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Mayor

Sergio Cox
At Large/Mayor ProTem

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 18TH 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**
- 4. Open Forum**

PRESENTATIONS:

- 5. *Presentation* by the Socorro High School students regarding recreational facilities at the *The Old Fire Station* located on Hueco Tanks & Moon Rd. ***Sergio Cox*****
- 6. *Presentation* of the *POW/MIA* ceremony conducted by *Victor Flores, Vice President, of Chapter 574-Vietnam of America, El Paso, Texas.* ***Sergio Cox*****
- 7. *Presentation* by Albert Hurt, Army Force member. ***Trini Lopez*****

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

8. **Public Hearing** on an Ordinance authorizing the issuance and sale of the City of Socorro, Texas Combination Tax and Revenue Certificate of Obligation Series 2008; levying an annual ad valorem tax and providing for the security for and payment of said certificate; providing and effective date; and enacting other provisions relating the subject.
Mayor Lopez
9. **Public Hearing** on an Ordinance adopting for the fiscal year commencing October 1, 2008 and end ending on September 30, 2009 for the City of Socorro, Texas.
Manny Soto
10. **Public Hearing** on an Ordinance authorizing the assessment and collection of property taxes within the City of Socorro, Texas and further authorizing the El Paso City Tax Office to perform the actual assessment and collection of said property taxes on behalf of the City of Socorro, Texas for the fiscal year of October 1, 2008 to September 30, 2009.
Manny Soto

CONSENT AGENDA:

11. **Approval** of Special Council Meeting minutes of 08/21/08 and Regular Council Meeting of 08/21/08.
Olivia Navarro

REGULAR AGENDA:

12. **Discussion and action** on the approval of Amendment to *Policy 35- Public, Civic, and Non-Profit Organizations' use of Socorro City property and limited services*.
Manny Soto
13. **Second Reading and Adoption** of an Ordinance authorizing the issuance and sale of the City of Socorro, Texas Combination Tax and Revenue Certificate of Obligation, Series 2008; levying an annual ad valorem tax and providing for the security for and payment of said certificate; providing an effective date; and enacting other provisions relating the subject
Manny Soto
14. **Second Reading and Adoption** of an Ordinance adopting a budget for the fiscal year commencing October 1, 2008 and ending on September 30, 2009 for the City of Socorro, Texas.
Manny Soto
15. **Second Reading and Adoption** of an Ordinance authorizing the assessment and collection of property taxes within the City of Socorro, Texas and further authorizing the El Paso City Tax Office to perform the actual assessment and collection of said property taxes on behalf of the City of Socorro, Texas for the fiscal year of October 1, 2008 to September 30, 2009.
Manny Soto
16. **City Manager's** monthly report.
(As per meeting of 02/07/08)
Sergio Cox

17. **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.
(Tabled meeting of 09/04/08) **Sam Leony**
18. **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 revenue source for the City of Socorro, Texas. **Jesus S. Hernandez**
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 expenditure 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 FM76 (North Loop) to SH 20 (Alameda) **Manny Soto**
23. **Excuse** absent Council Members. **Gina Rodriguez**
24. **Discussion and action** on completing the concrete slap with refinish and new goals for the basketball court at Cougar Park. **Sergio Cox**
25. **Discussion and action** on approval for the City Manager to advertise requests for proposals (RFP's) for the basketball court project at Cougar Park **Sergio Cox**
26. **Discussion and action** on completion of new restrooms at Cougar Park (Privacy/liability issue concerns over the fixtures & unfinished construction). **Sergio Cox**
27. **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**
28. **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**
29. **Discussion and action** on approval of the Sr. Accountant position. **Manny Soto**

- 30. Discussion and action** on approval to waive fee for San Felipe De Jesus Catholic Church on 401 Passmore on October 10, 11 and 12, 2008 by Celimo Osorio.
Sam Leony
- 31. Discussion and action** on approval to waive event permit fee for Socorro High School's annual Homecoming Parade.
Sam Leony
- 32. Discussion and action** to approve a donation to the Sun Stars Dance Team of Hueco Elementary School for them to attend the dance Championship in Arlington, Texas in March 2009.
Jesus S. Hernandez
- 33. Discussion and action** on approval to appoint Miguel Martinez to the Planning & Zoning Commission.
Jose Hernandez Jr.
- 34. Swearing In** of newly appointed commission members.
Jose Hernandez Jr.
- 35. Discussion and action** on approval of a Resolution of the City of Socorro, Texas approving the petition of El Paso Electric Company to modify Mercury Vapor Lighting Tariffs, Schedule No. 08 and Schedule No. 28, pursuant to the Energy Policy Act of 2005.
Mayor Lopez
- 36. Discussion and action** to approve to enter into an Interlocal Agreement between the City of El Paso and the City of Socorro, Texas for the on-site sewage facility program.
Mayor Lopez
- 37. Discussion and action** on approval to seek and advertise for requests for qualifications (RFQ's) for Engineering Services to develop the City of Socorro's Master Plan.
Mayor Lopez
- 38. Discussion and action** on the approval for a Certificate of Appropriateness for a new rockwall at Tract 5-A, Block 21, Socorro Grant, 10166 Socorro Rd., by Rogelio and Darlene Renteria. Rockwall will comply with southwest/santa fe color and design.
Sam Leony
- 39. Discussion and action** on the status of the purchase of a portable combination storage and concession building- Morgan type, status of the surrounding chain link fence for security purposes, and status on the separation of water and electrical utilities due to liability reasons on Rio Vista Park.
Sergio Cox
- 40. Discussion and action** on status of Recycling Center and of the \$33,000 grant recently awarded to the City of Socorro, Texas by the Rio Grande Council of Government for a metal shade building.
Sergio Cox
- 41. Discussion and action** in reference to flood control directive and measures at both Thunder Rd./Rio Vista Rd. and Nancy Rd. arroyos.
Sergio Cox

**The following items are added to the Consent & Regular Agenda for the meeting of
September 18, 2008.**

- 42. Discussion and Action** on proposed *Conditional Use Permit* for "Licores Baca".
Jesus Gandara Jr.

ADDENDUM TO THE REGULAR AGENDA:

- 43. Discussion and action** on approval of transfer of the pre-approved salary for the District 3 representative to District 3 Discretionary Fund. *Jose Hernandez Jr.*

- 44. Discussion** on the flooding of September 14, 2008 and a report on the arroyo.
Mayor Lopez

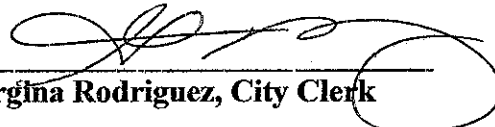
EXECUTIVE SESSION:

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 GIFTS
Section 551.074 PERSONNEL MATTERS
Section 551.076 DELIBERATION


- 45. Adjourn**

DATED THIS 15TH, DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 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 15TH, DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2008.

By: 
Georgina Rodriguez, City Clerk

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