MEMBERS PRESENT:

Guillermo Gandara Sr.
Guillermo Madrid Jr.
Luis Varela
Gloria M. Rodríguez
Mary B. Garcia

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Jesus Gandara Jr. *(arrived during closed Executive Session at 7:34 p.m.)*

STAFF PRESENT:

Manny Soto, Interim City Manager
Gina Rodríguez, City Clerk
Olivia Navarro, Assistant City Clerk
Jerry Wallace, City Attorney

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

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

OPEN FORUM:

No speakers for Open Forum.

REGULAR AGENDA:

5. *DISCUSSION AND ACTION* TO ACCEPT THE INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT CONDUCTED BY STRICKLER & PRIETO, LLP FYE 09/30/09 FOR THE CITY OF SOCORRO, TEXAS.   *MANNY SOTO*

A motion was made by Gloria M. Rodriguez seconded by Mary B. Garcia to *delete* item number five (5). Motion carried with Guillermo Madrid Jr., Mary B. Garcia, Gloria M. Rodriguez, and Luis Varela voting aye, and Jesus Gandara Jr. absent. Motion passed.

6. *DISCUSSION AND ACTION* ON APPROVAL TO DIRECT THE ACTING CITY MANAGER TO ISSUE A REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATION (RFQ) FOR A PARK DESIGN ARCHITECT FOR SOCORRO BULLDOGS CHAMPIONSHIP PARK. *MARY B. GARCIA*

A motion was made by Mary B. Garcia seconded by Guillermo Madrid Jr. to *approve and direct the Acting City Manager to issue a request for qualifications (RFQ) for a Park Design Architect for Socorro Bulldogs Championship Park* for item number six (6). Motion carried with Guillermo Madrid Jr., Mary B. Garcia, and Gloria M. Rodriguez voting aye, Luis Varela voting nay, and Jesus Gandara Jr. absent. Motion passed.

Luis Varela indicated to Mary B. Garcia that his vote was nay due to the fact that he would like to be more involved in what is going on.

7. *DISCUSSION AND ACTION* ON APPROVAL TO DIRECT THE ACTING CITY MANAGER TO ISSUE A REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ) FOR A COMMUNITY CENTER RECREATION FACILITIES DESIGN ARCHITECT AT THE HUECO FIRE STATION IN DISTRICT 2. *GLORIA M. RODRIGUEZ*

A motion was made by Guillermo Madrid Jr. seconded by Gloria M. Rodriguez to *approve and direct the Acting City Manager to issue a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for a Community Center Recreation Facilities Design Architect at the Hueco Fire Station* for item number seven (7). Motion carried with Guillermo Madrid Jr., Mary B. Garcia, Gloria M. Rodriguez, and Luis Varela voting aye, and Jesus Gandara Jr. absent. Motion passed.

8. *DISCUSSION AND ACTION* ON APPROVAL TO DIRECT THE ACTING CITY MANAGER TO ISSUE A REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) FOR CONSTRUCTION OF OPERATIONAL STREETS AND SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS IN DISTRICT 4. *JESUS GANDARA JR.*

A motion was made by Mary B. Garcia seconded by Gloria M. Rodriguez to *approve and direct the Acting City Manager to issue a Request for Proposals (RFP) for construction of operational streets and sidewalk improvements in District 4* for item number eight (8). Motion carried with Guillermo Madrid Jr., Mary B. Garcia, Gloria M. Rodriguez, and Luis Varela voting aye, and Jesus Gandara Jr. absent. Motion passed.

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

THE CITY COUNCIL CONVENED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 6:47 P.M.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

JESUS GANDARA JR. ARRIVED TO THE MEETING AT 7:34 DURING CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION.

THE CITY COUNCIL RECONVENED INTO OPEN SESSION AT 8:03 P.M.

OPEN SESSION:

10. *DISCUSSION AND ACTION* ON ADVICE RECEIVED FROM THE CITY ATTORNEY REGARDING LEGAL ISSUES.   *MANNY SOTO*

A motion was made by Mary B. Garcia seconded by Gloria M. Rodriguez to *direct the Attorney to pursue what was discussed in Executive Session* for item number ten (10). Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN:

A motion was made by Mary B. Garcia seconded by Gloria M. Rodriguez to *Adjourn at 8:04 p.m.* Motion carried unanimously.

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Guillermo Gandara Sr.., Mayor

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Georgina Rodriguez, City Clerk

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Date when minutes were approved: July 15, 2010