

City of Laredo

SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA

A-2025-S-08

Monday, September 15, 2025

5:30 PM

City Council Chambers

City Council - Supplemental Agenda

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Supplemental City Council Meeting
A-2025-S-08
1110 HOUSTON STREET
LAREDO, TEXAS 78040
September 15, 2025
5:30 P.M.

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.

I. FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

1. An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, providing for the adoption of a [2025-O-178](#) tax rate of \$0.506090 per \$100 of value for Tax Year 2025. This tax rate will have a Maintenance and Operation Rate of \$0.377599 per \$100.00 of value and an Interest and Sinking Fund Rate of \$0.128491 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 \$134,248,550 for Tax Year 2025 and Fiscal Year 2025-2026.

The taxpayer impact statement as required by House Bill No. 1522 is as follows:

	FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 CURRENT YEAR	FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026 PROPOSED
DESCRIPTION		
Total Tax Rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.507623	\$0.506090
Median Homestead Taxable Value	\$182,335	\$194,727
Tax on Median Homestead	\$925.57	\$985.49

II. CONSENT AGENDA

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE: JOSEPH W. NEEB

1. Consideration to renew contract FY23-062 with Akin, Gump, Strauss, Hauer & Feld LLP, Washington, D.C. to provide federal legislative and lobbying consulting services for the City of Laredo. The contract amount should not exceed \$240,000.00 annually. This contract shall be for one year, this is the second of three extension periods, to commence September 1, 2025. All legislative and [25-1639](#)

lobbying consulting services will be on a continuous basis. Funding is available in the General Fund.

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

2. A resolution of the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas authorizing the City Manager to ratify acceptance of a grant agreement in the amount of \$4,000,000.00 from the US Department of Transportation Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) , under the Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvement (CRISI) grant for the purpose of funding the preliminary planning, engineering and other work required for the subsequent applications for the grade crossing and grade separation improvements. Local match of \$1,000,000.00 from Texas Mexican Railway Company and The Kansas City Southern Railway Company accepted via Resolution 2025-R-142. Grant Funding is on a reimbursement basis. Funding is available in the Capital Grants Fund. [2025-R-235](#)

III. 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.

IV. GENERAL COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Request by Mayor Dr. Victor D. Treviño

3. Discussion with possible action to create a cooperation agreement with Mexico City to further facilitate our binational collaboration and international commerce with our largest trade partner, (Mexico) and any other matters related thereto. [25-C-159](#)

Sponsors: Mayor Pro Tempore Vanessa Perez

Request by Council Member Melissa R. Cigarroa

4. Presentation by the Laredo Climate Cohort and invitation to the September 17th Town Hall "Protect Our Climate Protect Our Future" at the Laredo Public Library, and any other matters related thereto. [25-C-158](#)

Sponsors: Cm. Dr. David Tyler King, Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa and Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza

V. 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 Tuesday, September 9, 2025 at 4:30 p.m.