

Vacant
Mayor
Guillermo Madrid, Jr.
At Large
Maria Reyes
District 1



Gloria M. Rodriguez
District 2 / Mayor Pro-Tem

Mary B. Garcia
District 3

Jesús Gandara Jr.
District 4

Willie Norfleet, Jr.
City Manager

**CITY OF SOCORRO
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 14, 2013**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Guillermo Madrid, Jr.
Gloria M. Rodriguez
Mary Garcia
Jesús Gandara Jr.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Maria Reyes

STAFF PRESENT:

Willie Norfleet, Jr., City Manager
Jerry Wallace, City Attorney
Sandra Hernandez, City Clerk

STAFF ABSENT:

Sam Leony, Planning & Zoning Director

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:47 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND A MOMENT OF SILENCE

Pledge of allegiance was led by Sandra Hernandez

3. ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

A roll call was held and a quorum was established with three members present.

REGULAR AGENDA

4. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE PROCEDURES FOR PUBLIC HEARING.
WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.

A motion was made by Jesus Gandara, Jr., seconded by Guillermo Madrid, Jr. *to authorize the maximum of five minutes, only one opportunity to speak per person, to have people who did not speak at the last meetings speak first, and to have the speaker address their name, address, and if they live within the portion of the annex area and what portion of the annex area.* Motion carried unanimously. Motion passed 3-0.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

5. **PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCE 312, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOCORRO, TEXAS, PROPOSING AMENDMENT TO THE CITY CHARTER; CALLING AN ELECTION ON SAID ISSUE; PROVIDING FOR PUBLIC NOTICE AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND OTHER MATTERS GERMANE THERETO. WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.**

Gloria Rodriguez addressed her concerns.

A motion was made by Jesus Gandara, Jr., seconded by Mary Garcia *to sanction (support) comments made by Mayor Pro Tem and continue with public hearing.* Motion carried unanimously. Motion passed 3-0.

Public hearing opened at 6:01 p.m.

Socorro Ramos, Humberto Nevarez and Joe Del Turo provided brief comments.

Public hearing closed at 6:04 p.m.

6. **PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCE 313, AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING THE HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED TERRITORY TO THE CITY OF SOCORRO, EL PASO COUNTY, TEXAS, AND EXTENDING THE BOUNDARY LIMITS OF SAID CITY SO AS TO INCLUDE SAID HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED PROPERTY WITHIN SAID CITY LIMITS, AND GRANTING TO ALL THE INHABITANTS OF SAID PROPERTY ALL THE RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES OF OTHER CITIZENS AND BINDING SAID INHABITANTS BY ALL OF THE ACTS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, AND REGULATIONS OF SAID CITY; AND ADOPTING A SERVICE PLAN. WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.**

Public hearing opened at 6:05 p.m.

Joe Del Turo provided brief comments.

Public hearing closed at 6:06 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA

7. **APPROVAL TO AUTHORIZE CITY MANAGER/MAYOR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH THE EL PASO COUNTY ELECTIONS ADMINISTRATOR TO PROVIDE ELECTION SERVICES TO THE CITY OF SOCORRO, TEXAS FOR THE MAY 11, 2013 ELECTION. WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.**

8. **APPROVAL TO DIRECT THE CITY MANAGER TO ISSUE A REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) FOR EQUIPMENT AND ELECTION SERVICES FOR THE CITY OF SOCORRO, TEXAS.** *WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.*

9. **APPROVAL OF 3RD ANNUAL EASTER EVENT TO BE HELD MARCH 31, 2013 TO INCLUDE ANY RELATED EXPENDITURES AND DESIGNING DISTRICT 3 COUNCILWOMAN AS LIAISON FOR EVENT.**

MARY B. GARCIA

A motion was made by Jesus Gandara, Jr., seconded by Mary Garcia *to approve consent agenda.* Motion carried unanimously. Motion passed 3-0.

REGULAR AGENDA

10. **SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE 312, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOCORRO, TEXAS, PROPOSING AMENDMENT TO THE CITY CHARTER; CALLING AN ELECTION ON SAID ISSUE; PROVIDING FOR PUBLIC NOTICE AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND OTHER MATTERS GERMANE THERETO.** *WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.*

A motion was made by Jesus Gandara, Jr., seconded by Mary Garcia *to approve item 10.* Motion carried unanimously. Motion passed 3-0.

11. **SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE 313, AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING THE HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED TERRITORY TO THE CITY OF SOCORRO, EL PASO COUNTY, TEXAS, AND EXTENDING THE BOUNDARY LIMITS OF SAID CITY SO AS TO INCLUDE SAID HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED PROPERTY WITHIN SAID CITY LIMITS, AND GRANTING TO ALL THE INHABITANTS OF SAID PROPERTY ALL THE RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES OF OTHER CITIZENS AND BINDING SAID INHABITANTS BY ALL OF THE ACTS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, AND REGULATIONS OF SAID CITY; AND ADOPTING A SERVICE PLAN.** *WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.*

A motion was made by Jesus Gandara, Jr., seconded by Mary Garcia *to delete item 11.* Motion carried unanimously. Motion passed 3-0.

12. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON AWARDING HOT MIX ASPHALT CONCRETE (HMAC) BID.** *WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.*

A motion was made by Jesus Gandara, Jr., seconded by Mary Garcia *to award the bid to Jobe and authorize City Manager to sign any related documents and contracts.* Motion carried unanimously. Motion passed 3-0.

13. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON AWARDING DUMP TRUCK BID.**

WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.

A motion was made by Jesus Gandara, Jr., seconded by Mary Garcia *to award the bid to Holt Truck Center and authorize City Manager to sign any related documents and contracts.* Motion carried unanimously. Motion passed 3-0.

14. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON AWARDING COMPETITIVE SEALED PROPOSAL FOR THE MAURO ROSAS PARK IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT.

WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.

A motion was made by Jesus Gandara, Jr., seconded by Guillermo Madrid, Jr. *to award the proposal to Blair-Hall Co. Inc. and authorize the City Manager to negotiate and sign any contracts or addendums to contracts related to this project and in the case that the negotiations fall through, that he be authorized to negotiate with the second.* Motion carried unanimously. Motion passed 3-0.

A motion was made by Jesus Gandara, Jr., seconded by Mary B. Garcia *to move into Executive Session at 6:21 p.m.* Motion carried unanimously. Motion passed 3-0.

THE CITY COUNCIL CONVENED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 6:56 P.M.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

THE CITY COUNCIL RECONVENED BACK IN SESSION AT 8:43 P.M.

OPEN SESSION:

A motion was made by Mary B. Garcia, seconded by Jesus Gandara, Jr., *to reconsider consent agenda.* Motion carried unanimously. Motion passed 3-0.

A motion was made by Jesus Gandara, Jr., seconded by Mary B. Garcia *to approve the consent agenda with the exception of item 9 to be moved into regular session.* Motion carried unanimously. Motion passed 3-0.

A motion was made by Mary B. Garcia, seconded by Jesus Gandara, Jr., *to approve item 9, with changing the date from March 31st to March 23^r.* Motion carried unanimously. Motion passed 3-0.

17. 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.

18. 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.

19. DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING PENDING LITIGATION AND RECEIVE STATUS REPORT REGARDING PENDING LITIGATION.

WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.

