Jesus Ruiz
Mayor

Rene Rodriguez
At Large

Sergio Cox
District 1

Gloria M. Rodríguez
District 2

Victor Perez
District 3 / Mayor-Pro Tem

Joseph E. Bowling
District 4

Willie Norfleet, Jr.
City Manager

NOTICE OF SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOCORRO

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.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOCORRO, TEXAS WILL BE HELD ON THURSDAY THE 13th DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2014 AT 6:30 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.)

PRESENTATION

5. ***Presentation*** by Sam Leony regarding projection of Public Works Department.
Sam Leony

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. ***Approval*** of Regular Council Meeting Minutes January 16, 2014 and Special Council Meeting Minutes of January 16, 2014. ***Sandra Hernandez***

7. ***Approval*** of travel for City Clerk, Assistant City Clerk and Human Resource Director to attend the Records Management / HR Practices Seminar April 10-11, 2014 in McAllen, Texas. ***Sandra Hernandez***

8. ***Approval*** of appointment of *Ralph Duran* to the *Board of Adjustment for Place 1.* ***Sergio Cox***

9. ***Approval*** of re-appointment of *Paul Guerra* to the *Parks Commission for Place 2.* ***Gloria M. Rodriguez***

10. ***Excuse*** absent Council Members. ***Sandra Hernandez***

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.

11. ***Swearing in of commissioners.*** ***Jesus Ruiz***

PLANNING AND ZONING

12. ***Discussion and action*** on approving the preliminary subdivision plat for DAA Farms Subdivision being all of Tract 4C4 and a portion of Tract 4C3, Block 39, San Elizario Grant. ***Sam Leony***

13. ***Introduction, First Reading and Calling for a Public Hearing*** of Ordinance 328, An Ordinance changing the zoning of Tract 1B, Block 28, Socorro Grant, from A-1 (Agricultural) to R-2 (Medium Density Residential). The Planning and Zoning Commission recommends approval. ***Sam Leony***

14. ***Introduction, First Reading and Calling for a Public Hearing*** of Ordinance 329, An Ordinance changing the zoning of Lot 46, Block 9, Friedman Estates (11463 Socorro Road) from R-1 (Single Family Residential) to C-1 (Light Commercial). The Planning and Zoning Commission recommends approval. ***Sam Leony***

15. ***Introduction, First Reading and Calling for a Public Hearing*** of An Ordinance changing the zoning of Tract 4-K-6, Block 3, Socorro Grant (10883 Thunder Road) from R-1 (Single Family Residential) to C-2 (General Commercial) with a conditional use permit for mechanic shop. The Planning and Zoning Department recommends denial. ***Sam Leony***

16. ***Discussion and action*** on renaming Horizon Boulevard to Buford Road. ***Sam Leony***

FINANCE

17. ***Discussion and action*** on approving the unaudited financial reports for the period ending January 31, 2014. ***Karina Hagelsieb***

18. ***Discussion and action*** on approving the extended hours of operation for the municipal court from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 pm. ***Karina Hagelsieb***

HUMAN RESOURCE

19. ***Discussion and action*** on approving a hiring process for Chief of Police. ***Adriana Rodarte***

RECREATIONAL PARKS

20. ***Discussion and action*** on approving ratification on an invoice conducted after the fact for maintenance of the water pump at Moon City Park in the amount of $1952.24 from vendor Anthony Pump. ***Jessica Diaz***

RECREATIONAL CENTER

21. ***Discussion and action*** on approving ratification on an invoice conducted after the fact for a backflow installation at Rio Vista Community Center in the amount of $1,600.00 from vendor Hoscan Plumbing. ***Victor Reta***

22. ***Discussion and action*** on redirecting funds allocated for music at the Valentine's Day dance at Rio Vista Community Center (RVCC) to a seminar luncheon for the senior citizens on February 13, 2014. ***Victor Reta***

CITY MANAGER

23. ***Discussion and action*** on paying Ralph Duran for materials taken by the City of Socorro. ***Willie Norfleet, Jr.***

24. ***Discussion and action*** on purchasing land located on Thunder Road and Rio Vista Road. ***Willie Norfleet, Jr.***

25. ***Discussion and action*** on Lower Valley Water District providing garbage services. ***Willie Norfleet, Jr.***

MAYOR AND COUNCIL

26. ***Discussion and action*** on adopting the Comprehensive Master Plan. ***Mayor Jesus Ruiz***

27. ***Discussion and action*** on creating a policy to prevent mileage reimbursement for City Council members. ***Mayor Jesus Ruiz***

28. ***Discussion and action*** on lighting the amphitheater at Bulldog Championship Park. ***Gloria M. Rodriguez***

29. ***Discussion and action*** on feasibility study on a police substation at Socorro Road. ***Gloria M. Rodriguez***

30. ***Discussion and action*** on waiving all permit fees for any improvements, remodeling, restoration and new construction on the property and structures belonging to the Catholic Diocese of El Paso where the current Socorro Mission is located. The duration of the permit fee waivers will run concurrent with the term of the current City of Socorro District 3 representative. ***Victor Perez***

31. ***Discussion and action*** on reconsideration of implementation of media procedures and meeting procedures, as well as tier protocol when meeting with other entities in regards to restrictions on council members. ***Joseph E. Bowling***

32. ***Discussion and action*** on reconsideration of Ordinance 320, Amendment No. 1 in regards to procedures and rules for placement of agenda items, specifically Section II-H which gives the mayor final authority to disallow an item to be placed on the agenda. ***Joseph E. Bowling***

33. ***Discussion and action*** on City of Socorro forming a Youth Baseball League for the spring/summer 2014 for ages 4 through 12 as follows: T-ball for ages 4, 5, and 6; coach pitch for ages 7 through 9; and player pitch for ages 10 through 12. Presentation by Jessica Diaz. ***Sergio Cox***

34. ***Discussion and action*** on new installation of chain link backstops, dugouts and fencing for two baseball fields at Cougar Park on Socorro Road. Requesting the same for T-ball field fencing for youth boys and girls ages 4 through 6 to be located at Moon City Park. ***Sergio Cox***

35. ***Discussion and action*** on having city council regain authority of handling any and all request for street lights. Council members to be responsible for site feasibility and proper paperwork process. ***Sergio Cox***

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:

36. ***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.***

37. ***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.***

38. ***Discussion and action*** regarding pending litigation and receive status report regarding pending litigation. ***Willie Norfleet, Jr.***

39. ***Adjourn***

DATED THIS 10TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2014.

By: _____
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 10th DAY OF FEBRUARY 2014.

By: _____
Sandra Hernandez, City Clerk
Agenda posted: 2·10·14 @ 12:15 pm
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