

Rudy Cruz, Jr.
Mayor
Ruben Reyes
At Large
Cesar Nevarez
District 1/Mayor ProTem



Alejandro Garcia
District 2
Gina Cordero
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 7th 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 7th 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 by Escontrias Elementary School.

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.)

PRESENTATIONS

- 5. *Presentation and update*** on the 89th State Legislative Session. *Adriana Rodarte*
- 6. *Presentation*** by the National Park Service on UNESCO Working Group Efforts for Mission Trail Designation. *Adriana Rodarte*
- 7. *Presentation*** from the Rio Grande Council of Governments on the Regional Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy process for the U.S. Economic Development Administration. *Adriana Rodarte*
- 8. *Recognition*** of the Socorro High School Barbering Program for Winning State and National Awards. *Alejandro Garcia*
- 9. *Recognition*** of Campestre Elementary School for Achieving the Highest Student Attendance Rate in the Socorro ISD for the 3rd, 4th, and 5th Six Weeks During the 2024-2025 School Year. *Irene Rojas*
- 10. *Recognition*** of Escontrias STEAM Academy for Earning the National Certificate for STEM Excellence – Campus Certification. *Irene Rojas*
- 11. *Presentation*** to recognize Wine Down as Small Business of the Quarter in the Food & Café Category. *Alejandra Valadez*
- 12. *Presentation*** to recognize Gastelum’s Meat Market as Small Business of the Quarter in the all other Business Category. *Alejandra Valadez*

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

13. *Excuse* absent council members. *Olivia Navarro*
14. *Approval* of Regular Council Meeting Minutes of July 17, 2025. *Olivia Navarro*
15. *Discussion and action* to approve the Cash Receipts for April 2025. *Lourdes Gomez*
16. *Discussion and action* to approve the Accounts Payable Report for April 2025. *Lourdes Gomez*
17. *Discussion and action* to approve the Unaudited Monthly Report for April 2025. *Lourdes Gomez*
18. *Introduction First Reading and Calling for a Public Hearing* of Ordinance # 635 Amendment # 2 Amendment to Decrease Expenditures by \$150.00 Fiscal Year 2024-2025. *Adriana Rodarte*
19. *Introduction First Reading and Calling for a 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*
20. *Introduction and First Reading* of an 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*

- 21. *Introduction, First Reading, and Calling for a 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

- 22. *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 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

REGULAR AGENDA **ORDINANCES**

- 23. *Public Hearing*** of an 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*

- 24. *Second Reading and Adoption*** of an 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

GRANTS DEPARTMENT

- 25. *Discussion and action*** to approve Work Authorization No. 5 in the amount of \$251,449.53 under Contract 22-07-02 with CEA Group for Design Phase Services for the Vineyard Road Bridge Replacement Project and authorize the City Manager to sign the agreement.

Alejandra Valadez

- 26. *Discussion and action*** to approve Work Authorization No. 6 in the amount of \$302,793.75 under Contract 22-07-02 with CEA Group for Design Phase Services for the Passmore Road Bridge Replacement Project and authorize the City Manager to sign the agreement.

Alejandra Valadez

- 27. *Discussion and action*** to approve a Letter of Support to the El Paso Chamber in support of the Draft 2026 Unified Transportation Program (UTP), and particularly, the proposed authorization of \$150 million for SS 320 Borderland Expressway Phase 3 – El Paso (Category 12: Strategic Priority).

Alejandra Valadez

- 28. Discussion and action** to approve a Letter of Support for Project Vida's grant application to the Nasdaq Foundation for the Microenterprise Technical Assistance Program (MTAP).

Alejandra Valadez

POLICE DEPARTMENT

- 29. Discussion and action** to approve Interlocal Agreement for Operation Stonegarden (OPSG) FY24.

Chief Robert Rojas

PLANNING AND ZONING DEPARTMENT

- 30. Discussion and action** to Approve an Event Permit and Fee Waiver Request for The Anniversary Celebration Of La Purisima Church at 328 S. Nevarez on Saturday October 18, 2025 from 10:00 am to 9:00 pm.

Lorraine Quimiro

- 31. Discussion and action** to award RFP 24-03 for Building Inspections and Plan Review Services to Aoka Engineering and authorize City Manager or her designee to negotiate and execute agreement.

Lorraine Quimiro

CITY MANAGER

- 32. Discussion and action** to approve the scheduling of public hearing on September 11, 2025 for the anticipated proposed tax rate of 0.645233 for the fiscal year commencing October 1, 2025 thru September 30, 2026.

Adriana Rodarte

- 33. Discussion and action** to review and approve El Paso County 911 District Budget Plan for Fiscal Year 2026.

Adriana Rodarte

- 34. Discussion and action** to approve a Citywide Festival "Hearts United" to be held at Bulldog Championship Park.

Adriana Rodarte

- 35. Discussion and action** regarding Petition to Release the following real property from the City of Socorro's extraterritorial jurisdiction: approximately 2.689 square miles or 1,830.4 acres described as [composed of that part of El Paso County Tract 010347 included in Block 2033, 2034, 2035, 3003, 3004, 3005, 3306, 3007, 3008, 3009, 3010, 3011, 3012, 3013, 3014, 3017, 3018, 3019, 3020, 3021 and 3022 and that part of El Paso County Tract 010404 included in Blocks 4016, 4017, 4020, 4021, 4022, 4023, 4024 and 4025; and that part of El Paso County Tract 010502 included in Block 2003, 2004, 2008 and 2009].

Adriana Rodarte

MAYOR AND COUNCIL

- 36. Discussion and action** to approve Resolution 829 stating the City Council's Intent to Limit use of Eminent Domain.

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. Discussion and action regarding Texas Gas Service Company, A Division of One Gas, Inc's Statement of Intent to Change Gas Utility Rates Within The Incorporated Areas of the Company's Central-Gulf, West North, and Rio Grande Valley Service Areas RRC#OS-25-00028202; HQ#UTILITY-67 [551.071].
James A. Martinez

41. Adjourn


DATED THIS 4th DAY OF AUGUST, 2025

By: 

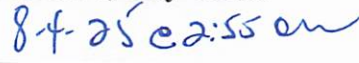
Olivia Navarro, City Clerk

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 4th OF AUGUST, 2025

By: 

Olivia Navarro, City Clerk

Agenda posted: 
Removed: _____ Time: _____ by: _____