CITY OF LAREDO

RECOGNITION AND COMMUNICATION NOTICE

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1110 HOUSTON STREET
LAREDO, TEXAS 78040
TUESDAY, JUNE 20, 2023
5:00 P.M.

The Mayor will be presenting the following:

1. Recognizing Diego Ramirez for steeplechase qualification to compete at Nike Outdoor Nationals in Eugene Oregon on June 15, 2023.

2. Recognizing Mikey Casso for his recent podium achievements at the 2023 Clash of Titans track meet and other running achievements.

3. Recognizing Rosella Newman, as a local author and contributions to the advancement of literacy in youth through her children's books.

4. Recognition for the Laredo Rizzards, Laredo's traveling Ice Hockey team, for recent back to back championships in San Antonio and Houston Texas.

5. Recognizing Kazen Elementary 4th grade Basketball Team who won the Championship in the Boys and Girls Club League Division 5A.

6. Congratulating Hillside Funeral Home Employees for being recognizing at the Texas Funeral Directors Association (South Texas Region) Conference held in May 2023 in Corpus Christi, Texas.

- Feliciano Gamez IV - Funeral Director of the Year
- Manuel de Jesus Osorio - Young Professional of the Year

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CITY COUNCIL MEETING

A-2023-R-10
LIVE WEB LINK: http://laredotx.swagit.com/live
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DISABILITY ACCESS STATEMENT

Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who may need auxiliary aid or services are requested to contact Jose A. Valdez Jr., City Secretary, at (956) 791-7308 at least two working days prior to the meeting, so that appropriate arrangements can be made. The accessible entrance and accessible parking spaces are located at City Hall, 1100 Victoria Ave.

Out of consideration for all attendees of the City Council meetings, please turn off all cellular phones and pagers, or place on inaudible signal. Thank you for your consideration.

Pursuant to Section 30.06 Penal Code (trespass by license holder with a concealed handgun), a person licensed under Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code (handgun licensing law), may not enter this property with a concealed handgun.

Pursuant to Section 30.07 Penal Code (trespass by license holder with an openly carried handgun), a person licensed under Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code (handgun licensing law), may not enter this property with a handgun that is carried openly.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. MOMENT OF SILENCE

IV. ROLL CALL

V. MINUTES

Approval of the minutes of May 31, 2023, and June 05, 2023.

Citizen comments

Citizens can participate through in-person and written comments submitted through an online form. Citizens wishing to provide in-person comments 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. Speakers may not pass their minutes to any other speaker. Citizens wishing to submit a written public comment must submit here or visit https://www.cityoflaredo.com/council-agendas.html by 12:00 noon of the Council meeting day. All comments should be relevant to City business and delivered in a professional manner. No derogatory remarks will be permitted.

VI. RECOGNITION

VII. COMMUNICATIONS

VIII. APPOINTMENTS TO COMMISSIONS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

1. Appointment by Mayor Dr. Victor D. Treviño of Council Member Dr. Tyler King to the Veterans Affairs Committee.

2. Appointment by Mayor Dr. Victor D. Treviño of Council Member Dr. Tyler King to the Laredo Economic Development Corporation.

3. Appointment by Council Member Melissa Cigarroa of Carolina Verestegui to the Laredo/Webb Drug and Alcohol Commission.

4. Reappointment by Council Member Alberto Torres, Jr. of Ana I. Saenz to the Municipal Civil Service Commission, for two additional years and her fourth and final term.

5. Reappointment by Council Member Alyssa Cigarroa of Mark Ceballos to the Municipal Civil Service Commission.

6. Appointment by Council Member Alyssa Cigarroa of Sandra Solis to the Animal Care Services Advisory Committee.

7. Appointment by Council Member Alyssa Cigarroa of George Altgelt to the Planning and Zoning Commission.

IX. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. **Public Hearing** and discussion on the voluntary annexation and initial zoning of R-1MH (Single Family Manufactured Housing District) on a tract of land totaling 42.87 acres, more or less, as described by metes and bounds in the attached Exhibit "A", and known as Annexation Tract 8 (AFW Investments II Tract) located north of State Highway 359 and west of Wawi Tijerina Parkway.

   The Planning and Zoning Commission recommendation shall be provided the day of the meeting. Staff **supports** the application and initial zoning.

   AN-002-2023
   District III - Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa

2. **Public Hearing** and discussion on the voluntary annexation and initial zoning of R-1A (Single Family Reduced Area District) on a tract of land totaling 367.99 acres, more or less, as described by metes and bounds in the attached Exhibit "A", and known as Annexation Tract 1 (Cantu Tract) located east of Cuatro Vientos Boulevard and south of Wormser Road.

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

   AN-003-2023
   District I - Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez

3. **Public Hearing** and discussion on the voluntary annexation and initial zoning of M-1 (Light Manufacturing District) on a tract of land totaling 60.16 acres, more or less, as described by metes and bounds in the attached Exhibit "A" and known as Annexation Tract 2, (SKG Colombia I Tract) located north of State Highway 255 and west of FM 1472.

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

   AN-004-2023
   District VII - Cm. Vanessa Perez

4. **Public Hearing** and discussion on the voluntary annexation and initial zoning of M-1 (Light Manufacturing District) on a tract of land totaling 31.11 acres, more or less, as described by metes and bounds in the attached Exhibit "A", and known as Annexation Tract 3 (SKG Colombia II Tract) located south of State Highway 255 and west of FM 1472.

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

AN-005-2023
District VII - Cm. Vanessa Perez

5. **Public Hearing** and discussion on the voluntary annexation and initial zoning of M-1 (Light Manufacturing District) on a tract of land totaling 0.058 acres, more or less, as described by metes and bounds in the attached Exhibit "A", and known as Annexation Tract 4 (Nava Tract) located south of FM 1472 and west of Coal Mine Road.

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

AN-006-2023
District VII - Cm. Vanessa Perez

6. **Public Hearing** and discussion on the voluntary annexation and initial zoning of M-1 (Light Manufacturing District) on a tract of land totaling 303.02 acres, more or less, as described by metes and bounds in the attached Exhibit "A", and known as Annexation Tract 5 (Needmore Dolores Tract) located north of State Highway 255 and east of FM 1472.

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended **approval** of the annexation and initial zoning except for the zoning along the frontage area of State Highway 255. Staff **supports** the application and initial zoning except for the zoning along the frontage area of State Highway 255.

AN - 007- 2023
District VII - Vanessa Perez

7. **Public Hearing** and discussion on the voluntary annexation and initial zoning of M-1 (Light Manufacturing District) on a tract of land totaling 1.0317 acres, more or less, as described by metes and bounds in the attached Exhibit "A", and known as Annexation Tract 6 (Gilpin Tract) located west of FM 1472 and north of Vidal Cantu Road.

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

AN-008-2023
District VII - Cm. Vanessa Perez

8. **Public Hearing** and Discussion on the voluntary annexation and initial zoning of M-1 (Light Manufacturing District) on a tract of land totaling 373.0974 acres, more or less, as described by metes and bounds in the attached Exhibit "A", and known as Annexation Tract 7 (Pinnacle Mines Investments Tract) located west of FM 1472 and north of Vidal Cantu Road.

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

AN-009-2023
District VII - Cm. Vanessa Perez

9. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** 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, Northridge Commercial Plat, located at 8511 McPherson Road, Suites 109, 110, and 111 (3,000 square feet).

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended **approval** of the proposed special use permit and staff **supports** the application.

ZC-039-2023
District VI

10. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** 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 Lots 5, 6, 7, and 8 Block 1877, Eastern Division, a tract of land containing approximately 3,722.5 square feet, out of and part of a 15,432.35 square feet tract out of former section of Ross Street, between India Avenue and Canada Avenue, being bounded on the north by Block 1877, Eastern Division and on the south by Block 1878, Eastern Division, City of Laredo, per plat recorded in Volume 7, Page 15, of the Webb County, Texas plat records; said 15,432.35 square feet tract of land being the property described in warranty deed from the City of Laredo to W.E. Haynes Realty, Limited, dated June 30, 1998, and recorded in Volume 651, pages 23-27, of the Webb County Official Public records, and Lot 4, Block 1878, Eastern Division located at 3000 Jaime Zapata Memorial Highway and 3000 Ligarde Street.

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended **approval** of the proposed special use permit and staff **supports** the application.

ZC-054-2023
District III

11. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by amending Ordinance 2014-O-092 which authorized a Conditional Use Permit for a truck sales center on the south 1/2 of Lot 5, Lot 5A, Block 266, Western Division, and a tract of land containing 0.2046 acres (8,914.4 square feet), more or less, out of Lot seven (7), Block Two-Hundred Sixty-Six (266), situated in the Western Division of the City of Laredo, Webb County, Texas, located at 1512, 1514, 1518 Santa Ursula Avenue in order to remove whom the permit is issued to and amend the hours of operations.

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended **approval** of the proposed conditional use permit amendment and staff **supports** the application.

ZC-058-2023
District VIII

12. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by authorizing the issuance of a Conditional Use Permit for a bar on Lot 1, Block 1, Frank J. Guerra Subdivision, located at 98 Calle del Norte, Lobby (1,124 square feet).

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended **approval** of the proposed conditional use permit and staff **supports** the application.

ZC-059-2023
District VII

13. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning approximately 4.35 Acre tract of land, situated in Porcion 39, Abstract 250, Jose Antonio Nasario Original Grantee, within the limits of the City of Laredo, in Webb County, Texas, said 4.3542 Acre tract being out and part of HAPO Holdings, Limited Liability Company (219.48 Acre tract), as recorded in Volume 4543, Pages 455-467 of the Webb County Deed Records, Webb County Texas, located south of Tesis Drive and west of US Highway 83, from AG (Agricultural District) to R-1B (Single Family High Density District).

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

ZC-060-2023
District II

14. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by authorizing the issuance of a Conditional Use Permit for a Veterinarian (Indoor Animal Confinement - Veterinary Clinic) on Lot 1, Block 1, Emami Plaza Plat, located at 3311 East Del Mar Boulevard, Suite 201 (3,057 square feet).

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended **approval** of the proposed conditional use permit and staff **supports** the application.

ZC-061-2023
District V

15. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** Amending Ordinance No. 2016-O-006, which established the rental rate structure for the Jose A. Flores Duplex Complex located at the Old Air Force Base; providing for a biennial increase of $30.00 per month for a two-bedroom, $45.00 per month for a three-bedroom, and $60.00 per month for a four-bedroom on October 1, 2023, and October 1, 2025; providing security deposits for new tenants in the same amount as the monthly rental; repealing all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith; providing a severability clause; and providing an effective date.
The proposed new rental rates reflect a lower rate than the market and HUD Fair Market Rent (FMR). Below is a comparison of the current, proposed, and HUD FMR rates.

Jose A. Flores Duplexes	Current	Proposed 10/01/2023	Proposed 10/01/2025	HUD Fair Market Rent 2023
2 bedroom	$514	$544	$574	$995
3 bedroom	$640	$685	$730	$1,276
4 bedroom	$731	$791	$851	1,380

16. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** Amending Ordinance No. 2016-O-007, which established the rental rate structure for the Tomas Flores Apartment Complex located at 2301 & 2302 Lafayette St.; providing for a biennial increase of $30.00 per month for a two-bedroom, and $45.00 per month for a three-bedroom on October 1, 2023, and October 1, 2025; providing security deposits for new tenants in the same amount as the monthly rental; repealing all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith; providing a severability clause; and providing an effective date.
The proposed new rental rates reflect a lower rate than the market and HUD Fair Market Rent (FMR). Below is a comparison of the current, proposed, and HUD FMR rates.

Tomas Flores Apartments	Current	Proposed 10/01/2023	Proposed 10/01/2025	HUD Fair Market Rent 2023
2 bedroom	$444.00	$474.00	$504.00	$995.00

3 bedroom $531.00 $576.00 $621.00 $1,276.00

17. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** Amending Ordinance No. 2018-O-065, which established the rental rate structure for all properties managed through the City of Laredo – Federal Aviation Regulation (FAR) Part 150 Airport Noise Compatibility Program. This amendment increases the monthly rental rates for residential and multi-family units effective October 1, 2023, and for October 1, 2025. The increase will be $15.00 for 1-bedroom units, $30.00 for 2-bedroom units, $45.00 for 3-bedroom units, $60.00 for 4-bedroom units, and $75.00 for 5-bedroom units. These rental rate adjustments are necessary in order to cover increases in cost associated with material, supplies, and specialized contractual services fees required to properly maintain the rental units. The deposit amount for all new tenants on or after October 1, 2023, will be established at the same rate as the rental amount; and repealing all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith; providing a severability clause; and providing an effective date.

Noise Abatement Properties	Average Current	Average Proposed 10/01/2023	Average Proposed 10/01/2025	HUD Fair Market Rent 2023
1bedroom	$45 5	$ 4 0	$ 8 5	$ 9 6
2bedroom	$5 23	$5 3	$58 3	$99 5
3 bedroom	$6 4	$68	$ 73	$1,2 6
4 bedr om	$769	$ 892	$8 89	$,3 8

(Recess)
(Press Availability)

X. INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCES

18. Amending Ordinance No. 93-244 of the City of Laredo, Texas, Chapter 2, Article V, Boards, Commissions, Councils, Etc., of the Code of Ordinances; Division 3; the Economic Advisory Council; renaming to Economic Development Advisory Committee; amending Sections 2-191 through 2-194; redefining membership criteria, adapting the number of appointed members from 12 to 9; allowing for the creation of a Chairperson and Committees, providing for duties and powers; and adding Sections 2-195 through 2-197; providing for meeting requirements, providing for its advisory capacity, and addressing compensation and conflicts of interest; providing that this ordinance shall be cumulative; providing a severability clause; and declaring an effective date.

19. Authorizing the City Manager to execute all necessary documents granting a 6' x 3' perpetual easement and right-of-way to AEP Texas Central Company for electric distribution lines. Said easement would be located on a property legally described as a portion of Block 8, Laredo Airport Subdivision, Webb County, Texas; Said tract of land conveyed to Grantor on a deed recorded in Volume 478, Page 471, Deed Records of Webb County, Texas, as depicted in Exhibit A; and providing for an effective date.

XI. SECOND READING

20. Authorizing the City Manager to grant a non-exclusive franchise to Tiralo 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 disposing service, setting forth terms and conditions to govern the franchise; Providing a severability clause, a savings clause and an effective date.

XII. THIRD AND FINAL READING

21. **2023-O-109** Authorizing the City Manager to grant a non-exclusive franchise to Dump-It Dumpster rentals 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 purpose of constructing, maintaining and operating a commercial container refuse gathering and disposing service, setting forth terms and conditions to govern the franchise; Providing a severability clause, a savings clause and an effective date.

XIII. FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

22. **2023-O-108** Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lot 1, Block 1749, Southview Replat, Phase II, located at 2901 Ireland Street, from R-1 (Single Family Residential District) to R-2 (Multi-family Residential District).

    ZC-041-2023
    District II

23. **2023-O-111** Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a Lease Agreement with the Texas Veterans Commission (TVC) - Health Care Advocate Department (HCAD) for use of approximately 208 square feet of office space identified as Room 117 located at the Lamar Bruni Vergara, Inner City Branch Library. The City of Laredo is providing use of the facilities at no cost to TVC-HCAD.

24. **2023-O-112** Authorizing the City Manager to execute a lease agreement between the Laredo International Airport and Signature Flight Support for approximately 27,252 square feet constituting Hangar No.'s 4, 5, and 6, located at 5513 Thomas Avenue, Laredo, Webb County, Texas, on a property legally described as Block No. 1, of the subdivision plat of Laredo Airport according to the map or plat thereof recorded in Volume 5, Page 1, plat records of Webb County, Texas. The proposed lease term is for ten (10) years commencing on July 1, 2023 until June 30, 2033. Initial monthly rent shall be $8,175.60 a month and will be adjusted annually according to changes in the Consumer Price Index (CPI); and providing for an effective 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.

AIRPORT: STAFF SOURCE GILBERTO SANCHEZ, AIRPORT DIRECTOR

25. Authorizing the City Manager to authorize the purchase of one 2023 Ford Interceptor Utility AWD in the total amount of $57,069.79 and from Silsbee Toyota, Silsbee, Texas through the Goodbuy Cooperative Purchasing Program's contract pricing. This purchase will replace vehicle unit #8311 that was involved in an accident and was determined to be a total loss. The vehicle will be assigned to the Laredo International Airport and will be used by Airport Police. Funding is available in the Airport Operations Fund.

BUDGET: STAFF SOURCE JESUS ESPARZA, III, BUDGET DIRECTOR

26. Authorizing the City Manager to award a contract to Clover Sport, Austin, Texas. (Fiserv) for the purchase and set up of a Point of Sale (POS) System for the Sames Auto Arena & the Unitrade Stadium. Pricing is through OMNIA Cooperative Purchasing Program Contract # 11-47. POS system will be used for concessions, sales, inventory/audit controls and includes: the application, server, storage, database, all end user devices, training and turn key installation.

For Sames Auto Arena:
Amount up to $182,940.00 for the first year of installation, and a subsequent yearly software subscription amount of approximately $36,200.00 for the term period of one year beginning as of the date of its execution, up to a 5-year term period.

For Unitrade Stadium:
Amount up to $102,701.00 for the first year of installation, and a subsequent yearly software subscription amount of approximately $27,100.00 for the term period of one year beginning as of the date of its execution, up to a 5-year term period.

Funding is available in the Sames Auto Arena Fund and Sports & Community Venue Fund.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT: STAFF SOURCE TINA MARTINEZ, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

27. **2023-R-125** Authorizing the City Manager to submit a grant application to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development under the Economic Development Initiative (EDI) for the purpose specified for Community Project Funding/Congressionally Directed Spending in the amount of $750,000.00 for the Plaza Theater renovation and restoration project. The requested grant funding will help the renovation and restoration of the Plaza Theater and preserve a piece of Laredo history.

28. Authorizing City Manager to execute contract with Bethany House of Laredo, Inc. for Fiscal Year 22-23 in the amount of $285,000.00. This public service project is part of the approved activities in our 2023 Annual Action Plan and is part of the approved 5-year agreement with Bethany House of Laredo and the City to ensure the success and sustainability of the proposed homeless low barrier shelter project. These funds are available from the 48th AY Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) allocation.

29. Authorizing the City Manager to terminate the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Genesis Light Committee and the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1994 and retract from the acceptance of the donation of the eight tiny homes from Last Chance Ministries through Resolution 2022-R-141.

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

30. Discussion with possible action to enter into an Agreement with the Laredo PONY Association for sponsorship in an amount not to exceed $90,000.00 of the 2023 World Series Softball Tournament to be held from July 9 through July 16, 2023, and the World Series Baseball Tournament to be held from July 26 to July 31, 2023. It is anticipated that over 100 teams will participate from throughout the United States for the Softball tournament and 20 teams from Europe, Asia, Mexico and the U.S. for the Baseball tournament. Funding is available in the Convention and Visitor's Bureau Fund and Recreation Fund.

DETOX: STAFF SOURCE DR. VIVIANA MARTINEZ, DIRECTOR

31. Authorizing the City Manager to purchase beds, medical supplies, medical equipment, and pharmaceuticals from McKesson Medical-Surgical in Richmond, VA, in an amount not to exceed $250,000.00 for the Detoxification Facility. Funding is available in the Laredo Detox Center Fund.

ENGINEERING: STAFF SOURCE RAMON E. CHAVEZ P.E. , CITY ENGINEER

32. Accepting the revised offer of Summit Building & Design for FY23-ENG-07 Southern Hotel Apartments Rehabilitation Project, in an amount not to exceed $6,848,896.00, for the negotiated base bid, including allowances and construction contract time of 480 calendar days. The project consists of the general rehabilitation and construction of the City of Laredo three-story historic former Southern Hotel for adaptive reuse as downtown affordable housing located at 1210 Matamoros Street in Laredo, Texas. A sole bid was received at the City Secretary's Office on or before Thursday, April 13, 2023. The bid was publicly opened, read, and taken under advertisement on Friday, April 14, 2023, at 10:00 A.M. The bid and bid bonds were reviewed by Sepulveda Associates Architects, Inc. Funding is CDBG 2019, 2020, 2021, and 2022.

Company Name	Base Bid Including Allowances	Deductive Alternate 1	Deductive Alternate 2	Deductive Alternate 3	Negotiated Base Bid Including Allowances
Summit Building & Design	$8,926,133.00	($62,276.00)	($88,742.00)	($5,254.50)	$6,848,896.00

Attached is a letter from Sepulveda Associates Architects, Inc. recommending accepting the revised offer amount.

33. Authorizing the City Manager for approval of City of Laredo, Webb County-City of Laredo Regional Mobility Authority (WC-CL RMA), Webb County Drainage District No. 1 (WCDD No. 1) Los Presidentes Arterial Project as complete, approval of change order No. 2 an increase in the amount of $10,308.29 to reflect actual quantities installed, additional concrete footing, traffic control, erosion control, subgrade preparation, release of retainage, approval of final payment in the amount of $360,674.89, and additional time of 143 working days to MTZ Construction, Inc., Laredo, Texas. Final contract amount with this change order is $5,262,020.83 and total contract time is 443 working days. Funding is available in the Capital Grants Fund and the 2019 Water Revenue Bond.

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

34. **2023-R-127** Authorizing the City Manager to sign all necessary documents and to submit a grant application for the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) Program - Bipartisan Infrastructure Law 2021 to the United States Department of Energy (DOE) in the amount of $271,290.00, with no matching funds. Funds will be utilized for upgrading the decorative street lighting and solar trash compactors in downtown.

35. Authorizing the City Manager to negotiate and enter into a license agreement between the City of Laredo and the U.S. Customs and Border Protection Department (CBP) for the construction, maintenance, and repair of a private roadway on properties owned by the City of Laredo located near the Rio Grande River. The license term is indefinite, subject to the availability of the City to revoke the license at any time upon 60-days notice to CBP.

FLEET MANAGEMENT: STAFF SOURCE RONALD MILLER, FLEET DIRECTOR

36. Consideration to renew annual contract FY21-054 for the purchase of Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) parts/service for the City's John Deere equipment with RDO Equipment, Laredo, Texas, in an amount up to $200,000.00. All parts and services will be secured on an as needed basis. The term of this contract shall be for a period of one year beginning as of the date of its execution and is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds. There is a proposed price increase of 6% due to an increase in labor costs for this next extension period. This contract allows for one additional, one year extension upon mutual agreement of the parties. Funding is available in the Fleet Maintenance Budget.

HEALTH: STAFF SOURCE RICHARD A. CHAMBERLAIN, HEALTH DIRECTOR

37. **2023-R-128** Ratifying the submission of a grant application to the Department of Health and Human Services, CDC-Mexico Cooperative Agreement for surveillance, epidemiology, and laboratory capacity in the estimated amount of $1,000,000.00 per year for a total of $5,000,000.00, with no match for the City of Laredo Health Department for the term period from August 31, 2023, through July 31, 2028, and further authorizing the City Manager to execute all documents resulting from the award of this grant.

INFORMATION SERVICES & TELECOMMUNICATION: STAFF SOURCE RENE F. CRUZ, IST DIRECTOR

38. Authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract between Insight Public Sector SLED and the City of Laredo through the Texas Department of Information Resources (DIR) cooperative purchasing program contract DIR-CPO-4877 for equipment and DIR-CPO-5030 for installation services of network firewalls to protect I-Net's Data Center at City Hall Annex building, in the total amount of $219,050.76; Funding is available in the Information Services and Telecommunications Department budget - Public Education and Government (PEG) Fund.

39. Authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract between H&H Doors and Hardware, LTD and the City of Laredo through the GOODBUY CO-OP 23-24U0000 Contract Number for equipment and installation services for an Access Control System at City Hall to improve physical security, in the total amount of $218,575.00. Funding is available in the 2022 CO Issue.

40. Authorizing the City Manager to enter into and execute contract payments with AT&T Corp. for providing the 9-1-1 Network Infrastructure, Primary Network, and FirstNet LTE Backup Network for the South Texas Region, including Webb, Jim Hogg, Starr and Zapata Counties, in the amount of $103,149.48. Pricing provided through the Texas Department of Information Resources, DIR-TSO-3420. Payments are for the period of September 1, 2023, through August 31, 2024. Funding is available in the 9-1-1 Regional Fund.

41. Authorizing the City Manager to enter into and execute a contract between Geo-Comm, Inc. and the City of Laredo to provide the 9-1-1 Regional Administration with Geographic Information Systems (GIS) services and maintenance through the Texas Department of Information Resources (DIR) Contract Number DIR-CPO-4499 in the total amount of $113,752.71. These GIS services are needed in order to continue GIS work that will meet Next Generation (NG) 9-1-1 GIS standards put forth by the State of Texas 9-1-1 Commission on State Emergency Communication (CSEC). Database Services will be available from July 1, 2023, through August 31, 2024. Funding is available in the Regional 9-1-1 Fund.

42. Authorizing the City Manager to enter into and execute contract payments with Western States Communications, Inc. (WSCI) for 9-1-1 Customer Premise Equipment (CPE) Maintenance and Router Maintenance for the South Texas Region, including Webb, Jim Hogg, Starr and Zapata Counties, in the amount of $342,064.36 for a two-year period. Pricing provided through the Houston-Galveston Area Council (HGAC), contract number EC-07-23. Year one funding is available, and payments are for the period of September 1, 2023, through August 31, 2024. Year two funding is subject to availability, and payments would be for the period of September 1, 2024, through August 31, 2025. Funding is available in the 9-1-1 Regional Fund.

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

43. Consideration to renew annual supply/service contract FY22-008 with the following vendors:

a) Ruby's Air Conditioning, Laredo, Texas for an amount of $125,000.00 (Primary Vendor);

b) Temprite Mechanical Inc., Laredo, Texas for an amount of $25,000.00 (Secondary Vendor);

To provide HVAC repair services for various recreation centers. This contract establishes an hourly service rate and cost percentage for parts. The contract may be extended for one, additional one year period, upon mutual agreement of the parties. Funding for the additional extensions are subject to future budget appropriations. There was no price increase during the last extension period. In case the primary vendor is unavailable, the secondary vendor will be contacted. All repair services will be purchased on an as-needed basis and funding is available in the General Fund-Parks Budget.

44. Consideration to award a two-year service/supply contract FY23-057 to the sole bidder, Impression Design Inc., Laredo, Texas in an annual amount of up to $500,000.00 for the repairs/replacement/new installation of shades for the Parks & Recreation Department. All services will be secured on an as-needed basis. This contract establishes a percentage discount on original manufacturer shades and a labor rate for these services. The term of this contract shall be for a period of two years beginning as of the date of its execution and is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds. This contract can be renewed three additional one year extension periods, upon mutual agreement of the parties. Funding is available in the General Fund - Parks Maintenance Division Budget.

POLICE: STAFF SOURCE STEVE E. LANDIN, ACTING CHIEF OF POLICE

45. **2023-R-126** Authorizing the City Manager to renew two Memorandums of Understanding between the City of Laredo Police Department and the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) Certification of Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Authority and Certification of Weight Enforcement Authority. The Police Department's participation is part of the community service provided to our citizens and our partner law enforcement agencies with no cost to the City of Laredo.

PUBLIC WORKS: STAFF SOURCE JOHN ORFILA, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

46. Consideration to renew Contract FY21-065 for the supply of MC-30 Prime Oil Asphalt, for street paving projects for the following vendors:

Texas Materials/Gulf Coast CHR Company; San Antonio, Texas - Primary vendor: $225,000.00 annually.

Anderson Columbia Co., Inc. Weslaco, Texas - Secondary vendor: $225,000.00 annually.

All materials are purchased on an as needed basis utilizing the Construction Project Budget. There was no price increase; this is the second extension and last. Funding is available in the Public Works Department - Construction Project Budget.

47. Consideration to renew Contract FY20-069 for the supply of Tack Coat Emulsified Asphalt Oil used for street paving projects for the following vendor:

Anderson Columbia, Weslaco, Texas as the Primary Vendor: $250,000.00 annually.

All materials are purchased on an as needed basis utilizing the Construction Project Budget. This is the

third and last one year extension period, each upon mutual agreement of the parties, there is no price increase. Funding is available in the General Fund - Public Works Budget.

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

48. Consideration to renew and amend contract FY21-061 for wood grinding services for landfill to Lazos Environmental, Laredo, Texas in the annual amount of $186,000.00. There is a five percent (5%) price increase to grind larger sized caliper trunks and branches. Price changes will be governed by an index made up of the composite posted prices in the Laredo area of those companies published in the daily publication of Oil Price Information Service. The term for this contract shall be for a period of one year. This is extension one of two, one-year extension periods, upon mutual agreement of the parties and contingent on availability of funds. Funding is available in the Solid Waste Fund.

Cost per cubic yard	Current	New
Wood Grinding Services	$1.80	$1.89

49. Consideration to amend contract FY23-008 for the purchase of uniforms and pants for the Solid Waste Department. Amendment is to allow for a twenty-five percent (25%) contract amount increase, due to the addition of new employees, for the following vendors:

GA Advertising, Laredo, TX for uniforms and Mike's Western Wear, Laredo, TX for pants with a new contract amount of $65,000.00 annually, an increase of $13,000.00.

The term of this contract is for one year with option to extend an additional three one year renewals upon mutual agreement and contingent upon availability of funds, currently still in year one (1) of contract. Funding is available in Solid Waste Fund.

TAX: STAFF SOURCE DORA MALDONADO, TAX ASSESSOR COLLECTOR

50. Motion to approve property tax refunds due to overpayments, as required by Section 31.11(a) of the Texas Property Tax Code. The refunds will be issued to: El Alfarero Auto Sales LLC in the amount of $1,512.63 from parcel number 804-05020-500, Juan Cavazos Attorney at Law in the amount of $3,588.55 from parcel number 105-00237-080, and Ampler Burgers LLC in the amount of $4,679.28 from multiple parcel numbers.

51. Motion to approve tax roll adjustments for the month of May 2023. The amounts adjusted represent a decrease of $17,699.83 for prior year taxes and a decrease of $30,998.50 for current year taxes. The aggregate adjustment represents a decrease of $48,698.33. These adjustments are determined by value changes reported by the Webb County Appraisal District.

TRANSIT : STAFF SOURCE ROBERT J. GARZA, TRANSIT GENERAL MANAGER

52. Authorizing the City Manager to waive bus fares for all El Metro bus services on June 25, 2023, for the 18th Annual National "Dump the Pump" Day. El Metro is teaming up with transportation agencies nationwide to celebrate the 18th Annual National "Dump the Pump" Day on Sunday, June 25, 2023, by offering free rides on all El Metro transit mobility services we offer such as fixed-route services and the El Lift Paratransit services. The day is dedicated to raising community awareness whereas public transportation can save people money, promote walking ability, and reduce the harmful greenhouse gases emitted into our environment. El Metro Operations budget will be used for this event.

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

53. Consideration to award annual service contract FY23-051 to the low bidder Texas House of Clean, Laredo, Texas, in an amount up to $100,000.00 for landscaping and maintenance services for various wastewater treatment plants and for the water treatment plants. This contract establishes a cost per cycle rate to include, but not limited to, the collection of trash, debris, litter, and mowing trimmings. All services will be secured on an as needed basis. The term of this contract shall be for a period of one year beginning as of the date of its execution and is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds. This contract can be renewed three additional one year extension periods, upon mutual agreement of the parties. Funding is available in the Water Works and Sewer Departments Budget.

54. Authorizing the City Manager to approve the final project acceptance, the release of retainage, and the final payment in the amount of $202,030.83 to Associated Construction Partners, Ltd. for the Unitec Wastewater Treatment Plant Phase I Expansion Project. The final contract amount is $3,964,616.68. The total working days are 564 Working Days. Funding is available in the 2017 Sewer Revenue Bond.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

XV. STAFF REPORTS

55. Status report with possible action by the Utilities Department on the water, including but not limited to quality, infrastructure, level status, improvements, and any other matters incident thereto.

56. 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.

57. Discussion with possible action to review and approve the dates for the proposed FY23-24 Operating Budget and FY24-28 Capital Budget and any matters incident thereto:
    - Submission of Budget - July 31, 2023, at 5:00pm
    - Budget Workshop - August 8-11, 2023 (time to be determined)

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.

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

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

58. **GENERAL COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

A. **Request by Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino**

1. Status update with possible action on modifying the City of Laredo's donation policy, and any matters related thereto.

2. Discussion with possible action authorizing the Mayor to sign a Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Nuevo Laredo identifying areas along the river that are mutually important to our shared history, culture, and/or environmentally important, and any matters related thereto.

B. **Request by Council Member Melissa R. Cigarroa**

1. Status update on the process to appoint new members to the City of Laredo Charter Revision Committee in order to review and recommend any appropriate changes to City Charter, and any other matters incident thereto.

C. **Request by Council Member Alberto Torres, Jr.**

1. Discussion with possible action to reschedule the Monday, July 17, 2023, regular city council meeting to Monday, July 31, 2023; and any other matters incident thereto. **(Co-Sponsored by Mayor Dr. Victor D. Treviño, Mayor Pro Tempore Vanessa Perez, Council Member Ruben Gutierrez, Jr.)**

2. Discussion with possible action to adopt an ordinance prohibiting the sale and distribution of e-cigarettes within range of schools, childcare homes and centers, including playgrounds; and any other matters incident thereto.

3. Discussion with possible action to draft a letter of interest offering incentives to DG Market Stores in order to provide fresh food selections to food desert areas around the city, prioritizing downtown; and any other matters incident thereto.

D. **Request by Council Member Ruben Gutierrez, Jr.**

1. Discussion with possible action on creating a resolution to combat human trafficking and raise awareness of the many dangers brought by human trafficking; and any other matter incident thereto.

E. **Request by Council Member Vanessa J. Perez**

1. Discussion with possible action directing management to explore the feasibility, process and funding mechanisms, including any available economic incentives, for the construction of improvements along I-35 North from the Manadas Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant to include the expansion of sewer, water, and utilities (high speed internet and fiber optic cable) in the Manadas Creek Watershed, to also include modernizing infrastructure of the Tejas Industrial Park to allow this area to keep up with modern market and service level demands, and any other matters incident thereto. **(Co-Sponsored by Council Member Dr. Tyler King)**

2. Discussion with possible action on the Avocado Festival; and any other matters incident thereto. **(Co- Sponsored by Council Member Alberto Torres, Jr.)**

3. Discussion with possible action to reevaluate the access points of the Murphy Gas Station at FM1472 (Mines Rd) and Killam, and any other matters incident thereto.

F. **Request by Council Member Alyssa Cigarroa**

1. Discussion with possible action to give property tax relief to homeowners under Section 11.13(n) of the Property Tax Code which allows a taxing entity to reduce the Homestead Exemption taxable value by a percentage between 1-20% and any other matters incident thereto.

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 14, 2023, at 7:00 pm.

Jose A. Valdez, Jr.
City Secretary

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CITY OF LAREDO

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
A-2023-S-07
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1110 HOUSTON STREET
LAREDO, TEXAS 78040
TUESDAY, JUNE 20, 2023
5:30 P.M.

SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA

I. RECOGNITION

1. Recognition of Robert Tellez on his recent election as State Director for LULAC and recognizing LULAC 12 for all their accomplishments, efforts and community services throughout the years.

II. GENERAL COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

A. **Request by Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino**

1. Discussion with possible action on creating a task force and Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Community based agencies to help with the City's efforts in information, education, and assistance related to property tax relief, preventing foreclosure, and any matters related to thereto. **(Co-Sponsored by Mayor Pro Tempore Vanessa Perez, Council Member Alberto Torres, Jr. and Council Member Ruben Gutierrez, Jr.)**

B. **Request by Council Member Daisy Campos Rodriguez**

1. Discussion with possible action on waiving the fee for July 4th celebration events at our city pools, and waiving the fee for the usage of the water slides at Sisters of Mercy Water Park and adjust the weekend operating hours of the pool and any other matters incident thereto. **(Co-Sponsored by Council Member Alberto Torres, Jr.)**

2. Discussion with possible action on the status update of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Laredo College and the City of Laredo regarding the recreational facilities; and any matters incident thereto. **(Co-Sponsored by Mayor Pro Tempore Vanessa Perez)**

3. Discussion with possible action to assist Families Special and Foster and Adoption Agency with their 1st Annual Cars for a Cause Car Show at the Uni-Trade Stadium, to benefit children under foster care in Webb County; and any matter incident thereto. **(Co-Sponsored by Council Member Alberto Torres, Jr.)**

III. ADJOURNMENT

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Jose A. Valdez, Jr.
City Secretary

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