

Ivy Avalos
Mayor

Ruben Reyes
At Large

Cesar Nevarez
District 1 / Mayor Pro Tem



Alejandro Garcia
District 2

Gina Cordero
District 3

Irene Rojas
District 4

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 16, 2025 @ 6:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Rudy Cruz, Jr.
Ruben Reyes
Cesar Nevarez
Alejandro Garcia
Irene Rojas

STAFF PRESENT:

Victor Perez, Deputy City Manager
Olivia Navarro, City Clerk
Jim Martinez, City Attorney
Jose Botello

Estevan Gonzales, IT Director
Jose Quiñonez, Economy Recovery Coordinator
Jason Stanzione, Deputy Chief
Alejandra Valadez, City Development Coordinator

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at: 6:01 pm.

2. Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence led by Socorro Middle School

Pledge of Allegiance was recited by Socorro Middle School Students

3. Establishment of Quorum

Quorum was established with all council members present.

PUBLIC COMMENT

4. PUBLIC COMENT

Jose A. Dominguez and Mayda E. Gomez spoke during Public Comment.

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Cesar Nevarez to *suspend the Rule and allow Mr. Jose A. Dominguez more time to speak.*

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Cesar Nevarez, Alejandro Garcia, Gina Cordero and Irene Rojas
Nays:
Abstain:

CONSENT AGENDA

5. **EXCUSE ABSENT COUNCIL MEMBERS.** **OLIVIA NAVARRO**
6. **APPROVAL OF REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES OF JANUARY 2, 2025.**
OLIVIA NAVARRO
7. **INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING OF AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A MASTER PLAN, A VARIANCE REQUEST FROM SEC. 46-631. - OFF-STREET PARKING REQUIREMENTS - FOR A REDUCTION IN PARKING SPACE REQUIREMENTS OF 1 SPACE PER 400 S.F. OF NET LEASABLE OFFICE SPACE AND 1 SPACE PER 5,000 S.F. OF NET LEASABLE WAREHOUSE AREA, AND A VARIANCE REQUEST FROM SEC. 46-451. GENERAL REGULATIONS - FOR A 50'-0" MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE BUILDING HEIGHT INSTEAD OF 45'-0" MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE BUILDING HEIGHT FOR HERMANOS INDUSTRIAL SUBDIVISION BEING ALL OF TRACT 6 AND 6-A, BLOCK 2, SOCORRO GRANT.** **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, Gina Cordero and Irene Rojas
Nays:
Abstain:

REGULAR AGENDA
PUBLIC HEARINGS AND ORDINANCES

8. **PUBLIC HEARING OF AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING REGULATIONS FOR THE USE, TREATMENT, AND DISPOSAL OF PECAN SHELLS, ALMOND HULLS, AND SIMILAR MATERIALS TO PREVENT PEST INFESTATION; PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR NON-COMPLIANCE; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.** **VICTOR PEREZ**

Public Hearing was opened at 6:16 pm
No Speakers for Public Hearing
Public Hearing closed at 6:16 pm

9. SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING REGULATIONS FOR THE USE, TREATMENT, AND DISPOSAL OF PECAN SHELLS, ALMOND HULLS, AND SIMILAR MATERIALS TO PREVENT PEST INFESTATION; PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR NON-COMPLIANCE; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

VICTOR PEREZ

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Cesar Nevarez to *approve item nine*. Motion passed.

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Cesar Nevarez, Alejandro Garcia, Gina Cordero and Irene Rojas

Nays:

Abstain:

10. PUBLIC HEARING OF AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A REPLAT FOR MARQUEZ SUBDIVISION, BEING LOT 19, BLOCK 8, HACIENDAS DEL VALLE UNIT TWO SUBDIVISION, AND LOCATED AT 11611 VALLE LINDO DR., SOCORRO, TEXAS.

LORRINE QUIMIRO

Public Hearing opened at 6:21 pm

No Speakers for Public Hearing

Public Hearing closed at 6:21

11. SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A REPLAT FOR MARQUEZ SUBDIVISION, BEING LOT 19, BLOCK 8, HACIENDAS DEL VALLE UNIT TWO SUBDIVISION, AND LOCATED AT 11611 VALLE LINDO DR., SOCORRO, TEXAS.

LORRINE QUIMIRO

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Cesar Nevarez to *approve item thirteen (13) with staff's recommendation that the conditions that the engineering review comments are met.* . Motion passed.

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Cesar Nevarez, Alejandro Garcia, Gina Cordero and Irene Rojas

Nays:

Abstain

12. PUBLIC HEARING OF AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A PRELIMINARY AND FINAL PLAT FOR REVIVE COMMUNITY CHURCH SUBDIVISION, BEING TRACTS 4D5A, 4D5A1, 4D5B, AND 4D5B1, BLOCK 3, SOCORRO GRANT, AND LOCATED AT 10720 W. BURT RD., SOCORRO, TEXAS.

LORRINE QUIMIRO

Public Hearing opened at 6:25 pm

No speakers for Public Hearing

Public Hearing closed at 6:25

13. SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A PRELIMINARY AND FINAL PLAT FOR REVIVE COMMUNITY CHURCH SUBDIVISION, BEING TRACTS 4D5A, 4D5A1, 4D5B, AND 4D5B1, BLOCK 3, SOCORRO GRANT, AND LOCATED AT 10720 W. BURT RD., SOCORRO, TEXAS.
LORRINE QUIMIRO

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Cesar Nevarez to *approve item thirteen (13) with staff's recommendation that the conditions that the engineering review comments are met.* . Motion passed.

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Cesar Nevarez, Alejandro Garcia, Gina Cordero and Irene Rojas
Nays:
Abstain

GRANTS DEPARTMENT

14. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE UPDATES TO THE ZONE SCHEDULE FOR THE CITY OF SOCORRO'S FOREIGN TRADE ZONE NO. 302.
ALEJANDRA VALADEZ

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

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Cesar Nevarez, Alejandro Garcia, Gina Cordero and Irene Rojas
Nays:
Abstain

15. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE TEXAS PRESERVATION TRUST FUND FOR THE SOCORRO HISTORIC RESOURCES SURVEY PROJECT AND APPROVE A MATCH OF UP TO \$122,000.
ALEJANDRA VALADEZ

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Cesar Nevarez to *approve item fifteen (15).* Motion passed.

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Cesar Nevarez, Alejandro Garcia, Gina Cordero and Irene Rojas
Nays:
Abstain

CITY MANAGER

16. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE PARTICIPATION IN THE KROGER OPIOD SETTLEMENT WITH THE TEXAS ATTORNEY GENERAL AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER OR HER DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE CURRENT AND FUTURE FORMS REQUIRED.
VICTOR PEREZ

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Cesar Nevarez to *approve item number sixteen (16)*. Motion passed.

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Cesar Nevarez, Alejandro Garcia, Gina Cordero and Irene Rojas
Nays:
Abstain

17. *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*

18. *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

19. *DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING PENDING LITIGATION AND RECEIVE STATUS REPORT REGARDING PENDING LITIGATION.*

ADRIANA RODARTE


A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Irene Rojas to *delete items seventeen (17), eighteen (18) and nineteen (19)*. Motion passed.

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Cesar Nevarez, Alejandro Garcia, Gina Cordero and Irene Rojas
Nays:
Abstain

20. *ADJOURN*

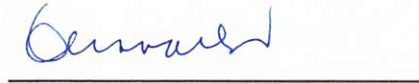
A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Ruben Irene Rojas to *adjourn at 6:42 pm*

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Cesar Nevarez, Alejandro Garcia, Gina Cordero and Irene Rojas
Nays:
Abstain



Rudy Cruz, Jr., Mayor





Olivia Navarro, City Clerk

February 6, 2025
Date minutes were approved