

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Trini López
Guillermo Madrid, Jr.
Mary B. García
María Reyes
Jesús Gandara Jr.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Gloria M. Rodríguez

STAFF PRESENT:

Alejandro Vidales, Jr., Acting City Manager
Manuel Rubio, City Clerk
Olivia Navarro, Assistant City Clerk
Sam Leony, Planning & 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 *Mary B. Garcia*

3. ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

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

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Juan Castaneda and Ralph Duran spoke during Public Comment

PUBLIC HEARING:

- 5. PUBLIC HEARING ON AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SOCORRO, TEXAS RELATING TO APPROVAL OF TAXATION OF GOODS-IN-TRANSIT THAT ARE OTHERWISE EXEMPT FROM TAXATION AS PERMITTED BY TEXAS TAX CODE SECTION 11.253. A. VIDALES, JR.**

Public Hearing opened at 6:07 p.m.

No speakers

Public Hearing closed at 6:07 p.m.

A motion was made by Jesus Gandara, Jr. seconded by Guillermo Madrid, Jr. *to move up items number eight (8), nine (9), ten (10), eleven (11), twenty-five (25) and thirteen (13) in this order.* Motion carried with Guillermo Madrid, Jr., Mary B. Garcia, Maria Reyes and Jesus Gandara, Jr. voting aye, and Gloria M. Rodriguez, absent. Motion passed.

REGULAR AGENDA:

8. SECOND READING AND ADOPTION ON AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SOCORRO, TEXAS RELATING TO APPROVAL OF TAXATION OF GOODS-IN-TRANSIT THAT ARE OTHERWISE EXEMPT FROM TAXATION AS PERMITTED BY TEXAS TAX CODE SECTION 11.253.

A. VIDALES, JR.

A motion was made by Jesus Gandara, Jr., seconded by Mary B. Garcia to *approve item number eight (8).* Motion carried with Guillermo Madrid, Jr., Mary B. Garcia, Maria Reyes and Jesus Gandara, Jr. voting aye, and Gloria M. Rodriguez, absent. Motion passed.

9. INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING AND CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON AN ORDINANCE REAPPORTIONING CITY COUNCIL SINGLE MEMBER DISTRICTS FOR THE CITY OF SOCORRO, TEXAS.

A. VIDALES, JR.

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

10. INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING AND CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON AN ORDINANCE/RESOLUTION CHANGING THE DATE FOR CITY OF SOCORRO GENERAL ELECTIONS, ESTABLISHING STAGGERED TERMS OF OFFICE AND EXTENDING TERMS OF OFFICE AS AUTHORIZED BY TEXAS SENATE BILL 100.

A. VIDALES, JR.

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

11. INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING AND CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SOCORRO, TEXAS REGULATING NUISANCES AND LOUD NOISES WITHIN THE MUNICIPAL LIMITS OF THE CITY OF SOCORRO, TEXAS.

A. VIDALES, JR.

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

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

THE CITY COUNCIL CONVENED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 6:15 P.M.

DURING EXECUTIVE SESSION TWO INTERVIEWS WERE HELD FOR THE HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR

THE CITY COUNCIL RECONVENED BACK IN SESSION AT 7:21 P.M.

25. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON SELECTION OF HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR. A. VIDALES, JR.

A motion was made by Maria Reyes seconded by Jesus Gandara, Jr. to *approve the City Manager's recommendation to hire Jose Rocha as the Human Resources Director*. Motion carried with Guillermo Madrid, Jr., Mary B. Garcia, Maria Reyes and Jesus Gandara, Jr. voting aye, and Gloria M. Rodriguez, absent. Motion passed.

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

THE CITY COUNCIL CONVENED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 7:22 P.M.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

THE CITY COUNCIL RECONVENED BACK IN SESSION AT 7:58 P.M.

13. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE HUMAN RESOURCES CONSULTING AGREEMENT. A. VIDALES, JR.

A motion was made by Jesus Gandara, Jr. seconded by Mary B. Garcia to *approve Lisa Meador as the Human Resources Consultant at \$50.00 an hour as compensation and to remove any verbiage pertaining to maximum compensation*. Motion carried with Guillermo Madrid, Jr., Mary B. Garcia, Maria Reyes and Jesus Gandara, Jr. voting aye, and Gloria M. Rodriguez, absent. Motion passed.

26. ADJOURN

A motion was made by Jesus Gandara, Jr., seconded by Mary B. Garcia to *adjourn at 8:00 due to inclement weather*. Motion carried with Guillermo Madrid, Jr., Mary B. Garcia, Maria Reyes and Jesus Gandara, Jr. voting aye, and Gloria M. Rodriguez, absent. Motion passed.

**THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE NOT TAKE UP DUE TO ADJOURNMENT OF
THE MEETING**

CONSENT AGENDA:

6. **APPROVAL OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF 11/3/11 AND 11/17/11, AND SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF 11/10/11.**
A. VIDALES, JR.
7. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON PROPOSED REZONING OF TRACT 19-E, BLOCK 27, SOCORRO, GRANT FROM C-2 GENERAL COMMERCIAL TO A COMBINATION OF C-2/R-3 HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL. PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION RECOMMENDS APPROVAL WITH THE CONTINGENCY THAT THE LOT BE SPLIT.**
A. VIDALES, JR.

REGULAR AGENDA:

12. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO RECONSIDER PREVIOUS ACTION OF CITY COUNCIL AND REZONE TRACT 1-A-41 AND 1-A-44 LEIGH CLARK SURVEY, EL PASO COUNTY TEXAS (1.98) AC.) (11300 GATEWAY EAST) FROM UNCLASSIFIED TO M-1 LIGHT INDUSTRIAL AND TO APPROVE CONTRACT IMPOSING RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS FOR SAID PROPERTY.**
A. VIDALES, JR.
14. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO AWARD THE CONTRACT FOR HMAC/TAC EMULSION/BASE MATERIALS BID.**
A. VIDALES, JR.
15. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON SPEED HUMPS PROJECT AT SOYA DRIVE BETWEEN LYDIA RD., AND JO WAY, COUNTRY GREEN SUBDIVISION. PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION RECOMMENDS DENIAL BUT ADVISED TO MAKE SOME SIGNALIZATION CHANGES.**
A. VIDALES, JR.
16. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON APPROVAL OF CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS ON SIGNAGE OF LOT 20, BLOCK 10, FRIEDMAN ESTATES UNIT ONE SUBDIVISION.**
A. VIDALES, JR.
17. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON APPROVAL TO WAIVE FEES FOR SWAP MEET EVERY SATURDAY MORNING AT THE PROPERTY AT LOTS 1 TO 3 AND 16 TO 18, BLOCK 2, POOLE SUBDIVISION.**
A. VIDALES, JR.
18. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON APPROVAL OF SPEED HUMPS PROJECT AT VALLE DEL MAR DR. PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION RECOMMENDS DENIAL WITH THE RECOMMENDATION TO INSTALL 3-WAY STOPS, SPEED LIMIT SIGNS AND INCREASE POLICE PRESENCE. A STUDY CONDUCTED BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT IS ALSO RECOMMENDED IN THREE MONTHS TO DETERMINE IF SPEED HUMPS ARE NECESSARY.**
A. VIDALES, JR.
19. **EXCUSE ABSENT COUNCIL MEMBERS.**
A. VIDALES, JR.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

OPEN SESSION:

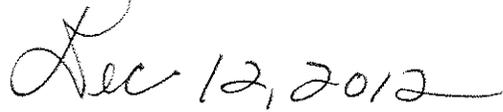
23. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON LEGAL ADVICE RECEIVED BY LEGAL COUNSEL IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.**
A. VIDALES, JR.
24. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON ADVICE RECEIVED FROM CITY ATTORNEY IN CLOSED SESSION.**
A. VIDALES, JR.



Mary B. Garcia, Mayor Pro Tem



Olivia Navarro, Assistant City Clerk



Date when minutes were approved