

*Ivy Avalos*  
Mayor

*Ruben Reyes*  
At Large

*Cesar Nevarez*  
District 1



*Alejandro Garcia*  
District 2 /Mayor Pro Tem

*Rudy Cruz, Jr.*  
District 3

*Yvonne Colon-Villalobos*  
District 4

## **REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES JULY 20, 2023 @ 6:00 P.M.**

### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Mayor Ivy Avalos  
Ruben Reyes  
Cesar Nevarez  
Rudy Cruz, Jr.  
Yvonne Colon-Villalobos

### **STAFF PRESENT:**

Adriana Rodarte, City Manager  
Olivia Navarro, City Clerk  
Lorraine Quimiro, City Planner  
Jim Martinez, City Attorney

Estevan Gonzales, IT Director  
Victor Reta, Recreation Ctrs. Director  
Jose Botello, City Planner  
Charles Casiano, Finance Director  
Alejandra Valadez, City Development Director  
Jason Stanzione, Deputy Chief

### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at: 6:08 pm.

### **2. Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence**

Pledge of Allegiance led by Socorro High School Cheerleaders

### **3. Establishment of Quorum**

Quorum was established with all council members present.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

### **4. PUBLIC COMENT**

A motion was made by Rudy Cruz, Jr. seconded by Cesar Nevarez *to allow Commissioner. Iliana Holguin to speak without a time limit during Public Comment.*  
Motion passed.

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Cesar Nevarez, Alejandro Garcia, Rudy Cruz, Jr. and Yvonne Colon-Villalobos  
Nays:  
Absent:

Iliana Holguin, County Commissioner spoke during Public Comment.

**5. *MEMORIAL AND RESOLUTION FOR JESUS SALVADOR "CHUY" HERNANDEZ.* *ADRIANA RODARTE***

Mayor Ivy Avalos read Resolution 757 and presented a copy of the Resolution to the family.

**6. *RECOGNITION TO CONGRATULATE THE SOCORRO HS VARSITY CHEER TEAM AND THE JV CHEER TEAM AT 2023 UTEP CHEER CAMP.* *RUBEN REYES***

Mayor Ivy Avalos presented both squads with a plaque.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**7. *EXCUSE ABSENT COUNCIL MEMBERS.* *OLIVIA NAVARRO***

**8. *APPROVAL OF REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES OF JULY 6, 2023.* *OLIVIA NAVARRO***

**9. *APPROVAL OF JUNE MONTHLY REPORT.* *ADRIANA RODARTE***

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Cesar Nevarez *to approve the Consent Agenda.* Motion passed.

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Cesar Nevarez, Alejandro Garcia, Rudy Cruz, Jr. and Yvonne Colon-Villalobos  
Nays:  
Absent:

**REGULAR AGENDA  
ORDINANCES/PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**10. *PUBLIC HEARING OF AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A REZONING OF BLOCK 1, LOT 2, SOMBRA DE PIRO, LOCATED AT 566 BUFORD, SOCORRO, TX FROM R-1 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO C-1 (LIGHT COMMERCIAL) TO ALLOW FOR A PARKING AREA.* *LORRINE QUIMIRO***

Public Hearing opened at 6:34 pm.  
No Speakers for Public Hearing  
Public Hearing closed at 6:34 pm

**11. SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A REZONING OF BLOCK 1, LOT 2, SOMBRA DE PIRO, LOCATED AT 566 BUFORD, SOCORRO, TX FROM R-1 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO C-1 (LIGHT COMMERCIAL) TO ALLOW FOR A PARKING AREA.**

**LORRINE QUIMIRO**

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Cesar Nevarez to *approve item number eleven (11)*. Motion passed.

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Cesar Nevarez, Alejandro Garcia, Rudy Cruz, Jr. and Yvonne Colon-Villalobos

Nays:

Absent:

**12. PUBLIC HEARING OF AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A REZONING OF TRACT 1-A-8, LEIGH CLARK SURVEY #293 ABST 6257, LOCATED AT 1221 JAIME ROAD, SOCORRO, TX FROM R-1 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO C-2 (GENERAL COMMERCIAL) WITH A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO ALLOW FOR COMMERCIAL TRUCK PARKING.**

**LORRINE QUIMIRO**

Public Hearing opened at 6:39 pm  
No Speakers for Public Hearing  
Public Hearing closed at 6:40 pm

**13. SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A REZONING OF TRACT 1-A-8, LEIGH CLARK SURVEY #293 ABST 6257, LOCATED AT 1221 JAIME ROAD, SOCORRO, TX FROM R-1 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO C-2 (GENERAL COMMERCIAL) WITH A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO ALLOW FOR COMMERCIAL TRUCK PARKING.**

**LORRINE QUIMIRO**

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Cesar Nevarez to *approve item number thirteen (13)*. Motion passed.

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Cesar Nevarez, Alejandro Garcia, Rudy Cruz, Jr. and Yvonne Colon-Villalobos

Nays:

Absent:

- 14. PUBLIC HEARING OF AN ORDINANCE FOR THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF SOCORRO'S MASTER PLAN AND REZONING OF LOT 4, BLOCK E, VINEDO ACRES, LOCATED AT 345 TOKAY AVENUE, SOCORRO, TX FROM R-1 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO RM-1 (MOBILE HOME SUBDIVISION DISTRICT) TO ALLOW THE PLACEMENT OF MOBILE HOME(S). LORRINE QUIMIRO**

Public Hearing opened at 6:45 pm

No speakers for Public Hearing

Public Hearing closed at 6:46 pm

- 15. SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE FOR THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF SOCORRO'S MASTER PLAN AND REZONING OF LOT 4, BLOCK E, VINEDO ACRES, LOCATED AT 345 TOKAY AVENUE, SOCORRO, TX FROM R-1 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO RM-1 (MOBILE HOME SUBDIVISION DISTRICT) TO ALLOW THE PLACEMENT OF MOBILE HOME(S). LORRINE QUIMIRO**

A motion was made by Rudy Cruz, Jr., seconded by Ruben Reyes to *approve item number fifteen (15)*. Motion passed.

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Cesar Nevarez, Alejandro Garcia, Rudy Cruz, Jr. and Yvonne Colon-Villalobos

Nays:

Absent:

- 16. PUBLIC HEARING OF AN ORDINANCE TO RATIFY THE UPDATED BYLAWS OF THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS; CHAPTER 2 ADMINISTRATION, ARTICLE IV. BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AGENCIES AND AUTHORITIES, DIVISION 3. BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS OF THE MUNICODE. LORRINE QUIMIRO**

Public Hearing opened at 6:51 pm

No speakers for Public Hearing

Public Hearing closed at 6:51 pm

- 17. SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE TO RATIFY THE UPDATED BYLAWS OF THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS; CHAPTER 2 ADMINISTRATION, ARTICLE IV. BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AGENCIES AND AUTHORITIES, DIVISION 3. BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS OF THE MUNICODE. LORRINE QUIMIRO**

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Cesar Nevarez to *approve item number seventeen (17)*. Motion passed.

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Cesar Nevarez, Alejandro Garcia, Rudy Cruz, Jr. and Yvonne Colon-Villalobos

Nays:

Absent:

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

### **GRANTS DEPARTMENT**

- 18. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 758 AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF SOCORRO TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR'S FY 2022 OPERATION STONEGARDEN (OPSG) TO FUND OVERTIME FOR OFFICERS SUPPORTING THE BORDER INITIATIVE. THERE IS NO MATCH REQUIREMENT FOR THIS GRANT. ALEJANDRA VALADEZ**

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Yvonne Colon-Villalobos to *approve item number eighteen (18)*. Motion passed.

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Cesar Nevarez, Alejandro Garcia, Rudy Cruz, Jr. and Yvonne Colon-Villalobos

Nays:

Absent:

- 19. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT NO. 1 TO WORK AUTHORIZATION NO. 2 FOR CONTRACT NO. 22-07-01 WITH CAMACHO-HERNANDEZ & ASSOCIATES, LLC, TO REVISE QUANTITIES IN EXHIBIT D. THIS IS A NO-COST SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT. ALEJANDRA VALADEZ**

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Cesar Nevarez to *approve item number nineteen (19)*. Motion passed.

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Cesar Nevarez, Alejandro Garcia, Rudy Cruz, Jr. and Yvonne Colon-Villalobos

Nays:

Absent:

- 20. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE TASK AUTHORIZATION NO. 1 UNDER WORK AUTHORIZATION NO. 1 OF CONTRACT NO. 22-07-02 WITH CEA GROUP, TO DEVELOP PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING DESIGN PACKETS FOR PARK IMPROVEMENTS AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS CITYWIDE. ALEJANDRA VALADEZ**

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Yvonne Colon-Villalobos to *approve item number twenty (20)*. Motion passed.

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Cesar Nevarez, Alejandro Garcia, Rudy Cruz, Jr. and Yvonne Colon-Villalobos

Nays:

Absent:

**21. *DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 759 AUTHORIZING AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO THE ADVANCE FUNDING AGREEMENT (AFA) BETWEEN THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND THE CITY OF SOCORRO FOR THE ARTERIAL 1 (1682 BLVD.) PROJECT.* ALEJANDRA VALADEZ**

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Cesar Nevarez to *approve item number twenty-one (21)*. Motion passed.

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Cesar Nevarez, Alejandro Garcia, Rudy Cruz, Jr. and Yvonne Colon-Villalobos

Nays:

Absent:

**CITY MANAGER**

**22. *DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPOINT INTERIM CHIEF OF POLICE, JASON STANZIONE TO THE 911 DISTRICT BOARD.* ADRIANA RODARTE**

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Yvonne Colon-Villalobos to *approve item twenty-two (22)*. Motion passed..

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Cesar Nevarez, Alejandro Garcia, Rudy Cruz, Jr. and Yvonne Colon-Villalobos

Nays:

Absent:

**23. *DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO RATIFY APPROVAL OF THE ISSUANCE OF THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2022, ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT BY SBNG CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS.* ADRIANA RODARTE**

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Cesar Nevarez to *approve item number twenty-three (23)*. Motion passed.

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Cesar Nevarez, Alejandro Garcia, Rudy Cruz, Jr. and Yvonne Colon-Villalobos

Nays:

Absent:

**24. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE MAYOR AND ANY OTHER COUNCIL MEMBER TO TRAVEL FOR TML REGIONAL MEETING IV IN ODESSA, TEXAS ON JULY 21, 2023.** *ADRIANA RODARTE*

**25. 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*

**26. 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*

**27. DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING PENDING LITIGATION AND RECEIVE STATUS REPORT REGARDING PENDING LITIGATION.** *ADRIANA RODARTE*

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Cesar Nevarez to *delete items twenty-four (24), twenty-five (25), twenty-six (26) and twenty-seven (27)*. Motion passed.

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Cesar Nevarez, Alejandro Garcia, Rudy Cruz, Jr. and Yvonne Colon-Villalobos

Nays:

Absent:

**28. ADJOURN**

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Yvonne Colon-Villalobos to *adjourn at 6:59 pm*. Motion passed.

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Cesar Nevarez, Alejandro Garcia, Rudy Cruz, Jr. and Yvonne Colon-Villalobos

Nays:

Absent:

*Olivia Navarro*

Olivia Navarro, City Clerk

*August 3, 2023*

Date minutes were approved



*Ivy Avalos*  
Ivy Avalos, Mayor