

CITY OF LAREDO CITY COUNCIL MEETING

**A-2015-R-11
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1110 HOUSTON STREET
LAREDO, TEXAS 78040
JULY 20, 2015
5:30 P.M.**



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I. CALL TO ORDER

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ROLL CALL

IV. MINUTES

Approval of the minutes of June 15, 2015.

V. COMMUNICATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS

Communiqués

- a. Invitation to the 13th annual Laredo International Sister Cities Festival set for July 24-26, 2015 at the Laredo Energy Arena.

Recognitions

- a. Recognition of Transplace Company for being selected as "Logistics Company of the Year" by Mexico's International Commerce Magazine Estrategia Aduanera.
- b. Recognizing Amici Bad Boys Karate for their success at the US Open ISKA World Martial Arts Championship held on July 3-4, 2015 at Walt Disney World in Orlando, Florida.

Citizen comments

Citizens are required to fill out a witness card and submit it to the City Secretary no later than 5:45 p.m. and identify themselves at the microphone. Comments are limited to three (3) minutes per speaker. No more than three (3) persons will be allowed to speak on any side of an issue. Should there be more than three (3) people who wish to speak on a particular issue, they need to select not more than three (3) representatives to speak for them and the presiding officer may limit the public comments further in the interest of an orderly meeting. Speakers may not pass their minutes to any other speaker. Comments should be relevant to City business and delivered in a professional manner. No derogatory remarks will be permitted.

VI. APPOINTMENTS TO COMMISSIONS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

- a. Appointment by Council Member George Altgelt of Dave Akers to the Transportation and Traffic Safety Advisory Committee.

VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. **Public hearing and introductory ordinance** amending FY 2015 annual budget by establishing a new Special Revenue Fund, titled Max Mandel Golf Course, by appropriating revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$761,791.00, of which \$385,000.00 will be transferred from General Fund.
(Approved by Operations and Finance Committees)
2. **Public hearing and introductory ordinance** authorizing the City Manager to amend the FY2014-2015 Airport Construction Fund by creating two Full Time Equivalent positions for Land Acquisition Negotiators for the purpose of assisting with the implementation of noise mitigation measures including acquisition of aviation easements and fee simple purchases in support of the City of Laredo's Airport Noise Compatibility Program. Funding for the two new positions is available within the Airport Construction Fund.

(Approved by Operations and Finance Committees)

3. **Public hearing and introductory ordinance** authorizing the City Manager to amend the FY 2014-2015 Department of Community Development Budget by increasing revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$46,517.00 in order to appropriate Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan funds received in excess from the estimated budget. **(Approved by Operations and Finance Committees)**
4. **Public hearing and introductory ordinance** allowing interested persons to comment on the 2015-2019 Five Year Consolidated Plan, and its 2015 Consolidated One Year Action Plan which identifies the projects proposed to be funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. The City anticipates receiving \$3,459,923.00 in 41st Action Year Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds, \$810,705.00 through the HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME), and \$316,721.00 through the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG). An additional \$2,760.00 is anticipated to be received through CDBG program income, \$96,060.00 in Section 108 Loan Repayment, \$66,000.00 in Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan funds, and \$156,000.00 in HOME program income. The following projects are proposed to be funded:

41st AY Community Development Block Grant

Community Development Administration	\$657,634
Housing Rehabilitation Administration	\$307,989
Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program (\$98,820 PI)	\$444,592
Code Enforcement	\$468,841
Graffiti Removal Program	\$44,470
Section 108 Loan Repayment	\$95,192
Transitional Housing Development	\$250,000
Acquisition of Residential Lots for Homeownership	\$800,000
Purchase and Rehabilitation of Homes for Resale	\$490,025
Total	\$3,558,743
Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan Administration	\$9,346
Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan program	\$56,654
Total	\$66,000

HOME Investment Partnership Grant

HOME Program Administration	\$76,925
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Downpayment Assistance Program (\$156,000 PI)	\$378,126
Tenant-Based Rental Assistance	\$390,048
15% CHDO Set-Aside	\$121,606
Total	\$966,705

Emergency Solutions Grant

ESG Program Administration	\$23,021
Emergency Shelter - Shelter Operations	\$86,000
Emergency Shelter - Essential Operations	\$44,000
Street Outreach	\$14,700
Rapid Re-Housing	\$70,000
Homeless Prevention	\$73,000
Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)	\$6,000
Total	\$316,721

(Approved by Operations and Finance Committees)

5. **Public hearing and introductory ordinance** authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement and accept reimbursement from the U.S. Customs and Border Protection/U.S. Border Patrol and to amend the City of Laredo Special Police FY 14-15 budget by increasing revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$205,378.00. The Treasury Forfeiture Fund will reimburse up to \$154,500.00 in overtime expenses; the City of Laredo required match of \$50,878.00 is available in General Fund as a transfer out to the Special Police Fund. This agreement will end on September 30, 2015.
(Approved by Operations and Finance Committees)

6. **Public hearing and introductory ordinance** authorizing the City Manager to sign and execute the Standard Utility Agreement, the attachment "E" (ROW-U-JUAA), the attachment "H" including the affidavits, Statement Covering Utility Work (ROW-U-48) attached hereto, between the City of Laredo (City) and the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) in the estimated amount of \$1,816,068.36 for the TxDOT Utility Relocations Loop 20 & Clark from Kansas City Railroad to US 59 and to amend the City of Laredo 2014 Water Revenue Bond and 2014 Sewer Revenue Bond Annual Budgets by appropriating revenues and expenditures in the estimated amount of \$1,234,943.27 and \$581,115.02, respectively. The State will make payment to the City, upon completion of the relocation and upon receipt of final billing in the amount of 90% of the eligible costs as shown in the final billing prior to audit and after such audit shall make an additional final payment (10%) totaling the reimbursement amount found eligible to the

State. **AS AMENDED. (Approved by Operations and Finance Committees)**

7. **Public hearing and introductory ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lot 5, Block 253, Eastern Division, located at 419 Lane Street, from B-1 (Limited Business District) to R-3 (Mixed Residential District); providing for publication and effective date. Staff supports the application and Planning and Zoning Commission recommends approval of the zone change. District III

8. **Public hearing and introductory ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by authorizing a Conditional Use Permit for an amusement redemption machine establishment on Lot 4A, Block 1, Vista Hermosa Subdivision Unit III, located at 5507 McPherson Road; providing for publication and effective date.

Staff is in support of the application and the Planning and Zoning Commission recommends approval of the Conditional Use Permit.

9. **Public hearing and introductory ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lots 1, 3 and 5, Block 481, Eastern Division, located at 4317 and 4319 Marcella Avenue, from R-3 (Mixed Residential District) to B-1 (Limited Commercial District); providing for publication and effective date.

Staff is in support of the of the application and the Planning and Zoning Commission recommends approval of the zone change.

10. **Public hearing and introductory ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lot 10 Block 481, Eastern Division, located at 306 East Eistetter Street, from R-3 (Mixed Residential District) to B-1 (Limited Commercial District); providing for publication and effective date.

Staff is in support of the application and the Planning and Zoning Commission recommends approval of the zone change.

(Recess)
(Press Availability)

VIII. INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCES

11. Authorizing the City Manager to execute a lease with Texas Migrant Council for approximately 1.158 acres (50,442 square feet of land) located at 5102 North Bartlett Avenue on Tract 3 of Block 25 at the Laredo International Airport:
 1. Lease term is for five (5) years commencing on August 1, 2015, and ending on July 31, 2020;
 2. Monthly rent shall be \$3,030.00 and will be adjusted annually according to changes in the Consumer Price Index; providing for an effective date.**(Approved by Operations and Finance Committees)**
12. Authorizing the City Manager to amend the Lease agreement approved by Ordinance No. 2011-O-030 with Uni-Trade Forwarding, L.C., as Lessee, and the City of Laredo as Lessor, to assign Lessee's lease agreement to 4-G Investments, as Assignee, an affiliate company of Uni-Trade Forwarding, L.C. All other terms and conditions remain the same and in effect; providing for an effective date. **(Approved by Operations Committee)**
13. Amending Ordinance No. 2015-O-076 dated June 16, 2015, lease agreement between City of Laredo, as Lessor and Trecon Investments Corporation, as Lessee. The amendment reduces the leased premises by 83,425.70 square feet being Tract "2A" out of Lot No. 2, Block No. 23 of the Laredo International Airport Subdivision Plat and reduces the monthly rent by \$3,198.00 corresponding to the reduced area, and Authorizing the City Manager to approve the amended lease agreement. All other terms of the lease agreement remain in effect; providing for an effective date.
(Approved by Operations and Finance Committees)

IX. FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

14. **2015-O-077** Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by authorizing a Special Use Permit for a Restaurant Serving Alcohol, on Lot 1A, Block 1126, Buena Vista Subdivision, located at 2115 E. Saunders Street; providing for publication and effective date.

District IV

2015-O-078 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lots 2 and 3, Block 563, Eastern Division, located at 906 Willow Street, from M-1 (Light Manufacturing District) to R-3 (Mixed Residential District); providing for publication and effective date.

2015-O-079 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning, Blocks 34 and 35, Laredo Airport Subdivision, located at the 1300 block and 1400 block of E. Calton Road, from AG (Agricultural District) to B-3 (Community Business District); providing for publication and effective date.

2015-O-080 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lot 3, Block 99, Western Division, located at 616 Hidalgo Street, from B-1 (Limited Commercial District) to B-3 (Community Business District); providing for publication and effective date.

2015-O-081 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning 4.92 acres out of Tract 7, Casa Verde Subdivision, as further described by metes and bounds in Exhibit "A", located at 8310 Casa Verde Road, from R-1 (Single-Family Residential District) to R-2 (Multi-Family Residential District); providing for publication and effective date.

2015-O-082 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning one acre out of Tract 8-E, Casa Verde Acres Subdivision, as further described by metes and bounds in attached Exhibit "A", located at 8406 Casa Verde Road, from R-1 (Single-Family Residential District) to R-2 (Multi-Family Residential District); providing for publication and effective date.

2015-O-083 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning 5 acres out of Tracts 8-F, 8-G, 8-H, and 8-I, Casa Verde Acres Subdivision, as further described by metes and bounds in attached Exhibit "A", located at 8406 and 8408 Casa Verde Road, from R-1 (Single-Family Residential District) to R-2 (Multi-Family Residential District); providing for publication and effective date.

2015-O-084 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning 9.94 acres, as further described by metes and bounds in attached Exhibit "A", located north of the Laredo International Airport, from B-3 (Community Business District) to R-1 (Single-Family Residential District); providing for publication and effective date.

2015-O-085 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning 17.06 acres as further described by metes and bounds in attached Exhibit "A", located north of the Laredo International Airport, from B-3 (Community Business District) to R-1 (Single-Family Residential District); providing for publication and effective date.

2015-O-086 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning 17.78 acres, as further described by metes and bounds in attached Exhibit "A", located north of the Laredo International Airport, from B-3 (Community Business District) to R-1 (Single-Family Residential District).

2015-O-087 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning 37.49 acres, as further described by metes and bounds in attached Exhibit "A", located north of the Laredo International Airport, from B-1 (Limited Business District) and B-3 (Community Business District) to R-1 (Single-Family Residential District).

2015-O-088 Amending the 2015 HOME Program Budget by appropriating \$175,000.00 in actual and anticipated program income due to early repayment of Down Payment Assistance Loans. The appropriated funds will ensure the budget reflects actual expenses incurred and revenues recorded in the amount of \$129,729.00 during previous and current fiscal years and an additional \$45,271.00 in anticipated income.

2015-O-089 Amending Article VI [Investment Policy] of Chapter 2 [Administration] of the Code of Ordinance in order to:

1. Clarify Authorized Investment language;
2. Adjust the Broker/Dealer list;
3. Provide for an effective date.

2015-O-090 Authorizing the City Manager to convey an easement and right of way to American Electric Power (AEP) Texas Central Company located at, and to serve the Jefferson Water Treatment Plant Administration Building on Anna Ave., one (1) conveyance over a tract of land containing 0.018 acres (773 square feet) of land, more or less, situated in Abstract 239, Lot 1,

Block 423, Eastern Division as described in easement conveyance attached as Exhibit "A"; and providing for an effective date.

X. RESOLUTIONS

15. **2015-R-53** Accepting the conveyance of the following 25 Foot Utility and Utility Access Easement and corresponding Temporary Construction Easement for the Right To Construct, Reconstruct, Repair and Perpetually Maintain Water Line Improvements for the construction of a 24" Diameter Water Transmission Main from Loop 20 and Del Mar Blvd to East Corridor Booster Station from:

JNSM, L.P. By: Antonio Martinez, Jr., General Partner, Utility Easement as follows:

A strip of land 25' In Width Containing 3,814.94 Square Feet or 0.088 Acres more or less, over, across and upon Lot 7, Block 4 Jacaman Ranch Subdivision, Unit 8. A copy of which Conveyance is attached as Exhibits A & B;

and directing that the said Easement be filed of Record in Official Property Records of Webb County, Texas. **(Approved by Operations Committee)**

16. **2015-R-54** Amending resolution #2015-R-09 by adding one (1) additional memorandum of understanding to the list of cooperative working agreements/mutual assistance agreements/memorandums of understanding between the City of Laredo Police Department and various federal, state and local agencies, including but not limited to: Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI), SCAN, *et al.*, a comprehensive list is attached hereto as "Exhibit A". The Police Department's participation is part of the community service provided to our citizens, with no cost to the City of Laredo. **(Approved by Operations Committee)**

17. **2015-R-55** Authorizing the City of Laredo to enter into Inter-Local Cooperative Purchasing Agreements with the following Coop's:

1. Region 16 Education Service Center (TexBuy Vendors)
2. National(IPA)
3. Harris County Department of Education (Choice Partners)
4. Region 20 Education Service Center (PACE Purchasing Coop)
5. Region 8 Education Service Center (TIPS Purchasing Program)

And authorizing the City Manager to execute the membership agreements. The purpose of these agreements is to facilitate compliance with the State of Texas bidding requirements, to identify qualified vendors of commodities, goods and services, and to realize potential cost savings for the City of Laredo. **(Approved by Operations Committee)**

18. **2015-R-56** Accepting the conveyance of the following 20 Foot Utility and Utility Access Easement and corresponding Temporary Construction Easement for the Right To Construct, Reconstruct, Repair and Perpetually Maintain Water Line Improvements for the construction of a 16" Diameter Waterline for the TxDot Utilities Relocation Loop 20 & Clark Project from:

Killam Ranch Properties, Ltd., By: Killam Ranch Properties I, LLC, David W. Killam, Sole Member, Utility Easement as follows:

A tract of land found to contain 0.0690 acres (3,005 sq. ft) more or less, situated in Porcion 29, Abstract 3086. A copy of which Conveyance is attached as Exhibits A & A-1; and directing that the said Easement be filed of Record in Official Property Records of Webb County, Texas. **(Approved by Operations Committee)**

19. **2015-R-57** Accepting the conveyance of the following 20 Foot Utility And Utility Access Easement and corresponding Temporary Construction Easement for the Right To Construct, Reconstruct, Repair and Perpetually Maintain Sanitary Sewer Line Improvements for the construction of a 12" Diameter Sanitary Sewer Line for the TxDot Utilities Relocation Loop 20 & Clark Project from: Killam Ranch Properties, Ltd., By: Killam Ranch Properties I, LLC, David W. Killam, Sole Member, Utility Easement as follows: A Tract of Land found to contain 0.1227 acres (5,345 sq. ft) more or less, situated in Porcion 29, Abstract 3086. A copy of which Conveyance is attached as Exhibits A & A-1; and directing that the said Easement be filed of Record in Official Property Records of Webb County, Texas. **(Approved by Operations Committee)**

XI. MOTIONS

20. Authorizing the City Manager to enter into and execute a Memorandum of Understanding, attached hereto as Exhibit A, between the Laredo Police Officers' Association (LPOA) and the City of Laredo for the purpose of implementing a compressed work week pilot program for the Laredo Police Department Patrol Division (West District). The pilot program will end in six (6) months.

21. Consideration for approval of the selection of consultant for the Neighborhood Recreational Swimming Pool at Bartlett Avenue Soccer Field Complex for design, preparation of plans and specifications, and authorization to negotiate a professional services contract.
22. Consideration to award contract number FY15-037 to provide temporary contract employees to the following bidders:
 1. AT Work Personnel Services, Knoxville, TN, as the primary vendor; and
 2. Elite Employment Services, Laredo, Texas as the secondary.

Contracts will be awarded to a primary and secondary vendor in order to provide the City of Laredo with a quality labor pool for those departments that might require temporary staff members throughout the fiscal year. All bids were evaluated utilizing a **best value** evaluation grading system. All services will be secured on an as needed basis and the estimated contract amount for this fiscal year would be approximately \$3,800,000.00. The term of this contract shall be for a period of one (1) year beginning as of the date of its execution. Funding is available in the respective departmental budgets.
23. Authorizing the City Manager to enter into and execute Interlocal Agreements between the City of Laredo and Webb County Sheriff's Office, Jim Hogg County Sheriff's Department, Starr County Sheriff's Office, Zapata County Sheriff's Office, Rio Grande City Police Department, Roma Police Department, Jim Hogg County Appraisal District, Zapata County Appraisal District, and Starr County Planning Department for Public Safety Answering Points (PSAPs) and Database Maintenance services for the period of September 1, 2015 through August 31, 2017. **(Approved by Operations Committee)**
24. Approving monthly adjustments to the tax roll. The amounts to be adjusted for the month of June 2015, represent a decrease of \$33,969.57. These adjustments are determined by the Webb County Appraisal District and by court orders.
25. Referring the City of Laredo Comprehensive Plan to the Planning and Zoning Commission and requiring that a report from the Planning and Zoning Commission with any recommendations be brought back before the City Council before the adoption of the budget; in accordance with Article IX, Section 9.03 of the Charter of the City of Laredo.

26. Authorizing the City Manager to terminate a lease agreement between Carlaw Properties, LTD. and the City of Laredo dated April 1, 2010 for the property commonly known as the Cigarroa Building, and located on 1502 Logan; and any matters related thereto.
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XII. CONSENT AGENDA

Resolutions and Motions previously brought before Operations and Finance Committees may be approved by City Council categorically *EN BLOC*. At Council's request, specific items may be withheld from the consent agenda for individual treatment.

XII (a) RESOLUTIONS

27. **2015-R-50** Authorizing the City Manager to apply for a grant in the estimated amount of \$1,289,990.55 from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Service (COPS) Program. The City of Laredo will utilize this funding to hire six (6) new police officers for a period of three years. The 2015 CHP grants provide up to 75 percent funding of the approved entry level salaries and fringe benefits of each newly hired and/or rehired full-time sworn career law enforcement officer over the three-year (36-month) grant period with a minimum 25 percent local cash match requirement and a maximum federal share of \$125,000.00 per officer position. Funding is available under the COPS Hiring Recovery Program created under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act 2009.
28. **2015-R-52** Authorizing the City Manager to execute a water rights sales agreement between the City of Laredo and E & S River Farm LTD., in which the City of Laredo is agreeing to purchase the right to divert and use five-hundred (500) acre feet per annum of Class A irrigation water rights to the Rio Grande River which after conversion from irrigation rights to municipal use right amounts to 250 A/F of municipal use rights per annum at \$3,000.00 per A/F for a total purchase price of \$750,000.00; and further authorizing the City Manager to sign and file the necessary application with Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) on behalf of the City requesting that said water rights be severed from Certificate of Adjudication No. 23-599, as amended, of the seller and combined with the Certificate of Adjudication No. 23-3997 as amended, of the City and the point of diversion, purpose and place of use of said water rights be changed as required by the City. Funding is available in the Water Availability fund.

29. **2015-R-58** Authorizing the City Manager to accept and execute two (2) contracts from the Department of State Health Services (DSHS); one in the amount of \$331,135.00, with an in-kind match of \$33,114.00 for a total of \$364,249.00 for the continuation of the City of Laredo Health Department Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) and Response Program for any public health threat , disease outbreak or disaster and the second for \$159,889.00 for the continuation of the City of Laredo Health Department Healthcare Preparedness Program (HPP), to conduct health care emergency response and preparedness to a healthcare surge, disaster or medical emergency for the term period from July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016.
30. **2015-R-59** Authorizing the Chief of Police to submit a grant application in an estimated amount of \$100,000.00 to the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Department, for funding the 2016 JAG or Justice Assistance Grant for the period of October 01, 2015 through September 30, 2016. This funding will provide overtime for the Gang Task Force which will target Criminal Street Gangs by identifying, monitoring, suppressing and documenting criminal gang activities and implementing a database.

XII (b) MOTIONS

31. Consideration to award annual supply contract FY15-044 for the purchase of automotive parts for the Fleet Department to the following vendors:
- 1) Gonzalez Auto Parts, Laredo, TX, for an amount up to \$200,000.00 (Primary Vendor); and
 - 2) A&A Auto Parts, Allentown, PA, for an amount up to \$15,000.00 (Secondary Vendor); and
 - 3) Vehicle Maintenance Program, Boca Raton, FL, for an amount up to \$15,000.00 (Secondary Vendor).

The replacement parts will be purchased on an as needed basis for all City fleet vehicles. The contract items include: oil/fuel filters, front end parts, hoses, clamps, belts, lamp/bulbs service lubricants and brakes. The term of this contract shall be for a period of one (1) year beginning as of the date of its execution. Funding is available in the Fleet Maintenance budget.

32. Consideration to award contract FY15-035 to Stericycle Environmental Solutions, Inc., Houston, Texas in an annual estimated amount of \$50,000.00, for Household Hazardous Waste/CESQG Collection Services. This is a two (2) year contract, subject to budget appropriations, with an option to renew an additional two (2) year term upon mutual agreement. Funding is available in the Environmental Services Department's Budget.
33. Authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with Park Place Recreation Designs, Inc., for the design and construction of a basketball court shade for Seven Flags Park in the amount of \$268,704.00, This purchase is through the BuyBoard Cooperative Purchasing Program's contract pricing, contract 423-13. Funding is available in the Community Development Block Grant 40th Action Year.
34. Authorizing the City Manager to enter into and execute a contract between Priority Dispatch Corporation and the City of Laredo to allow the 9-1-1 Regional Administration Office to provide the Laredo Police Department with ProQA Dispatch, software for 9-1-1 Telecommunicators through a Memorandum of Sole Source service in the total amount of \$217,314.40. This software is needed in order to provide Police, Fire and Medical Pre-Arrival Instructions during 9-1-1 calls. Funding is available in the 9-1-1 Regional Fund.
35. Consideration to renew existing annual contract number FY14-067 to City Ready Mix, Inc., Laredo, Texas, in an amount up to \$2,368,000.00, for the purchase of ready mix cement (job site delivered) for various City Departments. There will be no price increase during this extension period. The term of the contract shall be for a period of one (1) year beginning as of the date of it's execution. All materials are purchased on an as needed basis utilizing the Utilities, Parks and Leisure Services and Public Works Departments - construction projects budgets.
36. Consideration to renew annual supply contract number FY13-056 to the following vendors:
1. Century Asphalt, Houston, Texas in an amount up to \$9,455,900.00 for the purchase of the following paving, and construction materials:
 - a. Black base F.O.B., jobsite - \$61.95/ton
 - b. Asphalt Type D hot mix, F.O.B jobsite - \$61.95/ton
 - c. Asphalt Type D hot mix, 1% lime w/RAP F.O.B. vendors plant - \$52.00/ton
 - d. Asphalt Type D hot mix, 1% lime, F.O.B jobsite - \$63.45/ton
 - e. Asphalt Type D hot mix, 1% lime, F.O.B. vendors plant - \$56.45/ton
 - f. Asphalt Type D hot mix, 1% lime, w/RAP F.O.B jobsite - \$59.00/ton;

2. S.C.C. Pure Materials, Laredo, Texas in amount up to \$249,500.00 for the purchase of the following paving, and construction materials:

- a. Flexible base Type D – Crushed Concrete, F.O.B. Public Works or Utilities Department Compound Job Site - \$ 18.75/cyd
- b. Flexible base Type D – Crushed Concrete, F.O.B. Vendors Plant - \$ 15.50/cyd

This contract is for the purchase of materials required for all city paving and construction projects. There will be no price increase during this extension period. The term of this contract shall be for a period of one (1) year beginning as of the date of its execution. All materials are purchased on an as needed basis utilizing the Public Works Department, Utilities Department, and construction project budgets.

- 37. Consideration to renew contract FY13-024 currently awarded to Industrial Property Brokers, Laredo, Texas, in an amount up to \$546,250.00 for the purchase and hauling of approximately 125,000 cubic yards of earthen soils to the City's Solid Waste facility. Due to an increase in usage, funding will be depleted prior to the end of the contract term. There will be no price increase during this extension period. The term of this contract shall be for a period of one (1) year beginning as of the date of its execution. All earthen soils will be purchased on an as needed basis. The Solid Waste Department will use these soils to cover the landfill cells on a weekly basis in accordance to TCEQ requirements. Funding is available in the Solid Waste Services Department Fund. **AS AMENDED.**
- 38. Consideration to renew the existing annual contract FY13-055 to HD Supply Waterworks, Atlanta, Georgia, in an amount up to \$276,156.30 for the purchase of fire hydrants and repair kits for the City of Laredo's Utilities Department. There will be a unit price increase of 6.5% during this extension period due to an industry wide adjustment. The term of this contract shall be for a period of one (1) year beginning as of the date of its execution. Funding is available in the Utilities Department Fund.
- 39. Consideration to renew annual supply contract number FY13-061 Sections III, IV, VI, and VII to Ferguson Waterworks, Newport News, Virginia in an amount up to \$768,791.84 for the purchase of mechanical joint fittings, brass fittings, copper pipe, repair clamps, and valve boxes for the Utilities Department. These materials are purchased on an as needed basis by the

Utilities Department- Water Operations for construction and repair projects. There will be no price increase during this extension period. The term of this contract shall be for a period of one (1) year beginning as of the date of its execution. Funding is available in the Utilities Department Fund.

40. Consideration for acceptance of project, approval of warranty letter, final payment and release of retainage in the amount of \$63,331.25 to Blastco Texas, Inc., Houston, Texas for the Recoating and repair of existing storage tanks (S Laredo EST and Highland EST). Funding is available in the 2012 Water Revenue Bond and Retainage Account.
41. Consideration to award contract FY15-011 to the sole bidder, Transcore LP in the amount not to exceed \$9,985,148.00 for the City of Laredo Bridge System Electronic Toll Collection and Customer Service Center (CSC) Systems Replacement / Upgrade – Phase I. Funding is available in the Bridge System Revenue Bond Series 2014 and Bridge Construction Fund.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

XIII. GENERAL COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

42.

A. Request by Mayor Pete Saenz

1. Discussion of the Municipal Management District (MMD) and Public Improvement District (PID), with possible consensus regarding the restructuring of the downtown business district.
2. Discussion on possible development or demolition of the "Old Mercy Hospital" located at Logan Avenue.

B. Request by Council Member Esteban Rangel

1. Discussion with possible action on creating a marketing model to promote the City and be pro-active on promoting events that are taking place.
2. Discussion with possible action on creating a City of Laredo application that can be downloaded to smart phones with information that is accessible to mirror that of the City Webpage.

3. Discussion with possible action on revisiting Chapter 18-Licenses, Permits and Miscellaneous Business Regulations; Article III-Regulation of Garage or Yard Sales of the City of Laredo Code of Ordinances.
4. Discussion with possible action on the extension of East Clark Street in the Ponderosa Subdivision.

C. Request by Council Member Alejandro "Alex" Perez

1. Discussion with possible action on including a growth barrier on new sidewalk construction to prevent weeds/grass growth on gaps within new sidewalks.
2. Discussion with possible action on solutions to the odor problem at South Laredo Wastewater Treatment Plant due to the recent rains.
3. Discussion with possible action to amend the guidelines of the Neighborhood Empowerment Zone Program by including labor cost as part of the total project cost to qualify for the program.

D. Request by Council Member Roque Vela, Jr.

1. Discussion with possible action of converting the Federal Courthouse into a Laredo Museum with multiple disciplines. **(Co-Sponsored by Mayor Pro-Tempore Juan Narvaez and Council Member Roberto Balli).**
2. Discussion with possible action on widening the 2600 block of East Del Mar Boulevard to add a turning lane and sidewalk.

E. Request by Council Member George Altgelt

1. Report on the training received by the Laredo Fire Department related to responding to oil and gas drilling emergencies, with possible action.
2. Report on the City-wide evacuation plan in the event of an emergency, with possible action.
3. Report on the Laredo Fire Department's response to radiant heat from oil and gas drilling/flash operating emergencies, with possible action.
4. Discussion with possible action on conducting a preliminary study to

construct a road from La Bota Parkway to the Aquero Subdivision, including a cost estimate.

F. Request by Council Member Roberto Balli

1. Discussion with possible action as to the feasibility of constructing a convention center in downtown Laredo including the previous studies considered and requesting that the City Manager prepare a cost analysis of the proposed project.
2. Discussion with possible action on creating an ordinance prohibiting swimming and/or bathing in public fountains.

XIV. STAFF REPORTS

43. Presentation on Expo Carga 2015 by Mario Maldonado, Bridge Manager.
44. Presentation by Russell Gallahan, MPA, Senior Economic Development Analyst and Regional Representative for South Texas for the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts on economic development tools available to the City.

XV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Council hereby reserves the right to go into executive session at any time during this public meeting, if such is requested by the City Attorney or other legal counsel for the City, pursuant to his or her duty under Section 551.071(2) of the Government Code, to consult privately with his or her client on an item on the agenda, or on a matter arising out of such item.

45. Request for Executive Session Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071(1)(A) to consult with City Attorney on pending litigation: *Rio Grande H₂O Guardian V. City Of Laredo; Home Mart, Inc.; Robert Muller Family Partnership, Ltd., D/B/A Robert Muller, Ltd., Muller's Rosetta Stone, LLC.; Emerald Riverview Development, Ltd.; Emerald River And Mines Management, L.C., Cause No. 2009CVQ000801-D2, In the 11th District Court, Webb County, Texas*; and return to open session for possible action.

46. Request for Executive Session Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.072 to deliberate the value of the present leasehold and the value of the City's real estate interest property regarding the proposed re-negotiation and amendment to the Retail Lease for Bridge of the Americas Project between City of Laredo and Khaledi Bridge of the Amercias, Ltd. located at El Portal, at the Lincoln-Juarez Bridge.

XVII. ADJOURN AS THE LAREDO MASS TRANSIT BOARD AND RECONVENE AS THE LAREDO CITY COUNCIL AND 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, July 15, 2015 at 6:30 p.m.

Gustavo Guevara, Jr.
City Secretary