

Fire Fighters' and Police Officers' Civil Service Commissioner Gilberto L. Navarro

Chief Gilberto Navarro brings nearly four decades of dedicated law enforcement experience and public service to his role as a Fire and Police Civil Service Commissioner for the City of Laredo. He began his career with the Laredo Police Department in May 1979 and steadily rose through the ranks, demonstrating leadership, commitment, and professionalism at every level.

Throughout his distinguished career, Chief Navarro was promoted to Police Investigator in 1990, Sergeant in 1992, Lieutenant in 1999, and Deputy Police Chief in 2002. He later served as Assistant Police Chief beginning in 2004, a position he held until his retirement in January 2018. During his tenure, he also served twice as Acting Police Chief—first in 2007 and again from 2012 to 2013—providing steady leadership during transitional periods within the department.

Following his retirement, Chief Navarro continued his commitment to public service through his appointment to the Fire and Police Civil Service Commission in 2021.

He was first appointed to a three-year term from April 28, 2021, to April 28, 2024. In recognition of his continued service and valuable contributions, he was reappointed to a second term of two years from April 28, 2024, to April 28, 2026. Chief Navarro is now being considered for re-appointment to a third, two-year, term, continuing his dedication to supporting fair and impartial civil service processes.