

Elia Garcia
Mayor

Rene Rodriguez
At Large

Cesar Nevarez
District 1



Ralph Duran
District 2

Victor Perez
District 3/Mayor Pro Tem

Yvonne Colon-Villalobos
District 4

**SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
JULY 23, 2020 @ 6:00 P.M.
VIRTUAL MEETING**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Elia Garcia
Rene Rodriguez
Cesar Nevarez
Ralph Duran
Victor Perez
Yvonne Colon-Villalobos

STAFF PRESENT:

Adriana Rodarte, City Manager
Olivia Navarro, City Clerk
Jim Martinez (*joined virtually*)

Mayela Granados, Executive Assistant
Victor Reta, Recreation Department Director

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at: 6:09 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND A MOMENT OF SILENCE

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Adriana Rodarte

3. ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

A quorum was established with all members present.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Miriam Cruz spoke during Public Comment

CONSENT AGENDA

5. **EXCUSE ABSENT COUNCIL MEMBERS.** **OLIVIA NAVARRO**
6. **INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING AND CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING OF AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SOCORRO, CALLING FOR AN ELECTION TO BE HELD IN THE CITY OF SOCORRO, TEXAS, ON TUESDAY, THE 3RD DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2020, FOR THE PURPOSE OF AN ELECTION FOR APPROVAL OR REJECTION OF 28 PROPOSITIONS REGARDING AMENDMENTS TO THE CITY CHARTER OF THE CITY OF SOCORRO, TEXAS; ELECTION FOR MAYOR, CITY REPRESENTATIVE AT-LARGE, AND DISTRICT 4 CITY REPRESENTATIVE; DESIGNATING LOCATIONS OF POLLING PLACES; ORDERING NOTICE OF THE ELECTION TO BE GIVEN AS PRESCRIBED BY LAW; PROVIDING FOR THE PUBLICATION AND POSTING OF SAID NOTICE; PROVIDING FOR EARLY VOTING DATES AND TIMES; MAKING PROVISIONS FOR THE CONDUCT OF THE ELECTIONS AND RESOLVING OTHER MATTERS INCIDENT TO HOLDING OF SUCH ELECTION; PROVIDING A STATEMENT OF FISCAL IMPACT; PROVIDING COMPLIANCE WITH THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT; PROVIDING FOR A REPEALING CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**
ADRIANA RODARTE

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

Ayes: Rene Rodriguez, Cesar Nevarez, Ralph Duran, Victor Perez and Yvonne Colon-Villalobos
Nays:
Absent

REGULAR AGENDA

7. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE AND EXECUTE AN ADVANCE FUNDING AGREEMENT (AFA) WITH THE STATE OF TEXAS ACTING THROUGH THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TXDOT) FOR THE NUEVO HUECO TANKS ROAD EXTENSION PROJECT AND PROVIDE A RESOLUTION FOR THIS PROJECT.** **ALEJANDRA VALADEZ**

A motion was made by Rene Rodriguez seconded by Ralph Duran to *approve item number seven (7)*. Motion passed.

Ayes: Rene Rodriguez, Cesar Nevarez, Ralph Duran, Victor Perez and Yvonne Colon-Villalobos
Nays:
Absent

8. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON APPROVING THE SOCORRO POLICE DEPARTMENT PROCEDURE'S MANUAL. ADRIANA RODARTE

A motion was made by Ralph Duran seconded by Rene Rodriguez to *approve item number eight (8)*.

An amended motion was made by Ralph Duran seconded by Rene Rodriguez to *delete item number eight (8)*. Motion passed.

Ayes: Rene Rodriguez, Cesar Nevarez, Ralph Duran, Victor Perez and Yvonne Colon-Villalobos

Nays:

Absent

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

Ayes: Rene Rodriguez, Cesar Nevarez, Ralph Duran, Victor Perez and Yvonne Colon-Villalobos

Nays:

Absent

THE CITY COUNCIL CONVENED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 6:20

EXECUTIVE SESSION

THE CITY COUNCIL RECONVENED IN OPEN SESSION AT 6:39 PM

9. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON CIELO DEL RIO UNIT 2 SUBDIVISION PARK STATUS WITH THE VILLAS DE SOCORRO SUBDIVISION.

ADRIANA RODARTE

A motion was made by Rene Rodriguez seconded by Ralph Duran to *delete item number nine (9)*. Motion passed.

Ayes: Rene Rodriguez, Cesar Nevarez, Ralph Duran, Victor Perez and Yvonne Colon-Villalobos

Nays:

Absent

10. 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



11. 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

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

ADRIANA RODARTE

A motion was made by Rene Rodriguez seconded by Ralph Duran to *delete items ten (10), eleven (11) and twelve (12)*. Motion passed.

Ayes: Rene Rodriguez, Cesar Nevarez, Ralph Duran, Victor Perez and Yvonne Colon-Villalobos

Nays:

Absent

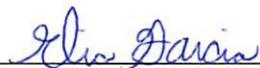
13. ADJOURN

A motion was made by Victor Perez seconded by Ralph Duran to *adjourn at 6:43 pm*. Motion passed.

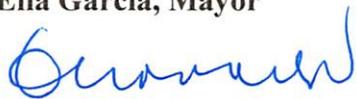
Ayes: Rene Rodriguez, Cesar Nevarez, Ralph Duran, Victor Perez and Yvonne Colon-Villalobos

Nays:

Absent



Elia Garcia, Mayor



Olivia Navarro, City Clerk





Date minutes were approved