

Rudy Cruz, Jr.
Mayor

Ruben Reyes
At Large

Cesar Nevarez
District 1



Alejandro Garcia
District 2

Gina Cordero
District 3/Mayor Pro Tem

Irene Rojas
District 4

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 4, 2026 @ 6:00 P.M.**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Rudy Cruz, Jr.
Ruben Reyes
Alejandro Garcia
Irene Rojas

MEMBERS ABSENT

Cesar Nevarez
Gina Cordero

STAFF PRESENT:

Adriana Rodarte, City Manager
Victor Perez, Deputy City Manager
Olivia Navarro, City Clerk
Lorraine Quimiro, City Planner
Jim Martinez, City Attorney

Alfredo Ferando, IT Systems Administrator
Victor Reta Recreation Ctrs. Director
Robert Rojas, Police Chief

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at: 6:08 pm.

2. Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence by Socorro Middle School.

Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence was recited by Socorro Middle School Students

3. Establishment of Quorum

Quorum was established with four council members present.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Erica Ortiz Joiner and Carlos Menchaca spoke during Public Comment.

CONSENT AGENDA

5. **EXCUSE ABSENT COUNCIL MEMBERS.** **OLIVIA NAVARRO**
6. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE THE REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES OF MAY 21, 2026.** **OLIVIA NAVARRO**
7. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON APPROVING MARCH 2026 ACCOUNTS PAYABLE REPORT.** **LOURDES GOMEZ**
8. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON APPROVING MARCH 2026 CASH RECEIPTS REPORT.** **LOURDES GOMEZ**
9. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON APPROVING MARCH 2026 UNAUDITED FINANCIAL REPORTS.** **LOURDES GOMEZ**
10. **INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING OF AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF SOCORRO'S MASTER PLAN AND REZONING OF TRACT 15-E, BLOCK 10 SOCORRO GRANT, LOCATED AT 11159 ALAMEDA AVE., CITY OF SOCORRO, EL PASO COUNTY, TEXAS, FROM M-1 (LIGHT INDUSTRIAL) TO GMU (GENERAL MIXED USE), TO ALLOW FOR COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT.** **LORRINE QUIMIRO**
11. **INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING OF AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF SOCORRO'S MASTER PLAN AND REZONING OF LOT 16, BLOCK 13, FLOR DEL RIO, LOCATED AT 11820 FLOR DEL SOL AVE., CITY OF SOCORRO, EL PASO COUNTY, TEXAS, FROM R-1 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO R-2 (MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL), TO ALLOW FOR A DUPLEX.** **LORRINE QUIMIRO**
12. **INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING OF AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A PRELIMINARY PLAT AND FINAL PLAT FOR ALAMEDA CENTER SUBDIVISION, BEING TRACTS 22-C, 22-D, AND 22-D-1, BLOCK 8, SOCORRO GRANT, LOCATED AT 10201 AND 10211 ALAMEDA AVE., CITY OF SOCORRO, EL PASO COUNTY, TEXAS.** **LORRINE QUIMIRO**
13. **INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING OF AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A PRELIMINARY PLAT FOR BAUMAN COMMERCIAL CENTER, BEING ALL OF TRACTS 9, 10A, 11A, AND 12A1, BLOCK 2, SOCORRO GRANT, LOCATED AT NORTH LOOP DR. AND BAUMAN RD., CITY OF SOCORRO, EL PASO COUNTY, TEXAS.** **LORRINE QUIMIRO**

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

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Alejandro Garcia, and Irene Rojas

Nays:

Absent: Cesar Nevarez and Gina Cordero

REGULAR AGENDA
PUBLIC HEARING/ORDINANCE

- 14. PUBLIC HEARING OF AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF SOCORRO'S MASTER PLAN AND REZONING OF LOT 8, BLOCK 4, VILLA ESPANA, LOCATED AT 10484 EL CID DRIVE, CITY OF SOCORRO, TEXAS, FROM R-1 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO R-2 (MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL) WITH A VARIANCE FROM SEC. 46-260 (2), TO ALLOW FOR TEN DWELLING UNITS EXCEEDING THE EIGHT MAXIMUM PERMITTABLE UNITS IN AN R-2 ZONING DISTRICT.**
LORRINE QUIMIRO

Public Hearing opened at 6:18 p.m.

Erica Ortiz Joiner was signed up to speak but declined.

Carlos Menchaca, Luz Arellano and David Holguin spoke during Public Hearing

Public Hearing closed at 6:29 p.m.

- 15. SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF SOCORRO'S MASTER PLAN AND REZONING OF LOT 8, BLOCK 4, VILLA ESPANA, LOCATED AT 10484 EL CID DRIVE, CITY OF SOCORRO, TEXAS, FROM R-1 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO R-2 (MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL) WITH A VARIANCE FROM SEC. 46-260 (2), TO ALLOW FOR TEN DWELLING UNITS EXCEEDING THE EIGHT MAXIMUM PERMITTABLE UNITS IN AN R-2 ZONING DISTRICT.**

LORRINE QUIMIRO

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Irene Rojas to *deny item fifteen (15)*.

David Holguin, Erica Ortiz Joiner, Carlos Menchaca, and Luz Arellano spoke on this item.

An amended motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Irene Rojas to *postpone this item for the Regular Council Meeting of July 16, 2026*. Motion passed.

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Alejandro Garcia, and Irene Rojas

Nays:

Absent: Cesar Nevarez and Gina Cordero

- 16. PUBLIC HEARING OF AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF SOCORRO'S MASTER PLAN AND REZONING OF TRACTS 2B, 3A, 4A, AND 4-H, BLOCK 11, SOCORRO GRANT, LOCATED AT 11580 NORTH LOOP DR., SOCORRO, TX., FROM A-1 (AGRICULTURAL) TO GMU (GENERAL MIXED USE) TO ALLOW FOR COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT.**

LORRINE QUIMIRO

Public Hearing opened at 6:54 p.m.
No speakers for Public Hearing
Public Hearing closed at 6:54 p.m.

- 17. SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF SOCORRO'S MASTER PLAN AND REZONING OF TRACTS 2B, 3A, 4A, AND 4-H, BLOCK 11, SOCORRO GRANT, LOCATED AT 11580 NORTH LOOP DR., SOCORRO, TX., FROM A-1 (AGRICULTURAL) TO GMU (GENERAL MIXED USE) TO ALLOW FOR COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT.**

LORRINE QUIMIRO

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Ruben Reyes to *approve staff's recommendation with condition that a Master Zoning Plan (MZIP) be submitted, reviewed, and approved in accordance with the ordinance.* Motion passed.

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

- 18. PUBLIC HEARING OF AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A REPLAT FOR HACIENDAS DEL VALLE UNIT TWO REPLAT H, BEING A REPLAT OF LOT 5, BLOCK 10, HACIENDAS DEL VALLE UNIT TWO, AND LOCATED AT 321 VALLE HERMOSO DR., CITY OF SOCORRO, EL PASO COUNTY, TEXAS.**

LORRINE QUIMIRO

Public Hearing opened at 7:14 p.m.
Maria Robles spoke during Public Hearing (*joined virtually*)
Public Hearing closed at 7:15 p.m.

- 19. SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A REPLAT FOR HACIENDAS DEL VALLE UNIT TWO REPLAT H, BEING A REPLAT OF LOT 5, BLOCK 10, HACIENDAS DEL VALLE UNIT TWO, AND LOCATED AT 321 VALLE HERMOSO DR., CITY OF SOCORRO, EL PASO COUNTY, TEXAS.**

LORRINE QUIMIRO

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Irene Rojas to *approve item nineteen (19).* Motion passed.

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

GRANTS DEPARTMENT

20. *DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO ADOPT THE UPDATED ACCOUNTING MANUAL FOR THE CITY OF SOCORRO, TEXAS.*

ALEJANDRA VALADEZ

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Irene Rojas to *approve item twenty (20)*. Motion passed.

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

21. *DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO ADOPT THE PROPOSED GRANTS MANAGEMENT POLICY FOR THE CITY OF SOCORRO, TEXAS.*

ALEJANDRA VALADEZ

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Irene Rojas to *approve item twenty-one (21)*. Motion passed.

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

CITY MANAGER

22. *DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE THE RENEWAL OF THE LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM AND THE CITY OF SOCORRO FOR RIO VISTA PARK AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER OR HER DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE AGREEMENT.*

ADRIANA RODARTE

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Ruben Reyes to *approve item twenty-two (22)*. Motion passed.

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

23. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO AWARD THE STREET STRIPING PROJECT FOR RIO VISTA ROAD AND BUFORD ROAD, TO PMI PAVEMENT MARKING, LLC. AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER OR HER DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE AGREEMENT. ADRIANA RODARTE

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Irene Rojas to *approve item twenty-three (23)*. Motion passed.

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Alejandro Garcia, and Irene Rojas

Nays:

Absent: Cesar Nevarez and Gina Cordero

24. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$42,000 FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES SUPPORTING THE CITY OF SOCORRO COMMUNITY INITIATIVE (CSCI) PHASE 1 STRATEGIC PLAN IMPLEMENTATION EFFORT THROUGH THE MARVAL INSIGHTS PROPOSAL. ADRIANA RODARTE

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Irene Rojas to *approve item twenty-four (24)*. Motion passed.

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Alejandro Garcia, and Irene Rojas

Nays:

Absent: Cesar Nevarez and Gina Cordero

25. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE LAND LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SOCORRO AND CELLCO PARTNERSHIP D/B/A VERIZON WIRELESS FOR THE WIRELESS COMMUNICATION TOWER LOCATED AT 124 OLD HUECO TANKS ROAD AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER OR HER DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE AGREEMENT. ADRIANA RODARTE

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Irene Rojas to *approve item twenty-five (25)*. Motion passed.

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Alejandro Garcia, and Irene Rojas

Nays:

Absent: Cesar Nevarez and Gina Cordero

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Ruben Reyes to *move into Executive Session at this time*. Motion passed.

CITY COUNCIL CONVENED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 7:32 PM

EXECUTIVE SESSION

CITY COUNCIL RECONVENED IN OPEN SESSION AT 8:08 PM

29. DISCUSSION ON A POTENTIAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITY IN SOCORRO. PROJECT MIST; (551.087).

ALEJANDRA VALADEZ

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Irene Rojas to *finalize the agreement as per staff's recommendation*. Motion passed.

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Alejandro Garcia, and Irene Rojas

Nays:

Absent: Cesar Nevarez and Gina Cordero

26. 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

27. 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

28. DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING PENDING LITIGATION AND RECEIVE STATUS REPORT REGARDING PENDING LITIGATION.

ADRIANA RODARTE

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Irene Rojas to *delete items twenty-six (26), twenty-seven (27), and twenty-eight (28)*. Motion passed.

Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Alejandro Garcia, and Irene Rojas

Nays:

Absent: Cesar Nevarez and Gina Cordero

29. ADJOURN

A motion was made by Alejandro Garcia seconded by Irene Rojas to *adjourn at 8:09 p.m.* Motion passed.

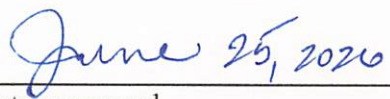
Ayes: Ruben Reyes, Alejandro Garcia, and Irene Rojas

Nays:

Absent: Cesar Nevarez and Gina Cordero



Rudy Cruz, Jr., Mayor



Date approved





Olivia Navarro, City Clerk