

Jesus Ruiz
Mayor
Rene Rodriguez
At Large
Sergio Cox
District 1



Gloria M. Rodriguez
District 2 / Mayor Pro Tem

Victor Perez
District 3

Anthony Gandara
District 4

Willie Norfleet, Jr.
City Manager

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 5, 2015 at 6:00 P.M.**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Jesus Ruiz
Rene Rodriguez
Sergio Cox
Gloria M. Rodriguez
Victor Perez
Anthony Gandara

STAFF PRESENT:

Willie Norfleet, Jr., City Manager
Sandra Hernandez, City Clerk
Jim Martinez, City Attorney
Sam Leony, Planning and Zoning Director
Doug Lobdell, Public Works Director
Karina Hagelsieb, CFO
Victor Reta, Recreation Supervisor
Omar Guevara, IT Technician
Adriana Rodarte, HR Director
Carlos Maldonado, Chief of Police

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m. by Mayor Jesus Ruiz.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND A MOMENT OF SILENCE.

The Pledge of allegiance was led by Willie Norfleet, City Manager

3. ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM.

Quorum was established with all members present.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Gary Williams, Carlos Cisneros, Amelda Hermosillo, and Ralph Duran

CONSENT AGENDA

5. **EXCUSE ABSENT COUNCIL MEMBERS.** **SANDRA HERNANDEZ**
6. **APPROVAL OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 19, 2015 AND SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 19, 2015.** **SANDRA HERNANDEZ**
7. **APPROVAL OF OMAR GUEVARA, IT TECHNICIAN, TO ATTEND CISCO INTERCONNECTING CISCO NETWORKING DEVICES ACCELERATED TRAINING AND COMP TIA SECURITY + CERTIFICATION MARCH 9, 2015 THROUGH MARCH 13, 2015 AND MARCH 23, 2015 THROUGH MARCH 27, 2015 AT NEW HORIZONS COMPUTER LEARNING CENTERS IN EL PASO, TEXAS.** **OMAR GUEVARA**

A motion was made by Rene Rodriguez seconded by Gloria M. Rodriguez to *approve the Consent Agenda*. Motion passed.

Ayes: Victor Perez, Rene Rodriguez, Anthony Gandara, Sergio Cox, and Gloria M. Rodriguez

Nays:

Abstain:

REGULAR AGENDA

8. **INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING AND CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF SOCORRO MASTER PLAN AND CHANGING THE ZONING OF TRACT 4-K-6, BLOCK 3, SOCORRO GRANT, FROM R-1 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO M-1 (LIGHT INDUSTRIAL). THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION RECOMMENDS DENIAL.** **SAM LEONY**

A motion was made by Victor Perez seconded by Sergio Cox to *approve the recommendation made by the Planning and Zoning Commission to deny item number eight*. Motion passed.

Carlos Cisneros, owner of the property spoke on this item.

Sam Leony made a presentation on this item.

Ayes: Victor Perez, Rene Rodriguez, Anthony Gandara, Sergio Cox, and Gloria M. Rodriguez

Nays:

Abstain:

9. INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING AND CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF SOCORRO MASTER PLAN AND CHANGING THE ZONING OF TRACT 9-C, BLOCK 16, SOCORRO GRANT AT 124 S. NEVAREZ ROAD FROM R-1 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO M-1 (LIGHT INDUSTRIAL). THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION RECOMMENDS DENIAL.

SAM LEONY

A motion was made by Victor Perez seconded by Sergio Cox to *approve the recommendation made by the Planning and Zoning Commission*. Motion passed.

Ayes: Victor Perez, Rene Rodriguez, Anthony Gandara, Sergio Cox, and Gloria M. Rodriguez

Nays:

Abstain:

A motion was made by Victor Perez seconded by Rene Rodriguez to *reconsider item number nine (9)*. Motion passed.

Ayes: Victor Perez, Rene Rodriguez, Anthony Gandara, Sergio Cox, and Gloria M. Rodriguez

Nays:

Abstain:

Raul Chaparro, owner of the property at 124 S. Nevarez.

A motion was made by Victor Perez seconded by Sergio Cox to *accept the recommendation made by the Planning and Zoning Commission to deny item number nine (9)*. Motion passed.

Ayes: Victor Perez, Rene Rodriguez, Anthony Gandara, Sergio Cox, and Gloria M. Rodriguez

Nays:

Abstain:

10. PUBLIC HEARING, SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE 361, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SOCORRO, TEXAS, ADOPTING A NEW ORDINANCE REGARDING SUBSTANDARD BUILDINGS; ESTABLISHING STANDARDS FOR ALL BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES; PROVIDING FOR THE DECLARATION OF SUBSTANDARD BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES AS A PUBLIC NUISANCE; PROVIDING FOR NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS, OCCUPANTS, MORTGAGEES, AND LIENHOLDERS OF SUBSTANDARD BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES; PROVIDING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE SUBSTANDARD BUILDING OR STRUCTURE; PROVIDING FOR THE ABATEMENT OF NUISANCES; PROVIDING FOR THE RECOVERY OF COSTS; PROVIDING

**A PENALTY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR JUDICIAL REVIEW;
REPEALING ALL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; PROVIDING A
SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION.**

JAMES A. MARTINEZ

Public Hearing opened at 7:05 p.m.

No speakers

Public Hearing closed at 7:05 p.m.

A motion was made by Rene Rodriguez seconded by Victor Perez to *approve item number ten (10)*. Motion passed.

Ayes: Victor Perez, Rene Rodriguez, Anthony Gandara, Sergio Cox, and Gloria M. Rodriguez

Nays:

Abstain:

- 11. PUBLIC HEARING, SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE 362, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SOCORRO, REGULATING CREDIT ACCESS BUSINESSES.**

JAMES A. MARTINEZ

Public Hearing opened at 7:07 p.m.

No Speakers

Public Hearing closed at 7:08 p.m.

A motion was made by Rene Rodriguez seconded by Sergio Cox to *approve item number eleven (11)*. Motion passed.

Ayes: Victor Perez, Rene Rodriguez, Anthony Gandara, Sergio Cox, and Gloria M. Rodriguez

Nays:

Abstain:

- 12. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON ACCEPTING THE FIXED ASSETS AGREED UPON PROCEDURES REPORT FROM WHITE, SAMANIEGO, & CAMPBELL, LLP.**

KARINA HAGELSIEB

Karina spoke on this item.

A motion was made by Rene Rodriguez seconded by Sergio Cox to *postpone item for the next Regular Meeting of March 19, 2015*. Motion passed.

Ayes: Victor Perez, Rene Rodriguez, Anthony Gandara, Sergio Cox, and Gloria M. Rodriguez

Nays:

Abstain:

13. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON APPROVING RESOLUTION 483, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOCORRO, TEXAS AUTHORIZING THE DESIGNATION FOR BANK SIGNATORIES.
KARINA HAGELSIEB

A motion was made Gloria M. Rodriguez to *approve item number thirteen (13).*

Gloria M. Rodriguez rescinded her motion.

A motion was made by Rene Rodriguez seconded by Victor Perez to *accept Mr. Norfleet's recommendation and add the City Clerk, Human Resources Director, exclude the Police Chief with Public Work's Director and Planning and Zoning Director as back-ups with priority on CFO and City Manager as signatories on all checks.* Motion passes.

Ayes: Victor Perez, Rene Rodriguez, Sergio Cox, and Gloria M. Rodriguez

Nays: Anthony Gandara

Abstain:

14. DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING THE PARK COMMISSION.
DOUGLAS LOBDELL, JR.

No action on this item.

15. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON THE PROPOSED 2015 ANNEXATION PROJECT.
SAM LEONY

Mayor Ruiz stepped out of the meeting at 7:18 p.m.

Gloria M. Rodriguez sat in as Mayor Pro Tem.

Mayor Ruiz returned to the meeting at 7:28 p.m.

A motion was made by Rene Rodriguez seconded by Anthony Gandara to *approve Mr. Leony's recommendation for Parcels 1, 3, 4, 7, 8, 10 and 12 for item number fifteen (15). See Exhibit "A".* Motion passed.

Ayes: Victor Perez, Rene Rodriguez, Anthony Gandara, Sergio Cox, and Gloria M. Rodriguez

Nays:

Abstain:

16. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON PROPOSED INCENTIVES TO PROPERTIES WITHIN THE HISTORICAL CORRIDOR OF THE CITY OF SOCORRO TO ENCOURAGE RESTORATION AND IMPROVEMENTS. THE HISTORICAL LANDMARK COMMISSION AND THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION RECOMMEND APPROVAL. SAM LEONY

Sergio Cox stepped out of the meeting at 7:43 p.m.

A motion was made by Gloria M. Rodriguez seconded by Rene Rodriguez to *approve item number sixteen (16)*. Motion passed.

Ayes: Victor Perez, Rene Rodriguez, Anthony Gandara, and Gloria M. Rodriguez

Nays:

Absent: Sergio Cox

17. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE 321, SECTION 3, TO ALLOW THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION TO ADOPT RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THEIR OWN PROCEEDINGS, AND TO CARRY OUT THE PURPOSES FOR WHICH THE COMMISSION IS CREATED. THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION RECOMMENDS APPROVAL. SAM LEONY

A motion was made by Rene Rodriguez seconded by Anthony Gandara to *approve item number seventeen (17)*. Motion passed.

Ayes: Victor Perez, Rene Rodriguez, Anthony Gandara, and Gloria M. Rodriguez

Nays:

Absent: Sergio Cox

18. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON THE APPROVAL OF THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR A DIALYSIS CENTER AT TRACT 4-D-2-H AND 4-D-2-W, BLOCK 3, SOCORRO GRANT AT 10697 NORTH LOOP DRIVE. THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION RECOMMENDS APPROVAL. SAM LEONY

A motion was made by Gloria M. Rodriguez seconded by Rene Rodriguez to *approve item number eighteen (18)*. Motion passed.

Ayes: Victor Perez, Rene Rodriguez, Anthony Gandara, and Gloria M. Rodriguez

Nays:

Absent: Sergio Cox

19. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON REQUESTING A QUARTERLY REPORT FROM EACH CITY COMMISSION. MAYOR JESUS RUIZ

A motion was made by Rene Rodriguez seconded by Gloria M. Rodriguez to *approve item number nineteen (19)*. Motion passed.

Ayes: Victor Perez, Rene Rodriguez, Anthony Gandara, and Gloria M. Rodriguez

Nays:

Absent: Sergio Cox

20. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON BUILDING A LIBRARY WITHIN THE CITY OF SOCORRO. MAYOR JESUS RUIZ

Sergio Cox returned to the meeting at 7:47 p.m.

A motion was made by Rene Rodriguez seconds by Gloria M. Rodriguez to *approve with the recommendation made by Mr. Norfleet to renovate a building at the Rio Vista Complex*. Motion passed.

Ayes: Victor Perez, Rene Rodriguez, Anthony Gandara, Sergio Cox, and Gloria M. Rodriguez

Nays:

Abstain:

21. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON PURCHASING A SECTION OF THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 10949 BURT RD. FOR THE PURPOSE OF STORM WATER FLOOD CONTROL. SERGIO COX

A motion was made by Anthony Gandara seconded by Sergio Cox, to *approve item number twenty-one*. Motion passed.

Gloria M. Rodriguez stepped out at 8:28 p.m.

Sam Leony made presentation.

Gloria M. Rodriguez returned to the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

Ayes: Victor Perez, Anthony Gandara, and Sergio Cox

Nays: Rene Rodriguez and Gloria M. Rodriguez

Abstain:

22. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON STATUS REPORT ON OBTAINING THE MS-4 PERMIT REQUIRED TO LEGALLY BE ABLE TO ALLOW STORM FLOOD WATER TO DRAIN INTO THE CANAL OWNED BY THE EL PASO COUNTY WATER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT. THE PURCHASE OF THE PERMIT HAD ALREADY BEEN APPROVED BY SOCORRO CITY COUNCIL AT A PREVIOUS MEETING. SERGIO COX

Doug Lobdell, Public Works Director spoke on this item.

Victor Perez stepped out of the meeting at 8:43 p.m.

Victor Perez returned to the meeting at 8:47 p.m.

No action on this item.

A motion was made by Gloria M. Rodriguez seconded by Rene Rodriguez to *move into Executive Session at this time*. Motion passed.

Ayes: Victor Perez, Rene Rodriguez, Anthony Gandara, Sergio Cox, and Gloria M. Rodriguez

Nays:

Abstain:

**THE CITY COUNCIL CONVENED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:54
P.M.**

EXECUTIVE SESSION

**THE CITY COUNCIL RECONVENED BACK IN OPEN SESSION AT 9:14
P.M.**

ADDENDUM TO THE AGENDA

- 1. ACQUISITION OF AN APPROXIMATELY 2.246 ACRE TRACT OF LAND FOR THE OLD HUECO TANKS ROAD PROJECT, THE CONSIDERATION TO BE CONVEYED FOR IT AND TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY ATTORNEY TO FINALIZE A CONTRACT FOR THE ACQUISITION OF SAME AND TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO SIGN SAID AGREEMENT [551.071 AND 551.072].**

A motion was made by Rene Rodriguez seconded by Anthony Gandara to *postpone for the next Regular Meeting of March 19, 2015*. Motion passed.

Ayes: Victor Perez, Rene Rodriguez, Anthony Gandara, Sergio Cox, and Gloria M. Rodriguez

Nays:

Abstain:

- 23. 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.

24. 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.

25. DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING PENDING LITIGATION AND RECEIVE STATUS REPORT REGARDING PENDING LITIGATION.

WILLIE NORFLEET, JR.

A motion was made by Victor Perez seconded by Rene Rodriguez to *delete items twenty-three (23), twenty-four (24) and twenty-five (25).* Motion passed.

Ayes: Victor Perez, Rene Rodriguez, Anthony Gandara, Sergio Cox, and Gloria M. Rodriguez

Nays:

Abstain:

26. ADJOURN

A motion was made by Victor Perez seconded by Rene Rodriguez to *adjourn at 9:16 p.m.* Motion passed.

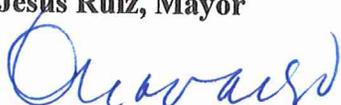
Ayes: Victor Perez, Rene Rodriguez, Anthony Gandara, and Gloria M. Rodriguez

Nays: Sergio Cox

Abstain:



Jesus Ruiz, Mayor



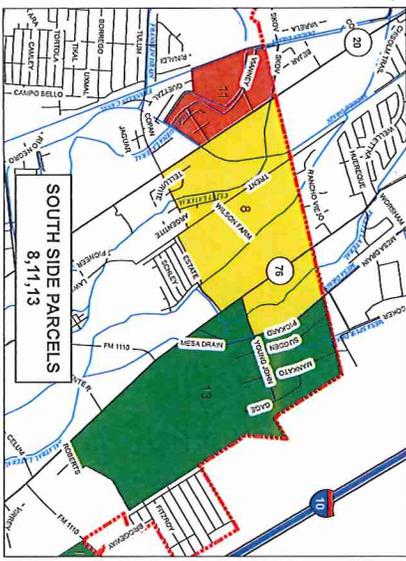
Olivia Navarro
Assistant City Clerk



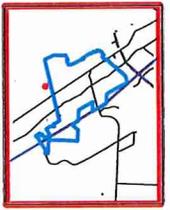
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EAST SIDE PARCELS
3,4,5,9



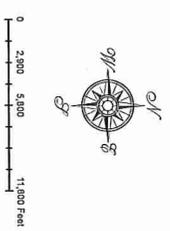
SOUTH SIDE PARCELS
8,11,13



City of Socorro
Planning & Zoning
860 N. Rio Vista
Socorro, TX. 79927



Date: 3/5/2015



ACRES:

PARCEL 1	2270.39
PARCEL 3	256.34
PARCEL 4	10.37
PARCEL 5	12.091
PARCEL 7	319.40
PARCEL 8	671.24
PARCEL 9	152.60
PARCEL 10	269.07
PARCEL 11	186.75
PARCEL 12	1456.62
PARCEL 13	813.00
TOTAL	6,416.87 acres

RECOMMENDED PARCELS:
1, 3, 4, 7, 8, 10, 12

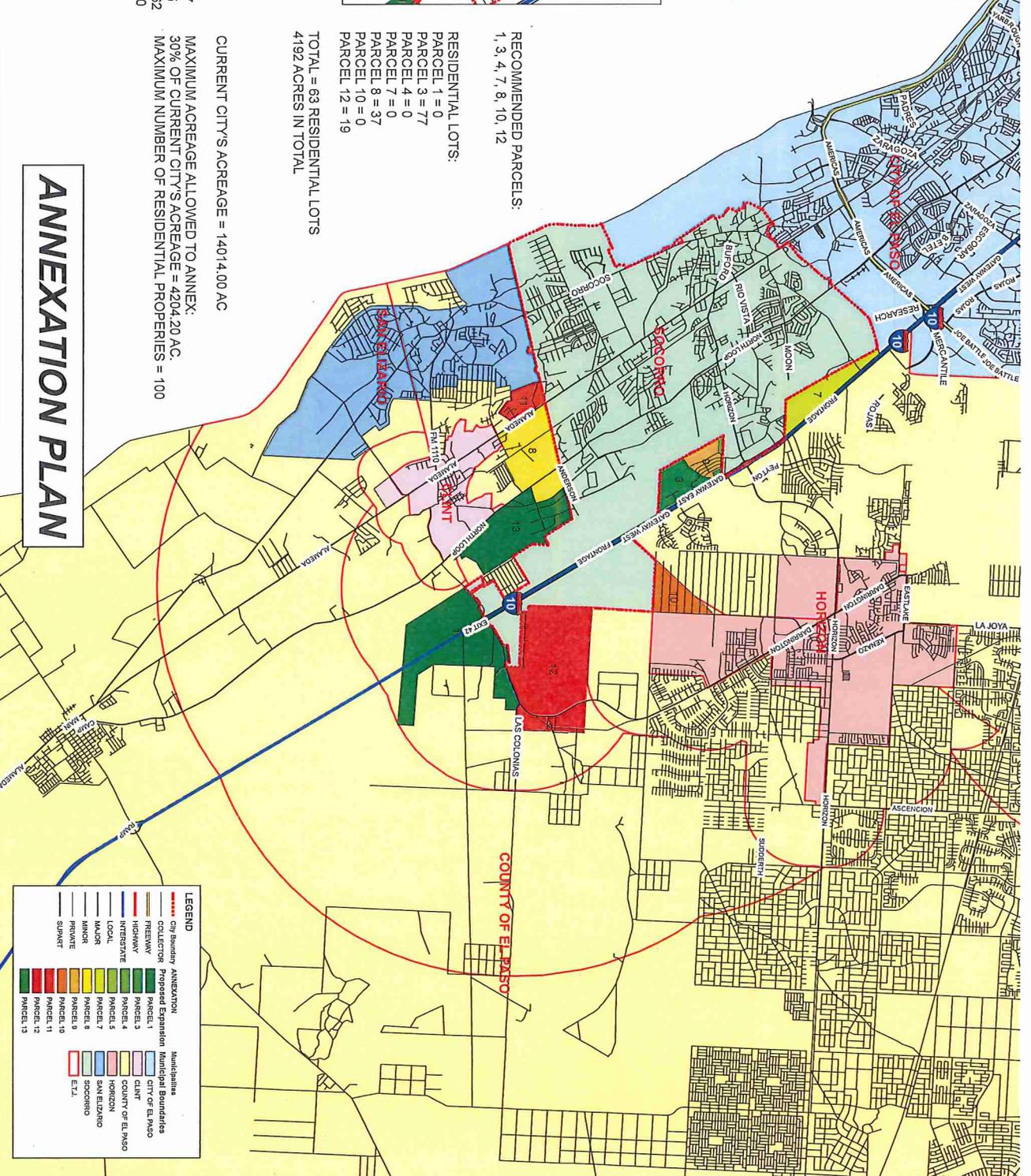
RESIDENTIAL LOTS:
PARCEL 1 = 0
PARCEL 3 = 77
PARCEL 4 = 0
PARCEL 7 = 0
PARCEL 8 = 37
PARCEL 10 = 0
PARCEL 12 = 19

TOTAL = 63 RESIDENTIAL LOTS
4192 ACRES IN TOTAL

CURRENT CITY'S ACREAGE = 14014.00 AC
MAXIMUM ACREAGE ALLOWED TO ANNEX:
30% OF CURRENT CITY'S ACREAGE = 4204.20 AC.
MAXIMUM NUMBER OF RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES = 100

ANNEXATION PLAN

Exhibit "A"



LEGEND

	City Boundary	Annexation		Proposed Expansion
	Collector			Parcel 1
	Highway			Parcel 3
	Interstate			Parcel 4
	Local			Parcel 5
	Major			Parcel 7
	Minor			Parcel 8
	Private			Parcel 9
	Slipnet			Parcel 10
				Parcel 11
				Parcel 12
				Parcel 13

Municipalities

	City of El Paso
	County of El Paso
	San Elizario
	Socorro
	E.T.I.