

CITY OF LAREDO CITY COUNCIL MEETING A-2021-

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CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

1110 HOUSTON STREET

LAREDO, TEXAS 78040

May 3, 2021

5:30P.M.

0. DISABILITY ACCESS STATEMENT
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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 April 19, 2021 and April 26, 2021.

Citizen comments

Citizens are required to fill out an online participation form and select one of three 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

- **Video Participation:**

Submit contact information on above link no later than 12:00 noon the day of meeting

- **Telephone Participation:**

Submit contact information on above link no later than 12:00 noon same day of meeting and stand-by for callback between 5:30 p.m. and 11:00 p.m. the day of meeting.

VI. RECOGNITION

VII. COMMUNICATIONS

VIII. APPOINTMENTS TO COMMISSIONS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

1. Appointment by Mayor Pete Saenz of Elia Guevara to the Economic Development Advisory Committee.
2. Appointment by Council Member Vanessa Perez of Ofelia G. Mislyan to the City Utilities Advisory Commission.
3. Appointment by Council Member Dr. Marte A. Martinez of Rafael Duenas, Sr. to the Transportation & Traffic Safety Advisory Committee.
4. Appointment by Council Member Alyssa Cigarroa of Mark Ceballos to the Municipal Civil Service Commission.
5. Appointment of Gilberto L. Navarro to the Fire Fighters' and Police Officers' Civil Service Commission of the City of Laredo to serve a (3) three year term effective April 28, 2021 to April 28, 2024.

6. Appointment of Fernando Quiroga to the Fire Fighters' and Police Officers' Civil Service Commission of the City of Laredo to serve a (3) three year term effective April 28, 2021 to April 28, 2024.

IX. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending the City of Laredo's FY 2021 Capital Grants Fund by appropriating revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$2,493,000.00 for the Los Presidentes Avenue Project. Funding for the amendment is as follows: Contributions from Webb County City of Laredo Regional Mobility Authority (WCCL RMA) and Webb County Drainage District# 1 in the amount of \$993,000.00 and a transfer in from 2019 Certificate of Obligation in the amount of \$1,500,000.00.
2. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** ratifying the execution of a contract amendment from the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS), amending the FY 2020-2021 budget by appropriating revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$88,176.00, with no match and amending the FY 2020-2021 Full Time Equivalent (FTE) Position Listing by adding one (1) Licensed Vocational Nurse III, R33 position for the City of Laredo Health Department (CLHD) Immunization Action Plan (IAP) Program for COVID-19 activities for the term period upon execution through August 31, 2022. No grant match required.
3. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** ratifying the execution of a contract from the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS), amending the FY 2020-2021 budget by appropriating revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$3,106,637.00 and amending the FY 2020-2021 Full Time Equivalent (FTE) Position Listing by adding one (1) Registered Nurse II, R38 position, four (4) Medical Office Assistant I, R28 positions, four (4) Clerk III, R27 positions, one (1) Management Information Application Analyst, R36 position, one (1) Program Coordinator, R33 position, and one (1) Budget Analyst I, R33 position for the City of Laredo Health Department (CLHD) COVID-19 Vaccination Capacity program for the term period from April 22, 2021 through June 30, 2024.
4. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending the City of Laredo Land Development Code Section 24.66.4 to adjust the rules of the Historic District. This amendment will allow minor improvement and rehabilitation projects while still protecting historic structures. The ordinance will also allow the Historic Board to authorize staff to administratively approve items which

do require Board approval, expediting selected activities.

The Historic Landmark Board recommended approval of the proposed ordinance with changes. The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the proposed ordinance without changes. Staff recommends approval without changes.

5. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** concerning a voluntary annexation application by EMA Commercial Investments LLC, altering and extending the boundary limits of the City of Laredo by annexing additional territory of 9.961 acres, more or less, located east of Loop 20 (Bob Bullock Loop) and north of East Del Mar Blvd., providing for the effective date of the ordinance, authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract adopting a service plan for the annexed territory, and establishing the initial zoning of B-3.

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the annexation and initial zoning and staff supports the application.

AN-010-021
District VI

6. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** concerning a voluntary annexation application by Emerald Riverview Development LTD, altering and extending the boundary limits of the City of Laredo by annexing additional territory of 15.556 acres, more or less, located south of FM 1472 (Mines Rd) and southwest of Verde Rd., providing for the effective date of the ordinance, authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract adopting a service plan for the annexed territory, and establishing the initial zoning of M-1.

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the annexation and initial zoning and staff supports the application.

AN-008-2021
District VII

7. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** concerning a voluntary annexation application by Cinco 28 LLC, altering and extending the boundary limits of the City of Laredo by annexing additional territory of 2.7904 acres, more or less, located south of FM 1472 (Mines Rd) and southwest of Verde Rd., providing for the effective date of the ordinance, authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract adopting a service plan for the annexed territory, and establishing the initial zoning of M-1.

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the annexation and initial zoning and staff supports the application.

AN-009-2021
District VII

8. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** concerning a voluntary annexation application by Maria De La Luz Marquez, altering and extending the boundary limits of the City of Laredo by annexing additional territory of 0.09 acres, more or less, located north of FM 1472 (Mines Rd) and west of Copper Mine Rd., providing for the effective date of the ordinance, authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract adopting a service plan for the annexed territory, and establishing the initial zoning of M-1.

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the annexation and initial zoning and staff supports the application.

AN-006-2021
District VII

(Recess}
(Press Availability}

X. INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCES

9. Authorizing the City Manager to ratify the execution of a lease agreement with the City of Laredo Health Department, as LESSEE, for the center portion of the building consisting of approximately 2,873 square feet of building space and parking lot located at 1605 E. Hillside at the Laredo International Airport. The lease term shall be for three (3) years commencing on May 1, 2021 and ending on April 30, 2024 with two (2) one-year options to extend ending in April 30, 2025 and April 30, 2026. The monthly rental shall be \$2,873.00 and will be adjusted annually according to changes in the Consumer Price Index (CPI).
10. Authorizing the City Manager to execute an amendment to lease agreement between the City of Laredo, as LESSOR, and International Bank of Commerce, as LESSEE, approved by Ordinance 95-0-154 dated August 7, 1995, as amended by Ordinance 97-0-152 dated July 21, 1997, as amended by Ordinance 2007-0-197 dated October 1, 2007, to amend Section 1.05, Term of Leasehold, Commencement of Term, Suspension, by changing the end dates of lease term to September 30, 2025 and September

30, 2030 and adding an additional one five (5) year option to extend ending on August 31, 2035. All other terms and conditions remain unchanged and in effect.

11. An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, Amending Chapter 2, Article II, Division 6 (Pay Administration), of the City of Laredo Code of Ordinances, specifically Section 2.87(c)(12)a, by providing for a three percent (3%) Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA), subject to the City receiving funding from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, to the existing wage schedule and to all City employees, except Interns, Cooperative Education Program employees (CO-OPS), Elected Officials, Temporary Staffing Agency employees, and employees subject to any Collective Bargaining Agreement; providing for a repealing clause; providing for a severability clause; and providing for an effective date.
12. An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, amending Chapter 2, Article XI of the Code of Ordinances, by amending section 2-426 to revise the Recognition and Award of Recipients of the Employee of the Quarter and Employee of the Year Program; Providing that this ordinance shall be cumulative; providing a severability clause; and declaring an effective date.
13. An Ordinance amending Chapter 19, Article VIII, Section 19-360, of the Laredo Code of Ordinances by adding Subsection (e), to establish a mobile payment service application and convenience fees under certain terms and conditions; providing for severability and declaring an effective date.

XI. FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

14. **2021-0-081** Accepting, and authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract for a grant from the Flood Infrastructure Fund (FIF) of the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB), FY20-21 in the amount of \$585,000.00 with City designating \$65,000.00 in cash and in-kind matching funds for a total amount of \$650,000.00 for the Zacate Creek!Manadas Creek Floodplain/Master plan study and amending the Annual Budget FY 20-21 for the Environmental Services Fund by appropriating the said grant revenue to the appropriate expenditure accounts.

15. **2021-0-082** Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning approximately a 2.002-acre tract in Porcion 33, Jose Dionisio Trevino, Abst. 3084, and Porcion 34, Jose Antonio Diaz, Abst. 762, located east of Ejido Ave and Zacatecas Street, from R-1A (Single Family Reduced Area Residential District) to AG (Agricultural District).

ZC-26-2021
District I

16. **2021-0-083** Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by authorizing the issuance of a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) for a bar (microbrewery) in Condo Units 9, 10, 11, 12 only, on Lot 1 & 2, Block 1, Kimberly Plaza Subdivision, located at 4820 McPherson Rd.

ZC-024-2021
District V

17. **2021-0-084** Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning approximately 0.61-acre tract of land out of Porcion 14, Abstract 56, J Guajardo, Original Grantee, located southeast of Peoples Blvd. and Port Texas Dr., from R-1MH (Single Family Manufactured Housing District) to R-2 (Multi-Family Residential District).

ZC-023-2021
District VII

18. **2021-0-085** An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, authorizing the City Manager to execute all necessary documents to purchase the "Surface Only" of the following three (3) tracts located in the Cuatro Viento South legally described as a 4.64-acre tract of land being out of Abstract 594, Survey 2149, R.H. Rains Original Grantee, Webb County, Texas, and being a portion of a called 490.78 Acre Tract, Tract 5 of Cuatro Vientos South, LTO.; Recorded in Volume 4225, Page 242, Webb County Official Public Records, Webb County, Texas; 28.80-acre tract of land being out of Abstract 546, Porcion 35, Jose M. Diaz and Abstract 594, Survey 2149, R.H. Rains, Original Grantee, Webb County, Texas, and being a portion of a called 490.78 Acre Tract, Tract 5 of Cuatro Vientos South, Ltd., recorded in Volume 4225, Page 242, Webb County Official Public Records, Webb County, Texas and an 8.00 Acre Tract of land being out of Abstract 594, Survey 2149, R.H. Raines, Original Grantee, and Abstract 473, Porcion 36, Laureano Salinas, Original Grantee, Webb County, Texas, and being a portion of a called 490.78 acre tract, Tract 5 of Cuarto Vientos South, Ltd., recorded in Volume 4225, Page 242, Webb County Official Public Records, Webb County, Texas. Total purchase price \$3,066,000.00 (Sports Venue

Fund \$2,586,000.00 and Utilities Fund \$480,000.00).

19. **2021-0-086** An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, amending Chapter 2, Article V, (Boards, Commissions, Councils, Etc.) of the Code of Ordinances by adding Division 7, Sections 2-250 through 2-253 for purposes of establishing the Laredo Port of Entry Advisory Committee; defining the duties, powers, meeting requirements, and providing for other rules applicable to said committee.
20. **2021-0-087** An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, repealing Chapter 2, Article 1, Section 2-10 (city write-off policy) of the Code of Ordinances in its entirety for purposes of establishing a more comprehensive and efficient procedure for the write-off of debts deemed uncollectible and in order to ensure that the city's financial statements do not overstate the city's assets.

XII. CONSENTAGENDA

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.

CITY MANAGER'S: STAFF SOURCE ROBERT A. EADS, CITY MANAGER

21. 2021-R-128 A Resolution of the City of Laredo, Texas, declaring the necessity to acquire for public use fee simple title to: LOT 1 PASO DEL NORTE IND PARK I 4.8789 ACS, LOT 2 PASO DEL NORTE IND PARK I 5.3109 ACS, LOT 3 PASO DEL NORTE IND PARK I 5.4829 ACS, LOT 4 PASO DEL NORTE IND PARK I 3.2541 ACS, LOT 5 PASO DEL NORTE IND PARK I 3.1838 ACS (3062.40 SQ FT) of land situated in the 1238 Survey, Abstract No. 425, in Webb County, City of Laredo, Texas, located at the Paso Del Norte Subdivision in the Los Martinez area, and legally described as lot 1 - 5 Paso Del Norte Ind Park I 22.1106 acres; determining the public necessity for such acquisition to be used for park recreation purposes; authorizing the acquisition of property rights necessary for the park development project; appointing an appraiser and negotiator as necessary; authorizing city staff to establish just compensation for the property rights to be acquired; authorizing city staff to take all steps necessary to acquire the needed property rights in compliance with all applicable laws and resolutions; and authorizing city staff to institute condemnation proceedings to acquire the property if purchase negotiations are not successful.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT: STAFF SOURCE TINA MARTINEZ,
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

22. Authorizing the City Manager to amend the City of Laredo's 2020-2021 One Year Action Plan to allow for the reprogramming of two previously identified projects: (1) "Park Improvements in District III" described in the 2020 plan as the design, construction and other amenities as deemed necessary to improve a park located in District III, in the amount of \$127,500.00 and (2) "District III Design of South Laredo Nature Center Trails" described in the 2019-2020 plan as the design and construction of the South Laredo Nature Center walking trails and other amenities as deemed necessary, in the amount of \$25,000.00. The reprogramming and cancellation of these projects will allow the creation of the newly proposed "District III Public Improvements and Infrastructure" project which entails the Design and/or Construction of sidewalks, bike lanes, bus bays, lighting, traffic signals, street signs, landscaping, sewer and water systems, electric poles, utility improvements, and other necessary improvements and infrastructure as deemed necessary for a total funding amount of \$152,500.00.
23. Authorizing the City Manager to execute (5) Individual contracts with the following Hotel-Motel Tax Fund recipients totaling \$80,000.00 for FY 2020-2021. Funding is contingent on the event materializing in a safe manner as approved by the Health Authority. In accordance with the Texas Tax Code, only in-person events may qualify for reimbursement.

Organizations	Amount
The Society of Martha Washington	\$15,000.00
Princess Pocahontas	\$10,000.00
Laredo Chamber of Commerce	\$20,000.00
Laredo Main Street- Jamboozie	\$25,000.00
Mexican Cultural Institute of Laredo	\$10,000.00
	<u>\$80,000.00</u>
Total	

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: STAFF SOURCE TECLO J. GARCIA, ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

24. **2021-R-122** Creating an economic incentive program and guidelines pursuant to Chapter 380 of the Texas Local Government Code for the purposes of promoting state or local economic development and to stimulate business and commercial activity in the City of Laredo and the region.

ENGINEERING: STAFF SOURCE RAMON E. CHAVEZ, CITY ENGINEER

25. Consideration for approval of the selection of Olympia Landscape Development, Inc. Laredo, Texas for FY21-ENG-07 City of Laredo Cemetery Irrigation Design-Build Project; and authorization to award a contract in the amount not to exceed \$475,000.00 to include the landscaping design, construction of all irrigation system components, water pressure booster system and project contingency. A total of three (3) companies responded to the request for proposals. The evaluation committee recommends the selection of Olympia Landscape Development, Inc. Laredo, Texas. Contract time is 120 working days. Funding is available in the Waterworks Construction Fund.

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

26. **2021-R-118** Authorizing the City Manager to submit a Grant application to the South Texas Development Council (STDC) in the amount of \$50,000.00 with no matching funds. Funds will be used to fund a used paint recycling and reuse program.

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

27. **2021-R-094** Resolution directing publication of notice of intention to issue City of Laredo, Texas Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation 2021, in one or more series, in the maximum principal amount of \$34,500,000.00, for the purpose of:
1. Planning, constructing, improving and repairing city streets, sidewalks, and drainage improvements, together with right-of-ways acquisition, traffic and street signalization, landscaping, and lighting improvements in the City's Reinvestment Zone Number One(Downtown area) and other parts of the City.
 2. Acquiring, constructing and improving municipal parks and recreational facilities;
 3. Constructing, acquiring, equipping, renovating and improving City owned buildings, acquiring municipal equipment and municipal vehicles for various city departments, to wit: City Administration, Building Development Services Department, Health and Welfare Department, Engineering Department, Parks and Leisure Department, Public Safety Departments, Public Works Department, Transit

Department; Traffic Department and Animal Care Services
Department;

4. Undertaking various capital improvement beautification projects throughout the City;
5. Constructing, acquiring and equipping improvements to the City's municipal landfill, including the acquiring of vehicles;
6. Purchasing and acquiring existing landfill at 10705 Highway 359 for municipal landfill purposes and;
7. Paying legal, fiscal, and engineering fees in connection with such projects.

28. Consideration to renew supply contract FY19-069 for the purchase of general office supplies for all city departments to primary and secondary vendor.

1. Patria Office Supply, Laredo, Texas
2. Executive Office Supply, Laredo, Texas

Approximately \$600,000.00 is spent on office supplies on an annual basis. The term of this contract shall be for a period of two years beginning as of the date of execution. This contract may be extended for one (1) additional two (2) year period. This is the last extension period. All items will be purchased on an as needed basis. Funding is available and will be secured from the user departmental budgets.

HEALTH: STAFF SOURCE RICHARD A. CHAMBERLAIN, HEALTH DIRECTOR

29. **2021-R-123** Ratifying the execution of the contract amendment from the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) in the amount of \$230,491.00 with a projected amount of program income of \$108,129.00 for a total of \$338,620.00 with no match for the continuation of the City of Laredo Health Department (CLHD) Immunization Action Plan (IAP) Program for the term period of September 1, 2021 through August 31, 2022. No grant match required.
30. **2021-R-124** Ratifying the submission of a continuation grant application in the estimated amount of \$340,208.00 with no match to the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) to continue the City of Laredo Health Department (CLHD) Healthy Texas Women (HTW) program for the term period of September 1, 2021 through August 31, 2022 and further authorizing the City Manager to execute any and all documents resulting

from the award of this grant. No grant match required.

31. **2021-R-125** Ratifying the submission of a continuation grant application in the estimated amount of \$353,505.00 with no match to the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) to continue the City of Laredo Health Department (CLHD) Women's Health Preventive Health Services and Family Planning program for the term period from September 1, 2021 through August 31, 2022 and further authorizing the City Manager to execute any and all documents resulting from the award of this grant. No grant match required.
32. **2021-R-126** Ratifying the submission of a continuation grant application in the estimated amount of \$49,995.00 with a match of \$16,665.00 to the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) to continue the City of Laredo Health Department (CLHD) Breast and Cervical Cancer Services (BCCS) Program for the term period of September 1, 2021 through August 31, 2022 and further authorizing the City Manager to execute any and all documents resulting from the award of this grant.
33. Authorizing the City Manager to accept and enter into a second contract amendment with Doctors Hospital of Laredo for mammography services for patients referred to the hospital by the City of Laredo Health Department (CLHD) related to women's health services and breast cancer prevention for a total amount of \$164,000.00 and extending the term of the contract through February 12, 2024, contingent on funding availability. Funding is available through the Health Department Budget.

HUMAN RESOURCES: STAFF SOURCE MELINA BERMUDEZ, HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR

34. Discussion with possible action to consider a third request for an extension of injury leave with pay in accordance with 143.07 (b) of the Texas Local Government Code for Patrol Officer Gustavo Sotelo. Human Resources and Police Department recommend extension. Total number of days out as of April 23, 2021 is 312 days.

LIBRARY: STAFF SOURCE MARIA G. SOLIZ, LIBRARY DIRECTOR

35. Consideration to renew contract to the following Inter-Local Cooperative Purchasing Programs: The Inter-local Purchasing System (TIPS), Texas Procurement and Support Services Cooperative Purchasing Program (TPASS), BuyBoard and include Sole Source vendors for the purchase of library materials such as books and audio visual materials in an estimated amount of \$473,345.00 this fiscal year. Approximately \$473,345.00 in library materials is purchased on an annual basis. This contract will supplement the Library's ability to purchase books and audiovisual material to keep high quality and variety of reading materials for efficient collection development. The term of this renewal shall be for a two (2) year term. Funding is available in the Public Library Budget.

POLICE: STAFF SOURCE CLAUDIO TREVINO, CHIEF OF POLICE

36. **2021-R-120** Authorizing the City Manager to enter into and execute a Memorandum of Understanding, attached hereto as Exhibit A, between the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department and the Laredo Police Department (LPD) for the purpose of granting a revocable license to use the City of Laredo 800 MHz Trunked Voice Radio System.
37. **2021-R-121** Authorizing the City Manager to accept a grant in the amount of \$1,445,186.80 from the Office of the Governor's Homeland Security Grants Division (HSGD) for the purpose of funding the 2020 Operation Stonegarden Grant (OPSG). This funding will be used for the purchase of ten (10) roadside license plate readers (LPRs) and for overtime and fringe benefit expenses used for Stonegarden Operations. No local match is required. Funding is available in the Special Police Fund.

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

38. **2021-R-110** Accepting the conveyance of a 15' wide Utility and Access Easement being 0.0785 acre (3,418.00 square foot) situated in Porcion 24, A-268, Certificate No. 24, Webb County, Texas. more or less, being out of Lot 9B, Block 1 of the replat of Lots 9 and 11, North Creek Plaza. Phase 2, City of Laredo, Webb County, Texas into Lots 9A, 9B, 9C, and 11A, Block 1, North Creek Plaza. Phase 2, City of Laredo, Webb County, Texas as recorded in Document no. 564946 and Volume 15, Page 88 of the Webb County Plat Records to serve as a Utility and Access Easement for the purpose of excavating, constructing, inspecting, repairing, replacing, locating, relocating, and maintaining underground utility lines and any appurtenant or necessary facilities, in over, upon, across, and through said 0.0785 acre tract of land said easement is further described in Exhibit "B" Metes and Bounds as depicted in Boundary Survey in Exhibit "A"; and

providing for an effective date.

39. **2021-R-127** Authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract in an amount not to exceed \$108,424.55 for City's participation with the Owner/Developer, Mines Road Community Developers, LLC, to upsize the proposed 8-inch gravity sanitary sewer line to a 12-inch gravity sanitary sewer line along Blue Ridge Parkway. Also, to include an additional 1,452.0 feet of new 8-inch gravity sewer main line along southern boundary of Sapphire Industrial Park, Phase I. This 8-inch gravity line extension will eliminate the existing Deer Creek Lift Station. Funding is available through the 2019 Sewer Revenue Bond.
40. Seeking the City Council to ratify Change Order No. 1 and authorizing the City Manager to approve Change Order No. 2 to Energy Savings Performance Contract (ESPC) to Honeywell for Phase 1. Both Change Orders No. 1 & 2 are for change of scope without changes to the contract value. The contract in the amount of \$10,009,255.00 (Ten million nine thousand two hundred fifty-five dollars and no cents) remains unchanged. The changes to the contractual period to Change Order No. 1 and 2 are zero (0) and 365 calendar days respectively. The new contract time is 965 calendar days. Funding is available in the 2019 Water Revenue Bond.
41. Consideration to award contract FY21-053 to ABBA Construction, Laredo, Texas in the amount of \$499,011.00 for the purchase and installation of manholes and mud valves at the South Laredo Wastewater Treatment Plant for the Utilities Department. The estimated time for completion of this project is one hundred and fifty (150) working days. Funding is available in the 2017 Sewer Revenue Budget Fund.
42. Consideration to renew annual contract FY19-065 with Square E. Services, Los Fresnos, Texas, in an amount up to \$750,000.00 to provide services in the maintenance of all the wastewater's treatment plants SCADA monitoring and electrical controls under preventative maintenance and emergency response objectives. Pricing is based on a flat hourly rate for management, technician, system integrator, journeyman electrician, and a professional engineer. All services 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. There was no price increase during the last extension period. This contract can be renewed one (1) additional one (1) year extension period upon mutual agreement of the parties. Funding is available in the Water Works Department Fund- Water Treatment Division.

43. Consideration to authorize the purchase of new vehicles:

1. One (1) 2022 Ford F250 Regular Cab Truck in the amount of \$31,004.50;
2. Two (2) 2021 Ford Transit Vans in the amount of \$66,135.50;
3. One (1) 2022 Ford F350 Crew Cab Truck in the amount of \$36,882.50;
4. One (1) 2021 Ford F150 Crew Cab Truck in the amount of \$33,711.50;
5. One (1) 2022 Ford F250 Crew Cab Truck in the amount of \$34,286.50;
6. Two (2) 2021 Ford F150 Extended Cab Trucks in the amount of \$62,791.50;
7. Two (2) 2022 Ford F250 Regular Cab Trucks in the amount of \$62,009.00;
8. One (1) 2021 Ford F150 Extended Cab Truck in the amount of \$31,695.75;
9. One (1) 2022 Ford F550 Regular Cab Truck w/Fiatbed in the amount of \$48,027.50;
10. Three (3) 2022 Ford F550 Crew Cab Trucks w/Compartments & Crane in the amount of \$221,725.50;
11. Six (6) 2022 Ford F550 Crew Cab Trucks w/Compartments & Air Compressor in the amount of \$337,611.00;
12. Three (3) 2022 Ford F550 Regular Cab Trucks w/Compartment & Crane in the amount of \$212,785.50;

in the total amount of \$1,178,666.25 from Silsbee Ford, Silsbee, Texas through the GoodBuy Cooperative Purchasing Program's contract pricing. These operations' vehicles are replacement units which have already reached their useful life. Funding is available in the 2018 PPFCO Water & Sewer Funds.

44. Consideration to authorize a purchase contract utilizing the Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Program pricing to ROO Equipment, Laredo, Texas for the purchase of:

1. Two (2) John Deere 310 Backhoe Loaders in an amount of \$178,658.00;
2. Two (2) John Deere 324G Skid Steer Loaders in an amount of \$109,704.54;
3. One (1) John Deere 644 4-Wheel Loader in an amount of \$261,875.00;
4. One (1) John Deere 470GF Mini-Excavator in an amount of \$48,500.00;
5. One (1) John Deere OKADA Concrete Breaker in an amount of \$14,700.00;

for a total amount of \$613,437.54 for the Utilities Department. Some of this heavy equipment are replacement units for equipment which has already

reached their useful life and the new equipment is for in-house utilities projects. Funding is available in the 2018 PPFCO Water & Sewer Fund.

45. Consideration to authorize the purchase of six (6) dump trucks and two (2) water tanker trucks from Rush Truck Center, Laredo, Texas in the total amount \$1,092,387.54 for the Utilities Department. The purchase of these trucks shall be made utilizing the BuyBoard Cooperative Purchasing Program. Some of these trucks are replacement units for trucks which have already reached their useful life and the new trucks are for in-house utilities projects. Funding is available in the 2018 PPFCO Water & Sewer Fund and the 2020A Water Revenue Bond.
46. Consideration to authorize a purchase contract utilizing the BuyBoard Cooperative Purchasing Program pricing to Briggs Equipment, Laredo, Texas for the purchase of:
 1. One (1) 2021 Yale GP050VX Forklift in an amount of \$36,190.59;
 2. Two (2) 2021 Bomag Tandem Vibratory Roller in an amount of \$76,600.00;
 3. One (1) 2021 185 CFM Air Compressor in an amount of \$26,297.10;

for a total amount of \$139,087.69 for the Utilities Department. All equipment are replacement units which has already reached their useful life. Funding is available in the 2018 PPFCO Water Fund.
47. Consideration to authorize the purchase of two (2) gator utility vehicles and one (1) 72" riding mower from John Deere Company, Cary, North Carolina in the total amount \$56,853.82 for the Utilities Department. All equipment are replacement units which have already reached their useful life. The purchase of this equipment shall be made utilizing the BuyBoard Cooperative Purchasing Program. Funding is available in the 2018 PPFCO Water & Sewer Fund.
48. Consideration to authorize the purchase of one (1) vibrating compactor from Holt Caterpillar, Laredo, Texas in the total amount \$85,925.32 for the Utilities Department. This compactor is an additional piece of equipment which will be used for compacting trenches during in-house utilities projects. The purchase of this equipment shall be made utilizing the BuyBoard Cooperative Purchasing Program. Funding is available in the 2018 PPFCO, 2017 Sewer Revenue Bond, and 2020A Sewer Revenue Bond.

49. Consideration to award annual heavy equipment rental contracts FY21-047 with the following vendors:

section I (Rental of Skid Steer)	Amount	Recommendation
IRDO Equipment, Laredo, Texas	\$80,000.00	Primary Vendor
Nueces Power Equipment, Laredo, Texas	\$40,000.00	Secondary Vendor
Ahern Rentals, Las Vegas, Nevada	\$30,000.00	Secondary Vendor
United Rentals, Laredo, Texas	\$20,000.00	Secondary Vendor

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Section II (Rental of Mini-Excavator)

IRDO Equipment, Laredo, Texas	\$50,000.00	Primary Vendor
Texas First Rentals, Laredo, Texas	\$40,000.00	Secondary Vendor
Nueces Power Equipment, Laredo, Texas	\$30,000.00	Secondary Vendor
Ahern Rentals, Las Vegas, Nevada	\$20,000.00	Secondary Vendor

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Ahern Rentals, Las Vegas, Nevada	\$40,000.00	Secondary Vendor
H&E Equipment, Baton Rouge, Louisiana	\$30,000.00	Secondary Vendor
United Rentals, Laredo, Texas	\$20,000.00	Secondary Vendor

section IV (Rental of Backhoe)

IRDO Equipment, Laredo, Texas	\$50,000.00	Primary Vendor
Texas First Rentals, Laredo, Texas	\$40,000.00	Secondary Vendor
United Rentals, Laredo, Texas	\$30,000.00	Secondary Vendor

Nueces Power Equipment, Laredo, Texas	\$20,000.00	Secondary Vendor
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Section VI (Rental of Water Truck)

Ahern Rentals, Las Vegas, Nevada	\$140,000.00,	Primary Vendor
United Rentals, Laredo, Texas	\$30,000.00	Secondary Vendor

H&E Equipment, Baton Rouge, Louisiana	\$20,000.00	Secondary Vendor
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Section VII (Rental of Excavator)

Ahern Rentals, Las Vegas, Nevada	\$50,000.00	Primary Vendor
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RDO Equipment, Laredo, Texas	\$40,000.00	Secondary Vendor
Nueces Power Equipment, Laredo, Texas	\$20,000.00	Secondary Vendor

All equipment rentals 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 may be extended for three (3) additional one (1) year periods upon mutual agreement of the parties. Funding is available in the Utilities Department Fund.

50. Consideration to award a professional engineering services contract in the amount of \$809,250.00 to Porras Nance Engineering of Laredo, Texas for the Relocation of Utilities on US59 / Loop 20. Funding is available in the 2020A Water Revenue Bond and 2017 Sewer Revenue Bond.

51. Consideration to ratify issued purchase orders to Environmental Improvements, Inc. for the preventative maintenance, equipment repairs, and equipment replacement for the water and wastewater treatment plants in the amount of \$49,978.00. Environmental Improvements Inc. is the Texas Regional Manufacture Representative for the sale and maintenance of this equipment. An additional \$70,000 is being requested for needed upgrades and to cover unforeseen equipment failures in the water and wastewater treatment plants. Total contract amount is \$119,978.00. Funding available

in the Waterworks and Sewer System Operations Budget.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

XIII. STAFF REPORTS

- 52. 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.
- 53. 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.
- 54. Status update on the appointment of the Interim Internal Auditor, and any other matters incident thereto.
- 55. Temporary appointment of Vanessa Guerra to the position of Interim Planning Director upon James "Kirby" Snideman resignation; and any other matters incident thereto.
- 56. Status update on the Don Tomas Sanchez sculpture project; and any other matters incident thereto.
- 57. Staff report on Laredo Economic Development Corporation (LEDC) mid-year update, and any other matters incident thereto.
- 58. Status update on the proposed Management Agreement for UNI-TRADE STADIUM with STX LDO Management LLC., and any other matters incident thereto.

XIV. 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.

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

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

59. GENERAL COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

A. Request by Mayor Pete Saenz

1. Discussion with possible action to instruct Management to formulate as soon as possible a five (5) year operational and financial forecast/plan on current and future expense and revenue budgets, and their impacts, in order to reasonably determine whether the City can afford to cover the following matters:
 - incorporating and specifying cost of new hires,
 - cost of equity in wage disparities within existing positions and new positions within departments;
 - overall cost of the application of the recent 3% COLA increase;
 - the ongoing negotiation of Police Department Contract,
 - future negotiation of Fire Department Contract;
 - ongoing and future Capital and Operational expenses;
 - along with all future compounding impacts to the respective budgets, specifically the General Fund; and,
 - including all other normal ongoing encumbrances impacting the General Fund and other funds, respectively.

B. Request by Council Member Vanessa J. Perez

1. Discussion with possible action directing management to modify Ordinance 2017-0-071, Sec. 31-138.1.1 fees, late fees: 5% or \$5, whichever is greater, to eliminate the \$5 minimum fee, while keeping the 5% fee, to not disproportionately penalize customers

with lower bill totals: our current feeless auto pay program should be enhanced and promoted with the goals of increasing participation and ease of enrollment, and any other matter incident thereto. **(Co-Sponsored by Council Member Mercurio Martinez, III.)**

2. Discussion with possible action directing management to implement a city composting program, and any other matter incident thereto. **(Co-Sponsored by Council Member Mercurio Martinez, III. and Council Member Ruben Gutierrez, Jr.)**
3. Discussion with possible action on hosting the City of Laredo's Inaugural Avocado Festival to be held on October 23, 2021 at the Uni-Trade Stadium, and any other matter incident thereto. **(Co-Sponsored by Council Member Mercurio Martinez, III.)**

C. Request by Council Member Alyssa Cigarroa

1. Status report with possible action on the Open Data Portal for the City of Laredo, and any other matters incident thereto.

D. Request by Council Member Vidal Rodriguez

1. Discussion with possible action to re-evaluate current standard project timeline of 90 days for completion, as well as set a new standard for when a project should commence once it is approved, and any other matters incident thereto.
2. Discussion with possible action on a status report on all LED lighting and street repair pending in the entire City, and any other matters incident thereto.

E. Request by Council Member Mercurio Martinez, III

1. Discussion with possible action to request that the City Manager initiate a resolution to extend the Neighborhood Empowerment Zone Borders, and any other matters incident thereto.

F. **Request by Council Member Alberto Torres, 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 IV Priority Funds will be used for this project.

- 3400 of Stamford Street
- 3500 Block of McDonell Avenue

G. **Request by Council Member Ruben A. Gutierrez, Jr.**

1. Discussion with possible action on amending Chapter 18 of the Code of Ordinances to remove the 300 feet distancing requirement between amusement redemption machines in an effort to allow for better enforcement and regulations, and any other matters incident thereto.
2. Discussion with possible action to rescind motion approved on April 19th regarding the removal of playground equipment at Uni-Trade Stadium to keep the equipment where it is and to add batting cages in the location property, and any other matters incident thereto.
(Co-Sponsored by Council Member Vidal Rodriguez and Council Member Vanessa Perez)
3. Discussion with possible action to direct the City Manager to instruct staff to explore new dates for the 2021 "Runway 5k" at the Laredo International Airport, and any other matters incident thereto.

H. **Request by Council Member Dr. Marte A. Martinez**

1. Discussion with possible action on dedicating accessible property owned by the City of Laredo adjacent to Springfield Ave, for use as a Transit Hub, and any other matters incident thereto.

XVII. 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 Wednesday, April 28, 2021 at 7:30p.m.

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