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**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 TRADUCCIÓN 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 15TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2024 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 POSED ONLINE AT [HTTP://COSTX.US/CITY-CLERK-PUBLIC-NOTICE](http://costx.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 THE 15TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2024 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 Socorro High School.

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. Proclamation** to recognize February 24th as Texas Government Communicators Day.
Victor Reta
- 6. Presentation** on Socorro Athletic Club, Socorro Developmental League. *Alejandro Garcia*

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 WILL BE ALLOWED AT THE SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARING-ORDINANCE 320

- 7. Excuse** absent council members. *Olivia Navarro*
- 8. Approval** of Special Council Meeting Minutes of January 25, 2024, and Regular Council Meeting Minutes of February 1, 2024. *Olivia Navarro*

REGULAR AGENDA
PUBLIC HEARINGS AND ORDINANCES

9. **Public Hearing** of an Ordinance requested by the Texas Department of Transportation to reduce the speed limit on SH20 (Alameda Avenue) from 55 MPH to 45 MPH within the City of Socorro limits.
Lorraine Quimiro
10. **Second Reading and Adoption** of an Ordinance requested by Texas Department of Transportation to reduce the speed limit on SH20 (Alameda Avenue) from 55 MPH to 45 MPH within the City of Socorro limits.
Lorraine Quimiro

HUMAN RESOURCE DEPARTMENT

11. **Discussion and action** on approving the job description for Transit Coordinator.
Carol Candelaria

GRANTS DEPARTMENT

12. **Discussion and action** to adopt Resolution 785 authorizing the City of Socorro to submit a grant application to the Office of the Governor's FY 2023 Operation Stonegarden (OPSG) to fund overtime for officers supporting the border initiative. There is no match requirement for this grant.
Alejandra Valadez
13. **Discussion and action** to ratify a Letter of Support for the Mission Trail Alliance's application for technical assistance from the National Park Service's Rivers, Trails, and Conservation Assistance (RTCA) program.
Alejandra Valadez
14. **Discussion and action** to ratify a Letter of Support for Project Vida's Expansion of the Microenterprise Technical Assistance Program (MTAP) Grant Application for El Paso County and Unincorporated Areas of El Paso County, TX.
Alejandra Valadez
15. **Discussion and action** to approve Construction Contract Change Order Number 6 for the Passmore Shared Use Path Project (CSJ: 0924-06-604) under Contract No. 22-07-01 with Huitt-Zollars, Inc in the amount of \$1,628.00 pending concurrence from TxDOT.
Alejandra Valadez
16. **Discussion and action** to approve Resolution 786 authorizing the submission of three (3) grant applications to the U.S. Department of Transportation's (USDOT) FY 2024 Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) grant program for the following projects: Rio Vista Road Complete Streets Project, Moon Road Complete Streets Project, and 4-D Tigua Spur Paso del Norte Trail Planning and Design Project. There is no match requirement for these grant applications.
Alejandra Valadez

RECREATION DEPARTMENT

- 17. Discussion and action** to approve the request of \$5,000.00 for the National Historic Landmark Unveiling Event to be held on May 11, 2024. ***Victor Reta***

MAYOR AND COUNCIL

- 18. Discussion and action** to approve and support to develop a sports park (DBat) facility that attracts and promotes the baseball/softball community in El Paso County Baseball and Softball Academies. ***Alejandro Garcia***

- 19. Discussion and action** to approve Resolution 787 declaring Escontrias Steam Academy's Centennial Legacy Anniversary in the year 2024. ***Rudy Cruz, Jr.***

- 20. Discussion and action** to provide a Letter of Support for The El Paso Center for Children's FY25 application for the Fatherhood: Educating Fathers for Empowering Children Tomorrow (EFFECT) Program. ***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:


- 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***

24. Adjourn


DATED THIS 12th DAY OF FEBRUARY 2024

By: 


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 12th OF FEBRUARY 2024

By: 

Olivia Navarro, City Clerk

Agenda posted: 
Removed: _____ Time: _____ by: _____