Ivy Avalos Mayor

Ruben Reyes
At Large

Cesar Nevarez



Alejandro Garcia
District 2

Rudy Cruz, Jr.
District 3/Mayor Pro Tem

Yvonne Colon-Villalobos

District 4

## REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES SEPTEMBER 19, 2024 @ 6:00 P.M.

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Mayor Ivy Avalos Ruben Reyes *(left the meeting at 6:10 pm)* Alejandro Garcia Cesar Nevarez Rudy Cruz, Jr. Yvonne Colon-Villalobos

#### STAFF PRESENT:

Victor Perez, Deputy City Manager Olivia Navarro, City Clerk Lorrine Quimiro, City Planner Merwan Bhatti (joined virtually)

Estevan Gonzales, IT Director Jose Botello, City Planner Carol Candelaria, HR Director Robert Rojas, Police Chief Alejandra Valadez, City Development Coordinator

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at: 6:03 pm.

## 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND A MOMENT OF SILENCE LED BY ROBERT ROJAS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STUDENTS

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Cristian Solano, student at Robert Rojas Elementary School

#### 3. Establishment of Quorum

Quorum was established with all council members present.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

#### 4. PUBLIC COMENT

Celso Ruiz spoke during Public Comment.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

5. EXCUSE ABSENT COUNCIL MEMBERS.

**OLIVIA NAVARRO** 

- 6. APPROVAL OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 5, 2024. OLIVIA NAVARRO
- 7. APPROVAL OF THE AUGUST DEPARTMENTS MONTHLY REPORT.

  ADRIANA RODARTE
- 8. INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING AND CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING OF AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A PRELIMINARY AND FINAL PLAT FOR CHAVEZ ACRES SUBDIVISION, BEING ALL OF TRACT 9D, BLOCK 32, SAN ELIZARIO GRANT, EL PASO COUNTY, TEXAS.

  LORRINE QUIMIRO
- 9. INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING AND CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING OF AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A FINAL PLAT AND VARIANCE FOR A 46' 0" MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE BUILDING HEIGHT AND REDUCED PARKING SPACE REQUIREMENT OF 1 SPACE PER 850 S.F. OF NET LEASABLE WAREHOUSE AREA FOR HORIZON 10 PHASE ONE SUBDIVISION, BEING A PORTION OF TRACT 35 AND A PORTION OF TRACT 36 AND ALL OF TRACTS 37 TO 39, LEIGH CLARK SURVEY 298 SOCORRO, TEXAS.

  LORRINE QUIMIRO
- 10. INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING AND CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING OF AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A REPLAT FOR ATHENA WEST REPLAT "G" SUBDIVISION, BEING ALL OF LOT 17 AND 18, BLOCK 9, ATHENA WEST SUBDIVISION.

  LORRINE QUIMIRO

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:

Ruben Reyes left the meeting at 6:10 pm

A motion was made by Rudy Cruz, Jr., seconded by Alejandro Garcia to take a five minute recess. Motion passed.

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

Villalobos Nays:

Absent: Ruben Reyes

### THE CITY COUNCIL CONVENED INTO A RECESS

#### **RECESS**

THE CITY COUNCIL RECONVENED IN OPEN SESSION AT 6:24 PM

## REGULAR AGENDA PUBLIC HEARING/ORDINANCES

11. PUBLIC HEARING OF ORDINANCE # 578 AMENDMENT # 3
AMENDMENT TO INCREASE REVENUE OF \$461,000.00 AND DECREASE
EXPENDITURES BY \$8,506.00 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024.

ADRIANA RODARTE

Public Hearing opened at 6:24 pm No speakers for Public Hearing Public Hearing closed at 6:24 pm

12. SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE # 578 AMENDMENT # 3 AMENDMENT TO INCREASE REVENUE OF \$461,000.00 AND DECREASE EXPENDITURES BY \$8,506.00 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024.

ADRIANA RODARTE

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Cesar Nevarez to approve item twelve (12). Motion passed.

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

Villalobos Nays:

Absent: Ruben Reyes

13. PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF SOCORRO'S MASTER PLAN AND REZONING OF LOT 12, BLOCK 2, GRIJALVA GARDENS SUBDIVISION, LOCATED AT 793 GRIJALVA DR., SOCORRO, TEXAS FROM R-1 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO R-2 (MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL) TO ALLOW FOR A DUPLEX.

LORRINE QUIMIRO

Public Hearing opened at 6:26 pm No Speakers for Public Hearing Public Hearing closed at 6:26 pm

14. SECOND READING AND ADOPTION FOR THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF SOCORRO'S MASTER PLAN AND REZONING OF LOT 12, BLOCK 2, GRIJALVA GARDENS SUBDIVISION, LOCATED AT 793 GRIJALVA DR., SOCORRO, TEXAS FROM R-1 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO R-2 (MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL) TO ALLOW FOR A DUPLEX.

LORRINE QUIMIRO

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Cesar Nevarez to approve item fourteen (14). Motion passed.

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

Villalobos Nays:

Absent: Ruben Reyes

15. PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF SOCORRO'S MASTER PLAN AND REZONING OF TRACT 16-A, TRACT 16-B, TRACT 16-C AND TRACT 16-D, BLOCK 7,SOCORRO GRANT, LOCATED AT 9977 AND 9987 ALAMEDA AVE., SOCORRO, TX FROM R-1(SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) AND C-1 (LIGHT COMMERCIAL) TO C-2 (GENERAL COMMERCIAL) TO ALLOW FOR A PARKING LOT AND FUTURE SHOPPING CENTER. LORRINE QUIMIRO

Public Hearing opened at 6:30 pm No Speakers for Public Hearing Public Hearing closed at 6:31 pm

16. SECOND READING AND ADOPTION FOR THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF SOCORRO'S MASTER PLAN AND REZONING OF TRACT 16-A, TRACT 16-B, TRACT 16-C AND TRACT 16-D, BLOCK 7,SOCORRO GRANT, LOCATED AT 9977 AND 9987 ALAMEDA AVE., SOCORRO, TX FROM R-1(SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) AND C-1 (LIGHT COMMERCIAL) TO C-2 (GENERAL COMMERCIAL) TO ALLOW FOR A PARKING LOT AND FUTURE SHOPPING CENTER.

**LORRINE QUIMIRO** 

17. PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE PROPOSED CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO ALLOW FOR A PADDLE BALL/TENNIS FACILITY IN A C-2 (GENERAL COMMERCIAL) ZONING DISTRICT ON LOT 1, BLOCK 16, EASTLAKE VALLEY UNIT TWO SUBDIVISION, LOCATED AT 10081 JUDGE COLDWELL DR., SOCORRO, TEXAS.

LORRINE QUIMIRO

Public Hearing opened at 6:36 pm No Speakers for Public Hering Public Hearing closed at 6:36 pm

18. SECOND READING AND ADOPTION FOR THE PROPOSED CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO ALLOW FOR A PADDLE BALL/TENNIS FACILITY IN A C-2 (GENERAL COMMERCIAL) ZONING DISTRICT ON LOT 1, BLOCK 16, EASTLAKE VALLEY UNIT TWO SUBDIVISION, LOCATED AT 10081 JUDGE COLDWELL DR., SOCORRO, TEXAS.

**LORRINE QUIMIRO** 

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Cesar Nevarez to approve item eighteen (18). Motion passed.

Applicant Jose Garza spoke on this item.

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

Villalobos Nays:

Absent: Ruben Reyes

19. PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF SOCORRO'S MASTER PLAN AND REZONING OF LOT 14, BLOCK 8, ALAMEDA ESTATES REPLAT SUBDIVISION, LOCATED AT 10368 POTENCIA DR., SOCORRO, TEXAS FROM R-1 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO R-2 (MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL) TO ALLOW FOR A MULTI-FAMILY DWELLING.

LORRINE QUIMIRO

Public Hearing opened at 6:48 pm No Speakers for Public Hearing Public Hearing closed at 6:49 pm

20. SECOND READING AND ADOPTION FOR THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF SOCORRO'S MASTER PLAN AND REZONING OF LOT 14, BLOCK 8, ALAMEDA ESTATES REPLAT SUBDIVISION, LOCATED AT 10368 POTENCIA DR., SOCORRO, TEXAS FROM R-1 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO R-2 (MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL) TO ALLOW FOR A MULTI-FAMILY DWELLING.

LORRINE QUIMIRO

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Cesar Nevarez to approve item twenty (20).

An amended motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Cesar Nevarez to approve with staff's and Planning and Zoning recommendation of the rezoning request with the condition that applicant provide As-Built drawing of the multifamily dwelling, repair any substandard areas of the dwelling prior to requesting a Certificate of Occupancy, and submit and application to the Board of Adjustments for the portion of the structure encroaching the rear setback with a single duplex. Motion passed.

Ayes: Cesar Nevarez, Alejandro Garcia, and Yvonne Colon-Villalobos

Nays: Rudy Cruz, Jr Absent: Ruben Reyes

21. PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF SOCORRO'S MASTER PLAN AND REZONING OF LOT 12, BLOCK 1, MARY LOU PARK SUBDIVISION, LOCATED AT 10745 LYDIA RD., SOCORRO, TEXAS FROM R-1 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO C-2 (GENERAL COMMERCIAL) TO ALLOW FOR A COMMERCIAL OFFICE.

LORRINE QUIMIRO

Public Hearing opened at 7:04 pm No Speakers for Public Hearing Public Hearing closed at 7:05 pm

22. SECOND READING AND ADOPTION FOR THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF SOCORRO'S MASTER PLAN AND REZONING OF LOT 12, BLOCK 1, MARY LOU PARK SUBDIVISION, LOCATED AT 10745 LYDIA RD., SOCORRO, TEXAS FROM R-1 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO C-2 (GENERAL COMMERCIAL) TO ALLOW FOR A COMMERCIAL OFFICE.

\*\*LORRING QUIMIRO\*\*

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Cesar Nevarez to approve item twenty-two with staff's and Planning and Zoning Commission's recommendation to approve the rezoning with the condition that the applicant submit construction documents from a licensed architect or engineer if the current structure is to be remodeled in accordance with Sec. 6-116. — Design professional.

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

Villalobos Nays:

Absent: Ruben Reyes

#### **HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT**

23. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON APPROVING THE AMENDED JOB DESCRIPTION OF RECREATION COORDINATOR TO COMMUNITY LIAISON COORDINATOR.

CAROL CANDELARIA

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Cesar Nevarez to approve item twenty-four (24). Motion passed.

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

Villalobos Navs:

Absent: Ruben Reyes

## 24. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON APPROVING THE JOB DESCRIPTION FOR THE FINANCE TECHNICIAN. CAROL CANDELARIA

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Cesar Nevarez to approve item twenty-four (24). Motion passed.

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

Villalobos Nays:

Absent: Ruben Reyes

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Cesar Nevarez to move up item twenty-six to be next on the agenda.

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

Villalobos Nays:

Absent: Ruben Reyes

## 26. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO UPDATE THE ARPA SPENDING FRAMEWORK FOR THE CITY OF SOCORRO, TEXAS.

ALEJANDRA VALADEZ

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Cesar Nevarez to approve item twenty-six (26). Motion passed.

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

Villalobos Nays:

Absent: Ruben Reyes

# 25. DISCUSSION AND ACTION APPROVING THE EXTENSION OF THE JOB DESCRIPTIONS FOR THE COMMUNITY WELLNESS COORDINATOR AND ECONOMIC RECOVERY COORDINATOR THROUGH ARPA FUNDS THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2026. CAROL CANDELARIA

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Cesar Nevarez to approve item twenty-five (25). Motion passed.

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

Villalobos Nays:

Absent: Ruben Reyes

Cesar Nevarez stepped out of the meeting at 7:16 pm

#### **GRANTS DEPARTMENT**

27. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF ONE (1)
ADDITIONAL MOBILITY TRANS FORD TRANSIT 350HD, HIGH ROOF
W/ 1 WHEELCHAIR IN THE AMOUNT OF \$110,289.00 AND OBLIGATE
FUNDS UNDER ARPA.

ALEJANDRA VALADEZ

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Yvonne Colon-Villalobos to approve item twenty-seven (27). Motion passed.

Cesar Nevarez returned to the meeting at 7:18 pm

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

Villalobos Nays:

Absent: Ruben Reves

28. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE A PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SOCORRO, TEXAS AND A.Y.U.D.A. INC., FOR THE PURPOSE OF APPLYING FOR, AND, IF AWARDED, COMPLETING AN ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY COMMUNITY CHANGE GRANT (CCG), AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE AND SIGN THE PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT. ALEJANDRA VALADEZ

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Cesar Nevarez to approve item twenty-eight (28). Motion passed.

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

Villalobos Nays:

Absent: Ruben Reves

29. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT NO. 4 FOR WORK AUTHORIZATION NO. 3 FOR THE SPARKS ARROYO DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT UNDER CONTRACT NO. 22-07-01 WITH CAMACHO-HERNANDEZ & ASSOCIATES, LLC. THIS SUPPLEMENTAL WILL RESULT IN A NET INCREASE OF \$15,670.06 TO THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT PAYABLE FOR WORK AUTHORIZATION NO. 3.

ALEJANDRA VALADEZ

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Cesar Nevarez to approve item twenty-nine (29). Motion passed.

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

Villalobos

Nays:

Absent: Ruben Reyes

30. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT NO. 5 FOR WORK AUTHORIZATION NO. 2 FOR THE NUEVO HUECO TANKS EXTENSION PROJECT UNDER CONTRACT NO. 22-07-01 WITH CAMACHO-HERNANDEZ & ASSOCIATES, LLC. THIS SUPPLEMENTAL WILL RESULT IN A NET INCREASE OF \$94,665.85 TO THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT PAYABLE FOR WORK AUTHORIZATION NO. 2.

ALEJANDRA VALADEZ

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Cesar Nevarez to approve item thirty (30). Motion passed.

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

Villalobos Nays:

Absent: Ruben Reyes

#### RECREATIONAL CENTERS DEPARTMENT

Cesar Nevarez stepped out of the meeting at 7:25 pm

Cesar Nevarez returned to the meeting at 7:26 pm

31. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE THE CITY MANAGER OR HER DESIGNEE TO PURCHASE AN ADA\_MODIFIED VEHICLE USING 5310 FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$85,226.

VICTOR RETA

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Yvonne Colon-Villalobos to approve item thirty-one (31). Motion passed.

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

Villalobos Nays:

Absent: Ruben Reyes

32. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE THE CITY MANAGER OR HER DESIGNEE TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH SKYRIDGE LLC IN THE AMOUNT OF \$755,937 FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE BRACERO MUSEUM AT THE RIO VISTA CAMPUS.

VICTOR RETA

A motion as made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Cesar Nevarez to approve the agreement with Skyridge LLC for construction of the Rio Vista Bracero Museum with \$431124.40 being obligated through ARPA RCO7 and 476,000.00 through the Mellon Foundation. Motion passed.

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

Villalobos Nays:

Absent: Ruben Reyes

33. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO RATIFY THE APPROVAL FOR THE TABC PERMIT TO ALLOW FOR THE DUSTY TAP AND WHINE DOWN TO SELL ALCOHOL AT THE UPCOMING HARVEST FESTIVAL ON SEPTEMBER 21, 2024 FROM 5 TO 10 AT 901 N. RIO VISTA. VICTOR RETA

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Cesar Nevarez to approve item thirty-three (33). Motion passed.

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

Villalobos Nays:

Absent: Ruben Reyes

#### **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

34. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SOCORRO AND THE CITY OF EL PASO FOR ANIMAL SERVICES AND AUTHORIZE CITY MANAGER OR HER DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT.

**CHIEF ROBERT ROJAS** 

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Cesar Nevarez to approve item thirty-four (34). Motion passed.

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

Villalobos Nays:

Absent: Ruben Reyes

35. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF GTR 8000 AND APX 8500 COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT USING OPERATION STONEGARDEN GRANT FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$96,459.27

CHIEF ROBERT ROJAS

CITIET NOBERT ROUTE

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Cesar Nevarez to approve item thirty-five (35). Motion passed.

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

Villalobos Nays:

Absent: Ruben Reyes

36. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF 16 MOTOROLA APX 8000 ALL-BAND PORTABLE MODEL 2.5 POLICE RADIOS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$131,583.55 THROUGH HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM FUNDS.

CHIEF ROBERT ROJAS

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Cesar Nevarez to approve item thirty-six. Motion passed.

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

Villalobos Nays:

Absent: Ruben Reyes

37. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE AN AGREEMENT WITH PROPERTYROOM.COM FOR ONLINE POLICE AUCTIONS AND AUTHORIZE CITY MANAGER OR HER DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT.

CHIEF ROBERT ROJAS

A motion was made by Alejandro Garca seconded by Cesar Nevarez to approve item thirty-seven (37). Motion passed.

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

Villalobos Nays:

Absent: Ruben Reyes

38. UPDATE AND APPROVAL TO DESIGNATE LT. JOHN GREER AND SGT.
JUAN FAVELA AS THE PRIMARY REPRESENTATIVES IN TXGANG
AGENCY AGREEMENT AND AUTHORIZE CITY MANAGER OR HER
DESIGNEE TO SIGN THE AGREEMENT. CHIEF ROBERT ROJAS

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Cesar Nevarez to approve item thirty-eight (38). Motion passed.

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

Villalobos Nays:

Absent: Ruben Reyes

#### **PLANNING AND ZONING**

39. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE EVENT PERMIT FOR THE HAUNTED MAZE AT 10612 HORN CIRCLE AND WAIVER TO EXTEND OPERATING HOURS.

LORRINE QUIMIRO

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Yvonne Colon-Villalobos to approve item thirty-nine (39).

Jerry Castellanos spoke on this item.

An amended motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Cesar Nevarez to approve the start day to be October 10, 2024 with event days every Friday of October with permission to close at 12:00 am and on October 31, 2024 to close at 1:00 am. Motion passed.

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

Villalobos Nays:

Absent: Ruben Reyes

40. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO AWARD BID 24-09 TO HORIZONE FOR PHASE IV SIDEWALKS CONSTRUCTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$626,432.64 AND OBLIGATE FUNDS THROUGH ARPA PROJECT PZ09, AND AWARD PHASE V IN THE AMOUNT OF \$647,572.13, WITH THE FUNDING SOURCE TO BE DETERMINED, AND AUTHORIZE CITY MANAGER OR HER DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE THE CONTRACT.

ADRIANA RODARTE

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Cesar Nevarez to approve item forty (40). Motion passed.

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

Villalobos Navs:

Absent: Ruben Reyes

Alejandro Garcia stepped out at 8:04 pm

#### **CITY MANAGER**

41. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON THE APPROVAL OF THE INTERLOCAL - AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SOCORRO AND CITY OF EL PASO HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$390,588.00 AND TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER OR HER DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE CONTRACT.

ADRIANA RODARTE

A motion was made by Cesar Nevarez seconded by Yvonne Colon-Villalobos to approve item forty-one (41). Motion passed.

Ayes: Cesar Nevarez, Rudy Cruz, Jr., and Yvonne Colon-Villalobos

Navs:

Absent: Ruben Reyes and Alejandro Garcia

42. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO RENEW AND RATIFY STATE LEGISLATIVE LOBBYING SERVICES TO FORMA GROUP, LLC TO PROVIDE A VALUED APPROACH AND CONTINUED REPRESENTATION FOR THE LEGISLATIVE SESSION AND AUTHORIZE CITY MANAGER OR HER DESIGNEE TO SIGN CONTRACT.

ADRIANA RODARTE

A motion was made by Cesar Nevarez seconded by Yvonne Colon-Villalobos to approve item number forty-two (42). Motion passed.

Alejandro Garcia stepped back into the meeting at 8:06 pm

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

Villalobos Nays:

Absent: Ruben Reyes

#### **MAYOR AND COUNCIL**

43. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO DIRECT STAFF TO BEGIN RESEARCH FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SOCORRO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION. THIS IS TO PROMOTE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WITHIN THE CITY OF SOCORRO, TEXAS. THIS WILL BE CREATED TO FINANCE NEW AND EXPANDED BUSINESS ENTERPRISES.

RUDY CRUZ, JR.

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Cesar Nevarez to approve item forty-three (43). Motion passed.

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

Villalobos Nays:

Absent: Ruben Reyes

44. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO DIRECT STAFF TO DRAFT AN RFP FOR TRASH BIN INSTALLATIONS ON CITY RIGHT- OF-WAY.

RUDY CRUZ, JR.

A motion was made by Alejandr Garcia seconded by Cesar Nevarez to approve item forty-four (44). Motion passed.

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

Villalobos

Nays:

Absent: Ruben Reyes

45. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO DIRECT STAFF TO PERFORM A COST ESTIMATE FOR THE PAVING OF MONTE ALTO. SHOULD THIS STREET NOT BELONG TO THE CITY, STAFF WILL EXPLORE OPTIONS TO HAVE THIS STREET DEDICATED.

RUDY CRUZ, JR.

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Cesar Nevarez to approve item forty-five (45). Motion passed.

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

Villalobos Nays:

Absent: Ruben Reyes

- 46. 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
- 47. 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

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

ADRIANA RODARTE

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Yvonne Colon-Villalobos to delete items forty-six (46) forty-seven (47), and forty-eight (48). Motion passed.

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

Villalobos Navs:

Absent: Ruben Reyes

#### 49. ADJOURN

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Cesar Nevarez to adjourn at 8:16 pm. Motion passed.

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

Villalobos Nays:

Absent: Ruben Reyes

Ivy Avalos, Mayor

Olivia Navarro, City Clerk

Och 3, 2024

Date minutes were approved