

*Ivy Avalos*  
Mayor

*Ruben Reyes*  
At Large

*Cesar Nevarez*  
District 1



*Alejandro Garcia*  
District 2/Mayor ProTem

*Rudy Cruz, Jr.*  
District 3

*Yvonne Colon-Villalobos*  
District 4

*Adriana Rodarte*  
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.

LA INSTALACIÓN ES ACCESIBLE PARA SILLAS DE RUEDAS Y HAY PLAZAS DE ESTACIONAMIENTOS DISPONIBLES. LAS SOLICITUDES DE ADAPTACIÓN PARA SERVICIOS DE TRADUCCION DEBEN HACERSE 48 HORAS ANTES DE ESTA REUNIÓN. COMUNÍQUESE CON LA OFICINA DEL SECRETARIO DE LA CIUDAD AL (915) 858-2915 PARA OBTENER MÁS INFORMACIÓN

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOCORRO, TEXAS WILL BE HELD ON THURSDAY THE 6<sup>TH</sup>, DAY OF APRIL, 2023 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:

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

**THE PUBLIC MAY CALL IN 844-854-2222 ACCESS CODE 323610 BY 5:30 PM MOUNTAIN STANDARD TIME (MST) ON APRIL 6<sup>TH</sup>, 2023 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 led by Campestre Elementary School Students 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.)

**PRESENTATION**

- 5. Recognition** of the Socorro High School Swim Team. *Rudy Cruz, Jr.*
- 6. Presentation** by Project Amistad regarding WTEP- West Texas El Paso Regional Transportation Coordination Committee. *Victor Reta*
- 7. Presentation** HABS Historic American Buildings Survey Photography of Bracero Reception Center. *Victor Reta*

**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 COMMENTS ARE TYPICALLY NOT TAKEN DURING THE INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES. PUBLIC COMMENTS ARE ENCOURAGED AT THE SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARING ON EACH ORDINANCE.**

8. ***Excuse*** absent council members. ***Olivia Navarro***
9. ***Discussion and action*** to approve the Regular Council Minutes of March 16, 2023. ***Olivia Navarro***
10. ***Discussion and action*** on approving February 2023 Unaudited Financial Report. ***Charles Casiano***
11. ***Discussion and action*** on approving February 2023 Cash Receipts Report. ***Charles Casiano***
12. ***Discussion and action*** on approving February 2023 Accounts Payable Report. ***Charles Casiano***
13. ***Introduction, First Reading, and Calling for a Public Hearing*** of an Ordinance to amend Chapter 2 Administration, Article Iv. Boards, Commissions, Agencies and Authorities, Division 3. Board Of Adjustment, Section 2-71. Members, Alternates, Terms, Qualifications. ***Lorraine Quimiro***
14. ***Introduction, First Reading and Calling for Public Hearing*** to amended ordinance, Part II – Code Of Ordinances, Chapter 2- Administration, Article Iv. – Boards, Commission, Agencies and Authorities, Division 6. Ethic Review Commission. ***Carol Candelaria***

**REGULAR AGENDA**  
**PUBLIC HEARING/ORDINANCES**

**HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT**

15. ***Discussion and action*** to approve the amended Ethic Review Commission Bylaws. ***Carol Candelaria***

**GRANTS DEPARTMENT**

16. ***Discussion and action*** to approve a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with LiftFund Inc., for the purpose of promoting the 2023 Grow Now program. ***Alejandra Valadez***
17. ***Discussion and action*** to ratify letters of support provided for FY24 Community Project Funding federal appropriations program projects. ***Alejandra Valadez***
18. ***Discussion and action*** to approve a Letter of Support for El Paso Electric's grant application for the Far East Valley 69kv to 115kv Upgrade Project. ***Alejandra Valadez***

**RECREATION CENTER**

19. ***Discussion and action*** to approve a Memorandum of Understanding with the Ysleta Del Sur Pueblo Department of Economic Development for the Tigua Next Generation Program. ***Victor Reta***

- 20. Discussion and action** to approve the updates to the spending framework for the City's allocation under Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (CLRF) approved by the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). *Victor Reta*

### **PLANNING AND ZONING DEPARTMENT**

- 21. Presentation Discussion and action** to approve a Resolution 745 authorizing Mayor to sign the Advance Funding Agreement and Exhibit A in relation to the Railroad Federal Signal Program Improvements on behalf of the City of Socorro. *Lorraine Quimiro*
- 22. Discussion and action** to waive the vendor Permitting Fees for Alfonso Saldaña to sell produce at 116 Buford Rd. *Lorraine Quimiro*

### **CITY MANAGER**

- 23. Discussion and action** to approve an Interlocal Agreement and bylaws for Public Transit through the El Paso Area Transportation Services, Local Government Corporation and authorize city manager or her designee to execute agreement. *Adriana Rodarte*
- 24. Discussion and action** to approve Resolution 746 appointing City Planner Lorraine Quimiro to act as a director on the El Paso Area Transportation Services, Local Government Corporation. *Adriana Rodarte*

### **MAYOR AND COUNCIL**

- 25. Discussion and action** to direct staff in creating an amendment to Section of 46-379 and provide standards on smoke shops and tobacco stores near a public school. *Mayor Ivy Avalos*
- 26. Discussion and action** to approve Mayor Avalos to use the city vehicle to travel for the Rio Council of Government Meeting in Valentines, Texas on July 28, 2023. *Mayor Ivy Avalos*
- 27. Discussion and action** to approve Mayor and any other Council Representative to use the city vehicle to travel out of town for city business not to exceed 300 miles or 4 hours. *Mayor Ivy Avalos*
- 28. Discussion and action** to here-by proclaim the month of April to be designated as Autism Awareness and Acceptance Month and to have all city buildings change their outside lights to the color blue for the month April to promote awareness. *Alejandro Garcia*
- 29. Presentation, Discussion and action** authorizing the City Manager to enter into a Professional Engineering Service Agreement with Trilogy NexGen for the design, project, administration and solution for the City of Socorro's Connected City Initiative. *Rudy Cruz, Jr.*
- 30. Discussion and action** to approve Resolution 747 declaring the month of April as Socorro, Texas Police Department and it's proud Veterans Appreciation Month. *Rudy Cruz, Jr.*

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:***


31. ***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***
32. ***Discussion and action*** on qualifications of individuals for employment and for appointment to Boards and Commissions, job performance of employees, real estate acquisition and receive legal advice from City Attorney regarding legal issues affecting these matters. ***Adriana Rodarte***
33. ***Discussion and action*** regarding pending litigation and receive status report regarding pending litigation. ***Adriana Rodarte***
34. ***Discussion and action*** regarding personnel matters involving members of City Council and results of investigations into them [551.071 and 551.074]. ***Adriana Rodarte***
35. ***Discussion and action*** regarding the potential acquisition of real property [551.071 and 551.072]. ***Adriana Rodarte***
36. ***Adjourn***


**DATED THIS 3<sup>RD</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2023**

By:   
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**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 3<sup>RD</sup> OF APRIL, 2023**

By:   
**Olivia Navarro, City Clerk**

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