

**CITY OF LAREDO**  
**RECOGNITION AND COMMUNICATION NOTICE**  
**CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS**  
**1110 HOUSTON STREET**  
**LAREDO, TEXAS 78040**  
**AUGUST 7, 2023**  
**5:00 P.M.**

The Mayor will be presenting the following:

1. Recognizing Diego Solis, a Senior student and hornist from the United High School Band, and 3-time TMEA All-State musician, has been named as one of the 109 teens from around the country to be selected for the 10th annual National Youth Orchestra (NYO-USA).
2. Recognizing Alejandra (Ale La Guerita) Gonzalez for winning a gold medal at the 2023 Games of Texas in Brownsville, Texas in the 85 pounds division on July 30, 2023.

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**CITY OF LAREDO**  
**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**A-2023-R-12**  
**LIVE WEB LINK: <http://laredotx.swagit.com/live>**  
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**DISABILITY ACCESS STATEMENT**



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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 July 31, 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.cityofflaredo.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 Council Member Gilbert Gonzalez of Judge David Garcia to the Animal Care Services Advisory Committee.
2. Appointment by Council Member Gilbert Gonzalez of Andrew Carranco to the Charter Revision Committee.
3. Appointment by Council Member Gilbert Gonzalez of Dr. Jose R. Garcia to the Max A. Mandel Municipal Golf Course Advisory Committee.
4. Appointment by Council Member Melissa Cigarroa of Teresa Barker to the Historic District/Landmark Board.
5. Appointment by Council Member Dr. Tyler King of Henry Sauvignet to the Charter Revision

Commission.

6. Appointment by Mayor Pro Tempore Vanessa Perez of Jack C. Byham to the Charter Revision Commission.
7. Appointment by Mayor Pro Tempore Vanessa Perez of Maria Antonieta Garcia to the Animal Care Services Advisory Committee.
8. Appointment by Council Member Alyssa Cigarroa of Tannia Benavides to the Charter Revision Commission.

## IX. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by amending Ordinance 2021-O-189, which authorized a Special Use Permit for a restaurant serving alcohol on Lot 1, Block 1, Royal Oaks Subdivision, Phase 1, located at 110 Willow Oak Street, Suite 3 (2,386 square feet) in order to remove Fernando Canseco applicant and Lopez and Sons Investment Limited Liability Company owner for the Taco Mais Restaurant and replace with La Terraza Leasing, Limited Liability Company - Republica 359 Restaurant as the parties to whom the permit is issued, and to amend the hours of operations and square footage.

The Planning and Zoning Commission motioned to approve the special use permit amendment. However, due to a 4 to 4 tie vote, **the motion failed** and staff **did not support** the application.

**ZC-068-2023**  
**District III**

2. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning approximately 113,159.62 square feet (2.5978 Acres) being all of Block Number One Thousand Seven Hundred Thirteen (1713), part of Block Number One Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty Two (1782) and the right-of-way of New York, between these two blocks, as recorded in Volume 7, Page 15 of Webb County, Plat Record, in the Eastern Division, City of Laredo, Webb County, Texas. More particularly described in metes and bounds in attached Exhibits A and D to that certain Warranty Deed dated November 8, 2016, from the City of Laredo to Laredo - Webb Neighborhood Housing Services Incorporated, Recorded November 15, 2016, as Document No 1281296, Volume 4143, Page 565 of the Office of the County Clerk of Webb County, Texas, located at approximately 300 Arkansas Avenue, from R-2 (Multi - Family Residential 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-072-2023**  
**District II**

3. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending the City of Laredo Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Fleet Management fund by appropriating revenues and expenses of \$2,400,000 for the projected additional revenues.
4. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** Authorizing the City Manager to accept and enter a contract from the Department of Health and Human Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration funding and amending the FY23-24 budget by appropriating revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 with no match for the City of Laredo Health Department, AOT Division for the term from July 31, 2023, through July 30, 2024.
5. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** Authorizing the City Manager to amend the FY 2022-2023 department of Community Development budget by increasing revenues and expenditures by an additional amount of \$750,000.00 in order to appropriate the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development funds under the Economic Development Initiative (EDI) for the purpose specified for Community Project Funding/Congressionally Directed Spending for the Plaza Theater renovation and restoration project. The funding will help the renovation and restoration of the Plaza Theater and preserve a piece of Laredo history; and providing for an effective date.
6. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending the City of Laredo Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Health and Benefits Fund by appropriating a drawdown of \$3,400,000.00 from its opening balance and appropriating it for Health Medical and Prescription Claims.
7. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** authorizing the City Manager to accept a grant from the Texas Parks and Wildlife for the Recreational Trails Program for Shiloh Trails in the amount of \$267,100.00 with a local match of \$66,775 for a total of \$333,875 and amend the FY23 Parks Capital Grant Fund budget by appropriating revenues and expenditures in the same amount. Local match is available through in-kind and volunteer labor and through the Parks General Fund budget. This grant is funded through the Department under the authority of Chapter 24 of the Parks and Wildlife Code.
8. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending ordinance number 2020-O-149; Chapter 18 of the Code of Ordinances, Article VIII, Temporary Parklet Pilot Program, by updating and making the program permanent and including language to incorporate similar usage for sidewalk cafés and street patios; providing for procedures and criteria for the granting of a permit; permit fees; providing that this ordinance shall be cumulative; providing a severability clause; providing for publication; and declaring an effective date.

(Recess)  
(Press Availability)

## **X. INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCES**



9. Authorizing the City Manager to Execute legal documents conveying to Dos Caminos, LLC a 45' Temporary Construction Easement and a 30' wide permanent pipeline and right of way easement being within a 21.3750 acre tract more or less out of Porcion twelve, Santiago Sanchez Original Grantee Abstract 278, Webb County Texas, more particularly described in exhibit "A" attached hereto and made part of. The City will be compensated \$625.00, which will be deposited in General Fund into the Sale of Easements Account. Providing for an effective date.
10. Authorizing the City Manager to negotiate and execute all documents necessary to complete the sale of the "Surface Only" of closed section of Stone Avenue between Market Street and Rosario Street at its appraised value of \$120,000.00 to Laredo Independent School District. It is described as a 0.57 acre section of Stone Avenue R.O.W. between Rosario Street and Market Street; said 0.57 acre tract of land is situated in District III, Eastern Division, City of Laredo, Webb County, Texas. The City of Laredo reserves any and all easements recorded or not recorded; Approving and providing for an effective date. Contingent to the final reading of ordinance 2023-O-138.
11. Introductory Ordinance amending Article VI [Investment Policy] of Chapter 2 [Administration] of the Code of Ordinances in order to update investment officers titles, adjust / update the current broker / dealer list, and make minor language adjustments to the City's investment policy.
12. Amending the Laredo International Airport Operating Fund FY 2023 annual budget by appropriating a drawdown of \$1,797,014.00 from the fund balance and appropriating it for a grant match. Funding will be partially reimbursed by the Federal Aviation Administration through entitlement grants for Fiscal Years 2024, 2025, and 2026. Providing a severability clause; providing for publication; and providing an effective date.
13. An ordinance of the city of Laredo, Texas, amending chapter 23, "Parks and Recreation Department," of the City of Laredo Code of Ordinances deleting section 23-3(a)(2) eliminating fees for water slide use for all ages at the City's swimming pools; amending section 23-4(a)(4)(a)(1) to amend Gymnasium rental fees time limit from five-hour time frame to entire day at no additional fee; providing that this ordinance shall be cumulative; providing a severability clause; providing for publication; and providing an effective date.
14. An Introductory Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, amending Chapter 21, offenses and miscellaneous provisions, creating Article XV, interference with child custody orders, which implements a civil penalty for violating court-ordered child custody, a fine not to exceed \$500.00, to deter violations of child custody orders by improperly possessing a child, starting September 1, 2023, providing a severability clause, providing for publication, and declaring an effective date.

## **XI. FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES**

15. **2023-O-124** 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 the east 1/2 of Lot 2 and Lot 3, Block 123, City of Laredo Western Division, conveyed to Laredo Independent School District, ET.AL., recorded in Volume 105, Page 684, Official Public Records of Webb County, Texas, located at 1714 Houston Street.

**ZC-038-2023**  
**District VIII**

16. **2023-O-125** Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by amending Ordinance 2013-O-139, which authorized a Conditional Use Permit (C.U.P.) for Amusement Redemption Machine Establishment on Lot 5, Block 1, Trautmann M & I Subdivision, Unit 1, located at 8601 McPherson Road in order to add Angelina Wu, DBA Mei-Wa Incorporated as a party to whom the permit is issued to.

**ZC-063-2023**  
**District VI**

17. **2023-O-126** Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning approximately 0.44 acre tract of land, out of Share 8 of the Dionici Rodriguez Partition, out of a 16.1068 acre tract of land, described in deed recorded in Volume 846, Pages 782-784, Deed Records, Webb County, Texas, situated in Porcion 23, Leonardo Sanchez, Abstract 283, Webb County, Texas, located south of Shiloh Drive and west of Snow Falls Drive, from R-1 (Single Family Residential District) to B-1 (Limited Business District).

**ZC-064-2023**  
**District VI**

18. **2023-O-127** 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 1A, Block 1, Rancho Verde Subdivision, located at 9652 McPherson Road, Suite 100 (2,600 square feet).

**ZC-069-2023**  
**District VI**

19. **2023-O-128** Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by amending Ordinance 2022-O-163, which authorized a Special Use Permit (S.U.P.) for Restaurant Serving Alcohol on the east part of lots 5 and 7, Block 167, Western Division, and 1,249.92 square feet, out of the Main Avenue right-of-way, adjacent to Lots 5 and 7, Block 167, Western Division, as per deed recorded in Volume 5323, Pages 741-747, Webb County Official Public Records, located at 1020 Main Avenue in order to amend the hours of operations.

**ZC-071-2023**  
**District VIII**

20. **2023-O-137** Authorizing the City Manager to accept a grant, approve a program, and appropriate funds from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for the Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) for a 90% federal cost share amount of \$308,210.00 and a 10% match requirement of \$30,821.00; and amend the FY23-24 Special Fire Grant Fund by increasing revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$339,031.00. Funding for the 10% grant match requirement is available in the General Fund reserves.
21. **2023-O-138** An Ordinance closing and vacating, as a public easement, a 0.57 acre section of Stone Avenue between Rosario Street and Market Street: said 0.57 acre tract land situated in District III, Eastern Division, City of Laredo, Webb. County, Texas; The City of Laredo reserves any and all easements recorded or not recorded; authorizing the City Manager to close the described section as a public easement and providing an effective date.
22. **2023-O-139** An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, authorizing the City Manager, with approval of City Council, to waive garage or yard sale permit fees for garage or yard sales taking place between August 11 and August 13, 2023, in observance of National Garage Sale Day.
23. **2023-O-140** An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, amending Chapter 24, Appendices, Appendix A, Definitions, of the Land Development Code, by adding a definition of E-Cigarette and re-defining Tobacco Shop to include e-cigarettes and e-cigarette and e-cigarette related products.
24. **2023-O-141** An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, amending section 24.93.6, subsection five (5), of the Land Development Code by increasing the distance requirement for Tobacco Shops from any residential zoned district, church, public or private elementary, middle or high school, a day care licensed by the State, a college or university, public playground, park or stadium from three hundred (300) feet to eight hundred (800) feet.
25. **2023-O-142** An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, amending the previous City donation acceptance policy established through resolution 2019-R-024, by allowing the City Manager to accept donations not exceeding \$50,000 in value. The City Council must accept donations of greater than \$50,000, so that the City Council can evaluate any policy implications associated with the donation. The previous maximum donation allowed to be accepted by the City Manager without approval of City Council was \$5,000.
26. **2023-O-143** An ordinance of the city of Laredo, Texas, repealing chapter 21, article vii, in its entirety, of the code of ordinances, due to the passage of house bill 1819 that repeals the authority of a city to adopt a juvenile curfew, which will take effect on September 1, 2023, providing that this ordinance shall be cumulative; providing a severability clause; providing for publication; and declaring an effective date.

27. **2023-O-144** An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, authorizing the acceptance of a grant in the amount of up to \$75,000.00 from Petco Love, a 501(C) (3) Non-Profit corporation for use by the Laredo Animal Care Services Department to provide low cost spay and neuter vouchers for community pets and to assist with the current spay/neuter and release program to increase the shelter's live release rate for cats and to decrease overpopulation in our community; and amend the FY 22-23 budget by increasing revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$75,000.00.

## **XII. 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

28. Consideration to authorize the awarding of a service contract to Johnson's Controls Inc, San Antonio Texas, in the amount of \$150,069.00 for the purchase and installation of a new public announcement system, at the Laredo International Airport Passenger Terminal. The new PA system is required in order for the Airport to remain in compliance with TSA regulations, as described in CFR 1542.305. Items cited on this proposal are products and services on the Johnson Controls Fire Protection LP Sourcewell Contract #03042. Funding is available in the Airport Operations Fund.

### **BRIDGE:** STAFF SOURCE YVETTE LIMON, BRIDGE DIRECTOR

29. Consideration to renew contract FY21-098 with Clifford Power Systems, Inc., San Antonio, Texas for the generator maintenance to the Laredo Bridge Systems in an annual amount of \$35,000.00. The term of this contract was for a period of two years beginning as of the date of its execution. This contract is subject to future appropriations and may be extended for one additional two (2) year period, upon mutual agreement of the parties. This is the last extension period for this contract. Funding is available in the Laredo Bridge System's Operation Fund.

### **CITY ATTORNEY:** STAFF SOURCE DOANH T. NGUYEN, CITY ATTORNEY

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

30. **2023-R-134** Authorizing the City Manager to amend the resolution of support for the proposed development of an affordable rental housing project located near the southwest corner of International Boulevard and Springfield Ave. named Avanti Legacy Rosewood. On December 6, 2021, the City of Laredo approved a Resolution of Support for Avanti Legacy Rosewood, related to its application to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs for 2022 Competitive 9% Housing Tax Credits for Avanti Legacy Rosewood. These competitive 9% Housing Tax Credits were awarded to Avanti Legacy Rosewood, but since that time, there have been significant changes in the economy which have negatively impacted its development, specifically increases in construction costs,



interest rates, and insurance. Avanti Legacy Rosewood, has approached the Laredo Public Facility Corporation about partnering on the development in order to bring a proposed property tax exemption to bear, and is pending approval of such partnership.

31. Authorizing the City Manager to amend contract from the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds under the American Rescue Act Plan (ARPA) with Bethany House of Laredo, Inc., by increasing the total amount awarded to the agency by an additional \$1,804,562.93 in funding. The additional awarded funds will be used for the acquisition, renovation, rehabilitation, and/or operation cost of services and programs. Funding is available in the American Rescue Plan Act. Fund.

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

32. Consideration for approval of amendment No. 1, an increase in the amount of \$848,500.00 to include schematic design, design development, construction documents, bidding and negotiation, and construction phase administration to the professional services contract with Able City, LLC, Laredo, Texas, for the Plaza Theater Renovation Project Phase II. Current contract amount with this amendment is \$1,086,800.00. Funding is available in the Capital Improvement Fund.

**FINANCE:** STAFF SOURCE MARK DEMAY, FINANCE DIRECTOR

33. Consideration to authorize the purchase of proximity clocks from Tyler Technologies, Plano, Texas in the total amount of \$91,992.00 utilizing Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Contract # 90320-TTI. The proximity clocks will be for various departments. Funding for this purchase is available through various departments. Funding is available in General Fund, Health, Airport, Laredo Convention & Visitor's Bureau, Parking Meters, Municipal Housing, Noise Abatement, Solid Waste, El Metro, Sewer, and Fleet Funds.

**FIRE:** STAFF SOURCE GUILLERMO HEARD, FIRE CHIEF

34. Consideration for ratification and approval of a change order, an increase of \$41,899.26 to Chavarria's Plumbing, Inc. for the emergency plumbing repairs needed at the Airport Fire (ARFF) Station. Total amount including change order is \$78,699.26 Airport and Fire Department will be splitting the cost. Funding is available in the Laredo International Airport Operations Fund and in the Fire Department General Fund.

**FLEET MANAGEMENT:** STAFF SOURCE RONALD MILLER, FLEET DIRECTOR

35. Consideration to renew supply contract FY22-029 for the purchase of Ford Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) automotive parts for the City's fleet vehicles with:
  1. Sames Motor Company, Laredo, Texas in an amount up to \$250,000.00 (Primary Vendor);
  2. Gillie Hyde Ford, Glasgow, Kentucky in an amount up to \$100,000.00 (Secondary Vendor).

All parts 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. 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 Fleet Management Fund.

36. Consideration to renew annual service contract FY21-076 with Cabello Recovery & Auction Services, Laredo, Texas for the auction of cars, light duty trucks, heavy-duty trucks, and surplus property for the Fleet Department. This contract establishes auctioneer services for the sale of city surplus vehicles and equipment.

Cabello's auctioneer (commission) fee will be the following percentage (%) of the gross sales:

- 5.60% if the City opts to hold the auction on city property;
- 13.67% if the City opts to hold auction offsite at the vendor's location.

The City will have the option to hold its auction(s) onsite city property or offsite. The intent of this contract is to conduct turnkey public auctions, in accordance to Laws of the State of Texas (TX Department of License and Regulation), for disposal of surplus items 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. The City will not incur any direct costs for this contract.

**HEALTH:** STAFF SOURCE RICHARD A. CHAMBERLAIN, HEALTH DIRECTOR

37. **2023-R-143** Authorizing the City Manager to submit a renewal application for a continuation contract with the South Texas Development Council in the amount of \$145,306.00 for State Services and \$255,590.00 for State Rebate for the total amount of \$400,896.00 with no match for the City of Laredo Health Department HIV Program for the term period from September 1, 2023, through August 31, 2024.
38. **2023-R-144** Ratifying the execution of a contract from the Texas Department of State Health Services in the amount of \$341,737.00, with a 10% in-kind match of \$34,174.00 for the City of Laredo Health Department, Public Health Emergency Preparedness and Response Services for the term period of July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024. Funding is available in the Health Department Budget.
39. **2023-R-145** Ratifying the execution of a renewal contract amendment from the Texas Department of State Health Services for \$228,574.00 with a match of \$45,715.00 and projected program income of \$3,500.00 for the City of Laredo Health Department, Tuberculosis Elimination/State Program for the term from September 1, 2023, through August 31, 2024. Funding is available in the Health Department Budget.

40. **2023-R-146** Ratifying the execution of a contract amendment from the Texas Department of State Health Services in the amount of \$125,000.00 with no match for the City of Laredo Health Department, Diabetes Prevention and Control Program for the term period from September 1, 2023, through August 31, 2024.
41. **2023-R-147** Ratifying the execution of a contract from the Department of State Health Services for a total amount of \$165,000.00 with no match for the City of Laredo Health Department, Infectious Disease Control Unit/Surge Texas Epidemiology Capacity Expansion Program for the term from September 1, 2023, through August 31, 2025.
42. **2023-R-152** Ratifying the execution of a contract amendment from the Department of State Health Services for \$230,491.00 with a program income of \$144,505.00 for the total amount of \$374,996.00 for the City of Laredo Health Department, Immunization Action Plan Program for the term from September 1, 2023, through August 31, 2024. No grant match required.
43. **2023-R-153** Ratifying the execution of a contract amendment from the Health and Human Services Commission for the reappropriation of funds in the amount of \$100,000.00 to the City of Laredo Health Department, Family Planning Program from the Healthy Texas Women Program. There is no net amount change to the contract amount for the term period from September 1, 2022, through August 31, 2023, and no grant match required.
44. **2023-R-154** Ratifying the execution of a contract from the Texas Health and Human Services in the amount of \$25,900.00 for the Prenatal Medical and Dental Program and \$66,216.00 Child Health and Dental Program for the total amount of \$92,116.00, no grant match required, for the continuation of the City of Laredo Health Department Title V Prenatal Medical and Dental Services for the term period from September 1, 2023, through August 31, 2024.
45. **2023-R-156** Ratifying the execution of a contract with the Health and Human Services Commission in the amount of \$138,377.00 with a program income of \$10,800.00 for the City of Laredo Health Department, Primary Care Program from September 1, 2023, through August 31, 2024.
46. Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a continuation lease agreement with Laredo Texas Hospital Company, L.P. d/b/a Laredo Medical Center in the amount of \$4,673.52 per month with an annual increase of 2% for a total amount of \$291,825.00 for the term period of September 1, 2023, through July 31, 2028. The City of Laredo Health Department, Woman, Infant and Children Program will continue to operate on the property located at 1710 East Saunders Street in Laredo, Texas 78041, contingent on funding availability. Funds are available in the Health Department - WIC Program Grant.
47. Authorizing the City Manager to accept a contract with Televero Health, Inc. in the total amount of \$75,000.00 for the City of Laredo Health Department telemedicine psychiatric services for the term from August 1, 2023, through July 31, 2024. Funding is available through the Health Department AOT grant.

48. Consideration to ratify the purchase for the installment of motors and cabling by Audio Dynamics, Inc. in the amount not to exceed \$65,000.00 for the City of Laredo Health Department needed to retrofit doors in our building to be accessible. Funding is available through the Health Department budget.

**HUMAN RESOURCES:** STAFF SOURCE LINDA TENIENTE, HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR

49. Consideration to authorize the City Manager to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Let's Go Texas, LLC for the purpose of implementing an agreement to provide worksite training and experience for individuals with disabilities in partnership within the City of Laredo departments.

**INFORMATION SERVICES & TELECOMMUNICATION:** STAFF SOURCE JAVIER G. VASQUEZ, INTERIM IST DIRECTOR

50. Authorizing the City Manager to approve the purchase of one (1) 2023 Dodge Ram 2500 Crew 4x2 vehicle from Grapevine Dodge Chrysler Jeep for the total amount of \$53,303.00. This purchase will be made utilizing the Buy Board Cooperative Purchasing Program, BUYBOARD #601-19. Funding is available in the Public Access-Peg Fund.
51. Authorizing the City Manager to approve a contract with Barcom Technology Solutions for the remaining 2 (two) of (3) three years in an annual amount of \$108,033.02 for Cybersecurity Services as per DIR Contract No. DIR-TSO-4167. Funding is available in the Information Systems Technology Fund.

**LAREDO ANIMAL CARE SERVICES:** STAFF SOURCE KARINA ELIZONDO, LACS DIRECTOR

52. Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract for professional services with Dr. Victor Lopez, DVM for community veterinary services to include spay and neuter surgeries, vaccinations, and any other related matters at the Laredo Animal Care Services Department from August 1, 2023, to August 1, 2025, in the amount not to exceed \$75,000.00. This agreement and term renewal is contingent on funding availability. Funding is available in Animal Care Services- Petco Love Grant, contingent upon approval of Ordinance 2023-O-144.

**LIBRARY:** STAFF SOURCE MARIA G. SOLIZ, LIBRARY DIRECTOR

53. Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a non-financial agreement between Laredo College - Adult Education & Literacy and the City of Laredo, Public Library to provide ESL (English as a Second Language) and HSE (High School Equivalency) classes to improve overall literacy levels in surrounding communities.

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



54. Consideration to award a three (3) year service contract FY23-061 to Troon Golf, Scottsdale, Arizona in an annual amount of \$108,000.00 for base management with a two point five percent (2.5%) CPI increase each year. Contract allows for a ten percent (10%) performance base incentive fee on reduction of subsidy (operating loss) of the golf course. This contract is for operating and managing the Max Mandel Municipal Golf Course to include: a retail golf course, pro-shop, banquet room facilities, the restaurant/grill, practice and driving range facilities, maintenance of facilities, storage facilities, related equipment and furniture located on the golf course. This contract is subject to future appropriations and may be extended for three, additional three(3) year periods, upon mutual agreement of the parties. Funding is available in the Max Mandel Golf Course Fund.
55. Authorizing the City Manager to amend an existing \$40,000 Memorandum of Understanding with Laredo College for public use of amenities to now include the shared use of the sports complex, parking lot, concessions and restroom facilities at both the West End Washington campus, and the South Campus located at 5500 Zapata Highway for a monthly fee of \$7,000 for a total of \$84,000; said cost which would offset the existing \$40,000 MOU already in effect.

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

56. **2023-R-149** Authorizing the City Manager to submit a grant application in the estimated amount of \$500,000.00 to the Office of the Governor's Homeland Security Grants Division for the purpose of funding the 2024 Operation Lone Star (OLS) Grant Program. Funding will be used to pay for overtime and equipment to reduce border-related criminal activity in Texas. This grant does not require matching funds. Grant will be accounted for in the Special Police Fund.
57. **2023-R-157** Authorizing the City Manager to submit a grant application in the amount of \$69,386.00 to the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance for the funding of the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program FY 2023. The grant performance period is October 01, 2023 through September 30, 2026. The Bureau of Justice Assistance mandates that this grant allocation be divided equally between the City of Laredo and Webb County; \$34,693.00 will be allocated for the LPD Network Specialist and \$34,693.00 for Webb County Sheriff's Office equipment and supplies that enhances the department operations. No local match is required. Grant funding will be accounted for in the Special Police Fund.
58. Consideration to authorize the City Manager to renew a Professional Service Contract with Gabriel E. Martinez, Jr., DBA Gold Shield Consulting, LLC. for the purpose of providing professional services as the Program Administrator for the Texas Anti-Gang (TAG) Center. The term of this agreement shall be for a period of three (3) years beginning September 1, 2023, and continuing until August 31, 2026, for a total amount of \$389,453.40 and with each year of the agreement constituting a Fiscal Year. The first year of the agreement will run from September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2024, in the amount of \$126,000.00 contingent on grant award for Fiscal Year 2024. The second year will run from September 1, 2024 through August 31, 2025, in the amount of \$129,780.00 contingent on grant award for Fiscal Year 2025. The third year will run from September 1, 2025 through August 31, 2026, in the amount of \$133,673.40 contingent on grant award for Fiscal Year 2026. Thereafter, this contract may be renewed, contingent on grant funding availability and both

parties agreeing to enter into a new contract. Funding is available in the Special Police Fund - Texas Anti-Gang Center.

**PUBLIC WORKS:** STAFF SOURCE JOHN ORFILA, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

59. Consideration to amend and renew contract FY22-073 to Anderson Columbia; Weslaco, Texas, to allow for a 25% increase of \$750,000.00 to the contract, for a new annual total of \$4,750,000.00 for the purchase of Public Works materials: Asphalt Hot Mix Type B & Type D for various departments. The term of this contract shall be for a period of one (1) year beginning as of the date of its execution. This is Extension 1 of three one year periods. There is no change in price. Funding is available in the General Fund - Public Works Budget and Capital Improvements Fund.

SECTION	PRICE PER TON	ANNUAL AMOUNT
SECTION I. Asphalt Type B Hot Mix (Picked up by City Trucks) Type B, Black base, Hot Mix, w/RAP provided by the City of Laredo & 1% Lime, F.O.B. (local plant only)	\$71.48/ton	\$1,000,000.00
SECTION II Asphalt Type D Hot Mix (Picked up by City Trucks) Type D Hot Mix, w/RAP provided by the City of Laredo & 1% Lime, F.O.B. (local plant only)	\$71.48/ton	\$3,750,000.00
Total		\$4,750,000.00

60. Consideration to renew contract FY22-075 to Vulcan Materials Company; San Antonio, TX and Anderson Columbia; Weslaco, TX for the purchase of Public Works materials: Asphalt Cold Laid Type B & D Plus & HMCL Type D for various departments for a total annual amount not to exceed \$1,250,000.00. There is no price change. The term of this contract shall be for a period of one (1) year beginning as of the date of its execution. This is Ext. I of three one year periods. Funding is available in the General Fund - Public Works Construction Budget and Capital Improvements Fund.

VENDOR	BID SECTION	PRICE PER TON	ANNUAL AMOUNT
VULCAN MATERIALS	SECTION I Asphalt Cold Laid Material (Commercial = LRA Premix Type D Plus) Job Site delivery, F.O.B. delivered to job sites.	\$99.40	\$250,000.00
VULCAN MATERIALS	SECTION II Flexible Base (Commercial = LRA Type B Blackbase Type 1 Grade AA Plus) Job Site delivery, F.O.B. delivered to job sites.	\$97.40	\$250,000.00

ANDERSON COLUMBIA	SECTION III Hot-Mix Cold-Laid Asphalt Concrete Pavement Type D - (Item 334 from Texas Department of Transportation) Picked up by City trucks, F.O.B. (local plant only)	\$85.00	\$750,000.00
	Total		\$1,250,000.00

61. Consideration to renew contract FY22-085 to sole bidder Anderson Columbia, Weslaco, TX for a total annual amount not to exceed \$750,000.00. This contract is for the purchase of : Asphalt Cold HMCL Type B for Public Works and other city departments. The term of this contract shall be for a period of one (1) year beginning as of the date of its execution. This is Ext. I of three one year periods. Funding is available in the General Fund - Public Works Construction Budget and Capital Improvements Funds.

VENDOR	DESCRIPTION	PRICE PER TON	ANNUAL AMOUNT
ANDERSON COLUMBIA	Hot-Mix Cold-Laid Asphalt Concrete Pavement Type B - (Item 334 from Texas Department of Transportation) Picked up by City trucks, F.O.B. (local plant only)	\$86.70	\$750,000.00
	Total		\$750,000.00

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

62. Consideration to renew contract FY21-090 - Transportation & Disposal of Leachate & Contaminated Water for the Solid Waste Department to sole bidder Mo-Vac Service Company Inc., Laredo, TX for the annual amount of \$100,000.00. The term is for two (2) years, subject to future appropriations; this is the last contract renewal. Funds are available in the Solid Waste Department funds.

**TAX:** STAFF SOURCE DORA MALDONADO, TAX ASSESSOR COLLECTOR

63. Motion to approve a property tax refund in the amount of \$1,181.48 due to an overpayment as required by Section 31.11(a) of the Texas Property Tax Code. The refund will be issued to Maria Jasso Jaimes from parcel number 990-20016-020.
64. Submission and approval of the 2023 Certified Appraisal Roll from the Webb County Appraisal District for the development of the City's tax roll; acceptance of the No-New-Revenue Tax Rate and Voter-Approval Tax Rate Calculations Worksheets for Tax Year 2023; recommend to propose a tax rate of \$0.533945/\$100 value; setting the date of September 11, 2023 to hold the Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance for the proposed tax rate.

**TRAFFIC SAFETY:** STAFF SOURCE ROBERT F. PENA, INTERIM TRAFFIC DIRECTOR



65. **2023-R-141** A Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute an Advance Funding Agreement (AFA) with the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) for the Highway Safety Improvement Project (HSIP), which includes traffic signal improvements at two different locations: Sanchez Street from San Eduardo St. to San Enrique St. and Gustavus Street from Springfield Ave. to Meadow Ave. The project has been awarded federal funds in the amount of \$380,038. and the City of Laredo shall cover any cost overruns including direct state costs in the estimated amount of \$17,000. Funding is available in the 2021A C.O. Bond.

**TRANSIT** : STAFF SOURCE ROBERT J. GARZA, TRANSIT DIRECTOR

66. Consideration to award a two-year contract FY23-059, for the purchase of engine oil and transmission fluid for the Laredo Transit Management, Inc. (El Metro) to the lowest responsible bidder, Arguindegui Oil Company, Laredo, Texas in an annual amount up to \$79,000.00 for the purchase of engine oil and transmission fluid for the Laredo Transit Management, Inc., (El Metro). The term of this contract shall be for a period of two (2) years, subject to future appropriations, beginning as of the date of its execution. This contract may be extended for two, additional two (2) year periods, upon mutual agreement of the parties. Funding is available in the Laredo Transit Management, Inc., (El Metro) budget.

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

67. Consideration to authorize the purchase of three (3) 2023 Chevrolet Crew Cab Trucks from Lake Country Chevrolet, Jasper, Texas in the amount of \$144,161.25 through the TIPS Cooperative Purchasing Program's contract pricing. Two (2) trucks are replacements for units 13536 and 13558 which have both reached their useful life and one (1) new truck will be for the Water Treatment Division. Funding is available in the 2022 Water Revenue Bond.
68. Consideration to renew annual service contract FY21-082 with Eurofins Xenco LLC., Stafford, Texas in an amount up to \$350,000.00 to provide laboratory analytical services for water and wastewater samples in accordance to Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) approved standard methods. Sample testing is done on a daily, monthly, and quarterly 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 two (2) additional one (1) year extension periods, upon mutual agreement of the parties. Funding is available in the Utilities Department Waterworks and Sewer System funds.
69. Authorizing the City Manager award a purchase order in the amount of \$421,794.00 to Insituform Technologies, L.L.C located in Chesterfield, MO. This payment will be made through the Buy Board Cooperative Purchasing Program contract number 635-21 for the emergency replacement of 140 linear feet of 30" sanitary sewer line located at the intersection of San Dario and Mann road. The funding required for this project is available in the 2020A Sewer Revenue Bond.



70. Consideration to renew annual supply contract number FY22-062 with Core and Main, St. Louis, Missouri in an amount of up to \$602,899.70 for the purchase of mechanical joints: butterfly valves, solid sleeves, and mega lugs for the Utilities Department. The term of this contract shall be for a period of one (1) year beginning as of the date of its execution. 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. These materials are purchased on an as needed basis by the Utilities Department-Water Operations for construction and repair projects. Funding is available in the Water Works Fund.
71. Authorizing the City Manager to approve a contract with Hartwell Environmental Corporation, Tomball, Texas in the amount of \$176,566.40, for the electronic upgrade of the Ozonia UV disinfection system. This upgrade is necessary because the components of the UV disinfection system and the associated UV ballasts have been discontinued by the original manufacturer. Funding is available in the Sewer System Construction Fund.
72. Authorizing the City Manager to execute Amendment #2 to Garver USA for professional services in the amount of \$88,500.00. This amendment makes chemical dosing changes to align with data collected in the last 2 years and to match operational Liquid Ammonium Sulfate (LAS) dosing methodology currently used at both water treatment plants using online ammonia analyzers which will not require special TCEQ exceptions required for in-tank dosing systems. Total Professional Services Contract amount is \$561,750.00. Funding is available in the 2019 Water Revenue Bond.

#### **END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

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### **XIII. STAFF REPORTS**

73. 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.
74. 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.

### **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.

75. Request for Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.071 and the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct to consult with the City Attorney concerning contemplated litigation regarding the Honeywell Energy Savings Performance Contract Phase 1 Assurance Acceptance and return to open session for possible action if necessary.
76. Discussion with possible action to set goals, priorities, and performance measures for the City Manager; and any other matters incident thereto.

**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**

**77. GENERAL COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

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

1. Discussion with possible action on enforcement process and hours of operation for City Parks and property to deter vandalism, unauthorized use, and any matters related thereto.

**B. Request by Council Member Dr. Tyler King**

1. Discussion with possible action to instruct the City Manager to authorize staff to install traffic-calming speed tables along Winfield Parkway from Del Mar to Loop-20, and any other matters incident thereto. City Council District 6 Priority Funds will be used for this project in consultation with the Interim Traffic Director.

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

1. Discussion with possible action to adopt the RMA River Road Alignment Study results into our Future Land Use Map, Thoroughfare Plan, Comprehensive Plan and any plan used when considering development, zone change, and plat requests in this corridor, and any other matters incident thereto

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

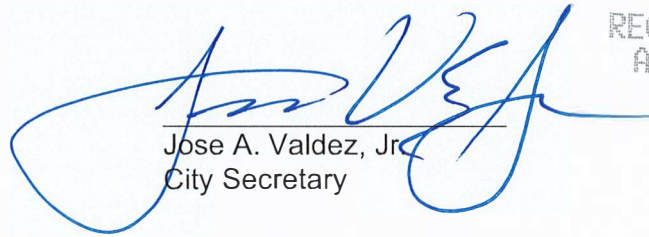
1. Discussion with possible action to assist the Boys & Girls Club with urgent repairs of the building and any other matters incident there to. **(Co-Sponsored by Council Member Ruben Gutierrez, Jr.)**

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

1. Discussion with possible action to accept the Laredo Healthy Food System Plan, presented by the Laredo Center for Urban Agriculture and Sustainability and the Laredo Food Policy Council 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, August 2, 2023 at 6:00pm.



Jose A. Valdez, Jr.  
City Secretary

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