

Trini Lopez
Mayor

Sergio Cox
At Large

Jesus S. Hernandez
District 1



Tommy A. Faulkner
District 2

Jose Hernandez Jr.
District 3

Jesus Gandara Jr.
District 4/Mayor Pro Tem

**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)
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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 5TH DAY OF MARCH, 2009, 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:**
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- 1. Call to order**
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence**
- 3. Establishment of Quorum**
- 4. Open Forum**

PRESENTATION:

- 5. *Presentation* on MicroMesh Networking, "Wi-Fi Technology", by Marty Loya, consultant for Cytec Corporation. *** *Mayor Lopez***
- 6. *Presentation* on El Paso Bench Ads. *Mayor Lopez***

CONSENT AGENDA:

- 7. *Approval* of Regular Council Meeting Minutes of 12/11/08 and Special Meeting Minutes of 12/30/08. (*Tabled Meeting of 02/26/09*) *Mayor Lopez***
- 8. *Discussion and action* on approval of *proposed rezoning* of a portion of *Tract 1-A10, Leigh Clark Survey 293* from *Unclassified zoning* to *M-1, Light Industrial* by *Diversified Recycling Service, Inc.* (*Tabled meeting of 02/26/09*) *Sam Leony***

REGULAR AGENDA:

9. **City Manager's Monthly Report.** **Sergio Cox**
 - *Update on FY08-09 City Budget*

10. **Discussion and action** on approval to start work on *Belen Park* to construct improvements according to final plan that was prepared by and is on file with the planning department. * ** *** **Tommy A. Faulkner**

11. **Discussion and action** on status and *pending use of the vacant Fire Department building* located at Old Hueco Tanks Rd. and the railroad tracks. * ** *** **Sergio Cox**

12. **Discussion and action** on the \$6,000 *Park and Ride lease/contract* of the land located on 249 Nevarez Rd.. (Land currently being used as a park and ride for Sun Metro bus services). * ** *** **Sergio Cox**

13. **Discussion and action** on awarding the *Request for Proposals (RFP's)* for the *Heavy Equipment* for the Public Works Department. (*Tabled meeting of 1/15/09*). ** *** **Mayor Lopez**

14. **Discussion and action** on awarding the *Requests for Qualifications (RFQ's)* for *Engineering Services for road reconstruction projects*. (*Tabled meeting of 01/15/09*). ** *** **Mayor Lopez**

15. **Discussion and action** on approval to *Reconsider* the City Council's approved list of roads to be reconstructed/overlaid for District No. 2. (*Approved meeting 11/25/08 at 9:00 a.m.*) (*Tabled meeting of 01/15/09*). ** *** **Tommy A. Faulkner**

16. **Discussion and action** on approval to select roads to be reconstructed/overlaid for District 2. (*Approved meeting of 11/25/08 at 9:00 a.m.*) (*Tabled meeting of 01/15/09*). ** *** **Tommy A. Faulkner**

17. **Discussion and action** on approval of the implementation of a K-9 Unit with all necessary equipment for the City of Socorro Police Department to come out of the confiscated fund account. (*Deleted meeting of 11/20/08*). ** *** **Tommy A. Faulkner**

18. **Discussion and action** on approval to *Reconsider* the *Interlocal Agreement from the El Paso County on dam construction* approved by the City Council during the meeting of October 16, 2008. ** *** **Sergio Cox**

19. **Discussion and action** on approval to *amend the Interlocal Agreement from the El Paso County on dam construction* approved by the City Council during the meeting of October 16, 2008. ** *** **Sergio Cox**

20. **Discussion and action** on approval to provide health insurance for the Municipal Court Judge, *Ernesto Gomez, Jr.* ** *** **Sergio Cox**

21. **Discussion and action** on the status of the IDHCA "Owner Occupied Rehab Assistance Grant" that was reported as awarded to the City for the rehabilitation of Homes that qualify. Six (6) Units total. Distribution and matching funds to be discussed. ***
Sergio Cox
22. **Discussion and action** on hiring practice utilized by Interim City Manager for the hiring of external Grant Writer reference the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) Grant. ***
Sergio Cox
23. **Discussion and action** on the status of the self-appointed Financial Committee that consists of the Mayor and District 4 Council Person that was formulated without Council approval or knowledge. ***
Sergio Cox
24. **Discussion and action** for the approval to contribute to the Lower Valley School Nurses for the 27th Annual Lower Valley Health Fair in the amount of \$1,500.00.

Mayor Lopez
25. **Discussion and action** on an Ordinance (law) pertaining to driving tractors/semis on city streets.
Jesus Gandara Jr.
26. **Status Report** on O'Reilly's Auto Parts Store fence requirement of compliance.
Tommy A. Faulkner
27. **Excuse** absent Council Members. * ** ***
Gina Rodriguez

The following items are added to the Regular Agenda for the meeting of March 5, 2009

ADDENDUM TO THE CONSENT AGENDA:

28. **Approval** of minutes of Special Council meeting of 02/26/09. **Olivia Navarro**

ADDENDUM TO THE REGULAR AGENDA:

29. **Discussion and action** on approval to amend the City of Socorro's *Purchasing Policy*.
Manny Soto
30. **Discussion and action** on approval to set the City of Socorro's Parade and Festival for Saturday, May 2, 2009.
Mayor Lopez
31. **Discussion and action** on appointment of *Andrew Apodaca* to the *Planning & Zoning Commission*.
Jesus S. Hernandez
32. **Swearing In** of newly appointed Commission members. **Jesus S. Hernandez**

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The City Council will retire into EXECUTIVE SESSION pursuant to Section 3.08 of the City of Socorro Charter and the Texas Government Code, Sections 551.071 – 551.076 to discuss any of the following: (The items listed below are matters of the sort routinely discuss in Executive Session, but Council may move to Executive Session any of the items on this agenda, consistent with the terms of the Open Meetings Act.)

Section 551.071 CONSULTATION 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

Discussion on the following:

33. Discussion with City Attorneys regarding pending and threatened litigation and legal issues associated with proposed personnel action. ** *** ***Sergio Cox***

34. Discussion regarding authorizing an investigation of possible ordinance 76 violations regarding placement of mobile homes, and in regard to any appropriate personnel action pending completion of the investigation. ** *** ***Sergio Cox***

35. Discussion on the Interim City Manager's evaluation. ***

Tommy A. Faulkner

Open Session:

36. Discussion and action on filling the position of *Municipal Court Clerk* which was left vacant with the dismissal of the previous City Manager. (Item incorrectly omitted from the Budget of 2008 with Council Approval.) ** *** ***Sergio Cox***

37. Discussion and action to consider authorizing an investigation of possible ordinance 76 violations regarding placement of mobile homes, and to take appropriate personnel action pending completion of the investigation. ** *** ***Sergio Cox***

38. Discussion and action on the Interim City Manager's evaluation. ***

Tommy A. Faulkner

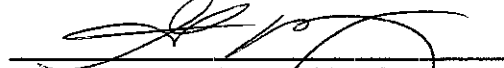
39. Adjourn

* Represents items not taken up during the meeting of 12/11/08

** Represents items of 02/05/09 meeting cancelled due to lack of quorum

*** Represents items of 02/19/09 meeting cancelled by the Mayor


DATED THIS 2ND, DAY OF MARCH, 2009.

By: 
Georgina Rodriguez, 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 2ND, DAY OF MARCH, 2009.

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