

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Guillermo Madrid, Jr.
Gloria M. Rodríguez
María Reyes
Jesús Gandara Jr.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Trini López, Mayor
Mary B. García, Mayor Pro Tem

STAFF PRESENT:

Willie Norfleet, Jr., City Manager
Olivia Navarro, Assistant City Clerk
Sam Leony, Planning and Zoning Director
Rodolfo Mata, City Attorney

STAFF ABSENT:

Manuel Rubio, City Clerk
Jerry Wallace, City Attorney

A motion was made by Jesus Gandara, Jr., seconded by Guillermo Madrid, Jr., *to appoint Gloria M. Rodriguez as the Presiding Officer.* Motion carried with Guillermo Madrid, Jr., Gloria M. Rodriguez, Maria Reyes and Jesus Gandara, Jr., voting aye, and Mary B. Garcia absent. Motion passed.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND A MOMENT OF SILENCE

Pledge of allegiance was led by City Manager *Willie Norfleet*

3. ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

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

PRESENTATIONS:

**4. PRESENTATION OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT BY
STRICKLER & PRIETO, LLP FYE 09/30/11 FOR THE CITY OF SOCORRO.
WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.**

Brad Vogue, of Strickler and Prieto made the presentation.

A motion was made by Jesus Gandara, Jr., seconded by Guillermo Madrid, Jr., to *move up items thirty-one (31), twenty-six (26) and twenty-seven (27)*. Motion carried with Guillermo Madrid, Jr., Gloria M. Rodriguez, Maria Reyes and Jesus Gandara, Jr., voting aye and Mary B. Garcia, absent. Motion passed.

31. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO ACCEPT THE INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT CONDUCTED BY STRICKLER & PRIETO, LLP FYE 09/30/11 FOR THE CITY OF SOCORRO, TEXAS. WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.

A motion was made by Jesus Gandara, Jr., seconded by Guillermo Madrid, Jr., to *approve item number thirty-one (31)*. Motion carried with Guillermo Madrid, Jr., Maria Reyes and Jesus Gandara, Jr., voting aye, and Mary B. Garcia, absent. Motion passed.

26. DISCUSSION AND ACTION FOR ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION DIRECTING PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ISSUE CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.

A motion was made by Jesus Gandara, Jr., seconded by Guillermo Madrid, Jr., to *approve item number twenty-six (26)*. Motion carried with Guillermo Madrid, Jr., and Jesus Gandara, Jr., voting aye, Maria Reyes voting nay, and Mary B. Garcia, absent. Motion passed.

27. DISCUSSION AND ACTION FOR ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING OFFICIAL INTENT TO REIMBURSE COSTS OF PROJECTS. WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.

A motion was made by Jesus Gandara, Jr., seconded by Guillermo Madrid, Jr., to *approve item number twenty-seven (27)*. Motion carried with Guillermo Madrid, Jr., and Jesus Gandara, Jr., voting aye, Maria Reyes voting nay, and Mary B. Garcia, absent. Motion passed.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

Juan Castaneda, Joe De Turo, Suky Ramos and Charlie Dominguez spoke during Public Comment.

A motion was made by Maria Reyes to *move up item seven (7), twelve (12), thirteen (13) and eighteen (18)*. No second motion died.

CONSENT AGENDA:

6. **APPROVAL OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF MAY 17, 2012.**
WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.
7. **APPROVAL EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY OF CREATING A NEW ROAD OVERLAY AND RECONSTRUCTION LIST PRIORITIZING THE WORST ROADS EQUALLY BY DISTRICT AND CREATED BY CITY STAFF WORKING COOPERATIVELY WITH CITY COUNCIL, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF FAENA STAYING ON SCHEDULE FOR REPAIR.**
JESUS GANDARA, JR.
8. **APPROVAL TO ALLOCATE FOR THE UPCOMING 2012-2013 BUDGET AN "EXECUTIVE SECRETARY" POSITION AT \$13 AN HOUR FOR THE USE OF THE CITY MANAGER IN HANDLING CITY MANAGER RESPONSIBILITIES.**
JESUS GANDARA, JR.
9. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION RENAMING STREETS IN THE MARGARITAS SUBDIVISION, LOCATED WITHIN DISTRICT 4, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DISTRICT 4 COUNCILMAN, AND DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO EFFECTUATE THE CHANGE OF STREET NAMES.**
JESUS GANDARA, JR.
10. **APPROVAL TO ADOPT A CODE OF ETHICS FOR CONDUCT OF THE SOCORRO CITY COUNCIL.**
JESUS GANDARA, JR.
11. **APPROVAL TO ADOPT GENERAL PERSONNEL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES, AND SOCORRO POLICE DEPARTMENT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES.**
JESUS GANDARA, JR.
12. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON CHANGING THE NAME OF HORIZON BOULEVARD, WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS TO BUFORD RD.**
GLORIA M. RODRIGUEZ
13. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO INSTALL STOP SIGNS AND/OR SPEED HUMPS ON ALL LONGEST STREETS IN THE CITY OF SOCORRO'S SUBDIVISIONS.**
GLORIA M. RODRIGUEZ
14. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON ALLOWING RESIDENTS TO INSTALL SIDEWALKS AT THEIR EXPENSE, AS LONG AS THE SPECIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS ARE ADHERED TO.** *GLORIA M. RODRIGUEZ*

ADDENDUM TO THE CONSENT AGENDA:

15. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSED REZONING OF PARCEL IDENTIFIED AS ROBERT E. NIX SURVEY 305, FROM UNCLASSIFIED ZONING, TO M-1 LIGHT INDUSTRIAL. PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION RECOMMENDS APPROVAL.**
WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.

16. **APPROVAL TO DESIGNATE COUNCILMAN JESUS GANDARA JR. AS LIAISON FOR CITY COUNCIL FOR PREPARATION AND EXECUTION OF MAURO ROSAS PARK.** *JESUS GANDARA, JR.*
17. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON APPROVAL OF CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS ON SIGNAGE OF LOT 7, BLOCK 6, EL CAMPESTRE.** *WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.*
18. **APPROVAL FOR REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATION (RFQ) FROM A PROFESSIONAL LANDSCAPE DESIGN COMPANY TO DESIGN A SKATE PARK NEXT THE E. G. "CHAYO" APODACA COMMUNITY CENTER.** *WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.*

A motion was made by Jesus Gandara, Jr., seconded by Guillermo Madrid *to approve the Consent Agenda and the Addendum to the Consent Agenda.* Motion carried with Guillermo Madrid, Jr., and Jesus Gandara, Jr., voting aye, Maria Reyes voting nay, and Mary B. Garcia, absent. Motion passed.

REGULAR AGENDA:

19. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO ACCEPT AND APPROVE THE CITY OF SOCORRO'S INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF EL PASO SHERIFF'S OFFICE, EL PASO POLICE DEPARTMENT, AND THE CITY OF HORIZON TO IMPLEMENT THE CITY'S 2011 OPERATION STONEGARDEN FUNDED BY DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND LED BY THE CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION BORDER PATROL (INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT AND FIRST AMENDMENT DOCUMENT).** *WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.*

A motion was made by Jesus Gandara, Jr., seconded by Guillermo Madrid, Jr., *to approve item number nineteen (19).* Motion carried with Guillermo Madrid, Maria Reyes, and Jesus Gandara, Jr., voting aye and Mary B. Garcia, absent. Motion passed.

20. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO ACCEPT A RIO GRANDE COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS SOLID WASTE GRANT AWARD IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,802.00** *WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.*

A motion was made by Jesus Gandara, Jr., seconded by Guillermo Madrid, Jr., *to approve item number twenty (20).* Motion carried with Guillermo Madrid, Maria Reyes, and Jesus Gandara, Jr., voting aye and Mary B. Garcia, absent. Motion passed.

21. **INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING AND CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SOCORRO, TEXAS ESTABLISHING RULES AND PROCEDURES FOR CONDUCT OF MEETINGS OF THE SOCORRO CITY COUNCIL AND ALL OF THE CITY OF SOCORRO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS.** *JESUS GANDARA, JR.*

A motion was made by Jesus Gandara, Jr., seconded by Guillermo Madrid, Jr., to *approve item number twenty-one (21)*. Motion carried with Motion carried with Guillermo Madrid, Jr., and Jesus Gandara, Jr., voting aye, Maria Reyes voting nay, and Mary B. Garcia, absent. Motion passed.

22. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON THE APPOINTMENT OF MR. HUMBERTO NEVAREZ TO THE MUNICIPAL PARKS COMMISSION ADVISORY BOARD PLACE 5. *GUILLERMO MADRID, JR.*

A motion was made by Guillermo Madrid, Jr., seconded by Maria Reyes to *approve item number twenty-two (22)*. Motion carried with Guillermo Madrid, Maria Reyes, and Jesus Gandara, Jr., voting aye and Mary B. Garcia, absent. Motion passed.

23. SWEARING IN OF NEWLY APPOINTED COMMISSIONER. *GUILLERMO MADRID, JR.*

A motion was made by Jesus Gandara, Jr., seconded by Maria Reyes to *delete item number twenty-three (23)*. Motion carried with Guillermo Madrid, Maria Reyes, and Jesus Gandara, Jr., voting aye and Mary B. Garcia, absent. Motion passed.

24. EXCUSE ABSENT COUNCIL MEMBERS. *WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.*

A motion was made by Jesus Gandara, Jr., seconded by Guillermo Madrid, Jr., to *approve item number twenty-four (24)*. Motion carried with Guillermo Madrid, Jr., and Jesus Gandara, Jr., voting aye, Maria Reyes voting nay, and Mary B. Garcia, absent. Motion passed.

ADDENDUM TO THE REGULAR AGENDA:

25. DISCUSSION AND ACTION FOR SEVERAL BOARD/COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS. *MARY B. GARCIA*

A motion was made by Jesus Gandara, Jr., seconded by Maria Reyes to *delete item number twenty-five (25)*. Motion carried with Guillermo Madrid, Maria Reyes, and Jesus Gandara, Jr., voting aye and Mary B. Garcia, absent. Motion passed.

28. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON AWARDING THE REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATION (RFQ) FOR THE PARK DESIGN ARCHITECT FOR MAURO ROSAS PARK. *WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.*

A motion was made by Jesus Gandara, Jr., seconded by Guillermo Madrid, Jr., to *approve the recommendation of the City Manager which is to award the contract to Park-Hill, Smith and Cooper and to authorize him to sign the necessary contracts to effectuate the awarding of the contract.* Motion carried with Guillermo Madrid, Jr., and Jesus Gandara, Jr., voting aye, Maria Reyes voting nay, and Mary B. Garcia, absent. Motion passed.

29. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON AWARDING THE REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATION (RFQ) FOR AN ENGINEER FOR BRIDGE DESIGN/CONSTRUCTION CONNECTING CONNORS WAY WITH MARGARITAS SUBDIVISION. *WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.*

A motion was made by Jesus Gandara, Jr., seconded by Guillermo Madrid to *approve the recommendation of the City manager which is to award the contract to Dannenbaum and to authorize him to sign all the necessary contracts to effectuate the awarding of the contract.* Motion carried with Guillermo Madrid, Jr., and Jesus Gandara, Jr., voting aye, Maria Reyes voting nay, and Mary B. Garcia, absent. Motion passed.

30. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON ADDING AN ADMINISTRATION STAFF EMPLOYEE TO THE SIGNATURE CARD TO SIGN CHECKS. *WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.*

A motion was made by Maria Reyes to *approve the addition of the City Manager and Sr. Accountant.* Motion died no second.

A motion was made by Guillermo Madrid, Jr., seconded by Jesus Gandara, Jr., to *approve the addition of the City Manager to the signature card.* Motion carried with Guillermo Madrid, Jr., and Jesus Gandara, Jr., voting aye, Maria Reyes voting nay, and Mary B. Garcia, absent. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Jesus Gandara, Jr., seconded by Guillermo Madrid, Jr., to *move into Executive Session at this time.* Motion carried with Guillermo Madrid, Jr., and Jesus Gandara, Jr., voting aye, Maria Reyes voting nay, and Mary B. Garcia, absent. Motion passed.

THE CITY COUNCIL CONVENES INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 7:02 P.M.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

THE CITY COUNCIL RECONVENED BACK IN SESSION AT 7:25 P.M.

Mr. Madrid indicated to allow six (6) months for the transition of item number twelve (12).

34. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON ADVICE RECEIVED FROM CITY ATTORNEY IN CLOSED SESSION. *WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.*

35. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON LEGAL ADVICE RECEIVED BY LEGAL COUNSEL IN EXECUTIVE SESSION. *WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.*

A motion was made by Jesus Gandara, Jr., seconded by Maria Reyes to *delete items thirty-four (34) and thirty-five (35)*. Motion carried with Guillermo Madrid, Maria Reyes, and Jesus Gandara, Jr., voting aye and Mary B. Garcia, absent. Motion passed.

36. ADJOURN

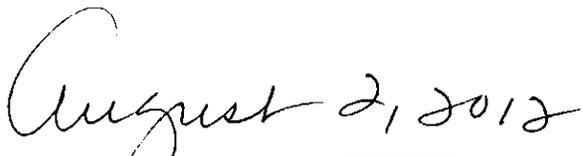
A motion was made by Maria Reyes, seconded by Guillermo Madrid, Jr. to *adjourn at 7:27 p.m.* Motion carried unanimously. Motion passed.



Mary B. Garcia, Mayor Pro-Tem



Olivia Navarro, Assistant City Clerk



Date when minutes were approved