

# CITY OF LAREDO CITY COUNCIL MEETING

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CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

1110 HOUSTON STREET

LAREDO, TEXAS 78040

June 21, 2021

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 June 7, 2021

### Citizen comments

Citizens are required to fill out a witness card and submit it to the City Secretary no later than 5:45 p.m. and identify themselves at the microphone. Comments are limited to three (3) minutes per speaker. No more than three (3) persons will be allowed to speak on any side of an issue. 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.

## VI. RECOGNITION

1. Recognizing the Heat Volleyball Academy 14's volleyball club teams as they have both earned bids to compete in the 2021 USA Volleyball Girls Junior National Championship in Las Vegas, Nevada.

## VII. COMMUNICATIONS

## VIII. APPOINTMENTS TO COMMISSIONS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

1. Appointment by Council Member Dr. Marte A. Martinez of Richard "Rick" Laurel to the Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee.
2. Appointment by Council Member Dr. Marte A. Martinez of Maribel Garcia to the Convention & Visitors Bureau Advisory Committee.
3. Appointment by Mayor Pete Saenz of Elizabeth Alonzo-Villarreal to the Airport Advisory Committee.
4. Appointment by Mayor Pete Saenz of Doug Alford to the Municipal Civil Service Commission.
5. Appointment by Mayor Pete Saenz of David Puig to the Port of Entry Advisory Committee.
6. Appointment by Mayor Pete Saenz of Bill Young to the Port of Entry Advisory Committee.

7. Appointment by Mayor Pete Saenz of Elia Guevara to the Port of Entry Advisory Committee.
8. Appointment by Mayor Pete Saenz of Dr. Xavier Cantu to the Telecommunications Advisory Committee.
9. Appointment by Council Member Ruben Gutierrez of Luis Hinojosa to the Port of Entry Advisory Committee.
10. Appointment by Council Member Alyssa Cigarroa of Robert Simpson to the Animal Care Services Advisory Committee.

## IX. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance amending Chapter 23 (Parks and Recreation) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Laredo to allow for an addition to the recreational equipment fees to include the rental of pergolas at our swimming pools at the rate of \$25.00 for four (4) hours or \$50.00 per day; containing a savings clause; containing a severability clause and providing an effective date.
2. Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance amending the Laredo Land Development Code, Sections 24.62.5 and 24.62.6 of Article IV (Zoning Regulations), to allow for the administrative transfer of special use and conditional use permits; amending the Laredo Land Development Code Sections 24.94.10 and 24.93.12 of Article VI (Administrative Procedures) to revise the criteria and procedures for the revocation of special and conditional use permits; providing that this ordinance shall be cumulative; providing a severability clause; providing for publication and providing for an effective date.
3. Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning an approximately 18.79-acre tract of land being out and part of Survey 2149, Abst. 594., RH Raines, Original Grantee, located south of Rockrose Dr. and west of Nogal Ln., from R-2 (Multi-Family Residential District) to R-1 MH (Single Family Manufactured Housing District).

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the proposed zone change, and Staff supports the proposed application.

ZC-037-2020  
District III

4. Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lot 1, Block 13, College Heights Subdivision, Unit III, located at 1637 Rene Solis Dr., from B-3 (Community Business District) & R-1A (Single Family Reduced Area District) to B-3 (Community Business District).

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the proposed zone change, and Staff supports the proposed application.

ZC-038-2021  
District III

5. Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by authorizing a Special Use Permit for a restaurant serving alcohol, on Lot 4A, Block 1, Vista Hermosa, Unit III, located at 5507 Mc Pherson Road.

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the proposed zone change, and Staff supports the proposed zone change.

ZC-035-2021  
District V

6. Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lot 2A and 28, Block 1, Bartlett Apartments Subdivision at Jacaman Ranch, located at 6702 and 6706 Bartlett Ave., from B-3 (Community Business District) to B-4 (Highway Commercial District).

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended denial of the proposed zone change, and Staff does not support the proposed application.

ZC-034-2021  
District V

Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lot 4A, Block 1, Mc Pherson West Subdivision, Unit 3, Manor Plaza, located at 610 Manor Rd., from B-3 (Community Business District) to B-3 PUD (Community Business District-Planned Unit Development).

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended denial of the proposed zone change, and Staff supports the proposed zone change.

ZC-039-2021  
District V

8. Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning the north 1/2 of Lot 2, Block 338, Western Division, located at 1703 Santa Isabel Ave., from M-1 (Light Manufacturing District) to R-1 (Single Family Residential District).

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the proposed zone change, and Staff supports the proposed zone change.

ZC-040-2021  
District VIII

(Recess)  
(Press Availability)

## X. INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCES

9. Authorizing the City Manager to execute a Master Development Agreement and Ground Lease Agreement's between the City of Laredo and 270 Development Group, LLC from Addison, Texas to develop and manage two (2) parcels consisting of approximately 3.0 acres of developed land (Parcel B) and approximately 7.5 acres of undeveloped land (Parcel G) at the Laredo International Airport. 270 Development Group, LLC will have nine (9) months to enter into ground leases through the Master Development Agreement. No lease will exceed the forty (40) year term. Each ground lease will be brought back to City Council for approval and will contain the terms and conditions.

purchase the "Surface Only" of 3602 Jaime Zapata Hwy legally described as a tract of land containing 4.30-acres (187,458.09 S F), more or less, situated in Porcion 31, Abstract 3116, Jose Trevino, original grantee and Porcion 32, Abstract 298, Antonio Trevino, original grantee, City of Laredo, Webb County, Texas being out of the Consolidated Towne East Holdings, L.C. 18.48-acre tract recorded in Volume 558, Pages 390-392, Webb County Official Public Records, Webb County, Texas for the amount of \$280,000.00. Funding will be from the 2019 Sewer Revenue Bond.

#### XI. THIRD AND FINAL READING

11. 2021 -0-1 14 Authorizing the renewal amendment to grant a non-exclusive franchise to Laredo Clean Sweep, Inc. D/B/A Southern Sanitation Services to use the present and future streets, avenues, alleys, roads, highways, sidewalks, easements and other public rights-of-way of the City of Laredo, Texas for purposes of constructing, maintaining and operating a commercial container refuse gathering and disposal service, setting forth terms and conditions to govern the franchise; providing for franchise payments; and providing a severability clause.

#### XII. FIRST AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

12. 2021 -0-1 23 Discuss and approve an ordinance authorizing the issuance of City of Laredo, Texas Sports Venue Sales Tax Revenue Bonds, Taxable Series 2021 in the estimated amount of \$49,810,000.00 to finance a sports complex venue project and related infrastructure and ordaining other matters relating to the subject including authorizing a bond purchase agreement and an official statement, and providing for the security of the bonds and the pledging of a sales tax and authorizing amendment to the city's budget to appropriate such proceeds for purposes authorized herein and delegating to certain city officials the authority to approve all final terms of the bonds.
13. 2021 -0-1 24 Discuss and approve an ordinance by the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas authorizing the issuance, sale and delivery of City of Laredo, Texas General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2021A in the approximate amount of \$4,175,000.00; approving and authorizing a purchase contract, an escrow agreement, and a paying agent/registrar agreement; approving and authorizing all other instruments and procedures related thereto; delegating authority to certain city officials to select outstanding bonds to be refunded and approve all final terms of the bonds; and authorizing amendment to the city's budget to appropriate such proceeds for purposes authorized herein; and ordaining other matters

relating to the subject.

14. 2021-0-125 Discuss and approve an ordinance by the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas authorizing the issuance, sale and delivery of City of Laredo, Texas General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Taxable Series 2021 B in the approximate amount of \$4,125,000.00; approving and authorizing a purchase contract, an escrow agreement, and a paying agent registrar agreement; approving and authorizing all other instruments and procedures related thereto; delegating to certain city officials to select outstanding bonds to be refunded and approve all final terms of the bonds; and authorizing amendment to the city's budget to appropriate such proceeds for purposes authorized herein; and ordaining other matters relating to the subject
15. 2021-0-126 Discuss and approve an ordinance authorizing the issuance, sale and delivery of "City of Laredo, Texas Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2021 B" in the approximate amount of \$2,210,000.00 for paying all or a portion of the City's contractual obligations incurred 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
  2. paying legal, fiscal, and engineering fees in connection with such projects; securing the payment thereof by authorizing the levy of an annual ad valorem tax; approving and authorizing the execution of all instruments and procedures related thereto including a paying agent registrar agreement and a purchase contract; approving the form of an official statement; delegating to certain city officials the authority to approve all final terms of the certificates of obligation; authorizing amendment to the city's budget to appropriate such proceeds for purposes authorized herein; and declaring an effective date.
16. 2021-0-127 Discuss and approve an ordinance authorizing the issuance, sale and delivery of "City of Laredo, Texas Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2021 A" in the approximate amount of \$27,445,000.00 for paying all or a portion of the city's contractual obligations incurred 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;
  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 Recreation 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 landfills, including the acquisition of vehicles;
  6. purchasing and acquiring existing landfill at 10705 Highways 359 for municipal landfill purposes; and
  7. paying legal, fiscal, and engineering fees in connection with such projects; securing the payment thereof by authorizing the levy of an annual ad valorem tax; approving and authorizing the execution of all instruments and procedures related thereto including a paying agent/registrar agreement and a purchase contract; approving the form of an official statement; delegating to certain city officials the authority to approve all final terms of the certificates of obligation; authorizing amendment to the city's budget to appropriate such proceeds for purposes authorized herein; and declaring an effective date

### XIII. FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

17. 2021 -0-1 16 Authorizing the City Manager to amend the FY 2020-2021 Community Development Department budget by increasing revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$200,000. 00 in order to appropriate Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) funds available for the Texas Emergency Mortgage Assistance Program (T EMAP) to assist low to moderate income eligible families/individuals impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Additionally, amending the FY 2020-2021 full-time equivalent (FTE) position listing by adding one (1) Grant Coordinator, R35 position.
18. 2021 -0-1 17 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 \$8,295,954. 90 in order to appropriate the second allocation from the U. S. Department of the Treasury which includes the direct allocation of \$6,275,789.90 and a High-Need Allocation of \$2,020,165.00. Funds are available for Emergency Rental Assistance through the American Rescue Plan for households that are unable to pay rent and utilities due to the COVID-19 pandemic, to be



provided to eligible families/individuals with incomes at or below the 80 percent of the area median.

19. 2021-0-118 Creating the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Fund and appropriating revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$42, 779,444.00. Payment represents the first of two payments from the allocation of the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund established by the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021.
20. 2021-0-119 Amending the City of Laredo Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Health and Benefits Fund by appropriating revenues and expenses of \$1,150,000.00 for health medical claims.
21. 2021-0-120 Authorizing the City Manager to execute a First Amendment to the Ground Lease between the City of Laredo ("Landlord") and Pinnacle Towers Acquisition LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("Tenant"), as Successor in Interest to Nextel WIP Lease Corp, for ground space at 327 Riverfront, Laredo, Webb County, Texas, for the continued maintenance and operation of a 250 ft. high self-supporting tower and related ground facilities. Term of the Amendment is for seven (7) consecutive renewal terms of five (5 years); effective November 21, 2000.
22. 2021-0-121 Authorizing the City Manager to execute a First Amendment to Site License Agreement ("License") between the City of Laredo ("Licensor") and New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, by and through its attorney in fact, CCATT LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("Licensee") for ground space at 911 Galveston, Laredo, Webb County, Texas, for the continued maintenance and operation of a 180 ft. high self-supporting tower and related ground facilities. Term of the Amendment is for five (5) consecutive renewal terms of five (5 years); effective September 1, 2020.
23. 2021-0-122 An ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, amending Chapter 24, Article v, Section 24-78, of the City of Laredo Land Development Code by deleting section 24-78.2(e)(2), regarding dead storage parking lots; amending section 24-78.2(e)(3), regarding time limitations and compliance; adding paving requirements for industrial parking lots under and over one acre; amending chapter 24, Appendix A by deleting the definition for dead storage parking lots and adding definitions for industrial parking lots and operational area; adopting construction standards for industrial parking lots over one acre, entitled industrial parking lot design standards; amending 24-78(G) to provide for track age and spillage control requirements and a penalty provision; providing that this ordinance shall be cumulative; providing

date.

#### XIV. 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.

#### BUDGET: STAFF SOURCE GILBERTO SANCHEZ, BUDGET DIRECTOR

24. Consideration to authorize additional rental related expenditures in the amount not to exceed \$250,000.00 for the Sames Auto Arena for the City COVID-19 vaccination events. Rental expenditures include: rental of site, tables, chairs, forklift, event labor (manpower) and other misc. items for these public vaccination events. In April 2021 City Council approved a motion for \$187,000.00 which have been expensed; new total approved amount will be \$437,000.00. Funding is available in General Fund, COVID-Public Health.

#### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT: STAFF SOURCE TINA MARTINEZ, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

25. Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract and award the Emergency Solutions Grant Coronavirus (ESG-CV) funds made available by the U.S Department of Housing and Urban Development in the total amount of \$345,869.00 to Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Laredo.

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

26. 2021 -R-1 50 Discussion and possible action on a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas intending to establish a Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) program for the City pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Chapter 399 (the "PACE Act"); to set a public hearing date, and any other matters incident thereto.

#### ENGINEERING: STAFF SOURCE RAMON E. C HAVEZ, CITY ENGINEER

- Isidro Northeast, Ltd. and San Isidro Southeast Ltd., of the surface only of a tract of land being a detention pond of Exhibit A approximately 13.04 acres, more or less situated in Porcion 22, City of Laredo, Webb County, Texas being out of a 2,307.1165 acre (called 2,389.5 acres) known as the San Isidro Ranch being the same property conveyed to San Isidro Southeast, Ltd. by deed recorded in Volume 814, Page 836 of Webb County Deed Records, and Exhibit B, a 30.02 acre parcel of land, more or less, being out of 217.23 acres known as tract "A" called to contain 217.14 acres, recorded in volume 3355, pages 170-178, official public records of Webb County, Texas herein provided as Exhibit A with the value of \$2,500.00 and B with the value of \$2,500.00. The property will be used for municipal drainage purposes. The ponds will be maintained by the City of Laredo.
28. 2021 -R-1 46 Authorizing the City Manager to accept a donation from Woodridge Heights Unit I and Woodridge Heights Unit III, of the surface only of a tract of land being a detention pond of approximately 2.2385-acre tract of land, more or less situated out of Porcion 22, Abstract 277, Dona Maria Jesus Sanchez, Original Grantee, and being out of a tract of land conveyed to Resendez et. Al. as per Vol. 821, Pages 826-42, Official Public Records of Webb County, Texas; said 2.238-acre tract being situated in the City of Laredo, County of Webb, State of Texas, and being more particularly described by metes and bounds and Exhibit B a 9.414-acre tract of land, more or less, out of porcion 22, Abstract 277, Dona Maria Jesus Sanchez, Original Grantee, and being used out of tract of land conveyed to Resendez, et. Al., as per vol. 821, pages 826-42, Official Public Records of Webb County, Texas, said 9.414-acre tract, more or less, being situated in the City of Laredo, County of Webb, State of Texas, and being more particularly described by metes and bounds. Official public records of Webb County, Texas herein provided as Exhibit A with the value of \$4,000.00 and B with the value of \$4,000.00. The property will be used for municipal drainage purposes. The ponds will be maintained by the City of Laredo.
29. Authorizing the City Manager to execute any and all documents necessary to accept as complete, release retainage, and approve final payment in the amount of \$21,533.09 to RLI Insurance Co, for the CDBG Freddy Benavides Recreational (Sisters of Mercy) Water Feature (Lazy River) adjacent to the City of Laredo Cigarroa Recreation Center Swimming Pool at 2201 Zacatecas Street. There is an amount of \$142,395.00 remaining including \$71,000.00 plus \$71,395.00 retainage. The remaining funds in the amount of \$120,861.91 from the original contract will be used for other amenities at the site. Final contract amount is \$1,498,900.00. Funding is available in the Community Development Fund, Capital Improvements Fund, 2014 CO, 2015 CO and 2016 CO Issue.

30. Consideration for approval of the selection of the top ranked consultant for RFQ FY20-ENG-09 City of Laredo Corpus Christi Street Beautification Project (Cedar Avenue to Arkansas Avenue); and authorization to negotiate a professional services contract. A total of four (4) firms responded to the Request for Qualifications on May 20, 2021. There is no financial impact at this time. Item contingent upon approval to issue the 2021 Certificates of Obligation bond issue.
31. Consideration for approval of the selection of the top two (2) ranked consultants for RFQ FY20-ENG-10 Traffic Safety Operational Analysis and Improvements at McPherson Rd. intersections (Shiloh Dr. & Fenwick Dr.); and authorization to negotiate a professional services contract. A total of four (4) firms responded to the Request for Qualifications on May 27, 2021. The committee recommends the selection of Civil Engineering Consultants, Laredo, Texas and Cobb Fendley & Associates, Mc Allen, Texas. There is no financial impact at this time. Item is contingent upon approval to issue the 2021 Certificates of Obligation bond issue.

FLEET MANAGEMENT: STAFF SOURCE RONALD MILLER, FLEET DIRECTOR

32. Consideration to award two-year contract FY21-068 to the following vendors:

Section	Description	Vendor	Location	Dollar Amt	Award
I	Fuel, Air, Oil Filters	Rush Truck Center	Laredo, TX	\$75,000.00	Primary Vendor
		Fleet-Pride	Laredo, TX	\$40,000.00	Secondary Vendor
II	Belts, Hoses,	Gonzalez	Laredo, TX	\$250,000.00	Primary
III	Cooling	Auto Parts			Vendor
IV	Brakes & Related				
V	Items				
VI	Brakes/Misc. Parts				
VII	Chassis & Steering				
VIII	Drive Train				
IX	Electrical Auto Parts				
X	Exhaust Auto Parts				
XI	Fuel & Emission				
XII	Parts				
XIII	Heating & Air				
XIV	Condition				
	Ignition				
XVI	Lamp Bulb, Flashers				

XVII Shock & Struts  
Wiper Blades &  
Motors  
Service Lubricants  
Brakes/Emergency  
Vehicles  
Parts/Emergency  
Vehicles

Toro Auto Sales	Laredo, TX	\$40,000.00	Secondary Vendor
O'Reilly Auto Parts	Laredo, TX	\$40,000.00	Secondary Vendor

(Only Section X

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Laredo,

\$25,000.00 Secondary  
Heating Cooling)

Auto Air TX

Vendor

for the purchase of automotive parts for the Fleet Department. This contract establishes a percentage discount on parts utilized during city vehicle repairs. All parts will be purchased on an as-needed basis. 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 can be renewed for three (3) additional one (1) year extension periods, upon the mutual agreement of the parties. Funding is available in the Fleet Maintenance budget.

HEALTH: STAFF SOURCE RICHARD A. C  
HAMBERLAIN, HEALTH DIRECTOR

- 3     2021 -R-1 55 Ratifying the  
3.     execution of a contract  
amendment from the Texas  
Department of State Health  
Services (DSHS) Office of  
Border Public Health in the  
amount of \$7,300.00, for a total  
of \$29,200.00 for the City of  
3     Laredo Health Department  
4.     (CLHD) to conduct binational  
meetings, trainings, health  
promotion and vector control  
events for the term from  
September 1,  
2021 through August 31, 2022.

Consideration to authorize the  
purchase of 60 radios for Covid-  
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Vaccination Capacity grant  
activities as established in the  
grant work plan in the amount  
of \$219,162.35 for devices and  
five (5) years of essential  
services. The purchase must be  
made in the first year of the  
grant period  
and within the first 90  
days. The devices are  
necessary to establish  
communication among  
internal and external  
parties during Covid-19  
vaccination events.

LAREDO ANIMAL CARE  
SERVICES : STAFF  
SOURCE KARINA ELIZON  
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35. Authorizing the City Manager to enter into an interlocal agreement with Webb County Sheriff's Office to allow Alternative Incarceration Program (AIP) individuals to assist the Laredo Animal Care Services with kennel worker duties on an as-needed basis.

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

36. 2021 -R-1 48 Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a Parkland Conveyance Agreement with Monaco Development, LLC accepting the conveyance by special warranty deed of 1.19 acres of parkland for the development of Monaco Subdivision, Phase II; to serve for recreational parkland purposes in accordance with the Land Development Code; authorizing the execution of a special warranty deed; and providing for an effective date.
37. 201 9-R-1 49 A Resolution of the City of Laredo, Texas, authorizing the City Manager to approve a donation agreement between the City of Laredo and Mr. Robert "Beto" P. Gutierrez for the acceptance of \$300,000.00 towards the creation of an ADA Park at North Central Park. The project will include playground amenities, shade, trash receptacles and bicycle racks.

POLICE: STAFF SOURCE CLAUDIO TREVINO, CHIEF OF POLICE

38. 2021 -R-1 38 Authorizing the City Manager to submit a grant application in the amount of \$104,000.00 to the U. S. Department of Justice Programs for the purpose of funding the Patrick Leahy Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant for FY 2022. The funds will be utilized to replace approximately 130 vests that have exceeded the recommended life expectancy. The Bulletproof Vest Partnership Program will require a 50% match. Funding will be accounted for in the Special Police Fund.

PUBLIC WORKS: STAFF SOURCE JOHN ORFILA, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

39. Consideration to amend annual supply contract number FY16-068 by 25% with Emperor Services LLC, Laredo, Texas for an amount increase of \$80,000.00 and a new contract total amount of \$400,000.00. This contract is for the purchase of the following paving and construction materials:

1. Gravel delivered to Public Works and Utilities job site - \$30.00/ton
2. Gravel picked up by city trucks - \$20.00/ton
3. 3/8" Pea Gravel picked up by city trucks - \$18.00/ton;
4. 3/8" Pea Gravel delivered to Public Works and Utilities job site \$26.00/ton;
5. Flexible Base-Caliche delivered to Public Works and Utilities job site \$16.50/ton ;
6. Flexible Base-Caliche picked up by city trucks - \$ 7.00/ton

This contract is for the purchase of materials required for all city paving and construction projects. The term of this contract shall expire on September 8, 2021. The contract amendment is due to an increase in the purchase of construction materials and to cover future expenditures until a new contract is awarded in August 2021. All materials are purchased on an as needed basis and funding is available in the Public Works Department, Utilities Department and various construction project budgets.

40. Accepting an in-kind donation in the amount of \$45,000.00 from the Plantation Homeowners Association for materials associated with the resurfacing of streets on Country Club Boulevard, from Glover Loop to Plantation East, and any other matters incident thereto.

TAX: STA FF SOURCE DORA MALDONADO, TAX ASSESSOR COLLECTOR

41. Approving monthly adjustments to the tax roll. The amounts adjusted for the month of May 2021 represent a decrease of \$269,308.89. These adjustments are determined by the Webb County Appraisal District and by court orders.

UTILITIES: STA FF SOURCE ART GARCIA, P. E., UTILITIES DIRECTOR

42. Consideration to renew annual service contract FY20-049 to provide electric motor repair services with the following vendors :
1. Delta House Electric & Motor, Freer, Texas in an amount up to \$300,000.00 (Primary Vendor) ;
  2. RAMSA Electric, Laredo, Texas in an amount up to \$100,000.00



(Secondary Vendor).

These repairs are for motors with horsepower ratings from 1/8 HP to 400 HP that are used in water and wastewater operations. 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 two (2) additional one (1) year extension periods, upon mutual agreement of the parties. All services will be purchased on an as needed basis. Funding is available in the Water and Sewer operating funds.

43. Consideration to authorize a purchase contract for the purchase of one (1) end dump trailer in the total amount of \$59,987.00 from BTE Body Company, Irving, Texas. This purchase contract is utilizing the BuyBoard Cooperative Purchasing Program pricing. This trailer will replace an older unit that has already reached its useful life. Funding is available in the 2020A Sewer Revenue Bond Fund.
44. Consideration to award annual service contract FY21-070 to the sole bidder Mo-Vac Service Company, Laredo, TX in an amount up to \$65,000.00 to provide vacuum truck services for the Utilities Department. The vendor shall remove and transport domestic sewage, sewage sludge and/or sludge during the raining season. 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 can be extended three (3) additional one-year periods, upon mutual agreement of the parties. All services will be purchased on an as needed basis and funding will be secured from the Sewer System Operating Fund.

#### END OF CONSENT AGENDA

#### XV. STAFF REPORTS

45. 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.
46. Discussion with possible action on a status update of the Internal Auditor position, selecting a date to conduct interviews, and any other matters incident thereto.

47. Consideration to change the City Council Meeting regularly scheduled for July 19, 2021, to July 26, 2021, and any other matters incident thereto.
48. Request to set meeting date for Budget and CIP Submittal on July 26, 2021 and set Budget Workshop dates for August, with possible action.
49. Discussion with possible action on funding and in-kind support for the 2021 PONY Annual Baseball Tournament (Bronco and Palomino categories) that is expecting visitors from the U.S., Taiwan, Puerto Rico and Mexico from July 29 to Aug 2, 2021; and any other matters incident thereto.
50. Discussion with possible action on 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.

#### XVI. 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.

51. Request for Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071 (consultation with attorney) to discuss a proposed Management Agreement for UNI-TRADE STADIUM with STX Venue Management LLC., and any other attorney consultation matters incident thereto, and return to open session for possible action.

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

52. 2021 -RT-07 Authorizing the City Manager and staff to execute the Public Transportation Master Grant Agreement #MGA-2022-026- Laredo-043 with the Texas Department Transportation called the "State" and the City of Laredo called the "Subrecipient" for a five (5) year term beginning September 1, 2021 through August 31, 2026. The Federal and State laws

require that the State and Subrecipients meet certain standards relating to the management and administration of state and federal funds for consideration for new state and federal grant funding.

53. Consideration to award contract FY21-056 for the purchase and service maintenance of an industrial sweeper to the vendor who provided the best value to the Laredo Transit Management Inc. (LTM Inc.) Gulf Coast Paper Inc., Corpus Christi, TX in the amount of \$71,782.40. This price includes the cost of the equipment in the amount of \$60,782.40, a three (3) year "Gold" maintenance service in the amount of \$9,800.00 and approximately \$1,200.00 in labor/parts (when necessary). Funding is available in the Transit CARES Act grant capital budget.
54. Consideration to amend parts annual supply contracts (FY19-090) for an increased amount of \$138,165.73 (25% revised total annual amount), to the listed vendors for providing bus and van fleet parts. Contract was awarded by item(s) to the lowest responsible bidder for parts most commonly purchased for non-warranty repairs. All items will be purchased on an as needed basis. Term of contract is two years/(24) month agreement with an option to renew one (1) year. Funding is available in the El Metro Operations Fund Revised total \$1,066,456.57/year.
55. Authorizing the City Manager to waive bus fares for all El Metro bus services on June 27, 2021 for the 16th Annual Dump the Pump Day. El Metro is teaming up with transportation agencies nationwide to celebrate the 16th Annual Dump the Pump Day on Sunday June 27, 2021 by offering free rides on all fixed route services including the El Lift Paratransit services. The day is dedicated to raise community awareness whereas public transportation has the ability to save people money, promote walk-ability, and to reduce the harmful greenhouse gases emitted into our environment.

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

56. GENERAL COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

A. Request by Mayor Pete Saenz

1. Discussion with possible action on evaluating different alternatives to providing ad valorem tax relief to tax payers , and any other matters incident thereto . (Co-Sponsored by Council Member Dr. Marte A. Martinez and Council Member Mercurio Martinez, III)

B. Request by Council Member Mercurio Martinez, III

1. Discussion with possible action to secure additional grapple trucks, personnel, and upgraded equipment in light of the recent storms, and any other matters incident thereto . (Co-Sponsored by Council Member Vidal Rodriguez)
2. Discussion with possible action to write an opposition letter/resolution to Governor Greg Abbott on not building a border wall along our area , and any other matters incident thereto . (Co-Sponsored by Council Member Dr. Marte A. Martinez)

C. Request by Council Member Alberto Torres, Jr.

1. Discussion with possible action on the adoption of a commercial noise ordinance for purposes of restricting the times that music and other loud sounds may be emitted from a business when not associated with the normal operation of that business, and any other matters incident thereto .
2. Discussion with possible action on recognizing Anna B. Galo for her reappointment to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission , and Laredo Police Department Assistant Chief Miguel "Mike" Rodriguez Jr. for his appointment as Chairman of the Texas Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority, by Texas Governor Greg Abbott, and any other matter incident thereto .
3. Discussion with possible action to instruct City Manager to authorize staff to install speed humps at the following location 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.

- 300 W. Locust St.

D. Request by Council Member Ruben A. Gutierrez, 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 V Priority Funds will be used for this project.

- 100 Colorado
- 6000 Vero Dr
- (2) speed humps on Lucia Court

2. Discussion with possible action to instruct City Manager to authorize staff to install a "No Parking" sign on the 5300 block of Gallagher, and any other matters incident thereto. City Council District V Priority Funds will be used for this project.

3. Discussion with possible action to dedicate the dog park at Jovita Ildar's "El Progreso" park, as "Sargeant Denzo Dog Park", and any other matters incident thereto.

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

1. Discussion with possible action regarding the possible acquisition of a Doppler radar for the detection of local weather, and any other matters incident thereto.

2. Discussion with possible action to establish Laredo as a Purple Heart City, and any other matters incident thereto.

3. Discussion with possible action regarding the possibility of lowering the tax rate, and any other matters incident thereto.  
(Co-Sponsored by Council Member Alberto Torres, Jr. and Council Member Mercurio Martinez, III)

F. Request by Council Member Vanessa J. Perez

1. Discussion with possible action on establishing a "Don't Block the Box" Pilot Program on FM 1472 for targeted police enforcement of Section 545.302(a) of the Texas Transportation Code, in addition to the placement of signage, at critical intersections reminding drivers that it is unsafe to block intersections, causes of traffic congestion, and is ultimately illegal for any vehicle to enter an intersection unless they are able to travel all the way through, and any other matters incident thereto.
2. Discussion with possible action to include lighting and exercise equipment along the Mike Doyle Hike & Bike Trail, and any other matters incident thereto. Funding will be equally funded through District 6 & District 7 Priority Funds. (Co-Sponsored by Council Member Dr. Marte A. Martinez)
3. Discussion with possible action to authorize the City Manager to direct the City Traffic Director to coordinate with the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) and to perform a traffic study recommending a safe left-turn movement from northbound FM 1472 (Mines Road) to Wolf Creek Drive and to prevent vehicles from blocking the only ingress and egress to the Wolf Creek subdivision and any other matters incident thereto.

G. Request by Council Member Alyssa Cigarroa

1. Request for status, with possible action, on the presentation of the proposed improvements to the Neighborhood Empowerment Zone policy to the Economic Development Advisory Committee, and any other matters incident thereto.
2. Discussion with possible action on authorizing the City Manager to negotiate a lease agreement with Laredo College Main Campus and Laredo College South Campus for the public use of tennis courts, baseball fields, softball fields, and swimming pools, and any other matter incident thereto. (Co-Sponsored by Mayor Pro-Tempore Rudy Gonzalez, Jr. and Council Member Vidal Rodriguez)

3. Discussion with possible action on moving forward with the modification of the downtown parking fee structure pursuant to Ordinance No. 2018-0-050 in an effort to promote business commerce in the area, and any other matters incident thereto.

H. Request by Mayor Pro-Tempore Rudy Gonzalez, Jr.

1. Discussion with possible action to authorize the City Manager to direct El Metro General Manager to draft a South Circulator Pilot Program that connects non-serviced areas with existing bus routes, and any other matters incident thereto.
2. Discussion with possible action to waive the swimming pool entrance fee at Independence Hills Park during the Independence Day celebration, and any other matters incident thereto.

I. Request by Council Member Vidal Rodriguez

1. Discussion with possible action to allow a mural at the Carlos Rene & Raquel Ramirez WIC Clinic & Hope Center, and any other matters incident thereto.
2. Discussion with possible action on the sponsorship by the City of Laredo for the June 6th event at the Uni-Trade Stadium, and any other matters incident thereto. (Co-Sponsored by Council Member Ruben A. Gutierrez, Jr.)

XIX. 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, June 16, 2021 at 7:15 p.m.

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# **CITY OF LAREDO CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**A-2021-S-04**

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**CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**1110 HOUSTON STREET**

**LAREDO, TEXAS 78040**

**June 21, 2021**

**5:30 P.M.**

## **SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA**

### **I. APPOINTMENTS TO COMMISSIONS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES**

1. Appointment by Mayor Pete Saenz of Gene Lindgren to the Port of Entry Advisory Committee. **(Item to replace appointment on A-2021-R-11 agenda of Elia Guevara to the Port of Entry Advisory Committee)**
2. Appointment by Mayor Pete Saenz of Joe Brennan to the Para Transit Advisory Board.

### **II. GENERAL COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

#### **A. Request by Mayor Pro-Tempore Rudy Gonzalez, Jr.**

1. Discussion with possible action to draft a resolution to the Biden Administration to petition the specific allocation of COVID-19 vaccines from 500-million Pfizer vaccines the federal government will purchase to donate to the world, and to set Northern-Mexico, specifically Nuevo Laredo and other border communities, as a priority in an effort to expedite the re-opening of international bridges in a safe manner, and any other matters incident thereto. **(Co-Sponsored by Council Member Alberto Torres, Jr., Council Member Dr. Marte A. Martinez, and Council Member Alyssa Cigarroa)**

#### **B. Request by Council Member Vidal Rodriguez**

1. Discussion with possible action to waive the entrance fee at Sister of Mercy Water Park on July 3, 2021 for those with special needs and their immediate family, and any other matters incident thereto. **(Co-Sponsored by Council Member Ruben A. Gutierrez, Jr.)**

### **III. ADJOURNMENT**

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Jose A. Valdez, Jr.  
City Secretary