Jesus Ruiz Mayor

Rene Rodriguez, At Large

Sergio Cox
District 1



Gloria M. Rodríguez,
District 2

Victor Perez District 3 / Mayor-Pro Tem

Joseph E. Bowling
District 4

Willie Norfleet, Jr.
City Manager

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

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.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOCORRO, TEXAS WILL BE HELD ON THURSDAY THE 17th DAY OF JULY, 2014 AT 6:00 P.M. AT THE CITY HALL CHAMBERS, 860 N. RIO VISTA RD., SOCORRO, TEXAS AT WHICH TIME THE FOLLOWING WILL BE DISCUSSED:

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

PRESENTATIONS

- 5. Recognition of Veterans that participated for the 4th of July Parade. Gloria M. Rodriguez
- Presentation by Livability.com representatives regarding website and magazine promotions.
 Mayor Jesus Ruiz

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

7. Excuse absent Council Members.

Sandra Hernandez

- **8.** *Approval* of Regular Council Meeting Minutes of July 3, 2014 and Special City Council Meeting Minutes of July 3, 2014. *Sandra Hernandez*
- 9. Approval of the unaudited financial reports for the period ending June 30, 2014.

 Willie Norfleet, Jr.

REGULAR AGENDA

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

ORDINANCES

10. *Introduction, First Reading and Calling for a Public Hearing* Ordinance 342, an Ordinance adopting and enacting a new code for the City of Socorro, Texas; providing for the repeal of certain ordinances not included therein; providing a penalty for the violation thereof; providing for the manner of amending such code; and providing when such code and this ordinance shall become effective. *Sandra Hernandez*

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

11. *Discussion and action* on approving the proposal from White, Samaniego, & Campbell to conduct agreed upon procedures for capital assets.

Karina Hagelsieb

HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

12. *Discussion and action* on Chief of Police outstanding balance on the necessary expenses of moving to Socorro. *Adriana Rodarte*

PARKS DEPARTMENT

13. *Discussion and action* on approving the use of Las Lunas park/pond for a wedding on October 25, 2014. The Municipal Parks Advisory Board recommends approval with provisions. *Jessica Diaz*

POLICE DEPARTMENT

14. *Discussion and action* to allow the Socorro Police Department to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with various law enforcement agencies for the purpose of a joint task force and to have the Chief of Police sign the Memorandum of Understanding and any other necessary documents.

Chief Carlos Maldonado

PLANNING AND ZONING DEPARTMENT

- **15.** *Discussion and action* to revoke the certificate of appropriateness to demolish the adobe building located at Tract 2A, Block 21, Socorro Grant (10226 Socorro Road). The Historical Landmark Commission recommends to revoke. *Sam Leony*
- **16.** *Discussion and action* on approval of certificate of appropriateness for new business related to storage and distribution of vehicles on Tract 7-E and 7-F, Block 19, Socorro Grant (10369 Socorro Road). Historical Landmark Commission recommends denial.

Sam Leony

17. *Discussion and action* on approval of certificate of appropriateness for a wall sign for Metro PCS on Lot 1, Block 6, El Campestre Subdivsion (11500 Socorro Road). Historical Landmark Commission recommends approval. *Sam Leony*

CITY MANAGER

18. *Discussion and action* regarding Socorro Health Realty, LLC. Request for grant/assistance of \$50,000 for a "bridge" over the canal between Alameda and City of Socorro's property. *Willie Norfleet, Jr.*

MAYOR AND COUNCIL

- **19.** *Discussion and action* approving evaluation procedures for City Manager, Willie Norfleet. *Mayor Jesus Ruiz*
- **20.** *Discussion and action* to direct City Manager to present to City Council a list of events coordinated by Parks and Recreation Departments for FY 2015.

Mayor Jesus Ruiz

21. *Discussion and action* approving the funding for the Chili War Festival.

Mayor Jesus Ruiz

- **22.** *Discussion and action* to direct city staff to prepare an amendment to Ordinance 186, Amendment, No. 4, an Ordinance of Civil Services Rules and Regulations for Civil Service and for the Civil Service Commission for the City of Socorro. *Mayor Jesus Ruiz*
- **23.** *Discussion and action* regarding starting a scholarship program for students living in the Socorro, Texas. *Mayor Jesus Ruiz*
- **24.** *Discussion and action* to direct staff to prepare an amendment to include Ordinance 320, Amendment No. 3, an Ordinance of the City of Socorro, establishing Procedures and Rules for City Council meetings and agendas as provided by Section 3.08 of the Socorro City Charter, and establishing procedures and rules for conduct of the Socorro City Council and all of the City of Socorro Boards and Commissions. The amendment is to create a process for recording executive session items.

Rene Rodriguez

- **25.** *Discussion and action* on a proposal to have Mr. Willie Norfleet, City Manager, enter into negotiations with the County of El Paso on obtaining ownership of Range War Street located in District 1. Currently two thirds of the street is owned by the County and one third is owned by the City. This street has never been paved and is in need of attention. *Sergio Cox*
- **26.** *Discussion and action* to direct staff to prepare an ordinance to prohibit the use of wireless communication devices while operating a motor vehicle and to create an offense. *Gloria M. Rodriguez*

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

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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:

- 27. 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. Willie Norfleet, Jr.
- 28. 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
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