

**AN ORDER SCHEDULING A RUNOFF ELECTION TO BE HELD IN  
THE CITY OF SOCORRO, TEXAS, ON SATURDAY, THE 4<sup>th</sup> DAY  
OF DECEMBER 2021, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING  
DISTRICT 1 AND DISTRICT 2 REPRESENTATIVES**

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

**SECTION 1.  
RUNOFF ELECTION ORDERED.**

As no candidate for the District No. 1 and District No. 2 Representatives received a majority of the votes cast for said positions, the City Council hereby orders a runoff election for such positions, between the following two candidates receiving the highest number of votes for said positions:

**CITY OF SOCORRO, District 1**

Ernest Gomez	60 votes	(34.68%)
Cesar Nevarez	81 votes	(46.82%)

**CITY OF SOCORRO, District 2**

Ralph Duran	44 votes	(33.59%)
Alejandro Garcia	49 votes	(37.40%)

In accordance with the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, the City Council hereby orders that the runoff election be held on December 4, 2021, as authorized by section 2.021 of the Texas Election Code, at which qualified voters residing within the City of Socorro may vote for the purpose of electing the District No. 1 and District No. 2 Representatives.

The runoff election shall be conducted by contract with the El Paso County Elections Department. The City Manager is authorized to approve and accept any agreements with the El Paso County Elections Department and to do all other things required for conduct of this Election.

**SECTION 2.  
BALLOT.**

The Socorro City Clerk shall coordinate procedures with the El Paso County Elections Department to ensure that ballots are prepared to be used in said election, on which ballots shall be printed the names of the runoff candidates for the position of District No. 1 and District No. 2 Representatives. The ballots, and such other materials as may be required by Chapter 272 of the Texas Election Code, shall be printed in English and in Spanish for use in said general election.

**SECTION 3.  
DRAWING FOR PLACES ON THE BALLOT.**

Pursuant to Section 52.094 of the Texas Election Code, the order of the candidates' names for the general election were determined by a drawing. The order of the candidates' names on the ballot of said resulting runoff election shall be the relative order of names on the original election ballot, pursuant to Section 52.094(a) of the Texas Election Code.

**SECTION 4.**  
**EARLY VOTING CLERK.**

- (a) The El Paso County Elections Administrator shall serve as the Early Voting Clerk. The official mailing address is:  
500 E. San Antonio Ave., Suite #314  
El Paso, Texas 79901  
Facsimile No.: (915) 546-2220  
E-mail: [ballotrequests@epcounty.com](mailto:ballotrequests@epcounty.com)
- (b) The City Secretary of the City of Socorro shall serve as Chief Deputy Early Voting Clerk.
- (c) Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed, faxed, or e-mailed to the Early Voting Clerk at the address, facsimile number, or e-mail address set out in subsection (a) above. The electronic transmission of a scanned application must contain an original signature. Pursuant to section 84.007 of the Texas Election Code, an application for ballot by mail that is submitted via facsimile or e-mail must also be submitted via mail and received at the address in subsection (a) above, no later than the fourth business day after the request is sent via facsimile or email.
- (d) Applications for ballot by mail must be received no later than the close of regular business in the Early Voting Clerk's office, or 12 noon, whichever is later, on November 23, 2021, pursuant to section 84.007 of the Texas Election Code, except as otherwise provided by law. The date of submission of the scanned and e-mailed application for ballot by mail is determined by the date and time the e-mail was sent by the applicant. Late ballot voting shall be conducted pursuant to chapters 102 and 103 of the Election Code.

**SECTION 5.**  
**EARLY POLLING LOCATIONS.**

Early voting shall be conducted at the locations and on the dates and times set forth in Exhibit "A," attached hereto and made a part hereof.

**SECTION 6.  
ELECTION DAY POLLING LOCATIONS.**

Voting on Election Day shall be conducted at the polling places set forth in Exhibit "B," attached hereto and made a part hereof. The Election Day polling places shall be kept open on December 4, 2021, from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

**SECTION 7.  
VOTING SYSTEM.**

- (a) An electronic voting system, as defined in Chapter 121 of the Texas Election Code, shall be used for voting at the polling places at said election and for counting the ballots and the tabulation of the results. The conduct of the election and the use of the electronic voting system shall be in accordance with the Texas Election Code. The voting system shall be accessible to disabled voters, pursuant to Chapter 61 of the Texas Election Code.
- (b) The El Paso County Elections Department, 500 E. San Antonio Ave., Suite #314, El Paso, Texas 79901, is hereby established as the Central Counting Station for the ballots cast in said election.
- (c) An individual having knowledge and experience in the conduct of elections with the electronic voting system for which the Central Counting Station is established shall be appointed by the El Paso County Elections Department as the Manager of the Central Counting Station. The Manager shall be in charge of overall administration of the Central Counting Station and the general supervision of the personnel working at the Station.
- (d) An individual, trained in the operation of the automatic tabulating equipment installed at the Central Counting Station, shall be appointed by El Paso County Elections Department as Tabulation Supervisor. The Tabulation Supervisor shall be in charge of the operation of the automatic tabulating equipment.
- (e) An individual shall be appointed by the El Paso County Elections Department as Assistant to the Tabulation Supervisor. Such assistant shall assist the Tabulation Supervisor in the operation of the automatic tabulating equipment as directed by the Tabulation Supervisor.
- (f) An individual shall be appointed by the El Paso County Elections Department as Presiding Judge of the Central Counting Station. He shall maintain order at the Central Counting Station and shall have such authority as may be prescribed by the Texas Election Code.

- (g) Due returns shall be made to the City Council showing the number of votes cast for each candidate for each office.

**SECTION 8.  
ELECTION BY MAJORITY.**

The candidate receiving the majority of votes cast for the office for which he or she is a candidate shall be elected to such office. A tie vote shall be resolved pursuant to the Texas Election Code.

**SECTION 9.  
PROCLAMATION.**

This order shall constitute the proclamation, call, notice and ordinance calling and ordering said election.

**SECTION 10.  
PUBLICATION.**

Notice of said election shall be given by publishing a Notice of Election, in English and in Spanish, not earlier than the 30<sup>th</sup> day or later than the 10<sup>th</sup> day before Election Day in a newspaper of general circulation in said City, pursuant to section 4.003(a)(1) of the Texas Election Code.

A copy of the notice of this election shall be posted on the City's board used for posting notices of the meeting of the Socorro City Council not later than the 15<sup>th</sup> day before Election Day, and shall remain posted continuously through Election Day, pursuant to sections 4.003(b) and 2.026 of the Texas Election Code.

Notice of this election shall also be posted on the City of Socorro website.

**SECTION 11.  
NOTICE.**

That the way and manner of holding said election, the notice to be given therefor, the polling places, the personnel and the officers who are to hold same, and all details connected with the holding of the election shall be provided for and arranged by the City Clerk; that the proper notice and publication of this notice, proclamation, call and ordinance shall be only cumulative of and in addition to the statutory notice of said election as herein provided; and that any omission or irregularity in this notice or in the publication or posting of this notice, proclamation, call and ordinance, or in the signing of same, shall not in any way affect or invalidate such election.

**SECTION 12.  
CONTROLLING LAW.**

That in all respects, said election shall be conducted in accordance with the Texas Constitution, Texas Election Code, and the applicable conforming provisions of the Charter and ordinances of the City of Socorro.

**SECTION 13.**  
OPEN MEETING COMPLIANCE.


That it is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this order was adopted and said election was called was open to the public and public notice of the time, place and purpose of said meeting was given, all as required by Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

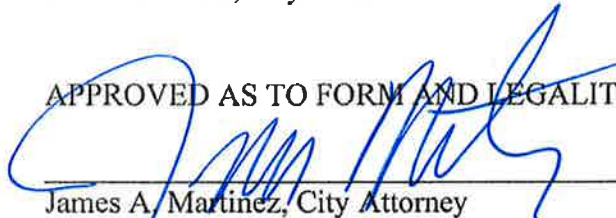
**SECTION 14.**  
EFFECTIVE DATE.

That this election order, proclamation, call and notice shall take effect upon adoption.

CITY OF SOCORRO, TEXAS

By:   
Ivy Avalos, Mayor

ATTEST:  
  
Olivia Navarro, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:  
  
James A. Martinez, City Attorney



ADOPTED and EFFECTIVE: November 9, 2021.

**EXHIBIT "A"**

**CITY OF SOCORRO DECEMBER 4, 2021, ELECTION**

**EARLY VOTING BY PERSONAL APPEARANCE DAYS AND HOURS**

**Early Voting.** Early voting by personal appearance shall be conducted on the attached dates and times and at the following locations, but may be subject to change.

**November 17-November 30, 2021 (except November 25 and 26, 2021 in observance of Thanksgiving)**

<p><b>(Main Early Voting Station)</b> <b>El Paso County Courthouse 500 E. San Antonio Ave. 79901</b>  <b>Third Floor, Back Lobby</b></p>	<p><b>Wednesday, Nov. 17- Friday, Nov. 19 8a-5pm</b> <b>Saturday, Nov.20 – Sunday, Nov. 21 12pm-5pm</b> <b>Monday, Nov. 22 – Wednesday, Nov. 24 8a-5pm</b> <b>Thursday, Nov. 25-Friday, Nov. 26 CLOSED</b> <b>Saturday, Nov. 27 – Sunday, Nov. 28 12pm-5pm</b> <b>Monday, Nov. 29 – Tuesday, Nov. 30 7am-7pm</b></p>
<p><b>Chayo Apodaca Community Center 341 N. Moon Rd. 79927</b> <b>Community Center</b></p>	<p><b>Wednesday, Nov. 17 – Friday, Nov. 19 9am-6pm</b> <b>Saturday, Nov. 20 - Sunday, Nov. 21 12pm-5pm</b> <b>Monday, Nov. 22-Wednesday, Nov. 24 9am – 6pm</b> <b>Thursday, Nov. 25 – Friday, Nov. 26 CLOSED</b> <b>Saturday, Nov. 27 – Sunday, Nov. 28 12pm-5pm</b> <b>Monday, Nov. 29 – Tuesday, Nov. 30 9am – 6pm</b></p>

**\*And such other locations, dates, and hours, as may be maintained by the El Paso County Elections Administrator.**

**EXHIBIT "B"**

CITY OF SOCORRO DECEMBER 4, 2021, ELECTION

<b>Polling Place</b>	<b>Address</b>
El Paso County Courthouse ( <i>Third floor, back lobby</i> )	500 E. San Antonio Ave
H.D. Hilley Elementary School ( <i>Annex</i> )	693 N. Rio Vista Rd.
Robert R. Rojas Elementary School ( <i>Lobby</i> )	500 Bauman Rd.
Chayo Apodaca Community College ( <i>community center</i> )	341 N. Moon
EPCC Mission Del Paso ( <i>Cafeteria</i> )	10700 Gateway Blvd. East

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