

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 17, 2025 @ 6:00 P.M.**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

MEMBERS ABSENT

Gina Cordero
Irene Rojas

STAFF PRESENT:

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
Chief Robert Rojas

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at: 6:05 pm.

2. Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence for all flood victims.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Estevan Gonzales

3. Establishment of Quorum

Quorum was established with four council members present.

PUBLIC COMMENT

4. PUBLIC COMENT

No speakers for Public Comment.

PRESENTATIONS

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

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Cesar Nevarez and Alejandro Garcia

Nays:

Absent: Gina Cordero and Irene Rojas

**6. PRESENTATION TO RECOGNIZE WALMART FOR THEIR
PHILANTHROPY TOWARDS THE 2025 INDEPENDENCE DAY
EXTRAVAGANZA INDX. VICTOR RETA**

Joshua Mitchell, David Garcia and Itzel Soto were present and recognized by Mayor and Council.

5. PRESENTATION BY SUMMER 2025 UTEP INTERNS. VICTOR RETA

Jason Vargas, at the IT Department, Dafhne Montiel, Communications, Dyvanna Soria, Recreation Center, Rafael Roman, Grants Department, Adrian Rangel, PPW, Melissa Villalba, Administration and Luis Vergara, Planning and Zoning all spoke about their experience at the respective departments.

CONSENT AGENDA

7. EXCUSE ABSENT COUNCIL MEMBERS. OLIVIA NAVARRO

**8. APPROVAL OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF JULY 3,
2025. OLIVIA NAVARRO**

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

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Cesar Nevarez and Alejandro Garcia

Nays:

Absent: Gina Cordero and Irene Rojas

REGULAR AGENDA
PUBLIC HEARINGS AND ORDINANCES

9. ***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

Public Hearing opened at 6:34 pm
No Speakers for Public Hearing
Public Hearing closed at 6:34 pm

10. ***SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE 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

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Cesar Nevarez to *approve item ten (10)*. Motion passed.

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

HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

11. ***DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON APPROVING THE JOB DESCRIPTIONS FOR THE CUSTODIAL ON-SITE PROGRAM DIRECTOR.***
CAROL CANDELARIA

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Cesar Nevarez to *approve item eleven (11)*. Motion passed.

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

**12. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON APPROVING THE JOB DESCRIPTIONS
FOR CUSTODIAL SUPERVISOR. CAROL CANDELARIA**

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

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Cesar Nevarez and Alejandro Garcia

Nays:

Absent: Gina Cordero and Irene Rojas

**13. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON APPROVING THE JOB DESCRIPTIONS
FOR CUSTODIAN. CAROL CANDELARIA**

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Cesar Nevarez to *approve item thirteen (13)*. Motion passed.

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Cesar Nevarez and Alejandro Garcia

Nays:

Absent: Gina Cordero and Irene Rojas

**14. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON APPROVING THE JOB DESCRIPTIONS
FOR THE TRANSIT DRIVER. CAROL CANDELARIA**

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

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Cesar Nevarez and Alejandro Garcia

Nays:

Absent: Gina Cordero and Irene Rojas

POLICE DEPARTMENT

**15. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE AN INTERLOCAL
AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SOCORRO POLICE
DEPARTMENT AND THE COUNTY OF EL PASO FOR INCINERATOR
USE. CHIEF ROBERT ROJAS**

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

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Cesar Nevarez and Alejandro Garcia

Nays:

Absent: Gina Cordero and Irene Rojas

CITY MANAGER

16. *DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE ELECTION SERVICES CONTRACT WITH COUNTY OF EL PASO AND TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER OR HER DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE SAME.*

VICTOR PEREZ

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

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Cesar Nevarez and Alejandro Garcia

Nays:

Absent: Gina Cordero and Irene Rojas

17. *DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO CANCEL THE BUDGET WORKSHOP MEETING OF JULY 26, 2025 TO AUGUST 2, 2025 AT 8:00 AM.*

VICTOR PEREZ

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Cesar Nevarez to *approve item seventeen (17)*. Motion passed.

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Cesar Nevarez and Alejandro Garcia

Nays:

Absent: Gina Cordero and Irene Rojas

18. *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***

19. *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

20. *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 eighteen (18), nineteen (19) and twenty (20).* Motion passed.

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Cesar Nevarez and Alejandro Garcia

Nays:

Absent: Gina Cordero and Irene Rojas

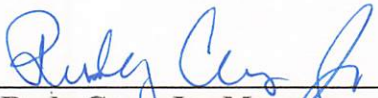
17. **ADJOURN**

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Ruben Cesar Nevarez to *adjourn at 6:48 pm*


Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Cesar Nevarez and Alejandro Garcia

Nays:

Absent: Gina Cordero and Irene Rojas

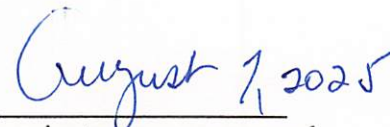


Rudy Cruz, Jr., Mayor



Olivia Navarro, City Clerk





Date minutes were approved