

Resolution 2026-R-105

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAREDO, TEXAS, ACKNOWLEDGING THE SUBMISSION AND ADVANCEMENT OF COMMUNITY PROJECT FUNDING REQUESTS TO CONGRESSMAN HENRY CUELLAR IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$3,000,000 FOR THE LAREDO VETERANS COMMUNITY CENTER, SAN AGUSTIN PLAZA IMPROVEMENTS, AND A SURGICAL UNIT FOR LAREDO ANIMAL CARE SERVICES;

WHEREAS, the City of Laredo is committed to advancing projects that enhance public infrastructure, improve quality of life, and support the health, safety, and well-being of its residents; and

WHEREAS, the City of Laredo has coordinated with the Office of Congressman Henry Cuellar to submit Community Project Funding requests for Fiscal Year 2027 to the United States House Appropriations Committee; and

WHEREAS, these requests reflect local priorities and are consistent with federal guidelines requiring eligible public entities, a clear public purpose, and no financial interest by the submitting Member of Congress ; and

WHEREAS, the City has submitted the following projects, each in the amount of \$1,000,000, for a total request of \$3,000,000:

- Laredo Veterans Community Center
 - To construct a dedicated public facility that provides a safe, accessible, and welcoming space for veterans, military members, and their families, supporting community programming, essential services, and public engagement.
- San Agustin Plaza Historic Preservation and Infrastructure Improvements
 - To rehabilitate and modernize critical infrastructure within a historic public gathering space, improving safety, accessibility, functionality, and supporting economic activity and community use.
- Laredo Animal Care Services Surgical Unit
 - To expand and enhance the City's animal care services through facility improvements that support surgical capacity, improve public health outcomes, and increase access to essential animal care services.

WHEREAS, each of these projects represents an appropriate use of taxpayer funds by strengthening public infrastructure, enhancing service delivery, and benefiting residents, including low-to-moderate income populations; and

WHEREAS, the City Council recognizes the importance of pursuing federal funding opportunities to leverage local resources and advance critical community priorities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAREDO THAT:

1. The City Council hereby acknowledges and supports the submission and advancement of the above-referenced Community Project Funding requests totaling \$3,000,000 to Congressman Henry Cuellar's Office.
2. The City Council expresses its appreciation for the continued partnership with federal representatives in advocating for projects that directly benefit the residents of Laredo.
3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

Dr. Victor D. Trevino
Mayor

ATTEST:

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