

*Jesus Ruiz*  
Mayor

*Rene Rodriguez*  
At Large

*Sergio Cox*  
District 1



*Gloria M. Rodriguez*  
District 2

*Victor Perez*  
District 3 / Mayor-Pro Tem

*Joseph E. Bowling*  
District 4

*Willie Norfleet, Jr.*  
City Manager

**NOTICE OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
OF THE  
CITY OF SOCORRO**

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THE FACILITY IS WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE AND ACCESSIBLE  
PARKING SPACES ARE AVAILABLE. REQUESTS FOR ACCOMMODATION  
FOR INTERPRETIVE SERVICES MUST BE MADE 48 HOURS PRIOR TO  
THIS MEETING. PLEASE CONTACT THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE AT (915)  
858-2915 FOR FURTHER INFORMATION.  
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY  
COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOCORRO, TEXAS WILL BE HELD ON  
THURSDAY THE 5<sup>th</sup> DAY OF JUNE, 2014 AT 6:00 P.M. AT THE CITY HALL  
CHAMBERS, 860 N. RIO VISTA RD., SOCORRO, TEXAS AT WHICH TIME  
THE FOLLOWING WILL BE DISCUSSED:

1. Call to order
2. Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence
3. Establishment of Quorum
4. **Public Comment** (The maximum time for public comment will be 30 minutes and three minutes will be allotted for each speaker. Government Code 551.042 allows for responses by city council to be a statement of specific factual information given in response to the inquiry; or a recitation of existing policy in response to the inquiry; or a decision to add the public comment to a future agenda.)

**PROCLAMATION**

5. **Proclamation** recognizing Class of 2014 Socorro High School graduates.

*Mayor Jesus Ruiz*

**NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC**

**ALL MATTERS LISTED UNDER THE CONSENT AGENDA, INCLUDING THOSE ON THE ADDENDUM TO THE AGENDA, WILL BE CONSIDERED BY THE CITY COUNCIL TO BE ROUTINE AND WILL BE ENACTED BY ONE MOTION. THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION ON THESE ITEMS UNLESS CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS REMOVE SPECIFIC ITEMS FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA TO THE REGULAR AGENDA FOR DISCUSSION PRIOR TO THE TIME THE CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTE ON THE MOTION TO ADOPT THE CONSENT AGENDA.**

**ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA TO THE REGULAR AGENDA WILL BE CONSIDERED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AFTER ACTING ON THE CONSENT AGENDA.**

**ANY MATTERS LISTED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA AND THE REGULAR AGENDA MAY BE DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION AT THE OPTION OF THE CITY OF SOCORRO CITY COUNCIL FOLLOWING VERBAL ANNOUNCEMENT, IF AN APPROPRIATE EXCEPTION TO THE OPEN MEETING REQUIREMENT OF THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT IS APPLICABLE.**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

6. *Excuse* absent Council Members. *Sandra Hernandez*
  
7. *Approval* of Regular Council Meeting Minutes of April 17, 2014 and May 15, 2014. *Sandra Hernandez*
  
8. *Discussion and action* to approve purchase and participation in SimpliCity Municipal Law Training workshop for the following courses and to approve a \$1,800 flat fee to Bojorquez Law Firm, PC. *Sam Leony*
  1. Construction Board of Adjustment and Appeals
  2. Municipal Regulation of Land Use and Development
  3. Municipal Regulations of Signage
  4. Permit Processing: Are you Really Grandfathered.
  
9. *Discussion and action* to approve purchase and participation in SimpliCity Municipal Law Training workshop for the following courses and to approve a \$1,800 flat fee to Bojorquez Law Firm, PC. *Sandra Hernandez*
  1. Social Media and Government
  2. Integrity at City Hall: Ethics and Code of Conduct

**REGULAR AGENDA**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS ARE NOT TAKEN DURING THE INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES. PUBLIC COMMENTS WILL BE ALLOWED AT THE DATE OF THE SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARING – ORDINANCE 320.**

**ORDINANCES**

- 10. *Introduction, First Reading and Calling for a Public Hearing*** of Ordinance 330, an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Socorro, Texas, providing for the Issuance of City of Socorro, Texas Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2014; levying ad valorem taxes and providing for the payment and security of the certificates of obligation; approving an official statement and awarding sale of said certificates of obligation; providing an effective date; and enacting other provisions relating thereto. ***Willie Norfleet, Jr.***
- 11. *Introduction, First Reading and Calling for a Public Hearing*** of Ordinance 339, an Ordinance changing the zoning of Lot 6, Block C, Vinedo Acres Subdivision (11176 Perlette Street) from R-1 (Single Family Residential) to R-2 (Medium Density Residential). The Planning and Zoning Commission recommends approval with the condition of not to build more than two dwellings on the property. ***Sam Leony***
- 12. *Introduction, First Reading and Calling for a Public Hearing*** of Ordinance 341, an Ordinance of changing the zoning of Tracts 2A1, 2A3, and a portion of Tract 2A, Block 28, Socorro Grant (No Address available) from R-1 (Single Family Residential) to R-2 (Medium Density Residential). The Planning and Zoning Commission recommends approval. ***Sam Leony***
- 13. *Public Hearing*** of Ordinance 338, an Ordinance changing the zoning of Lot 1, Block 3, Wiseman Estates Unit 3 (100 Settler Road) from R-1 (Single Family Residential) to C-1 (Light Commercial). The Planning and Zoning Commission recommends approval. ***Sam Leony***
- 14. *Second Reading and Adoption*** of Ordinance 338, an Ordinance changing the zoning of Lot 1, Block 3, Wiseman Estates Unit 3 (100 Settler Road) from R-1 (Single Family Residential) to C-1 (Light Commercial). The Planning and Zoning Commission recommends approval. ***Sam Leony***
- 15. *Public Hearing*** of Ordinance 340, an Ordinance changing the zoning of Lot 27A, Block 1, El Campestre Subdivision Replat "A" (713 Campeche Road) from R-1 (Single Family Residential) to R-2 (Medium Density Residential). The Planning and Zoning Commission recommends approval with the condition of not to build more than two dwellings on the property. ***Sam Leony***
- 16. *Second Reading and Adoption*** of Ordinance 340, an Ordinance changing the zoning of Lot 27A, Block 1, El Campestre Subdivision Replat "A" (713 Campeche Road) from R-1 (Single Family Residential) to R-2 (Medium Density Residential). The

Planning and Zoning Commission recommends approval with the condition of not to build more than two dwellings on the property. *Sam Leony*

#### **FINANCE DEPARTMENT**

17. *Discussion and action* on approving the issuance of Fiscal Year 2013 Financial Statements. *Karina Hagelsieb*

#### **HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT**

18. *Discussion and action* on Chief of Police reasonable and necessary expenses of moving to Socorro, specifics of hiring agreement and introduction of Chief of Police Carlos Maldonado. *Adriana Rodarte*

#### **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

19. *Discussion and action* to approve the Police Department's registration for National Night Out and to coordinate the city's involvement in the event. *Lieutenant Montoya*

#### **PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**

20. *Discussion and action* to award Bid No. 14-004 for a Truck-Mounted Liquid Vacuum to Freightliner of Austin in the amount of \$135,549.00 and to authorize the city manager or his designee to issue a purchase order and execute a purchase contract and other documents associated with the acquisition of this equipment. *Douglas Lobdell, Jr.*

#### **PLANNING AND ZONING DEPARTMENT**

21. *Discussion and action* on the proposed increment of \$3,843 to purchase a 4x4 pickup truck for the Planning and Zoning Department. *Sam Leony*

22. *Discussion and action* on approval to waive the event permit fees for La Purisima Catholic Church located at 328 S. Nevarez for the bazaar on September 26, 27, 28 of 2014. *Sam Leony*

23. *Discussion and take action* on approval to authorize the attorney to review the proposed demolition by neglect ordinance. Historical Landmark Commission recommends approval. *Sam Leony*

24. *Discussion and action* on the proposed construction of concrete ramps and sidewalks as part of our match for the Safe Routes to School Project not to exceed the \$25,000 allocated for this purpose, awarding the contract to Discover Plumbing Company. The Planning and Zoning Department recommends approval. *Sam Leony*

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL**

- 25. Discussion and action** approving evaluation procedures for City Manager, Willie Norfleet.  
*Mayor Jesus Ruiz*
- 26. Discussion and action** regarding going paperless for City Council meetings.  
*Mayor Jesus Ruiz*
- 27. Discussion and action** regarding implementation of a monthly sandbag day.  
*Mayor Jesus Ruiz*
- 28. Discussion and action** regarding implementation of a monthly clean-up of an area of the city.  
*Mayor Jesus Ruiz*
- 29. Discussion and action** to direct staff to prepare an amendment to Ordinance 214, an Ordinance creating an Ethics Review Commission and Establishing Standards of Ethics for City Officials and Employees, and to direct staff to establish an ethics training program for boards and commissions.  
*Mayor Jesus Ruiz*
- 30. Discussion and action** to approve the City of Socorro's Comprehensive Master Plan.  
*Rene Rodriguez*
- 31. Discussion and action** dedicating an hour per week, per council member to meet with City Manager outside of administration if needed.  
*Rene Rodriguez*
- 32. Discussion and action** on completing negotiations with El Paso County Water Improvement District No. 1 regarding reopening a portion of Mesa Drain for flood control and authorizing payment to the district of the amount of \$28,579.70 and authorizing the city manager or his designee to documents necessary to finalize an agreement.  
*Sergio Cox*
- 33. Discussion and action** on a proposal to have Mr. Willie Norfleet, City Manager, enter into negotiations with the County of El Paso on obtaining ownership of Range War Street located in District 1. Currently two thirds of the street is owned by the County and one third is owned by the City. This street has never been paved and is in need of attention.  
*Sergio Cox*
- 34. Discussion and action** regarding park grants.  
*Gloria M. Rodriguez*
- 35. Discussion and action** to direct city staff to prepare an amendment to Ordinance 334 to delete the requirement for an annual inspection of each tow truck by the Socorro Police Department and to delete the requirement to maintain two drivers.  
*Gloria M. Rodriguez*

**CITY ATTORNEY**

- 36. Consider, discuss, and/or take action** upon acquisition of certain properties on and along Fray Olguin Road in connection with a right-of-way and road project, including without limitation through conveyance, dedication, or eminent domain.

*James A. Martinez*

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The City Council of the City of Socorro may retire into EXECUTIVE SESSION pursuant to Section 3.08 of the City of Socorro Charter and the Texas Government Code, Sections 551, Subchapter D to discuss any of the following: (The items listed below are matters of the sort routinely discuss in Executive Session, but the City Council of the City of Socorro may move to Executive Session any of the items on this agenda, consistent with the terms of the Open Meetings Act.) The City Council will return to open session to take any final action and may also, at any time during the meeting, bring forward any of the following items for public discussion, as appropriate.

Section 551.071 CONSULTATIONS WITH ATTORNEY

Section 551.072 DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY

Section 551.073 DELIBERATION REGARDING PROSPECTIVE GIFT

Section 551.074 PERSONNEL MATTERS

Section 551.076 DELIBERATION REGARDING SECURITY

Section 551.087 DELIBERATION REGARDING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT NEGOTIATIONS

***Discussion on the following:***

- 37. Discussion and action** on advice received from City Attorney in closed session, and action to approve real estate transaction; authorize filing or settlement of legal action; authorize employment of expert witnesses and consultants, and employment of special counsel with respect to pending legal matters.

*Willie Norfleet, Jr.*

- 38. Discussion and action** on qualifications of individuals for employment and for appointment to Boards & Commissions, job performance of employees, real estate acquisition and receive legal advice from City Attorney regarding legal issues affecting these matters.

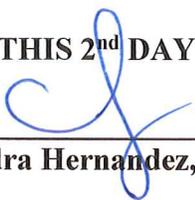
*Willie Norfleet, Jr.*

- 39. Discussion and action** regarding pending litigation and receive status report regarding pending litigation.

*Willie Norfleet, Jr.*

- 40. Adjourn**

DATED THIS 2<sup>nd</sup> DAY OF JUNE 2014.

By:   
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Sandra Hernandez, City Clerk

I, the undersigned authority, hereby certify that the above notice of the meeting of the City Council of Socorro, Texas is a correct copy of the notice and that I posted this notice at least Seventy-two (72) hours preceding the scheduled meeting at the City Administration Building, 124 S. Horizon Blvd., in Socorro, Texas.

**DATED THIS 2<sup>nd</sup> DAY OF JUNE 2014.**

By: 

**Sandra Hernandez, City Clerk**

Agenda posted: 6-2-14 @ 4PM

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