

**CITY OF LAREDO**  
**RECOGNITION AND COMMUNICATION NOTICE**  
**CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS**  
**1110 HOUSTON STREET**  
**LAREDO, TEXAS 78040**  
**October 17, 2022**  
**5:00 P.M.**

The Mayor will be presenting the following:

1. Recognition and appreciation of the service and contributions made by those volunteers appointed by Mayor Pete Saenz to various Advisory and other City Committees during Mayor Saenz' tenure:

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| Airport Advisory Board<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elizabeth Alonzo-Villarreal</li> <li>• Marcus Moreno</li> <li>• Sylvia O. Praesel</li> </ul>                                                                                                 | Animal Care Services Advisory Committee<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Roberto W. Treviño</li> </ul>                         | Board of Adjustment<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Francisco C. "Pancho" Averill, Jr.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                               |
| Cemetery Committee<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agustin Meza</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                          | Citizens Environmental Advisory Committee<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jeff Jones</li> </ul>                               | City Utilities Advisory Commission<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Guillermo Benavides Zuniga</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                        |
| Convention & Visitors Bureau Advisory Committee<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Magali Rodriguez</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                         | Economic Development Advisory Committee<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elia Guevara</li> </ul>                               | Ethics Commission<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sigifredo Perez, III</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Facility Naming & Recognition Commission<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Matias De Llano III</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                             | Fine Arts & Culture Commission<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jesse Shaw</li> </ul>                                          | Historic District / Landmark Board<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rebecca Cavazos</li> <li>• Virginia Garcia (2016)</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                 |
| Laredo Commission for Women<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Miriam Castillo</li> <li>• Martha Wright Martinez</li> <li>• Dolores Boswell</li> <li>• Elizabeth Murillo Tueme</li> <li>• Ana Laura Botello</li> <li>• Silvia De León-Solis</li> </ul> | Laredo/Webb Drug and Alcohol Commission<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Coleen Rodriguez</li> </ul>                           | Library Advisory Committee<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sandra Cavazos</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Max A. Mandel Municipal Golf Course Advisory Committee<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bernal F. Slight</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                  | Municipal Civil Service Commission<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Doug Alford</li> <li>• Drew Claes</li> </ul>               | Municipal Hospital Authority Ad-Hoc Committee<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. Maurice A. Click</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                   |
| Para Transit Advisory Committee<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Joe Brennan</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                              | Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alfonso Poncho Ruiz</li> </ul>                          | Planning & Zoning Commission<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Erasmo Villarreal</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Port of Entry Advisory Committee<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gene Lindgren</li> <li>• David Puig</li> <li>• Bill Young</li> </ul>                                                                                                               | Technical Review Board Ad-Hoc Committee<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Oscar Juarez</li> </ul>                               | Telecommunications Advisory Committee<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. Xavier Cantu</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                               |
| Third Party Funding Advisory Committee<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Romeo Rodriguez, Jr.</li> <li>• John Puig</li> </ul>                                                                                                                         | Transportation & Traffic Safety Advisory Committee<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adrian La Villa - Voting Member</li> </ul> | Blue Ribbon Committee for People with Disabilities<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Daniel Castillon</li> <li>• Dr. Georgeanne Ramon-Reuthinger</li> <li>• Rebecca Morales</li> <li>• Jaime Garza</li> <li>• Ana Cazares</li> <li>• Martha San Miguel</li> </ul> |

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| <b>Building Standards Board</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alan Jackson, Jr. (Chairman)</li> <li>• Chris Haynes</li> <li>• Albert Lowry</li> <li>• Rolando Perez</li> <li>• Reynaldo Ortiz (Vice-Chair)</li> <li>• Maria Teresa Fonseca (Alternate)</li> <li>• Alma Mata (Alternate)</li> <li>• Ric Soliz (Alternate)</li> <li>• Luis De La Garza (2016)</li> </ul> | <b>Laredo Homeless Assistance Committee</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tina Martinez, Community Development Director</li> <li>• Melissa Ortiz - Laredo Housing Authority</li> <li>• Javier Santos - Fernando Salinas Trust</li> <li>• Nora E. Murillo - United I.S.D.</li> <li>• Leticia Reyes - Laredo I.S.D.</li> <li>• Rosanne Palacios - Mercy Ministries of Laredo</li> <li>• Rogelio Treviño - South Texas Work Force</li> <li>• Elmo Lopez, Jr. - Gateway Community Health Center</li> <li>• Elizabeth Alonzo - Laredo Municipal Housing Corp.</li> </ul> | <b>Laredo Housing Authority of the City of Laredo</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jose L. Ceballos – Chairman</li> <li>• Dr. Sergio Garza - Vice Chairman</li> <li>• Anita L. Guerra – Commissioner</li> <li>• Dr. Marisela Rodriguez – Commissioner</li> <li>• Gloria Ann Freeman - Resident Commissioner</li> <li>• Atty. John Soliz</li> </ul> |
| <b>Laredo Housing Finance Corporation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jose O. Zuniga – President</li> <li>• Juan Gonzalez - Vice President</li> <li>• Oscar Lopez – Secretary</li> <li>• Eva Montoya – Treasurer</li> <li>• Jorge Gonzalez</li> <li>• Juan Gonzalez (Treasurer 2016)</li> </ul>                                                                      | <b>South Texas Development Council</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Linda Lucila Villarreal - Non Governmental Member</li> <li>• Edward Velim</li> <li>• Gilbert Garcia</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <b>Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Number One - TIRZ 1 - Downtown</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wilfredo Martinez</li> <li>• Jose Ceballos – Chairman</li> <li>• Carole Alexander</li> <li>• Henry Sauvignet - Chairman</li> <li>• Benjamin Alan Puig</li> <li>• Elizabeth Romano Sames</li> </ul>                                              |
| <b>Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Number Two - TIRZ 2 - The Coves at Winfield Development</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Joe Zuniga – Chair</li> <li>• Olivia Varela</li> <li>• Edward Ochoa</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                            | <b>Firefighters' Retirement System Board of Trustees</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Oscar Omar Lopez</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <b>Old Mercy Hospital Bldg. Ad-Hoc Committee</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Francisco J. Saldaña, Jr.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>Charter Revision Commission</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Armando Cisneros (In memoriam)</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <b>City Manager Search Ad-Hoc Committee</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gerry Schwebel</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |

2. Recognition of Mr. Carlos Luna – former Director of the J.W. Nixon High School Band from 1984 to 2014. He and his students received 28 consecutive UIL Sweepstakes Awards. His concert bands including the J.W. Nixon High School Honors Winds Ensemble won first place and honorable mention awards at festivals in Texas, Washington, D.C., and Colorado. Luna and his students and band staff earned recognition at numerous marching band competitions, some of which include UIL Area and State Marching Band Contest rankings. His marching bands advanced from the region level to UIL Area and State Marching Band Contest on several occasions. His band was consistent TMEA (Texas Music Educators Association) State Honor Band contender for many years, ranking as high as eight place in the State of Texas in Conference 5A, which is now the new 6A classification. During his 35 years in music education, Mr. Luna also served LISD as band coordinator and director of fine arts. He was also previously inducted into the TMEA Region XIV South Texas Band Directors Hall of Fame in Corpus Christi, Texas.

3. Recognizing Lisa Kristina for all her community outreach volunteer participation and work through COVID vaccine drives, purchasing and making COVID kits and distributing over 500 kits throughout the community. Lisa Kristina is a medical school candidate who assisted our community in vaccinating over 3,000 individuals. Her volunteer work and participation to our community does not go unnoticed.

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## **CITY OF LAREDO**

### **CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**A-2022-R-17**

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

**CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**1110 HOUSTON STREET**

**LAREDO, TEXAS 78040**

**October 17, 2022**

**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 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 October 3, 2022.**

### **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.cityoflaredo.com/council-agendas.html> by 5:45 p.m. the day of the meeting. 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 Alberto Torres of Zainko Villarreal to the Library Advisory Committee.
2. Appointment by Council Member Alberto Torres of Radcliffe Killam II to the Impact Fees Committee.
3. Re-appointment by Council Member Ruben Gutierrez Jr. and Council Member Dr. Marte A. Martinez of Douglas Howland to the Regional Mobility Authority Board of Directors.
4. Appointment by Council Member Ruben Gutierrez Jr. of Andy Segovia to the Telecommunications Advisory Committee.
5. Appointment by Council Member Ruben Gutierrez Jr. of Joe Barrón to the Parks and Recreation Committee.

## **IX. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

1. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending the City of Laredo Land Development Code, Article V, Section 24-78.2, (b), Entitled Central Business District, Arts and Entertainment District, and Historic District Exemptions, to exempt the Saint Peter's Historic District from the off-street parking requirements contained in Section 24-78, and thereby providing the Saint Peter's Historic District with the same parking exemptions which currently apply to the Old Mercado and San Agustin De Laredo Historic Districts, providing this ordinance to be cumulative, providing for severability clause, and providing for publication and effective date.

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended **approval** of the proposed ordinance amendment, and recommended the item be presented to the Historic District Landmark Board. Staff **supports** the proposed amendment. The item was scheduled for presentation to the Historic District Landmark Board on October 13, 2022, however due to lack of quorum no meeting was held. Code of Ordinances Section 2-156 states that "To the extent permitted by law, if a committee is unable to establish a quorum for a regularly scheduled meeting, the city manager may bypass the committee and place any item on the committee's agenda for that meeting on the next regularly scheduled city council meeting."

2. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lot 3, Block 1738, Eastern Division, located at 2815 Zacatecas Street/2811 Zacatecas Street, from B-1 (Limited Business District) to B-4 (Highway Commercial District).

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended **denial** of the proposed zone change and staff **does not support** the application.

**ZC-089-2022**  
**District II**

3. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lot 12, Block 304, Western Division, located at 1620 Santa Maria Avenue, from R-3 (Mixed Residential District) to B-3 (Community Business District).

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended **approval** of the proposed zone change and staff **supports** the application.

**ZC-091-2022**  
**District VIII**

4. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning approximately 1.32 acres situated in Porcion 23, Leonardo Sanchez, Original Grantee, Abstract 283 and being out of a tract of land conveyed to Killam Industrial Development Partnership, Limited, as recorded in Volume 1366, pages 345-346, Official Public Records of Webb County, Texas, located west of Bob Bullock Loop and south of Room for More Way, from R-1 (Single-Family Residential District) to B-4 (Highway Commercial District).

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended **approval** of the proposed zone change and staff **supports** the application.

**ZC-092-2022**  
**District VI**

5. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning approximately 2.88 acres tract of land out of Lot 1, Block 1, H.A.V. as per Volume 32, page 85, plat records of Webb County, Texas, located at 22801 FM 1472 Road, from AG (Agricultural District) to M-1 (Light Manufactured District).

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended **approval** of the proposed zone change and staff **supports** the application.

**ZC-093-2022**  
**District VII**

6. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lot 8, Block 2156, Eastern Division, located at 3102 Wooster Street, from AG (Agricultural District) to R-3 (Mixed Residential District).

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended **approval** of the proposed zone change and staff **supports** the application.

**ZC-096-2022**  
**District II**

7. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lot 1, Block 14, Lago del Valle Subdivision, Phase II, located at 1610 Concord Hills Boulevard, from R-1 (Single-Family Residential District) and R-1A (Single-Family Reduced Area District) to B-3 (Community Business District).

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the proposed zone change and staff supports the application.

**ZC-097-2022**  
**District III**

8. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning approximately 2.53 acres, situated in Porcion 32, Abstract 296, Antonio Trevino, Original Grantee, within the City Limits of Laredo and Webb County, Texas, out and part of the 29.982 Acre Mezquite Land Development, Incorporated Tract, recorded in Volume 5294, pages 149-153 of the Webb County Deed Records, located east of Old Milwaukee Road and south of State Highway 359, from R-3 (Mixed Residential District) and B-4 (Highway Commercial District) to B-4 (Highway Commercial District).

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the proposed zone change and staff supports the application.

**ZC-098-2022**  
**District III**

9. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning approximately 27.449 acres, situated in Porcion 32, Abstract 296, Antonio Trevino, Original Grantee, within the City Limits of Laredo and Webb County, Texas, out and part of the 29.982 Acre Mezquite Land Development, Incorporated Tract, recorded in Volume 5294, pages 149-153 of the Webb County Deed Records, located east of Old Milwaukee Road and south of State Highway 359, from R-3 (Mixed Residential District) and B-4 (Highway Commercial District) to R-1B (Single Family High Density District).

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the proposed zone change and staff does not support the application.

**ZC-099-2022**  
**District III**

10. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by amending Ordinance 2007-O-050, which authorized a Special Use Permit for a Mini Storage/Warehouse on Lots 1,2,3,4,5,6,7, and 8, Block 1068, Eastern Division, located at 1320 South Meadow Avenue, in order to add approximately 1.46 acres, as further described in attached Exhibit A, north of the existing mini-storage.

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the proposed special use permit amendment and staff supports the application.

**ZC-101-2022**  
**District II**

11. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by amending Ordinance 2016-O-080 which authorized a Special Use Permit for a restaurant serving alcohol on Lot 5A, Block 1, Encino Plaza Subdivision, Unit 2A, located at 7518 McPherson Road, Suite 510 (3,700 square feet) in order to remove Junction Partners, Limited and Encino Plaza, Limited for Cosmos Bar and Grill Restaurant and replace with Cosmos Bar and Grill Encino Plaza, Incorporated as the party to whom the permit is issued.

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the proposed Special Use Permit amendment with the recommendation of leaving the original hours of operations from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m., however, Staff supports the application with the recommendation of amending the original hours to be from 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.

**ZC-100-2022**  
**District V**

12. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** 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 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8, Block 474, Western Division, located at 2410 Santa Ursula Avenue, first floor restaurant (2,038.58 square feet).

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the proposed Special Use Permit and staff supports the application.

**ZC-102-2022**  
**District VIII**

13. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lot 1, Block 3, New Vision Subdivision, Phase II, located at 2405 Grisell Drive, from R-1 (Single Family Residential District) to R-2 (Multi-Family Residential District).

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended denial of the proposed zone change and staff supports the application.

**ZC-104-2022**  
**District V**

14. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** authorizing the Interim City Manager to accept and enter into a contract with the Department of Health and Human Services Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), establishing the Detoxification Center Fund, and amending the FY22-23 Health Department budget by appropriating and increasing revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$2,000,000.00 with an in-kind match of \$203,700.00 for the City of Laredo/Webb Detoxification Center for the term period from September 20, 2022, through September 29, 2023.

15. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** authorizing the Interim City Manager to accept and enter into a contract with the Department of Health and Human Services, amending the FY22-23 Health Department budget by appropriating and increasing revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$125,000.00 with no match, and amending the FY22-23 Full-Time Equivalent Position Listing by creating one (1) Health Educator I, R29, position and one (1) Medical Office Assistant, R28, positions for the City of Laredo Health Department Health Disparities Programs for the term period from September 30, 2022 through September 29, 2023.

16. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** authorizing the Interim City Manager to amend the FY22-23 General Fund Traffic Department's budget by increasing revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$24,653.00 by Fred Loya Insurance for the funding and purchasing of a Traffic Signal Pole with Mast Arm replacement.
17. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** authorizing the Interim City Manager to accept a grant awarded by the South Texas Development Council in the amount of \$50,000.00 and amending the City of Laredo's FY 22-23 annual budget for the Environmental Services by appropriating the said grant revenue to the appropriate expenditure accounts. Funds will be used for a paint recycling program through the Household Hazardous Waste Collection site.
18. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** authorizing the Interim City Manager to approve the transfer of \$80,000.00 from the Convention and Visitors Bureau (CVB) Fund to the Downtown TIRZ Fund to be used for downtown way-finding signage. The use should be in compliance with the Hotel Occupancy Tax Law.
19. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** of the City of Laredo, Texas, providing regulations for credit services organizations and credit access businesses in an effort to reduce abusive and predatory lending practices. Establishing a registration program with a required registration fee of \$75.00 per year for credit services organizations and credit access businesses, imposing restrictions on extensions of consumer credit made by credit services organizations and credit access businesses, and imposing record keeping requirements on credit services organizations and credit access businesses. The maximum fine under this ordinance is not to exceed \$500.00; providing for a cumulative clause; providing a severability clause; providing for publication; and declaring an effective date.

(Recess)  
(Press Availability)

## **X. INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCES**

20. Authorizing the Interim City Manager to negotiate and execute all documents necessary to complete the sale of the "Surface Only" of City right-of-way for the amount of \$1,735,441.69 to Texas Department of Transportation. City property is located at 9402 NE Bob Bullock Loop in Laredo, Texas, Webb County; legally described as Fire Station No. 12, Block 1, Lot 1A. The City of Laredo reserves any and all visible and apparent easements recorded or not recorded; approving and providing for an effective date. Funds will be deposited to General Fund \$105,960.00, Sanitary Sewer Adjustments \$1,018,939.12 and Water Adjustments \$610,542.57.
21. Authorizing the Interim City Manager to negotiate and execute all documents necessary to complete the sale of the "Surface Only" of City property 2420 Baltimore Street at its market value of \$49,000.00 to David and Blanca E. Delgado. The legal description for the property is Lot 1, Block 918, Western Division, Laredo, Texas, Webb County. The City of Laredo reserves any and all visible and apparent easements recorded or not recorded; approving and providing for an effective date.
22. Closing as a public easement, a section of Lafayette right of way out of the 1700 and 1800 block of Lafayette Street between Santa Rita and Main Street, Western Division, City of Laredo, Webb County; this area being more particularly described in the attached Exhibit "A". The City of Laredo reserves all and any apparent and visible easements recorded or not recorded. Authorizing the Interim City Manager to close as a public easement that section of Lafayette Street and providing for an effective date.

23. Authorizing the Interim City Manager to adopt and implement the Laredo International Airport's updated Noise Exposure Maps (NEMs) in concurrence with the Federal Aviation Administrations (FAA) Record of Approval dated, August 25, 2022. The updated Noise Exposure Maps were prepared in accordance with 14 CFR Part 150 Airport Noise Compatibility Planning. Said maps will remain in effect for the next 5 years and will serve as a basis for analyzing and comparing operational noise abatement procedure alternatives and evaluating land use-related noise mitigation measures; and providing for an effective date.

## **XI. SECOND READING**

24. Authorizing the Interim City Manager to grant a non-exclusive franchise to Rush Disposal to use the present and future streets, avenues, alleys, roads, highways, sidewalks, easements and other public rights-of-way of the City of Laredo, Texas for purposes of constructing, maintaining and operating a commercial container refuse gathering and disposing service, setting forth terms and conditions to govern the franchise; providing a severability clause, a savings clause and an effective date.
25. Authorizing the Interim City Manager to grant a non-exclusive franchise to Laredo Dumpster Rentals to use the present and future streets, avenues, alleys, roads, highways, sidewalks, easements and other public rights-of-way of the City of Laredo, Texas for purposes of constructing, maintaining and operating a commercial container refuse gathering and disposing service, setting forth terms and conditions to govern the franchise; providing a severability clause, a savings clause and an effective date.
26. Authorizing the Interim City Manager to grant a non-exclusive franchise to Agape D/R Services to use the present and future streets, avenues, alleys, roads, highways, sidewalks, easements and other public rights-of-way of the City of Laredo, Texas for purposes of constructing, maintaining and operating a commercial container refuse gathering and disposing service, setting forth terms and conditions to govern the franchise; providing a severability clause, a savings clause and an effective date.
27. Authorizing the Interim City Manager to grant a non-exclusive franchise to IMC Recycling d/b/a Shark Box to use the present and future streets, avenues, alleys, roads, highways, sidewalks, easements and other public rights-of-way of the City of Laredo, Texas for purposes of constructing, maintaining and operating a commercial container refuse gathering and disposing service, setting forth terms and conditions to govern the franchise; providing a severability clause, a savings clause and an effective date.

## **XII. FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES**

28. **2022-O-171** Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by authorizing the issuance of a Planned Unit Development for single family townhouses on approximately 1.598 acres, out of Porcion 33, Jose Dionisio Trevino, Original Grantee, Abstract Number 3084, Webb County Texas, said 1.598 acres being out of Tract I respectively, conveyed in deed to Mezquite Land Development, Incorporated, as recorded in Volume 5296, pages 137-144, Webb County Official Public Records, located south of State Highway 359 and east of Concord Hills Boulevard, from R-1A (Single-Family Reduced Area) to R-1A P.U.D.(Single-Family Reduced Area - Planned Unit Development).

**ZC-084-2022**  
**District II**

29. **2022-O-172** Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning approximately 1.69 acre tract of land out of a 53.40 acre tract of land out of a tract of land conveyed to L91 BC Properties, Limited Liability Company, a Florida Limited Liability Company, as described in deed recorded in Volume 4430, pages 282-289, Official Public Records, Webb County, Texas, and containing 53.40 acre of land, and being situated in Porcion 28, E. Martinez, Abstract 241, Webb County, Texas, located south of East Saunders Street and west of Bob Bullock Loop, from R-1A (Single-Family Reduced Area District) to B-1 (Limited Business District).

**ZC-087-2022  
District IV**

30. **2022-O-173** Authorizing the Interim City Manager to amend the City of Laredo FY 2023 Airport Construction Budget to accept and appropriate revenues and expenses by the amount of \$1,483,521.00 for Federal Aviation Administration Grant No. 3-48-0136-101-2022. This grant will be used for the reconstruction of Taxiway A at the Laredo International Airport. Local match is \$164,836.00. Total project cost is \$1,648,357.00; providing for severability; and providing for an effective date.
31. **2022-O-174** Amending Chapter 23, Section 23-4 (Parks and Recreation) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Laredo to incorporate a flag football league fee of \$200.00 per team; to incorporate a \$10.00 fee per player per year, or \$5.00 per year if they have a current membership card for any City of Laredo Recreational Facility, for all players participating in local leagues that have entered into temporary license agreements with the City of Laredo; and authorizing the Interim City 3 Manager to amend the City of Laredo FY22-23 Recreation Fund budget by appropriating revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$45,000.00. Revenues are from funds generated by the team fees and players' fees and will be used for recreation equipment, maintenance, and operations for the fields; containing a savings clause; containing a severability clause; and providing an effective date.
32. **2022-O-175** Authorizing the Interim City Manager to execute a lease agreement between the Laredo International Airport and Carlos Bella and Ana Luisa Bella d/b/a Villa Laredo Restaurant for approximately 550 square feet on the second floor of the passenger terminal, located at 5210 Bob Bullock Loop. Said lease term is for five (5) years, and with one option to renew for an additional five (5) year option until September 30, 2032. Initial monthly rent shall be \$750.00 and will be adjusted annually according to changes in the Consumer Price Index (CPI); and providing for an effective date.
33. **2022-O-176** Setting the speed zone limit from 60 mph to 55 mph on Loop 20, between approximately 520 feet after Monarch Dr. (Mile point 16.867) to approx. 770 feet prior to Eskimo Dr. (Mile Point 15.665/ 1.202 Mile) as defined in the Texas Department of Transportation Control Section Map 0086-14. (2) 55 mph speed limit signs will be installed between EastPoint Dr. and International Blvd., (1) 55 mph speed limit sign will be installed between Monarch Dr. and EastPoint Dr. and (1) 55 mph speed limit sign will be installed between Crepusculo Dr. and Eskimo Dr., to be in effect upon receipt of approved City ordinance.

**XIII. 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.**

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

34. Consideration to authorize the purchase of servers and data storage array appliance with professional services to replace the Laredo Bridge System current active directory environment from Sequel Data Systems Inc. from Austin, TX through the State of Texas DIR Cooperative Purchase Contract DIR-TSO-3763 & The Interlocal Purchasing System Contract TIPS 210101 in the total amount of \$166,618.90. Funding is available in the Laredo Bridge System Fund.

**BUILDING:** STAFF SOURCE JOHN HICKLE, BUILDING DIRECTOR

35. **2022-R-166** Authorizing and approving a fee waiver and a tax abatement agreement between the City of Laredo and Gage & Ortega Properties, LTD for a proposed project located at 2201 Laredo Street, Lot 1 and Lot 2, Block 1278, Eastern Division that consists of commercial building, 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 \$449,004.90, estimated annual tax abatement total of \$2,846.76 and estimated total fee waivers of \$4,760.50. Guidelines and criteria for the agreement are set forth in the attached agreement and information.

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

36. Authorizing the Interim City Manager to renew contract FY22-024 to Royal Contractors, LLC, Laredo, Texas for an annual amount of \$27,360.00 (cumulative total of \$54,720.00). This is the first of two extension options (one-year terms) and contract is for lawn maintenance related services. This contract will commence on December 23, 2022. Funding is available in the Noise Abatement Lease Program Fund.

**CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU:** STAFF SOURCE AILEEN RAMOS, CVB DIRECTOR

37. Authorizing the Interim City Manager to negotiate and execute contracts with Mexico and U.S. billboard, print, electronic, digital and other media vendors for event activations, media management and familiarization tours for influencers. Media plan advertisements for the Laredo Convention & Visitors Bureau will be placed beginning January 2023. The total amount is not to exceed \$1,012,523.00 comprised of \$424,998.00 for Mexico and \$587,525.00 for U.S. promotions. Funding is available in the CVB Fiscal Year 22-23 Budget.
38. Authorizing the Interim City Manager to execute contract with The Zimmerman Agency as Laredo Convention and Visitors Bureau agency of record for the U.S. market. Services provided include the following: strategic leadership/account management, content + creative, media planning and placement, public relations, digital activation, production management and agency fees for \$29,250.00 per month for a duration of 12-months, for a total of \$351,000.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:** STAFF SOURCE MIRIAM CASTILLO, INTERIM ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

39. **2022-R-178** Authorizing the Interim City Manager to submit an application, in partnership with The Kansas City Southern Railway Company (KCS) for a planning grant in the amount of \$4,000,000.00 to the U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Railroad Administration under the Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements (CRISI) Program. Funding for this program will be for preliminary planning, engineering, and assessments of certain rail crossings where safety, efficiency, and reliability of intercity passenger and freight rail can be improved. Work completed through the funding program is required for the City to be eligible to pursue additional federal funding to move forward with construction of grade crossing and grade separation improvements in Laredo. Kansas City Southern Railway Company has committed to cover the required 20% federal match in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 for a total project cost of \$5,000,000.00.

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

40. Consideration for approval to award construction contract FY22-ENG-34 to the lowest responsible, responsive bidder REIM Construction, Inc., Mission, Texas, in the amount not to exceed \$9,629,230.00 including the base bid and all bid alternates, following FAA (Federal Aviation Administration) General Provisions Section 80-01 of the federal bid requirements for the Laredo International Airport Construction of Taxiways H1 and H2 and Reconstruction of a portion of Taxiway A with a construction contract time of four hundred fifty (450) calendar days; and authorizing the Interim City Manager to execute all related contract documents contingent upon receipt and approval of insurance and bond documents. After a notice to proceed is issued, the estimated completion date for the project is scheduled for April 2024. Funding is available in the Airport Construction Fund: FAA Grant No. 100, FAA Grant 101, FAA Grant 90, and Airport Operations Fund.

|                               | Summit<br>Building & Design | REIM<br>Construction, Inc. |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Base Bid                      | \$5,668,195.90              | \$5,977,411.75*            |
| Bid Alternate 1               | \$1,550,821.58              | \$1,659,540.00*            |
| Bid Alternate 2               | \$859,388.86                | \$860,089.25*              |
| Bid Alternate 3               | \$854,393.80                | \$805,480.00*              |
| Bid Alternate 4               | \$161,356.60                | \$326,709.00               |
| Total with all Bid Alternates | \$9,094,156.74              | \$9,629,230.00*            |
|                               |                             | *Corrected Total           |

See attached letter of recommendation from RS&H, Inc.

41. Consideration for approval of the selection of consultants for RFQ FY22-ENG-40 Surveying Services by Registered Professional Land Surveyor (RPLS) Proposed Construction Projects FY2023 - FY2026, and authorizing the Interim City Manager to negotiate professional service contracts for each respective project assigned on a rotation basis. Professional service contracts will be issued per project upon funding available for a two (2) year term, with one (1) option for a two (2) year renewal, for a total term of four (4) years beginning October 18, 2022, and ending September 30, 2026. Four (4) firms responded to the Request for Qualifications on or before Wednesday, September 28, 2022, at 4:00 P.M. The evaluation committee recommends the selection of the following consultants based on the final rankings below:

1. KCI Technologies, Inc; Laredo, Tx.
2. Porras Nance Engineering; Laredo, Tx.
3. The Blue Top Companies, LLC; Laredo Tx.
4. Ramos Engineering, PLLC; Laredo, Tx.

Funding will not exceed \$50,000.00 per project, per vendor in the respective budget account unless authorized otherwise by City Council. There is no financial impact at this time. Consultant work performance of services will be monitored in accordance with the established guidelines and any deficiencies may result in removal from the rotation list.

42. Consideration for approval of the selection of consultants for RFQ FY22-ENG-42 Asbestos Containing Building Materials Investigation Services FY2023 - FY2026, and authorizing the Interim City Manager to negotiate professional service contracts for each respective project assigned on a rotation basis. Professional service contracts will be issued per project upon funding available for a two (2) year term, with one (1) option for a two (2) year renewal, for a total term of four (4) years beginning October 18, 2022, and ending September 30, 2026. Four (4) firms responded to the Request for Qualifications on or before Thursday, September 29, 2022, at 4:00 P.M. The evaluation committee recommends the selection of the following consultants based on the final rankings below:

1. Terracon Consultants, Inc. Laredo, Tx.
2. Alpha Terra Engineering, Inc. San Antonio, Tx
3. ERC Environmental & Construction Services, Inc. Houston, Tx.
4. O'Connor Engineering & Science, Inc. Laredo, Tx.

Funding will not exceed \$50,000.00 per project, per vendor in the respective budget account unless authorized otherwise by City Council. There is no financial impact at this time. Consultant work performance of services will be monitored in accordance with the established guidelines and any deficiencies may result in removal from the rotation list.

43. Consideration for approval of the selection of consultants for FY22-ENG-43 Mechanical, Electrical, Plumbing (MEP) Engineering Consultant Services for Existing Buildings, Facilities, Structures, Other Amenities and Proposed Construction Projects FY2023-FY2026, and authorizing the Interim City Manager to negotiate professional service contracts for each respective project assigned on a rotation basis. Professional service contracts will be issued per project upon funding available for a two (2) year term, with one (1) option for a two (2) year renewal, for a total term of four (4) years beginning October 18, 2022, and ending September 30, 2026. Two (2) firms responded to the Request for Qualifications on or before Thursday, September 29, 2022, at 4:00 P.M. The evaluation committee recommends the selection of the following consultants based on the final rankings below:

1. DBR Engineering Consultants; Laredo, Texas.
2. EED Engineering, Inc; Laredo, Texas.

Consultant work performance of services will be monitored in accordance with the established guidelines and any deficiencies may result in removal from the rotation list. Funding will not exceed \$50,000.00 per project, per vendor in the respective budget account unless authorized otherwise by City Council. There is no financial impact at this time.

44. Authorizing the Interim City Manager to execute and approve amendment No.4 to a professional services contract with Lockwood, Andrews & Newnam, Inc., an increase in the amount not to exceed \$93,000.00 for the Flores Avenue Drainage and Utility Improvements – Phase II, for additional Construction Phase Services (CPS) including Construction Phase Design changes and other unexpected conflicts, water, wastewater and stormwater design revisions and ongoing construction phase support through April 2023. Current contract amount with this amendment is \$484,293.00. Funding is available in the 2013 PPFCO Bond.

45. Consideration for approval of FY22-ENG-03 Lafayette Park restroom as complete, approval of change order No. 1 in the amount of \$1,200.00 for the installation of two (2) baby changing stations, release of retainage and approval of final payment in the amount of \$15,630.00 to Mage 4Group, LTD, Laredo; Texas. Final construction contract amount is \$100,680.00. Funding is available in the 2015 Certificates of Obligation Bond-District 8 Priority Funds.

46. Consideration to reject the two (2) submissions received for RFQ FY22-ENG-38 General American with Disabilities Act Compliance Services for Existing Buildings, Facilities, Other Amenities and Proposed Construction Projects FY2023 - FY2026 and requesting authorization to initiate a new solicitation of the Request for Qualifications.

There is no financial impact for action taken on this motion.

47. Consideration for approval of amendment no.1 an increase of \$598,763.57 for a professional services contract with RS&H, Inc., San Antonio, Texas for the Laredo International Airport to construct taxiways H1 and H2 and reconstruct a portion of taxiway A. This amendment no. 1 is to provide construction administration services, full time resident project representative (RPR) services, construction materials testing services and direct expenses to construct Taxiways H1 and H2 and reconstruct taxiway A. Current contract amount with this amendment is \$1,134,316.57. Funding is available in the Airport Construction Fund – FAA Grant No. 100.

48. Consideration for approval of the selection of the top-ranked consultant for Request for Qualifications (RFQ) FY21-ENG-16 City of Laredo Fire Station #10 Fleet Annex Building to be located at 11015 McPherson Road and authorization to negotiate and execute a professional service contract, to include the schematic design, design development, construction documents, procurement services, bid documents, specifications, and estimates for completion of the project. The building shall be approximately 10,000 sq. ft. with 1,800 sq. ft. of office space, reception area, lounge area, restrooms, fleet shop bay area with high ceilings, and bay doors. Five (5) responses were received at the City Secretary's Office on or before October 7, 2021, at 4:00 P.M. The evaluation committee recommends the selection of Cavazos & Associates Architects, PLLC, Laredo, Texas; based on the final rankings below:

1. Cavazos & Associates Architects, PLLC, Laredo, TX
2. Sepulveda Associates Architect, Inc., Laredo, TX
3. RedLine Architecture, LLC., Laredo, TX
4. Debra J. Dockery, Architect, PC, San Antonio, TX
4. DeMunbrun Scarnato Associates, Inc., San Antonio, TX

There is no financial impact at this time.

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

49. Consideration for approval of change order No. 1, a decrease of \$143,259.50 for the scope of work reduction and to account for delays related to utility conflicts, design change requests, and long lead times associated with impacts from COVID-19 to Azar Services, LLC., Laredo, Texas; contingency allowances in the amount not to exceed \$75,000.00 for additional work to be done on storm sewer, sanitary sewer, water lines and additional contract time of 658 calendar days for the Flores Avenue Drainage & Utility Improvements - Phase II. Current total contract amount including this change order is \$1,697,644.00 and a total contract time of 1,051 calendar days. Estimated completion date with this change order is April 18, 2023. Funding is available in the 2016 Environmental C.O. Bond, 2016 Water Revenue Bond and 2017 Sewer Revenue Bond.

50. Consideration to renew contract FY20-092 Disposal/Recycling of Electronic Waste-Scrap to Tech Remove, LLC, Saint Louis, MO, in the annual amount of \$56,250.00. The term of this contract shall be for a two-year period; contract is subject to future budget appropriations. This is the first and final extension period. Funding for this contract is available in the Environmental Services Department Budget.

**FINANCE:** STAFF SOURCE JOSE F. CASTILLO, ACTING FINANCE DIRECTOR

51. Authorizing the Interim City Manager to renew contract FY21-003 to Trashco, Ltd, Laredo, Texas, in an amount not to exceed \$140,000.00 to provide trash collection services for large volume containers. These services are required for various city operations to include: Airport, Bridge System, Parks & Recreation, Fleet Management, Transit, Municipal Housing, Utilities and Solid Waste Departments. The contract vendor is also required to provide, as needed, additional containers and/or for special events. The term of this contract will be for a period of one (1) year and this is the second of three extension (option) periods. Effective date for this contract is November 1, 2022. Funding for these services are available in various user departments' funds.
52. Consideration to renew and amend contract FY16-063 with Rochester Armored Car Co. Inc., Omaha, Nebraska to allow for a 25% contract amount increase of \$18,043.98; the new total annual amount will be \$90,219.90. This service contract is for providing bank courier service for city operations to various city departments. The term of this contract shall be for a period of two (2) years beginning as of the date of its execution and is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds. There was a 25% price increase during the last extension period. This is the last extension period for this contract. Funding is available in the respective departmental budgets.

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

53. Consideration to ratify purchase order (No. 367632) approved by Interim City Manager to exclusive dealer Richardson Apparatus LLC, Johnson City, TX, for the amount of \$297,500.00, and to further authorize unforeseen related expenditures for an additional amount not to exceed \$52,500, for a total amount of \$350,000.00, for the purchase of Firefighting Bunker Gear that includes but not limited to: rescue suits (coats & pants), hoods, gloves and other items for firefighters. Firefighters require specialized and certified protection gear that needs to comply with the National Fire Protection Association 1851, which requires for this type of gear to be replaced every 10 years. The term of this purchase contract shall be for a period of one (1) year beginning as of the date of its execution and is subject to future appropriations. Funding is available in the General Fund - Fire Department.
54. Consideration to amend and renew contract FY20-071 to Mendoza Maintenance Group, Laredo, TX for the cumulative amount of \$50,220.00. This contract is for janitorial services for the Fire Department Administrative Center and includes the first two (2) year original term for an amount of \$32,400.00 and this first one (1) year renewal extension of \$17,820.00, which includes a 10% increase in price. The term of this contract renewal is for one (1) year with a possible one (1) year extension contingent upon mutual agreement and availability of appropriated funds. Funds are available in the General Fund - Fire Department.
55. Consideration to approve a Memorandum of Understanding between Texas A&M International University American Heart Association Training Center and the City of Laredo Fire Department for a five-year term that ends September 30, 2027, to allow the City of Laredo Fire Department Training site to conduct training sessions in accordance to American Heart Association guidelines.

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

56. Consideration to renew annual contracts FY21-026 for the purchase of police and passenger car tires with the following vendors:

1. Section II: Southern Tire Mart, Columbia, Missouri in an amount up to \$90,000.00 (Primary Vendor); and
2. Section I: American Tire Distributors, Fort Worth, Texas in an amount up to \$30,000.00 (Secondary Vendor); and
3. Section I: The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company, Akron, Ohio in an amount up to \$30,000.00 (Secondary Vendor); and
4. Section I: Southern Tire Mart, Columbia, Missouri in an amount up to \$30,000.00 (Secondary Vendor); and
5. Section II: American Tire Distributors, Fort Worth, Texas in an amount up to \$30,000.00 (Secondary Vendor).

All tires will be secured on an as needed basis. The term of these contracts shall be for a period of one (1) year beginning as of the date of its execution and are contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds. There was no price increase during the last extension period from American Tire Distributors. The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company is requesting a 1% increase and Southern Tire Mart is requesting an 17.5% increase in cost due to a price increase in raw materials and logistic costs. These contracts may be extended one (1) additional one (1) year period, upon mutual agreement of the parties. Funding is available in the Fleet Maintenance Budget.

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

57. Authorizing the Interim City Manager to enter into an agreement with Simplifyance, LLC in the amount of \$80,000.00 for consultative services for a detoxification facility for the term period from September 26, 2022, to March 27, 2024. Funding is available in the General Fund.
58. Authorizing the Interim City Manager to approve the required write-off for Charity Care Policy for the Health and Human Services Commission, Texas Ambulance Services Supplemental Payment Program in the estimated amount of \$2,137,619.95 for dates of service from October 1, 2021, through September 30, 2022, as required by the adopted Charity Care Policy approved on September 16, 2019, for the City of Laredo to be eligible to receive an estimated revenue of \$1,800,000.00 in charity care cost reimbursement. The exact reimbursement amount is contingent upon the state's reduction percentage that is applied. The effective date of this write-off is retroactive to September 30, 2022.

**INFORMATION SERVICES & TELECOMMUNICATION:** STAFF SOURCE HOMERO VAZQUEZ-GARCIA, IST DIRECTOR

59. Authorizing the Interim City Manager to enter into a one-year service agreement with Central Square Superion Public Sector, Lake Mary FL, in the amount of \$235,572.26. The service agreement is for software enhancements and maintenance on the financial applications residing on the City's IBM iSeries computer system for the period of October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023. Funding is available in the Information Technology Fund.

60. Authorizing the Interim City Manager to enter into and execute a Memorandum of Agreement ("MOA"), attached hereto as exhibit A, between the South Texas Development Council ("STDC") and the City of Laredo for the Management of the South Texas Regional Radio System ("STRRS") and the Advance System Key ("ASK"). For a one (1) year term beginning October 1, 2022 at an annual fee of \$40,000.00; Payable quarterly in four (4) equal payments of \$10,000.00
61. Consideration to authorize the use of State of Texas, Department of Information Resources (DIR) Cooperative Purchase contracts for FY2023 to purchase computers, computer hardware, computer software, telecommunications and other goods and services offered through DIR Cooperative Purchase contracts. Due to fiscal year-round (as needed) cumulative DIR contract vendor purchases, the city exceeds the \$50,000.00 purchase limits, which require City Council approval; the following are DIR Co-op Vendors and estimated annual purchase amounts:
- DELL Computers USA - \$810,000.00  
Computer Solutions - \$650,000.00  
Verizon - \$450,000.00  
AT&T - \$475,000.00  
SHI Government Solutions - \$410,000.00  
CDG Government - \$375,000.00
- The City is a member of the State of Texas - Texas Procurement and Support Services (TPASS) Cooperative Purchasing Program which allows the City of Laredo to take advantage of approved state contracts. Funding for cooperative purchases contracts and services are available in the respective departmental budgets.

**PLANNING & ZONING:** STAFF SOURCE ORLANDO NAVARRO, PLANNING & ZONING DIRECTOR

62. Authorizing the Interim City Manager to award and execute a professional services contract in the amount of \$70,535.00 to Able City, LLC for consulting services to develop the Del Mar Boulevard "Main Street District" Overlay study intended to provide: existing conditions assessment, community outreach, economic benefits analysis, draft implementation ordinance, prioritized short, mid and long term improvement recommendations, and planning level cost estimates for improvements for that portion of Del Mar Boulevard, from McPherson Drive to Fenwick Drive. Funding is available in the General Fund.

**POLICE:** STAFF SOURCE CLAUDIO TREVINO, CHIEF OF POLICE

63. **2022-R-170** Authorizing the Interim City Manager to ratify entering into and executing a memorandum of understanding between the City of Laredo Police Department (LPD) and the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) San Antonio High-Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Task Force - Transnational Organized Crime Western Hemisphere to maximize inter-agency cooperation, and to identify and target criminal enterprise groups responsible for violent crimes within the city and surrounding areas, with no cost to the City of Laredo. This MOU was previously approved using the San Antonio Hybrid Task Force name and has recently been modified to the San Antonio HIDTA Task Force. This ratification only reflects the correct task force name on the MOU.
64. **2022-R-171** Authorizing the Interim City Manager to submit a grant application in the estimated amount of \$50,000.00 to the Texas Department of Transportation to fund the FY 2023 STEP Impaired Driving Mobilization (IDM) Program. The City of Laredo must match approximately 24% of the total grant funds. The performance period is during enforcement waves scheduled on holidays between October 01, 2022 through September 30, 2023. This grant funding is to pay overtime salaries to officers to increase enforcement to arrest individuals driving while intoxicated (DWI) and

driving under the influence (DUI) of alcohol by a minor. Funding is available in the Special Police Fund.

65. **2022-R-172** Authorizing the Interim City Manager to accept a grant in the amount of \$67,974.00 from 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 2022. The grant performance period is October 1, 2022, through September 30, 2025. The Bureau of Justice Assistance mandates that this grant allocation be divided equally between the City of Laredo and Webb County; \$33,987.00 will be allocated for the LPD Network Specialist and \$33,987.00 for Webb County Sheriff's Office equipment, supplies, and training that enhances the department operations. Funding is available in the Special Police Fund.
66. **2022-R-174** Authorizing the Interim City Manager to accept a grant in the amount of \$24,975.00 from the Office of the Governor, Public Safety Office, Criminal Justice Division for the FY 2023 First Responder Mental Health Grant, Peer Support Program. The Laredo Police Department will utilize this funding to obtain a professional service contract for clinical advisory for trauma and work-related counseling and training for the sustainment of the LPD Peer Support Program. The grant performance period is October 01, 2022, through September 30, 2023. No local match is required. Grant funding is available in the Special Police Fund.
67. **2022-R-176** Authorizing the Interim City Manager to accept a grant in the amount of \$106,268.12 from the Office of the Governor's Homeland Security Grants Division (HSGD) for the purpose of funding the 2022 State Homeland Security Program-Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Activities (LETPA) Grant. This funding will be used to replace two fully equipped bomb response vehicles that are essential and necessary to prevent and respond to acts of terrorism. The performance period is October 1, 2022 through March 31, 2023. No local match is required. Funding is available in the Special Police Fund.
68. **2022-R-177** Authorizing the Interim City Manager to accept a grant in the amount of \$20,034.04 from the U.S. Department of Justice Programs for the purpose of funding the Patrick Leahy Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant for FY 2022. The funds will be utilized to replace approximately 49 vests that have exceeded the recommended life expectancy. The Bulletproof Vest Partnership Program will provide funding in the amount of \$20,034.04 with the other 50% of the project being provided by city match for a total grant amount of \$40,068.08. The grant performance period is from October 1, 2022 through August 31, 2024. Funding is available in the Special Police Fund.
69. Consideration to authorize the purchase of two (2) bomb response vehicles from Silsbee Ford, Silsbee, Texas in the amount of \$111,268.12. The purchase of these vehicles shall be made utilizing the Goodbuy Contract Pricing Program. Funding is available in the Special Police Fund-State Homeland Security Grant-Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Activities (LETPA) Program and in the Police Trust Fund. The grant will be funding \$106,268.12 and the Police Trust fund \$5,000.00 for a total amount of \$111,268.12.
70. Authorizing the Interim City Manager to accept a grant in the amount of \$38,078.00 from the Office of the Governor's Homeland Security Grants Division to fund the State Homeland Security Program - Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Activities (LETPA) Grant. This funding will be utilized to purchase one (1) complete Med Eng EOD 10E bomb suit for the Laredo Police Department (LPD) Bomb Squad Unit. The grant performance period is October 1, 2022, through September 30, 2023. No local match is required. Funding is available in the Special Police Fund-State Homeland Security- LETPA Grant.

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

71. Consideration to award contract FY22-092 to the following vendors:

Patmo Concrete, Laredo, Texas, as Primary Vendor  
City Ready Mix, Inc., Laredo, Texas, as Secondary Vendor

for the purchase of Ready Mix Cement (job site delivered) for Public Works and various city departments for an amount of \$2,000,000.00 annually. This contract establishes Primary/Secondary vendors and pricing. The term of contract shall be for a period of one (1) year, beginning as of the date of its execution and may be extended for three (3) additional one (1) year periods, upon mutual agreement. All materials are purchased on an as-needed basis. Funding for this contract is available in the respective City department's operational budget.

72. Consideration to renew contract FY20-093 for CMC Commercial Metals, Laredo, Texas as the primary vendor in an annual amount up to \$300,000.00 and for Beaver's Source LLC, Laredo Texas as the secondary vendor in an annual amount up to \$100,000.00. This contract is to purchase various construction related items: lumber, tools for concrete/construction, steel, rebar wire and mesh materials, on an as needed basis, by Public Works Department for construction and repair projects. This is the second and final contract extension for a one (1) year period. Funding is available in the General Fund - Public Works Department.

73. Consideration to renew contract number FY21-102 for the supply of the following paving, and construction materials (sand):

To Emperor Services LLC, Laredo, Texas for the following sections and amounts:

Section I. Sand delivered to City

Emperor Services LLC, Laredo, Texas as the primary vendor in an amount up to \$60,000.00 and

Section II. Sand picked up by City

Emperor Services LLC, Laredo, Texas as the secondary vendor in an amount up to \$30,000.00.

The term of this contract shall be for a period of one (1) year beginning as of the date of its execution. This is the first extension and contract may be extended for two, additional one (1) year periods, upon mutual agreement of the parties. Funding is available in the respective user department's operations funds.

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

74. Authorizing the Interim City Manager to award Amendment No. 5 in the amount of \$51,090.00 for professional engineering services contract with Ardurra Group Inc., Laredo, Texas. The anticipated construction time was approximately 16 months; however, due to circumstances unrelated to the design or services provided by Ardurra, the project is currently in month 25 of construction. The total contract amount is \$855,820.00 with this amendment. Funding is available in the 2020A Sewer Revenue Bond.
75. Authorizing the Interim City Manager to authorize a change order and vendor name change for purchase order No. 356260 in the amount of \$182,850.00 to manufacturer PSI Water Technologies and award contract for \$231,725.00 to Environmental Improvements, Inc of Buda, Texas. The contract is for an automatic disinfectant system as sourced by the city's consultant, Ardurra Group, Inc. The increase of \$48,875.00 represents new 2022 prices along with a 15% (\$30,225.00) contingency fee for unforeseen site conditions and increased services from the local authorized Texas representative. Funding is available in the America Rescue Act Plan Fund.

76. Consideration to renew contract FY20-074 with Gutierrez Machine Shop, Laredo, Texas in an amount of up to \$500,000.00 for professional welding services for the Utilities Department. The services requested include site repairs to various water and wastewater treatment plants, lift stations, and other municipal utility facilities. This is the third and final extension of this contract, and it is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds. There was no price increase during the last extension period. Funding is available in the Waterworks System and Sewer System Funds.
77. Authorizing the Interim City Manager to approve amendment No. 12 to CDM Smith, in the amount of \$177,478.00 for the professional services for detail design, plans, specifications, bidding and construction phase services associated with blower building modifications to mitigate dust and debris from entering the facility and impacting blower operations. Recent repairs to the blowers identified excessive wind-blown dust inside the blowers and electrical panels. CDM completed a blower building evaluation in amendment No. 11 and produced three (3) different solutions to the building design that would mitigate the excessive dust from entering the building and affecting blower operations. The revised contract amount is \$8,544,588.00. Funding is available in the 2019 Sewer Revenue Bond.
78. Consideration to award supply contract number FY23-001 to the following low bidders:
1. DPC Industries, Corpus Christi, Texas
  2. Chemrite Chemicals, Buford, Georgia
  3. Brenntag Southwest, Lancaster, Texas
  4. Chemtrade Chemicals, Parsippany, New Jersey
  5. Polydyne, Inc., Riceboro, Georgia

in an annual amount up to \$3,500,000.00 for the purchase of water and wastewater treatment chemicals for the Utilities Department. The term of this contract shall be for a period of two (2) years beginning as of the date of its execution and is contingent upon availability of appropriated funds. This contract has three (3) one (1) year extension periods. All chemicals will be purchased on as needed basis. Funding is available in the Water and Wastewater Treatment Division's Operating Budgets.

79. Authorizing the Interim City Manager to approve a professional engineering services contract to Ardurra Group, Inc. of Laredo, Texas not to exceed \$842,600.00 to develop plans and specifications for tank and booster station site improvements in South Laredo. Funding is available in the 2020A Water Revenue Bond.

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

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#### **XIV. STAFF REPORTS**

80. 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. The following are the ongoing audits/review: Vehicle Repair Process Audit and Evaluation of City Policies.
81. Presentation with possible action by RS&H Inc. on the adoption and implementation of the updated Noise Exposure Maps (NEM) for the Laredo International Airport and any matters incident thereto.

## **XV. 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.

82. Request for Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071 and 551.072 to discuss matters related to Bridge 4/5 and return to open session for possible action.
83. Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071 and the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct Rule 1.05 to consult with attorneys concerning legal issues regarding collective bargaining matters and the Collective Bargaining Negotiations between the City of Laredo, Texas and the Laredo Fire Fighters Association, Local 872, and return to open session for possible action if necessary.
84. Request for Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071 to consult with attorneys concerning Laredo Vapor Land, LLC v. The City of Laredo and any other related matters.
85. Request for Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071 and 551.072 to discuss STX Venue Management, LLC and its contract as it relates to Uni-Trade Stadium and any other matters incident thereto, and return to open session for possible action.

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

86. Consideration to offer Free Bus and Van/El Lift Rides on general election day, November 8, 2022, to encourage voter participation in Laredo, Texas. To allow local residents to use public transportation for free in order to go vote and to give the people a better opportunity to cast their ballot. This is a common practice among transit agencies; the direct financial impact on the loss of passenger revenues for that given day is estimated to be around \$2,500.00.
87. Consideration to exercise the last contract renewal option for Gonzalez Auto Parts of Laredo, Texas Contract# FY19-050 Transmission and Motor Oil for the purchase of Automatic Transmission Fluid and CNG Synthetic Blend 15W40 Engine Oil for an estimated contract amount of \$85,000.00 to be used for the El Metro's Bus Fleet. The last contract extension expires May 31, 2023. Funding is available in the El Metro's Operations Fund.
88. Authorizing the Interim City Manager to execute a three-year contract with Remix Technologies, LCC, a subsidiary of VIA Transportation Inc., for RFP FY22-063 Transit Planning and Scheduling Software for the El Metro's Fixed Route Bus Operations in the amount of \$135,500.00. This is for the purchase of a cloud-based platform for planning, simultaneous cost estimation, geospatial data analysis, and equity analysis that enables time tables, blocking, run-cutting, and rostering for bus operations. Funding is available under Transit-Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Grant #TX-2020-100-00. There is no local match requirement.

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

**89. GENERAL COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

**A. Request by Mayor Pete Saenz**

1. Discussion with possible action on status report by City Manager's Office on City's progress in providing all necessary information to our State Senator and Representatives to advance legislation in the upcoming Austin's legislative session to secure funding for:
  - a. feasibility study or studies by the Texas Development Board, or others, to address a regional approach in identifying, securing and supplying an emergency-secondary source of potable water to the Laredo region, independent of the Rio Grande; including monetary or other incentives under any public-private partnerships.
  - b. Construction costs to implement such feasibility study or studies.

**B. Request by Council Member Mercurio Martinez, III**

1. Discussion with possible action to install (4) speed humps around Santa Fe Park and to enhance and include more lighting around the area, and any other matters incident thereto.

**C. Request by Council Member Ruben A. Gutierrez, Jr.**

1. Presentation with possible action from the National Alzheimer's Association to bring awareness, and possible support from the City of Laredo, for the 7th Annual Walk to End Alzheimer's taking place on November 5, 2022 at TAMU; and any matters incident thereto.

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

1. Discussion with possible action to include a staff report at all regular council meetings from the Utilities Department on water, including but not limited to quality, infrastructure, level status, improvements, and any other matters incident thereto. **(Co-Sponsored by Council Member Alberto Torres and Council Member Alyssa Cigarroa)**

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

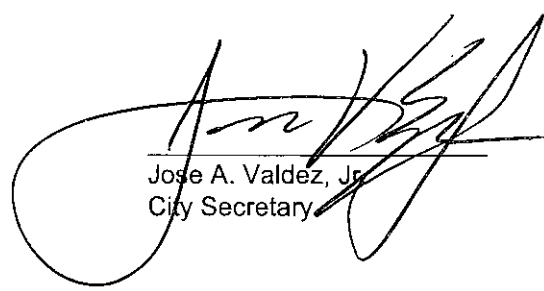
1. Discussion with possible action to dedicate the bridge at Merida Avenue, Independence Park in honor of all veterans and any other matters incident thereto.

**F. Request by Mayor Pro-Tempore Vidal Rodriguez**

1. Discussion with possible action and status update on the opening of the second exit for Concord Hills and a timeline indicating why the project has taken longer than proposed to be completed; and any other matters incident thereto.

**XVIII. 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 Thursday, October 13, 2022 at 6:45 p.m.



Jose A. Valdez, Jr.  
City Secretary

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