

**CITY OF LAREDO
RESOLUTION NO. 2025-R-335**

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE CITY OF LAREDO'S PURCHASING POLICY FRAMEWORK TO ALIGN WITH RECENT STATE LAW CHANGES, INCLUDING SENATE BILL NO. 1173 AND ORDINANCE 2025-O-219, AND CONFIRMING PROCUREMENT THRESHOLDS, ADMINISTRATIVE AUTHORITY, AND LEGAL COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS.

WHEREAS, the City of Laredo maintains a Purchasing Policy to ensure that all procurement activities are conducted in a fair, transparent, and fiscally responsible manner; and

WHEREAS, on November 3, 2025, the City Council approved Ordinance 2025-O-219, establishing the Local Preference Program and updating the City's procurement thresholds to ensure consistency with state legislative changes; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 2025-O-219 incorporates revisions enacted by Senate Bill No. 1173, which amended Section 252.021(a) of the Texas Local Government Code to modify purchasing requirements for municipalities, including increasing the statutory expenditure threshold for mandatory competitive procedures from \$50,000 to \$100,000; and

WHEREAS, the City seeks to ensure that its Purchasing Policy remains fully compliant with applicable statutes, including Chapters 252, 2254, 2269, 2271, and 2252 of the Texas Local Government Code, as well as state requirements relating to conflicts of interest, historically underutilized businesses (HUBs), and prohibitions on contracting with certain foreign or sanctioned entities, and further complies with applicable federal procurement standards contained in Title 2 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), including but not limited to 2 CFR Part 200 (Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards), and any other federal regulations governing the use of federal grant funds; and

WHEREAS, updating the Purchasing Policy supports administrative efficiency, strengthens oversight, and ensures that procurement processes remain transparent, competitive, and aligned with best practices used by Texas municipalities; and

WHEREAS, the City recognizes that purchasing procedures require periodic administrative adjustment to reflect evolving operational needs, and therefore the Purchasing Policy must remain sufficiently flexible to allow the City Manager or designee to make non-substantive updates as needed.

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

Section 1. The City of Laredo hereby adopts the updated procurement thresholds and overall framework established in the revised Purchasing Policy, reflecting the statutory changes enacted by Senate Bill No. 1173 and codified in Ordinance 2025-O-219.

Section 2. All contracts or purchases of \$100,000 or more shall require formal approval by the City Council.

Section 3. All procurement activities conducted under the City's Purchasing Policy shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws. All City Departments should follow the internal procedures outlined in the Purchasing Policy to the extent practicable; however, operational adjustments may be made when necessary, provided such adjustments remain consistent with legal requirements and the intent of the policy.

Section 4. The City Manager or designee shall maintain and administer the Purchasing Policy and is authorized to make minor administrative or procedural updates necessary to reflect operational needs, provided such changes remain consistent with the purpose and intent of the program and applicable state and federal laws.

Section 5. This resolution supersedes any prior resolutions, policies, or provisions in conflict with its terms and shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AND APPROVED BY THE MAYOR ON THIS
_____ DAY OF _____ 2025

DR. VICTOR D TREVINO
MAYOR

ATTESTED:

MARIO I. MALDONADO JR.
CITY SECRETARY

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
DOAH T. NGUYEN, CITY ATTORNEY

AMBER HOLMES
ASSITANT CITY ATTORNEY