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MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mary B. García Gloria M. Rodríguez Jesús Gandara Jr. (sat in as Mayor Pro Tem)

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Guillermo Gandara Sr. (arrived to the meeting at 5:39 p.m.)
Guillermo Madrid, Jr.

STAFF PRESENT:

Manny Soto, Interim City Manager Manuel Rubio, City Clerk Olivia Navarro, Assistant City Clerk Jerry Wallace

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND A MOMENT OF SILENCE

Pledge of Allegiance led by Manny Soto

3. ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

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

PUBLIC HEARING:

4. PUBLIC HEARING ON AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOCORRO, TEXAS, ADOPTING AN AMENDED BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENDING ON CTOBER 1, 2010 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2011.

MANNY SOTO, JR.

A motion was made by Mary B. Garcia seconded by Gloria M. Rodriguez to allow twenty (20) minutes for Public Hearing. Motion carried with Mary B. Garcia and Gloria M. Rodriguez voting aye and Guillermo Madrid, Jr. absent. Motion passed.

Public Hearing opened at 5:32 p.m.

Maria Reyes spoke on this item

Public Hearing closed at 5:33 p.m.

REGULAR AGENDA:

5. INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING AND CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 186 REVISED OCTOBER 5, 2010 AMENDMENT NO. 3 OF THE CIVIL SERVICE RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR CIVIL SERVICE SYSTEM AND FOR THE CIVIL SERVICE.

MANNY SOTO, JR.

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

6. INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING AND CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON AN ORDINANCE UPDATING THE CITY OF SOCORRO, TEXAS' ORGANIZATIONAL CHART.

MANNY SOTO, JR.

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

7. SECOND READING AND ADOPTION ON ODINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOCORRO, TEXAS, ADOPTING AN AMENDED BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING ON OCTOBER 1, 2010 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2011. MANNY SOTO, JR.

A motion was made by Gloria M. Rodriguez seconded by Mary B. Garcia to *approve item number seven (7)*. Motion carried with Mary B. Garcia and Gloria M. Rodriguez voting aye and Guillermo Madrid, Jr. absent. Motion passed.

8. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE THE AWARDING OF THE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR THE CITY OF SOCORRO COMMUNITY CENTER AT 341 MOON RD.

MANNY SOTO. JR.

Maria Reves signed up to speak but declined.

A motion was made by Gloria M. Rodriguez seconded by Mary B. Garcia to approve the awarding of the construction contract for the City of Socorro Community Center at 341 Moon Road to Blair Hall Company, Incorporated for a cost not to exceed \$621,788 and authorizing the City Manager, City Attorney and the approved architect to negotiate and sign final terms with the construction contractor. Motion carried with Mary B. Garcia and Gloria M. Rodriguez voting aye and Guillermo Madrid, Jr. absent. Motion passed.

During this time Mr. Wallace informed Mayor Pro Tem and Council that in the event of a vacancy the Mayor Pro Tem is permitted to vote for the adoption of a city ordinance and based on this he asked council to revisit item number seven and all members present vote on that item.

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A motion was made by Gloria M. Rodriguez seconded by Mary B. Garcia to *reconsider item number seven* (7). Motion carried with Mary B. Garcia and Gloria M. Rodriguez voting aye and Guillermo Madrid, Jr. absent. Motion passed.

7. SECOND READING AND ADOPTION ON AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOCORRO, TEXAS ADOPTING AN AMENDED BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING ON OCTOBER 1, 2010 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2011.

MANNY SOTO, JR.

A motion was made by Gloria M. Rodriguez seconded by Mary B. Garcia to approve item number seven (7). Motion carried with Mary B. Garcia, Gloria M. Rodriguez and Jesus Gandara, Jr. voting aye and Guillermo Madrid, Jr. absent. Motion passed.

9. EXCUSE ABSENT COUNCIL MEMBERS.

MANNY SOTO, JR.

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

Mayor Gandara arrived to the meeting at 5:39 p.m.

13. ADJOURN

A motion was made by Jesus Gandara, seconded by Gloria M. Rodriguez to *adjourn at* 5:39 p.m. Motion carried with Mary B. Garcia and Gloria M. Rodriguez voting aye and Guillermo Madrid, Jr. absent. Motion passed.

Guillermo Gandara, Sr. Mayor

Olivia Navarro, Assistant City Clerk

Date when minutes were approved

Prepared by Olivia Navarro