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NOTICE OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION
OF THE
CITY OF SOCORRO, TEXAS

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 TRADUCCION 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.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION OF SOCORRO, TEXAS WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY THE 20TH DAY OF JANUARY 2026 AT 5:30 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/PLANNING-ZONING/](http://COSTX.US/PLANNING-ZONING/) THE PUBLIC CAN ALSO ACCESS THE MEETING BY CALLING TOLL FREE NUMBER 844-854-2222 ACCESS CODE 323610 BY 4:30 PM MOUNTAIN STANDARD TIME (MST) ON JANUARY 20, 2026 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.

Approved by: JR

1. Call to order.
2. Establishment of Quorum.

PUBLIC COMMENT

3. **Open Forum.**

The time is reserved for members of the public who would like to address the Commission on any items that are not on the Commission Agenda and that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission. No action shall be taken.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC AND APPLICANTS

THE STAFF REPORT FOR AN AGENDA ITEM MAY INCLUDE CONDITIONS, EXCEPTIONS, OR MODIFICATIONS. THE COMMISSION'S MOTION TO APPROVE AN ITEM IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STAFF REPORT OR WITH ALL STAFF COMMENTS MEANS THAT ANY MODIFICATIONS, WAIVERS, EXCEPTIONS REQUESTED BY THE APPLICANT AND RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL BY STAFF AND ANY STAFF RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS, HAVE BEEN APPROVED, WITHOUT NECESSITATING THAT THE COMMISSION RESTATE THE MODIFICATIONS, EXCEPTIONS, WAIVERS, OR CONDITIONS AS PART OF THE MOTION TO APPROVE AND THAT ANY FINDINGS REQUIRED TO BE MADE BY THE COMMISSION, HAVE BEEN MADE.

4. **Consent Agenda.**

- a) Public hearing request for a proposed amendment to the City of Socorro's Master Plan and rezoning of Lot 3, Block 13, Alameda Estates Replat, located at 10387 Manzana Rd., Socorro, TX, from R-1 (Single Family Residential) to R-2 (Medium Density Residential), to allow two existing dwellings, and a variance from Sec.46-262.- *Area Requirements- Subsection (2)(d)* to allow a reduced rear yard setback of 3'-0" instead of the 20'-0" setback requirement on the rear dwelling.
- b) Approval of Meeting minutes of January 6, 2025.

REGULAR AGENDA

5. **Workshop and Discussion** concerning the Planning and Zoning Commission's structure, bylaws, scope of authority, roles, and expectations.
6. **Adjournment**

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Planning and Zoning Commission 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, Section 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 Planning and Zoning Commission 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 Planning and Zoning Commission will return to the 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 NEGOTIATION

NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER

The Commission Policy requires that the applicant or representative be present at the public hearing for their item(s). Failure of the applicant or his/her/its representative to be present may result in the deletion of the matter from the agenda or such matter may be tabled until such time as the applicant or his/her/its representative is present.

I, the undersigned authority hereby, certify that the above notice of the meeting of the Planning and Zoning Commission of Socorro, Texas is a correct copy and that I posted this notice at least

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seventy-two (72) hours preceding the scheduled meeting at City Council Chambers, 860 N. Rio Vista, Socorro, Texas.

DATED 14TH DAY OF JANUARY 2026.

By: 

Judith Rodriguez, Planning & Zoning Secretary.

DATE & TIME POSTED: 1/14/2026@2:30 P.M BY: JR.

**ALL PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION AGENDAS ARE PLACED ON THE
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PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES January 6, 2026@ 5:30 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER.

The Chairman Andrew Arroyos called the meeting to order at 5:31 PM

2. ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM.

A quorum was established with 4 commissioners present.

Members Present:

Andrew Arroyos
Yolanda Rodriguez
Osvaldo Reza
David Estrada

Members Absent:

Julie Dominguez

Staff Present:

Lorraine Quimiro, *City Planner Development Director.*
Judith Rodriguez. *Planner.*
Diego Ruiz. *Planner*
Myrian Apodaca, *Planning Clerk.*
Alfredo Ferando, *I.T. Systems Administrator*
Merwan Bhatti, *City Attorney Via Zoom.*

3. Notice to the Public- Open Forum

No Speakers

4. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approval of Meeting minutes of December 16, 2025.

A motion was made by Andrew Arroyos and seconded by Yolanda Rodriguez to approve the Consent Agenda under Item Four (4). **Motion carried.**

Ayes: Andrew Arroyos, David Estrada, Osvaldo Reza and Yolanda Rodriguez.

Nays:

Abstain:

Absent: Julie Dominguez

REGULAR AGENDA

5. **Public hearing** for a proposed amendment to the City of Socorro's Master Plan and rezoning of Tract 12-A-1, Block 2, Socorro Grant, located near Bauman Rd., Socorro, TX, from A-1 (Agricultural) to R-2 (Medium Density Residential) to allow for the development of multi-family residential lots.

Public Hearing was opened by the Chairman at: 5:32 PM.

No speaker

Public Hearing was closed by the Chairman at: 5:32 PM.

6. **Consider and Take Action** for a proposed amendment to the City of Socorro's Master Plan and rezoning of Tract 12-A-1, Block 2, Socorro Grant, located near Bauman Rd., Socorro, TX, from A-1 (Agricultural) to R-2 (Medium Density Residential) to allow for the development of multi-family residential lots.

Ms. Rodriguez gave the presentation on this subject.

A motion was made by Andrew Arroyos and seconded by Yolanda Rodriguez to approve Item Six (6). **Motion carried.**

Ayes: Andrew Arroyos, David Estrada, Osvaldo Reza and Yolanda Rodriguez.

Nays:

Abstain:

Absent: Julie Dominguez

7. **Consider and Take Action** on the proposed approval of the Final Plat for El Paso Lower Valley Commerce Center Subdivision, being a portion of Parcel 1, Tracts 3 and 4, Block 24, San Elizario Grant, El Paso County, Texas, and located at Southeast corner of North Loop Dr. and Estate Dr.

Ms. Rodriguez gave the presentation on this subject.

— First motion was made by Andrew Arroyos with condition to meet TXDOT requirements and maintain natural landscape along the frontage. No second. **Motion Dies**

New Second motion was made by David Estrada and seconded by Yolanda Rodriguez to Deny Item Seven (7). **Motion Dies.**

Ayes: David Estrada and Yolanda Rodriguez.

Nays:

Abstain: Andrew Arroyos and Osvaldo Reza

Absent: Julie Dominguez

— Motion made by Osvaldo Reza to go to **recess** second by Andrew Arroyos **Motion carried.**

Ayes: Andrew Arroyos, David Estrada, Osvaldo Reza and Yolanda Rodriguez.

Nays:

Abstain:

Absent: Julie Dominguez

Left at: 7:01 PM

Return at: 7:05 PM

— Motion made by Andrew Arroyos to go to executive and second by Osvaldo Reza **Motion carried.**

Ayes: Andrew Arroyos, David Estrada, Osvaldo Reza and Yolanda Rodriguez.

Nays:

Abstain:

Absent: Julie Dominguez

Left at: 7:06 PM

Return at: 7:50 PM

No action was taken on Item Seven (7); the Commission proceeded to Item Eight (8).

A motion was made by David Estrada and seconded by Osvaldo Reza to move forward with Item Eleven. **Motion carried.**

Ayes: Andrew Arroyos, David Estrada, Osvaldo Reza and Yolanda Rodriguez.

Nays:

Abstain:

Absent: Julie Dominguez

8. Consider and Take Action on the Election of Officers for Planning and Zoning Commission.

- _____, Chairman
- _____, 1st Vice Chairman
- _____, 2nd Vice Chairman
- _____, Secretary

9. Consider and Take Action on the Bylaws of the Planning and Zoning Commission.

10. Consider and Take Action on the 2026 Planning & Zoning Meeting Calendar.

11. Planning and Zoning Commissioners Report.

Commissioner David Estrada would like to discuss a plan of action moving forward to avoid having long meetings. Mr. Estrada would like to form a collective group to go to city council to express concerns.

Commissioner Osvaldo Reza would like to add that their voice is not being heard. Mr. Reza and Mr. Estrada would like a special meeting with city council to see the steps for planning and zoning commission would be a deciding body.

After Item Eleven (11), the Commissioners returned to Item Eight (8).

A motion was made by Andrew Arroyos and seconded by Yolanda Rodriguez to Table Items 8,9 and 10 for the next Planning and Zoning meeting after meeting with City Council. **Motion carried.**

Ayes: Andrew Arroyos, David Estrada, Osvaldo Reza and Yolanda Rodriguez.

Nays:

Abstain:

Absent: Julie Dominguez

12. Planning and Zoning Department Report.

Lorraine Quimiro, Planning Director, introduced new planner Diego Ruiz

13. Adjournment

A motion was made by Andrew Arroyos and seconded by Osvaldo Rez, to adjourn at **8:31 PM.**

Ayes: Andrew Arroyos, David Estrada, Osvaldo Reza and Yolanda Rodriguez.

Nays:

Abstain:

Absent: Julie Dominguez

Andrew Arroyos, Chairman

Date minutes were approved

Judith Rodriguez, Secretary

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