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City Council and mayoral elections are coming up! Get involved!

Tuesday, March 4, 2014, is an important day for Socorro. It's our municipal election in which we will choose four members of our City Council and our Mayor. Tuesday, January 7, is an even more important day. That's the day prospective candidates throw their hats in the ring for the March election.

Two years ago the four incumbent councillors and a municipal judge ran unopposed. By law the City was required to hold (and to pay for!) the election anyway. Running for City Council or Mayor is an opportunity for you to serve your City and to represent your fellow residents.

To run for City Council or mayor you must be registered to vote and live within the Socorro city limits. The term is for four years. Candidates must file in person on January 7, though someone else may file in your behalf if they have the appropriate affidavit and documentation. You can pick up a candidate information packet at City Hall that will explain the details.

For the purpose of this election Socorro is divided into four wards. You may choose to run in any ward regardless of where you live. Often candidates don't file until the end of the day, waiting to see who else files for which ward and who will be pitted against

whom. Then, after all the dust settles, write-in candidates can (must) file their intent to run on January 14.

All registered Socorro voters get to vote for all wards for the City Council and for the Mayor. For this election you must be registered to vote by February 4.

There will be two voting locations: Finley Gym and the City Youth Center. Anyone interested in serving as a pollworker should contact City Hall at 835-0240. You must be a registered voter yourself and live within the city limits.

Youth Football Registration

Registration for City Youth football begins January 15 at Finley Gym. Youth ages four to nine may sign up to play flag football. Those ten to thirteen years old may sign up to play tackle. Tackle football is limited to the first 50 to register.

Hey! What's going on?

Find out what's happening in Socorro by visiting the newly remodeled City website at www.socorronm.gov. For news on events and local happenings, the City has unveiled a new tourism website at www.socorronm.org. You can also Like us on Facebook at *Visit Socorro, New Mexico*. You also may sign up for phone, text, or email alerts by calling City Hall at 835-0240.

Employee Anniversaries

Alfred Jojola	10 years
Gilbert Padilla	10 years
Michael Wright	5 years

City Council

Mary Ann Chavez-Lopez	Nick Fleming
Gordy Hicks	Toby Jaramillo
Donald Monette	Michael Olguin, Jr.
Ernest Pargas, Jr.	Peter D. Romero
Ravi Bhasker, Mayor	Pat Salome, Clerk