amenities where they can be enjoyed by all the residents.

Consider our people's voice to be heard when we announce these data centers are taking away people's creativity and jobs

Let the voter decide

Power and water usage, raising costs, how much they will charge taxpayers (even though they lie and say we won't pay)

Power and water usage

Power and water usage, as well as tax and utility increases for El Pasoans.

Put it up to a constituent vote and let the people decide!!!

Self-sufficiency in terms of water and power, the capability to bring in actual jobs for locals (not out-of-towners).

If the city is able to support the usage of the data centers without affecting citizens

Power and water usage. The data center can use non-potable sources such as treated waste water instead of the city's already strained drinkable water. Rework the tax incentives.

Consider our current issues with power outages that have not been resolved. Consider the long term impact of data centers on not only our local environment, but also the world's. Consider the impact to residents whose area would be affected by noise, traffic, and power/water supply issues.

What benefits can each and every member of this community expect from the arrival of these centers? Will our taxes go down? Will our electricity, water, and other bills go down? Will they invest in community projects in our city? Or will they only bring us pollution, increases in our cost of living, and no jobs?

let it be profit sharing with local government

The City should require setbacks from residential areas, buffering, strict generator noise limits, traffic controls, and façade standards so large industrial structures don't negatively impact nearby neighborhoods. It should also require full disclosure of projected electricity and water use and ensure utility infrastructure upgrades are not passed on to residents through higher rates. Any tax abatements should be tied to enforceable commitments for permanent jobs, local hiring, workforce partnerships, and infrastructure contributions, with claw back provisions if targets aren't met. Finally, the City should maintain a public dashboard tracking contractual obligations versus actual performance so residents can verify promised community benefits are delivered.

Put it on a ballot for citizens to consider

Using data from other cities that have been through this without proper planning and being truthful about the environmental and resource impacts it will have long-term.

The city should consider NOT APPROVING A DATA CENTER. These questions are SO misleading. Whoever wrote this survey should be ashamed.

Any project that affects the entire city should be put to a vote. Special interest groups like the Borderplex Alliance should not dictate what gets done, especially if they benefit from said projects.

Water and power usage.

What partnerships or programs could data centers support that align with community priorities?

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None!

None

Nothing it will be green washing and or a poor exchange

One not driven by the money they say they will bring.

none this datacenter does not belong here

Partnerships with the local colleges and schools to develop our skilled trade workforce.

This is a billionaire corporation. If they're going to be here, I don't want a community program from Meta that's \$500,000. They better up to \$5 million or something and pay us. There's no price on water. But if they're going to be here then our community better get an improved quality of life.

As far as making Meta apps a backyard name out here and community incentive to connect with all living beings, I just don't see much outside of one time deals because the world has a strong for profit hunger and that is just how it is. You can't fool the eyes of those who have seen things and have gone through hurdles in life knowing no one was there in the end. To that effect you can sales pitch all day with promises and promises, but unless we see action it most likely will be perceived as the neighborhood ice cream truck for lack of a better term. Don't,t just be here for the sake of being in a position of God's word, be like Jesus and engage with the people and see what we do on a daily basis, taste the food, know what goes on. Don't just come with a loud bullhorn playing the ice cream truck song, let us read the menu and recruit locally so that the good word may become believable or gossip in a well received capacity.

I don't trust these corporations at all. Any programs or partnerships would be rooted in lies.

None

We don't need or want a data center anywhere in El Paso

Exclusive use for scientific advances

none in my estimate

Nothing that is long term good for the environment or humans.

none

None

None. We dont need them. Bribing their way with stupid gifts.

So far the tech bros are only interested is who has the biggest and best. Check and amsee what's happening I vtge city of Tahoe due to a data center.

None

Ensure limited water use and ensure the ability to recycle water-perhaps pay for a water treatment plant that would supply clean water since they will be using a lot of water.

High paying jobs for actual residents of El Paso. (not just 50-100 jobs)

Give back to the community with green space (not the park the city wants to develop over the I10 freeway because I think most voters do not want this) to maybe help with polution.

It's insulting that El Paso is giving up so so much and getting so so little in return. We're jumping over dollars to get pennies! Why? To whose benefit?

An agreement not to exist

None

There is nothing data centers can do to buy us wanting them in our community.

You're asking how we can be bought off? We're not politicians like you.

This is a stupid and skewed survey

Technology, training, and income assistance.

Education - K through 12, community colleges, UTEP

How about no tax breaks for data centers. They need to carry their own tax burden.

Nalco water who treats most data centers water is a glad to come speak at meetings.

They should agree to pay for all damages, liabilities and costs to communities on paper.

Do not Build

Nonprofits that work to protect the environment.

don't proceed with the project!

Clean air

Data centers should support programs that directly benefit the community, especially water conservation projects, renewable energy investment, and environmental restoration. They could also partner with local schools, workforce training programs, and community infrastructure efforts, but basic local needs like protecting water resources and keeping energy affordable should come first.

None

Cancel all the contracts.

I totally oppose the construction of data centers in my community and do not trust any support promise made to our community by them.

NONE

Job Training

none. They cannot exist here without destroying the resources. This will eventually kill our city.

Workforce solutions for jobs, UTEP and Community College for student internships, city government to make sure policies are upheld

I'm not sure

if they don't use water or electricity, just hire local people, and give all of their profits to the city again education on what the data is that they're collecting and why you need to ask is to pay more taxes to support them?

Stewardship of water resources and of the environment.

Nothing - these data centers have a proven track record of pulling vital resources (water, electricity) and contaminating nearby water supplies and the air quality, impacting entire communities, with lower income populations at greater risk. The City is asking us to sacrifice our community's water, air, power sources and public health for a handful of jobs. Too many are not okay with this and are pleading with City Council, the Mayor and other local key decision makers not to diminish our concerns or ignore their conscience.

Increase our water supply and double our the energy they consume and give that back to the communities for free!

anything that does not require the city to give them tax breaks AND our resources

Amanacer People Project

They could fuck off and never come back.

None

That sounds like propaganda programs designed to sway public opinion towards supporting data centers.

Pair the business with an institution to eliminate the costs to El Pasoans. For example, Data Center Alpha can pair with the children's museum and pay all the costs so the taxpayers who footed the entire bill for the museum don't have to pay to get in to see it. Data Center Beta can do the same for the Zoo. Data Center Kappa can do the same for the El Paso Symphony. You get the idea. Let them actually do something tangible to improve the quality of life around here for residents without property owners paying for change. That would be downright refreshing.

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RECEIVING CRUMBS BACK AFTER DETERIORATION OF OUR COMMUNITY IS NOT ACCEPTABLE

None they breed brain rot and stupidity

NONE. They are polluting parasites

Out the city

None

None. Water and air quality is not for sale

None. Water and air quality is not for sale

None these data centers are not for people only for profit
Wild life conservation, recycling programs, water plant partnership
None

No data centers should be built near our city

We can start by not cheating the community

None. They are not interested in our community values- they are here to seek self profit.

None

None. We don't want data centers.

None. do not build them/approve them

nothing

None

To be honest it doesn't align with our values as a community it only hurts us

Programs that support environmental sustainability.

nothing they are a burden to communities like that in northeast el paso

None

NO DATA CENTERS period

none, the community does not want a data center, start there.

I have no idea

none

We should not be affiliated with them

Support local communities.

None!

none, the consequences outweigh the benefits

Align with the local environmental groups

Data Centers should be providing as much money for restoration, reparation and improvement of every aspect their existence inherently damages. Environmental Restoration, Public Infrastructure Development for transportation,

NONE

There are none, they waste too much energy and water that our city needs

They should pay taxes to support the community where they are located.

None, I do not want data centers in my community.

none

Include the 6 Mandates from Jonathan Zayan and PI.QUE LLC for the Data Center Plan

Water conservation

None.

None

None.

Local business and environmental sustainability efforts. I know the city already has a climate action plan but approving data centers would effectively make those null and void.

None. Don't put them here.

None

none

None.

None outside using actual renewable energy rather than a gas plant and finding alternatives to any water usage.

I do not believe data center developers have the slightest intention of investing in our community, though they're clearly happy to lie about it. If they were willing to commit to bringing in external water/cleaning their pollution in an actual enforceable contract instead of empty words, that would be something.

The I.T. community, Federal entities, Schools...

If they use 1 ounce of water they will never align with the basic priority of having enough clean water to drink or clean air to breathe. They need to pay full taxes every year from the first year. On an issue this big, voters should have had a say before any agreement was signed. Let the voters decide.

Using renewable clean energy that doesn't take from residents.

None can make up for the harm generated

N/A

Hahahaha, this is such a silly question. Support our Rio Bosque wetlands program as they suck all the water and release pollution and pollute our potable water, disturb wildlife and humans with the noise pollution etc. this is so backwards.

Building renewable energy and closed loop cooling systems with resources to help homeowners upgrade their homes to have noise suppression systems/technology.

Reject tax breaks giving if they are here to help they shouldn't take the city's money.

Bringing in more water to the city, water management that doesn't raise prices or empties our water supply.

The community of El Paso strongly oppose this data center. Real people not politicians, city council members, should have the last say. There isn't a program or partnership to be had because the data center is not wanted. This is like your trying to convince the people through aligned partnership.

I'm not sure.

Unsure

None that I can think of.

None

Nothing to be honest. They need to stop trying to make it happen here

Data centers could pay for their own existence and be contractually obligated to cover all their energy and resource use.

Alternative resource consumption, as well as anti corporation tactics of signing a lease then returning the load (bill) to the people.

Build their own roads, pay for everything with no special incentives, dont put more tax liabilities on the local communities

None

No data centers!

None. Data centers should not exist.

Community trash clean up. After the windy days trash piles up everywhere, they could clean it up, they can provide parks or walking trails.

N/a

Energy sustainable.

None

Green power opportunities

staying away from this community would be great

NONE

Increased security. Increased environment protection and resources.

Environmental groups. Community school groups. Volunteer groups. Frontera

Air quality partnerships. Partnerships to lower the cost of energy for the city. Example create mini nuclear power plant or solar fields to lower energy cost.

They don't

None. They bring their workforce from abroad and only hire low income support staff.

Reducing utility costs

If data centers are going to be built in or near our community, they should be required to support partnerships and programs that directly address the real needs of El Paso residents.

First, data centers should contribute financially to basic infrastructure improvements. That includes repairing streets, improving drainage, and maintaining surrounding roads that will see increased heavy traffic from construction and long term operations. These are costs that should not fall on local taxpayers.

Second, they should support utility cost relief programs. Data centers consume large amounts of water and electricity, and residents should not see higher utility bills as a result. Partnerships could include investments in grid upgrades, water conservation efforts, and direct assistance programs for low income households to offset rising utility costs.

Third, data centers should invest in workforce development that actually benefits local residents. This means paid training programs, internships, and partnerships with local schools and community colleges that lead to real jobs with living wages, not temporary construction work or limited positions that go to outside contractors.

Fourth, they should contribute to community funds for affordable housing and neighborhood stabilization, especially in surrounding areas that may experience increased property values and taxes. Without protections, long time residents risk being priced out of their own neighborhoods.

Lastly, any partnership should include transparency and community oversight so residents have a say in how funds are used and can hold companies accountable over time.

If data centers cannot commit to supporting these priorities in a meaningful and enforceable way, then they do not align with what this community needs right now. El Paso residents should not carry the long term financial burden of projects that primarily benefit private interests.

NONE!

None it's a money grab

None

None

None. Not a single data center supports or aligns with community priorities. They are just a factory that does not contribute to the local economy in any meaningful manner compared to their corporate benefit.

None, they claim to offer jobs, but my experience in the industry suggests they will be few and low paying, low impact jobs such as janitors, and security guards. Everything else will be automated, remotely supported from other countries (such as India) and farmed out to subcontractors for low rates on a case by case basis as needed.

NOT Borderplex Alliance

Water and electricity conservation. Standing up solar power generation.

None, as the citizens of El Paso have stated on multiple occasions they have no desire for any data centers and their engagement.

They cannot help us. Cancel the deal.

Data centers need to support affordable housing, vulnerable and poor populations, and the environment. We need more transparency about any donations made to local communities that are not just on the company website. It's important to know if the donations are cash, in-kind, or in some other form that is not cash. If the company makes a claim like "200% return of water resources", we need more specific language like how is the water being returned and is this a one-time "donation"?

NONE, I'M STRONGLY AGAINST BY ANY MEANS

None. We do not want this here.

While community partnerships such as job training programs, infrastructure investment, and environmental initiatives could provide some benefit, they do not fully offset the long-term impact on local resources. Any proposed programs should be substantial, enforceable, and directly tied to community needs.

None

Nothing the way they're designed currently

None.

Pay their 100 % share of property taxes now to help with water infrastructure upgrades and expansion

None

None

Don't patronize us with that. We're not that stupid.

None on this city, we don't have enough water or even good water.

Neighborhood Association

Environment and health of the people living in it.

Couldn't care. Don't want them here.

Telling the public the truth about the intent and damage data centers do to communities and how data center companies lie about the benefits of having them built in our neighborhoods.

Job fairs, internships for highschool students.

None

None

STEM in high schools

Data centers should support workforce development programs (STEM training and local hiring pipelines), invest in water conservation and reuse initiatives, and fund community benefits such as digital access and public infrastructure. In El Paso, these partnerships should ensure direct, equitable benefits to the local community.

Data center should be incentivizing coming not the other way around

Any that will hold them accountable

Nothing. They don't need to be built in out city

None

N/A

None

NONE, ONLY WEALTH EXTRACTION AND ENVIRONMENTAL DESTRUCTION

None, don't want them in our community.

Reducing nonrenewable energy usage and support programs to increase available renewable energy capabilities.

Environmental protection programs, employment opportunity programs for unhoused/less fortunate.

Let them transfer 90% of our property taxes. Let them invest in the city's public schools, let them invest in the UMC, and let them eliminate all those fees from us. In addition, let them create more free cultural and sports programs in our city for the community.

work with cte programs in schools

Data centers do not align with community priorities in residential areas and should instead be located in remote industrial zones where they do not strain neighborhoods or compete with residents for power and water resources. If companies choose to build them, they—not taxpayers—should fully fund the infrastructure required to support their operations, including substations, transmission upgrades, and water systems. Community resources should be prioritized for residents and local-serving development rather than subsidizing large corporate facilities with limited long-term local benefit.

Environmental agencies

Local stem and ai development/entertainment centers would be nice. Data centers tours too. Heck get the 20+ school districts in this zone involved in yearly field trips and that will surely augment local involvement and help shape perception

There should be line of sight from the community and the ability to cancel projects going forward if they do not follow the guidelines that protect our community and resources.

NONE. Cancel the data center.

Nothing that is worth the impact they will have to our quality of life.

Data centers bring NOTHING and offer nothing of value to our community.

What would help you feel confident that your input is being considered?

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Cancel the data center

Do NOT build data centers in El Paso county!

Seeing legislation that makes building data centers hard not just safety rail guards

Answers to my questions. I have sent the council a letter on the April 1 meeting. I would like the council to comment on the (1) CNN report on warming temps; (2) Amazon data center poisoning groundwater; (3) the section of the contract with Meta where they state they shall implement no laws adverse to the data center industry. I would like them to make themselves available for an actual town hall where the community can get up, ask a question, and they will answer it there

Simple. I live here. They don't. They will make promises like Trump. They will tell you what they want you to believe.

Put it to vote and let the residents decide if we want them in our city.

like i said if you ignore me i will keep digging and you guys will all be liable

Have these concerns address early and now with input from people who know. I for one have a lot of experience with these issue and am more than willing to help. As a long time resident, this is my home and I only want El Paso to continue to grow and thrive.

If there's no more data centers

If you can find one example of a community that has a data center or two in it where the birds are chirping and EPA regulations are constantly being met without incident, chemicals or ambience runoff isn't being spilled out into the community with 100% certainty, then by all means drop some knowledge, if you can find just one example. I don't want to see this become thatbone episode from The Simpsons where they built a monorail in one town and ruined it forever. I would feel so much at ease knowing boots on the grounds, wings in the sky, and rooms are being filled with progressive conversations that resonate the overwhelmingly united decision making and sound governance that we hold everyone representing this old wild west town into a gradual growth for a city on the horizon..Honestly just send out email updates since its the most common and available form of communication. Please continue to have community meetings as this topic has clearly snowballed quite quickly and with mixed interest.

I would feel more confident If the construction of this data center was halted. I cannot believe there are community meetings to address the public concern and the data center has already broken ground. Continue taking surveys and polls and they will show most of the citizens of El Paso are against this data center, so our City representatives do not care at all about what the people want. Always profit over the people.

seeing what we're requesting and actually LISTENING!!

Nothing, because city government looks only to fill their pockets

We don't need or want a data center anywhere in El Paso. If you're still considering it please give it 10 years time, put it off until its a necessity.

Visuals of people's responses in this form

Transparency in official government and elected officials

Nothing.

Post ALL surveys AND comments on-line. - remove the email address/ or other personal information.

Don't build

It's El Paso. This is just a dog and pony show. Our input will not matter. A legal action will be the salvation.

They don't build it.

Nothing

I will never ever feel confident that my input or any input will be considered unless it benefits the elites in this city.

1-putting data center to a city vote

2-supplying detailed information about how our city will be protected from environmental concerns

3-providing INDEPENDENT research about the impact a data center will have on our environment

Say NO to META and to any other data center. NO build. We don't want your pennies. Will it lower our property taxes? No. Better drinking water? Lower utilities? Be a good neighbor to our citizens by not polluting our air, increasing our temperatures. No outages, etc?

An agreement that they shouldn't exist

Perhaps but based on the backers of the project along with thier statements that are well not truthful.

Stop building the data center and immediately hold a vote to see if the community wants the data center

Listen to the people of El Paso county and say no to all data centers.

Another stupid question. You all don't really care. This wouldn't be a question if you did.

The city standing behind their decisions to bring customers here.

Feedback on how concerns will be addressed and then progress reports

The FACTS need to be read in to the record!

Acknowledgement

Put me in a committee with other professionals to discuss and put out the truth.

District represenatives should invite the media to press conferences to explain their work. Maybe Youtube videos explaining their work and views.

This survey will not be taken seriously

A public meeting with the city's lawyer(s) to understand why this contract was written the way it was, and to learn what are our options for voiding it.

don't proceed with the project!

That my option is being heard by approvers

I would feel more confident if community concerns were publicly acknowledged and addressed in a transparent way. That includes public meetings, clear responses to residents' questions, independent studies, and written commitments showing how concerns about water shortages, environmental harm, and electricity costs will be prevented or reduced.

I would feel much more confident in the impact of this survey if all of the questions weren't framed as supportive of the data center. I have left answers blank because I strongly oppose its construction at all. I'll only feel confident once the project is cancelled.

If they do not get approval

For City council to actually give a fuck about this city and not be a bunch of sell outs and cancel all the contracts.

I speak with my vote and the ability to mobilize to make sure our community is made aware of the dangers/risks associated with the development of a data center in it.

Conversation with real consequence

Action. Our elected officials who back this WILL BE VOTED OUT

It would greatly make me feel very confident knowing that my opinion and concerns are being taking seriously.

For city government to not make decisions to allow data centers in the community without the residents' input. You are asking for input after the decision was already made to allow a data center to be built instead of before making the decision; this in itself shows that the city does not prioritize input.

Open, frank discussions with the community; the use of impartial studies to support or oppose positions.

does the city actually read these surveys? i've filled out many and never seen any evidence they were read by human beings.

read above

The City should set up an online portal that takes feedback 24/7 as it relates to this issue.

The City immediately terminating the existing contract with this and all Data Centers.

A swift reply to my survey! Then a complete stop to the construction until all facts are conveyed to the public and a vote is required before the project can proceed!

it would be a miracle from God

Public voting

Results. Hearing the city council speak out against the centers and let us know WE are more important than AI.

That our local government would ban these energy guzzling companies from ever being in our communities. They are not welcome here.

Cancel contract/s

Being able to vote yes or no on a proposition for allowing each data center proposed.

It would help if the government actually took time to consider the total impact of things instead of rushing to approve projects and hand out tax abatements and then go "Oh, maybe we should have thought a little more about this" after it's too late.

If the city only allows data centers with iron-clad guarantees that the centers will not add pollutants or use our limited water supply.

RELEASE ALL PUBLIC RECORDS OF BORDERPLEX ALLIANCE DEALINGS, APPLICATIONS, SURVEYS AND PRE-Determinations of what made them approve 380 agreement for a multi-billionaire company that has no intentions of making anything better but to scam

Not sure

Being notified that my survey was reviewed.

If city council listens to their constituents and cancels data center contracts

Actual change, not just hearing concerns.

Stopping this project

Statistics on impacts on the city and environment

Stopping this project

Wtf ? This like asking someone what kinda man they want Ona first date just so u can act like that for the first few months then switch up later.. time tells all.. u don't need to be asking these questions we aren't idiots

Keeping me updated

If the contract is canceled

Not having any data centers near our city

Full transparency in all phases of the project

If the data centers are not built in El Paso and surrounding areas. As I am not the only one opposing

I felt really offended that the public meetings being held were mainly focused on trying to persuade the community into believing in the benefits of these centers, rather than asking for our input PRIOR to approving such a decision that has widespread implications.

That the contract got cancelled or stopped until all the inclusions in the project are safe check that is not going to be pollution, not environment damage, they will use only clean energy, no noise, they will not use gas, they will not use water, they will pay for everything, the city will not pay for anything for them. Taxes 100% and could be lower after 10 years depending on how they were for the city (Good or bad). Any project like this if it is accepted by the city, will have a 5 years probate, if we don't like what we see, the project can be cancelled and the data center owner cannot do anything.

If you actually cared for the feedback and take action to cancel the projects dealing with data centers.

By not building them!

cancellation of the project

Seeing regular updates on the website and receiving text message updates and seeing updates on the news.

To not let them be built

That the data center isn't approved

nothing I just hate data centers

Seeing more information regarding community concerns

To cease any current plans to build data centers and any future opportunities to build data centers

transparency about why these choices have been made, a clearly defined plan with limitations and consequences for selling our water and air to the billionaire class

Post updates on City website.

Nothing

Not allowing any data centers in or near our region

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No data centers being built

With data centers not being built in the desert southwest! El Paso county/city specifically.

not having any data centers

Public media

Public communication with the City's Economic Developers. If there's any way how, get rid of the tax rebates. They're ridiculous. If anything get rid of the tax rebates. An 80% tax rebate for 25 years is an extremely foolish term to agree on and decimates the delusional idea that this Data Center could ever economically change the city as drastically as promised.

Cancelling construction of DATA CENTERS

The meetings I will attend

A very big reconsideration and redesign of how this will be built and operated, as outlined above. They should be required to use the least polluting electricity generating technology to power their plant- not stacks of small gas generators.

What would make me feel confident is not just considering our input, but rather removing data centers all together. It's been vocalized at community meetings and through other organizations that we do not want them in our community.

If our elected officials use the data of this survey and they place it into actions. Moratoriums on data centers, cancelling the agreement with META and influence the PSB to cancel their agreement as well.

If the city and organizations affiliated with this decision actually took public comment (not just signatures) and came up with action points, as opposed to just more meetings.

That the local government will cancel the contract with meta

Have public meeting, be transparent. Who's idea was it to bring them here and why?

Give more than 3 minutes to speak and make these kinds of decisions more public.

Nothing because this city is greedy

A responses detailed on my feedback.

Canceling the data center

a response of what will be changed or implemented to protect el paso water source

I have absolutely no confidence my input is being considered. Prove that it is by changing your minds and canceling the data center.

Lol. Rolling back time and consulting the community before the fact rather than after the fact???

Response to my previous questions.

If Borderplex Alliance publicly apologizes to the residents of El Paso. That the ludicrous tax incentive be rejected. That the city reject all data centers in the future.

To see the City pledge to refuse any additional centers, and to honor that pledge; to see and hear City leadership stepping up to redress the harm in progress to our community perpetrated by agreements already entered into in violation of the City's responsibility to protect our resources and public health.

Hearing that the data center will not be built.

Actually cancelling the contract and any future contracts. Stand up for our community, don't let the billionaire push us around, we are just a pawn in their games and they know they would never want to live in a community that has Data Centers.

Actual bills written into law to protect citizens from having to pay exorbitant rates on electricity and water as well as significantly limit the data centers water usage

We might just be preaching to the choir!

Accountability of our representatives.

If the vote for data center was a no. Majority of the El Paso community opposes this data center.

Response from community leaders and elected officials

Action

When they stop pushing to building these things.

If they break the contract with Meta and never consider bringing data centers again

Trying to speak up and being apart of helping our community to stop something dumb from at least happening

Cancel the Meta contract and deny future proposed data center projects.

Feedback on questions and concerns that have been addressed, in an empathetic fashion rather than just numbers and statistics of how it affects the millionaires pockets and the benefits that effect only those in power.

Nothing...this city doesn't care for its people, they only care for what will line their pockets.

If this didn't happen here

If we said no to data centers.

Cancel the data center.

If it's talked about

That they actually listen to the tax payers. Us.

The implementation of energy sustainable data centers in our city.

If the data centers are off the table

The city actually listening and put it on a ballot because the community does not want data centers

I don't believe in our government, local or country. I think the people in power will do whatever lines their pockets and people like us are going to suffer. It has happened my entire lifetime.

For starters make the results of this survey public

By not building data centers

Updates regularly on everything.

Make public the survey results.

Not building the data center

Public discussion of my responses.

NA

Community engagement and representative communication along with Mayoral acknowledgement

No data centers.

I'm not confident many times we have expressed our concerns and we all feel like we are still ignored.

Reconsider building it

That actual frameworks and stipulations be placed on city council to never be able to get in to this agreement without public approval.

Representatives discussing and actually considering our concerns

Canceling the agreement or beginning a recall to change the composition of city council

Make environmental monitoring of the data center a top priority and communicate that to the public.

To see action from our representatives by voiding the data center contract. In addition, asking for the thoughts of the community prior to making any major decisions.

To not see any data centers here ever.

Stop the construction. Cancel the deal.

All elected officials should attend community meetings so that input is more accessible to vulnerable people in each community. If the City needs to call a public meeting for each community meeting so that there are no quorum issues, then this is what needs to be done.

CITY NEEDS TO DO ITS JOB IN PROTECTING ITS CITIZENS

The data center not being built.

While community partnerships such as job training programs, infrastructure investment, and environmental initiatives could provide some benefit, they do not fully offset the long-term impact on local resources. Any proposed programs should be substantial, enforceable, and directly tied to community needs.

The mayor and the county have shown that they don't care about their constituents so hopefully all of them will be voted out.

Feedback

Transparency from our elected representatives. How did the previous city council make this arrangement with minimum publicity?

The agreement with META being canceled indefinitely.

Unsure

Interesting, they will be heard.

Transparency

Do what the people have said and stop the data centers from coming here.

Actions

A response, as well as putting a stop to these data centers the way other cities have been able to successfully do, because they listened to the people!

Hear that cancellation is actually being considered.

Responses

By seeing a change and reversal of data centers built in our communities

Action and not words

Not putting them up.

Not putting them up.

Hearing direct quotes from these surveys.

Environmental studies on the impact of our community. Independent Analysis of similar similar data centers around the country and how it has affected those community.

Confirmation that my input has been read and considered by sharing what the mass population is saying

A complete stop to building those data centers. Leaders of this city always say that they are all about the future and growth of the city. Depletion of our valuable energy resources, and precious water supply were not part of anyone of our city leader's campaign promises or agendas.

Personal reply. Companies reading these surveys on live video.

Put the community first, cancel the data center like all other cities are doing because they are listening to their constituents

NO DATA CENTERS

Council voting to prevent these types of businesses from being established here, and cancelling them even if they slip by (Fines? Litigate, litigate, litigate).

Show the data collected from these surveys based on highest priority. Use social media to display these.

Direct responses to these issues during a community meeting, as well as posted on social media for those who are not able to attend.

It's a complicated question. But it would mean that city government officials would have more contact with us, that we could actually see that they think like us and that they're doing something that truly represents our voice, because they don't even know how we think. That's why they're conducting these kinds of surveys; which, by the way, are very difficult to find. It's as if they don't want the citizens of El Paso to actually answer them.

Yes

none

I would feel more confident if public input were meaningfully considered before agreements are signed, not after major decisions are already underway. The City should provide clear, easy-to-understand information about project costs, tax impacts, infrastructure commitments, and expected benefits without requiring residents to piece details together themselves. Elected officials should acknowledge constituent communications and demonstrate how feedback is influencing decisions instead of deflecting responsibility to prior administrations. Transparency should be proactive, complete, and accessible—not something residents have to work to uncover.

I have no confidence

A response by someone who's human

Having a group of experts including environmental experts review the data and rewrite the contract to ensure our safety.

Cancelling the data center.

Transparency and more community meetings with the City Council and the Mayor.

Stopping the data centers.

Depends if we get answers to our concerns.

Any additional thoughts you would like to share?

ddd

Your line of questioning tells me that you think that because we are mid income city that you can dump these data centers here

Do NOT build data centers in El Paso city nor county!

I would like to say I attended the April 1 meeting and some comments were made that seemed to implausible that the people against this are being irrational, or scared, or unable to see the economic benefits because they just want to say no to everything. This has been repeated by a number of people involved in the Meta project. I think this is unhelpful and part of the reason people feel likely are not being heard- that they are being humored. I assure you that people are capable of understanding economics and still feel this industry is not a good fit for the region and the negative known environmental impacts- as well as the unknowns- outweigh the unproven economic benefits. El Paso has a long history of being poisoned by corporations and we are not being naive not to put all our faith in economic benefits trickling down from a billion dollar corporation. History tells us about snake oil salesmen and "Trickle down economics "

i am furious. i went to the meetings and there is no transparency and a bunch of political statements not addressing my concerns. it is condescending and repulsive

I'm am more than willing to help and would welcome an opportunity to be a part of the solution in El Paso.

We are relying on you guys as the city to take all the necessary steps, listen to the community, and be the champions we know you are to guide El Paso well into the future. Always keep this in mind,. In fact every department should have a plaque of it hanging near their entrance.

Do better Mayor and City council... the people of El Paso strongly oppose this data center. We dont need it! Who benefits? Fix our streets. The potholes are at an all time high. The focus should be on high quality job creation. This data center make will not benefit the residents of El Paso. We already face issues with water security. This data center and if more come threatens the water supply and air quality.

Don't do this behind our backs! Stay transparent and I hope this survey is not just for show cause that's how politics works!!

The data center is a rash decision. You have time to make it. Don't decide now, please wait.

Cancel any agreements and end building of data centers. AI is rife with inaccuracy and therefore data centers are a waste of taxpayer dollars.

I cannot support anything that destroys our resources.

None

Yes. Reverse the actions of the geniuses that allowed for this data center to be built. Do the right thing.

Take care of the people and the people will take care of you. Why do we pay a surcharge for Ft Bliss electricity?

I don't support it

Yes. Tear it down.

Any large scale data center like this will be detrimental to our life. Global climate is changing and becoming more severe.
Please do not accept or approve it for your family and mine.

Ai is destructive to the community and no one in the community wants it.

This survey is obviously skewed with loaded questions about "opportunities" created by data centers. Who is benefiting from these so called opportunities???

The mayor and city reps who support this will be held responsible in the next election.

I'm FURIOUS LIKE 99% OF RESIDENTS

Leaders need to get behind this and support electric and water efforts. Stop fighting EPE!

The FACTS need to be read in to the record!
The closed loop cooling for example

Military veteran

District reps need to communicate their views on youtube or call channels news outlets for press release.

Do Not build

Do Not allow this project to commence, shut it down!

Provide updates

Water use needs to be taken very seriously. El Paso is already in a desert environment, and large-scale data centers can place significant strain on local water resources. I do not want our city to become an example of poor planning where a major data center negatively impacts drinking water supply or the environment.

Any data center project should be required to use reclaimed or non-potable water, operate under strict water usage limits, and prove that it will not affect the community's long-term water security. Growth is important, but it should never come at the expense of essential resources like water and the health of our environment.

City council is not part of the wealthy 1%, I'm not sure what is going on in their tiny fucking brains that they thought it would be a great idea to accept these contracts in a fucking desert. I know they're doing this bullshit survey because they think this will make us shut the fuck up. But we will keep fighting these data centers until they are COMPLETELY SHUT DOWN. Even if these data centers go through, the fighting will only get worse with water scarcity, and neither you or your children will be safe from water scarcity. Even if you dumb fucks think you will be exempt from this water crisis, you will not, you cannot try to escape to outer space like the 1%, you guys are fucked just like the rest of us. No matter where you will go, Colorado or California, it doesn't fucking matter, there won't be any safe place, because these billionaires don't give a flying fuck about the idiots approving the contracts either, they want to see y'all dying of thirst just like the rest of us. They want to see you choking on the air you breath just like the rest of us. They want to see your children choking on the air they breath just like the rest of us.

I am not in favor of the building of a data center in my community and will be paying close attention to how elected officials handle this matter.

NO DATA CENTERS. THANK YOU
PLEASE PROTECT OUR WATER!

STOP THE DATA CENTERS FROM EATING UP OUR VERY LIMITED RESOURCES. REQUIRE ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

don't let these greedy assholes rip off el paso
are you collecting said data for a reason?

We are pleading with City Council, the Mayor and all local key stakeholders invested in this project not to diminish our concerns or ignore their conscience. Don't sell out our El Paso.

Thanks for the opportunity to voice my concerns. Please bring this to a vote!

This is probably a "feel good" exercise which won't go anywhere.

Please BE STRONG and support our community.

I am dumbfounded that this is even a discussion. WE DONT HAVE ENOUGH WATER for these water thieves and no economic growth will occur. Poor people will continue to be exploited and it's a pity that our city has been targeted by greedy multinational companies who only care about their bottom line. They don't give a hoot about us. This will not end well. Can't you see this? Do we have water to spare when it rarely rains here? Profit over people, as always.

No data centers!

Let us vote on this issue!

Be realistic about where we live and what is reasonable for where we live. We are a poor city. We are a point of first immigration. We are located in a desert. Water-wasting attractions and businesses are not a good fit for us. Businesses wanting million and millions in tax abatements in exchange for 20 jobs when unemployment is a big problem here are not a good fit for us. Businesses unwilling to do tangible things to improve the quality of life for ALL residents are not a good fit for us. You guys want all this fancy stuff but expect overburdened taxpayers to foot the bill for it. That kind of thinking is not a good fit for us.

YOU ARE SUPPOSED TO REPRESENT EL PASOANS NOT ADVOCATE FOR COMPANIES

Cancel the contract look at what's happening in Corpus Christi which is near water

There is no amount of money that could replace water. Our community is already facing several challenges that are not being resolved and we cannot afford to get ourselves into a bigger mess. We must help our community thrive in a responsible manner ensuring that future generations will continue to have their basic needs fulfilled.

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I myself cannot stop or change anything like this but please, those in power I urge u to consider us as a whole and not the bonus pay you receive for agreeing to this center

Please do not make this center in El Paso, TX. Its going to hinder our environment. Yes it will make money but theres other ways to do so.

Say no to data centers!

NO DATA CENTERS SHOULD BE BUILT IN OR NEAR OUR CITY OF EL PASO

This should be decided via direct democracy

I implore the city officials to think of its citizens and not look in their pockets. These centers bring nothing of value to our community, but rather rob us of our resources, our money, and our beautiful desert. Break contract with these data moguls. There could have been other more fruitful, beneficial partnerships.

The City of El Paso has so many history, venues, festivities, events, sigthseeing areas, tourist areas, so many good things here and in the closer cities that we can be making money, a lot of money, investing in the natural areas, in the parks, in the nature. You like science? lets invest on that but be inteligent, look for the long tail revenue, think in projects that will keep the area alive in any season. We have people, we are a very working hard city, bring projects were our people can be hire but please, no fracking, no data centers. Think sustentabilidad.

Please cancel the project.

Please do not build them/approve data centers at all

Please don't build them

This data center will eventually have a negative effect in our community. Doesn't make sense to put money over the wellbeing of our community.

no

Money pollutes our community- data centers are not a type of investment that would keep El Paso as beautiful as it is.

Check for spelling errors....you have at least one.

cancel the contract, this data center belongs NO WHERE, NO DATA CENTERS IN OUR DESERT

Do not allow the data center in or near our region

There's a typo on the question about children: should say half

Data centers serve no functional purpose nor add any value to the region. They rob us of our beautiful landscape and environment.

Data centers do not benefit the residents of any community and only drain its resources.

Do not allow ANY data centers to be built in El Paso

I do not want data centers in our area

Put a moratorium on AI Data Centers. They do not belong here. Invest in Aerospace if you want to make technology advancements. City Leadership is viewed as very incompetent at the moment (i also think City Leadership is incompetent). Our leadership should read what agreements they're signing.

STOP Data Centers from being built

Taxpayers are tired of paying for corporate funding for data centers we do not want

Once again, no one wants data centers in our community. Those who showed up to the community meetings are a sliver of all the people who were not able to attend. These data centers will destroy our community, ecosystem, and limited resources.

No Data Centers in Our Desert!

Include the 6 Mandates from Jonathan Zayan and PI.QUE LLC for the Data Center Plan

Say no to data centers in our community.

Please think about how this will impact the community in the long term
Make input easier.

Question above should read "half" not "have"
make more responsible decisions for the community and protect our resources

Shame on you.

Please note that 'environmental sustainability' is not a possible benefit of data centers, although it is inevitably very important to desert dwellers.

I hope this is good for the community and environment.

I have never been more disappointed in the City as I am now.

This data center is ridiculous. Taking water, power, electricity from residents, harming the environment and permanently disturbing our desert landscape for such an eyesore is disgraceful and heartbreaking.

I am angry and disgusted that the City and other local government entities have put the interests of Big Tech and the financially powerful over those of the people of our community and future generations. Thank you for the opportunity to provide feedback.

I'm happy the city is open to hearing the citizen's concerns but I hope it is for true change and that our opinion matters the most, not the benefit they will receive.

Every community where a data center has been built has suffered immensely. Why do we want to join them?

It is imperative that the citizens of El Paso will never have to pay for the resources used by these billion dollar companies. It is also important that the water in the aquifers are protected at all costs, especially in a desert.

This should've been brought to the citizens for approval since it will cause a region wide impact.

Cancel the project. We don't need it. Our children deserve a quality environment to grow up and thrive in. Stop the greed.

No

If they bring data centers to El Paso, my family and I will leave to find a city without them

Don't do it, don't let them come into our community and mess everything up for us

Don't sell us out. We are a beautiful community. These data centers will only hurt us.

The United States for the people by the people.

Start listening to the people instead of just the hunters and fosters...if you really cared for this community, we would have been informed, and our concerns would have been taken into consideration way before this backdoor deal was made. Bring jobs that actually employ people long term, not just temporary. For the amount of resources this project is taking from the community, it should be employing a heck of a lot more people full time. I would rather pay the 1 billion and get them out of here, then deal with the long term affects of what this will do to the resources we have.

Very against this issue

Data centers will ruin our environment and take all of our drinkable water. No data centers.

PLEASE CANCEL THE DATA CENTER! Our health, environment, and safety are at risk for a profit that the community will never see.

I'm am concerned for future side effects that could result from living so close

To please be conscious of the negative impacts of data centers.

Why and who's idea is it to put data centers in the desert a place that's already hot and starved of water

Put it on the ballot

You should have had someone grammar check this form!

We the residents don't want our water and other resources going to any data centers, say no to data centers

Please be mindful of everyone and everything that will be affected from these Data Centers. There are some things that are irreversible.

Save our community. Remove the trash. Remove the greedy.

Research the negative impact these data centers have to communities. They are not a net positive to citizens.

DO NOT BUILD THE DATA CENTER(S)

Tired of hearing local politicians make claims based on what out of town businesses promise.

Politicians for these kinds of projects should do their homework and really speak to people being affected by these data centers among other projects.

Don't build a water sucking center in a desert where there is already scarcity.

Yes. I believe El Paso has far better economic opportunities than data centers. Industries like assembly and manufacturing plants provide stable, long term jobs across skill levels. Battery production and clean manufacturing make more sense for future growth without draining limited resources. Agriculture and desert smart farming strengthen local food systems and sustainability. Healthcare, including hospitals, nursing, and medical training, creates permanent, non expendable jobs that directly serve the community. Other strong options include logistics tied to cross border trade, skilled trades, renewable energy, and education based development. These industries invest in people, respect our environment, and offer real long term benefits to El Paso.

ELP Leadership is notorious for being short-sighted. The people have lost trust in you. While I understand it's important to bring businesses and opportunities to the Borderplex, be smarted. Here are three ideas that most of the community would agree with, and do not have the same level of negative effects. 1. Invest in a Regional Water Innovation & Sustainability Hub

El Paso is already a national leader in water reuse—build on that. The city could expand into a water technology and research hub, partnering with universities and private companies to develop desalination, advanced recycling, and conservation technologies. This would create high-skill jobs, attract federal and private funding, and position El Paso as a global leader in desert sustainability—something far more aligned with the region's needs than water-intensive data centers.

2. Develop a Clean Energy & Solar Manufacturing Corridor

With abundant sun and land, El Paso could invest in becoming a solar energy capital—not just through solar farms, but by attracting manufacturing of panels, batteries, and grid storage systems. This creates real jobs across skill levels, reduces energy costs long-term, and strengthens grid resilience. Unlike data centers, this approach gives back to residents rather than draining resources.

3. Create a Binational Innovation & Small Business District

Leverage El Paso's unique border position by building a binational economic zone that supports local entrepreneurs, logistics innovation, and cross-border trade with Ciudad Juárez. This could include incentives for small businesses, creative industries, and tech startups, along with infrastructure that supports walkability and community growth. Instead of relying on one massive project, this builds a diverse, resilient local economy that keeps wealth in the community.

Stop building it and don't continue to build it

When is the Tramway reopening?

This data center needs to be heavily policed. We don't even truly know the environmental impact. Way to screw the northeast even more after building a freeway through a neighborhood. Why not put it off of resler near cimarron?

This survey is skewed. the questions above about the potential opportunities listed below that data centers may bring to the community is built on a fallacy. None of those are benefits that the data center can bring to the community. How is "community integration" a data center benefit? That is something that the data centers want to do, not a community benefit.

Aquifer health has been an issue for years in our area, long before the datacenters proposed to come here. EP Water has been running campaigns for years encouraging people to reduce usage because of this. These datacenters will use an astronomical amount of water

We cannot afford this cancer in our community.

Either you stand up for us, or like the EPISD board, we will elect people who will.

I support the data center insofar as it will create jobs and potentially add to our economy. However, we won't have an economy if we run out of potable water. Environmental impacts MUST be considered priority over any economic development.

The people of El Paso have vocalized their honest opinions and disapproval on the matter of a data center in every available method for their representatives. It is my hope those entrusted to lead this city on behalf of their constituents will listen to what the community has to say and void the data center contract/build. No amount of money is worth the wellbeing of our valued citizens and ecosystem.

Thank you Josh Acevedo for listening to your constituents. I urge you to listen to your residents. No data centers!

Individual board members for entities like El Paso Water, El Paso Electric, TCEQ, etc. need to receive the results of this survey. They also need to have community meetings where they hear from residents of El Paso regarding our concerns. Some of these board members attended our community meeting and they had never heard about the issues that other communities had with data centers across the country. It's important that everyone, including the city council and mayor, learn as much as they can about the potential impacts of data centers from sources that are not motivated by profits.

DON'T WANT THIS IN EL PASO

Please listen to El Pasoans we do not want this data center.

I would like to see a government that stands with the community by having the community vote in these issues with all the information in place. We've had many industries in El Paso that have caused health issues and have one of the worst air quality factors

These are just the facts that people can look up but the city chose profit over people

Data centers can bring several significant environmental challenges to local communities, especially with the rapid growth driven by AI and cloud computing. Impacts vary by size, location, cooling technology, and grid mix, but they often strain resources in ways that affect residents, ecosystems, and infrastructure. ^[OOB]

1. High Water Consumption

Data centers require massive amounts of water for evaporative cooling (to keep servers from overheating). A mid-sized facility might use hundreds of thousands of gallons per day, while large hyperscale ones can consume up to 5 million gallons daily—equivalent to the water use of a town of 10,000–50,000 people. ^[OOB]

- This depletes local aquifers, rivers, or municipal supplies, worsening scarcity in drought-prone or water-stressed areas (e.g., parts of Texas, Arizona, Nevada, or Northern Virginia).
- Wastewater or runoff can introduce pollutants like biocides or chemicals used in cooling systems. ^[OOB]
- Indirect water use occurs through electricity generation (power plants also consume water).

2. Massive Energy Demand and Carbon Emissions

Data centers are extremely power-hungry. A single large AI-focused facility can use as much electricity as 50,000–100,000+ households. Nationally, they could account for a large share of U.S. electricity growth. ^[OOB]

- This increases reliance on fossil fuel power plants (if the grid isn't renewable-heavy), raising CO₂ emissions (projections: 24–44 million metric tons annually by 2030 from AI data centers alone) and contributing to climate change. ^[OOB]
- Higher overall demand can drive up utility rates for everyone and strain grid reliability, potentially leading to blackouts or new fossil infrastructure.

3. Air Pollution from Backup Generators and Power Sources

Facilities rely on banks of diesel generators for backup (and sometimes “demand response”). These emit particulate matter (PM), nitrogen oxides (NOx), sulfur dioxide, and other pollutants linked to respiratory issues, asthma, heart disease, and reduced air quality. ^[OOB]

- Communities near data centers report health concerns, especially if generators run frequently.
- Siting often disproportionately affects lower-income or marginalized areas, raising environmental justice issues. ^[OOB]

4. Noise Pollution

Constant operation of cooling fans, HVAC systems, and generators creates a low-frequency hum or louder noise (up to 85–100+ decibels nearby). This disrupts sleep, quality of life, wildlife, and nearby homes/schools. ^[OOB]

5. Land Use and Habitat Disruption

Large campuses cover hundreds of acres with impervious surfaces (buildings, paving), leading to:

- Loss of farmland, forests, or natural habitats.
- Increased stormwater runoff, flooding risks, and erosion.
- New transmission lines and infrastructure that fragment landscapes. ^[OOB]

6. Local Heat Islands

Exhaust heat from operations can raise surrounding land surface temperatures by an average of ~3.6°F (up to 16°F in extremes), affecting areas miles away and exacerbating urban/rural heat stress.

^[OOB]

Other Considerations

- E-waste and hazardous materials: Servers and batteries generate waste over time.
- Cumulative impacts: Clusters of data centers (e.g., “Data Center Alley” in Virginia) amplify all issues on local infrastructure. [OBJ]

Many companies are adopting efficiencies like liquid cooling, renewable power purchase agreements, or heat reuse, but rapid expansion often outpaces mitigation. Communities sometimes see economic benefits (jobs, tax revenue) but push back due to these burdens. Impacts depend heavily on location—drier/sunnier areas for solar may help, but water remains a key constraint. [OBJ]

This is a high-level overview based on recent analyses. Specific effects vary by project; local planning boards, environmental impact statements, or community groups can provide details for a given area.

It is my understanding that Meta already renigged on the 380 agreement, therefore we need to void Meta's & our previous administration's agreement NOW!!!!

Thank you for the opportunity to share concerns via this survey

The environmental impact this Data center will have is enormous and needs to be addressed

I believe our City should go for Manufacturing companies that open up Job Opportunities, not this type of business that only enriches the company and those who made the deal.

Data center will not bring anything worth while to community.

Please listen to the people, we do not want these data centers in our communities!

Really consider canceling this project. We should not be paying for any of this by giving them tax incentives, especially since they don't need them. They are here to take advantage of us.

NO DATA CENTERS IN OR NEAR EL PASO

Don't let them build the data centers.

Please listen to us

NO DATA CENTERS

El Paso is simply not a region that ought to be having data centers. We are a dry, desert region that has been under drought conditions for a long time; these centers ought to be established in regions that can support those intensive resource demands. Also, stop giving hand-outs to corporations, they're certainly not gonna give us anything back. These corporations come in bad faith to exploit poor communities like ours, thinking they can push us around because we'll desperately bow to all their demands.

Please think in our children and their future, not only in money. These data centers are so harmful

none

This survey is appreciated, but it should have occurred before agreements and planning advanced—not after significant public concern had already emerged. Data centers are highly resource-intensive industrial facilities and are not appropriate within or near residential communities; they should be located in remote industrial areas where companies such as Meta, Anthropic, and xAI can fully fund the infrastructure required to support their operations rather than shifting costs or risk onto local taxpayers. Residents should not face higher utility demand, reduced public revenue through abatements, or long-term infrastructure strain to support some of the wealthiest technology companies in the world. Going forward, the City and County should commit to early public engagement, transparent cost-benefit reporting, and meaningful opportunities for residents to influence decisions before commitments are made. Community trust depends on demonstrating that citizen input shapes policy—not just that it is collected after the fact.

For the love everything good, do not approve of any data centers. We live in a desert, we cannot afford to let a data center suck up all available water and water bankrupt us.

El Paso needs more input and informational platforms to become better educated on Data Centers and the process of building

If we allow these contracts to continue, we will see and feel the negative effects for years to come.

If you don't cancel the data center contract this City's administration will be infamous as the "leaders" who single-handedly destroyed El Paso's future for their own greed.

Data Centers are not good in general. Other cities that have Data Centers have documented the negative affects such as higher utility costs, low water pressure, lower property values and noise pollution. These are just a few. Albuquerque vacated their contract and El Paso should follow suit.

Please consider the horrible, environmental impact this will have to our desert community and stop the data center.
