

Rudy Cruz, Jr.
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
MAY 1, 2025 @ 6:00 P.M.**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Rudy Cruz, Jr.
Cesar Nevarez
Alejandro Garcia
Gina Cordero
Irene Rojas

MEMBERS ABSENT

Ruben Reyes

STAFF PRESENT:

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

Estevan Gonzales, IT Director
Victor Reta Recreation Ctrs. Director
Carol Candelaria, HR Director
Jose Boello, City Planner
Chief Robert Rojas

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at: 6:12 pm.

2. Pledge of Allegiance led by Ernesto Serna Fine Arts Academy

Pledge of Allegiance and National Anthem led by Ernesto Serna Choir Students.

3. Establishment of Quorum

Quorum was established with five council members present.

PUBLIC COMMENT

4. PUBLIC COMENT

Patsy Nelson spoke during Public Comment.

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Cesar Nevarez to *allow more time for Ms. Nelson to continue speaking*. Motion passed.

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

Nays:

Absent: Ruben Reyes

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Cesar Nevarez to *move up item six (6) before five (5)*. Motion passed.

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

Nays:

Absent: Ruben Reyes

PRESENTATION

6. **RECOGNITION OF THE SOCORRO HIGH SCHOOL SOFTBALL TEAM FOR WINNING THE 2025 UIL CONFERENCE 6-A, REGION 1, DISTRICT 1 SOFTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP.** **ALEJANDRO GARCIA**

The Socorro High School Softball Team and the coaches were recognized for winning the 2025 UIL Conference 6-A, Region 1, District 1.

5. **PRESENTATION BY THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TXDOT) PROVIDING UPDATES ON CURRENT AND UPCOMING TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS IN THE SOCORRO AREA.**

MAYOR RUDY CRUZ, JR.

Presentation made by Mayor Rudy Cruz, Jr.

CONSENT AGENDA

7. **EXCUSE ABSENT COUNCIL MEMBERS.** **OLIVIA NAVARRO**
8. **APPROVAL OF REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES OF APRIL 17, 2025.** **OLIVIA NAVARRO**
9. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON APPROVING JANUARY 2025 UNAUDITED FINANCIAL REPORT.** **LOURDES GOMEZ**
10. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON APPROVING JANUARY 2025 ACCOUNTS PAYABLE REPORT.** **LOURDES GOMEZ**
11. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON APPROVING JANUARY 2025 CASH RECEIPTS REPORT.** **LOURDES GOMEZ**

- 12. INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING AND CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING OF AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A MASTER PLAN RESUBMISSION FOR EASTWIND HILLS BEING LOT 1 AND 2, BLOCK 1, LOT 1, 2, AND 3, BLOCK 2, EASTWIND HILLS UNIT ONE SUBDIVISION, SOCORRO, TEXAS.**
LORRINE QUIMIRO
- 13. INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING AND CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING OF AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A REPLAT FOR EASTWIND HILLS UNIT ONE SUBDIVISION, BEING LOT 3, BLOCK 2, EASTWIND HILLS UNIT ONE SUBDIVISION, AND LOCATED ON GATEWAY WEST BLVD., SOCORRO, TEXAS.**
LORRINE QUIMIRO
- 14. INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING AND CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING OF AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A MASTER PLAN RESUBMISSION FOR HORIZON PARK BEING LOT 1, 2, AND 4, BLOCK 1, HORIZON PARK UNIT ONE, ALL OF LOT 3, BLOCK 1, HORIZON PARK UNIT ONE REPLAT A, TRACT 2, 3-B, 3-B-5, AND 10-J, BLOCK 3, SOCORRO GRANT, SOCORRO, TEXAS.**
LORRINE QUIMIRO
- 15. INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING AND CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING OF AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A PRELIMINARY PLAT FOR HORIZON PARK UNIT THREE SUBDIVISION, BEING TRACT 10-J, BLOCK 3, SOCORRO GRANT, AND LOCATED AT 10971 E. BURT RD., SOCORRO, TEXAS.**
LORRINE QUIMIRO
- 16. INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING AND CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING OF AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A PRELIMINARY AND FINAL PLAT FOR THE CAMPOYA SUBDIVISION, BEING TRACT 17, BLOCK 15, SOCORRO GRANT, AND LOCATED AT MELENDEZ DR., SOCORRO, TEXAS.**
LORRINE QUIMIRO
- 17. INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING AND CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING OF AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTER 46 – ZONING, ARTICLE V SUPPLEMENTAL REGULATIONS FOR ALL DISTRICTS> SECTION 46-631. - OFF-STREET PARKING REQUIREMENTS TO REVISE THE WAREHOUSE AND DISTRIBUTION OFF-STREET PARKING REQUIREMENTS AND ADD MANUFACTURING OFF-STREET PARKING REQUIREMENTS.**
LORRINE QUIMIRO
- 18. INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING AND CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF SOCORRO'S MASTER PLAN AND REZONING OF TRACT 6, BLOCK 5, SOCORRO GRANT, LOCATED NEAR THE INTERSECTION OF GATEWAY EAST BLVD. AND NUEVO HUECO TANKS RD., SOCORRO,**

TEXAS, FROM A-1 (AGRICULTURAL) TO IC-MUD (INDUSTRIAL/COMMERCIAL MIXED-USE DEVELOPMENTS) WITH A VARIANCE REQUEST FROM SEC. 46-451. - GENERAL REGULATIONS. (SUBSECTION D) HEIGHT REQUIREMENTS - TO ALLOW A 60'-0" MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE BUILDING HEIGHT INSTEAD OF THE 45'-0" MAXIMUM HEIGHT LIMITATION, A VARIANCE REQUEST FROM SEC. 46-452. - PROCEDURES. (SUBSECTION J) TO WAIVE THE REQUIRED TRAFFIC IMPACT ANALYSIS, A VARIANCE REQUEST FROM SEC. 46-631. - OFF-STREET PARKING REQUIREMENTS. (16-A) TO ALLOW A REDUCTION IN PARKING SPACE REQUIREMENTS OF 1 SPACE PER 400 S.F. OF NET LEASABLE OFFICE SPACE INSTEAD OF THE 1 SPACE PER 350 S.F. REQUIREMENT AND A VARIANCE REQUEST FROM SEC. 46-631. - OFF-STREET PARKING REQUIREMENTS. (17-A) TO ALLOW A REDUCTION IN PARKING SPACE REQUIREMENTS OF 1 SPACE PER 5,000 S.F. OF NET LEASABLE WAREHOUSE AREA INSTEAD OF THE 1 SPACE PER 500 S.F. REQUIREMENT TO ALLOW FOR DISTRIBUTION AND WAREHOUSING FACILITIES.
LORRINE QUIMIRO

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

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

Nays:

Absent: Ruben Reyes

REGULAR AGENDA
PUBLIC HEARINGS AND ORDINANCES

19. PUBLIC HEARING OF ORDINANCE 635 AMENDMENT # 1 AMENDMENT TO DECREASE EXPENDITURES BY \$1,200.00 FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025.

ADRIANA RODARTE

Public Hearing was opened at 6:44 pm

No Speakers for Public Hearing

Public Hearing closed at 6:44 pm

20. SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE 635 AMENDMENT # 1 AMENDMENT TO DECREASE EXPENDITURES BY \$1,200.00 FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025.

ADRIANA RODARTE

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

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

Nays:

Absent: Ruben Reyes

- 21. PUBLIC HEARING OF AN ORDINANCE REQUEST FOR THE PROPOSED CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO ALLOW FOR A COMMERCIAL TRUCK PARKING IN A C-2 GENERAL COMMERCIAL ZONING DISTRICT AND A VARIANCE REQUEST FROM SEC. 46-637 – WALL AND FENCE REQUIREMENTS SUBSECTION C SCREENING REQUIREMENTS BETWEEN ZONING DISTRICTS 2B TO ALLOW A 6' – 0" METAL SIDING FENCE INSTEAD OF 6'- 0" MASONRY FENCE REQUIREMENT ON TRACT 8-C-1 AND TRACT 8-C-18, BLOCK 13, SOCORRO GRANT LOCATED AT 10950 ALAMEDA AVE., SOCORRO TEXAS.**

LORRINE QUIMIRO

Public Hearing opened at 6:46 pm
No Speakers for Public Hearing
Public Hearing closed at 6:46 pm

- 22. SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE REQUEST FOR THE PROPOSED CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO ALLOW FOR A COMMERCIAL TRUCK PARKING IN A C-2 GENERAL COMMERCIAL ZONING DISTRICT AND A VARIANCE REQUEST FROM SEC. 46-637 – WALL AND FENCE REQUIREMENTS SUBSECTION C SCREENING REQUIREMENTS BETWEEN ZONING DISTRICTS 2B TO ALLOW A 6' – 0" METAL SIDING FENCE INSTEAD OF 6'- 0" MASONRY FENCE REQUIREMENT ON TRACT 8-C-1 AND TRACT 8-C-18, BLOCK 13, SOCORRO GRANT LOCATED AT 10950 ALAMEDA AVE., SOCORRO TEXAS.**

LORRINE QUIMIRO

A motion was made by Cesar Nevarez seconded by Alejandro Garcia to *approve item number twenty-two (22)*. Motion passed.

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

Mayor Rudy Cruz broke the tie by voting aye.

- 23. PUBLIC HEARING OF AN ORDINANCE REQUEST FOR THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF SOCORRO'S MASTER PLAN AND REZONING OF TRACT 1-J AND 1-J-1, BLOCK 6, SOCORRO GRANT, LOCATED AT 270 N. NEVAREZ RD., SOCORRO TEXAS FROM A-1 (AGRICULTURAL) TO C2 (GENERAL COMMERCIAL) TO ALLOW FOR A SELF-STORAGE FACILITY.**

LORRINE QUIMIRO

Public Hearing opened at 7:08 pm
No Speakers for Public Hearing
Public Hearing closed at 7:09 pm

24. SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE REQUEST FOR THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF SOCORRO'S MASTER PLAN AND REZONING OF TRACT 1-J AND 1-J-1, BLOCK 6, SOCORRO GRANT, LOCATED AT 270 N. NEVAREZ RD., SOCORRO TEXAS FROM A-1 (AGRICULTURAL) TO C2 (GENERAL COMMERCIAL) TO ALLOW FOR A SELF-STORAGE FACILITY.
LORRINE QUIMIRO

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

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

Nays:

Absent: Ruben Reyes

25. PUBLIC HEARING OF AN ORDINANCE REQUEST FOR THE PROPOSED CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT AND VARIANCE REQUEST FROM SEC. 46-237 – CONDITIONAL USES (REQUIRED PERMIT) SUBSECTION 5-A, TO ALLOW A 0.459 ACRE PROPERTY INSTEAD OF THE HALF-ACRE REQUIREMENT TO ALLOW FOR COMMERCIAL TRUCK PARKING IN AN R-1 SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL ZONING DISTRICT, ON LOT 24, BLOCK 4 , LA JOLLA SUBDIVISION LOCATED AT 155 SANTA PAULA DR., SOCORRO, TEXAS.
LORRINE QUIMIRO

Public Hearing opened at 7:21 pm

No Speakers for Public Hearing

Public Hearing closed at 7:21 pm

26. SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE REQUEST FOR THE PROPOSED CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT AND VARIANCE REQUEST FROM SEC. 46-237 – CONDITIONAL USES (REQUIRED PERMIT) SUBSECTION 5-A, TO ALLOW A 0.459 ACRE PROPERTY INSTEAD OF THE HALF-ACRE REQUIREMENT TO ALLOW FOR COMMERCIAL TRUCK PARKING IN AN R-1 SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL ZONING DISTRICT, ON LOT 24, BLOCK 4 , LA JOLLA SUBDIVISION LOCATED AT 155 SANTA PAULA DR., SOCORRO, TEXAS.
LORRINE QUIMIRO

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

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

Nays:

Absent: Ruben Reyes

27. 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

28. 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

29. 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-seven (27), twenty-eight (28) and twenty-nine (29).* Motion passed.

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

Nays:

Absent: Ruben Reyes

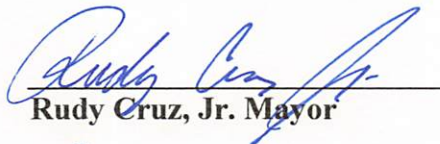
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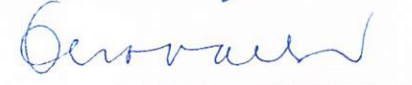
A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Irene Reyes to *adjourn at 7:39 pm.*

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

Nays:

Absent: Ruben Reyes


Rudy Cruz, Jr. Mayor


Olivia Navarro, City Clerk



may 15, 2025
Date minutes were approved