

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
JULY 3, 2025 @ 6:00 P.M.**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

STAFF PRESENT:

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

Estevan Gonzales, IT Director
Victor Reta Recreation Ctrs. Director
Jose Quiñonez, Economy Recovery Coordinator
Chief Robert Rojas
Isabela Perez
Daniela Cobos
Elizabeth Borjon
Laura Arredondo, Wellness Coordinator
Linda Gonzalez
Jose Botello, City Planner
Lourdes Gomez, Finance Director

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at: 6:10 pm.

Mayor Cruz, introduced Keila Reyes, Interpreter for tonight's meeting.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND A MOMENT OF SILENCE

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Estevan Gonzales.

A moment of silence for Filbert Candelaria.

3. ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

Quorum was established with all council members present.

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Irene Rojas to *move up items six (6), seven (7), eight (8), nine (9), thirty-three (33), thirty-one (31) and four (4).* Motion passed.

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

Nays:

Absent:

6. **RECOGNITION OF PETE SERA BOXING CHAMPION, COACH, AND COMMUNITY LEADER.** **MAYOR RUDY CRUZ, JR.**

Mayor Cruz, Jr., and council recognized Pete Sera and presented him with a plaque.

7. **RECOGNITION OF ANABELLE ROSILES – US AMERICAN PRETEEN 2024.** **MAYOR RUDY CRUZ, JR.**

Mayor Cruz, Jr., and council recognized Anabelle Rosiles and presented her with a plaque.

8. **PRESENTATION TO RECOGNIZE PLAYERS, COACHES AND STAFF FOR THE 2025 YOUTH DEVELOPMENT LEAGUE.** **VICTOR RETA**

Mayor Cruz, Jr., and council recognized players, coaches and staff.

9. **PROCLAMATION TO RECOGNIZE THE MONTH OF JULY AS THE CITY OF SOCORRO'S RECREATION APPRECIATION MONTH.** **VICTOR RETA**

Victor Reta read the proclamation and recognized his staff.

5. **PRESENTATION REGARDING THE ARTERIAL 1 PROJECT OVERVIEW** **MAYOR RUDY CRUZ, JR.**

Presentation made by Mayor Rudy Cruz, Jr.

Chris Trujillo spoke on this item.

A motion was made by Irene Rojas seconded by Alejandro Garcia to *suspend the rule and allow more time for Mr. Trujillo to speak.* Motion passed.

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

33. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO DIRECT STAFF TO RESEARCH THE PROCESS AND IMPLICATIONS OF DISCONTINUING THE ARTERIAL 1 PROJECT. *MAYOR RUDY CRUZ, JR.*

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

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

Alex Saldaña spoke on this item.

A motion was made by Gina Cordero seconded by Irene Rojas to *suspend the rule and allow more time for Mr. Saldaña to speak*. Motion passed.

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

Jeremy Hendrix spoke on this item.

A motion was made by Gina Cordero seconded by Irene Rojas to *suspend the rule and allow more time for Mr. Hendrix to speak*. Motion passed.

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

Jay Clark spoke on this item.

A motion was made by Gina Cordero seconded by Irene Rojas to *suspend the rule and allow more time for Mr. Clark to speak*. Motion passed.

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

Lorenzo Maynes spoke on this item.

A motion was made by Gina Cordero seconded by Irene Rojas to *suspend the rule and allow more time for Mr. Maynes to speak*. Motion passed.

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

Rocio Martinez spoke on this item.

Chris Trujillo *virturally* spoke on this item.

A motion was made by Gina Cordero seconded by Irene Rojas to *suspend the rule and allow more time for Chris Trujillo to speak.*

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

31. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2024, ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT BY SBNG CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS.

ADRIANA RODARTE

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Irene Rojas to *approve item thirty-one (31).* Motion passed.

Mayor Cruz, stepped out of the meeting at 7:30 pm

Tello Cabrera from SBNG made presentation.

Cesar Nevarez stepped out of the meeting at 7:36 pm

Mayor Cruz returned to the meeting at 7:44 pm

Cesar Nevarez returned to the meeting at 7:46 pm.

Ruben Reyes stepped out of the meeting at 7:55 pm

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

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Rodolfo Serafin spoke during Public Comment

Ruben Reyes returned to the meeting at 8:07 pm

A motion was made by Gina Cordero seconded by Irene Rojas to *allow more time for Rodolfo Serafin to speak.*

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

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Cesar Nevarez to *take a recess*.

One more speaker for Public Comment.

A motion was made by Irene Rojas seconded by Alejandro Garcia to *allow an additional speaker, Azulema Reyna to speak*. Motion passed.

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

A motion was made by Gina Cordero seconded by Irene Rojas to *allow more time for Azulema Reyna to speak*.

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

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Gina Cordero to *take a recess at this time*. Motion passed.

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

THE CITY COUNCIL CONVENED IN RECESS AT 8:22 PM

RECESS

THE CITY COUNCIL RECONVENED IN OPEN SESSION AT 8:52 PM

CONSENT AGENDA

- 10. EXCUSE ABSENT COUNCIL MEMBERS. *OLIVIA NAVARRO***
- 11. APPROVAL OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF JUNE 18, 2025. *OLIVIA NAVARRO***
- 12. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON APPROVING MARCH 2025 UNAUDITED FINANCIAL REPORT. *LOURDES GOMEZ***

13. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON APPROVING MARCH 2025 CASH RECEIPTS REPORT.** *LOURDES GOMEZ*
14. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON APPROVING MARCH 2025 ACCOUNTS PAYABLE REPORT.** *LOURDES GOMEZ*
15. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON APPROVING DEPARTMENT'S MONTHLY REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF MAY 2025.** *ADRIANA RODARTE*
16. **INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING OF AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A PRELIMINARY AND FINAL PLAT WITH A WAIVER REQUEST FROM SECTION 38-8.2. - PRELIMINARY PLAT -- PLANS AND DATA (SUBSECTION C. ENGINEERING REPORTS) TO WAIVE THE STORM DRAINAGE PLAN REQUIREMENT FOR THE DELGADO UNIT 1 SUBDIVISION, BEING TRACT 13-N, TRACT 13-N-3, AND TRACT 13-R-2, BLOCK 1, SOCORRO GRANT, AND LOCATED AT 841 LITTLE CORINA AVE., SOCORRO, TEXAS.** *LORRINE QUIMIRO*
17. **INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 46 ZONING ARTICLE IV DISTRICT REGULATIONS OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SOCORRO, TEXAS TO ADD THE DISTRICT REGULATIONS FOR A-1 (AGRICULTURAL) ZONING ARTICLE IV DISTRICT REGULATIONS OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SOCORRO, TEXAS TO ADD THE DISTRICT REGULATIONS FOR A-1 AGRICULTURAL) ZONING DISTRICT.** *LORRINE QUIMIRO*
18. **INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING OF AN ORDINANCE FOR THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF SOCORRO'S MASTER PLAN AND REZONING OF LOT 1, BLOCK 9, SAN YSIDRO SUBDIVISION, LOCATED AT 11100 SAN YSIDRO RD., SOCORRO, TEXAS, FROM R-1 (SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO R-2 (MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL) TO ALLOW TWO SINGLE-FAMILY DETACHED DWELLINGS.** *LORRINE QUIMIRO*
19. **INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING OF AN ORDINANCE FOR THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF SOCORRO'S MASTER PLAN AND REZONING OF TRACT 4-B, BLOCK 16, SOCORRO GRANT, LOCATED AT 232 S. NEVAREZ RD., SOCORRO, TEXAS, FROM R-1 (SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO A-1 (AGRICULTURAL) AND A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO ALLOW FOR A SMALL-SCALE WATER DESALINATION PROJECT.** *LORRINE QUIMIRO*

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

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

REGULAR AGENDA
PUBLIC HEARINGS AND ORDINANCES

- 20. PUBLIC HEARING OF AN ORDINANCE FOR A FINAL 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***

Public Hearing opened at 8:52 pm
No Speakers for Public Hearing
Public Hearing closed at 8:52 pm

- 21. SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE FOR A FINAL 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***

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

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

- 22. PUBLIC HEARING OF AN ORDINANCE FOR THE AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF SOCORRO'S MASTER PLAN AND REZONING OF TRACT 4-D-15, BLOCK 3, SOCORRO GRANT, LOCATED AT 10732 HORN CIR., SOCORRO, TEXAS, FROM R-1 (SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO C-2 (GENERAL COMMERCIAL) WITH A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT AND A VARIANCE REQUEST FROM SEC. 46-631. - OFF-STREET PARKING REQUIREMENTS. (15) TO ALLOW A REDUCTION IN PARKING SPACE REQUIREMENTS OF 1 SPACE PER 800 S.F. OF NET LEASABLE AREA INSTEAD OF THE 1 SPACE PER 200 S.F. REQUIREMENT TO ALLOW FOR A FABRICATION SHOP. *LORRINE QUIMIRO***

Public Hearing opened at 8:56 pm
No Speakers for Public Hearing
Public Hearing closed at 8:57 pm

23. SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE FOR THE AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF SOCORRO'S MASTER PLAN AND REZONING OF TRACT 4-D-15, BLOCK 3, SOCORRO GRANT, LOCATED AT 10732 HORN CIR., SOCORRO, TEXAS, FROM R-1 (SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO C-2 (GENERAL COMMERCIAL) WITH A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT AND A VARIANCE REQUEST FROM SEC. 46-631. - OFF-STREET PARKING REQUIREMENTS. (15) TO ALLOW A REDUCTION IN PARKING SPACE REQUIREMENTS OF 1 SPACE PER 800 S.F. OF NET LEASABLE AREA INSTEAD OF THE 1 SPACE PER 200 S.F. REQUIREMENT TO ALLOW FOR A FABRICATION SHOP.

LORRINE QUIMIRO

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

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

Nays:

Absent:

24. PUBLIC HEARING OF AN ORDINANCE FOR THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF SOCORRO'S MASTER PLAN AND REZONING OF TRACT 10-I, BLOCK 3, SOCORRO GRANT, LOCATED AT THE INTERSECTION OF E. BURT RD. AND RANGE WAR CT., SOCORRO, TEXAS, FROM R-1 (SINGLE- FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO R-2 (MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL) TO ALLOW FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL LOTS ON A VACANT UNDEVELOPED PROPERTY.

LORRINE QUIMIRO

Public Hearing opened at 9:04 pm

No Speakers for Public Hearing

Public Hearing closed at 9:04 pm

25. SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE FOR THE AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF SOCORRO'S MASTER PLAN AND REZONING OF TRACT 10-I, BLOCK 3, SOCORRO GRANT, LOCATED AT THE INTERSECTION OF E. BURT RD. AND RANGE WAR CT., SOCORRO, TEXAS, FROM R-1 (SINGLE- FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO R-2 (MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL) TO ALLOW FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL LOTS ON A VACANT UNDEVELOPED PROPERTY.

LORRINE QUIMIRO

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

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

Nays:

Absent:

- 26. PUBLIC HEARING OF AN ORDINANCE FOR THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF SOCORRO'S MASTER PLAN AND REZONING OF LOT 5, BLOCK 8, MARY LOU PARK SUBDIVISION, LOCATED AT 636 MAXINE 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 9:10 pm
No Speakers for Public Hearing
Public Hearing closed at 9:10 pm

- 27. SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE FOR THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF SOCORRO'S MASTER PLAN AND REZONING OF LOT 5, BLOCK 8, MARY LOU PARK SUBDIVISION, LOCATED AT 636 MAXINE 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 Gina Cordero to *approve item twenty-seven (27)*. Motion passed.

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

GRANTS DEPARTMENT

- 28. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO AUTHORIZE AN UPDATED CHAPTER 380 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVES POLICY FOR THE CITY OF SOCORRO.**
ALEJANDRA VALADEZ

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Gina Cordero to *approve item twenty-eight (28)*.

Mr. Jim Martinez recommends discussing in Executive Session.

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Cesar Nevarez to *move into Executive Session at this time to consult with the attorney*. Motion passed.

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

**THE CITY COUNCIL CONVENED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 9:26 PM
EXECUTIVE SESSION**

THE CITY COUNCIL RECONVENED IN OPEN SESSION AT 9:34 PM

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

PLANNING AND ZONING

- 29. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO SIGN AND INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CAMINO REAL REGIONAL MOBILITY AUTHORITY TO ALLOW FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE NUEVO HUECO TANKS BOULEVARD EXTENSION PROJECT. THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT INCLUDES WORK AUTHORIZATION NO 70 TO COVER RIGHT-OF-WAY ACQUISITIONS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$915,702.95 OF TRANSPORTATION REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER TWO FUNDS ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF SOCORRO.**

LORRINE QUIMIRO

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

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

- 30. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE FEE WAIVERS FOR VENDOR FEES FOR BODEGA LOYA AND WINE DOWN COMMUNITY MARKET EVENT SCHEDULED FOR JULY 12, 2025 AT 549 BELEN ST.**

LORRINE QUIMIRO

A motion was made by Irene Rojas to *deny waiving the fees*.

Jim Martinez stepped out of the meeting at 9:39 pm

- 34. 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***

35. 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

36. 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 thirty-four (34), thirty-five (35) and thirty-six (36)*. Motion passed.

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

Nays:

Absent:

Jim Martinez returned to the meeting at 9:40 pm

A motion was made by Irene Rojas seconded by Gina Cordero to *deny waiving the fees for item thirty (30)*. Motion passed.

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

Nays:

Absent:

32. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON APPROVING CITY MANAGER'S EVALUATION.

MAYOR RUDY CRUZ, JR.

A motion was made by Cesar Nevarez seconded by Gina Cordero to *approve item thirty-two (32)*. Motion passed.

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

Nays:

Absent:

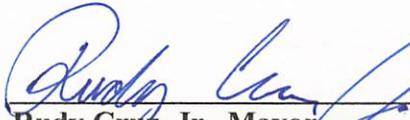
37. ADJOURN

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Irene Rojas to *adjourn at 9:58 pm*

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

Nays:

Absent:

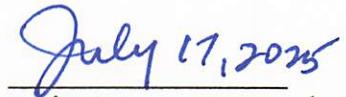


Rudy Cruz, Jr., Mayor



Olivia Navarro, City Clerk





Date minutes were approved