

CITY OF LAREDO
EMERGENCY CITY COUNCIL MEETING

LIVE WEB LINK: <http://laredotx.swagit.com/live>

**CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1110 HOUSTON STREET
LAREDO, TEXAS 78040**

January 25, 2021

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

Citizen comments

Citizens are required to fill out an online participation form and select one of three options below, to assure all precautionary measures are taken to prevent the spread of COVID-19. Participation forms can be found at

<https://www.cityoflaredo.com/comments/>. Comments are limited to three (3) minutes

per speaker. 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.

- **Written Comments:**

Submit comments to above link by 5:45 p.m. the day of meeting

- **Video Participation:**

Submit contact information on above link no later than 3:30 p.m. the day of meeting

- **Telephone Participation:**

Submit contact information on above link no later than 3:30 p.m. same day of meeting and stand-by for callback between 5:30 p.m. and 11:00 p.m. the day of meeting.

V. GENERAL COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

This notice of an Emergency Meeting is posted pursuant to Government Code §551.045. An emergency or an urgent public necessity exists because immediate action is required by the City Council to combat the spread of Covid-19 within the City of Laredo.

Request by Council Member Alberto Torres, Jr.

1. Discussion with possible action on taking the following actions necessary to further protect the public from the spread and effects of the Covid-19 virus: directing the City Manager to consider requiring additional city staff to work from home to the extent possible; requiring every person to wear a double face covering over the nose and mouth when inside a public building, or when in an outdoor public space; allocating funds to the local food banks and food shelters; and for the passage of a Resolution calling on every other local government entity and business to adopt the same safety measures set forth by the City of Laredo for the protection of the health of all our residents; and any other matter directly incident thereto. **(Co-Sponsored by Council Member Vidal Rodriguez, Council Member Ruben A. Gutierrez, Jr. and Council Member Alyssa Cigarroa)**

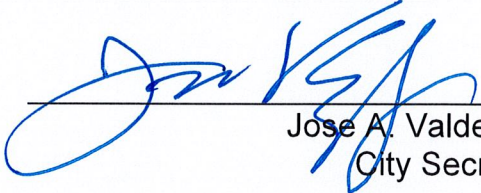
VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

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.

VII. 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 Monday, January 25, 2021 at 1:30 p.m.



Jose A. Valdez, Jr.
City Secretary

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