

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

**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 4TH, DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2008, 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**

PRESENTATION:

- 4. *Presentation* on status report by the Texas Department of Transportation (TXDot) on the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) projects.**
Charles Berry
Chief Engineer for TxDot
- 5. *Presentation* by Huitt-Zollars Engineers regarding the Safe Routes to School (SRTS).**
Luz Cano
- 6. *Presentation* by the El Paso County Emergency 911 District Director, Joseph Lorkowski, regarding the proposed move of the Police communication to the emergency 911 Communication Center.**
Chief Bill Klaus Mansion
Manny Soto/Interim City Manager

- 7. Open Forum**

PUBLIC HEARING:

8. **Public Hearing** on an ordinance authorizing the issuance of sale of the City of Socorro, Texas, Combination Tax and Revenue *Certificate of Obligation, Series 2008*; levying an annual ad valorem tax providing for the security for and payment of said certificate; providing an effective date; and enacting other provisions relating to the subject. **Mayor Lopez**
9. **Public Hearing** regarding to the submission of an application to the Office of Rural Community Affairs (ORCA) for a Texas Community Development Block Grant Program TxCDBG Grant **Luz Cano**

CONSENT AGENDA:

10. **Approval** of Regular Council meeting minutes of 08/07/08 and Special Council meeting minutes of 08/08/08. **Olivia Navarro**
11. **Discussion and action** on the *proposed rezoning* of Lot 14, Block 3, *McAdoo Acres*, 11350 Jim Bean Dr., from C-1, Light Commercial, to SU-1, Special Use Zone.
*****PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION RECOMMENDS APPROVAL*****
Sam Leony

REGULAR AGENDA:

12. **Discussion and action** on approval of a *Resolution* authorizing the submission of an infrastructure road reconstruction grant application to the Office of Rural and Community Affairs (ORCA) for the amount of \$234,859 dollars with a 5% in-kind match. **Luz Cano**
13. **City Manager's** Monthly Report. **Sergio Cox**
14. **Discussion and action** on approval of the *proposed rezoning* of *Tract 16-Z, 16-F, 16-Z-1, 16-H, and 16-Z-2, Block 10*, Socorro Grant, from a combination of R-1, Single Family Residential/C-1, Neighborhood Commercial, to M-2, Heavy Industrial.
*****PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION RECOMMENDS APPROVAL*****
(Tabled Meeting 08/21/08). **Sam Leony**
15. **Discussion and action** on the final plat approval for *Cottonwood Cove Subdivision*, Unit 1, being a portion of Tracts 10-H and 10-L, Block 3, Socorro Grant.
*****PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDS APPROVAL*****
(Tabled Meeting of 08/21/08 & Deleted Meeting 07/03/08). **Sam Leony**
16. **Discussion and action** to approve to start work on the *Belen Park (corner of Horizon Blvd and Middle Drain Rd.)*. **Tommy A. Faulkner**

17. **Discussion and action** on approval for the enhancement and utilization of the embankment site and shade structure at the Rio Vista Complex site for it to be used as an amphitheater and Veterans Memorial as a revenue source for the City of Socorro, Texas. **Jesus S. Hernandez**
18. **Introduction, First Reading, and Calling for a Public Hearing** on an Ordinance permitting volunteers to enforce Handicap Parking Regulations. **Tommy A. Faulkner**
19. **Discussion and action** to approve travel expenditures for Representative Tommy A. Faulkner to attend the National Association of Latino Elected and Appointed Officials (NALEO)-Policy Institute on Sustainable Communities held on October 10-12, 2008, in Houston, Texas. **Tommy A. Faulkner**
20. **Discussion and action** to approve travel expenditures for Representative Tommy A. Faulkner to attend the Texas Municipal League (TML) 96th Annual Conference and Exhibition on October 28-31, 2008, in San Antonio, Texas. **Tommy A. Faulkner**
21. **Discussion and action** concerning interference with Administration as per Charter Section 3.10. **Tommy A. Faulkner**
22. **Discussion and action** on the reconstruction of the existing two lanes and shoulders to four lanes with raised medians and curbs on Horizon/Buford Road from FM 76 (North Loop) to SH 20 (Alameda). **Manny Soto**
23. **Discussion and action** on approval of *the new street selection* for the Office of Rural and Community Affairs ORCA's infrastructure road reconstruction grant application. **Sam Leony**
24. **Excuse** absent Council Members. **Gina Rodriguez**

The following items are added to the Regular Agenda for the meeting of September 4, 2008.

ADDENDUM TO THE REGULAR AGENDA:

25. **Discussion and action** on completing the concrete slap with refinish and new goals for the basketball court at Cougar Park. **Sergio Cox**
26. **Discussion and action** on approval for City Manager to advertise requests for proposals (RFP's) for the basketball court project at Cougar Park. **Sergio Cox**
27. **Discussion and action** on completion of new restrooms at Cougar Park. (Privacy/liability issue concerns over the fixtures & unfinished construction). **Sergio Cox**
28. **Discussion and action** on authorizing and directing Sam Leony, Public Works Director, to start completion of the soccer field project at Rio Vista Park to include leveling, seeding, and anti-theft metals goals. **Sergio Cox**

- 29. Discussion and action** on approval to *Rescind Resolution No. 371* for Office of Rural and Community Affairs (ORCA) as approved by Council during the meeting of 08/07/08. **Manny Soto**
- 30. Discussion and action** on approval of the Sr. Accountant position. **Manny Soto**
- 31. Discussion and action on** approval to waive even permit fee for an *outdoor Haunted Maze* at 1000 Berry Rd. (Ajiladero del Bajio) from October 1, 2008 to October 31, 2008 by Rene Rodela. **Sam Leony**
*****PLANNING DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDS APPROVAL*****
- 32. Discussion and action** on approval to waive fee for *San Felipe de Jesus Catholic Church* on 401 Passmore on October 10, 11, &12, 2008. By Celimo Osorio. **Sam Leony**
*****PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDS APPROVAL*****
- 33. Discussion and action** on approval to waive event permit fee for *Socorro High School's annual Homecoming Parade*. **Sam Leony**
*****PLANNING & ZONING DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDS APPROVAL*****
- 34. Discussion and action** on approval for a *Certificate of Appropriateness* for Socorro Independent School District (SISD) for *Escontrias Early Childhood Center* at 10400 Alameda Ave., for the placement of a flat roof on an existing pump house structure. **Sam Leony**
*****PLANNING DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDS APPROVAL*****
- 35. Discussion and action** on approval for a *Certificate of Appropriateness* for a new residence at Socorro Grant, Block 18, Tract 11-A, 10269 Socorro Rd., by Victor M. Olivas. **Sam Leony**
*****PLANNING & ZONING DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDS APPROVAL*****

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

36. Adjourn

DATED THIS 29th DAY OF AUGUST, 2008.

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 29th DAY OF AUGUST, 2008.

By: 
Georgina Rodriguez, City Clerk

Agenda posted:

 8/29/08 5:05 p

Removed: _____

Time: _____

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