

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

City of Laredo

City Council Meeting

A-2026-R-17

Monday, October 19, 2026

5:30 PM

City Council Chambers

City of Laredo

Regular City Council Meeting

A-2026-R-17

The City Council will convene on October 19th, 2026 at 5:30 P.M. at City Hall Council Chambers located at 1110 Houston Street, Laredo, Texas and some members may participate via video conference.

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

TEXAS PLEDGE

MOMENT OF SILENCE

ROLL CALL

MINUTES

Approval of Minutes of:

October 5th, 2026

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.

RECOGNITION

1. Recognizing the Laredo Buzz Basketball Team for their outstanding achievement in becoming the 2026 City of Laredo A-Division Summer League Champions. The Laredo Buzz demonstrated teamwork, dedication, and athletic excellence throughout the 2026 summer season, culminating in their championship victory. [REC26-86](#)
2. The City of Laredo Mayor and City Council proudly recognizes Ms. Gloria Sanchez-Webber and Ms. Marie Webber of Hamilton Trophies for their dedication to the Annual 10K Guajolote Run, a beloved Laredo tradition celebrating 45 years of bringing our [REC26-90](#)

community together.

We extend our sincere appreciation for their commitment to preserving this special tradition and for helping create lasting memories for generations of Laredo families.

Thank you for keeping the Guajolote Run tradition alive!

3. The City of Laredo Mayor and Council recognize the Frontera FC youth team from Laredo, Texas, which was crowned the Copa Tigres 2026 champion in Monterrey, Nuevo León, Mexico, standing out among 24 participating teams. [REC26-91](#)

COMMUNICATIONS

4. Presentation by Mayor Dr. Victor Trevino, providing general comments on city matters, upcoming initiatives, and other relevant updates for the Council and the public. [26-2038](#)
5. Update from City Manager on the Homeland Security reinstallation of border buoys on the Rio Grande. [26-2040](#)
6. Report on site visit to Canizales Boxing Gym. [26-2041](#)
7. Update on previous City Council Resolution to coordinate with Webb County to utilize Casa Blanca Lake for storage of excess water for emergency situations in our community. [26-2042](#)
8. Update on previous resolution on regulatory framework on future permitting for businesses that are deemed high consumers of utilities and natural resources (electric, water, etc.). [26-2043](#)

APPOINTMENTS TO COMMISSIONS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

9. Appointment by Council Member Vanessa Perez of Jorge E. Diaz to the Arts and Culture Commission. [APPT26 - 71](#)

PLANNING & ZONING - PUBLIC HEARING & INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCE

10. Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by authorizing the issuance of a conditional use permit for an indoor bar only, outdoor on-premise alcohol consumption shall be permitted, on Block 854-A (Suite 19, 912 square feet) and Lots 1, 2, 7, and 8, Block 757-A, Eastern Division, located at 4501 and 4500 McPherson Road and 1302 East Taylor Street. (As Amended). [26-1882](#)

The item was tabled at the first Public Hearing. At the next Public Hearing, City Council made a motion to follow staff's recommendation to allow an indoor bar ONLY and prohibit outdoor alcohol consumption. However, during the Final Reading on

September 21, 2026, City Council made a motion to allow outdoor on-premise alcohol consumption.

Per legal advice, the item must return to Public Hearing because the proposed change from prohibiting to permitting outdoor on-premise alcohol consumption is a substantial change to the original decision.

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the proposed conditional use permit with the following modifications to the conditions:

1. Amend Condition No. 5 to replace the seven-foot masonry wall with a seven-foot opaque wall.
2. Eliminate Condition No. 6.

Staff supports the proposed conditional use permit for an indoor bar located within Suite 19 (912 square feet). However, staff does not support the proposed conditional use permit for outdoor on-premise alcohol consumption.

ZC-064-2026

District V

- 11.** Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by amending Ordinance Number 2025-O-154, which authorized a conditional use permit for Heavy Machinery Sales and Rental (Outdoor Display) on Lots 2,3,4,5, Block 939, Western Division, located at 3703, 3715, and 3717 San Dario Avenue, in order to include trucks and heavy equipment repairs.

[26-1884](#)

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the proposed conditional use permit amendment, and with an amendment to condition number 3 by striking “for private, non-public use only”. Staff supports the application.

ZC-076-2026

District VIII

- 12.** Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning the east 118.90 feet of Lots 5 and 6 (approximately 0.23 acres), less and except 0.017 acre (731 square feet) out of Lot 5, Block 2, Eastern Division, as further described by metes and bounds in attached Exhibit A, located at 617 Cortez Street, from R-3 (Mixed Residential District) to R-1A (Single Family Reduced Area District).

[26-1918](#)

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

ZC-080-2026
District VIII

- 13.** Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning approximately 41 acres, as further described by metes and bounds in attached Exhibit A, located east of Cuatro Vientos Road and east of Balcones Drive, from B-3 (Community Business District) and B-4 (Highway Commercial District) to R-1A (Single Family Reduced Area District). [26-1924](#)

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

ZC-078-2026
District I

- 14.** Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lot 4, Block 1343, Eastern Division, located at 2319 Market Street, from R-3 (Mixed Residential District) to B-1 (Limited Business District). [26-1925](#)

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

ZC-079-2026
District II

PUBLIC HEARING & INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCE

- 15.** A Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, authorizing the City Manager to amend the budget for the FY2026 Laredo Police HIDTA Task Force and the Rio Grande Valley (RGV) HIDTA Task Force by reducing revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$194,769.00 in the 2026 award due to deobligation from the agency. Both grants are funded by the Executive Office of the President, Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP) and High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA). Funding was authorized for personnel salaries, fringe benefits, overtime, travel, and operating expenses from January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2027. Funding is available in the Financial Task Force Fund. [26-1794](#)
- 16.** Authorizing the City Manager to ratify the execution of legal documents conveying to AEP Texas Inc., a 10-foot-wide easement. Said easements lie wholly within a portion of 18.0357 acres or land, more or less, being out of Abstract 3086, Porcion 29, J. Villarreal, Original Grantee and 14.8491 acres of land, more or less, being [26-1842](#)

out of Abstract 469, Porcion 30, J. F. C. Moreno, Original Grantee, Webb County, Texas. More particularly described by Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made part of; providing for an effective date.

17. Authorizing the City Manager to execute legal documents conveying to AEP Texas, Inc., two, 10-foot-wide easements for electric distribution lines at properties located in the Cheyenne Subdivision. These easements will facilitate a project to install lighting and cameras at both Haynes Recreation Center Chacon Trail and the Chacon Trail at Cheyenne Park. Said easements lie wholly within a tract of land containing 8.3233 acres described as Lot Number One, in Block Number Seven, Cheyenne Subdivision, Phase II; and a tract of land containing 7.22 acres described as Lot 12, Block 1, Cheyenne Subdivision, Phase V. This authorization includes the execution of all necessary documents and any actions required to effectuate the easements. [26-1843](#)
18. Public hearing and introductory ordinance authorizing the City Manager to amend the Laredo International Airport's FY 2026-2027 annual budget by appropriating revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$63,875.00 for the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Law Enforcement Officer Reimbursement Program (LEORP). The award granted to the Laredo International Airport shall be used to deploy sufficient LEOs in support of passenger screening activities at the checkpoint to ensure the safety of passengers and to counter the risks to transportation security. No local match is required; providing for severability; and providing for an effective date. [26-1974](#)
19. Public hearing and discussion of an ordinance concerning a voluntary annexation request by Jose Edmundo Ramirez, Jr., on behalf of Consolidated Towne East Holdings, Ltd., altering and extending the boundary limits of the City of Laredo to annex approximately 17.68-acres, more or less, tract of land located north of State Highway 359 and east of Serrano Road; providing for the effective date of the ordinance; authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract adopting a service plan for the annexed territory; and establishing the initial zoning of B-3 (High Commercial District) for approximately 3.03 acres of land, more or less, and R-1B (Single-Family High-Density District) for approximately 14.65 acres of land, more or less, as described by metes and bounds in the attached Exhibit A. [26-1931](#)

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the proposed annexation and the initial zoning of R-1B (Single Family High-Density District) and B-3 (Community Business District), as amended by the petitioner from the originally requested B-4 (Highway Commercial District).

Staff supports the proposed annexation and the amended initial zoning for R-1B (Single Family High-Density District) and B-3 (Community Business District).

THIS ITEM IS FOR PUBLIC HEARING AND DISCUSSION ONLY.
NO ACTION IS REQUIRED AT THIS TIME.

AN-005-2026

District III - Cm. Melissa Cigarroa

- 20.** Public hearing and discussion of an ordinance concerning a voluntary annexation request by Dr. Arturo Garza-Gongora, altering and extending the boundary limits of the City of Laredo to annex approximately 5.00-acres, more or less, tract of land located east of Bob Bullock Loop and north of E. Del Mar Boulevard; providing for the effective date of the ordinance; authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract adopting a service plan for the annexed territory; and establishing the initial zoning of R-1 (Single Family Residential District) for the subject tract, as described by metes and bounds in the attached Exhibit A.

[26-1940](#)

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the annexation and the initial zoning of R-1 (Single Family Residential District). Staff supports the proposed annexation and initial zoning of R-1 (Single Family Residential District).

THIS ITEM IS FOR PUBLIC HEARING AND DISCUSSION ONLY.
NO ACTION IS REQUIRED AT THIS TIME.

AN-006-2026

District VI - Cm. Dr. David Tyler King

- 21.** Public hearing and discussion of an ordinance concerning a voluntary annexation request by Radcliff Killam II, on behalf of Killam Development, Ltd., altering and extending the boundary limits of the City of Laredo to annex approximately 14.09-acres, more or less, tract of land located east of FM 1472 and Muller Memorial Boulevard; providing for the effective date of the ordinance; authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract adopting a service plan for the annexed territory; and establishing the initial zoning of M-1 (Light Manufacturing District) for the subject tract, as described by metes and bounds in the attached Exhibit A.

[26-1941](#)

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the proposed annexation and the initial zoning of M-1 (Light Manufacturing District). Staff supports the proposed annexation and initial zoning of M-1 (Light Manufacturing District).

THIS ITEM IS FOR PUBLIC HEARING AND DISCUSSION ONLY.

NO ACTION IS REQUIRED AT THIS TIME.

AN-007-2026

District VII - Cm. Vanessa Perez

- 22.** Public hearing and discussion of an ordinance concerning a voluntary annexation request by Radcliff Killam II, on behalf of Killam Ranch Properties, Ltd., altering and extending the boundary limits of the City of Laredo to annex approximately 5.15-acres, more or less, tract of land located east of FM 1472 and north adjacent to Killam Industrial Park; providing for the effective date of the ordinance; authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract adopting a service plan for the annexed territory; and establishing the initial zoning of M-1 (Light Manufacturing District) for the subject tract, as described by metes and bounds in the attached Exhibit A.

[26-1942](#)

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the proposed annexation and the initial zoning of M-1 (Light Manufacturing District). Staff supports the proposed annexation and initial zoning of M-1 (Light Manufacturing District).

THIS ITEM IS FOR PUBLIC HEARING AND DISCUSSION ONLY.
NO ACTION IS REQUIRED AT THIS TIME.

AN-008-2026

District VII - Cm. Vanessa Perez

- 23.** Public hearing and discussion of an ordinance concerning a voluntary annexation request by Radcliff Killam II, on behalf of Killam Ranch Properties, Ltd., altering and extending the boundary limits of the City of Laredo to annex approximately 25.85-acres, more or less, tract of land located west of Interstate Highway 35 and north of Killam Industrial Boulevard; providing for the effective date of the ordinance; authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract adopting a service plan for the annexed territory; and establishing the initial zoning of M-1 (Light Manufacturing District) for the subject tract, as described by metes and bounds in the attached Exhibit A.

[26-1943](#)

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the proposed annexation and the initial zoning of M-1 (Light Manufacturing District). Staff supports the proposed annexation and initial zoning of M-1 (Light Manufacturing District).

THIS ITEM IS FOR PUBLIC HEARING AND DISCUSSION ONLY.
NO ACTION IS REQUIRED AT THIS TIME.

AN-009-2026

District VII - Cm. Vanessa Perez

- 24.** Public hearing and discussion of an ordinance concerning a voluntary annexation request by Gary Jacobs, on behalf of Las Islitas Farms, LLC, altering and extending the boundary limits of the City of Laredo to annex approximately 42.47-acres, more or less, tract of land located east of FM 1472 and north of the Max A. Mandel Municipal Golf Course; providing for the effective date of the ordinance; authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract adopting a service plan for the annexed territory; and establishing the initial zoning of R-1B (Single-Family High-Density District) for the subject tract, as described by metes and bounds in the attached Exhibit A.

[26-1944](#)

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the proposed annexation and the initial zoning of R-1B (Single Family High-Density District). Staff supports the proposed annexation and initial zoning of R-1B (Single Family High-Density District).

THIS ITEM IS FOR PUBLIC HEARING AND DISCUSSION ONLY.
NO ACTION IS REQUIRED AT THIS TIME.

AN-010-2026
District VII - Cm. Vanessa Perez

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

- 25.** An Ordinance authorizing the amendment of Chapter 12, "Fire Prevention and Protection", Article V, Section 12-91, "Purpose and Schedule Fees", of the City of Laredo Code of Ordinances, related to the International Fire Training Initiative, to include fire departments from communities with an active Sister City Agreement with the City of Laredo, as well as cities, municipalities, or governmental entities covered under an active Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) or other formal cooperation agreement with the City of Laredo and/or the Laredo Fire Department; and providing for an effective date.
- 26.** An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by authorizing the issuance of a conditional use permit for an auto body shop (collision center) on Lot 5, Block 1787, Eastern Division, located at 2917 Market Street.

[2026-O-200](#)[2026-O-204](#)

ZC-070-2026
District II

- 27.** An Ordinance amending the City of Laredo's Code of Ordinance Chapter 20, Municipal Court, Article I, Establishment of the Court,

[2026-O-205](#)

Article II, Presiding Municipal Court Judge, Article III, Court Personnel, providing for updates, and alignment with the City of Laredo Charter, and further establish specific sections; and declaring an effective date.

28. An Ordinance amending the City of Laredo Code of Ordinances, Chapter 7, Article II, Section 7-20, "Administration", creating a section to establish the registration, approval, and authorization of third-party inspectors to perform building inspections within the City of Laredo; and to establish a non-refundable third-party inspector registration fee of sixty dollars (\$60.00); providing for the review and acceptance of third-party inspection reports by the Department Director or designee; providing for enforcement and revocation authority; providing for severability; providing for publication; and establishing an effective date. [2026-O-206](#)

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

29. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas, authorizing the ratification of the City Manager's acceptance of a reimbursable grant agreement with a project id of 70T01026T6114N210 from the Transportation Security Administration in the amount of \$63,875.00 for the Law Enforcement Officers Reimbursement Program (LEORP) for Fiscal Year 2027. There is no local match. Funding will be appropriated and available in the Laredo International Airport Fund Security Division. [2026-R-258](#)

CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU: AILEEN RAMOS, DIRECTOR

30. Consideration to approve the renewal of contract FY24-097 RFP MX Tourism Agency of Record to Ariel Agustin Rodriguez, d.b.a. ADS Comunicación in an annual amount not to exceed \$164,598.80 for Mexico marketing services including campaign design, public relations, account management, content & creative, media planning & placement, digital activation, production management, video production and website maintenance and support. Term of the contract is one year with the option to renewal for one additional one-year period, upon mutual agreement of both parties. Funding is available in the Convention and Visitors Bureau Department. [26-1686](#)

DETOXIFICATION CENTER: DR. SAN JUANA VIVIANA MARTINEZ, DIRECTOR

31. Authorizing the City Manager to renew Contract FY24-100 for Beverage Services with Coca-Cola Southwest Beverages LLC, [26-1844](#)

Dallas, Texas, for the Detoxification Department, to exercise an additional two year extension period. The extension shall commence on November 1, 2026, and end on October 31, 2028, upon mutual agreement of the parties. The contract extension will include a five percent (5%) annual increase in product costs, as provided for under the existing contract terms. The annual contract amount for the first year of the extension will be \$131,689.95, and the annual contract amount for the second year will be \$138,274.45, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$269,964.40 for the additional two year period. All other terms and conditions of the contract shall remain in full force and effect. Funding for this contract is available in the Detoxification Department budget.

ENGINEERING: ELIUD DE LOS SANTOS P.E., CITY ENGINEER

- 32.** Consideration to authorize the City Manager to execute the First Amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Laredo and Webb County Drainage District No. 1 regarding access and maintenance of drainage facilities, to add fourteen (14) additional maintenance areas and establish provisions for cost sharing for emergency and extraordinary repairs. There is no financial impact at this time. [26-1988](#)

- 33.** Consideration for approval of the selection of consultants for RFQ FY26-ENG-55, General American with Disabilities Act Compliance Services for Existing Buildings, Facilities, Other Amenities, and Proposed Construction Projects; and authorizing the City Manager to negotiate professional services agreements with the selected consultants for projects assigned on a rotation basis. The rotation list shall be effective for an initial term of two (2) years, with one (1) option to renew for an additional two (2) years, for a total term not to exceed four (4) years, beginning October 1, 2026, and ending September 30, 2030. Individual professional services agreements will be issued on a per-project basis, subject to available funding, with the scope, term, and compensation established for each respective project. Three (3) firms responded to the Request for Qualifications on or before Thursday, August 20, 2026, at 4:00 PM. The evaluation committee recommends the selection of the following consultants based on the final rankings below: [26-1829](#)

1. Slay Architecture Co., Inc., Laredo, Texas
2. Design Group International, Laredo, Texas
3. Davis Tobias Architecture & Planning, San Antonio, Texas

Funding shall not exceed \$100,000.00 per project assignment and shall be subject to available funding in the respective budget account, unless otherwise authorized by City Council. There is no financial impact at this time.

Consultant performance will be monitored in accordance with established guidelines. Any performance deficiencies may result in suspension of project assignments or removal from the rotation list.

- 34.** Consideration for approval of the selection of consultants for RFQ FY26-ENG-60, Mechanical, Electrical, Plumbing (MEP) Engineering Consultant Services for Existing Buildings, Facilities, Structures, Other Amenities and Proposed Construction Projects; and authorizing the City Manager to negotiate professional services agreements with the selected consultants for projects assigned on a rotation basis. The rotation list shall be effective for an initial term of two (2) years, with one (1) option to renew for an additional two (2) years, for a total term not to exceed four (4) years, beginning October 1, 2026, and ending September 30, 2030. Individual professional services agreements will be issued on a per-project basis, subject to available funding, with the scope, term, and compensation established for each respective project. Nine (9) firms responded to the Request for Qualifications on or before Thursday, August 20, 2026, at 4:00 PM. The evaluation committee recommends the selection of the following consultants based on the final rankings below: [26-1830](#)

1. DBR Engineering, McAllen, Texas
2. IC Thomasson Associates, San Antonio, Texas
3. Kimley-Horn Associates, San Antonio, Texas
4. Halff Associates, McAllen, Texas
5. H2MG LLC, San Antonio, Texas
6. KCI Technologies, Laredo, Texas
7. NRG Engineering, Corpus Christi, Texas
8. EED Engineering, Laredo, Texas
9. CSI Engineering, Houston, Texas

Funding shall not exceed \$100,000.00 per project assignment and shall be subject to available funding in the respective budget account, unless otherwise authorized by City Council. There is no financial impact at this time.

Consultant performance will be monitored in accordance with established guidelines. Any performance deficiencies may result in suspension of project assignments or removal from the rotation list.

- 35.** Consideration to authorize the City Manager to execute Work Authorization #1 between the City of Laredo and Webb County Drainage District No. 1 for the La Rosita Road Updated Stormwater Improvements, with an estimated construction cost of \$241,358.25; authorizing the City's fifty percent (50%) participation in construction costs in an amount not to exceed \$120,679.13, and an additional amount not to exceed \$20,000.00 for materials testing, [26-1992](#)

for a total City contribution not to exceed \$140,679.13. Funding is available in 2023 Certificate of Obligation Funds.

36. Consideration to award a two-year supply contract with Buy Board vendor, Cubic ITS, Inc., Laredo, Texas, in the annual amount of \$250,000.00 for a total contract value of \$500,000.00 for the purchase of traffic signal equipment controllers, detection systems, and traffic signal cabinets for the Traffic Safety Department. This two-year contract shall utilize the Buy Board Contract 803-26. The term of this contract shall be for a period of two years as of the date of its execution. Funding is available in the General Fund - Traffic Safety Budget. [26-1995](#)
37. Consideration to authorize the City Manager to execute a Work Authorization #2 between the City of Laredo and Webb County Drainage District No. 1 for the Emergency Repairs at Southern Development - Midtown Oil Patch Road with an estimated construction cost of \$222,030.00; authorizing the City's fifty percent (50%) participation in construction costs in an amount not to exceed \$111,015.00, and an additional amount not to exceed \$20,000.00 for materials testing, for a total City contribution not to exceed \$131,015.00. Funding is available in 2023 Certificate of Obligation Bond and 2024 Certificate of Obligation Bond. [26-2024](#)

FIRE: GUILLERMO HEARD, FIRE CHIEF

38. Consideration to ratify the purchase of 36 ballistic vests with accessories from Delta Fire & Safety Inc., HGAC Contract EE11-24, in the amount of \$114,644.88, with an additional estimated \$900.00 for freight, for a total cost of \$115,544.88. Item amounts and costs correspond to requisition 497827. Due to market volatility and fluctuating fuel charges, items will ship as they become available, and shipment costs cannot be accurately predicted. These ballistic vests are for response to high-threat hostile environments, specifically new FTE's, Academy 39. Funding is available in the General Fund- Fire Department. [26-1869](#)
39. Consideration to award a contract for the purchase of medications, medical equipment and supplies with vendor: Bound Tree Medical, LLC., Dallas, TX. utilizing the BuyBoard Cooperative Contract #804-26 in an annual amount not to exceed \$350,000.00 for a total contract value of two years of \$700,000.00. These purchases are used by the Fire Department-EMS on an as needed basis. Items include but are not limited to medication, medical equipment and medical supplies. The term of this contract is for a period of two years. Funding is available in the General Fund- Fire EMS. [26-1885](#)

PUBLIC HEALTH: DR. RICHARD A. CHAMBERLAIN, DIRECTOR

40. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas, [2026-R-249](#)

authorizing the City Manager to ratify, accept and enter into a continuation contract with the Texas Department of State Health Services Office of Border Public Health (OBPH) for the Healthy Border Grant, in the amount of \$9,500.00, with no match for the City of Laredo Public Health Department for the term period from September 01, 2026 through August 31, 2027. Funds will be accounted for in the Laredo Public Health Department Fund - OBPH Healthy Border Grant.

INFORMATION SERVICES & TELECOMMUNICATION: JOE C. RIVERA, DIRECTOR

41. Amending the current contract authorizing the City Manager to enter into and execute contract payments with AT&T Corp. for providing the 9-1-1 Network Infrastructure, service, network equipment, and FirstNet LTE Backup Network for the South Texas Region, including Webb, Jim Hogg, Starr and Zapata Counties, in the amount of \$439,729.52 over a three year period. Pricing is provided through the Texas Department of Information Resources, DIR-TELE-CTSA-002. Payments are for the period of September 1, 2024 through August 31, 2027. Funding is available in the 9-1-1 Regional Fund. [26-1838](#)
42. Authorizing the City Manager to enter into and execute a six-year contract between Eagleview Technologies, formerly known as Pictometry International, and the City of Laredo in an annual amount of \$122,775.00 and for the total contract value of \$736,650.00 to provide digital aerial imagery for the City of Laredo and Webb County. The contract includes six (6) flights (one every year). The aerial images will be used by 9-1-1 Regional Database and Mapping personnel, as well as the Public Safety Answering Points (PSAP's) to enhance the existing level of service. Pictometry International is a Sole Source vendor, and funding is available in the Regional 9-1-1 Fund. [26-1930](#)

LIBRARY: DANIELLE M. BURNS, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

43. Consideration to approve the Public Art Annual Plan for Fiscal Year 2027. Proposed projects will activate public spaces, reflect Laredo's rich cultural heritage, encourage community participation, and advance access to public art. Funding will be available through the Public Arts Funding, in an amount not to exceed the available Public Art allocations from the 2022, 2023, and 2024 Certificates of Obligation Bonds, together with remaining Public Arts Funding by District allocations from the 2019 Certificates of Obligation Bonds. [26-1696](#)
44. Authorizing the City Manager to submit an application to the American Conversation Project Curator Program for the American Conversation Project in Libraries, in the estimated total amount of \$600.00 per six month term, with no match for the City of Laredo Public Library Department for a six month term, from September 3, [2026-R-243](#)

2026, through February 3, 2027, for a total estimated amount not to exceed \$600.00; 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 in the Laredo Public Library Department - General Fund.

POLICE: MIGUEL RODRIGUEZ, CHIEF OF POLICE

45. Authorization to ratify the purchase contract with DANA Safety Supply, Inc, Harlingen, Texas, for the acquisition of emergency vehicle partition equipment for a total amount of \$103,613.60. The purchase of this vehicle equipment shall be made utilizing the TIPS USA contract number 240-102. Funding is available in the Public Property Finance Contractual Obligation (PPFCO) 2025. [26-1736](#)
46. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas, authorizing the City Manager to ratify the acceptance of a grant in the amount of \$2,960,074.32 from the Office of the Governor's Public Safety Office Homeland Security Grants Division (HSGD) for the purpose of funding the FY27 Texas Anti-Gang (TAG) Program. The grant period will begin September 1, 2026 through August 31, 2027; funding will be used to pay for costs associated with the operation of the TAG Center such as personnel, rent, contractual obligations, information system interfaces, equipment, training, supplies and direct operating expenses. This grant does not require matching funds. Funding is available in the Special Police Fund. [2026-R-227](#)
47. Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between SoundThinking, Inc. and the Laredo Police Department for access and use of SoundThinking's CrimeTracer Subscription Services platform (CrimeTracer). CrimeTracer enables authorized law-enforcement personnel to search, analyze and share Criminal Justice Information (CJI) and other law-enforcement records for authorized purposes in accordance with FBI and Criminal Justice Information Security (CJIS) policy. CrimeTracer access and use by the Laredo Police Department is available free of charge via Texas Anti-Gang Center funding provided by the Office of the Governor's Public Safety Office. [26-1927](#)
48. Consideration to authorize the purchase of Cellebrite software and hardware solutions via Carahsoft Technology Corporation in the amount of \$1,432,134.80 using DIR contract pricing via contract #DIR-CPO-5687. Cellebrite software and hardware is used for digital investigations conducted by the Texas Anti-Gang (TAG) Centers located throughout the state of Texas. Funding for the purchase of Cellebrite software and hardware for use in all TAG Centers is included in the FY27 grant award for the Laredo Texas Anti-Gang Center. Funding is available in the Special Police Fund [26-1981](#)

(TAG FY27 Grant).

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

STAFF REPORTS

49. Presentation by the Public Art Program Manager on the FY 2025-2026 Public Art Annual Report, including progress and the status of implementation of the Annual Plan approved by City Council on October 6, 2025. [26-1631](#)
50. Discussion with possible action to accept and approve reports/reviews presented by Internal Audit. [26-1970](#)

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.

51. Update on legal matters and the City's strategic approach concerning the proposed border wall and any matters related thereto. [26-2047](#)

RECESS AS THE LAREDO CITY COUNCIL AND CONVENE AS THE LAREDO MASS TRANSIT BOARD

52. Consideration to authorize the City Manager to upgrade a five year support service contract with Spare Labs in the total amount of \$277,205. This contract is for a web-based support service, for mapping, rider experience, dispatching, operation settings, and scheduling for the El Lift Paratransit Department. This purchase will be made utilizing a 791 Cooperative Purchasing Contract #791202309002. The purchase will be funded through the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Grant Section 5310 Grant TX-2025-107 in the amount of \$221,764 with a Local Match of \$55,441 80/20. Funding is available in the Transit System Capital Grants Fund and Transit Sales Tax Fund. [2026-RT-25](#)
53. Authorizing the City Manager to submit a grant application in the amount of \$538,162.00 to the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) for FY2025 Section 5339 Buses and Bus Facilities Program for the purchase of ADA digital monitors to provide real-time updates for riders, to cover the remaining balance for the Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) fueling station upgrade, and the replacement of security camera systems at both Transit locations (1301 Farragut St. and [2026-RT-36](#)

401 Scott). FTA share is \$430,530.00 and Local Match is \$107,632.00. Funding is available in the Transit System Capital Grant Fund. No financial impact at the moment.

ADJOURN AS THE LAREDO MASS TRANSIT BOARD AND RECONVENE AS THE LAREDO CITY COUNCIL

GENERAL COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Request by Mayor Dr. Victor D. Treviño

54. Discussion with possible action to adjust City Council meeting dates in November, and December to maximize public participation and avoid conflicts with election dates, holidays, and other scheduled events, and any related matters. [26-C-178](#)

Sponsors: Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr. and Cm. Vanessa Perez

55. Discussion with possible action to direct the City Manager, in coordination with Economic Development and the City Attorney, to develop and present a proposed tax incentive program to attract and expand grocery stores, bookstores, medical clinics, and other needed businesses in growing areas of Laredo that have historically experienced limited commercial investment, including South Laredo. [26-C-181](#)

Sponsors: Mayor Pro Tempore Gilbert Gonzalez and Cm. Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr.

56. Discussion with possible action to update the Veterans Affairs Committee's organization list and webpage by adding the following groups and representatives and removing groups: [26-C-185](#)

Add:

1. Military Veteran Peer Network — Randy Villanueva
2. Laredo College Veteran Services — Alberto Hernandez
3. Red Shirt Fridays — Jesus Segovia

Remove:

1. Catholic War Veterans

2. Disabled American Veterans
3. Korean War Veterans
4. Laredo Veterans Coalition
5. LULAC Veterans Council 777
6. Valor

Request by Mayor Pro Tempore Gilbert Gonzalez

57. Discussion with possible action regarding the identification and evaluation of a potential location to establish a connection between Independence Hills subdivision and Concord Hills subdivision for the development of a regional park, including potential access, connectivity and recreational opportunities; and any other matters incident thereto. [26-C-176](#)

Sponsors: Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa

Request by Council Member Melissa R. Cigarroa

58. Discussion with possible action to discuss the financial implications of the non-binding referendum regarding support for a pediatric hospital in Laredo, Texas and any other matters incident thereto. [26-C-172](#)

Request by Council Member Ricardo "Rick" Garza

59. Status update on the Lupita Cortez Community Wellness & Recreation Complex at Lyon Water Tanks; and any matter incident thereto. [26-1963](#)

Request by Council Member Ruben Gutierrez, Jr.

60. Status update, with possible action, on the ongoing construction of the Jovita Idar Pickle Ball Courts; and any matter incident thereto. [26-C-177](#)

Request by Council Member Tyler King

61. Discussion with possible action regarding the status of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department grant-funded Shiloh Bike Trails Project, designed by City engineering staff and being constructed by the City of Laredo Public Works Department, and the separate but coordinated Shiloh Bike Trails Design-Build Project with Nature Trails, LLC; including the anticipated November 2026 groundbreaking, coordination and integration of both projects into a cohesive trail system, project scopes, funding, timelines, and any other matters incident thereto. [26-C-170](#)
62. Discussion with possible action to direct the City Manager, in coordination with the City's Financial Advisor, Bond Counsel, and [26-C-182](#)

Legislative Affairs staff to evaluate opportunities to expand the City of Laredo's economic development tools through the creation of a Type A and/or Type B Economic Development Corporation while preserving the City's ability to complete planned improvements and future phases of the Buena Vista Sports Complex and support existing sports and entertainment facilities; such evaluation to include a review of existing Sports and Community Venue Sales Tax obligations, available funding options, potential state legislative changes that could provide additional flexibility, and a report to Council at a date certain; and any other matters incident thereto.

63. Presentation of an American flag flown at Al Asad Air Base, Iraq, during Operation Inherent Resolve, along with two certificates of honor recognizing the City of Laredo and its continued support of the men and women of the United States Armed Forces. The flag was flown by members of Bravo Battery, 3rd Battalion, 133rd Field Artillery Regiment, and aboard a U.S. Army MQ-1C Unmanned Aircraft System operated by soldiers of Task Force Albatross. [26-C-183](#)

Request by Council Member Vanessa J. Perez

64. Discussion with possible action directing the City Manager to develop an Ordinance establishing procedures and administrative authority for the write-off of uncollectible City debt and establishing a uniform policy for credit card and electronic payment processing fees; and any matters incident thereto. [26-C-179](#)

Sponsors: Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza

Request by Council Member Alyssa Cigarroa

65. Discussion with possible action regarding the creation of a Landlord Registration Program to improve the City's ability to identify rental properties and responsible parties, facilitate communication with property owners and managers, strengthen code enforcement, and promote safe and habitable rental housing within the City of Laredo and any other matters incident thereto. [26-C-153](#)

Sponsors: Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa and Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza

66. Discussion with possible action to receive an update from the City Manager and appropriate City departments on the status of amending Land Development Code intended to protect the community from the adverse impacts associated with data center development; and any other matters incident thereto. [26-C-164](#)

Sponsors: Cm. Dr. Tyler King

67. Presentation by participating members of the City Council regarding the Laredo Water Leadership Exchange sponsored by the Water Foundation, during which a Laredo delegation traveled to [26-C-175](#)

El Paso, Texas, and Tucson, Arizona, to visit with El Paso Water and Tucson Water, engage in peer learning discussions with utility leaders and technical staff, and participate alongside representatives of the North American Development Bank to share observations and lessons for Laredo.

Sponsors: Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa and Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza

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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 Tuesday, October 13th, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.