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District 4

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City Manager

**NOTICE OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
OF THE  
CITY OF SOCORRO**

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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.

**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTICE OF MEETING BY VIRTUAL SERVICES**

IN ACCORDANCE WITH ORDER OF THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR ISSUED MARCH 16, 2020, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOCORRO WILL CONDUCT THE MEETING SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY JUNE 4, 2020, AT 6:00 PM BROADCASTED FROM CITY CHAMBERS AT CITY HALL CHAMBERS, 860 RIO VISTA RD., SOCORRO, TEXAS VIA TELEPHONE CONFERENCE AND LIVE STREAMED IN ORDER TO ADVANCE THE PUBLIC HEALTH GOAL OF LIMITING THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE PHYSICALLY PRESENT AT OUR LOCATION (ALSO CALLED "SOCIAL DISTANCING") TO SLOW THE SPREAD OF THE CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19). THERE WILL BE NO PHYSICAL PUBLIC ACCESS TO THE LOCATION DESCRIBED ABOVE.

THIS WRITTEN NOTICE, THE MEETING AGENDA, AND THE AGENDA PACKET, ARE POSTED ONLINE AT [HTTP://CLSOCORRO.TX.US/CITY-CLERK-PUBLIC-NOTICE](http://clsocorro.tx.us/city-clerk-public-notice) THE PUBLIC CAN ACCESS THE MEETING BY CALLING TOLL FREE-NUMBER 844-854-2222 ACCESS CODE 323610.

THE PUBLIC MUST CALL IN 844-854-2222 ACCESS CODE 323610 BY 5:30 PM MOUNTAIN STANDARD TIME (MST) ON JUNE 4, 2020 TO SIGN UP FOR PUBLIC COMMENT AND THE AGENDA ITEM THEY WISH TO COMMENT ON. THE PUBLIC THAT SIGNED UP TO SPEAK WILL BE CALLED UPON BY THE PRESIDING OFFICER DURING THE MEETING.

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1. **Call to order**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence**
3. **Establishment of Quorum**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

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.)

**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**

**PUBLIC HEARINGS / ORDINANCES**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS ARE NOT TAKEN DURING THE INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES. PUBLIC COMMENTS WILL BE ALLOWED AT THE SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARING-ORDINANCE 320**

5. ***Excuse*** absent council members. ***Olivia Navarro***
6. ***Approval*** of Special Council Meeting Minutes of May 21, Regular Council Minutes May 21, 2020 and Special Meeting Minutes May 26,2020. ***Olivia Navarro***
7. ***Discussion and action*** to approve April 2020 Cash Receipts Report. ***Charles Casiano***

8. **Discussion and action** to approve April 2020 Accounts Payable Report. **Charles Casiano**
9. **Discussion and action** to approve April 2020 Unaudited Financial Report. **Charles Casiano**
10. **Introduction First Reading and Calling for a Public Hearing** for the proposed Amendment to the City of Socorro's Master Plan and rezoning of Tract 9, Socorro Grant, Block 17 located at 10143 Socorro Rd. from R-1, Single Family Residential to C-1, Light Commercial to allow parking of semi-trucks. **Job Terrazas**
11. **Introduction First Reading and Calling for a Public Hearing** for the proposed Amendment to the City of Socorro's Master Plan and rezoning of Tract 4-B, Socorro Grant, Block 27 from A-1, Agricultural to R-1, Single Family Residential for a new development. **Job Terrazas**

## REGULAR AGENDA

### PUBLIC HEARINGS / ORDINANCES

12. **Public Hearing** of an ordinance for the proposed Amendment to the City of Socorro's Master Plan and rezoning of Tracts 2, 3, 4, 7, 7A, 8, 8A, 9, 10, 11, 12A 13, 13A, 13A2, 14 and 14A, Block 5, Socorro Grant for a new development. **Job Terrazas**
13. **Second Reading and Adoption** of an ordinance for the proposed Amendment to the City of Socorro's Master Plan and rezoning of Tracts 2, 3, 4, 7, 7A, 8, 8A, 9, 10, 11, 12A 13, 13A, 13A2, 14 and 14A, Block 5, Socorro Grant for a new development. **Job Terrazas**
14. **Public Hearing** on written charge to remove Juan Castañeda as a member of the Board of Adjustments for the City of Socorro, Texas. **Rene Rodriguez**
15. **Discussion and action** on approval to remove Juan Castañeda as a member of the Board of Adjustments for the City of Socorro, Texas. **Rene Rodriguez**

### GRANTS DEPARTMENT

16. **Discussion and action** to ratify a letter of support on behalf of the City of Socorro for the City of El Paso Sun Metro and El Paso County application to the U.S. Department of Transportation, Helping Obtain Prosperity for Everyone (HOPE) Program. **Alejandra Valadez**
17. **Update** on El Paso County Transit study and recent recommendations. **Alejandra Valadez**
18. **Discussion and action** on approving an Electronic Signature Policy in light of the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency. **Alejandra Valadez**

19. **Discussion and action** to approve the City of Socorro to enter into a Grant Agreement with the Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) in order to participate in FEMA's Public Assistance (PA) Program and seek reimbursement for eligible COVID-19 expenses. This FEMA grant program will reimburse 75% of eligible expenses. *Alejandra Valadez*
20. **Discussion and action** to approve the City of Socorro to enter into a grant contract with the Texas Historical Commission (THC) for the FY 2020 Certified Local Government (CLG) grant award for the Rio Vista Farm Rehabilitation Project. *Alejandra Valadez*

### **RECREATIONAL DEPARTMENT**

21. **Discussion and action** regarding city events, due to the COVID Pandemic, and the uncertainty of the near future staff would like to discuss the feasibility of postponing this current fiscal year's festivities to next year and expand our virtual programming and reevaluating at a later date for the status of the events traditionally scheduled for the start of the fiscal year (Halloween, Homecoming, Thanksgiving, Christmas, etc..) *Victor Reta*

### **PLANNING AND ZONING DEPARTMENT**

22. **Discussion and action** on the plat approval for Pilot Express Subdivision, being a 12.92ac Tract of land in Robert E. Nix Survey No. 304 ABST 7893 and Robert E. Nix Survey No. 305 ABST 7892 in El Paso County, Texas. *Job Terrazas*

### **CITY MANAGER**

23. **Discussion and action** to consider adoption of a written charge stating the basis for removal of Board of Adjustment Commissioner, Oscar Gutierrez and direct city attorney to prepare the written charge. *Adriana Rodarte*
24. **Discussion and action** on approving the Socorro Municipal Court Operating Plan that the Supreme Court Emergency Order regarding the COVID-19 in – person proceedings and jury trials. *Adriana Rodarte*

### **CITY COUNCIL**

25. **Discussion and action** to recommend changes to extend minimum front setbacks for all properties facing collector streets, minor arterials and major arterials of Chapter 46 - Zoning Article IV. - District Regulations. *Rene Rodriguez*
26. **Discussion and action** to remove Mr. Jesus Chaidez from Building and Standards Commission and appoint him to the Board of Adjustments Place 5. *Rene Rodriguez*

### **WORKSHOP**

27. **Discussion and action** on Charter Amendments Articles III Section 3.12 through Section 3.16 and adding 3.17 through 3.21. *Adriana Rodarte*

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:***

**28. 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. *Adriana Rodarte*

**29. 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. *Adriana Rodarte*

**30. Discussion and action** regarding pending litigation and receive status report regarding pending litigation. *Adriana Rodarte*


**31. Adjourn**

**DATED THIS 1<sup>ST</sup> DAY OF JUNE, 2020**

By:   
**Olivia Navarro, 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 1<sup>ST</sup> DAY OF JUNE, 2020**

By:   
**Olivia Navarro, City Clerk**

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