

CITY OF LAREDO

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

A-2020-R-20

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CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

1110 HOUSTON STREET

LAREDO, TEXAS 78040

December 7, 2020

5:30 P.M.



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I. CALL TO ORDER

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. MOMENT OF SILENCE

IV. ROLL CALL

V. MINUTES

Approval of the minutes of November 2, 2020, November 12, 2020 and November 16, 2020

Citizen comments

Citizens are required to fill out an online participation form and select one of two options below, to assure all precautionary measures are taken to prevent the spread of COVID-19. Participation forms can be found at <https://www.cityoflaredo.com/comments/>. Comments are limited to three (3) minutes per speaker. Speakers may not pass their minutes to any other speaker. Comments should be relevant to City business and delivered in a professional manner. No derogatory remarks will be permitted.

- **Written Comments:**

Submit comments to above link by 5:45 p.m. the day of meeting

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VI. RECOGNITION

1. Recognizing U.I.S.D. Superintendent Roberto J. Santos on his announcement on retirement after having been with United ISD for 38 years. His hard work and diligence have greatly benefited our community; the City of Laredo would like to personally congratulate him on his retirement.

VII. COMMUNICATIONS

1. Presentation by Census Partnership Specialists regarding the 2020 Census and thanking the City for the support.

VIII. APPOINTMENTS TO COMMISSIONS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

1. Appointment by Council Member Roberto Balli to the Municipal Hospital Authority Ad-Hoc Committee.
2. Appointment by Council Member Rudy Gonzalez, Jr. of Isela Contreras to the Para Transit Advisory Committee.
3. Appointment by City Council of Rosa Maria De Llano as the City of Laredo Poet Laureate as recommended by the Fine Arts & Culture Commission.

IX. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending Chapter 24, Article III, Section 24.56.2 and 24.56.5 of the City of Laredo Land Development Code to allow parkland funds to be used for purposes reasonably related to parks in certain circumstances, limited to:
 1. speed humps near parks;
 2. traffic signals near parks; and
 3. sidewalks abutting parks.
2. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending Chapter 15, Health and Sanitation, Article III Cleanliness and Sanitation of Premises, division 1 generally of the Code of Ordinances, by enacting entitled "Repeat Violations" consisting of Section 15.42 (4) - (6) and 15.44 (a)(3) regarding notice for repeated violations of the same type for the City of Laredo; establishing a non-refundable one hundred (\$100.00) dollars administrative fee effective February 1, 2021; providing that this ordinance shall be cumulative; providing for publication; providing a severability clause; and declaring an effective date.
3. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending the FY2020-2021 Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) Position Listing by adding two (2) Administrative Assistant I, R32 positions for the City of Laredo Community Development Department COVID-19 Response Programs. Funding is available through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Budget through grant funds from the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act)/ CDBG-CV (3) third round allocation.
4. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending the FY 2020-2021 Full Time Equivalent (FTE) Position Listing by adding one (1) Registered Nurse II, R38 position through the City of Laredo Interdepartmental Agreement between the Community Development Department and the Health Department for the Public Health Program for COVID-19 prevention and response. Funding is available through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) made available by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).
5. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** authorizing the City Manager to accept and enter into a contract with the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC), amending the FY 2020-2021 budget by appropriating additional revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$278,420.27 for a total of \$449,420.27 for the continuation of the City of Laredo Health

Department (CLHD) Women's Health Preventive Health Services and Family Planning Program for the term period from September 1, 2020 through August 31, 2021. No grant match required.

6. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning approximately 9.99 acres out of a 26.61 acre tract conveyed to MRMD Development Co. LLC, in Porcion 34, J.A. Diaz Original Grantee, Abstract 762, located East of Cuatro Vientos Rd., from AG (Agricultural District) to R-1A (Single Family Reduced Area Residential District).

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the zone change and staff supports the application.

ZC-065-2020
District II

7. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lot 3, Block 1, The Gates at D & J Alexander Subdivision, East, located at 3145 Acropolis East Ct., from R-1 (Single Family Residential District) to B-3 (Community Business District).

The Planning & Zoning Commission recommended approval of the zone change and staff does not support the application.

ZC-059-2020
District V

8. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lot 4, Block 1, The Gates at D & J Alexander Subdivision, East, located at 3147 Acropolis East Ct., from R-1 (Single Family Residential District) to B-3 Community Business District).

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the zone change and staff does not support the application.

ZC-060-2020
District V

9. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lot 2, Block 1, The Gates at D & J Alexander Subdivision, East, located at 3143 Acropolis East Ct., from R-1 (Single Family Residential District) to B-3 (Community Business District).

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the zone change and staff does not support the application.

ZC-061-2020
District V

10. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lot 5, Block 1, The Gates at D & J Alexander Subdivision, East, located at 3149 Acropolis East Ct., from R-1 (Single Family Residential District) to B-3 (Community Business District).

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the zone change and staff does not support the application.

ZC-062-2020
District V

11. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lot 1, Block 1, The Gates at D & J Alexander Subdivision, East, located at 3141 Acropolis East Ct., from R-1 (Single Family Residential District) to B-3 (Community Business District).

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the zone change and staff does not support the application.

ZC-063-2020
District V

(Recess)
(Press Availability)

X. INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCES

12. An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, closing and vacating as a public easement a portion of the Chestnut Street right-of-way in District III, Eastern Division, City of Laredo, Webb County, Texas and authorizing the City Manager to sell the "surface only" of the property; and providing for an effective date.
13. An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas closing and vacating as a public easement, a partial section of 1100 Buena Vista Avenue right-of-way, in District III, south of Barrios Street and north of Boulanger Street, legally described as an undeveloped tract of land containing 3,043.67 sq. ft. tract of land, more or less, being out of the Buena Vista Avenue right-of-way between the northeast right-of-way line of Meadow Avenue south right-of-way line of Barrios Street, Eastern Division, City of Laredo, Webb County, Texas. The City of Laredo reserves any and all apparent and visible easements recorded or not recorded; hereof, closed as a public easement and providing for an effective date.
14. An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas closing and vacating as a public easement, a partial section of 1100 Buena Vista Avenue right-of-way, in District III, south of Barrios Street and north of Boulanger Street, legally described as an undeveloped tract of land containing 3,043.67 sq. ft. tract of land, more or less, being out of the Buena Vista Avenue Right-of-Way between the northeast Right-of-Way line of Meadow Avenue and the south Right-of-Way line of Barrios Street, Eastern Division, City of Laredo, Webb County, Texas. The City of Laredo reserves any and all apparent and visible easements recorded or not recorded; hereof, closed as a public easement and providing for an effective date.
15. An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, amending Chapter 2 – Administration, of the Code of Ordinances, by adding Article XI – Employee of the Quarter and Employee of the Year Program to establish a selection committee, eligibility, criteria, nomination and selection procedures, and recognition and awards for a total of twelve (12) Employees of the Quarter and three (3) Employees of the Year; providing that this Ordinance shall be cumulative; providing a severability clause; and declaring an effective date.
16. Authorizing the City Manager to execute a third amendment to Equipment Premises Temporary License Agreement between the City of Laredo and Sprint Spectrum Realty Company, LLC, for equipment space at 1501 Water Street, Laredo, Webb County, Texas and subject to an existing license agreement between the Parties for use of the existing communications tower. Term of the third amendment is six (6) months commencing retroactively October 7, 2020 and ending April 6, 2021; with two six (6)

month renewal options. The license fee shall be \$9,000.00 for the initial term and a fee of \$9,500.00 for each six (6) month renewal option, if exercised. Revenue will be recorded in General Fund.

17. Authorizing the City Manager to execute a license agreement between the City of Laredo ("Licensor") and Diamond Towers V LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("Licensee") for ground space located at the intersection of Backwoods Trail and Beach Lane, Laredo, Webb County, Texas, for the construction of a 135' communications tower, installation of an equipment building and related communication facilities. The term of the license is five (5) years, with five (5) successive automatic renewal terms of five (5) years. Annual base rent shall be \$25,000.00, with a three percent (3%) increase on each anniversary of the commencement date; and providing for effective date. Revenue will be recorded in General Fund.

XI. FIRST AND FINAL READING

18. **2020-O-161** Adopting the most recently Amended COVID-19 Emergency Ordinance of the City of Laredo in accordance with Section 2.11 of the City Charter by: implementing a curfew between 10:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m. for social activities other than those that occur at any essential or non-essential business; closing certain portions of city parks to include temporarily prohibition of the use of city sports fields by all leagues; expanding the availability of COVID-19 related sick leave to include any member of a city employee's household who has tested positive; establishing a temporary voluntary telework program for qualifying city employees in an effort to limit the number of individuals working together under the same indoor office space; requiring all City Council, board, commission, and committee meetings to be conducted entirely through virtual video conferencing; and allowing all temporary Health Department employees who were hired specifically for COVID-19 related work to remain in their positions for as long as the City's Public Health Emergency Order is in effect; providing for severability; and, providing for an effective date.

XII. FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

19. **2020-O-153** Authorizing the City Manager to amend the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Community Development Department's budget by increasing revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$2,165,528.00 in order to appropriate Community Development Block Grant - Coronavirus (CDBG-CV3) funds available from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and

Economic Security Act (CARES Act) third round allocation.

20. **2020-O-154** Authorizing the City Manager to execute an amendment to lease agreements between the City of Laredo, as Lessor, and LA Ventures and LA Ventures Terminal (as listed attached), as Lessees, for an additional two (2) years for Ordinance No. 95-O-244, 95-O-245, 95-O-246, 95-O-247, 95-O-248, 95-O-249, 95-O-250, 95-O-251, 95-O-252, 99-O-176, 2005-O-113, 2010-O-081, and 2011-O-142 as approved by City Council on May 18, 2020 for the COVID-19 Economic Relief Program. All other terms and conditions remain unchanged and in effect.
21. **2020-O-155** Authorizing the City Manager to execute an amendment to lease agreements between the City of Laredo, as Lessor, and 4-G Investments, Air Trade Laredo, Laredo Aero Center Inc., Laredo Aero Center Inc. DBA Signature Flight Support (as listed attached), as Lessees, for an additional two (2) years for Ordinance No. 2011-O-030, 2011-O-148, 95-O-156, 95-O-157, 95-O-158, 95-O-159, 2006-O-133, 2008-O-241, 2012-O-166, 2013-O-023, 2019-O-152, 2020-O-095 as approved by City Council on May 18, 2020 for the COVID-19 Economic Relief Program. All other terms and conditions remain unchanged and in effect.
22. **2020-O-156** Authorizing the City Manager to sell the “Surface Only” of a closed section of Buena Vista Avenue at its appraised fair market value of \$55,500.00. It is described as a tract of land containing 0.4252 Acre (18,521 sq. ft.), more or less, out of Buena Vista Avenue R.O.W., situated in the Eastern Division of the City of Laredo, Webb County, Texas, to Gateway Builders, LTD. The City of Laredo reserves any and all visible and apparent easements recorded or not recorded, being generally described in attached Exhibit “A”, and approving the Post Closure Property Improvement Plan as described in Exhibit “B”, which is in compliance with Section 10 of the Street and Closing/Sales Policy Handbook, and providing for an effective date.
23. **2020-O-157** Amending Article VI [Investment Policy] of Chapter 2 [Administration] of the Code of Ordinances in order to:
1. Update Investment Officers Titles;
 2. Adjust / Update the current Broker / Dealer List

24. **2020-O-158** An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, amending Chapter 31, Article III (Water), Division 3 (Rates and Charges) by adding Section 31.141.2 (Billing Requirements) to require apartment complexes to distinguish between charges that are assessed by the City of Laredo and those that are not.
25. **2020-O-159** Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by authorizing the issuance of a Special Use Permit for a restaurant serving alcohol on Lot 1, Block 1, Alexander Commercial Subdivision, Phase XIV, located at 1119 Fenwick Dr., Building B, Suite 206; providing for publication and effective date.

**ZC-064-2020
District V**

26. **2020-O-160** Authorizing the City Manager to accept and enter into a contract with the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC), amending the FY 2020-2021 budget by appropriating revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$33,333.33 with a match of \$11,111.11 for the City of Laredo Health Department (CLHD) Breast and Cervical Cancer Services Program for the term period from January 1, 2021 through August 31, 2021. **(AS AMENDED)**

XIII. CONSENT AGENDA

All of the following items may be acted upon by one motion. No separate discussion or action on any of the items is necessary unless desired by a Council Member.

AIRPORT: STAFF SOURCE JEFFREY J. MILLER, AIRPORT DIRECTOR

27. Consideration to renew a contract with vendor Wunderlich-Malec Systems, Inc., Eden. Prairie, MN for Airport Security System Services and related software maintenance support for the City of Laredo International Airport for an annual amount not to exceed \$100,000.00. These services are obtained on an as needed basis, using Houston-Galveston Area Council Cooperative pricing under contract HGAC SE05-18. The term of this renewal shall be for a period of one (1) year beginning as of the date of its execution. The contract may be extended for one (1) additional one (1) year term upon mutual agreement. Funding for this contract is available in the International Airport Operations Budget.

CITY SECRETARY: STAFF SOURCE JOSE A. VALDEZ, JR., CITY SECRETARY

28. Discussion with possible action to set a date for the canvassing of the run-off election results to be held on December 12, 2020; and any other matters incident thereto.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT: STAFF SOURCE TINA MARTINEZ, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

29. Authorizing City Manager to enter into multiple contracts and award 2019 HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME), Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) set-aside funds in the amount of \$162,810.00.
1. \$112,810.00 to Habitat for Humanity of Laredo, Inc., to acquire one (1) vacant lot and construct a single family housing unit.
 2. \$50,000.00 to NeighborWorks Laredo, to assist in part with the construction of a single family housing unit by acquiring one (1) vacant lot.

Funding is available in the HOME Investment Partnership Fund.

30. Authorizing the City Manager to donate the proceeds of the demolition and sale of the property located at 1204 North Meadow Ave. to Animal Care Services, and execute all documents necessary to achieve the same.

CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU: STAFF SOURCE AILEEN RAMOS, CVB DIRECTOR

31. Authorizing the City Manager to negotiate and execute digital services contracts for the U.S. through Relic Agency. Media plan advertisements for the Laredo Convention & Visitors Bureau will be placed beginning January 2021. The total amount is not to exceed \$119,889.00. Funding was approved by Council (CC-7747) and is available in the CVB FY2020-2021 budget. This amount is an amendment to the current contract with Relic for agency services.

ENGINEERING: STAFF SOURCE RAMON E. CHAVEZ, CITY ENGINEER

32. Consideration for approval of the Convention and Visitors Bureau Offices at El Portal located at 1600 Water Street as complete, release of retainage and approval of final payment in the amount of \$41,181.86 to LMC Corporation, San Antonio, Texas. Final construction contract amount is \$411,818.61. Funding is available in the Hotel/Motel Occupancy Tax Fund.
33. Consideration for approval to award a professional services contract to Able City, LLC., Laredo, Texas, for an amount not to exceed \$238,300.00 for the City of Laredo Plaza Theater Renovations Phase I, including existing conditions report, visioning/chartering meetings, business/management development, community engagement, master planning, building programming, concept design/cost estimating and funding memorandum. Funding is available in the Capital Improvement Fund.
34. Consideration for approval to ratify amendment No. 1, an increase of \$388,342.27 to the professional services contract with THC, Inc., Duluth GA, for the Laredo International Airport Noise Abatement Sound Insulation Program Phase 13 and 14. Current engineering contract amount with this amendment is \$2,091,798.57. Funding is available in the Airport Construction Fund – Grant 81.
35. Consideration for approval of the HVAC System Renovation Upgrades to the Canseco House located at 1415 Chihuahua as complete, release of retainage and approval of final payment in the amount of \$12,040.00 to LMC Corporation, San Antonio, Texas. Final construction contract amount is \$120,400.00. Funding is available in the 2017 CO Bond.
36. Consideration for approval of the Barbara Fasken Community Center – canopies as complete, approval of change order No. 1, a decrease of \$7,974.52 for the balance of quantities actually constructed in place, and the release of retainage and approval of final payment in the amount of \$57,387.79 to Mage 4 Group, Ltd., Laredo, Texas. Final construction contract amount is \$351,025.48. Funding is available in the 2018 CO Bond.

37. Consideration for approval of the Fire Station No. 4 Renovations Project as complete, release of retainage and approval of final payment in the amount of \$39,267.90 to K-Air Corporation, San Antonio, Texas. Final construction contract amount is \$291,269.93. Funding is available in the 2017 CO Bond.
38. Consideration for approval to award a design/build contract to Mage 4 Group, Ltd., Laredo, Texas, in association with Slay Architecture, Laredo, Texas, for an amount not to exceed \$400,000.00 for the design and preparation of plans and specifications for the CDBG Sisters of Mercy Water Park Splash Pad, Water Features and Other Amenities (Design/Build Project). Funding is available in the 2018 and 2019 CDBG grant years.
39. Authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract (development agreement) with the Owner/Developer of Allen Properties, LLC for the construction of public infrastructure in the amount of \$27,417.00 as agreed to in the agreement between the City of Laredo and Allen Properties, LLC (AP). The agreement specifies that within thirty (30) days AP will construct a 24" or 30" HDPE pipe within a fifteen foot (15') drainage easement that will connect a concrete channel constructed in Allen Woods Subdivision to an existing curb inlet on Shiloh Road as required and to the standards set by the Laredo Subdivision Ordinance to serve as public infrastructure for the City within the 0.10 acre, more or less, strip of property to be dedicated to the City of Laredo. There is no financial impact to the City of Laredo.
40. Motion to rescind the award of the Contract RFQ FY20-ENG-014 to Able City, LLC; and to award to one of the following four firms scored by the committee on the basis of demonstrated competence and qualifications to perform the services pursuant to Sec. 2254.003 of the Texas Professional Services Procurement Act.
1. Sepulveda Associates Architects, Laredo, Texas
 2. Cavazos Architects, Laredo, Texas
 3. Slay Architecture, Laredo, Texas
 4. Redline Architecture, LLC., Laredo, Texas
41. Motion to rescind the award of the Contract RFQ FY20-ENG-015 to Peua Consulting, LLC; and to award to one of the following eleven firms scored by the committee on the basis of demonstrated competence and qualifications to perform the services pursuant to Sec. 2254.003 of the Texas Professional Services Procurement Act.
1. Crane Engineering, Laredo, Texas

2. Civil Engineering Consultants, Laredo, Texas
3. Howland Engineering and Surveying Co., Laredo, Texas
4. Porras Nance Engineering, Laredo, Texas
5. Sherfey Engineering Company, L.L.C., Laredo, Texas
6. Slay Engineering Co., Inc., Laredo, Texas
7. Gilpin Engineering Company, Laredo, Texas
8. Premier Civil Engineering, LLC., Laredo, Texas
9. LNV, LLC., Laredo, Texas
10. Arredondo, Zepeda & Brunz, LLC, Laredo, Texas
11. Parra & Co., LLC., Laredo, Texas

ENVIRONMENTAL: STAFF SOURCE JOHN PORTER, ENVIRONMENTAL DIRECTOR/ INTERIM SOLID WASTE DIRECTOR

42. Consideration for approval to award a construction contract to the lowest responsible responsive bidder Quantum Construction, LLC., Laredo, Texas, in the base bid amount of \$279,893.29 for the repair of stream bank erosion adjacent to the Fasken Community Center with a construction contract time of one hundred and fifty (150) calendar days; and authorizing the City Manager to execute all related contract documents contingent upon receipt and approval of insurance and bond documents. After a notice to proceed is issued, estimated completion date for the project is scheduled for May 2021. Funding is available in the 2019 Environmental Certificate of Obligation.
43. Authorizing the City Manager to execute and approve an Engineering Services contract with CEC Engineering - Laredo, Texas in the amount of \$96,600.00 for the surveying and design of channel improvements to Zacate Creek from McPherson Road to Cherry Hill Drive. This contract also provides for bidding and construction oversight of the project. Funding is available in the 2019 Environmental Certificate of Obligation.

FINANCE: STAFF SOURCE JOSE F. CASTILLO, ACTING FINANCE DIRECTOR

44. Consideration to award annual supply contract FY21-010 to the following vendors:
 1. Executive Office Supply, Laredo, Texas;
 2. Gulf Coast Paper, Laredo, Texas;
 3. Patria Office Supply, Laredo, Texas;
 4. Texchem Corporation, Corpus Christi, Texas;
 5. Matera Paper Company, San Antonio, Texas;

in an amount of up to \$300,000.00 annually for providing general janitorial supplies to all City departments. This contract establishes discount percentage pricing for those janitorial supplies most commonly utilized by City departments. The term of this contract shall be for a period of two (2) years beginning as of the date of its execution and is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds. This contract has three (1) year extension periods. All items will be purchased on an as-needed basis and funding will be secured from the user departmental budgets.

45. Consideration to ratify additional emergency purchases and expenditures, incurred to date, related to the City of Laredo Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency (COVID-19 crisis).

The following list of vendors issued additional emergency Purchase Orders to provide immediate commodities and services:

Xenex	\$186,785.32	Xenon Full Spectrum UV Germ Zapping Robots (2 Robots)
Zoll Medical	\$167,454.50	Ventilators (and related accessories)
AT & T Corp	\$441,355.60	Purchase of Thermo Cameras Hardware and Software
Amazon.com	\$80,000.00	Various Purchases of PPE Items for Covid-19 protection
Total	\$875,595.42	

Previously, the Laredo City Council approved the ratification of emergency purchases and expenditures (incurred up to that date) related to the COVID-19 crisis; this may be a re-occurring motion request throughout the COVID-19 pandemic period.

Funding available in General Fund COVID-19 Emergency Fund and in respective department budgets.

FIRE: STAFF SOURCE GUILLERMO HEARD, FIRE CHIEF

46. Consideration to authorize the City of Laredo to issue a Letter of Approval to Med Care EMS, LLP to provide ambulance service within the corporate limits of the City in a non-emergency capacity. Med Care EMS, LLP is eligible to provide basic service. The addition of another licensed emergency medical services provider will not interfere with or adversely affect the provision of emergency medical services by the licensed emergency medical services providers operating in the municipality; Additionally the addition of

another licensed emergency medical services provider will remedy an existing provider shortage that cannot be resolved through the use of the licensed emergency medical services providers operating in the municipality; Furthermore, the addition of another licensed emergency medical services provider will not cause an oversupply of licensed emergency medical services providers in the municipality in accordance with Texas Health and Safety Code Section 773.0573 (b)(1-3). Med Care EMS, LLP will not be providing 911 emergency services for the City of Laredo. However, if necessary the Fire Chief may call upon them for mutual aid upon disaster conditions.

FLEET MANAGEMENT: STAFF SOURCE RONALD MILLER, FLEET DIRECTOR

47. Consideration to award contract FY21-013 for vehicle repair services for small and medium vehicles for the City's Fleet Department to the following bidders:

1. Toro Auto Sales, Laredo, Texas in an amount up to \$80,000.00, (Primary Vendor) and;
2. Andy's Auto & Bus Air, Laredo, Texas in an amount up to \$40,000.00, (Alternate Vendor) and;
3. South Texas Auto Rebuilders, Laredo, Texas in an amount up to \$40,000.00 (Alternate Vendor).

This contract provides the Fleet Department with the ability to outsource out and expedite needed services for small and medium vehicle repairs. The term of this contract shall be for a period of one (1) year beginning as of the date of its execution and is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds. This contract has three extension periods. All parts and services will be secured on an as-needed basis. Funding is available in the Fleet Maintenance Budget.

48. Consideration to renew contract FY20-009 with Gateway Glass & Mirror, Laredo, Texas in an amount up to \$50,000.00 for the purchase of windshield and back glass replacement parts/services for the City's automobiles and trucks. The term of this contract shall be for a period of one (1) year beginning as of the date of its execution and is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds. This is the first of three extension periods. There was no price increase during the last extension period. All parts and services will be secured on an as needed basis. Funding is available in the Fleet Maintenance Budget.

49. Consideration to renew annual supply contract FY20-007 with Rush Truck Center, Laredo, TX, in an amount up to \$275,000.00 for the purchase of original equipment manufacturer (OEM) truck parts for the City's medium and heavy duty trucks. The term of this contract shall be for a period of one (1) year beginning as of the date of its execution and is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds. This is the first of three extension periods. There was no price increase during the last extension period. All parts will be secured on an as needed basis. Funding is available in the Fleet Maintenance Budget.
50. Consideration to award contract FY21-019 for the general diesel engine repairs and parts/service for the City's Fleet Department to the following bidders:
1. Cervantes Truck Center, Laredo, Texas in an amount up to \$250,000.00 (Primary Vendor); and
 2. Rotex Truck Center, Laredo, Texas in an amount up to \$175,000.00 (Primary Vendor); and
 3. Rush Truck Center, Laredo, Texas in an amount up to \$175,000.00 (Primary Vendor); and
 4. Andy's Auto & Bus Air, Laredo, Texas in an amount up to \$50,000.00 (Alternate Vendor); and
 5. South Texas Truck Centers, Laredo, Texas in an amount up to \$30,000.00 (Alternate Vendor); and
 6. South Texas Auto Rebuilders, Laredo, Texas in an amount up to \$20,000.00 (Alternate Vendor).

This contract establishes multiple vendors for general diesel engine repairs. This contract provides the Fleet Department with the ability to outsource and expedite needed diesel engine repairs. The term of this contract shall be for a period of one (1) year beginning as of the date of its execution and is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds. This contract has three extension periods. Funding is available in the Fleet Maintenance Budget.

HEALTH: STAFF SOURCE RICHARD A. CHAMBERLAIN, HEALTH DIRECTOR

51. **2020-R-192** Authorizing the City Manager to submit a grant application to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) in the estimated amount of \$300,000.00 with no match to continue the City of Laredo Health Department (CLHD) Ryan White Part C HIV outpatient early intervention, diagnosis, treatment

and prevention of HIV in the STDC Region for the term period from May 1, 2021 through April 30, 2022 and further authorizing the City Manager to execute any and all documents resulting from the award of this grant. No grant match required.

52. **2020-R-193** Authorizing the City Manager to accept and enter into a contract with the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) in the amount of \$334,808.27 for the continuation of the City of Laredo Health Department (CLHD) Healthy Texas Women (HTW) program for the term period from September 1, 2020 through August 31, 2021. No grant match required.

LIBRARY: STAFF SOURCE MARIA G. SOLIZ, LIBRARY DIRECTOR

53. **2020-R-191** Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a non-financial agreement between the City of Laredo and the Laredo Family Economic Success Coalition (LFESC) to increase public awareness and participation in the coalition's outreach services for the financial well being of low to moderate income families.
54. Consideration to award contract FY20-084 to Up Art Studio, Houston, TX, to provide consulting services for the Public Art Master Plan for an amount not to exceed \$60,000.00. The goal of the plan is to develop a public arts program within the City of Laredo that includes the setting of priorities for each City Council District. The term of this contract shall be for a period of 240 calendar days (8 months) beginning as of the date of its execution. Funding is available in the 2019 CO Bond.
55. Motion to adopt comprehensive guidelines for the placement and design of all public art projects in an effort to maintain the character of city buildings, while beautifying and activating the visual focal points of parks and public gathering spaces throughout each Council District.

PARKS & RECREATION: STAFF SOURCE JUAN J. GOMEZ, JR., PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR

56. Consideration to award contract FY21-014 for the purchase of pool chemicals for the City's swimming pools/splash parks to the lowest bidder, Mayfield Pool Supply, Laredo, Texas, in an amount up to \$145,000.00. All pool chemicals will be secured on an as needed basis. The term of this contract shall be for a period of one (1) year beginning as of the date of its execution and is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds. This contract has three extension periods. Funding is available in

the Parks & Recreation Budget.

57. Consideration to renew contract FY20-015 with Chkn Peak Bikes & Fitness, Laredo, Texas in an annual amount of up to \$60,000.00 for providing preventative maintenance, labor parts, and repairs for Recreation Centers fitness equipment. The term of this contract shall be for a period of one (1) year beginning as of the date of its execution and is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds. There was no price increase during the last extension period. This is the first of three extension periods. Funding is available in the Parks & Leisure Department Fund.

UTILITIES: STAFF SOURCE ART GARCIA, P.E., UTILITIES DIRECTOR

58. Authorizing the City Manager to award a professional engineering services contract to LAN (Lockwood, Andrews & Newman, Inc.), Houston, Texas, to serve as the Owner's Representative for the Tunnel from Zacate Creek WWTP to Chacon Interceptor Project, in the amount of \$600,000.00. Funding is available in the 2017 Sewer Revenue Bond.
59. Consideration to award contract FY21-008 for the purchase of asphalt pot hole patch materials to the bidder meeting specifications Metropolitan Compounds, Pembroke Pines, Florida, in an amount up to \$100,000.00. The term of this contract shall be for a period of one (1) year beginning as of the date of its execution and is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds. This contract has three extension periods. All the asphalt material will be secured on an as needed basis. Funding is available in the Water Works Fund.
60. Authorizing the City Manager to award a construction contract to the lowest responsive bidder, being Romo Contractors of Laredo, Texas, in the amount of \$174,648.00 for the exterior painting of Mary Help of Christian (MHOC) Concrete Ground Storage Tank Project. Funding is available in the Waterworks Construction Fund.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

XIV. STAFF REPORTS

61. Discussion with possible action on ongoing audits and/or irregularities identified by the Internal Auditor including the potential assignment of other and/or additional auditing duties; and any other matters incident thereto.
62. Status update on current COVID-19 information as presented by Local Health Authority, Health Director, and Emergency Management Coordinator (EMC); and any other matters incident thereto.
63. Status update on the 2021 State Legislative Agenda for the 87th Texas Legislative Session; and any other matters incident thereto.
64. Presentation by Estrada-Hinojosa & Company, Inc., as it relates to the Sports Venue Tax; and any other matters incident thereto.
65. Status update on the \$1.7 million of CARES Act funding used to provide temporary economic relief through a LiftFund partnership, for local small businesses that have been impacted due to the public health emergency.

XV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Council reserves the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any posted agenda item when authorized by Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices), and/or 551.086 (Economic Development). Following closed session, the open meeting will reconvene at which time action, if any, may be taken.

66. Request for Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071(1)(A) to consult with City Attorney and outside counsel relating to ongoing litigation in the City of Laredo, Texas v. Western Summit Constructors, Inc., McAllen Construction, Inc., Western Summit Constructors, Inc., McAllen Construction, Inc., A Joint Venture, Dannenbaum Engineering Company-McAllen, LLC, Dannenbaum Engineering Company-Laredo, LLC, Patterson Pump Company, Cause No. 2018CVF001299-D2, pending in the 111th District Court, Webb County, Texas, relating to the construction and design of facilities located at the El Pico Water Treatment Plant, and to return to open session for possible action.

XVI. RECESS AS THE LAREDO CITY COUNCIL AND CONVENE AS THE LAREDO MASS TRANSIT BOARD

67. Consideration to amend contract RFP FY 17-053 to Laredo Occupational Center, L.L.C., to provide occupational medical services for the Laredo Transit Management Inc. (El Metro). The contract amount is not to exceed \$31,250.00 per year. Funding is available in the El Metro Operations Fund.

XVII. ADJOURN AS THE LAREDO MASS TRANSIT BOARD AND RECONVENE AS THE LAREDO CITY COUNCIL

68. **GENERAL COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

A. Request by Mayor Pete Saenz

1. Discussion with possible action to initiate a feasibility assessment to contract the Webb County Tax Collector/Assessor to collect City taxes based on the recent Charter Revisions approved by the voters and develop an attrition plan for the City's Tax Department; and any other matters incident thereto. **(Co-Sponsored by Council Member Nelly Vielma)**

B. Request by Mayor Pro-Tempore Alberto Torres, Jr.

1. Recognizing Council Member George J. Altgelt, City Council District VII, for his diligent work and untiring commitment to his community as their council representative with the City of Laredo.
2. Discussion with possible action to instruct City Manager to authorize staff to install speed humps at the following locations under the Special Provision of the speed hump installation policy and to authorize the use of asphalt type speed humps instead of speed cushions which is currently required under the policy and any other matters incident thereto. City Council District IV Priority Funds will be used for this project.
 - 1600 Price
 - 3600 San Francisco Ave

- 1300 Reynolds

3. Discussion with possible action on amending Chapter 19, Article XII (Transit System) of the Code of Ordinances by setting the minimum number of members required for a quorum in an amount that will allow the Paratransit Advisory Committee to conduct its business; and any other matters incident thereto.

C. Request by Council Member Nelly Vielma

1. Discussion with possible action on creating a committee to assist in developing a plan to assist local businesses due to pandemic, committee will be composed of internal and external entities and any other matters incident thereto.
2. Discussion with possible action to create a Collective Bargaining Task Force composed of one appointee per Council Member, two co-chairs appointed by the Mayor, and include the City Manager or designee. The task force shall include one half of subject matter appointees knowledgeable about union rights, wages and benefits and the other half representing employees and union members to review the proposed collective bargaining agreements for fire and police unions, financial projections, analyze wages and benefits; and any other matters incident thereto. **(Co-Sponsored by Mayor Pete Saenz)**
3. Discussion with possible action on the status of the City's Mental Health Coalition, in conjunction with Suicide Prevention Committee, regarding landing page and YouTube Channel; and any other matters incident thereto.

D. Request by Council Member Dr. Marte A. Martinez

1. Discussion and possible action on amending the Land Development Code Section 24.83.9 to provide that money in lieu of trees will satisfy 50% of the total planting requirement and to provide that funds received may be used for tree or landscaping in or near parks; and any other matters incident thereto.

E. Request by Council Member George Altgelt

1. Discussion with possible action to have public works build the Santa Maria bike lanes and the crosswalks under I-35; and any other matters incident thereto.
2. Discussion with possible action to paint crosswalks and place speed humps on riverbank street the hike and bike crossings; and any other matters incident thereto.
3. Discussion with possible action to pass a resolution in support of preserving La Bota Mountain Bike Trail System through The Texas Parks & Wildlife Department and add to include in our legislative agenda; and any other matters incident thereto.

F. Request by Council Member Roberto Balli

1. Discussion with possible action to rename the Anna Baseball Field to Jose L. Maldonado Baseball Field; and any other matters incident thereto. **(Co-Sponsored by Council Member Rudy Gonzalez, Jr.)**

G. Request by Council Member Rudy Gonzalez, Jr.

1. Discussion with possible action to instruct City Manager to authorize staff to install speed humps at the following locations under the Special Provision of the speed hump installation policy and to authorize the use of asphalt type speed humps instead of speed cushions which is currently required under the policy and any other matters incident thereto. City Council District I Priority Funds will be used for this project.

• 2500 Sabana

H. Request by Council Member Vidal Rodriguez

1. Discussion with possible action to direct all committee members that serve in a City of Laredo committee to take a training on Robert's Rules of Order; and any other matters incident thereto.

I. Request by Council Member Mercurio Martinez, III

1. Discussion with possible action on the creation of "dump" or "depository" stations of bulky items throughout the city. These stations are to receive mattresses, tires, furniture and bulky items for disposal; any and other matters incident thereto.
2. Discussion with possible action regarding proposed amendments and/or changes to the existing 2L4L Baseball, LLC. Lease agreement; and any other matters incident thereto.
3. Discussion with possible action regarding STX LDO Management LLC.s proposed Management Agreement for UNI-TRADE STADIUM and whether to rescind the City's offer to enter into a management agreement with them; and any other matters incident thereto.

XVIII. ADJOURN

This notice was posted at the Municipal Government Offices, 1110 Houston Street, Laredo, Texas, at a place convenient and readily accessible to the public at all times. Said notice was posted on Friday, December 4, 2020 at 3:15 p.m.

Jose A. Valdez, Jr.
City Secretary