

Elia Garcia
Mayor

Rene Rodriguez
At Large/Mayor Pro Tem

Maria Reyes
District 1



Ralph Duran
District 2

Victor Perez
District 3

Yvonne Colon-Villalobos
District 4

Adriana Rodarte
City Manager

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 5, 2017 @ 6:00 P.M.**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Elia Garcia
Maria Reyes
Ralph Duran
Victor Perez
Yvonne Colon-Villalobos

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Rene Rodriguez

STAFF PRESENT:

Adriana Rodarte, City Manager
Olivia Navarro, City Clerk
Jim Martinez, City Attorney
Charles Casiano, Finance Director

Lt. Eddie Smith
Job Terrazas, Administrative Assistant
Estevan Gonzalez, IT
Rosio Marin, HR Director
Adriana Rodriguez, Executive Assistant

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at: 6:05 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 five members present.

PUBLIC COMMENT

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Sergio Cox, Tony Burciaga, Ben Ivey and Daniel Hernandez spoke during Public Comment.

CONSENT AGENDA

5. EXCUSE ABSENT COUNCIL MEMBERS. *OLIVIA NAVARRO*

**6. APPROVAL OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF
SEPTEMBER 21, 2017 *OLIVIA NAVARRO***

**7. APPROVAL OF CASH RECEIPTS TRANSACTION REPORT FOR AUGUST,
2017. *CHARLES CASIANO***

**8. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE TRANSACTION REPORT FOR
AUGUST, 2017 *CHARLES CASIANO***

A motion was made by Maria Reyes seconded by Victor Perez to *approve the Consent Agenda*. Motion passed.

Ayes: Maria Reyes, Ralph Duran, Victor Perez and Yvonne Colon-Villalobos

Nays:

Absent: Rene Rodriguez

A motion was made by Ralph Duran seconded by Victor Perez to *move up items eighteen (18) and nineteen (19)*. Motion passed.

Ayes: Maria Reyes, Ralph Duran, Victor Perez and Yvonne Colon-Villalobos

Nays:

Absent: Rene Rodriguez

MAYOR AND COUNCIL

**18. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO RENAME SOUTH EAST LAKE TO A
NAME COUNCIL CHOSSES OR HUECO TANKS PARKWAY, NUEVO
HUECO TANKS, OR NEW HUECO TANKS. *RALPH DURAN***

A motion was made by Maria Reyes to *rename South Eastlake to Hueco Tanks Ivey Expressway*.

An amended motion was made by Maria Reyes seconded by Ralph Duran to *rename South Eastlake to Hueco Tanks Expressway*.

Daniel Hernandez was signed up to speak but declined.

An amended motion was made by Maria Reyes to *rename South Eastlake to Nuevo Hueco Tanks Expressway.*

An amended motion was made by Maria Reyes seconded by Ralph Duran *to rename South Eastlake to Nuevo Hueco Tanks Blvd.* Motion passed.

Ayes: Maria Reyes, Ralph Duran, Victor Perez and Yvonne Colon-Villalobos

Nays:

Absent: Rene Rodriguez

19. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON APPROVAL TO APPOINT PABLO BARRERA TO THE ETHICS REVIEW COMMISSION. RALPH DURAN

A motion was made by Ralph Duran seconded by Victor Perez to *approve item number nineteen (19).* Motion passed.

Ayes: Ralph Duran, Victor Perez and Yvonne Colon-Villalobos

Abstain: Maria Reyes

Absent: Rene Rodriguez

20. SWEARING IN OF NEWLY APPOINTED COMMISSIONER.

Mayor Garcia swore in Pablo Barrera to the Ethics Commission.

PUBLIC HEARINGS / ORDINANCES

**9. PUBLIC HEARING OF AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE ZONING OF TRACT 4-D-1, BLOCK 1, SOCORRO GRANT, AT 1069 COKER RD., IS CHANGED FROM RE (RURAL ESTATES) TO M-1 (LIGHT INDUSTRIAL).
JOB TERRAZAS**

Public Hearing opened at 6:36 pm

No speakers

Public Hearing closed at 6:36 pm

**10. SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE ZONING OF TRACT 4-D-1, BLOCK 1, SOCORRO GRANT, AT 1069 COKER RD., IS CHANGED FROM RE (RURAL ESTATES) TO M-1 (LIGHT INDUSTRIAL).
JOB TERRAZAS**

A motion was made by Victor Perez seconded by Maria Reyes to *deny the zoning of Tract 4-D-1, Block 1, Socorro Grant as recommend by the Planning and Zoning Commission.* Motion passed.

Daniel Hernandez was signed up to speak but declined.

Ayes: Maria Reyes, Ralph Duran, Victor Perez and Yvonne Colon-Villalobos

Nays:

Absent: Rene Rodriguez

REGULAR AGENDA

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

11. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON APPROVING THE UNAUDITED FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR AUGUST 2017. CHARLES CASIANO

A motion was made by Maria Reyes seconded by Victor Perez to *approve item number eleven (11)*. Motion passed.

Daniel Hernandez was signed up to speak but declined.

Ayes: Maria Reyes, Ralph Duran, Victor Perez

Nays: Yvonne Colon-Villalobos

Absent: Rene Rodriguez

GRANTS DEPARTMENT

12. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF SOCORRO TO SUBMIT A CONTRACT AMENDMENT TO THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AMENDING THE SCOPE OF WORK AND CONTRACT TERM TO COMPLETE PHASE II OF SPARKS ARROYO IMPROVEMENT PROJECT UNDER CDBG CONTRACT #7215470.

ANIBAL OLAGUE

A motion was made by Victor Perez seconded by Ralph Duran to *approve to amend the Texas Department of Agriculture contract to complete Phase II of the Sparks Arroyo*. Motion passed.

Adrian Ontiveros, Engineer for CSA Design Group, Inc., spoke on this item.

Daniel Hernandez was signed up to speak but declined.

Ayes: Maria Reyes, Ralph Duran, Victor Perez and Yvonne Colon-Villalobos

Nays:

Absent: Rene Rodriguez

PLANNING AND ZONING DEPARTMENT

13. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF SOCORRO MASTER PLAN, AND REZONING OF TRACT 4-D-11-A, BLOCK 3, SOCORRO GRANT, FROM C-2 (GENERAL COMMERCIAL) TO M-1 (LIGHT INDUSTRIAL) TO ESTABLISH A STORAGE FACILITY.

JOB TERRAZAS

A motion was made by Victor Perez seconded by Maria Reyes to *deny the proposed amendment and rezoning of Tract 4-D-11-A, Block 3, Socorro Grant as recommended by the Planning and Zoning Commission.* Motion passed.

Daniel Hernandez was signed up to speak but declined.

Ayes: Maria Reyes, Ralph Duran, Victor Perez and Yvonne Colon-Villalobos

Nays:

Absent: Rene Rodriguez

14. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF SOCORRO MASTER PLAN, AND REZONING OF TRACT 1-A-1, LEIGH CLARK SURVEY 293 ABST 6257 AT 1113 HORIZON BLVD., FROM C-2 (GENERAL COMMERCIAL) TO M-2 (HEAVY INDUSTRIAL FOR A TRAILER REPAIR SHOP. *JOB TERRAZAS*

A motion was made by Maria Reyes seconded by Victor Perez to *accept the recommendation made by the Planning and Zoning to deny the rezoning of Tract 1-A-1, Leigh Clark Surveu 293 Abst 6257.* Motion passed.

Daniel Hernandez was signed up to speak but declined.

Ayes: Maria Reyes, Ralph Duran, Victor Perez and Yvonne Colon-Villalobos

Nays:

Absent: Rene Rodriguez

15. DISCUSSION AND ACTION FOR APPROVAL OF BAZA SUBDIVISION FINAL PLAT, BEING ALL OF TRACTS 6A, 6B1A, 6B1B AND 7, BLOCK 18, SOCORRO GRANT LOCATED AT 550 HOLGUIN RD. *JOB TERRAZAS*

A motion was made by Maria Reyes seconded by Yvonne Colon-Villalobos to *approve the Baza Subdivision final plat.* Motion passed.

Daniel Hernandez was signed up to speak but declined.

Ayes: Maria Reyes, Ralph Duran, Victor Perez and Yvonne Colon-Villalobos

Nays:

Absent: Rene Rodriguez

16. DISCUSSION AND ACTION FOR APPROVAL OF ALDAMA ESTATES REPLAT B, BEING ALL OF LOT 7, BLOCK 6, ALDAMA ESTATES LOCATED AT 196 MIDNIGHT SUN. *JOB TERRAZAS*

A motion was made by Maria Reyes seconded by Yvonne Colon-Villalobos to *approve the Aldama Estates Replat B.* Motion passed.

Daniel Hernandez was signed up to speak but declined.

Ayes: Maria Reyes, Ralph Duran, Victor Perez and Yvonne Colon-Villalobos

Nays:

Absent: Rene Rodriguez

17. DISCUSSION AND ACTION FOR APPROVAL TO WAIVE THE EVEN PERMIT FEES FOR THE SAN FELIPE DE JESUS CATHOLIC CHURCH EVENT ON TRACT 20-A-1. SOCORRO GRANT, BLOCK 13 LOCATED AT 401 PASSMORE RD. *JOB TERRAZAS*

A motion was made by Victor Perez seconded by Maria Reyes to *approve to waive the event permit fee for the San Felipe De Jesus Catholic Church.*

An amended motion was made by Victor Perez seconded by Ralph Duran to *approve to waive the event permit fee for the San Felipe De Jesus Catholic Church to include a plan for traffic control.* Motion passed.

Daniel Hernandez was signed up to speak but declined.

Ayes: Maria Reyes, Ralph Duran, Victor Perez and Yvonne Colon-Villalobos

Nays:

Absent: Rene Rodriguez

21. 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*

22. 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

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

ADRIANA RODARTE

A motion was made by Maria Reyes seconded by Ralph Duran to *delete items twenty-one (21), twenty-two (22) and twenty-three (23).* Motion passed.

Ayes: Maria Reyes, Ralph Duran, Victor Perez and Yvonne Colon-Villalobos

Nays:

Absent: Rene Rodriguez


ADJOURN

A motion was made by Maria Reyes seconded by Victor Perez to *adjourn at 6:51 pm.*

Ayes: Maria Reyes, Ralph Duran, Victor Perez and Yvonne Colon-Villalobos


Nays:

Absent: Rene Rodriguez



Elia Garcia, Mayor





Olivia Navarro, City Clerk

10/19/2017
Date minutes were approved