

Trini Lopez
Mayor

Sergio Cox
At Large

Jesus S. Hernandez
District 1



Tommy A. Faulkner
District 2

Jose Hernandez Jr.
District 3/ Mayor Pro Tem

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)
858-2915 FOR FURTHER INFORMATION.
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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 FEBRUARY, 2010, 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:

1. Call to order
2. Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence
3. Establishment of Quorum

PRESENTATION:

4. *Retake* of 2008-2010 City Council Portrait. *Tommy A. Faulkner*
5. Open Forum

PUBLIC HEARING:

6. *Public Hearing* on Ordinance 271, Amendment No. 2. An ordinance amending Ordinance 271 regarding the budget for the fiscal year commencing on October 1, 2009 and ending on September 30, 2010, for the City of Socorro, Texas. *Sergio Cox*

CONSENT AGENDA:

7. *Approval of Regular Council meeting minutes of 11/05/09* *Olivia Navarro*
(Tabled meeting 01/21/10).
8. *Approval of Regular Council meeting minutes of 10/15/09.* *Olivia Navarro*

9. *Approval of Regular Council meeting minutes of 09/17/09.* **Olivia Navarro**

REGULAR AGENDA:

10. *City Manager's Monthly Report.* **Lorenza Fraire**
- *Grants*
 - *Financial Report*

11. *Introduction, First Reading, and Calling for a Public Hearing on an Ordinance Updating the City of Socorro, Texas' Organizational Chart.* **Tommy A. Faulkner**
(Tabled meeting of 01/21/10, 01/07/10, 11/19/09 & 11/05/09). *****

12. *Discussion and action on amending the City of Socorro's Purchasing Policy.* ****
(Tabled meeting 01/07/10) *****
***** **Lorenza Fraire**

13. *Discussion and action on approval of Administrative Cost Agreement between the Rio Grande Council of Governments and the City of Socorro, Texas for \$2,248.00 FY2010 and \$2,211.00 FY2011 for Administrative Cost of Water Plan.* *****
***** **Mayor Lopez**

14. *Discussion and action regarding the run off of water from the unincorporated areas of El Paso County onto the City of Socorro, Texas.* *****
***** **Lorenza Fraire**

15. *Discussion and action on approval to extend the moratorium on Ordinance 77 relating to subdivision plat approvals.* *****
***** **Sam Leony**

16. *Discussion and action on approval of the Account Temps contract.* *****
***** **Lorenza Fraire**

17. *Discussion and action on citizen concerns in reference to ambulance services in the City of Socorro, Texas.* ***** **Lorenza Fraire**

18. *Discussion and action on the El Paso Electric Company's Notice of Petition to change rates, reconcile fuel costs, establish formula-based fuel factors, implement energy efficiency cost recovery factor, and for related relief.* *****
***** **Lorenza Fraire**

19. *Discussion and action on approval to authorize for the submittal of a letter of support from the City of Socorro, Texas to IX A&M Colonia Program for the submittal of a grant application.* ***** **Mayor Trini Lopez**

20. *Discussion and action on approval of proposed amendment to Ordinance 106, amendment No. 3, entitled an Ordinance regulating street vendors within the City limits of the City of Socorro, Texas.* ***** **Sam Leony**

21. Discussion and action on approval of proposed amendment to Ordinance 170, entitled, Ordinance establishing truck routes within the Municipal Limits of the City of Socorro, Texas. *****
Sam Leony

22. Discussion and action on approval to have Lorenza Fraire, Interim City Manager, attend the 2010 William "King" Cole Effective Local Government Series Session I to be held on January 28-29, 2010 in Austin, Texas. *****
Lorenza Fraire

23. Discussion and action on approval to enter into an Interlocal Agreement for the Shared Services Purchasing initiative with the City of El Paso, Texas. *****
Lorenza Fraire

24. Discussion and action on approval to amend Ordinance 131-3, An Ordinance entitled, Historic Landmark Preservation for the City of Socorro, Texas. *****
Sergio Cox

25. Excuse absent Council Members. *****
Gina Rodriguez

26. Introduction, First Reading, and Calling for a Public Hearing on an Ordinance adopting the following Codes: The 2009 Building Codes, 2009 Mechanical Codes, 2008 NEC, 2009 Plumbing Codes, 2009 Codes Sets, 2009 Energy Conservation Codes, 2009 Fire Codes, 2009 Fuel Gas Codes, 2009 Residential Codes, and 2009 International Codes. *****
Sergio Cox

27. Discussion and action on approval to begin work on the Vineyard Recreational Center for the City of Socorro, Texas. *****
Tommy A. Faulkner

**** Represents items not taken up at meeting of 10/15/09
**** Represents items not taken up at meeting of 11/05/09
**** Represents items not taken up at meeting of 11/19/09
**** Represents items not taken up at meeting of 12/10/09
***** Represents items not taken up at meeting of 12/14/09 due to no quorum
***** Represents items not taken up at meeting of 12/16/09 due to no quorum
***** Represents items not taken up at meeting of 01/07/10
***** Represents items not taken up at meeting of 01/21/10

28. Discussion and action on approval to begin work on the Moon Rd. Recreational Center for the City of Socorro, Texas.
Tommy A. Faulkner

29. Discussion and action on approval for Judge Ernesto Gomez to attend the Texas Municipal Court Education Center to be held on May 11-13, 2010 in South Padre Island, Texas.
Irma Weist-Torres

30. Discussion and action on final plat approval for Burt Subdivision, being all of Tract 10-1, Block 3, Socorro Grant.
Sam Leony

31. Second Reading and Adoption on Ordinance 271, Amendment No. 2. An ordinance amending Ordinance 271 regarding the budget for the fiscal year commencing on October 1, 2009 and ending on September 30, 2010, for the City of Socorro, Texas.
Sergio Cox

- 32. Discussion and action** on approval to enter into a contract with *AIA Engineering, LTD* for Engineering Services to analyze the soundness of the *Recycling Center Canopy structure* in the City of Socorro, Texas. **Lorenza Fraire**
- 33. Discussion and action** on approval to enter into a contract with *Villa Verde Civil Engineers* for Engineering Services to analyze the soundness of the *Stockyard Overpass/Sparks Arroyo Projects* in the City of Socorro, Texas. **Lorenza Fraire**
- 34. Discussion and action** on approval to enter into a contract with *White, Samaniego, Campbell, LLP* for *Internal Audit Services* for the City of Socorro, Texas. **Lorenza Fraire**
- 35. Discussion and action** on opening the *Requests for Qualifications (RFQ's)* bids for *Engineering Services* for the *Texas Department of Rural Affairs (TDRA) Grant Contract #729761* to carry out street improvements in the City of Socorro, Texas. **Lorenza Fraire**
- 36. Discussion and action** on the installation of sewer lines by the Lower Valley Water District for *Hacienda Del Valle Subdivision* in the City of Socorro, Texas. **Tommy A. Faulkner**
- 37. Discussion and action** on past due health insurance premiums for previous employees. **Cindy Capanna**
- 38. Discussion and action** to approve redistricting plan to expand existing City single member election districts to include areas recently annexed into the City of Socorro. **Jerry Wallace**
- 39. Introduction, First Reading, and Calling for a Public Hearing** on an Ordinance Designating Reinvestment Zone for the City of Socorro, Texas. **Sergio Cox**
- 40. Introduction, First Reading, and Calling for a Public Hearing** on an Ordinance ordering an election of the Mayor and 5 Council members of the City of Socorro, Texas on May 8, 2010. **Lorenza Fraire**
- 41. Discussion and action** on approval to enter into a contract with the El Paso County Elections Department to provide election services to the City of Socorro, Texas for the May 8, 2010 election. **Lorenza Fraire**
- 42. Discussion and action** on the status of the signs and banners that were supposed to be put up on all entrances to the City Limits of the City of Socorro, Texas. **Tommy A. Faulkner**
- 43. Discussion and action** to delete rule stating that City Council meetings end at 10:00 p.m., set on October 4, 2007. **Jesus Gandara Jr.**
- 44. Discussion and action** on city acquiring and maintaining Fray Olguin Rd. **Jesus Gandara Jr.**

- 45. Discussion and action** on approval to waive building and utility permit fees for Bauman Estates, Block 2, Lot 11. **Sam Leony**
- 46. Discussion and action** on approval of Certificate of Appropriateness for Jose Angel Hernandez and Ana Maria Hernandez for construction of a new grocery store at 11501 Socorro Rd. **Sam Leony**
- 47. Discussion and action** on approval of Certificate of Appropriateness for fencing on 649 Apodaca. **Sam Leony**

The following items are added to the Agenda for the meeting of February 4, 2010

ADDENDUM TO THE REGULAR AGENDA:

- 48. Discussion and action** on approval of a Resolution of Intent to consider providing Tax Abatements as Economic Development Incentives in the City of Socorro, Texas. **Jerry Wallace**
- 49. Discussion and action** on status report in reference to contract agreement with CEA for engineering additional work on streets of the City. **Sergio Cox**
- 50. Discussion and action** on the status of the flooding condition at 10949 Burt Rd. as a result of recent land development. **Sergio Cox**
- 51. Discussion and action** on approval to obtain Monte Alto Rd. and maintain due to the flooding conditions. **Tommy A. Faulkner**
- 52. Discussion and action** on status dealing with banners and signs that were supposed to be placed honoring the Socorro High School Baseball Champions in the City of Socorro. **Jesus Gandara Jr.**
- 53. Discussion and action** to appoint individuals to fill vacancies on City Commission. **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 GIFT
Section 551.074 PERSONNEL MATTERS
Section 551.076 DELIBERATION REGARDING SECURITY DEVICES

Discussion on the following:

54. Discussion on qualifications of individuals for employment and for appointment to Boards & Commissions, job performance of employees, and receive legal advice from City Attorney regarding legal issues affecting these matters.

Blanco, Ordonez, & Wallace, P.C.

55. Discussion on proposal regarding financial or other incentive to a business prospect in connection with the economic development involving financial and economic benefits requested by business prospect that seeks to locate, or expand facilities in the City of Socorro, Texas pursuant to Section 551.087 Texas Government Code.

Blanco, Ordonez, & Wallace, P.C.

56. Discussion on the status of acquisition of real estate.

Sergio Cox

Open Session:

57. Discussion and action to approve economic, financial, and taxation incentives requested by business that seeks to locate or expand in the City of Socorro, Texas in connection with Economic Development Project and approve Agreements and Resolutions necessary to effectuate same. Adopt resolution of intent to participate in tax abatement and tax abatement guidelines and criteria.

Blanco, Ordonez, & Wallace, P.C.

58. Discussion and action on the acquisition of real estate.

Sergio Cox

59. Adjourn

DATED THIS 1ST, DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2010.

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 1ST, DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2010

By: _____

Georgina Rodriguez, City Clerk

Agenda posted: 2/1/10 @ 5:10pm *GR*

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