

CITY OF LAREDO CITY COUNCIL MEETING

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CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

1110 HOUSTON STREET

LAREDO, TEXAS 78040

October 19, 2020

5:30 P.M.



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

Approval of the minutes of

Citizen comments

Citizens are required to fill out an online participation form and select one of four options below, to assure all precautionary measures are taken to prevent the spread of COVID-19. Participation forms can be found at <https://www.cityoflaredo.com/comments/>. Comments are limited to three (3) minutes per speaker. Speakers may not pass their minutes to any other speaker. Comments should be relevant to City business and delivered in a professional manner. No derogatory remarks will be permitted.

- **Written Comments:**

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

- **Video Participation:**

Submit contact information on above link no later than 12:00 noon the day of meeting

- **Telephone Participation:**

Submit contact information on above link no later than 12:00 noon same day of meeting and stand-by for callback between 5:30 p.m. and 11:00 p.m. the day of meeting.

- **In-Person Participation:**

Submit Health Department Questionnaire by 12:00 noon same day of meeting; Pre-Clearance must be approved in order to provide in person Citizen Public Comment prior to meeting. If pre-clearance is denied, other above options are available.

VI. RECOGNITION

1. Recognizing El Metro on their El Metro Agency Safety Plan certification in accordance with the Federal Transportation Administration (FTA) Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP). El Metro's Plan is the Fourth Public Transportation Agency Plan to get certified from the entire State of Texas.
2. Recognizing Aileen Ramos, Convention and Visitors Bureau Director for being appointed to the Texas Association of Convention and Visitor Bureaus (TACVB) Board of Directors, which will allow for Laredo and South Texas to have better representation within the state association, and for also receiving the Texas Destination Marketer (TDM) designation. The TDM program offers education and training in 12 disciplines with emphasis on best practices in the tourism and hospitality industry.

VII. APPOINTMENTS TO COMMISSIONS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

VIII. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** authorizing the City Manager to amend the City of Laredo FY2021 Airport Construction Budget to accept and appropriate the Federal Aviation Administration Grant No. 3-48-0136-090-2020 in the amount of \$10,485,466.00. The purpose of this grant is to provide funding for the rehabilitation of Cargo Apron Phase 14 at the Laredo International Airport. No local match is required; 100% funded by FAA. Total project cost is approximately \$10,485,466.00.
2. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** authorizing the City Manager to amend the City of Laredo FY2021 Airport Construction Budget to accept and appropriate the Federal Aviation Administration Grant No. 3-48-0136-092-2020 in the amount of \$5,393,884.00. The purpose of this grant is to provide funding for the rehabilitation of Cargo Apron Phase 15 at the Laredo International Airport. The city's local match in the amount of \$599,321.00 is available in the Airport Construction Fund. Total project cost is approximately \$5,993,205.00.
3. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** ratifying the execution of a contract from The Meadows Foundation in the amount of \$150,000.00 to be used as a match for the City of Laredo Health Department (CLHD) Community Mental Health Grant Program and amending the FY2020-2021 Full Time Equivalent (FTE) Position Listing by adding one (1) Medical Office Assistant II, R30 position and one (1) Health Educator I, R29 position for the term period from September 1, 2020 through August 31, 2021. No grant match required.
4. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending the FY2020-2021 Full Time Equivalent (FTE) Position Listing by adding one (1) Medical Office Assistant II, R30 position for the City of Laredo Health Department (CLHD) Women's Health Preventive Health Services and Family Planning Program. Funding is available through the Health Department Budget through grant funds from Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC).
5. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** authorizing the City Manager to accept and enter into a contract with the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC), amending the FY 2020-2021 budget by appropriating revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$82,440.00 with a match of \$27,480.00 for the City of Laredo Health Department (CLHD) Breast and Cervical Cancer Services Program for the term period from November 1, 2020 through August 31, 2021.

6. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** accepting The Biennium Grant from the Commission on State Emergency Communications for FY2020-2021 and amending the FY2021 9-1-1 Regional Administration Grant budget by appropriating additional revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$583,784.00 to provide surcharge for the next generation 9-1-1 project for Jim Hogg, Starr, Webb and Zapata Counties for the period beginning September 1, 2020 and ending August 31, 2021.
7. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** authorizing the City Manager to accept a supplemental grant and amend the Financial Task Force fund budget by appropriating revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$65,000.00. This grant is funded by the Executive Office of the President, Office of the National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP), and High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) at no cost to the City. Funding will be used to pay overtime, fringe benefits, and operational expenses from January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2021 for the Laredo Police Department HIDTA Task Force.
8. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lot 11, Block 44, Eastern Division, located at 503 Corpus Christi St. from B-1 (Limited Business District) to R-3 (Mixed Residential District); providing for publication and effective date.

ZC-054-2020
District III

9. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lot 5, Block 2, San Isidro Business Park, located at 317 Crossroads St. from B-4 (Highway Commercial District) to M-1 (Light Manufacturing District); providing for publication and effective date.

ZC-055-2020
District VII

10. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning of approximate 20.09 acres out of 32.8117-acre tract conveyed to Robert Muller, LTD, situated in Porcion 18, Jose de Bustamante Original, Abstract 21, and Porcion 2143, Abel Morgan Original, Abstract 591, located at Southwest of Enterprise St., from AG (Agricultural District) to M-1 (Light Manufacturing District); providing for publication and effective date.

ZC-056-2020
District VII

11. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning at approximate 179.04 acres out of Porcion 15, Jose Prudencio Garcia, Abstract 53, located at South of FM 1472 Rd. and West of Wood Duck Dr., from AG (Agricultural District) and R-1A (Single Family Reduced Area District) to M-1 (Light Manufacturing District); providing for publication and effective date.

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

ZC-29-2020
District VII

(Recess)
(Press Availability)

IX. INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCES

12. Authorizing the City Manager to execute a lease agreement with the City of Laredo Police Department for building No. 374 consisting of approximately 22,776 square feet located upon a tract of land consisting of approximately 138,359 square feet out of Block 3 located on 712 Maher Ave. The lease agreement shall be for a period of five (5) years commencing on October 1, 2020 and ending September 30, 2025 with two (2) one (1) year options to extend lease ending on October 1, 2026 and October 1, 2027. Lessor agrees to abate the first 7 months of rent from October 1, 2020 to April 30, 2021 not to exceed \$64,200.00 for basic repairs needed at building No. 374. Monthly rent shall be \$9,400.00 starting May 1, 2021 and will be adjusted annually according to changes in the Consumer Price Index (CPI). Airport will be providing upfront repairs in the total amount of \$54,200.00.
13. Closing and vacating as a public easement, a section of 1200 Buena Vista Avenue Right-of-Way, in District III, South of Boulanger Street and North of Bismark Street, legally described as an undeveloped tract of land containing 18,521 sq. ft. (0.4252 Acre) tract of land, more or less, situated within the limits of the City of Laredo and Webb County, Texas, being out and part of Buena Vista, Right-Of-Way (South of Boulanger St. and North Bismark St. southerly right-of-way line) in the City of Laredo, Eastern Division, as recorded in Volume 7, Page 15 of the Webb County Plat Records. The City of Laredo reserves any and all apparent and visible easements recorded or

not recorded; hereof, closed as a public easement and providing for an effective date.

14. An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, amending Chapter 18 of the Code of Ordinances by adding Article VIII to establish a temporary parklet pilot program; providing for procedures and criteria for the granting of a temporary, revocable, parklet permit; providing that this ordinance shall be cumulative; providing a severability clause; and declaring an effective date.
15. Introductory Ordinance amending the City of Laredo Code of Ordinances Chapter 28, Streets, Sidewalks, and Public Places by adding Article X "Street Painting Policy" consisting on Sections 28-254 through 28-258, regarding the street painting permit process for the City of Laredo.

X. FIRST AND FINAL READING

16. **2020-O-135** An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, pursuant to Section 2.11 of the City Charter, amending the Public Health COVID-19 Emergency Ordinance by extending the Emergency Declaration of Local Disaster for an additional month, through November 16, 2020; providing for severability; and, providing for an effective date.

XI. FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

17. **2020-O-130** An ordinance amending the City of Laredo Code of Ordinances to allow for annexations to occur on a set schedule, twice per year; eliminating Section 2.7 "Filling Fee"; amending Section 24.62.8 "Zoning of Newly Annexed Areas".
18. **2020-O-131** An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, to include a voluntary drug testing process for elected officials of the City of Laredo; approving the voluntary drug testing form; providing a severability clause; and providing an effective date.
19. **2020-O-132** An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, Amending Chapter 14, Article I, Section 14-3 of the Code of Ordinances to provide requirements for multifamily dwellings regarding garbage accumulation and collection, requiring multifamily dwellings to require an enclosure of garbage container and requiring certain multifamily dwellings to install cameras to monitor illegal dumping; providing a severability clause; providing for publication; and declaring an effective date.

20. **2020-O-133** Authorizing the City Manager to execute a lease agreement with the Laredo Film Society for the use of office space located at 510 San Agustin Avenue, Suite B, Laredo, Texas 78040, for a term of three (3) years at an annual rate of one (\$1) dollar, contingent on satisfaction of City insurance requirements, providing that the Laredo Film Society shall be responsible for all costs related to maintenance, utilities, and property taxes associated with the leased premises, and providing for an effective date.
21. **2020-O-134** An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, amending Chapter 21, Offenses and Miscellaneous Provisions, Article V, Alarm Systems of the Code of Ordinances providing a waiver of false burglary alarm notification fees for nonprofit organizations; waiver of previously assessed false burglary alarm notification fees for nonprofit organizations; containing a savings clause; containing a severability clause; providing for publication; and providing an effective date.

XII. 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: STAFF SOURCE JEFFREY J. MILLER, AIRPORT DIRECTOR

22. **2020-R-161** Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a memorandum of agreement between the Laredo International Airport and U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) to reimburse CBP in the amount not to exceed \$57,334.40. Reimbursement shall be for information technology (IT) equipment and services to include all equipment, connectivity cost, installation, maintenance, and recurring cost in leased premises located at 4719 Maher Ave. Funding is available in the Airport Operations Fund.
23. Consideration for approval of selection and to negotiate with Aviation Facilities Company Management, LLC (AFCO) and 270 Development Group, LLC to lease, develop and/or manage various parcels at the Laredo International Airport. Six (6) firms responded to the request for proposal on August 14, 2020 and were reviewed/evaluated by an independent selection committee. There is no cost involved in this part of the selection and negotiation process.

24. Consideration for approval of award for a professional services contract to Hubpoint Strategic Advisors, LLC in an amount not to exceed \$124,000.00 for professional consulting services to conduct the Air Cargo Development Phase 2 for the Laredo International Airport. The term of this contract shall be for one (1) year. Funding is available in the Airport Operations Fund.

BRIDGE: STAFF SOURCE YVETTE LIMON, BRIDGE DIRECTOR

25. Consideration to authorize the purchase of a backup appliance for the Bridge System Toll and Customer Service applications as required for data backup and protection from Sequel Data System, Inc. from Austin, Texas through the State of Texas DIR Cooperative Purchase Contracts DIR-TSO-3763 and DIR-TSO-4167 in the amount of \$236,688.08. The appliance has a five year support for software and maintenance. Funding is available in the Laredo Bridge System Fund and the 2014 Series Revenue Bond.

BUILDING: STAFF SOURCE ARTURO GARCIA, BUILDING DIRECTOR

26. **2020-R-144** Authorizing and approving a fee waiver and a tax abatement agreement between the City of Laredo and Cohort Investments, LLC for a proposed project located at 3020 Santa Barbara street, lot 7; block 1883; eastern division that consists of a duplex, in accordance with authorized guidelines and criteria established for the Neighborhood Empowerment Zone (NEZ). This agreement will be for a five (5) year period and will abate taxes on new improvements for the purpose of economic development. The project has an estimated capital investment total of \$146,260.00, estimated annual tax abatement total of \$927.29 and estimated total fee waivers of \$1,931.00. Guidelines and criteria for the agreement are set forth in the attached agreement and information.

CITY ATTORNEY: STAFF SOURCE RENE C. BENAVIDES, CITY ATTORNEY

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT: STAFF SOURCE TINA MARTINEZ, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

27. Consideration to award contract FY20-085 to lowest bidder Ruby's Air Conditioning, Inc. for the purchase and installation of complete central air conditioning and heating units at 3220 E. Frost and 3019 E. Ash apartments in the total amount of \$132,373.00. Funding is available in the Municipal Housing Fund - AEP Texas Central Target Low Income Weatherization Program Grant.

ENGINEERING: STAFF SOURCE RAMON E. CHAVEZ, CITY ENGINEER

28. Consideration for approval of the selection of consultant for RFQ FY20-ENG-007 City of Laredo Bruni Plaza and Bruni Plaza Branch Library Renovation/Reconstruction; and authorization to negotiate a professional services contract. A total of nine (9) firms responded to the request for qualifications and the top four (4) consultants made presentations before the evaluation committee on September 23, 2020 via teleconference. The committee recommends to select JHS Architect & Munoz, Laredo, TX. There is no financial impact at this time.
29. Consideration for approval to award a professional services contract to Howland Engineering and Surveying Co., Laredo, Texas, in the amount of \$98,700.00 to provide laboratory, sampling and testing services of materials for quality assurance for the City of Laredo Tennis Complex at TAMU. Contract time is for the duration of the project. Completion date is scheduled for February 2022. Funding is available in the Sports and Community Venue Fund.

ENVIRONMENTAL: STAFF SOURCE JOHN PORTER, ENVIRONMENTAL DIRECTOR

30. **2020-R-157** Authorizing the City Manager of the City of Laredo to submit a non-urban outdoor grant application to the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department (TPWD) under the local park grant program for \$600,000.00, with a 50% required match contribution of \$300,000.00 and a grant request of \$300,000.00. This grant will allow the construction of a recreational wetland boardwalk at Chacon Lake.

31. Consideration to renew contract FY18-069 with ROMO Contractors, Laredo, Texas, in the annual amount of \$103,000.00. This is a service contract to provide mowing and maintenance of the Zacate Creek area (from Canal St. through the mouth of the Rio Grande River). The term of this contract is for a one-year period (12 months), subject to future appropriations, with the option to extend contract one (1) additional twelve (12) month period upon mutual agreement of the parties. Funding is available in the Environmental Services Department Budget.
32. Consideration to award contract RFP FY20-092 Disposal / Recycling of Electronic Waste-Scrap contract to bidder Tech Remove, LLC, Saint Louis, MO for an amount not to exceed \$45,000.00 annually. Service contract includes periodic pickup of the city previously stacked, palletized, and wrapped electronics. The term of this contract shall be for a two-year period; contract is subject to future budget appropriations. Contract has an option to renew for an additional two-year term, upon mutual agreement of the parties. Funding for this contract is available in the Environmental Services Department Budget.

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

33. Consideration to amend contract FY20-030 with Task Force Security, Laredo, Texas, by 25% for an amount increase of \$212,500.00 and an new contract with a annual total amount of \$1,062,500.00 for providing city wide security guard services at various municipal buildings/locations. The contract amendment is due to an increase in usage during COVID-19 pandemic. The term of this contract shall expire on February 18, 2022. The term of this contract is currently for a period of two (2) years, subject to future appropriations, beginning as of the date of its execution. Funding is available in the respective departmental budgets.

FLEET MANAGEMENT: STAFF SOURCE RONALD MILLER, FLEET DIRECTOR

34. Consideration to renew contract FY19-024 for the purchase of Ford Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) automotive parts for the City's Fleet vehicles with Sames Motor Company, Laredo, Texas in an amount up to \$150,000.00. All parts will be secured on an as needed basis. The term of this contract shall be for a period of one (1) year beginning as of the date of its execution and is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds. There was no price increase during the last extension period. This is the second of three extension periods. Funding is available in the Fleet Maintenance Budget.

35. Consideration to renew contract FY19-040 with Industrial Disposal Supply, San Antonio, Texas, in an amount up to \$75,000.00 for the purchase of Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) parts/service for the City's street sweepers. All parts will be secured on an as-needed basis. The term of this contract shall be for a period of one (1) year beginning as of the date of its execution and is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds. This is the second of three extension-option periods. There was no price increase during the last extension period. Funding is available in the Fleet Maintenance Budget.
36. Consideration to renew the existing annual service contract FY19-003 for the purchase of Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) parts/service for the City's Caterpillar heavy equipment currently awarded to Holt CAT, Laredo, Texas, in an amount up to \$350,000.00. The term of this contract shall be for a period of one (1) year beginning as of the date of its execution and is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds. There was no price increase during the last extension period. This is the second of four extension periods. All parts will be secured on an as needed basis. Funding is available in the Fleet Maintenance Budget.

HEALTH: STAFF SOURCE RICHARD A. CHAMBERLAIN, HEALTH DIRECTOR

37. **2020-R-162** Authorizing the City Manager to accept and enter into a contract with the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) in the amount of \$191,736.00 for the continuation of the City of Laredo Health Department (CLHD) Healthy Texas Women (HTW) program for the term period from November 1, 2020 through August 31, 2021. No grant match required.
38. **2020-R-160** Authorizing the City Manager to accept and enter into a contract with the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) in the amount of \$191,350.00 for the continuation of the City of Laredo Health Department (CLHD) Women's Health Preventive Health Services and Family Planning program for the term period from November 1, 2020 through August 31, 2021. No grant match required.
39. Consideration to approve the purchase of testing materials and supplies from sole source Fisher Healthcare in the amount of \$206,480.00 for COVID-19 testing for the City of Laredo Health Department Biosafety Level III Laboratory. Funding available in the General Fund COVID-19 Emergency Fund.

40. Consideration to authorize City Manager to negotiate and execute a consulting services contract with MD Media LLC, as the sole source provider, in an amount not to exceed \$95,000.00 to obtain consulting services necessary to open and operate a drug and rehabilitation detox center. The term of the consulting agreement will commence upon execution of this Agreement and shall continue for seven (7) months or one (1) month after the Detox Facility is opened, whichever is later.
41. Consideration to approve the creation of a Municipal Hospital Authority Ad-Hoc Committee to explore the feasibility of establishing and addressing the medical needs and its medical bed capacity of the community; and any other matters incident thereto.

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

42. **2020-R-158** Authorizing the City Manager to enter into and execute an Interlocal agreement, attached hereto as Exhibit A, between Webb County Appraisal District ("District") and the City of Laredo ("City"), to jointly contract with, and share the cost for, a qualified vendor to provide a digital Geo-referenced aerial imagery, GIS data, and associated tools and technology for the urban area located around the City of Laredo and Webb County. GIS Data will also be used by City Departments with GIS applications.
43. Authorizing the City Manager to enter into and execute a contract between Pictometry International, an Eagleview Technologies company, and the City of Laredo in the amount of \$477,687.00 (\$159,229.00 per flight) to provide digital aerial imagery around the City of Laredo and within Webb County. The cost for these flights will be cost shared with the Webb County Appraisal District. The contract includes three (3) flights (one every two years). The aerial images will be used by Regional 9-1-1 database and mapping personnel and 9-1-1 Public Safety Answering Points (PSAP's) or call centers to update the existing level of service. Funding is available in the Regional 9-1-1 Fund.
44. Consideration to renew contract FY17-010 to Best & Krieger LP for consulting services on any related telecommunication services in the amount not to exceed \$40,000.00 a year. The term of this contract shall be for a one year period upon mutual agreement of the parties. This is the third of four extension periods. Funding is available in the Information Services and

Telecommunication Department.

45. Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a one-year service agreement with Central Square Superior Public Sector, Lake Mary FL, for \$195,217.50. The service agreement is for software enhancements and maintenance on the financial applications residing on the City's IBM iSeries computer system for the period of October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021. Funding is available in the Information Technology Fund.
46. Authorizing the City Manager to enter into and execute a Memorandum of Agreement ("MOA"), attached hereto as exhibit A, between the South Texas Development Council ("STDC") and the City of Laredo for the Management of the South Texas Regional Radio System ("STRRS") and the Advance System Key ("ASK"). Term is for one (1) year beginning October 1, 2020 at an annual fee of \$40,000.00; payable quarterly in four (4) equal payments of \$10,000.00.

LAREDO ANIMAL CARE SERVICES: STAFF SOURCE HEBERTO L. RAMIREZ,
LACS DIRECTOR

47. Authorizing the City Manager to extend a contract for professional services with Sandra Leyendecker, DVM for veterinary services to include general health and welfare of the shelter pets, spay and neuter surgeries, vaccinations, emergency animal health care, and any other related matters at the Animal Care Services from October 1, 2020 to September 30, 2021, in the amount not to exceed \$150,000.00 per year. This is the first of two (2) one-year term renewals, contingent on funding availability. Funding is available in the Animal Care Services Budget.

PARKS & RECREATION: STAFF SOURCE JUAN J. GOMEZ, JR., PARKS &
RECREATION DIRECTOR

48. Discussion with possible action to issue a Parkland Site Reliance Approval for the proposed park shown in the Southern Development Master Plan.

POLICE: STAFF SOURCE CLAUDIO TREVINO, CHIEF OF POLICE

49. **2020-R-153** Authorizing the City Manager to enter into and execute a Memorandum of Understanding between the Laredo Police Department and the U.S. Border Patrol Laredo Sector for the purpose of establishing radio interoperability within the Real Time Crime Center (RTCC). The Police Department's participation is part of the combined law enforcement efforts for a better and safer community for the citizens with no cost to the City of Laredo.
50. **2020-R-156** Authorizing the City Manager to accept a grant in the amount of \$24,999.75 from the Texas Department of Transportation for the enforcement of Vehicle Occupant Protection during the "Click It or Ticket" (CIOT) Campaign. The City of Laredo will match \$7,749.92 for a total project amount of \$32,749.67. The traditional CIOT mobilization enforcement period has been rescheduled to Thanksgiving, November 16-29, 2020 due to COVID-19. This grant is to pay overtime salaries and fringe benefits for officers to conduct intense occupant protection enforcement in order to increase occupant restraint use in all passenger vehicles and trucks. Funding is available in the Special Police Fund.
51. Consideration to award contract FY20-080 to the lowest bidder RCC Roofing and Construction, Laredo, TX, to provide building repairs to Building No.374 located at 712 Maher Avenue, previously known as the Sanchez Oil and Gas Building, in the amount of \$69,400.00. This contract will include basic repairs and roof repairs needed at Building No. 374 in order to relocate Police Department personnel currently assigned to the LPD Annex, Building 60. Funding is available in the Laredo Police Department General Fund Budget and Airport Operating Budget.

PUBLIC WORKS: STAFF SOURCE JOHN ORFILA, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

52. Consideration to award contract FY20-093 to CMC Commercial Metals, Laredo, Texas as the Primary Vendor in an annual amount up to \$300,000.00 and Beaver's Source LLC, Laredo Texas as the Secondary Vendor in an annual amount up to \$100,000.00 related to materials purchased on an as needed basis by Public Works for construction and repair projects. This contract is for one (1) year with the option to renew two (2) one (1) year terms to purchase various construction related items (lumber, tools for concrete/construction, steel, rebar wire and mesh). Funding is available in the Public Works Department General Fund.

SOLID WASTE: STAFF SOURCE OSCAR R. HINOJOSA, ACTING SOLID WASTE DIRECTOR

53. Motion to execute a second amendment the professional services contract with Arredondo, Zepeda, & Brunz, LLC, (AZB) to provide additional services related to the permitting and transition of ownership from the Ponderosa Landfill to the City of Laredo in accordance with the rates specified on the terms of the original agreement in an amount not to exceed \$80,300.00. Total amount of the contract will be \$299,280.00. The original agreement was for \$148,980.00 and was subsequently amended to provide for additional services related to negotiations for the purchase of the Ponderosa Landfill in an amount not to exceed \$70,000.00. Funding is available in the Solid Waste Fund.

TRAFFIC SAFETY: STAFF SOURCE DANNY MAGEE, TRAFFIC DIRECTOR

54. Consideration to award contract FY20-091 to the low bidder PATMO Services LLC., Laredo, Texas in an annual amount of up to \$400,000.00. The vendor will provide electrical services necessary for installation and maintenance including materials, machinery, equipment, labor, and all other services necessary for the maintenance of street lights (not maintained by AEP) and traffic signal lights throughout the City of Laredo. The term of this contract shall be for a period of two (2) years beginning as of the date of its execution and is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds. This contract may be extended for three additional one (1) year periods. Funding is available in the General Fund - Traffic Safety Department Budget.

UTILITIES: STAFF SOURCE ART GARCIA, P.E., UTILITIES DIRECTOR

55. Authorizing the City Manager to approve Amendment No. 6 to the professional engineering services contract in the amount of \$45,900.00 to LNV, INC., Laredo for additional project management services required due to extended construction time for the 2.5MG San Isidro Elevated Storage Tank (EST) project. With this amendment, the total new contract amount is \$597,157.00. Funding is available in the 2016 Water Revenue Bond.
56. Consideration to amend annual supply contract number FY14-084 by 25% with the following vendors:
1. Chemrite, Inc., Buford, Georgia
 2. Brenntag Southwest, Houston, Texas
 3. Chemtrade Chemicals, Parsippany, New Jersey
 4. Polydyne, Inc., Riceboro, Georgia

for an amount increase of \$500,000.00 and a new contract with a total

amount of \$2,500,000.00 for the purchase of water and wastewater treatment chemicals for the Utilities Department. The term of this contract shall expire on December 3, 2020. Contract amendment is due to an increase in usage and to cover outstanding invoices and future expenditures until a new contract is awarded on November 2, 2020. Funding is available in the Water and Wastewater Treatment Division's Operating Budgets.

57. Consideration to approve Change Order No. 1 with a credit of (\$20,000.00) to the City for a revised total contract sum of \$189,380.00, acceptance of the completion of the project and release of final payment amounting to \$189,380.00 to Cactus Environmental Services of Dallas, Texas for the removal of wet sludge sewer debris from the aeration tank located at the Zacate Wastewater Treatment Plant. Funding is available in the Sewer System 2017 Sewer Revenue Bond.
58. Authorizing the City Manager to award a construction contract to the lowest responsible bidder, AZAR Services, LLC, Laredo, Texas in the amount of \$4,361,657.20 for the Eastern Chacon Creek Interceptor and Drainage Improvements Project. The contract time is three hundred and thirty (330) working days. Funding is available in the Sewer System 2019 Sewer Revenue Bond.
59. Authorizing the City Manager to award \$330,973.47 to Precision Pump Systems, Edinburg, Texas, for the labor and parts to repair a Patterson 24 RHC 2-Stage 10 MGD pump and a 600 HP motor for raw pump #1 at El Pico Water Treatment Plant Utilizing Buy Board Contract #589-19 for the Utilities Department. The scope of repairs is included in the background as determined by project engineer, Garver Engineering. Funding is available in the Utilities Department Water Works Construction Fund.
60. Authorizing the City Manager to execute an amendment to agreement between the City of Laredo and Square E Services, LLC relating to salvage wire at the El Pico Water Treatment Plant. Estimated net value of the salvage wire is between \$130,000.00 and \$150,000.00. Amendment provides that Square E will receive 70% of the net proceeds and City of Laredo will receive 30%. The City portion of the proceeds will be accounted for in the Water System Fund.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

XIII. STAFF REPORTS

61. Discussion with possible action on ongoing audits and/or irregularities identified by the Internal Auditor including the potential assignment of other and/or additional auditing duties; and any other matters incident thereto.
62. Status update on current COVID-19 information as presented by Local Health Authority and Health Director; and any other matters incident thereto.
63. Presentation by HUBpoint Strategic Advisors, LLC on the Air Cargo Development Study for the Laredo International Airport.
64. Status report on ReCode Laredo, the proposed Active Transportation Plan, and other future long range plans as presented by the Planning Director / Laredo & Webb County Area MPO Director.
65. Status update on the 2021 State Legislative Agenda for the 87th Texas Legislative Session; and any other matters incident thereto.
66. Discussion with possible action of city finances and operations due to COVID-19 in addition to preliminary and unofficial ending General Fund Balance; and any other matters incident thereto.

XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Council reserves the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any posted agenda item when authorized by Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices), and/or 551.086 (Economic Development). Following closed session, the open meeting will reconvene at which time action, if any, may be taken.

67. Attorney consultation pursuant to Section 551.071(2) of the Texas Government Code, to provide legal advice and counsel in connection with the City's rights, duties, privileges, and obligations under Chapters 143 and 174 of the Texas Local Government Code with respect to the ongoing collective bargaining process with the Laredo Police Officer's Association.

68. Request for Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.071 (1)(A) and 551.071 (2) to consult with attorney on potential litigation involving TransCore, LP. and/or on matters in which it is the duty of the attorney under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct as it pertains to the Bridge System Toll Collection System Maintenance Service Contract entered into on April 6, 2020; and return to open session for possible action.

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

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

69. **GENERAL COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

A. **Request by Mayor Pete Saenz**

1. Discussion with possible action in formulating a local and/or regional medical health plan to address the underserved short and long-term health care service needs; and any other matters incident thereto. **(Co-Sponsored by Council Member Dr. Marte A. Martinez)**

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

1. Discussion with possible action to instruct City Manager to authorize staff to install speed humps at the following locations under the Special Provision of the Speed Hump installation Policy and to authorize the use of asphalt type speed humps instead of speed cushions which is currently required under the policy and any other matters incident thereto. City Council District I Priority Funds will be used for this project.
 - **Speed Hump on 3700 Los Presidentes Avenue near United South Middle School**
 - **Speed Hump on Chacota Street between Cuatro Vientos and S. Ejido**
 - **Speed Hump on Earthaven**

2. Discussion with possible action on allocating \$27,600.00 of District I Discretionary funds for bleachers to be purchased through a partnership with the Boys and Girls Club to be placed at the main, south, and north west Boys and Girls Club; and any other matter incident thereto.

C. Request by Council Member Vidal Rodriguez

1. Discussion with possible action to consider to start the re-opening of all outdoor events and City parks; and any other matters incident thereto.
2. Discussion with possible action to assist all food banks with distribution throughout the City of Laredo; and any other matters incident thereto.
3. Discussion with possible action to instruct City Manager to authorize staff to install speed humps at the following locations under the Special Provision of the Speed Hump installation Policy and to authorize the use of asphalt type speed humps instead of speed cushions which is currently required under the policy and any other matters incident thereto. City Council District II Priority Funds will be used for this project.

- **Speed Hump on 200 Mauro Sandoval**
- **Speed Hump on 2800 San Luis**

D. Request by Council Member Mercurio Martinez, III

1. Status report with possible action on utilities and sewer line upgrades along Corpus Christi Street, and any other matters incident thereto.

E. Request by Mayor Pro-Tempore Alberto Torres, Jr.

1. Discussion with possible action regarding delinquent utilities bills, and developing a plan of action to assist those families facing possible water shut off through the COVID Relief Fund; and any other matters incident thereto.

2. Discussion with possible action to instruct City Manager to authorize staff to install speed humps at the following locations under the Special Provision of the Speed Hump installation Policy and to authorize the use of asphalt type speed humps instead of speed cushions which is currently required under the policy and any other matters incident thereto. City Council District IV Priority Funds will be used for this project.

- **Speed Hump on 3600 Sanders Ave. between E. San Jose St and E. Travis St.**
- **Speed Hump on 612 Ryan**
- **Speed Hump on 2600 N. Seymour Ave.**
- **Speed Hump on 4400 Seymour**
- **Speed Hump on 3400 Ash**
- **Speed Hump on 3000 Texas**

3. Discussion with possible action to have a District 4 district wide clean up; and any other matters incident thereto.

F. Request by Council Member Nelly Vielma

1. Discussion with possible action to establish Campaign Reform requirements and thresholds, periods for fundraising and limits in contributions and revise our Ethics, Lobbying and relevant ordinances accordingly; and any other matters incident thereto.

2. Discussion with possible action to instruct City Manager to authorize staff to install speed humps at the following locations under the Special Provision of the Speed Hump installation Policy and to authorize the use of asphalt type speed humps instead of speed cushions which is currently required under the policy; and any other matters incident thereto. City Council District V Priority Funds will be used for this project.

- **Speed Hump on 215 Colorado**
- **Speed Hump on 604 Martens**
- **Speed Hump on Cherry Hill between Aspen and Holly**
- **Speed Hump on 2632 Monterrey Loop**

3. Discussion with possible action to continue negotiations on secondary water sources request for bids in light of the civil unrest in Mexico due to the water debt deficits and environmental impact on the tributaries; and any other matters incident thereto.

G. Request by Council Member Dr. Marte A. Martinez

1. Discussion with possible action on improving the planning process for the City's Capital Improvement Plans; and any other matters incident thereto.
2. Discussion with possible action to announce and accept a donation from Trautmann Middle School who has advanced to the RGV FIRST Tech Challenge Regional Robotics Competition for their ADA Playground project and has fundraised a total amount of \$3,274.76 to move forward and take all necessary steps to have the City of Laredo open the first ADA playground in District 6; and any other matters incident thereto.
3. Discussion with possible action on the passage of an ordinance that would prohibit multifamily or commercial customers from potentially violating state and federal laws by charging tenants a monthly storm water utility fee in an amount that exceeds their equitable portion of the actual costs of service charged by the City of Laredo; and any other matter incident thereto.

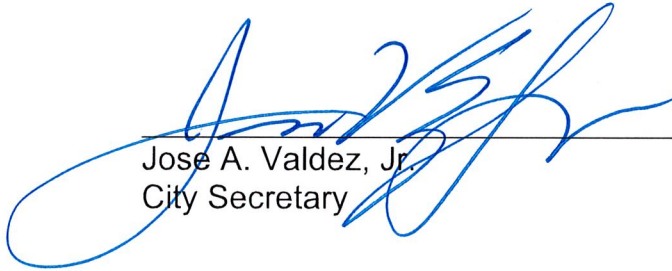
H. Request by Council Member George Altgelt

1. Discussion with possible action regarding an update on the abandoned building ordinance and the xeriscape ordinance; and any other matters incident thereto.
2. Discussion with possible action regarding an update on the status of City Manager's investigation as to the use of City, State, and federal funds (Cares Acts) monies for the South Texas Regional and Laredo Food Banks for the purchase of food to be distributed to the indigent and elderly and whether the Fire PAC/alias "La Union" misappropriated any of the said donations/food for their own benefit and/or the benefit of certain elected officials; and any matters incident thereto.
3. Discussion with possible action regarding the polygraphing of all council members and the mayor to submit to monthly polygraphs to

determine whether they've ever used their official capacity or exchanged their vote for anything of personal value (whether direct or indirect) in return; and any other matters incident thereto.

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 Friday, October 16, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.



Jose A. Valdez, Jr.
City Secretary

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