

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Trini López, Mayor  
Guillermo Madrid, Jr.  
Mary B. García,  
Gloria M. Rodríguez  
María Reyes

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Jesús Gandara Jr.

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Willie Norfleet, Jr., City Manager  
Sandra Hernandez, City Clerk  
Olivia Navarro, Assistant City Clerk  
Sam Leony, Planning and Zoning Director  
Jerry Wallace, City Attorney

**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 *Carlos Sepulveda*

**3. ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM**

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

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT**

*Juan Castañeda and Jesus Ruiz spoke on this item*

**PRESENTATIONS:**

**5. PROCLAMATION REGARDING BULLDOG CHAMPIONSHIP WEEK FROM  
AUGUST 13, THRU AUGUST 18, 2012. WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.**

A motion was made by Gloria M. Rodriguez seconded by Mary B. Garcia to *adopt item number five (5)*. Motion carried with Guillermo Madrid, Jr., Mary B. Garcia, Gloria M. Rodriguez, and Maria Reyes voting aye, and Jesus Gandara, Jr., absent. Motion passed.

6. **PROCLAMATION REGARDING AUGUST 18, 2012, AS BULLDOG CHAMPIONSHIP DAY AND DECLARING IT A DAY OF CELEBRATION TO INCLUDE A PARADE THROUGH THE STREETS OF THE CITY OF SOCORRO AND DEDICATION OF BULLDOG CHAMPIONSHIP PARK.**  
**WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.**

A motion was made by Gloria M. Rodriguez seconded by Mary B. Garcia, to *adopt item number (6)*. Motion carried with Guillermo Madrid, Jr., Mary B. Garcia, Gloria M. Rodriguez, and Maria Reyes voting aye, and Jesus Gandara, Jr., absent. Motion passed.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

7. **APPROVAL OF AMENDED JOB TITLE FROM RECREATION PARK TECHNICIAN TO RECREATION PARKS DIRECTOR.**  
**WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.**

**ADDENDUM TO THE CONSENT AGENDA:**

8. **APPROVAL ON FEASIBILITY STUDY CONDUCTED BY THE CITY MANAGER TO PROVIDE A PAY RAISE FOR DEPARTMENT HEADS AND CITY EMPLOYEES AND POLICE DISPATCHERS.** **WILLIE MADRID, JR.**

A motion was made by Mary B. Garcia seconded by Guillermo Madrid, Jr. to *approve the Consent Agenda and the Addendum to the Consent Agenda with the exception of item number nine (9), which needs to be pulled from the Addendum to the Consent Agenda and into the Regular Agenda*. Motion carried with Guillermo Madrid, Jr., Mary B. Garcia, Gloria M. Rodriguez, and Maria Reyes voting aye, and Jesus Gandara, Jr., absent. Motion passed.

**REGULAR AGENDA:**

9. **APPROVAL TO AUTHORIZE THE EL PASO MISSION TRAIL TO SELL BEER AND WINE AND TO WAIVE EVENT PERMIT FOR THE RED & GREEN CHILE WAR FESTIVAL TO BE HELD AT COUGAR PARK AT 1064 SOCORRO ROAD ON SEPTEMBER 8 AND 9, 2012.**  
**WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.**

*Cathe Apodaca* requested to speak but was not allowed by Mary B. Garcia.

A motion was made by Mary B. Garcia seconded by Gloria M. Rodriguez to *approve item number nine (9)*. Motion carried with Guillermo Madrid, Jr., Mary B. Garcia, Gloria M. Rodriguez, and Maria Reyes voting aye, and Jesus Gandara, Jr., absent. Motion passed.

**10. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE THE ANTICIPATED PROPOSED TAX RATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING OCTOBER 1, 2012 THRU SEPTEMBER 30, 2013, FOR THE CITY OF SOCORRO, TEXAS.**

***WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.***

A motion was made by Mary B. Garcia seconded by Gloria M. Rodriguez to *approve item number ten (10)*. Motion carried with Guillermo Madrid, Jr., Mary B. Garcia, and Gloria M. Rodriguez voting aye, Maria Reyes, voting nay, and Jesus Gandara, Jr., absent. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Mary B. Garcia seconded by Gloria M. Rodriguez to *rescind motion for item number ten (10)*. Motion carried with Guillermo Madrid, Jr., Mary B. Garcia, and Gloria M. Rodriguez voting aye, Maria Reyes, voting nay, and Jesus Gandara, Jr., absent. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Gloria M. Rodriguez seconded by Mary B. Garcia to *approve a maximum operating rate of 8% which represents operating rate of .423327 and debt rate of .142478 per \$100.00 dollars*. Motion carried with Guillermo Madrid, Jr., Mary B. Garcia, and Gloria M. Rodriguez voting aye, Maria Reyes, voting nay, and Jesus Gandara, Jr., absent. Motion passed.

**11. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE THE SCHEDULING OF TWO (2) PUBLIC HEARINGS ON AUGUST 23, 2012 AND AUGUST 30, 2012, FOR THE ANTICIPATED PROPOSED TAX RATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING OCTOBER 1, 2012 THRU SEPTEMBER 30, 2013.**

***WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.***

A motion was made by Gloria M. Rodriguez seconded by Mary B. Garcia to *approve item number eleven (11)*. Motion carried with Guillermo Madrid, Jr., Mary B. Garcia, and Gloria M. Rodriguez voting aye, Maria Reyes, voting nay, and Jesus Gandara, Jr., absent. Motion passed.

**12. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO ACCEPT THE GRANT AWARD FROM THE TEXAS RANGERS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$40,000 TO IMPLEMENT THE LOCAL BORDER SECURITY GRANT 2012.**

***WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.***

A motion was made by Gloria M. Rodriguez seconded by Maria Reyes to *approve item number twelve (12)*. Motion carried with Guillermo Madrid, Jr., Mary B. Garcia, Gloria M. Rodriguez, and Maria Reyes voting aye, and Jesus Gandara, Jr., absent. Motion passed.

**13. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO WAIVE THE PURCHASING POLICY FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF CAMERA EQUIPMENT FOR THE BULLDOG CHAMPIONSHIP PARK. WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.**

A motion was made by Mary B. Garcia seconded by Gloria M. Rodriguez to *approve item number thirteen (13)*. Motion carried with Guillermo Madrid Jr., Mary B. Garcia, and Gloria M. Rodriguez, voting aye, and Maria Reyes, abstained, and Jesus Gandara, Jr., absent. Motion passed.

**ADDENDUM TO THE REGULAR AGENDA:**

**14. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE TRAVEL FOR POLICE DEPARTMENT'S DISPATCH SUPERVISOR AND DISPATCHER TO ATTEND THE COMMUNICATIONS TRAINING OFFICER IN HOUSTON, TEXAS ON OCTOBER 16 AND 17, 2012. WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.**

A motion was made by Maria Reyes seconded by Gloria M. Rodriguez to *approve item number fourteen (14)*. Motion carried with Guillermo Madrid, Jr., Mary B. Garcia, Gloria M. Rodriguez, and Maria Reyes voting aye, and Jesus Gandara, Jr., absent. Motion passed

**15. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE TRAVEL FOR FOUR POLICE DEPARTMENT'S DISPATCHERS TO ATTEND THE INCIDENT DISPATCHES TACTICAL IN HOUSTON, TEXAS ON SEPTEMBER 12 AND 13, 2012. WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.**

A motion was made by Gloria M. Rodriguez seconded by Maria Reyes to *approve item number fifteen (15)*. Motion carried with Guillermo Madrid, Jr., Mary B. Garcia, Gloria M. Rodriguez, and Maria Reyes voting aye, and Jesus Gandara, Jr., absent. Motion passed.

**16. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION TO TXDOT SECTION 5310 FOR TRANSPORTATION CAPITAL FUNDS. THE GRANT WILL COVER 80% OF THE TOTAL COST AND THE CITY OF SOCORRO IS REQUIRED TO MATCH 20% OF THE TOTAL COST. THE PROJECTED COST OF THE BUS IS APPROXIMATELY \$60,000, THUS REQUIRING THE CITY TO SECURE AT LEAST \$12,000. WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.**

A motion was made by Gloria M. Rodriguez seconded by Maria Reyes to *approve item sixteen (16)*. Motion carried with Guillermo Madrid, Jr., Mary B. Garcia, Gloria M. Rodriguez, and Maria Reyes voting aye, and Jesus Gandara, Jr., absent. Motion passed.

**17. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO ESTABLISH SALARY FOR THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER. WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.**

A motion was made by Guillermo Madrid, Jr., seconded by Mary B. Garcia to *approve the feasibility recommendation of \$80,000 for item number seventeen (17)*. Motion carried with Guillermo Madrid, Jr., Mary B. Garcia, and Gloria M. Rodriguez voting aye, Maria Reyes, voting nay, and Jesus Gandara, Jr., absent. Motion passed.

**18. INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING AND CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE 293 AMENDING THE BUDGET. WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.**

A motion was made by Mary B. Garcia seconded by Gloria M. Rodriguez to *approve item number eighteen (18)*. Motion carried with Guillermo Madrid, Jr., Mary B. Garcia, and Gloria M. Rodriguez voting aye, Maria Reyes, voting nay, and Jesus Gandara, Jr., absent. Motion passed.

**19. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO RE-APPOINT SGT. REFUGIO ORTA TO THE 911 DISTRICT BOARD OF MANAGERS. WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.**

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

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

***THE CITY COUNCIL CONVENED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 6:41 P.M.***

***EXECUTIVE SESSION***

***THE CITY COUNCIL RECONVENED BACK IN SESSION AT 7:22 P.M.***

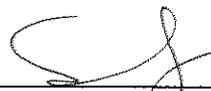
**22. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON ADVICE RECEIVED FROM CITY ATTORNEY IN CLOSED SESSION. *WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.***

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

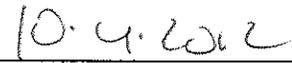
**23. ADJOURN**

A motion was made by Gloria M. Rodriguez seconded by Maria Reyes to *adjourn at 7:23 p.m.* Motion carried with Guillermo Madrid, Jr., Mary B. Garcia, Gloria M. Rodriguez, and Maria Reyes, voting aye, and Jesus Gandara, Jr., absent. Motion passed.

  
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**Mary B. Garcia, Mayor Pro-Tem**

  
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**Olivia Navarro, Assistant City Clerk**



  
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**Date when minutes were approved**