

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Guillermo Madrid, Jr.  
Mary B. García  
Gloria M. Rodríguez  
Jesús Gandara Jr.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Trini Lopez  
Maria Reyes

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Willie Norfleet, Jr., City Manager  
Sam Leony, Planning & Zoning Director  
Jerry Wallace, City Attorney  
Sandra Hernandez, City Clerk

**STAFF ABSENT:**

Olivia Navarro, Assistant City Clerk

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 5:00 P.M.**

Mayor Lopez stated regular meetings are to be held on the first and third Thursdays of the month as per the City Charter. Since the meeting is being held on a Tuesday he called the meeting null and cancelled. Mayor Lopez left City Council Chambers.

Jerry Wallace, City Attorney, advised council Mayor Lopez broke quorum by leaving, and council could wait until 5:15 to establish quorum. Council decided to continue the meeting and wait to establish quorum.

**2. ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM**

A roll call was held and a quorum was established at 5:13 with three members present.

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND A MOMENT OF SILENCE**

Pledge of allegiance was recited.

A motion was made by Jesus Gandara, Jr., seconded by Gloria M. Rodriguez to *address* that it was announced at 5:00 p.m. that City Council would 15 minutes as historically always done because Mayor Lopez broke quorum and left. Motion carried unanimously. Motion passed.

#### **4. PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comment.

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

- 5. FIRST PUBLIC HEARING ON CITY OF SOCORRO'S PROPERTY TAX RATE.  
WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.**

*Public hearing opened at 5:17 p.m.  
Public hearing closed at 5:17 p.m.*

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

- 6. APPROVAL OF REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF  
07/05/12 AND 07/19/2012. WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.**

A motion was made by Jesus Gandara, Jr., seconded by Gloria M. Rodriguez to *approve the Consent Agenda subject to verifying the amount for a resolution on the July 19, 2012 minutes, item #14.* Motion carried unanimously. Motion passed.

#### **REGULAR AGENDA**

- 7. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE SECOND AMENDMENT TO  
INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT UNDER CONTRACT KK#11-248 FOR THE  
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CITY'S STONEGARDEN PROGRAM.  
WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.**

Willie Norfleet, Jr. addressed the council in regards to the second amendment to the interlocal agreement.

A motion was made by Jesus Gandara, Jr., seconded by Gloria M. Rodriguez to *approve item #7.* Motion carried unanimously. Motion passed.

- 8. INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING AND CALLING FOR A PUBLIC  
HEARING ON ORDINANCE 293 AMENDMENT NO. 4 AN ORDINANCE OF  
THE CITY OF SOCORRO, TEXAS ADOPTING AN AMENDED GENERAL  
FUND BUDGET. WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.**

Willie Norfleet, Jr. gave a brief presentation regarding amendment #4 for Ordinance 293.

A motion was made by Jesus Gandara, Jr., seconded by Guillermo Madrid, Jr. to *approve item #8.* Motion carried unanimously. Motion passed.

**9. EXCUSE ABSENT COUNCIL MEMBERS.**

**WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.**

A motion was made by Gloria M. Rodriguez, seconded by Jesus Gandara, Jr. to *approve item #9*. Motion carried unanimously. Motion passed.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Executive session was not held.

**12. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON ADVICE RECEIVED FROM CITY ATTORNEY IN CLOSED SESSION, APPROVE REAL ESTATE TRANSACTION, AUTHORIZE EMPLOYMENT OF EXPERT WITNESSES AND CONSULTANTS, AND EMPLOYMENT OF SPECIAL COUNSEL WITH RESPECT TO PENDING MATTERS.**

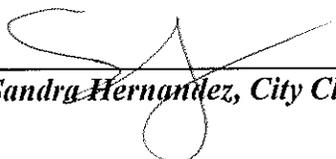
**WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.**

A motion was made by Jesus Gandara, Jr., seconded by Gloria M. Rodriguez to *delete item #12*. Motion carried unanimously. Motion passed.

**13. ADJOURN**

A motion was made by Gloria M. Rodriguez, seconded by Guillermo Madrid, Jr. to *adjourn at 5:25 p.m.* Motion carried unanimously. Motion passed.

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

  
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**Sandra Hernandez, City Clerk**

  
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**Date when minutes were approved**