

*Jesús Ruiz*  
Mayor

*Rene Rodríguez*  
Representative At-Large

*Maria Reyes*  
Representative District 1/  
Mayor Pro-Tem



*Gloria M. Rodríguez*  
Representative District 2

*Mary B. García*  
Representative District 3

*Joseph E. Bowling*  
Representative District 4

*Willie Norfleet, Jr.*  
City Manager

## **SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES NOVEMBER 14, 2013**

### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Jesus Ruiz  
Mary B. Garcia  
Rene Rodriguez  
Joseph E. Bowling  
Gloria Rodriguez

### **MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Maria Reyes

### **STAFF PRESENT:**

Willie Norfleet, Jr., City Manager  
Sandra Hernandez, City Clerk  
Sam Leony, Planning and Zoning Director  
James Martinez, City Attorney

### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Jesus Ruiz

### **2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND A MOMENT OF SILENCE**

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Willie Norfleet

### **3. ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM**

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

### **4. PUBLIC COMMENT**

No speakers.

**REGULAR AGENDA:**

**5. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON CANVASS OF THE CERTIFIED RETURNS OF THE NOVEMBER 5, 2013 MUNICIPAL ELECTION.**

***WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.***

During this time Sandra Hernandez read the canvass results for the November 5, 2013 election.

***Council Member District 1***

***Sergio Cox*** 119 votes  
Velia Herrera 61 votes  
Maria Reyes 111 votes

***Council Member District 2***

Laura Zubiarte 34 votes  
Gama Mendez 33 votes  
***Gloria Macias Rodriguez*** 80 votes

***Council Member District 3***

Rodolfo "Rudy" Perez 32 votes  
***Victor Perez*** 110 votes  
JP Lopez 34 votes

Motion made by Rene Rodriguez seconded by Gloria M. Rodriguez to *accept canvass and certifying votes from El Paso County Election Administrator*. Motion was made by Mary B. Garcia, Rene Rodriguez, Joseph E. Bowling, and Gloria M. Rodriguez, and Maria Reyes, absent. Motion passed.

**6. SWEARING IN CEREMONY FOR COUNCIL MEMBERS.**

***WILLIE NORFLEET***

During this time Judge Alejandro Vidales, Socorro Municipal Court Judge swore in Gloria M. Rodriguez and Judge Ruben Lujan, Justice of the Peace, El Paso Precint #6 swore in Victor Perez and Sergio Cox.

**7. DISCUSSION AND ACTION OF APPOINTING MAYOR PRO-TEM EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 15, 2013 PURSUANT TO SECTION 3.03 (B) & (D) OF THE SOCORRO CITY CHARTER.**

***MAYOR RUIZ***

A motion was made by Rene Rodriguez seconded by Joseph E. Bowling to *appoint Victor Perez as Mayor Pro-Tem*. Motion carried with Rene Rodriguez, Sergio Cox, Joseph E. Bowling, and Gloria M. Rodriguez voting aye, and Victor Perez, abstained.

**8. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON ADVICE RECEIVED FROM CITY ATTORNEY IN CLOSED SESSION, AND ACTION TO APPROVE REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS; AUTHORIZE FILING 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.***

**9. 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.***

**10. DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING PENDING LITIGATION AND RECEIVE STATUS REPORT REGARDING PENDING LITIGATION.**

***WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.***

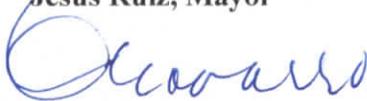
A motion was made by Rene Rodriguez seconded by Joseph E. Bowling to *delete items eight (8) through ten (10)*. Motion carried unanimously. Motion passed.

**11. ADJOURN**

A motion was made by Gloria M. Rodriguez seconded by Rene Rodriguez to *adjourn at 6:19 p.m.* Motion carried unanimously. Motion passed.



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**Jesus Ruiz, Mayor**



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Minutes prepared by  
Olivia Navarro  
Assistant City Clerk



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Date minutes approved