

**CITY OF LAREDO**  
**RECOGNITION AND COMMUNICATION NOTICE**  
**CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS**  
**1110 HOUSTON STREET**  
**LAREDO, TEXAS 78040**  
**June 18, 2018**  
**5:00 P.M.**

**The Mayor will be presenting the following:**

1. Recognizing Gabriela Berlanga, teacher at Alma Pierce Elementary School for being recognized as Krispy Kreme's Teacher of the Year. Ms. Berlanga is one (1) of five (5) teachers in the entire State of Texas to receive this award.
2. Recognizing Karime Nevarez for winning the Ironman 70.3 Triathlon in Monterrey, Mexico on May 14, 2018 and qualifying in the World Championship 2018 Ironman 70.3 in South Africa in September and for being the first female from Los Dos Laredos to compete.
3. Recognizing Coach Juan Avila, Coach Valeriano Hernandez, and Coach Gilberto Palacios for volunteering as basketball parent coaches for numerous years and helping the community when in need.

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**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**A-2018-R-10**  
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**LAREDO, TEXAS 78040**  
**June 18, 2018**  
**5:30 P.M.**



**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 the Texas Penal Code (trespass by holder of license to carry a handgun), a person licensed under Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code (Concealed Handgun Law or Handgun Licensing Law), may not enter into the City Council Chamber while City Council is in session with a concealed or openly-carried handgun.

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**III. MOMENT OF SILENCE**

**IV. ROLL CALL**

**V. MINUTES**

**Approval of the minutes of May 29, 2018 and June 4, 2018**

**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. VETERAN RECOGNITION**

- a. Honoring Veteran Joshua D. Guell, for his service as a member of the United States Army and recognizing his distinguished service to our Country.

**VII. COMMUNICATIONS**

1. Presentation by Stephen Ratke, of Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), on Vision Zero.
2. Presentation by Jay B. Crossley, of Farm and City, on Vision Zero efforts in cities and MPOs across Texas and elsewhere.



## VIII. APPOINTMENTS TO COMMISSIONS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

1. Appointment by Council Member Vidal Rodriguez of Nick Benavides to the Secondary Water Source Ad-Hoc Committee.
2. Appointment by Council Member Alejandro "Alex" Perez of Joe Villarreal to the Planning & Zoning Commission.

## IX. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. **Public Hearing** allowing interested persons to comment on the 2018-2019 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 \$3,729,949.00 in 44th Action Year Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds; \$1,178,458.00 through the HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME); and \$306,204.00 through the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG). An additional \$2,800.00 is anticipated to be received through CDBG program income; \$72,200.00 in Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan funds; and \$160,000.00 in HOME program income. The following projects are proposed to be funded:

<b>44th AY Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)</b>	
Community Development Administration	\$656,089
Housing Rehabilitation Administration	\$304,458
Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program	\$468,451
Code Enforcement	\$489,984
Graffiti Removal Program	\$49,944
Downtown Senior Recreational Program	\$145,225
Downtown Elderly Affordable Rental Housing	\$301,198
Rental Rehabilitation Program	\$350,000
Downtown Neighborhood Access Improvements	\$127,400
El Eden Park Improvements	\$120,000
Freddy Benavides Park Improvements	\$120,000
Sidewalks in District III	\$120,000
Eastwoods Neighborhood Park Improvements	\$20,000
Sidewalks in District IV	\$100,000
De Llano Park Improvements	\$120,000
Bike Lanes in District VII	\$120,000



Sidewalks in District VIII	\$120,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,732,749</b>

<b>Revolving Loan</b>	
Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan Administration	\$9,452
Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan Program	\$62,748
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$72,200</b>

<b>HOME Investment Partnership Grant</b>	
HOME Program Administration	\$98,139
Down Payment Assistance Program (PI)	\$160,000
Tenant-Based Rental Assistance	\$390,050
15% CHDO Set-Aside	\$176,769
Rental Housing Project	\$253,500
Downtown Elderly Affordable Rental Housing	\$260,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,338,458</b>

<b>Emergency Solutions Grant</b>	
ESG Program Administration	\$16,490
Emergency Shelter – Shelter Operations	\$85,000
Emergency Shelter – Essential Services	\$45,000
Street Outreach	\$9,884
Rapid Re-Housing	\$81,830
Homelessness Prevention	\$60,000
Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)	\$8,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$306,204</b>

2. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** authorizing the City Manager to amend the City of Laredo Airport Operations Fund by drawing down and appropriating Fund Balance in the amount of \$1,888,889.00. This appropriation will be transferred out to the Airport Construction Fund for the purpose of various airport improvement projects, including the reconstruction of Phases 12, 13, and 14 of the cargo apron. In addition, authorizing the City Manager to amend the Airport Construction Fund by appropriating said funds for the improvements mentioned above.



3. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning approximately 14.03 acres as further described by Metes and Bounds in Exhibit A, located Southeast of Casa Verde Rd., and East of Lucia Ct., from R-1 (Single Family Residential District) to R-1A (Single Family Reduced Area District); providing for publication and effective date.

Staff supports the application and Planning & Zoning Commission recommends approval of the zone change.

**ZC-54-2018**

**District V**

4. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by authorizing a Conditional Use Permit for a bar on Lots 1 & 2, Block 2, San Isidro/McPherson Subdivision, Phase IV, Cantera Ct., located at 9802 McPherson Rd one-half of Suite 100, and Suites 101, 102 and 103 providing for publication and effective date.

Staff does not support the application and Planning & Zoning recommends approval of the Conditional Use Permit.

**ZC-56-2018**

**District VI**

5. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lot 123, Block 8, Del Mar Hills Section I, Area A Subdivision, located at 427 Candlewood Rd., from R-1 (Single Family Residential District) to R-2 (Multi-Family Residential District); providing for publication and effective date.

Staff does not support the application and the Planning & Zoning Commission recommends denial of the zone change. Therefore the applicant has since exercised the right to appeal this decision directly to City Council.

**ZC-50-2018**

**District VI**

6. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lot 1, Block 1, JDK, located at 23909 FM 1472 Rd., from AG (Agricultural District) to M-1 (Light Manufacturing District); providing for publication and effective date.

Staff does not support the application and Planning & Zoning Commission recommends approval of the zone change.

**ZC-37-2018**

## **District VII**

7. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning approximately 22.64 acres out of Porcion 38, Abstract 472, Tadeo Sanchez Tract, located north of Cielito Lindo Blvd. and west of S. Ejido Ave., from R-1A (Single Family Reduced Area District) to R-1MH (Single Family Manufactured Housing District).

Staff does not support the application and Planning & Zoning Commission recommends approval of the Zone Change.

**ZC-52-2018**

## **District I**

8. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lots 1 and 2, Block 1703, Eastern Division, located at 2803 Corpus Christi St., from B-1 (Limited Business District) to B-3 (Community Business District).

Staff supports the application and Planning & Zoning Commission recommends denial of the Zone Change. Therefore, the applicant has exercised the right to appeal this decision directly to City Council.

**ZC-51-2018**

## **District III**

9. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lot 1, Block 282, Eastern Division, located at 301 E. Gustavus St., from R-3 (Mixed Residential District) to B-1 (Limited Business District).

Staff supports the application and Planning & Zoning Commission recommends approval of the Zone Change.

**ZC-49-2018**

## **District III**

10. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by authorizing a Special Use Permit for Oil and/or Gas Extraction and Production, (plug/abandonment ) on approximately 42.98 acres out of Porcion 35, Abstract 546, Jose M. Diaz Tract, known as Maria Lafon Unit #1, located north of Lomas del Sur Blvd. and west of U.S. Highway 83.

Staff supports the application and Planning & Zoning Commission recommends approval of the Special Use Permit.

**ZC-55-2018**



### **District III**

11. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning approximately 8.42 Acres out of Agustin Sanchez Tract, Abstract 282, Porcion 26, (as further described by metes and bounds in attached Exhibit A), located east of Bartlett Ave. and north of University Blvd., from R-1 (Single Family Residential District) and R-2 (Multi-Family Residential District) to B-1 (Limited Business District).

Staff does not support the application and Planning & Zoning Commission recommends approval of the Zone Change.

**ZC-39-2018**

### **District V**

12. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning approximately 10.17 Acres out of Agustin Sanchez Tract, Abstract 282, Porcion 26 (as further described by metes and bounds in attached Exhibit A), located east of Bartlett Ave. and north of University Blvd., from B-1 (Limited Business District) and R-1 (Single-Family Residential District) to B-3 (Community Business District).

Staff does not support the application and Planning & Zoning Commission recommends approval of the Zone Change

**ZC-40-2018**

### **District V**

13. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lot 9, Block 3, Santa Rita Subdivision Phase IV, located at 305 Avila Dr., from R-2 (Multi-Family Residential District) to R-1A (Single Family Reduced Area District).

Staff does not support the application and Planning & Zoning Commission recommends denial of the Zone Change. Therefore, the applicant has exercised the right to appeal this decision directly to City Council.

**ZC-44-2018**

### **District III**

14. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning approximately 12.09 acres out of a 134.59 acre tract of land, out of a 181.50 acre tract of land, situated in Porcion 10, Tomas Sanchez, Abstract 280, located north of FM 1472 (Mines Rd.) and west of FM 3338 (Las Tiendas Rd.) from AG (Agricultural District) and B-4 (Highway Commercial District) to M-1 (Light Manufacturing District).

Staff does not support the application and Planning & Zoning Commission recommends approval of the Zone Change.

**ZC-47-2018**

**District VII**

15. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lots 1 through 10, Block 276-A, Lots 1 through 10, Block 277-A & an area 30 feet wide between Blocks 277-A & 278-A, Western Division, located at 1600 Water St., from B-3 (Community Business District) to CBD (Central Business District); providing for publication and effective date.

Staff supports the application and Planning & Zoning Commission recommends approval of the zone change.

**ZC-62-2018**

**District VIII**

16. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending the FY18 City of Laredo's Police Department Financial Task Force Fund annual budget by appropriating additional expenditures and drawing down fund balance in the amount of \$1,400,000.00 for the purpose of funding the Laredo Police Department Real Time Crime Center. Funding is available in the Financial Task Force Fund Balance.

**(Recess)**

**(Press Availability)**

**X. INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCES**

17. Authorizing the City Manager to execute a lease agreement with Endeavors, Inc., for the purpose of administering and providing a veteran services program that offers homelessness prevention and stabilization services to Veterans and their families at 1300 Matamoros, east wing situated on property described as a portion of a 58,819 square foot building consisting of 1,405 square feet, all of BLK 140, ED Post Office, City of Laredo, Webb County, Texas for a month to month term beginning August 1, 2018, at a monthly rate of one thousand nine hundred sixty-seven dollars and zero cents (\$1,967.00).
18. Authorizing the City Manager to renew the lease agreement with Webb County, for the purposes of the Webb County Head Start Program, for the following parcels at the monthly rate provided below:

Jesus Garcia Head Start	2518 Cedar Avenue	\$928.00
Tatangelo Head Start	2200 Zacatecas Street	\$635.71



Villa Alegre Head Start	3501 Eagle Pass Avenue	\$921.58
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Lease renewal expires on May 31, 2019, and provides an option to extend for one (1) additional year, subject to written notice to the City of Laredo and subject to an adjusted rate based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI).

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

19. **2018-O-086** Authorizing the City Manager to accept and execute a new contract from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) and amending the FY 2017-2018 budget by appropriating additional revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$300,000.00 for the City of Laredo Health Department (CLHD) Ryan White Part C Outpatient early intervention, diagnosis, treatment and prevention of HIV in the STDC Region for the term from May 1, 2018 through April 30, 2019.
  
20. **2018-O-087** Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lots 3, 4, 13 and 14, Block 2133, Eastern Division, located at 606 S. Meadow Ave, from B-1 (Limited Business District) to B-4 (Highway Commercial District).  
  
District III  
**ZC-41-2017**
  
21. **2018-O-088** Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lots 7-9, Block 1490, Eastern Division, located at 2508 Cortez St., from R-3 (Mixed Residential District) to B-4 (Highway Commercial District).  
  
District III  
**ZC-42-2017**
  
22. **2018-O-089** An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, amending Chapter 18, by adding Article VI to require any person, firm, partnership, association, corporation, or other entity, to obtain a permit from the Building Services Department prior to operating an amusement ride, including an inflatable bounce house; providing for a \$25.00 fee for each amusement ride; providing for the denial of a permit and providing that this Ordinance shall be cumulative; providing a severability clause; providing a penalty clause; providing for publication; and declaring an effective date. (AS AMENDED).

## **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.**



## **XII (a) RESOLUTIONS**

23. **2018-R-72** Authorizing and approving a fee waiver and a Tax Abatement Agreement between the City of Laredo and Javier De Jesus Jaime for a proposed project located at 419 W. Ash St., Lot 1; Block 171; Eastern Division that consists of a house, in accordance with authorized guidelines and criteria established for the Neighborhood Empowerment Zone (NEZ). This agreement will be for a ten (10) year period and will abate taxes on new improvements for the purpose of Economic Development. The project has an estimated capital investment total of \$220,200.00, estimated annual tax abatement total of \$1,402.34 and estimated total fee waivers of \$2,431.00. Guidelines and criteria for the agreement are set forth in the attached agreement and information.
24. **2018-R-73** Authorizing and approving a fee waiver and a Tax Abatement Agreement between the City of Laredo and Luis M. Munoz, Jr. for a proposed project located at 4250 Dorel Dr., Lot 12; Block 3; Emerald Hills Subdivision Phase III that consists of the Hilltop at Dorel Apartment Complex (48 units), in accordance with authorized guidelines and criteria established for the Neighborhood Empowerment Zone (NEZ). This agreement will be for a ten (10) year period and will abate taxes on new improvements for the purpose of Economic Development. The project has an estimated capital investment total of \$2,465,053.00, estimated annual tax abatement total of \$15,702.39 and estimated total fee waivers of \$25,051.50. Guidelines and criteria for the agreement are set forth in the attached agreement and information.
25. **2018-R-77** Authorizing the City Manager to accept a grant from K9s4COPs for the donation of a canine to be trained and used by the Laredo Police Department for law enforcement purposes. The canine is strictly a donation and will be at no cost to the City of Laredo Police Department.
26. **2018-R-78** Ratifying the execution of a contract with the Department of State Health Services (DSHS) in the amount of \$50,000.00 for the City of Laredo Health Department to continue targeted evidence-based community systems and environmental change strategies that address one or more of the eight (8) Texas Healthy Communities (TXHC) priorities to improve healthier outcomes for chronic diseases in particular for heart and stroke disease prevention, improve access to health care, promote physical activity, healthier nutrition and injury prevention for the term period from October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019.
27. **2018-R-79** Authorizing the City Manager to accept a contract amendment from the Health and Human Services Commission for Title V Child Health and Dental Services in the amount of \$46,000.00 for the continuation of the City of Laredo Health Department Child and Dental Preventive Patient Care and Prevention Services for the term period from September 1, 2017 through August 31, 2018.



## **XII (b) MOTIONS**

28. Consideration for approval of the selection of consultant for the City of Laredo Pavement Management System; and authorization to negotiate a professional services contract. A total of twelve (12) firms responded to the request for qualifications and the top three (3) firms made presentations before the Evaluation Committee on Thursday, June 7, 2018. Funding is available under the Capital Improvement Funds.
29. Authorizing the City Manager to grant a public fireworks permit for the Laredo Country Club located at 1415 Country Club Drive. The fireworks display will take place on the evening of July 4, 2018. The technicians for the display will be Illumination Fireworks, L.L.C.
30. Authorizing the City Manager to grant public fireworks permits for the City of Laredo at Uni-Trade Stadium located at 6320 Sinatra Pkwy, and Independence Hills Park located at 1102 N. Merida Dr. and the Max Mandel Municipal Golf Course located at 27700 FM 1472. The displays for Uni-Trade Stadium and Independence Hills Park will take place on the evening of July 4, 2018. The display for the Max Mandel Municipal Golf Course will take place on the evening of July 7, 2018. The technicians for the displays will be Magic in the Sky. Funding for the fireworks display at the Uni-Trade Stadium and Independence Hills Park will be paid for by the Parks and Leisure Services Budget. The fireworks display at the Max Mandel Municipal Golf Course will be paid for through sponsorships.
31. Authorizing the City Manager to amend the current agreement with The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio Dental School in the amount of \$37,426.00 for a total amount of \$112,426.00 per year to continue to provide dental care for children and pregnant women and enhance Title V dental services by the City of Laredo Health Department through September 30, 2018. Funding is available through the Health Department budget.
32. Ratifying the execution of the existing contract between Pictometry International Corporation and the City of Laredo to provide digital aerial imagery around the City of Laredo and within Webb County for the second and third scheduled projects of the original contract. Three payments remain on the existing contract in the total amount of \$239,355.00 (\$79,785.00 per year). The aerial images will be used by Regional 9-1-1 database and mapping personnel and 9-1-1 Public Safety Answering Points (PSAPs) or call centers to update the existing level of service. This contract was previously approved by City Council on January 20, 2015. Funding is available in the Regional 9-1-1 Fund.



33. Authorizing the City Manager to enter into and execute a contract between 911 Datamaster, Inc. and the City of Laredo to provide the 911 Regional Administration with ongoing Geographic Information Systems (GIS) services for up to one year through the Houston Galveston Area Council of Governments (HGAC) Cooperative Buy Contract No. EC07-14, Product Category B, in the total amount of \$68,250.00. This ongoing GIS service is needed in order to continue GIS work in order to meet FY2018-2019 Next Generation (NG) 9-1-1 GIS standards put forth by the State of Texas 9-1-1 Commission on State Emergency Communication (CSEC). Funding is available in the Regional 9-1-1 Fund.
34. Consideration to authorize the purchase of heavy equipment (Ditch Witch SK800 Mini Skid Steer) for maintenance of park trails system in the amount not to exceed \$30,000.00. Funding is available in the District VII Priority Funds – 2016 C.O. Issue.
35. Authorizing the approval of the design and construction by the Parks & Leisure Services Department of two (2) sand volleyball courts (30'-0"x60'-0") at the Independence Hills Park with a total cost not to exceed \$65,000.00. Funding is available in the District I Priority Funds – 2017 C.O. Issue.
36. Authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Armadillo Construction Company, Ltd. wherein Armadillo will provide the City construction funds in the amount of \$172,658.20 (representing 1/2 of road construction costs of a local street) and right-of-way to extend Springfield Avenue along the east side of Shiloh Highland Subdivision Phase 1 (north of International Blvd.) pursuant to 3-2.A of the Laredo Subdivision Ordinance and providing for the placement of the road construction project in the City's Capital Improvement Program (CIP) within two years of the effective date of this agreement. If the road is not constructed within ten years, the funds will be returned to Armadillo Construction Company.
37. Consideration to amend and renew contract FY15-037 to provide temporary staffing contract services to the City of Laredo by the following vendors:
1. Elite Employment Services, Laredo, TX, as the primary vendor; and
  2. At Work Personnel Services, Knoxville, TN, as the secondary vendor.

Currently both vendors provide the City of Laredo with a quality labor pool for those departments that might require temporary staff members throughout the fiscal year. All services will be secured on an as needed basis and the estimated contract annual amount would be approximately \$2,780,000.00. This amendment allows for term of this contract to be extended for a third and final one (1) year period beginning August 2018. There will be no price increase during this extension period. Funding is available in the respective departmental budgets.



38. Consideration to renew contract FY17-067 for the purchase of Ford Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) automotive parts for the City's Fleet vehicles with Sames Motor Company, Laredo, Texas in an amount up to \$100,000.00. All parts will be secured on an as needed basis. 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. The contract may be extended for one, additional one (1) year upon mutual agreement of the parties. Funding is available in the Fleet Maintenance Budget.
39. Consideration to award contract to Insituform Technologies, LLC, Chesterfield, MO in the amount not to exceed \$253,508.50. This contract is for improvements for North Wastewater Plant Lift Station Wall Coating Replacement Insituform Technologies will furnish all labor, materials, equipment and services to accomplish the referenced project. This contract utilizes BuyBoard Cooperative Program - BuyBoard contract # 555-18. Funding is available in the 2010 Sewer Revenue Bond.
40. Consideration to extend contract FY14-064 for the following services:
1. Blue Cross Blue Shield of Texas\*
    - a) Third Party Medical Claims, Stop Loss, and COBRA Administration
    - b) Medical Network
    - c) Pharmacy Benefit Management
  2. Connect Your Care\*
    - a) Section 125 Administration

\*Original contract was awarded for three (3) years on July 21, 2014, therefore this would be the second one (1) year extension from two (2) extension periods allowed by the contracts.

Consideration to extend contracts FY15-031 for the following services:

1. Colonial Life Insurance Co.\*\*
  - a) Group Accident plan
  - b) Group Critical Illness plan
  - c) Group Cancer plan
2. Superior Vision \*\*
  - a) Group Vision plan

\*\* Original contracts were awarded for two (2) years on June 15, 2015, therefore this would be the second one (1) year extension from two (2) extension periods allowed by the contracts.

These extensions will be effective October 1, 2018.  
Agent Services are provided by Laurel Insurance Agency and Associates, Inc.

41. Consideration to authorize the purchase of an Air Unit to the lowest responsive responsible bidder Twist Inc., Jamestown, OH, in the amount of \$80,423.00. This is a pre-conditioned air unit to replace an air unit on passenger boarding bridge #1 for the Laredo International Airport. Funding is available in Airport Operations Budget.
42. Consideration to renew contract FY15-030 to Core & Main, San Antonio, Texas in amount of up to \$1,395,114.27. This contract is for the purchase of AMR/AMI water meters, meter kits (register/endpoint/antenna) and Unitizing Measuring Elements for the Utilities Department. 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. This is third of six extension periods. All meters and meter kits will be ordered on an as needed basis. Funding is available in the WaterWorks System Fund.
43. Consideration to award contract FY18-066 to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder R&A Construction, Laredo, Texas in the amount of \$294,877.00 for the renovations/rehab of Fire Station #5 located at 2601 N Bartlett Ave, Laredo, Texas. The project consists of renovation/remodeling and construction to include all labor, materials, and related appurtenances as per bid specifications. Contractor will be responsible to provide (and maintain current) payment and performance bonds, as well as builder's risk insurance throughout the duration of the project. The estimated time for completion of this project is ninety (90) working days; notice to proceed will be provided upon contract execution so that improvements could commence immediately. Funding is available in the 2017 CO Bond.
44. Approving monthly adjustments to the tax roll. The amounts to be adjusted for the month of May 2018 and represents a decrease of \$70,664.19. These adjustments are determined by the Webb County Appraisal District and by court orders.
45. Consideration to authorize the approval of Amendment 1 in the amount of \$72,732.00 to Texas Energy Engineering Services, Inc. (TEESI), Austin, Texas, to conduct a Design and Implementation phase of professional services in order to comply with Texas State Energy Conservation Office (SECO) requirements. With this amendment, the total new contract amount is \$105,607.00. Funding is available in the Water Works Fund - SECO Loan.
46. Consideration for acceptance of project and release of final payment in the amount of \$38,260.00 to Romo Contractors, LLC. for the construction of a steel deck truck scale in the Utilities Department yard. The final construction cost is \$134,260.00. Funding is available in the 2011 Sewer Revenue Bond and the 2015 Water Revenue Bond.



47. Consideration to ratify the emergency purchase order #294963 issued to United Rentals, San Antonio, Texas by change order amount of \$51,366.93 for the time extension of the rental of two-7500 GPM skid mounted diesel pumps, associated 18" HDPE by-pass pipe, discharge manifold and fittings at the El Pico Water Treatment Plant Intermediate Pump Station. The total rental amount with this change order is \$141,266.93. Funding is available in the Water fund.
48. Authorizing the approval of change order #1 for a net decrease of \$34,311.18, acceptance of the project, approval of the final payment including release of retainage in the amount of \$81,207.16, to SAL Construction Management, LLC., Weslaco, Texas for the Sombreretillo Creek Force Main Project. The project is 100% complete and the final total contract amount is \$603,775.62. Funding is available in the 2011 Sewer revenue Bond.
49. Authorizing City Manager to execute amendment # 1 to the professional services contract with Carollo Engineers Inc., Dallas, Texas in the amount of \$278,986.00 for Phase 2 of El Pico Water Treatment Plant to provide reliability mitigation plans and specifications for bidding the necessary repairs to correct El Pico Water Treatment Plant's operational deficiencies which are preventing the plant from meeting its 20 MGD rated capacity per regulations. Also to provide filter assessment evaluation and testing services for the 10 identical filters to determine irregular flow patterns and operational inconsistencies between each filter. Total Contract amount with this amendment is \$378,986.00. Funding is available in the 2015 Water revenue Bond

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### **END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

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### **XIII. STAFF REPORTS**

50. 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.
51. Report by Olivia Varela, Executive Director for Greater Laredo Development Foundation dba Laredo Economic Development Corporation, for the organization performance in FY 2018.
52. Discussion with possible action on the proposed Charter Amendments and propositions for the November 6, 2018 General Election / Special Election with a presentation from the City Attorney's Office, and any other matters incident thereto.

53. Status report for the CDBG Freddy Benavides Recreational (Sisters of Mercy) Water Feature (Lazy River) adjacent to the City of Laredo Cigarroa Recreation Center Swimming Pool at 2201 Zacatecas Street.
54. Status report on a request by Love's Travel Stop and U. S. Cold Storage to install traffic signals on FM 1472 and North/South World Trade Center Loop.

#### **XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Council reserves the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any posted agenda item when authorized by Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices), and/or 551.086 (Economic Development). Following closed session, the open meeting will reconvene at which time action, if any, may be taken.

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

55. Authorizing the City Manager to submit a grant application to the Laredo Metropolitan Planning Organization Transportation Alternatives (TA) Set-Aside Program for 2018 on funding authorized under the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act in the amount of \$250,000.00 for El Metro ADA Bus Stop and Bike Plazas Enhancement Program; committing the City of Laredo and Laredo Transit Management Incorporated to providing the required local match of \$50,000.00; and acknowledging the availability of funds to pay all up front costs, since the TA Program is a cost reimbursement program as outlined in the MPO Transportation Alternatives Program Guidance and Application Packet for 2018 authorized under the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act.

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

56. **GENERAL COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**



**A. Request by Council Member Roberto Balli**

1. Discussion with possible action to create a committee to help form a Community Based Development Corporation to build new housing and refurbish existing housing in Downtown, El Cuatro, and the St. Peter's Neighborhoods and any related matters.

**B. Request by Council Member Rudy Gonzalez, Jr.**

1. Discussion with possible action to waive user fees at Independence Pool for the 4th of July City Sponsored Event taking place on July 4, 2018 from 12:00 noon to 8:00 p.m., and any matters incident thereto. **(Co-Sponsored by Council Member Vidal Rodriguez)**

**C. Request by Council Member Vidal Rodriguez**

1. Discussion with possible action to direct the Technical Review Board and the City Manager to direct city staff to review and recommend changes to the Laredo Development Code for the purpose of revising the dimensional standards setback requirements; and any matters incident thereto.
2. Discussion with possible action to revert Bartlett Avenue back to its original traffic pattern in light of all the traffic accidents, traffic safety issues, and the petition that was generated through social media with more than a thousand signatures and comments for concerns; and any matters incident thereto.
3. Discussion with possible action to create an informative plan for releasing information on the various programs/projects from all different departments through the use of email and/or text messaging available to all residents who have signed up to receive the notification, and any matters incident thereto.

**D. Request by Council Member Alejandro "Alex" Perez**

1. Status update on possible Secondary Water Source and progress of the Secondary Water Source Ad Hoc Committee.
2. Discussion with possible action on the placing of the Welcome to Laredo, Texas art structure to be built by Martin High School welding class at the corner of South Zapata Hwy and South Meadow TXDOT Right of Way; and any other matters incident thereto.

3. Discussion with possible action to instruct the City Manager to authorize staff to install speed humps at the following locations, under the Special Provision of the Speed Hump Installation Policy, and to authorize the use of asphalt type speed humps, instead of speed cushions, which is currently required under the policy and any other matters incident thereto. City Council District III Priority Funds will be used for this project. Total cost \$8,000.00.

- a. (1) Speed hump on 100 block of Malaga Dr. between Castro Urdiales Ave. and Burgos \$2,000.00;
- b. (1) Speed hump on 100 block of Segovia Dr. between Salamanca Ave. and Prada Machin Dr. \$2,000.00;
- c. (1) Speed hump on 100 block of Avila Dr. between Castro Urdiales Ave. and Burgos \$2,000.00 and
- d. (1) Speed hump on 100 block of Pamplona Loop between Burgos and Castro Urdiales Ave \$2,000.00.

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

1. Discussion with possible action to re-name the K. Tarver Recreation Center as the Margarito Benavides Recreation Center and dedicating the following city buildings/parks contingent to the review of the Facility Naming and Recognitions Commission; and any other matters incident thereto.

- a. Laredo Police Substation on Springfield Avenue in memory of fallen Police Officer and lifelong District IV resident Pedro Ayala(+).

- b. Eastwoods Park in memory of the late Arturo N. Benavides, Sr.(+) for his philanthropic contributions to the Laredo community.

2. Status Report on the Voluntary Retirement Incentive Program for current City employees; and any other matters incident thereto.

**F. Request by Council Member Nelly Vielma**

1. Discussion with possible action to initiate Debarment procedures against Antonio "Tony" Ayala, Sunset pools, and any of his agents, subsidiary or joint venture names due to the continuous breaches of contract and non-compliance at the Bartlett and Lazy River pool projects and any matters incident thereto. **(Co-Sponsored by Council Member George Altgelt)**



2. Discussion with possible action to establish a Capital Improvements Advisory Committee and any items incident thereto.
3. Discussion with possible action to re-name the Taylor Ball Park located at 400 W. Taylor to Dr. Ike's Ball Park, contingent on approval by the Facility and Naming Recognition Commission with presentation by Mr. Conrado Cruz, and any matters incident thereto.

**G. Request by Mayor Pro-Tempore Charlie San Miguel**

1. Discussion with possible action to have staff report on the recent World Trade Bridge closure and include representatives from Nuevo Laredo to provide options on how to prevent such closures from occurring in the future, and any other matters incident thereto.
2. Discussion with possible action on the need for behavioral and mental health and substance use detox, treatment, and prevention services, teaming with AAMA, and other stakeholders, and any other matters incident thereto.

**H. Request by Council Member George Altgelt**

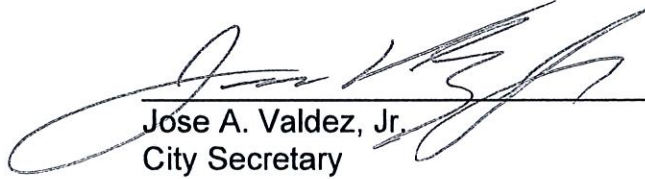
1. Discussion and possible action to review practices at the Building Department for the purpose of permitting and construction on the downtown area; and any related matters incident thereto.
2. Discussion with possible action to provide the necessary leave time and funding for all planners at the Planning Department to become accredited by the American Institute of Certified Planners (AICP).
3. Discussion with possible action to pursue the Charter Revision Commission by selecting one of the two conflicting documents for creation, guidelines and procedures to follow.
  - a. The Priority Procedures for the Mayor and the City Council (second edition updated 2011) states that there shall be nine members and the Mayor shall nominate the chair and vice chair approved by the Council (I A 3 and 5).

- b. The Code of Ordinances (current version dated Dec. 20, 2017) states that the commission would consist of 18 members appointed by City Council and 2 by the County and they select their own chair and vice chair (sec 2-171 (a)).

## 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, June 13, 2018 at 8:30 p.m.

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