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**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 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

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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 19TH DAY OF MARCH 2026 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 ACESS CODE 323610.

THE PUBLIC MAY CALL IN 844-854-2222 ACCESS CODE 323610 BY 5:30 PM MOUNTAIN STANDARD TIME (MST) ON THE 19th DAY OF MARCH 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.

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1. Call to order
 2. Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence.

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.)

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

- 5. *Excuse* absent council members. *Olivia Navarro***
- 6. *Discussion and action* to approve the Regular Council Minutes of March 5, 2026. *Olivia Navarro***
- 7. *Discussion and action* on approving January 2026 Accounts Payable Report. *Lourdes Gomez***
- 8. *Discussion and action* on approving January 2026 Cash Receipts Report. *Lourdes Gomez***
- 9. *Discussion and action* on approving January 2026 Unaudited Financial Reports. *Lourdes Gomez***

- 10. *Introduction, First Reading, and Calling for a Public Hearing*** on Ordinance No. 695, Amendment No. 1, Decreasing the Fiscal Year 2025–2026 Budget by \$13,949.00.

Adriana Rodarte

REGULAR AGENDA
PUBLIC HEARING/ORDINANCES

- 11. *Public Hearing*** of an Ordinance adding Article VI (Permits), Division 1 (Permit Guidelines), Section 6-137 (Temporary Moratorium on Property Development) to Temporarily Cease the acceptance, Processing and Approval of Certain Development Actions and Permits for New Construction to Prevent Shortages of Essential Public Facilities (Including Infrastructure Dependent on Natural Resources, such as Water or Sewer Systems) and Establishing a Citywide Moratorium on Large Custodial Facilities (Including Prisons, Jails, And Detention Centers Housing More Than 100 Persons); the Penalty is Provided In . 6-137.5 Of This Section.

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- 12. *Second Reading and Adoption*** of an Ordinance adding Article VI (Permits), Division 1 (Permit Guidelines), Section 6-137 (Temporary Moratorium on Property Development) to Temporarily Cease the acceptance, Processing and Approval of Certain Development Actions and Permits for New Construction to Prevent Shortages of Essential Public Facilities (Including Infrastructure Dependent on Natural Resources, such as Water or Sewer Systems) and Establishing a Citywide Moratorium on Large Custodial Facilities (Including Prisons, Jails, And Detention Centers Housing More Than 100 Persons); the Penalty is Provided In . 6-137.5 Of This Section.

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- 13. *Public Hearing*** of an ordinance amending the City of Socorro Zoning Ordinance to establish regulations governing data centers; providing purpose and findings; adding definitions; limiting locations; requiring specific use permits; establishing water, infrastructure, and operational standards; providing for enforcement, severability, and an effective date.

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- 14. *Second Reading and Adoption*** of an ordinance amending the City of Socorro Zoning Ordinance to establish regulations governing data centers; providing purpose and findings; adding definitions; limiting locations; requiring specific use permits; establishing water, infrastructure, and operational standards; providing for enforcement, severability, and an effective date.

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- 15. *Public Hearing*** of an Ordinance approving a Request for a Preliminary Plat for The Ohanas, being a portion of Tract 1X, now known as Tract 1X1, Leigh Clark Survey No. 293, and a portion of Lot 17, Block 6, Cielo Del Rio Unit Two Amending Plat, an addition to the City of Socorro, El Paso County, Texas.

Lorraine Quimiro

- 16. *Second Reading and Adoption*** of an Ordinance approving a Request for a Preliminary Plat for The Ohanas, being a portion of Tract 1X, now known as Tract 1X1, Leigh Clark Survey No. 293, and a portion of Lot 17, Block 6, Cielo Del Rio Unit Two Amending Plat, an addition to the City of Socorro, El Paso County, Texas. *Lorraine Quimiro*
- 17. *Public Hearing*** of an Ordinance for the Proposed La Jolla Subdivision Replat K, being a Replat of Lot 14, Block 4, La Jolla Subdivision, and located at 100 Escalante Dr., Socorro, Texas. *Lorraine Quimiro*
- 18. *Second Reading and Adoption*** of an Ordinance approving the Proposed La Jolla Subdivision Replat K, being a Replat of Lot 14, Block 4, La Jolla Subdivision, and located at 100 Escalante Dr., Socorro, Texas. *Lorraine Quimiro*
- 19. *Public Hearing*** of an Ordinance approving t the proposed Request for approval of a Replat for Trujillo Subdivision Unit Two Replat B, being a Replat of Lot 1B, Block 1, Trujillo Subdivision Unit Two Replat A, located at 10330 Socorro Rd., Socorro, Texas to allow for duplexes. *Lorraine Quimiro*
- 20. *Second Reading and Adoption*** of an Ordinance for the proposed Request for approval of a Replat for Trujillo Subdivision Unit Two Replat B, being a Replat of Lot 1B, Block 1, Trujillo Subdivision Unit Two Replat A, located at 10330 Socorro Rd., Socorro, Texas to allow for duplexes. *Lorraine Quimiro*
- 21. *Public Hearing*** of an Ordinance for the Proposed Bauman Estates Unit Two Replat N, being a Replat of Lot 10, Block 8, Bauman Estates Unit Two, and located at 11301 Sheffield Dr., Socorro, Texas. *Lorraine Quimiro*
- 22. *Second Reading and Adoption*** of an Ordinance for the Proposed Bauman Estates Unit Two Replat N, being a Replat of Lot 10, Block 8, Bauman Estates Unit Two, and located at 11301 Sheffield Dr., Socorro, Texas. *Lorraine Quimiro*

GRANTS DEPARTMENT

- 23. *Discussion and action*** to adopt a Drug & Alcohol Testing Policy and Program in compliance with the Federal Transit Administration's (FTA) requirements. *Alejandra Valadez*
- 24. *Discussion and action*** to adopt the City of Socorro Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP) in accordance with 49 CFR Part 673 and designate the City Manager as the Accountable Executive under this Plan. *Alejandra Valadez*

PLANNING AND ZONING DEPARTMENT

- 25. *Discussion and action*** to approve an event permit for the Felipe De Jesus Catholic Church Via Crucis Procession on April 3, 2026, from 12:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. and waive associated Event Permit Fee. *Lorraine Quimiro*

CITY MANAGER

- 26. Discussion and action to ratify** Resolution No. 841, Dated March 5, 2026, Declaring March 2026 as El Paso Veterans & Riders Association (EPVRA) Appreciation Month in the City of Socorro. *Adriana Rodarte*
- 27. Discussion and action to ratify** Resolution No. 842, Dated March 5, 2026, Recognizing Charles Hassoun of Group 1 Ford El Paso, Texas for Supporting the El Paso Veterans & Riders Association (EPVRA) Community Initiatives. *Adriana Rodarte*
- 28. Discussion and action** on approving the Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2025, Annual Financial Report Presented by SBNG Certified Public Accountants. *Adriana Rodarte*
- 29. Discussion and action** an Agreement between the City of Socorro and the Socorro, Texas Veterans to support funding and improvements at Cougar Park. *Adriana Rodarte*

MAYOR AND COUNCIL

- 30. Discussion and action to ratify** Letter of Support Submitted to Congressman Tony Gonzales for the El Paso County Sheriff's Office Community Project Funding Request for the Special Operations Package. *Mayor Rudy Cruz, Jr.*
- 31. Discussion and action to ratify** Letter of Support Submitted to Congressman Tony Gonzales for the City of San Elizario FY27 Community Project Funding Request for a Regional Public Health and Animal Control Facility. *Mayor Rudy Cruz, Jr.*
- 32. Discussion and action to ratify** a Letter of Support for Ysleta del Sur Pueblo's FY2027 Federal Appropriations Request for a New Housing Initiative in District 2, Socorro, Texas. *Mayor Rudy Cruz, Jr.*
- 33. Discussion and action to ratify** Letters of Support for the Town of Horizon City FY2027 Congressional Community Project Funding Request for the Construction of a Government Complex. *Mayor Rudy Cruz, Jr.*

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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:


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*


37. Adjourn

DATED THIS 16TH DAY OF MARCH 2026

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 16TH OF MARCH 2026

By: 
Olivia Navarro, City Clerk

Agenda posted: 3-16-26 @ 11:29 am
Removed: _____ Time: _____ by: _____