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Mayor

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At Large

Josie Trillo
District 1



Mary E. Perez
District 2 / Mayor Pro Tem

Victor Perez
District 3

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District 4

Carol Garcia
City Manager

ORDINANCE NO. 263

AN ORDINANCE ORDERING AN ELECTION BY THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE CITY OF SOCORRO, TEXAS ON THE SECOND SATURDAY IN MAY, BEING THE 10TH DAY OF MAY 2008 FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING A MAYOR AND FIVE COUNCIL PERSONS FOR THE CITY OF SOCORRO, TEXAS.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOCORRO, TEXAS:

SECTION I.

That in compliance and accordance with the laws and constitution of the State of Texas, an election be and the same is hereby called and ordered for, the second Saturday in May, being the 10th day of May 2008 at which election of all qualified voters may vote for the purpose of electing a Mayor and five Council persons for the City of Socorro, Texas.

SECTION II.

That the City Secretary for the City of Socorro, Texas together with the El Paso County Elections Administrator's office shall prepare ballots to be used in said election and shall stamp same "Official Ballot", on which shall be printed the names of the candidates of the position of Mayor and Council persons. The places of the different Council persons shall be designated on the official ballot as Member of Council, District No. 1,2,3,4, & one At Large position respectfully.

SECTION III.

That no person's name shall be placed upon the official ballot as a candidate for the position of Mayor or member of City Council unless such person has filed his sworn application, as provided by the laws of Texas, with the City Clerk no sooner than February 9, 2008 nor after March 10, 2008 at 5:00 p.m., and it must also appear on the face of said application the number of the place that said candidate is seeking.

SECTION IV.

That it shall further appear to the said City Secretary, before said candidate's name is entered on said ballot, that he or she has filed an affidavit of loyalty with the City Clerk, as required by Section 141.031 of the Election Code of the State of Texas.

SECTION V.

That each voter shall vote for his choice for candidate for each place and shall vote for one candidate only of each place.

SECTION VI.

That any candidate receiving a plurality of all the votes cast for the office for which he is a candidate shall be elected for such office. In the event of a tie, the Mayor on the first day after the completion of the official count of ballots, shall issue a call for a second election, as required by law, at which second election the two candidates receiving the equal number of votes for any such office or officers, as the case may be, in the first election at which no one was elected by receiving a plurality of all the votes cast for all candidates for such office or offices, shall again be voted on.

SECTION VII.

That the polls shall be kept open from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 o'clock p.m. and that due return be made to the Council showing the number of votes cast for and the number of votes against each candidate for each of the positions of councilperson respectively.

SECTION VIII.

That this ordinance, signed by the mayor and attested by the City Clerk, shall constitute the proclamation of the Mayor calling and order said election, and that such notice shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Socorro, Texas once a week for four weeks prior thereto, and that the said City Clerk is hereby directed to post or cause to be posted said proclamation at least twenty (20) days before said election in each voting precinct.

SECTION IX.

That the polling places for this election and the personnel of the offices who are to hold the same, except insofar as that be charged by the City Council of Socorro, Texas, shall be as follows:

PRECINCT:	LOCATION	ADDRESS
149	Hilley Elementary School	639 Rio Vista Rd.
150	Rojas Elementary School	500 Bauman Rd.
151	Socorro High School	10150 Alameda Ave.
152	Rojas Elementary School	500 Bauman Rd.
153	Escontrias Elementary School	205 Buford Rd.
154	Campestre Elementary School	11399 Socorro Rd.

Early voting will be held as follows:

Socorro High School * April 28, 2008 – May 4, 2008 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
10150 Alameda Ave. May 5, 2008 – May 6, 2008 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Socorro, Texas 79927

*** Except Saturday and Sunday**

And any other places as shall be designated by the County Elections Administrator.

This ordinance was duly enacted with all the requisites and formalities incident thereto the enactment of ordinances, and such is evidenced by the below signatures.

SIGNED AND ENACTED this 6th day of March, 2008.



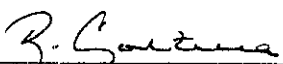
Trini Lopez
Mayor

ATTEST:



Georgina Rodriguez
City Clerk

APPROVED:



Richard Contreras
City Attorney

First Reading: 02/07/08
Second Reading: 03/06/08