# CITY OF LAREDO SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

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CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1110 HOUSTON STREET
LAREDO, TEXAS 78040
August 26, 2019
5:30 P.M.



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

# 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.

TAX: STAFF SOURCE DORA MALDONADO, TAX ASSESSOR COLLECTOR

Approval of the 2019 Certified Appraisal Roll from the Webb County Appraisal District for the
development of the City's tax roll and acceptance of the Effective and Rollback Tax Rate
Calculations for Tax Year 2019; setting of the Public Hearing dates of September 6 and
September 16 of 2019 for the proposed tax rate; and setting the date of September 23, 2019
to vote on the the proposed rate.

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# **CITY OF LAREDO**

# SPECIAL NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

During this budget workshop, the budgets of each of the departments of the City of Laredo, as hereinafter listed, will be discussed; however, there may be an occasion when the order of discussion may be changed by the City Council. Under review will be the number of employees in each department, their classifications, positions, salaries and benefits of employment; such as: health and life insurance, retirement benefits, licensing and continuing education. Also to be discussed, will be the matter of supplies and materials, land acquisitions, contracted services, equipment, capital improvements, and other charges and matters necessary to the functioning of each department in the accomplishment of its goals and objectives.

#### I. STAFF REPORTS

1. Discussion with possible action regarding the proposed fiscal year 2019-2020 annual budget, to include proposing the 2019 Tax Rate.

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

Rosario C. Cabello, Co-Interim City Manager Robert A. Eads, ICMA-CM, Co-Interim City Manager

#### 2. PRESENTATION OF CITY DEBT

Noe Hinojosa, Estrada Hinojosa Investment Bankers

# 3. PRESENTATION OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CIP)

Rosario C. Cabello, Co-Interim City Manager Robert A. Eads, ICMA-CM, Co-Interim City Manager

# 4. PROPOSED BUDGET & GENERAL FUND HIGHLIGHTS

Gilberto Sanchez, Budget Director

#### 5. FIRE

Steve Landin, Fire Chief

# 6. POLICE

Claudio Trevino, Jr., Police Chief

# 7. PUBLIC WORKS

John Orfila, Public Works Director

# 8. PARKS & RECREATION

Juan J. Gomez, Acting Parks & Recreation Director

# 9. ANIMAL CARE SERVICES

Heberto L. Ramirez, Acting Animal Care Services Director

# 10. PLANNING & ZONING

James Kirby Snideman, Planning & Zoning Director

# 11. BUILDING DEVELOPMENT

Victor Linares, Acting Building Services Director

# 12. MUNICIPAL COURT

Jesus M. Dominguez, Municipal Court Judge Ana L. Rodriguez, Municipal Court Clerk

#### 13. TRAFFIC

Danny Magee, Traffic Director

#### 14. **HEALTH**

Dr. Hector F. Gonzalez, Health Director

#### 15. THIRD PARTY FUNDING

Arturo Garcia, Community Development Director

# 16. TRANSIT

#### 17. UTILITIES

Riazul Mia, Utilities Director

#### 18. INFORMATION SERVICES TECHNOLOGY

Homero Vasquez-Garcia, Information Services & Telecommunications Director

#### 19. **BRIDGE**

Yvette Limon, Bridge Director

#### 20. AIRPORT

Jeffrey Miller, Airport Director

# 21. LAREDO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Olivia Varela, Executive Director

22. **FUNDING AND OPERATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENTS** (INCLUDING DIVISIONS) of the Mayor and Council, City Manager, Budget, City Attorney, City Secretary, Community Development, Convention & Visitor's Bureau, Economic Development, Engineering, Environmental Services, Financial Services, Fleet, Library, Sames Auto Arena, Solid Waste, and Tax; and any matters related thereto.

#### **II. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Council reserves the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters listed, as 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 551.086 (Economic Development).

#### III. ADJOURNMENT

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 Thursday, August 22, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.

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