

# **City of Laredo**

1110 HOUSTON STREET  
LAREDO, TEXAS 78040

## **REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**

**A-2024-R-15**

**Monday, September 16, 2024**

**5:30 PM**

**City Council Chambers**

**City Council**

**City of Laredo  
Regular City Council Meeting  
A-2024-R-15  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
1110 HOUSTON STREET  
LAREDO, TEXAS 78040  
Monday, September 16, 2024  
5:30 P.M.**

- I. CALL TO ORDER**
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- III. MOMENT OF SILENCE**
- IV. ROLL CALL**

**CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Citizens can participate through in-person comments. 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. All comments should be relevant to City business and delivered in a professional manner. No derogatory remarks will be permitted.

**V. COMMUNICATIONS**

- 1. Presidential invitation to the White House. [24-1831](#)
- 2. Participation of US Mayors Lima, Peru summit. [24-1847](#)

**VI. APPOINTMENTS TO COMMISSIONS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES**

- 1. Appointment by Mayor Dr. Victor D. Treviño of Mirna Flores to the Laredo Housing Authority of the City of Laredo. [APPT. - 92](#)
- 2. Appointment by Mayor Dr. Victor D. Treviño of Juan Jose Molano to the Building Standards Board. [APPT. - 93](#)
- 3. Appointment by Mayor Dr. Victor D. Treviño of Ricardo Villarreal to the Building Standards Board. [APPT. - 97](#)
- 4. Appointment by Mayor Dr. Victor D. Treviño to Ad Hoc Bond Referendum Committee to be announced during appointments. [APPT. - 100](#)
- 5. Appointment by Mayor Dr. Victor D. Treviño to Ad Hoc Bond Referendum Committee to be announced during appointments. [APPT. - 101](#)
- 6. Appointment by Mayor Dr. Victor D. Treviño to Ad Hoc Bond Referendum Committee to be announced during appointments. [APPT. - 102](#)

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| 7.  | Appointment by Mayor Dr. Victor D. Treviño to Ad Hoc Bond Referendum Committee to be announced during appointments.    | <a href="#"><u>APPT. - 103</u></a> |
| 8.  | Appointment by Councilman Gilbert Gonzalez of Guadalupe L Ramirez to the Ad Hoc Bond Referendum Committee.             | <a href="#"><u>APPT. - 85</u></a>  |
| 9.  | Appointment by Councilman Gilbert Gonzalez of Javier De Anda to the Ad Hoc Bond Referendum Committee.                  | <a href="#"><u>APPT. - 86</u></a>  |
| 10. | Appointment by Councilman Gilbert Gonzalez of Adrian Zapata to the Ad Hoc Bond Referendum Committee.                   | <a href="#"><u>APPT. - 87</u></a>  |
| 11. | Appointment by Councilman Ricardo Rangel Jr. of Monica Garcia to the Ad Hoc Bond Referendum Committee.                 | <a href="#"><u>APPT. - 79</u></a>  |
| 12. | Appointment by Councilman Ricardo Rangel Jr. of Roque Vela Jr. to the Ad Hoc Bond Referendum Committee.                | <a href="#"><u>APPT. - 80</u></a>  |
| 13. | Appointment by Councilman Ricardo Rangel Jr. of Jose Luis (Wicho) Tijerina to the City Utilities Advisory Committee.   | <a href="#"><u>APPT. - 81</u></a>  |
| 14. | Appointment by Council Member Melissa Cigarroa of Arturo Dominguez to the Ad Hoc Bond Referendum Committee.            | <a href="#"><u>APPT. - 82</u></a>  |
| 15. | Appointment by Council Member Melissa Cigarroa of Tricia Cortez to the Ad Hoc Bond Referendum Committee.               | <a href="#"><u>APPT. - 84</u></a>  |
| 16. | Appointment by Council Member Melissa Cigarroa of Mayra Hernandez to the Ad Hoc Bond Referendum Committee.             | <a href="#"><u>APPT. - 89</u></a>  |
| 17. | Appointment by Council Member Ruben Gutierrez Jr. of Belinda Guerra to the Ad Hoc Bond Referendum Committee.           | <a href="#"><u>APPT. - 88</u></a>  |
| 18. | Appointment by Council Member Ruben Gutierrez Jr. of Pete Saenz III to the Ad Hoc Bond Referendum Committee.           | <b>APPT. - 98</b>                  |
| 19. | Appointment by Council Member Ruben Gutierrez Jr. of Alfonso "Poncho" Averill to the Ad Hoc Bond Referendum Committee. | <b>APPT. - 99</b>                  |
| 20. | Appointment by Council Member Dr. Tyler King of Gerald Schwebel to the Ad Hoc Bond Referendum Committee.               | <a href="#"><u>APPT. - 76</u></a>  |
| 21. | Appointment by Council Member Dr. Tyler King of Tony Arce Jr. to the Ad Hoc Bond Referendum Committee.                 | <a href="#"><u>APPT. - 77</u></a>  |
| 22. | Appointment by Council Member Dr. Tyler King of Edward Garza to the Ad Hoc Bond Referendum Committee.                  | <a href="#"><u>APPT. - 78</u></a>  |
| 23. | Appointment by Council Member Vanessa Perez of Lucy Morris to the Ad Hoc Bond Referendum Committee.                    | <a href="#"><u>APPT. - 94</u></a>  |
| 24. | Appointment by Council Member Vanessa Perez of Fernando                                                                | <a href="#"><u>APPT. - 95</u></a>  |
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Baldazo to the Ad Hoc Bond Referendum Committee.

25. Appointment by Council Member Vanessa Perez of Bill Young to the Ad Hoc Bond Referendum Committee. [APPT. - 96](#)
26. Appointment by Council Member Alyssa Cigarroa of Jorge Gonzalez to the Ad Hoc Bond Referendum Committee. [APPT. - 83](#)
27. Appointment by Council Member Alyssa Cigarroa of \_\_\_\_\_ to the Ad Hoc Bond Referendum Committee. [APPT. - 91](#)

## VII. PUBLIC HEARING & INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCE

1. Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning approximately 2.66 acres, as further described by metes and bounds in attached Exhibit A, located at 26811 FM 1472, from AG (Agricultural District) to M-1 (Light Manufacturing District). [24-1724](#)

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

ZC-064-2024  
District VII

**Attachments:** [ZC-064-2024 - Intro Staff Report](#)  
[ZC-064-2024 - Maps](#)  
[ZC-064-2024 - Survey, Metes, & Bounds](#)  
[ZC-064-2024 - Zone Change Signage](#)  
[Draft Ordinance ZC-064-2024](#)

2. Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lot 7, Block 2032, Eastern Division, located at 3222 Santa Clara Street, from R-3 (Mixed Residential District) to B-1 (Limited Business District). [24-1725](#)

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

ZC-065-2024  
District III

**Attachments:** [ZC-065-2024 - Intro Staff Report](#)  
[ZC-065-2024 - Maps](#)  
[ZC-065-2024 - Zone Change Signage](#)  
[Draft Ordinance ZC-065-2024](#)

3. 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 3, Block 1, Del Mar North Filing Number 1, located at 7718 [24-1726](#)

McPherson Road, Building 2, Suite 2 (expansion of 2,795 square feet only).

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

ZC-066-2024  
District V

**Attachments:** [ZC-066-2024 - Intro Staff Report](#)  
[ZC-066-2024 - Maps](#)  
[ZC-066-2024 - Narrative](#)  
[ZC-066-2024 - Site Plan](#)  
[ZC-066-2024 - Tenant List](#)  
[ZC-066-2024 - Zone Change Signage](#)  
[Draft Ordinance- ZC-066-2024](#)

4. Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning approximately 16.5161 acres, as further described by metes and bounds in attached Exhibit A, located east of US Highway 83 and north of La Pita Mangana Road, from AG (Agriculture) to B-4 (Highway Commercial District).

**24-1727**

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

ZC-068-2024  
District II

**Attachments:** [ZC-068-2024 - Intro Staff Report](#)  
[ZC-068-2024 - Maps](#)  
[ZC-068-2024 - Survey, Metes, & Bounds - Letter](#)  
[ZC-068-2024 - Zone Change Signage](#)  
[Draft Ordinance ZC-068-2024](#)

5. Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning approximately 35.3737 acres, as further described by metes and bounds in attached Exhibit A, located east of US Highway 83 and north of La Pita Mangana Road, from AG (Agriculture) to B-3 (Community Business District).

**24-1728**

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

ZC-069-2024  
District II

**Attachments:** [ZC-069-2024 - Intro Staff Report](#)  
[ZC-069-2024 - Maps](#)  
[ZC-069-2024 - Survey, Metes, & Bounds](#)  
[ZC-069-2024 - Zone Change Signage](#)  
[Draft Ordinance ZC-069-2024](#)

6. Public Hearing and Adoption of the Future Thoroughfare Plan as Appendix "D" of the City of Laredo's Comprehensive Plan. [24-1743](#)

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended the adoption of the Future Thoroughfare Plan with the changes identified as Exhibits A thru H, and Exhibit I - Option 2.

Staff recommends the adoption of the Future Thoroughfare Plan with the changes identified as Exhibits A thru H, and Exhibit I - Option 1.

**Attachments:** [FTP For Council of 9-16-2024](#)  
[Resolution Thoroughfare Plan 2024](#)

7. An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, amending section 24.65.16 of the Laredo Land Development Code, titled "M-1 Light Manufacturing District," creating subsection (7) which will impose distance regulations to prevent bars, night clubs, cantinas, saloons, billiard parlors, and carnivals from being located within 300 feet of any residential district. [24-1730](#)

**Attachments:** [M1 Bar distance ordinance](#)

8. Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance amending Chapter 5.5 relating to charges for ambulance services; Article I, Section 5.5-28, of the Code of Ordinances by amending "Attachment A" to the Laredo Fire Department Ambulance Fee Schedule. Fees will be deposited into General Fund. [24-1741](#)

**Attachments:** [2024-O-180](#)

9. Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance amending Chapter 12: Fire Prevention and Protection; Article IV, Section 12-81, Fire Prevention Fees and Article V, Section 12-91, Firefighting Fee-Based Education Fees. Fees will be deposited into General Fund. [24-1752](#)

**Attachments:** [2024-O-181](#)

10. Public Hearing and Introductory ordinance amending the City of Laredo fiscal year 2023-2024 Fleet Management fund by appropriating revenues and expenses of \$1,200,000 for the projected additional revenues and continued operational repairs. [24-1745](#)

11. Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance creating Chapter 31 (Utilities), Article VI (Water Museum Fees and Policies) Section [24-1698](#)

31-243 Fines and fees for the Laredo Water Museum. This ordinance establishes a fee structure for the utilization of the Laredo Water Museum during standard operational hours, as well as the associated costs for after-hours operations. Furthermore, this ordinance delineates policies and guidelines concerning reservations, cancellations, and refunds.

**Attachments:** [Intro Ordinance-Water Museum Usage Fees](#)

12. A Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas amending Chapter 31 (Utilities), Article II (Sewers and Sewage Disposal), Division 1 (Generally), Section 31-16 (Definitions), Division 5 (Rates and Charges), Section 31-95 (Penalty for Nonpayment; Deferred Payment Plan); and Section 31-97 (Fees); amending Article III, (Water), Division 2 (Use Restrictions) (c); Division 3 (Rates and Charges), Section 31-138.1.1 (Fees) to Section 31-138.4 (Refund of Security Deposits); and Section 31-140 (Fire Hydrant Meters) to Section 31-141 (Water Availability) (b) (3); providing for publication and an effective date. [24-1345](#)

**Attachments:** [Ordinance No 2024-O-XXX 2.docx](#)  
[Actual Costs Details.xlsx](#)  
[WWC Copy of Costxservice2023.xlsx](#)

(Recess)  
(Press Availability)

## VIII. INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCES

13. Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance repealing Ordinance Number 2024-O-108, which authorized the City Manager to accept and appropriate the funds from Seven Flags Regional Advisory Council, Laredo, TX, and amended the FY24 General Fund Budget; such ordinance must be repealed because Seven Flags Regional Council grant is for communities with a population of 50,000 or less and Funds of \$312,000.00 must be returned. [24-1638](#)
14. Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance authorizing the City Manager to amend the City of Laredo FY25 Full Time Equivalent (FTE) positions listing by adding two Investigative Support Specialist, two RTCC Drone Remote Pilots, and one Public Information Specialist as awarded by the Texas Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority (MVCPA) for the FY25 SB224 Catalytic Converter Grant for the period of October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025. Funding is available in the Auto Theft Task Force Fund. [24-1663](#)

**Attachments:** [Intro Ordinance - amending FY25 FTEs \(Investigative Support Specialist, RTCC Drone Pilot\)](#)

## IX. FIRST AND FINAL READINGS

15. An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, authorizing the issuance, sale and delivery of up to \$30,000,000.00 in aggregate principal, amount of "Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2024A" for paying all or a portion of the City's contractual obligations incurred for the purpose of: (1) acquiring, constructing, improving and equipping facilities to improve City telecommunications, wireless communications, information technology systems, applications, hardware, software, and cybersecurity; (2) renovating, improving, and equipping existing municipal buildings and facilities housing the governmental functions of the City, (3) acquiring equipment and vehicles for various City departments, including the public safety departments, (4) acquiring, constructing, improving and equipping public safety facilities, including a fire station, (5) Acquiring, constructing, improving and equipping parks and recreational facilities, (6) planning, constructing, improving and repairing streets, sidewalks, bridges and drainage improvements, together with right-of-ways acquisition, traffic and street signalization, landscaping, and lighting improvements, (7) purchasing real property, materials, supplies, equipment, information technology, machinery, landscaping, land, and rights of way for authorized needs and purposes related to the aforementioned capital improvements and (8) paying legal, fiscal and engineering fees in connection with such projects; securing the payment thereof by authorizing the levy of an annual ad valorem tax and a pledge of certain surplus revenues of the City's International Toll Bridge System; approving and authorizing the execution of all instruments and procedures related thereto including a paying agent/registrar agreement and a purchase contract; approving the form of an official statement; authorizing amendment to the city's budget to appropriate such proceeds for purposes authorized herein; and declaring an effective date.

[2024-O-186](#)

**Attachments:** [2024A CO Ordinance - 1](#)

16. An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, authorizing the issuance, sale and delivery of up to \$13,000,000.00 in aggregate principal amount of "Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2024B" for paying all or a portion of the City's contractual obligations incurred for the purpose of: (1) planning, constructing, improving and repairing streets, sidewalks, bridges and drainage improvements, together with right-of-ways acquisition, traffic and street signalization, landscaping, and lighting improvements, (2) purchasing real property, materials, supplies, equipment, information technology, machinery, landscaping, land, and rights of way for authorized needs and purposes related to the aforementioned capital improvements and (3) paying legal, fiscal and engineering fees in connection with such projects; securing the payment thereof by authorizing the levy of an annual ad valorem

[2024-O-189](#)

tax and a pledge of certain surplus revenues of the City's International Toll Bridge System; approving and authorizing the execution of all instruments and procedures related thereto including a paying agent/registrar agreement and purchase contract; approving the form of an official statement; authorizing amendment to the city's budget to appropriate such proceeds for purposes authorized herein; and declaring an effective date.

**Attachments:** [2024B CO Ordinance - 1](#)

17. An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, authorizing the issuance of approximately \$99,580,000.00 in aggregate principal, amount of "Waterworks and Sewer System Revenue Bonds, New Series 2024" for the purpose of improving and extending the City's combined waterworks system and sewer system, approving an official statement, authorizing the execution of a purchase contract, making provisions for the security thereof; delegating to certain city officials the authority to approve all final terms of the bonds; authorizing amendment to the City's budget to appropriate such proceeds for purposes authorized herein; and ordaining other matters relating to the subject. [2024-O-191](#)

**Attachments:** [2024 WWSS New Series Ordinance- 1](#)

#### **X. FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES**

18. An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, amending Chapter 2, Article II, Division 1, Section 2-29, "Compensation of mayor and council members" of the code of ordinances in order to update, provide clarification and add a provision regarding the commencement of terms. [2024-O-200](#)

**Attachments:** [Council Compensation Ordinance](#)  
[City Explanation on the Need to Define Allowances as Part of Salary or Separate](#)

19. An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, providing for the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.507623 per \$100 of value for Tax Year 2024. This tax rate will have a Maintenance and Operation Rate of \$0.396888 per \$100.00 of value and an Interest and Sinking Fund Rate of \$0.110735 per \$100.00 of value for the levy and the collection of General and Special Ad Valorem taxes for the City of Laredo in the amount of \$120,850,126 for Tax Year 2024 and Fiscal Year 2024-2025. [2024-O-162](#)

**Attachments:** [ORDINANCE 2024-O-162](#)

20. Authorizing the City Manager to execute a parcel development ground lease agreement between the City of Laredo and Gravity Jets, LLC, Fort Lauderdale, FL, on a 13.42 acre +/- tract of land, legally described as a 13.42 acres out of Block 1, Laredo Airport Subdivision, and Abstract 239, City of Laredo, Webb County [2024-O-187](#)

Texas, as recorded in Volume 5, Page 1, of the Plat Records of Webb County, Texas, for the purposes of constructing and developing a fixed-base operator facility. The lease term shall be for thirty years, with one option to extend for an additional nine years. The monthly rent shall be \$11,691.50, and shall be adjusted commencing on the first anniversary of the occupancy term effective date. Rent shall be adjusted on each successive anniversary thereafter by the percentage change in the Consumer Price Index (CPI); providing for severability; and providing for an effective date.

**Attachments:** [Introductory Ordinance](#)  
[Gravity Jets LLC - Development Lease \(Aeronautical\)\(Final Draft\)](#)  
[Siteplan Scheme](#)

21. Consideration to authorize the City Manager to execute an Air Service Agreement with Aerotransportes Rafilher S.A. de C.V., San Luis Potosí, México ("Aerus"), to conduct commercial air transportation services. The term of the agreement is for eight months, commencing on October 14, 2024, and ending on June 14, 2025, with the City's sole option to extend for an additional year, ending June 14, 2026. [2024-O-188](#)

22. An Ordinance amending the FY 2023-2024 9-1-1 Regional Administration Budget by appropriating additional revenues and expenditures provided by the Commission on State Emergency Communications in the amount of \$1,598,165.00 to fund the NG911 Program for the South Texas Region, including Jim Hogg, Starr, Webb, and Zapata counties, for a total biennium amount of \$7,195,515.00 for the period beginning September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2025. [2024-O-190](#)

**Attachments:** [Draft Ordinance.doc](#)  
[STDC-L FY24-25 MOF Revised 052924.pdf](#)

23. An Ordinance adopting the proposed annual budget for FY2024-2025 with the approved motions by appropriating the proposed revenues, expenditures and balances reported therein for the year beginning October 1, 2024 and ending September 30, 2025, consistent with the financial plan described in said annual budget (see Exhibit "A") and Holiday schedule approved by City Council at the public workshop on August 7-9, 2024 (see Exhibit "B") authorizing the City Manager to implement said annual budget. (As Amended) [2024-O-192](#)
24. An Ordinance of The City of Laredo, Texas, amending Chapter 2, Article II, Division 6 (Pay Administration), of the City of Laredo Code of Ordinances, specifically Section 2-87.7-Policy (C.)(12)(A.) by providing for a three percent Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) to the wage schedule and for all City of Laredo Employees effective [2024-O-193](#)

October 1, 2024; except Full Time Contract Employees, Interns, Cooperative Education Program Employees (Co-Ops), Elected Officials, Temporary Contract Labor Employees, and Firefighters and Police Officers Governed by the Terms of Collective Bargaining Agreement; providing that this Ordinance shall be cumulative; providing a severability clause; and declaring an effective date (As Amended).

**Attachments:** [Ordinance-COLA](#)

25. An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, amending Chapter 2, Article III, Division 3 (Leave Policy), of the City of Laredo Code of Ordinances, specifically Section 2-58. Holidays (A.) by amending an additional Personal Holiday, providing a total of three Personal Holidays for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 (B.) To include earned Wellness Incentive Days; and providing that this Ordinance shall be cumulative; providing a severability clause; and declaring an effective date of October 1, 2024 (As amended). [2024-O-194](#)

**Attachments:** [Ordinance - Personal Holiday](#)

26. An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, to implement a one-time increase of one percent to the base pay as a Tenured Achievement Adjustment Pay to all full-time City of Laredo employees who have completed one consecutive year of employment with the City of Laredo effective April 1, 2025; except full time contract employees, interns, Cooperative Education Program employees (Co-Ops), Elected Officials, temporary contract labor employees, and firefighters and police officers governed by the terms of Collective Bargaining Agreement; providing that this ordinance shall be cumulative; providing a severability clause; and declaring an effective date (As amended). [2024-O-195](#)

**Attachments:** [Ordinance - Tenured Achievement](#)

27. An Ordinance establishing a Voluntary Employee Retiree Incentive Program for employees who retire between October 1, 2024 through January 31, 2025 with the exception of employees subject to any Collective Bargaining Agreement providing for a repealing clause, severability clause, and an effective date of October 1, 2024. [2024-O-196](#)

**Attachments:** [Employee Retiree Incentive Program \(2024-2025\) Ordinance ACK Form VRIP 2024-2025](#)

28. 2024-O-197 An Ordinance authorizing the City Manager to amend the FY23-24 General Fund Fire Department's budget by increasing revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$1,425.00 to appropriate funds awarded by Texas Municipal League (TML) for the funding of repairs to unit 326. [2024-O-197](#)

**Attachments:** [2024-O-197 Ordinance - TML Funds Unit 326 - 1425](#)

29. 2024-O-199 An Ordinance authorizing the City Manager to amend the FY23-24 General Fund Fire Department's budget by increasing revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$3,847.00 to appropriate funds awarded by Texas Municipal League (TML) for the funding of repairs to unit #272. [2024-O-199](#)

**Attachments:** [2024-O-199 Ordinance - TML Funds Unit 272 - 3847](#)

## **XI. 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.

### **AIRPORT: GILBERTO SANCHEZ, DIRECTOR**

30. Authorizing the City Manager to purchase Excess Aviation Insurance for the Laredo International Airport, including coverage for General Liability, Terrorism Risk Insurance Act and War, with Victor O. Shinnerer & Co, Inc, in an amount not to exceed \$70,000.00 for coverage from October 1, 2024, through October 1, 2025. Funding is available in the Airport Operations Fund. [24-1800](#)

### **BRIDGE: YVETTE LIMON, DIRECTOR**

31. Consideration to award contract FY24-093 to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder Intercomp Company, Medina, Minnesota in the amount of \$341,794.38. This is for the purchase of load cells (weight in motion sensors) for Commercial Bridges III and IV. These load cells to be replaced are near the end of their useful life. Funding is available in the Laredo Bridge System Funds. [24-1700](#)

**Attachments:** [Intercomp Quote](#)

### **CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE: JOSEPH W. NEEB**

32. Authorization to remove standing City Council Agenda items for the "Report from the Internal Auditor" and the "Report from the Utilities Department" from the regular City Council Agenda and report on as-needed basis or when items of importance are needed from each department. [24-1825](#)

### **CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU: AILEEN RAMOS, DIRECTOR**

33. Consideration to approve contract FY24-091 with Zartico, Inc. Salt Lake City, UT., in an annual amount of \$62,500.00. Contract services include data hosting, data inputs from a variety of sources, including lodging, analyzed and reported through a dashboard. Funding is available in the Convention & Visitors Fund. [24-0658](#)

**Attachments:** [FY24-091 Visitor Data Dashboard - Zartico](#)  
[Evaluation Matrix - FY24-091 Visitor Data Dashboard](#)

**ENGINEERING: RAMON E. CHAVEZ P.E., CITY ENGINEER**

34. Consideration to reject both bids received for FY21-ENG-16 Fire Station 10 Fleet Annex Building located at 11015 McPherson Rd. The bids received exceeded the estimated budget amount. There is no financial impact at this time. [24-1729](#)

1. PATMO Services, LLC., Laredo, Texas  
Total Base Bid Amount \$3,999,999.00
2. Summit Building & Design, Laredo, Texas  
Total Base Bid Amount \$4,613,823.00

Refer to attached letter of recommendation.

**Attachments:** [FY21-ENG-16 Recommendation Letter COL Fleet Annex](#)  
[Supplier Response \(Summit Building & Design\)](#)  
[Manual Bid \(PATMO SERVICES, LLC\)](#)

**ENVIRONMENTAL: JOHN PORTER, DIRECTOR**

35. Consideration to authorize the purchase contract of a truck from Silsbee Ford, Silsbee, Texas for the Environmental Services department in the amount of \$48,097.00 through the TIPS USA Cooperative Purchasing Program's contract #210907 pricing. Funding is available in the Environmental Services Fund. [24-1751](#)

**Attachments:** [Tips](#)

**FLEET MANAGEMENT: RONALD MILLER, DIRECTOR**

36. Consideration to renew the six-month supply contract FY21-094 with Arguindogui Oil Company, Laredo, Texas in an amount up to \$100,000.00 for the purchase of lubricants for the Fleet Department. All lubricants will be secured on an as needed basis. The term of this contract shall be for a period of six months beginning as of the date of its execution. At the time contract renewal notices were received, there was no price increase during this extension period; price changes will be governed by an index made up of the composite posted prices in the Laredo area of those companies published in the daily publication of Oil Price Information Services This is the last extension period. Funding is available in the Fleet Management Fund. [24-1733](#)

**Attachments:** [Extension VII Renewal Notice Signed](#)  
[Pricing Table](#)

37. Consideration to award contract FY24-104 for the purchase of one 2024 GMC Yukon XL in the amount of \$80,566.00 from Powell Watson Motors, Laredo, Texas. The City received one bid through [24-1744](#)

Cit-E-Bid for the purchase of one administrative vehicle. This vehicle will be an addition to the current Fleet available for City Hall staff. Funding is available in the 2022 Certificate of Obligation Bond.

**Attachments:** [FY24-104 Bid Response PW](#)  
[Bid Tab](#)

38. Consideration to renew annual service contract FY23-021 to provide car wash services with the following vendors: [24-1747](#)

1. (Section I: Full Service Car Wash) - Power Car Wash and Detail, Laredo, Texas in an amount of up to \$35,000.00 (Primary Vendor);
2. (Section II: Exterior Car Wash Services) - Go Car Wash, Laredo, Texas in an amount of up to \$45,000.00 (Primary Vendor);
3. (Section II: Exterior Car Wash Services) - Power Car Wash and Detail, Laredo, Texas in an amount of up to \$20,000.00 (Secondary Vendor);
4. (Section II: Exterior Car Wash Services) - Aqua Express Auto Wash, Laredo, Texas in an amount of up to \$10,000.00 (Secondary Vendor).

The term of this contract shall be for a period of one year beginning as of the date of its execution and is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds. This contract can be renewed one additional one year extension period, upon mutual agreement of the parties. There was no price increase during the last extension period. Funding is available in the Fleet Management Fund.

**Attachments:** [Power Car Wash Renewal Signed](#)  
[GO Car Wash Renewal Signed](#)  
[Aqua Express Renewal Signed](#)  
[Pricing Table](#)

39. Consideration to renew contract FY23-080 with M & V Heavy Equipment Services, Laredo, Texas in an amount up to \$500,000.00 for the daily maintenance and repair service of all the City's landfill operational equipment for the Fleet Department. The term of this contract shall be for a period of one year beginning as of the date of its execution and is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds and compliance city code of ordinances. This contract can be renewed two additional one year extension periods, upon mutual agreement of the parties. Funding is available in the Fleet Management Fund. [24-1750](#)

**Attachments:** [M&V Renewal Notice Signed](#)  
[Pricing Table](#)

40. Consideration to award annual contract FY24-099 for the purchase of truck tires with the following bidders: [24-1764](#)

A. Section I - Southern Tire Mart, LLC, Laredo, Texas in an amount up to \$700,000.00 (Primary Vendor);

B. Section I - A6 Scientific Corp, Houston, Texas in an amount up to \$150,000.00 (Secondary Vendor);

C. Section II - Southern Tire Mart, LLC, Laredo, Texas in an amount up to \$250,000.00 (Primary Vendor);

D. Section II - Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company in an amount up to \$125,000.00 (Secondary Vendor).

All tires will be secured on an as needed basis. The term of this contract shall be for a period of one year beginning as of the date of its execution and is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds. This contract can be renewed three additional one year periods, upon mutual agreement. Funding is available in the Fleet Maintenance Fund.

**Attachments:** [Supplier Response \(Southern Tire Mart, LLC\)](#)  
[Supplier Response \(A6 Scientific Corp.\)](#)  
[Bid Tabulation by Supplier Spreadsheet \(65\)](#)  
[Supplier Response \(The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company\) \(3\)](#)

41. Consideration to award annual service contract FY24-101 to the following low bidders: [24-1765](#)

1. Section I - BTE Body Co., Irving, Texas in an amount up to \$150,000.00 (Primary Vendor) (Parts only);

2. Section II - Gutierrez Machine & Welding Shop, Laredo, Texas in an amount up to \$145,000.00 (Primary Vendor) (Service only);

3. Section II - Laredo Mechanical Industrial Service, Inc., Laredo, Texas in an amount up to \$145,000.00 (Secondary Vendor) (Service only).

for the purchase of Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) parts and truck service for the City's automated side loader trucks. The term of this contract shall be for a period of one year beginning as of the date of its execution and its contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds. This contract may be extended for three additional one year periods upon mutual agreement. All services will be secured on an as needed basis. Fund is available in the Fleet Maintenance Budget.

**Attachments:** [Supplier Response \(BTE Body Co.\)](#)  
[Supplier Response \(Gutierrez Machine & Welding Shop\)](#)  
[Supplier Response \(Laredo Mechanical Industrial Services, Inc.\)](#)  
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[Bid Tabulation by Supplier Spreadsheet \(66\)](#)

**PUBLIC HEALTH: DR. RICHARD A. CHAMBERLAIN, DIRECTOR**

42. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas, [2024-R-288](#)  
authorizing the City Manager to ratify the submission of a grant application to The Meadows Foundation in the estimated amount of \$90,000.00, with no match for the City of Laredo Public Health Department, for the Community Mental Health Recharge Center at Santa Rita, and further authorizing the City Manager to execute all documents resulting from the award of this grant. Any funding as a result of this application will be appropriated to the Public Health Department Fund.

**Attachments:** [2024-R-288.doc](#)

43. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas [2024-R-289](#)  
authorizing the City Manager to accept and enter into a continuation contract from the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) Title V Fee For Service Child Health Grant Program in the estimated amount of \$54,536.00, with no match for The City of Laredo Public Health Department for the term period from September 01, 2024 through August 31, 2025. Funds will be accounted for in the Laredo Public Health Department Fund - Title V Fees For Services Grant.

**Attachments:** [2024-R-289.doc](#)

44. Consideration to authorize the City Manager to purchase Air Quality Monitoring equipment, two Beta Attenuation Monitors, for the City of Laredo Public Health Department Air Quality Program in the total amount not to exceed \$62,000.00. Funding is available in the 2023 Certificate of Obligations - Priority Funds. [24-1767](#)

**Attachments:** [Met One BAM 1022 Quote.pdf](#)

45. Consideration to authorize the City Manager to purchase Air Quality Monitoring equipment, eight Polludrone Pro Sensors, for the City of Laredo Public Health Department Air Quality Program in the total amount not to exceed \$120,000.00. Funding is available in the 2023 Certificate of Obligation Bond - District Priority Funds. **24-1803**

**Attachments:** Intecon Polludrone Pro Quote.pdf

**HUMAN RESOURCES: LINDA TENIENTE, DIRECTOR**

46. Consideration to award a two-year professional services contract [24-1746](#)  
FY24-078 to ComPsych Corporation, Chicago, Illinois to provide an

Employee Assistance Program (EAP) and to authorize the City Manager to execute all contract documents. This program allows employees to receive employee trainings and confidential assistance in many areas without having to access their medical benefits plan. The City of Laredo provides EAP coverage to approximately 2,900 employees and their dependents. The types of services provided are: confidential counseling (stress, anxiety, depression, relationships, grief, etc.), financial planning, legal support, smoking cessation to name a few. It is estimated that the program will incur a cost of approximately \$52,548 per year and contract has option to be renewed three additional one year periods. The contract is based on a fee of \$1.51 per active employee per month. Contract has a five-year price rate guarantee and is subject to future appropriations. Funding is available in the Human Resources Risk Management Fund-Employee Health and Wellness Division.

**Attachments:** [FY24-078 - Evaluation Final Scores](#)

**POLICE: MIGUEL RODRIGUEZ, CHIEF OF POLICE**

47. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas, authorizing the City Manager to accept a grant in the amount of \$104,375.50 from the Texas Department of Transportation for Commercial Motor Vehicle Selective Traffic Enforcement Program. The grant period will begin October 01, 2024 through September 30, 2025; this grant is for overtime salaries. The City of Laredo will be responsible for the required match of \$32,356.41, from General Fund, for a grant total of \$136,731.91. Funding will be available in the Special Police Fund. [2024-R-286](#)

**Attachments:** [Traffic Safety Funding Approval Notification Resolution](#)

48. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas, authorizing the City Manager to accept a grant in the amount of \$109,459.00 from the Texas Department of Transportation for the Comprehensive Selective Traffic Enforcement Program. The grant period will begin October 01, 2024 through September 30, 2025; this grant is for overtime salaries. The City of Laredo will be responsible for the required match of \$33,932.29, from General Fund, for a grant total of \$143,391.29. Funding will be available in the Special Police Fund. [2024-R-287](#)

**Attachments:** [Traffic Safety Funding Approval Notification Resolution](#)

49. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas, authorizing the City Manager to accept a grant award in the amount of \$1,917,148.00 from the Texas Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority (MVCPA) for the FY25 SB224 Catalytic Converter Grant [2024-R-290](#)

for the period of October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025. This grant pays for salaries, overtime, supplies, training, technology, equipment, and the salary for a full-time Assistant District Attorney for the LPD Auto Theft Unit. The City of Laredo will be responsible for the required match of \$383,921.00, from General Fund, for a grant total of \$2,301,069.00. Funding is available in the Auto Theft Task Force Fund.

**Attachments:** [Resolution](#)

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

50. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas, authorizing the City Manager to accept the giving and conveyance of a 5-foot wide water utility easement for a two-inch waterline from Ejido Retail Partners, Ltd. to City of Laredo. Being a tract of land of 1,367 square feet more or less situated in Survey 2386, Abstract 3264, J & H Wormser original grantee same being out of Lomas Del sur Subdivision Unit XXIII as recorded in Volume 40, Pages 39, Webb County Map records. Said 5-foot wide water utility easement being more particularly described by metes and bounds in attachment Exhibit "A" and depicted on Exhibit "B". Easement has an intangible estimated value of \$3,637.59. [2024-R-224](#)

**Attachments:** [Easement Aggrement.pdf](#)  
[Survey.pdf](#)  
[5' Utility Easement.pdf](#)  
[Aerial.pdf](#)  
[RESOLUTION 2024-R-XXX.pdf](#)

51. Consideration to ratify an emergency Purchase Order (Requisition Number 463830) to Movac Equipment Company in the amount of \$79,287.77 for services rendered during an emergency repair of a collapsed manhole in the intersection of Pinder Avenue and Sanchez Street. Funding is available in the Sewer System Fund-2022 Sewer Revenue Bond. [2024-R-259](#)

**Attachments:** [movac statement.pdf](#)

52. Authorizing the City Manager to award a construction contract to the lowest responsive bidder, RAVA Construction, LLC of Houston, Texas in the amount of \$11,650,000.00 for the Jefferson Water Treatment Plant West High Service Pump Station and 30-inch to 36-inch discharge Line Replacement. The contract time is six hundred and thirty days (630) calendar days. Funding is available in the America Rescue Plan Act Fund. [24-1680](#)

**Attachments:** [Jefferson WTP WHSP Replacement Letter of Recommendation 2024-08-19.pdf](#)  
[Bid Tabulation - Jefferson WTP West High Service Pump Station Replacement.pdf](#)  
[Pre-Bid Sign-in Sheet Laredo Jefferson WHSP Replacement \(7-25-2024\).pdf](#)

53. Consideration to award supply/services contract number FY24-098 to the lowest responsible bidder Midas Contractors of Laredo, Texas in an annual amount of up to \$270,000.00 for the purchase of fencing repair services for the Utilities Department. These services shall be purchased on an as needed basis by the Utilities Department for repairs and new projects. The term of this contract shall be for a period of one year beginning as of the date of its execution. This contract can be renewed for three additional one-year extension periods, upon mutual agreement of the parties. Funding is available in the Waterworks & Sewer System Funds. **24-1696**

**Attachments:** [FY24-098 Bid Tab](#)  
[FY24-098 Contract](#)

54. Authorizing City Manager to purchase a 127 hp KSB submersible pump from sole source provider Pump Solutions, Inc. (PSI) of New Caney, Texas for \$66,250.00. This purchase is being done using the TIPS program, Funding is available in the Sewer System Construction Fund. **24-1723**

**Sponsors:** Arturo Garcia

**Attachments:** [QUOTE-PUMP SOLUTIONS](#)

55. Consideration to award a purchase contract with BuyBoard vendor Zone Industries/dba/ Precision Pumps from Spring, Texas in an amount of \$58,931.26. This purchase of two submersible pumps for the North Laredo Wastewater plant shall be made utilizing the BuyBoard Contract 672-22. These existing pumps were installed in 2010 and have reached their useful life. One of the pumps is needed for the influent station which is used to send sewage to a higher ground elevation. The other pump is needed for the effluent flows and effluent re-use irrigation at the Casa Blanca golf course and Laredo Country Club. Funding is available in the Sewer System Construction Fund. **24-1735**

**Attachments:** [Zone Industries BuyBoard Quote](#)  
[Xylem BuyBoard Quote](#)  
[Lewis Electric BuyBoard Quote](#)

**END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

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**XII. STAFF REPORTS**

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56. Presentation with possible action on status of all the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funded projects and any other matters incident thereto. **24-1328**
57. Discussion with possible action on ongoing audits and/or irregularities identified by the Internal Auditor including the potential assignments of other and/or additional auditing duties; and any other matters incident thereto. [24-1777](#)
58. Status report with possible action by the Utilities Department on the water, including but not limited to quality, infrastructure, level status, improvements, and any other matters incident thereto. [24-1792](#)

### **XIII. 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 551.087 (Economic Development). Following closed session, the open meeting will reconvene at which time action, if any, may be taken.

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

59. Authorizing the City Manager to execute Advanced Funding Agreement (AFA) No. CSJ-0922-33-227 with the Texas Department of Transportation in the estimated amount of \$1,359,800.00 including federal participation for an estimated amount of \$1,000,000.00, state participation for an estimated amount of \$207,300.00, and local participation for an estimated amount of \$152,500.00 including 100% of overruns for the City improvement of twelve (12) ADA Bus Stops and Bicycle Enhancements Project. In addition, an estimated Direct State Cost of \$50,000.00 for General Administration is included in the AFA 0922-33-227. Funding is available in the Transit Grant Fund. [2024-RT-28](#)
- Attachments:** [RESOLUTION NO. 2024-RT-28](#)  
[0922-33-227 Draft AFA 08.30.24](#)
60. Authorizing the City Manager to amend the FY2024 Transit Capital Grant budget by increasing revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$1,152,500.00 in order to fund the Texas Department of Transportation CSJ-0922-33-227 grant, upon approval of Resolution #2024-RT-28. [2024-RT-29](#)
- Attachments:** [Budget Table](#)  
[Resolution 2024-RT-29](#)
61. Authorizing the City Manager to accept and execute the Texas Department of Transportation State Urban Grant No. [2024-RT-33](#)

STATE-U-2024-LAREDO-00115 for Fiscal Year 2025 in the amount of \$670,150.00. This grant will cover the operating expenses for El Metro fixed-route and El Lift prevention maintenance. The grant period will be from October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2025. There is no local match required for this grant. Funding is available in the Transit State Operating Grant Fund.

**Attachments:** [STATE-U-2024-LAREDO-00115](#)  
[RESOLUTION 2024-RT-33](#)

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

**XVI. GENERAL COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

**62) A. Request by Mayor Dr. Victor D. Treviño**

1. Discussion with possible action to create a mitigation fund that will be used by the health department to create mitigation programs to balance our commercial prosperity with the environmental public health of our community and any matters incident thereto. [24-C-199](#)

**Sponsors:** Cm. Vanessa Perez

2. Discussion with possible action to create a city policy of giving preference to locally owned businesses if they are equally competent to perform work for the City. Especially when it comes to public works and utilities projects, or what the City deems appropriate and any matters incident thereto. [24-C-201](#)

**Sponsors:** Cm. Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr.

3. Discussion with possible action of placement of high quality sensor for purposes of collocation in line with City of Laredo Air Monitoring program, and any matters related thereto. [24-C-204](#)

**Sponsors:** Cm. Vanessa Perez

**62) B. Request by Council Member Melissa R. Cigarroa**

1. Discussion with possible action to examine the regulations that new industrial developments either maintain existing native vegetation or plant new native species, and to discuss methods for enforcing these rules, and any other matters incident thereto. [24-C-202](#)

**Sponsors:** Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

2. Discussion with possible action to have Finance report detailing the components of Council Member salaries, additional funds that support Council Members such as Travel and Promotional funds, the benefits received (including health and pension), and any other compensation Council Members may be eligible for, and any other **24-1834**

matters incident thereto.

**Sponsors:** Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa and Cm. Dr. David Tyler King

3. Resolution to request the Webb County Elections Office to open a voting site for this upcoming November 2024 election, including early voting, at TAMIU, and any other matters incident thereto. [24-C-205](#)

**Sponsors:** Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

**62) C. Request by Mayor Pro Tempore Ruben Gutierrez, Jr.**

1. Status update with possible action on a standard operating procedure when 501c(3)'s (Non-Profit) ask for the usage of the parking lot at the Uni-trade Stadium and/or Sames Auto Arena; and any matters incident thereto. [24-C-042](#)

**Sponsors:** Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez

2. Discussion with possible action, to instruct City Manager to authorize staff to install speed humps/speed tables on Sunset Drive, District V Priority Funds will be used for this project; and any matter incident thereto. [24-C-203](#)

**Sponsors:** Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez

**62) D. Request by Council Member Dr. David Tyler King**

1. Presentation with discussion and possible action from Rock Solid Trails related to their site visit and future concept plan for Laredo's bike trails, along with an update from Parks and Engineering on the plans for the Texas Parks and Wildlife grant for the Shiloh Hike and Bike Trails, additionally recognizing the Lagarticos Pedal Social Club, the cycling team that has selflessly been maintaining and providing upkeep to the Shiloh Trails for years and Bobby Morales who has been developing Mountain Bike Trails since the 1990s, and any other matters incident thereto. [24-C-194](#)

2. Discussion with possible action regarding possible traffic and safety concerns with the new plat proposal for Lot 1, Block 1, Lovett Industrial, and any other matters incident thereto. [24-C-193](#)

**Attachments:** [Plat \(PDF\) Replat Lt.1, Blk 1, Lovett Ind.](#)  
[Plat\(Google Earth\) Replat Lt. 1, Blk. 1, Lovett Ind.](#)  
[P&Z meeting Staff Report](#)

3. Discussion with possible action regarding the City's policies and outreach approach to engaging local schools for field trips and civics education, and any other matters incident thereto. [24-C-195](#)

**62) E. Request by Council Member Alyssa Cigarroa**

1. Discussion with possible action to amend the code of ordinances chapter 28 section 105 and any associated sub ordinances to allow [24-C-196](#)

food trucks and mobile food vendors in designated areas downtown and any other incident thereto.

2. Discussion with possible action to allow placing 2 of 19 low cost air sensors on city property to calibrate data for "Sensing Air Quality for Environmental Justice in Los Dos Laredo's" project, Funding granted at \$75,000.00 from U.S. EPA/NADBank as part of the Border 2025 initiative, and any other matters incident thereto.

[24-C-200](#)

**Sponsors:** Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez and Cm. Dr. David Tyler King

3. Discussion and possible action on an update from the Utilities Department regarding the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency updated guidelines for lead and copper monitoring for public drinking water. The new guidelines are known as the Lead and Copper Rule Revision (LCRR), this guideline was published in December 2021, and any other matters incident thereto.

[24-C-197](#)

## **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, September 11, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.