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At Large

Cesar Nevarez
District 1/Mayor ProTem



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District 3

Irene Rojas
District 4

Adriana Rodarte
City Manager

**NOTICE OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE
CITY OF SOCORRO**

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THE FACILITY IS WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE AND ACCESSIBLE PARKING SPACES ARE AVAILABLE. REQUESTS FOR ACCOMMODATION FOR INTERPRETIVE SERVICES MUST BE MADE 48 HOURS PRIOR TO THIS MEETING. PLEASE CONTACT THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE AT (915) 858-2915 FOR FURTHER INFORMATION.

LA INSTALACIÓN ES ACCESIBLE PARA SILLAS DE RUEDAS Y HAY PLAZAS DE ESTACIONAMIENTOS DISPONIBLES. LAS SOLICITUDES DE ADAPTACIÓN PARA SERVICIOS DE TRADUCCIÓN DEBEN HACERSE 48 HORAS ANTES DE ESTA REUNIÓN. COMUNÍQUESE CON LA OFICINA DEL SECRETARIO DE LA CIUDAD AL (915) 858-2915 PARA OBTENER MÁS INFORMACIÓN

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOCORRO, TEXAS WILL BE HELD ON THURSDAY THE 21st, DAY OF AUGUST, 2025 AT 6:00 P.M. AT THE CITY HALL CHAMBERS, 860 N. RIO VISTA RD., SOCORRO, TEXAS AT WHICH TIME THE FOLLOWING WILL BE DISCUSSED:

THIS WRITTEN NOTICE, THE MEETING AGENDA, AND THE AGENDA PACKET, ARE POSTED ONLINE AT [HTTP://COSTX.US/CITY-CLERK-PUBLIC-NOTICE](http://costx.us/city-clerk-public-notice) THE PUBLIC CAN ALSO ACCESS THE MEETING BY CALLING TOLL FREE-NUMBER 844-854-2222 ACCESS CODE 323610.

THE PUBLIC MAY CALL IN 844-854-2222 ACCESS CODE 323610 BY 5:30 PM MOUNTAIN STANDARD TIME (MST) ON THE 21st DAY OF AUGUST, 2025 TO SIGN UP FOR PUBLIC COMMENT AND THE AGENDA ITEM THEY WISH TO COMMENT ON. THE PUBLIC THAT SIGNED UP TO SPEAK WILL BE CALLED UPON BY THE PRESIDING OFFICER DURING THE MEETING.

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1. Call to order
 2. Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence for Cacique Jose Sierra Sr.

3. Establishment of Quorum

PUBLIC COMMENT

- 4. Public Comment** (The maximum time for public comment will be 30 minutes and three minutes will be allotted for each speaker. Government Code 551.042 allows for responses by city council to be a statement of specific factual information given in response to the inquiry; or a recitation of existing policy in response to the inquiry; or a decision to add the public comment to a future agenda.)

PRESENTATION

- 5. Memorial and Resolution 830** Honoring the Life and Legacy of Ysleta Del Sur Cacique Jose Sierra Sr. *Adriana Rodarte*

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

ALL MATTERS LISTED UNDER THE CONSENT AGENDA, INCLUDING THOSE ON THE ADDENDUM TO THE AGENDA, WILL BE CONSIDERED BY THE CITY COUNCIL TO BE ROUTINE AND WILL BE ENACTED BY ONE MOTION. THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION ON THESE ITEMS UNLESS CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS REMOVE SPECIFIC ITEMS FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA TO THE REGULAR AGENDA FOR DISCUSSION PRIOR TO THE TIME THE CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTE ON THE MOTION TO ADOPT THE CONSENT AGENDA.

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA TO THE REGULAR AGENDA WILL BE CONSIDERED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AFTER ACTING ON THE CONSENT AGENDA.

ANY MATTERS LISTED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA AND THE REGULAR AGENDA MAY BE DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION AT THE OPTION OF THE CITY OF SOCORRO CITY COUNCIL FOLLOWING VERBAL ANNOUNCEMENT, IF AN APPROPRIATE EXCEPTION TO THE OPEN MEETING REQUIREMENT OF THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT IS APPLICABLE.

CONSENT AGENDA

PUBLIC COMMENTS ARE NOT TAKEN DURING THE INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES. PUBLIC COMMENTS WILL BE ALLOWED AT THE SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARING-ORDINANCE 320

- 6. Excuse** absent council members. *Olivia Navarro*
- 7. Approval** of Special Council Minutes of August 2 and Regular Council Minutes of August 7, 2025. *Olivia Navarro*
- 8. Discussion and action** on approving May 2025 Unaudited Financial Report. *Lourdes Gomez*

9. **Discussion and action** on approving May 2025 Cash Receipts Report. *Lourdes Gomez*
10. **Discussion and action** on approving May 2025 Accounts Payable Report. *Lourdes Gomez*
11. **Discussion and action** on approving June 2025 Unaudited Financial Report.
Lourdes Gomez
12. **Discussion and action** on approving June 2025 Cash Receipts Report. *Lourdes Gomez*
13. **Discussion and action** on approving June 2025 Accounts Payable Report. *Lourdes Gomez*
14. **Introduction, First Reading, And Calling for a Public Hearing** of an Ordinance approving a Preliminary and Final Plat with a waiver request from Section 38-50. - provision of easements - to waive the easement requirement for the Extension of Ernest Rd., a Waiver Request from Section 38-8.2. - Preliminary Plat - Plans and Data - Subsection (C)(1) to waive The Storm Water Drainage Plan Requirement, and a Waiver Request from Section 38-8.2. - Preliminary Plat - Plans and Data - Subsection (C)(2) to waive the Soils Analysis Requirement for The Avila Subdivision, Being Tract 7-A, and Tract 7-B, Block 27, Socorro Grant, and located at 11599 Socorro Rd., Socorro, Texas. *Lorraine Quimiro*

REGULAR AGENDA
PUBLIC HEARING/ORDINANCES

15. **Second Reading and Adoption** of Ordinance of the City of Socorro Texas, ordaining the City's participation in the Texas Enterprise Zone Program pursuant to the Texas Enterprise Zone Act, Chapter 2303, Texas Government Code (Act), providing tax incentives, designating a liaison for communication with interested parties, and nominating Wiwynn Technology Corp., to the Office of the Governor Economic Development & Tourism (EDT) through the Economic Development Bank (Bank) as an Enterprise Project (Project).
Alejandra Valadez
16. **Public Hearing** of Ordinance # 635 Amendment # 2 Amendment to Decrease Expenditures by \$150.00 Fiscal Year 2024-2025. *Adriana Rodarte*
17. **Second Hearing and Adoption** of Ordinance # 635 Amendment # 2 Amendment to Decrease Expenditures by \$150.00 Fiscal Year 2024-2025. *Adriana Rodarte*
18. **Public Hearing** of Ordinance # 250 Amendment # 2 to allow up to 100% Of Investable Deposits to be allocated into Money Market Funds and Investment Pools. *Adriana Rodarte*
19. **Second Reading and Adoption** of Ordinance # 250 Amendment # 2 to allow up to 100% Of Investable Deposits to be allocated into Money Market Funds and Investment Pools.
Adriana Rodarte

20. Public Hearing of an Ordinance approving a Preliminary and Final Plat with a Variance Request from Section 46-631. - Off-Street Parking Requirements (Sub-Section 15) to allow a Reduction in Parking Space Requirements of 1 Space Per 320 S.F. of Net Leasable Area Instead of the 1 Space Per 200 S.F. requirement for The Socorro DG Addition Subdivision, being Tract 8-C, and Tract 8-D, Block 19, Socorro Grant, and located at 10401 Socorro Rd., Socorro, Texas.

Lorraine Quimiro

21. Second Reading and Adoption of an Ordinance approving a Preliminary and Final Plat with a Variance Request from Section 46-631. - Off-Street Parking Requirements (Sub-Section 15) to allow a Reduction in Parking Space Requirements of 1 Space Per 320 S.F. of Net Leasable Area Instead of the 1 Space Per 200 S.F. requirement for The Socorro DG Addition Subdivision, being Tract 8-C, and Tract 8-D, Block 19, Socorro Grant, and located at 10401 Socorro Rd., Socorro, Texas.

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22. Public Hearing of an Ordinance for The Proposed Amendment to The City of Socorro's Master Plan and Rezoning of Lot 4, Block 12, El Gran Valle Subdivision, located at 11631 Riverside Rd., Socorro, Texas, From R-1 (Single-Family Residential) to R-2 (Medium Density Residential) to allow for a Quadruplex.

Lorraine Quimiro

23. Second Reading and Adoption of an Ordinance for The Proposed Amendment to The City of Socorro's Master Plan and Rezoning of Lot 4, Block 12, El Gran Valle Subdivision, located at 11631 Riverside Rd., Socorro, Texas, From R-1 (Single-Family Residential) to R-2 (Medium Density Residential) to allow for a Quadruplex.

Lorraine Quimiro

HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

24. Discussion and action approving the Revised Employee Handbook.

Carol Candelaria

25. Discussion and action to amend policy G.11 Mental Health Leave of Absence of Police Officers to include Telecommunicators.

Carol Candelaria

26. Discussion and action to approve Payroll Software provider Paycom as our payroll processing for our fiscal year beginning 2025-2026 in the amount of \$44,231.10 and authorize city manager of her designee to execute.

Carol Candelaria

RECREATION CENTERS

27. Discussion and action to allow for the sale and consumption of alcohol at the 2025 Harvest Festival to be held on Saturday September 20, 2025 from 5:00 pm to 10:00 pm at Rio Vista Community Center.

Victor Reta

PLANNING AND ZONING DEPARTMENT

28. Discussion and action to approve an Event Permit and fee waiver request for The Fiesta De San Miguel 2025 at La Purisima Church, 328 S. Nevarez on Saturday September 27 from 2:00 pm the 12:00 am and Sunday from 2:00 pm to 10:00 pm.

Lorraine Quimiro

- 29. Discussion and action** to approve event permit and fee waiver request for Hueco Elementary's Veterans Day Parade to be held on Thursday November 10, 2025.

Lorraine Quimiro

CITY MANAGER

- 30. Discussion and action** to announce the date on which City Council will take final action on the Tax Rate and on the Municipal Budget.

Adriana Rodarte

- 31. Presentation and action** regarding tax rate calculations, revenues and expenditures for the City of Socorro's proposed budget for fiscal year 2025-2026.

Adriana Rodarte

- 32. Discussion and action** on approving the invitation for the City of Socorro to join the El Paso Transportation Authority (ETA) as an Ex-Officio Member and authorize city manager or her designee to execute agreement.

Adriana Rodarte

- 33. Discussion and action** to approve the Audit Engagement Letter with SBNG, PC for the Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2025, and authorize City Manager or her designee to execute the engagement letter contract.

Adriana Rodarte

- 34. Discussion and action** to renew a one-year contract for State Legislative Lobbying Services with Forma Group, LLC for the period of October 1, 2025, through September 30, 2026, and authorize the City Manager or her designee to execute the contract.

Adriana Rodarte

MAYOR AND COUNCIL

- 35. Discussion and action** to enter into an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Socorro and the City of San Elizario for the provision of Public Transit Services.

Mayor Rudy Cruz, Jr.

- 36. Discussion and action** to authorize Al Borrego to represent the City of Socorro in the Sister Cities program with Villa Ahumada, Chihuahua, Mexico.

Mayor Rudy Cruz, Jr.

The City Council of the City of Socorro may retire into EXECUTIVE SESSION pursuant to Section 3.08 of the City of Socorro Charter and the Texas Government Code, Sections 551, Subchapter D to discuss any of the following: (The items listed below are matters of the sort routinely discuss in Executive Session, but the City Council of the City of Socorro may move to Executive Session any of the items on this agenda, consistent with the terms of the Open Meetings Act.) The City Council will return to open session to take any final action and may also, at any time during the meeting, bring forward any of the following items for public discussion, as appropriate.

Section 551.071 CONSULTATIONS WITH ATTORNEY

Section 551.072 DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY

Section 551.073 DELIBERATION REGARDING PROSPECTIVE GIFT

Section 551.074 PERSONNEL MATTERS

Section 551.076 DELIBERATION REGARDING SECURITY

Section 551.087 DELIBERATION REGARDING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT NEGOTIATIONS

Discussion on the following:

37. 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***

38. 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***

39. Discussion and action regarding pending litigation and receive status report regarding pending litigation. ***Adriana Rodarte***

40. Adjourn

DATED THIS 18th DAY OF AUGUST, 2025

By: 

Olivia Navarro, City Clerk

I, the undersigned authority, hereby certify that the above notice of the meeting of the City Council of Socorro, Texas is a correct copy of the notice and that I posted this notice at least Seventy-two (72) hours preceding the scheduled meeting at the City Administration Building, 124 S. Horizon Blvd., in Socorro, Texas.

DATED THIS 18th DAY OF AUGUST, 2025

By: 

Olivia Navarro, City Clerk

Agenda posted: 8-18-25 @ 2:00 an
Removed: _____ Time: _____ by: _____