

City of Laredo

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

A-2024-R-19

Monday, December 2, 2024

5:30 PM

City Council Chambers

City Council

**Recognition and Communication
4:30 P.M.**

The Mayor will be presenting the following:

1. Celebrating the Alexander High School Mighty Bulldog Band and Dazzler Team for their remarkable dedication and exceptional performances showcased at their recent competitions. Special recognition goes to the directors and coaches for their outstanding leadership and commitment, as they accept these well-deserved awards on behalf of their teams.
2. Recognition of the Alexander High School Football Team and Joe Fernandez for their outstanding football accomplishments at Alexander High School.
3. Recognizing the Sisters of Mercy for their 130 years of service to the Laredo community, spearheading the development of medical services in 1894 with the founding of Laredo's first hospital on Rosario St. and continuing that legacy with the establishment of the Mercy Health Clinic in south Laredo and the Casa de Misericordia Domestic Violence Shelter and Education Center. The Sisters of Mercy embody what true service to the community means and have given their lives in service to meet the mission of their founder, Catherine McAuley. She said, "Mercy, the principal path pointed out by Jesus Christ to those who are desirous of following Him, has in all ages of the Church excited the faithful in a particular manner to instruct and comfort the sick and dying poor, as in them they regarded the person of our divine Master...". With this mission, these Sisters of Mercy have shared their great love and compassion to our own "sick and...poor" all these many years, and for that the community of Laredo is blessed and honored to call them family.

**City of Laredo
Regular City Council Meeting
A-2024-R-19
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1110 HOUSTON STREET
LAREDO, TEXAS 78040
December 2nd, 2024
5:30 P.M.**

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

Approval of Minutes of:

November 18, 2024

VI. 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.

VII. RECOGNITION

1. Recognition of City Departments and employees for their work with successful 2nd Annual Laredo Marathon. [REC.-43](#)
2. Recognition of Jose Ollervides for his years of service at the City and as Mayor Dr. Victor Trevino's assistant. [REC.-44](#)
3. Recognition of AT&T for their continuous generous contributions to the community. [REC.-45](#)
4. Recognizing the Parks and Recreation Department, along with other City departments and employees, for their outstanding efforts in making the 2nd Annual Laredo Marathon a success. [REC.-49](#)

VIII. COMMUNICATIONS

1. The Laredo Police Department Explorer Post 468 traveled to Corpus Christi, TX, on Saturday, November 9, for the 8th Annual John Sartain Explorer Competition. LPD's Explorer Post 468 earned 3rd place in the Felony Stop scenario and 2nd place in the Traffic Accident scenario. These scenarios are designed to simulate real-life situations, helping to prepare the explorers for future careers in law enforcement. The explorers have been training and preparing for competitions for approximately six months. Sgt. Jonathan Castillo secured 1st place in the advisor's division physical competition for the second year in a row. Members of Explorer Post 468 include Lauro Arce, Arturo Arce, Yani Rodriguez, Brianna Robles, and Yareli Mora. The LPD Explorers Post 468, are under the direction and guidance of Police Officers Melissa Salinas, Roberto Vedia, Dora Jalomo, Jose Ceballos and Mario Gonzalez. [24-2176](#)
2. Insurance Services Office, Inc. (ISO) conducted a survey in collaboration with the Laredo Fire Department to assess Public Protection Classification (PPC) Results. Based on the initial information collected and verified during the field survey, ISO has issued a preliminary PPC 01/1X finding. The State Fire Marshal's Office will officially present the PPC classification to the City of Laredo. [24-2238](#)

3. Information on selection of Mayor for Peru trip, paid for by U.S. Stat Department, to highlight and share binational collaboration techniques that have been successful on the Texas border in order to advance border security, international commerce and democratic policies in the region. [24-2308](#)
4. Emergency Operations Director Report on Status on progress being made in relation to corrective action recommended by TCEQ. Specifically, the identification of aged infrastructure; proper staffing of utilities department; additional training and certification of staff, etc. [24-2309](#)
5. Recognition of Public Information Office for their recent recognition and awards. [24-2310](#)
6. Recognizing Council Member Alberto Torres, JR. for having served with great commitment and passion, always prioritizing the best interests of our residents and striving to make our city a better place for everyone. During his 8 years of service, in District IV, he has been a strong voice for education, public safety, infrastructure, and has worked tirelessly alongside fellow council members to address the needs and challenges we face. [24-2315](#)

IX. APPOINTMENTS TO COMMISSIONS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

1. Appointment by Mayor Pro Tempore Ruben Gutierrez Jr. of Alfonso Santos to the Fine Arts & Culture Commission. [APPT. - 116](#)
2. Appointment by Mayor Pro Tempore Ruben Gutierrez Jr. of Jesse A. Perez to the Transportation & Traffic Safety Advisory Committee. [APPT. - 117](#)
3. Re-Appointment by Mayor Pro Tempore Ruben Gutierrez Jr. of Joel Benavides to the Airport Advisory Board. [APPT. - 118](#)
4. Re-Appointment by Mayor Pro Tempore Ruben Gutierrez Jr. of Monica Reyes to the Animal Care Services Advisory Committee. [APPT. - 119](#)
5. Re-Appointment by Mayor Pro Tempore Ruben Gutierrez Jr. of Julia Rubio to the Citizens Environmental Advisory Committee. [APPT. - 120](#)
6. Re-Appointment by Mayor Pro Tempore Ruben Gutierrez Jr. of Omar Minhas to the Economic Development Advisory Committee. [APPT. - 121](#)
7. Re-Appointment by Mayor Pro Tempore Ruben Gutierrez Jr. of Leticia Guajardo Martinez to the Laredo Commission for Women. [APPT. - 122](#)
8. Re-Appointment by Mayor Pro Tempore Ruben Gutierrez Jr. of Esther Firova to the Laredo Commission for Women. [APPT. - 123](#)
9. Ms. Cynthia Sanchez appointment to Mayoral Blue-Ribbon [APPT. - 125](#)

Committee.

X. PUBLIC HEARING & INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCE

1. Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas repealing Ordinances 2000-O-295, 2010-O-139 and 2023-O-027 of the City of Laredo Code of Ordinances. Ordinance 2000-O-295 established the speed hump installation policy for the City of Laredo and further provided procedures and priorities for speed hump installation, removal, alteration, location, eligibility requirements and cost sharing criteria; Ordinances 2010-O-139 and 2023-O-027 amended ordinance 2000-O-295; providing for the following findings of fact: repeal of Ordinances 2000-O-295, 2010-O-139 and 2023-O-027; repealed, severability, codification and effective date, and finding proper notice and meeting. [24-1763](#)

2. Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance amending the City of Laredo Land Development Code, Section 24.77.1, entitled Dimensional Standards, to amend the minimum lot area requirements for "Duplex" and Appendix A, by amending "Duplex" in the list of definitions, and providing that this ordinance shall be cumulative, providing for severability clause, and providing for publication and effective date. [24-2026](#)

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the proposed ordinance amendment.

3. Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning approximately 3194.7 square feet out of Lot 2, Block 664, Eastern Division, as further described in meets and bounds in attached Exhibit A, located at 1215 Ryan Street, from R-3 (Mixed Residential District) to B-3 (Community Business District). [24-2095](#)

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the proposed zone change and staff does not support the application.

ZC-075-2024
District IV

4. Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lot 9, Block 274, Eastern Division, located at 2010 Springfield Avenue, from R-3 (Mixed Residential District) to B-1 (Limited Business District) [24-2244](#)

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended denial of the proposed zone change and staff supports the application.

ZC-078-2024
District VIII

5. Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance authorizing the City Manager to create twenty-five police cadet full time equivalent (FTE) positions under the COPS Hiring Program (CHP). The City of Laredo was recently awarded funding from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Service (COPS) Program to hire twenty-five new police officers for a period of three years. Funding is available under the Special Police Fund - COPS Hiring Program. [24-2147](#)
6. Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, authorizing the City Manager to accept and enter into a contract from the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio (UTHSCSA) through the National Institutes of Aging (NIA) for the UTHSCSA SARS Alzheimer's Grant, amending the FY2024-2025 budget by appropriating revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$224,786.00, with no match for the City of Laredo Public Health Department, and amend the FY2024-2025 full time equivalent (FTE) Position Listing by creating one Program Coordinator, 207 position and one Public Health Technician, 206 position, for the term from August 1, 2024 through July 31, 2025. Funds will be accounted for in the Laredo Public Health Department Fund - UTHSCSA SARS Alzheimer's Grant. [24-2219](#)
7. An Ordinance of the City Of Laredo Texas, amending Chapter Four "Airport", Article I, "In General", Section 4-14.5 "Security Fees", of the City Of Laredo Code Of Ordinances, by updating security fees for services conducted by the Airport Security Division in an effort to offset operating costs for said services and to enhance the flow of revenue for Airport Operations; and providing for an effective date. [24-2235](#)
8. Authorizing the City Manager to amend the FY24-25 Environmental budget by appropriating revenues and expenses by \$106,433.00. This revenue is from Insurance Proceeds under the Environmental Fund. [24-2246](#)
9. Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance authorizing the City Manager to accept a grant, approve a program, and appropriate funds from the State of Texas Office of the Governor (OOG) Public Safety Office for the FY 2025 Border Zone Fire Department (BZFD) grant and amend the FY 24-25 General Fund Budget by increasing revenues and expenses in the amount of \$249,325.02 with no match. The funds will be used to purchase Fire/EMS rescue equipment for the Laredo Fire Department for the grant performance period of September 1, 2024-October 31, 2025. Funding will be available in the Special Fire Grants Fund. [24-2173](#)

10. Public Hearing Providing community residents an opportunity to comment on the 2023-2024 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) prepared by the Department of Community Development which identifies the activities undertaken by the City of Laredo and participating non-profit organizations and agencies in support of the City's housing and non-housing strategies and the objectives outlined in the 2023 Annual Consolidated Plan. [24-2184](#)

(Recess)
(Press Availability)

XI. INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCES

11. Authorizing the City Manager to execute a lease agreement between the City of Laredo and the Laredo Little Theater for a property located at 4802 Thomas Avenue, constituting of approximately 5,801 square feet of building space. Lease term shall be for five years commencing on the date of execution. Tenant is hereby granted two options to extend this lease for an additional five years per option upon mutual written agreement between both parties. The monthly rent shall be \$900.00 and will be adjusted annually according to changes in the Consumer Price Index (CPI); providing for severability; and providing for an effective date. [24-2037](#)
12. An Ordinance of the City of Laredo Texas, amending Chapter Four "Airport", Article I, "In General", Section 4-1 "Municipal Airport Named As Designated", of the City of Laredo Code Of Ordinances, by properly designating and naming the former Laredo Airforce Base Aeronautical Facility to appropriately reflect its current designation on The National Plan Of Integrated Airport Systems as the "Laredo International Airport; providing for publication; providing for an effective date. [24-2204](#)
13. Authorizing the City Manager to amend the City of Laredo FY2024-25 Max A. Mandel Municipal Golf Course budget by appropriating revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$1,156,663.20 which includes base payment of \$1,019,807.75 plus interest of \$136,855.45. Funding is available in the Max Mandel Golf Course Fund. The funds will be used for the lease purchase contract of the mowing equipment necessary to maintain the golf course. [24-2232](#)
14. An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, amending Chapter 2, Article II, Division 2, Section 2-16(c) of the Code of Ordinances to remove the word "exclusive" as it imposes an unnecessary restriction not contemplated by the City Charter and this restrictive language limits the City's ability to exercise discretion in [24-2285](#)

extraordinary circumstances.

XII. FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

- 15.** An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, amending Chapter 2, Article II, Division 6 (Pay Administration), of the City of Laredo Code of Ordinances, specifically Section 2-87.7 policy by amending Section (c)(8) and adding (c)(9) for purposes of giving the city manager the authority to make determinations regarding compensation to employees for exceptional performance and contributions during emergencies. [2024-O-269](#)
- 16.** Authorizing the City Manager to amend the FY 24-25 Water Availability Fund's budget by approving a draw down from fund balance and appropriating expenses in the amount of \$3,137,164.00 to cover the Goodwill Rebate and Small Business Assistance program related to the October 2024 water boil notice incident. [2024-O-255](#)
- 17.** An ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas amending Chapter 31 (utilities), ARTICLE III, (water), Division 3 (rates and charges), Section 31-141 (water availability) (f); providing for publication and an effective date. [2024-O-256](#)
- 18.** An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lot 15, Block 1, Troon Subdivision, Unit 1, located at 1220 Lyles Loop, from R-1 (Single Family Residential District) to R-S (Residential Suburban District). [2024-O-257](#)
- ZC-085-2024
District VI
- 19.** An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning approximately 348.2 acres, located south of Beltway Parkway and west of Interstate 35, from AG (Agricultural District) to M-1 (Light Manufacturing District). [2024-O-258](#)
- ZC-080-2024
District VII
- 20.** An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning approximately 5.6 acres, as further described by metes and bounds in attached Exhibit A, located at 20881 FM 1472, from AG (Agricultural District) to M-1 (Light Manufacturing District). [2024-O-259](#)
- ZC-070-2024
District VII

- 21.** An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning approximately 12.1 acres, located north of FM 1472 and east of Man United Street, from AG (Agricultural District) and B-4 (Highway Commercial District) to M-1 (Light Manufacturing District). [2024-O-260](#)
- ZC-083-2024
District VII
- 22.** An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning approximately 0.87 acres, as further described by metes and bounds in attached Exhibit A, located at 20889 FM 1472, from AG (Agricultural District) to M-1 (Light Manufacturing District). [2024-O-261](#)
- ZC-094-2024
District VII
- 23.** An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lot 4 and the East 1/3 of Lot 3, Block 426, Eastern Division, as further described by metes and bounds in attached Exhibit A, located at 119 East Saunders Street, from B-3 (Community Business District) to B-4 (Highway Commercial District). [2024-O-262](#)
- ZC-086-2024
District IV
- 24.** An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by authorizing the issuance of a special use permit for a restaurant serving alcohol on building 1G, Falcon Centre out of Lot 3, Block 1, Del Mar North Filing Number One, located at 7718 McPherson Road, Suite 106 (2,348 square feet). [2024-O-263](#)
- ZC-079-2024
District V
- 25.** An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning approximately 4.0 acres, as further described by metes and bounds in attached Exhibit A, located north of Manzanillo Street and west of Cuatro Vientos Road, from R-1 (Single Family Residential District) to R-2 (Multi-Family Residential District). [2024-O-264](#)
- ZC-090-2024
District I
- 26.** An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, amending the Zoning [2024-O-265](#)
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Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning approximately 11.9 acres, as further described by metes and bounds in attached Exhibit A, located north of Manzanillo Street and west of Cuatro Vientos Road, from R-1 (Single Family Residential District) to R-1B (Single Family High Density Residential District).

ZC-091-2024
District I

- 27.** An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lot 5, Block 1, D&J Alexander, Phase 15, Alexander Crossing Plaza, Lot 5, Block 1 and Lot 5, Block 2, located at 7505 Raymond Chandler Drive, from B-3 (Community Business District) and B-1 (Limited Business District) to R-1B (Single Family High Density District). [2024-O-266](#)

ZC-092-2024
District V

- 28.** An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning approximately 8.7 acres, as further described by metes and bounds in attached Exhibit A, located south of Felicity Drive and west of Cuatro Vientos Road, from R-1 (Single Family Residential District) to R-1B (Single Family High Density District). [2024-O-267](#)

ZC-089-2024
District I

- 29.** An Ordinance authorizing the City Manager to execute all documents necessary to complete the sale of the “surface only” of closed section of Urbahn Avenue at its appraised fair market value of \$21,000 to Adrian Golarte Jr. Described as a 0.18 tract section of Urbahn Avenue R.O.W. between Santa Clara Street and Pecan Street, said 0.18-acre tract of land between Block 209 and Block 208 is situated in District II, Eastern Division, City of Laredo, Webb County. The City of Laredo reserves any and all visible and apparent easements recorded or not recorded; approving and providing for an effective date. [2024-O-270](#)

- 30.** An Ordinance authorizing the City Manager to execute all documents necessary to complete the sale of the “surface only” of closed section of Urbahn Avenue at its appraised fair market value of \$21,000 to Dwain Ries Landrum. Described as a 0.18 tract section of Urbahn Avenue R.O.W. between Santa Clara Street and Pecan Street, said 0.18 acre tract of land between Block 209 and Block 208 is situated in District II, Eastern Division, City of Laredo, Webb County. The City of Laredo reserves any and all apparent easements recorded or not recorded; approving and providing for [2024-O-271](#)

an effective date.

31. An Ordinance authorizing the City Manager to execute an airline lease agreement between the City of Laredo and Aerotransportes Rafilher S.A. de C.V., d/b/a Aerus, San Luis Potosi, México, for exclusive use space and joint use space located at 5210 Bob Bullock Loop at the Laredo International Airport terminal building, to conduct commercial air transportation services. The proposed lease term is for one year commencing on November 1, 2024 and ending on October 31, 2025, with an option to renew for one additional year. As an incentive for new air service, the city agrees to waive 100% of the airline's rent, landing fees, and FIS fee obligations for the first 12 consecutive months of the airline's flights to the Laredo International Airport. [2024-O-272](#)

XIII. 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: GILBERTO SANCHEZ, DIRECTOR

32. Consideration to purchase two 2025 Ford Police Interceptor SUV's in the amount of \$123,969.50 from Silsbee Ford, Silsbee, TX and one 2025 Toyota Highlander in the amount of \$42,690.00 from Silsbee Toyota, Inc., Silsbee, TX for a total amount of \$166,659.50 through TIPS USA Contract No. 210907. Funding is available in the Laredo International Airport Operations Fund. [24-2200](#)
33. Consideration to enter into a service agreement with HI-LITE Airfield Services, LLC, Adams Center, NY, for a cumulative amount of \$55,720.00 for the Laredo International Airport. Services rendered included water blasting rubber without chemicals, mobilization, and rubber removal-crew/equipment; services are obtained using Sourcewell Cooperative Contract #110122-HLA (Exp. 01/13/2027). Funding for this contract is available in the Laredo International Airport Fund. [24-2201](#)
34. Consideration to approve contract renewal of FY22-082 with Vector Airport Systems, Herndon, VA in an amount not to exceed \$150,000.00 per year which includes percentage range (4% to 17%), charted at the point of billing all aircraft landing fees for Flight Tracking/Automatic Billing System. The term of this contract shall be for a period of one year and is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds. This contract can be renewed four additional one year extensions, upon mutual agreement of the parties. Funding is available in the Laredo International Airport Fund. [24-2202](#)
35. Authorizing the City Manager to execute a lease agreement between the City of Laredo and the Adex Trading, Inc., for a property located at 2015 Pappas, constituting of approximately [24-2224](#)

97,183 square feet of land, including approximately 28,366 square feet of building space known as Building No. 1315. Lease term shall be for five years commencing on the date of execution. Tenant is hereby granted two options to extend this lease for an additional five years per option upon mutual written agreement between both parties. commencing on January 1, 2025 with four options, each equal to five years, upon mutual agreement of the parties. The monthly rent shall be \$6,973.00 and will be adjusted annually according to changes in the Consumer Price Index (CPI); providing for severability; and providing for an effective date.

BRIDGE: KENT RICHARD, INTERIM DIRECTOR

36. Consideration to renew service contract agreement FY24-027 to Ruby's Air Conditioning, Inc., Laredo, Texas for HVAC Maintenance & Repairs for the Laredo Bridge System in an annual amount of \$45,000.00 for a total contract value amount of \$135,000.00. Contract was awarded to vendor on January 12, 2024. This award provided for the possible extension of this contract for two additional, one-year term periods upon mutual agreement of both parties. This is the first extension of two. Funding is available in the Laredo Bridge System Funds. [24-2203](#)

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT: TINA MARTINEZ, DIRECTOR

37. A resolution of the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas amending the Citizen Participation Plan required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in the administration of federal funds. This amendment will include additional grant received HOME American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP) and an increase to threshold that trigger a substantial amendment from \$500,000 to \$750,000. These amendments will include HOME-ARP grant and increase to threshold transfer amount when a change of the scope of an activity. [2024-R-354](#)

CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU: AILEEN RAMOS, DIRECTOR

38. Consideration to renew service contract agreement FY23-066 to Sanders/Wingo, for contract services to include design, public relations, account management, content & creative, media planning & placement, digital activation, production management, video production for the US. Campaign in an annual amount of \$379,000.00. This award provided for the possible extension of this contract for two additional, one-year term periods upon mutual agreement of both parties. This is the first extension of two extension periods. Funding is available in the Convention and Visitors Bureau Department. [24-2231](#)

ENGINEERING: RAMON E. CHAVEZ P.E., CITY ENGINEER

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- 39.** Consideration to award a construction contract to the lowest, responsible, responsive bidder Zertuche Construction LLC, Laredo, TX in the amount not to exceed a total base bid of \$1,840,485.00 for FY24-ENG-17 Economic Development & 311 Offices Relocation including a \$160,000.00 contingency allowance, and additive alternate of \$76,050.00. The construction contract time for the project is 190 working days. Funding is available in the 2023 and the 2024 Certificate of Obligation Bond. [24-1904](#)
1. Zertuche Construction, LLC
Total Base Bid including Contingency Allowance and Additive Alternate: \$1,840,485.00
2. G4 Construction Co. (Mage 4Group, Ltd.)
Total Base Bid including Contingency Allowance and Additive Alternate: \$2,095,549.00
- Refer to attached letter of recommendation from Redline Architecture, Laredo, TX
- 40.** Consideration for approval of FY24-ENG-71 Inner City Park Pool Concrete Columns Repairs - District IV Project as complete, including all warranty certificates and final payment in the amount of \$98,000.00 to Epoxy Design Systems, Inc., Houston, Texas, and approval of change order No. 1 for a decrease of \$5,000.00. The final construction contract amount including this change order is \$98,000.00. Funding is available in the 2023 Certificate of Obligation Bond. [24-2028](#)
- 41.** Consideration for approval of FY24-ENG-08 Father McNaboe Basketball Shade Structure - District VII Project as complete, including all warranty certificates, release of retainage, and final payment in the amount of \$41,766.25 to Mage 4Group, Ltd., Laredo, Texas, and approval of change order No. 1 for a decrease of \$6,140.00. The final construction contract amount including this change order is \$693,585.00. Funding is available in the 2018, 2019, 2022 and 2023 CO Bonds District VII Priority Funds. [24-2120](#)
- 42.** Consideration for approval of the City of Laredo Tennis Complex at TAMU Project as complete, including all warranty certificates, release of retainage, and final payment in the amount of \$448,051.03 to Leyendecker Construction of Texas Inc., Laredo, Texas. The final construction contract amount is \$7,907,549.84. Funding is available in the Sports & Community Venue. [24-2209](#)
- 43.** Authorizing the City Manager to approve a change order to American Electricity Power (AEP), for an increase in the amount not to exceed of \$2,264,259.80 which includes a contingency allowance of \$100,000.00 to relocate three existing aerial [24-2210](#)
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transmission lines and power poles for the utility conflict with existing communications line for the future State Highway 84 (Hachar-Reuthinger Road), as per the Utility Adjustment Certification provided to the Texas Department of Transportation. The final contract amount is \$5,235,420.00. Funding is available in the Capital Improvement Fund.

- 44.** Consideration for approval of FY24-ENG-23 CDBG Los Martinez Walking Trail Phase 1 Project as complete, including all warranty certificates, release of retainage, and final payment in the amount of \$28,247.60.00 to Capstone Industrial Services, LLC., Lake Jackson, Texas, and approval of change order No. 1 for an increase of \$2,000.00. Final construction contract amount including this change order is \$134,840.00. Funding is available in the Community Development Fund - 2020 and 2021 CDBG Grant Years. [24-2211](#)

- 45.** Consideration for approval of the selection of the top ranked consultant for the RFQ FY23-ENG-18 El Metro Transit Center Renovations and Building Upgrades; and authorization to negotiate a professional services contract. A total of three firms responded to the request for qualifications and presented before the evaluation committee on Wednesday, October 30, 2024. The evaluation committee recommends the selection of Sepulveda Associates Architects, Inc., Laredo, Texas. There is no financial impact at this time. [24-2212](#)

1. Sepulveda Associates Architects, Inc., Laredo, Texas
2. Slay Architecture, San Antonio, Texas
3. Parra & Co., Laredo, Texas

- 46.** Consideration to award a construction contract to the sole, responsible, responsive bidder Abba Construction, LLC., Laredo, Texas, in the amount not to exceed \$417,000.00 for the FY24-ENG-72 Rebid Inner City Park Pool Fabric Shade Structure Replacement Project for the total base bid including a \$10,000.00 contingency allowance. Funding is available in the 2022 and 2023 Certificate of Obligation Bond. [24-2216](#)

1. Abba Construction, LLC., Laredo, Texas
Total Base Bid Amount \$417,000.00

Refer to attached letter of recommendation.

FIRE: GUILLERMO HEARD, FIRE CHIEF

- 47.** A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas, authorizing the City Manager to accept a grant in the amount of \$249,325.02 from the Office of the Governor (OOG), Public Safety [2024-R-355](#)

Office, for the FY 2025 Border Zone Fire Department (BZFD) grant, with no city match requirement. The grant performance period is from September 1, 2024 through October 31, 2025. The grant funding will be used to purchase Fire/EMS rescue equipment for the Laredo Fire Department. Funding will be available in the Special Fire Grants Fund.

48. Resolution adopting the City of Laredo Hazard Mitigation Plan. [2024-R-361](#)
49. Consideration to ratify the approval of an emergency purchase order in the amount of \$152,100.00 to 4L Distributors, LLC, Laredo, Texas for the purchase of waters during the Water Boil Notice from October 10, 2024 through October 21, 2024 and for any unforeseeable events (as needed) as approved by the City Manager. Funding is available in the Water Availability Fund. [24-2062](#)
50. Consideration to ratify the approval of an emergency purchase order in the amount of \$105,339.20 to H-E-B, LP, for the purchase of waters during the Water Boil Notice from October 10, 2024 through October 21, 2024 as approved by the City Manager. Funding is available in the Water Availability Fund. [24-2064](#)
51. Consideration for approval of Amendment No. 1 to the Subrecipient Agreement between the City of Laredo and Holding Institute Inc. regarding the agreement to reimburse \$1,300,000.00 to Holding Institute, Inc. for activities related to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) /Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Shelter and Services Grant Program's guidelines of providing shelter aid to noncitizen migrants within 45 days of their release from DHS. Amendment will allow for the reallocation of \$ 347,616.48 in funds from staff to medical within Exhibit B and the budget worksheet. This reallocation will allow the subrecipient to expend funds fully before project expiration date of September 30, 2025. Additionally, revisions have been made to the Subrecipient Agreement in Sections 1. Scope of Activities, C. Performance Monitoring and 5. Reporting, C. The City of Laredo has also included a subrecipient monitoring checklist, labeled as Exhibit F to the Subrecipient Agreement as per guidance from the funding source, DHS/FEMA. [24-2207](#)

FLEET MANAGEMENT: RONALD MILLER, DIRECTOR

52. Consideration to renew contract FY23-015 for the general diesel engine repairs and parts/service for the City's Fleet Department with the following vendors: [24-2163](#)
1. Cervantes Truck Center, Laredo, Texas in an amount up to \$437,500.00 (Primary Vendor); and
 2. Rush Truck Center, Laredo, Texas in an amount up to \$125,000.00 (Secondary Vendor); and

3. Rotex Truck Center, Laredo, Texas in an amount up to \$125,000.00 (Secondary Vendor); and
4. South Texas Auto Rebuilders, Laredo, Texas in an amount up to \$125,000.00 (Secondary Vendor).

This contract establishes multiple vendors for general diesel engine repairs and provides the ability to outsource and expedite needed diesel engine repairs. The term of this contract shall be for a period of one year beginning as of the date of its execution and is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds and compliance city code of ordinances. There was no price increase during the last extension period. This is the last extension period for this contract. Funding is available in the Fleet Management Fund.

- 53.** Consideration to renew supplies contract FY23-040 for the purchase of OEM parts for small and medium vehicles for the City's Fleet Department with the following vendors:

[24-2167](#)

Section I: Rush Truck Center, Laredo, TX in an amount up to \$450,000.00,(Primary Vendor);
Doggett Freightliner, Laredo, TX in an amount up to \$250,000.00, (Secondary Vendor);

Section II: Doggett Freightliner, Laredo, TX in an amount up to \$300,000.00 (Primary Vendor);
Rush Truck Center, Laredo TX

Section III: Rotex Truck Center, Laredo, TX in an amount up to \$500,000.00 (Primary Vendor);
Andy's Auto & Bus Air, Laredo, TX in an amount up to \$75,000.00 (Secondary Vendor A/C Parts Only);
Rush Truck Center, Laredo, TX in an amount up to \$200,000.00 (Secondary Vendor Parts Only);

Section IV: Rush Truck Center, Laredo, TX in an amount up to \$85,000.00 (Primary Vendor);
Doggett Freightliner, Laredo, TX in an amount up to \$70,000.00 (Secondary Vendor);

Section V: Rush Truck Center, Laredo, TX in amount up to \$150,000.00 (Primary Vendor);
Doggett Freightliner, Laredo, TX in amount up to \$100,000.00 (Secondary Vendor).

This contract provides the Fleet Department with the ability to purchase OEM parts for small and medium vehicle repairs. The term of this contract shall be for a period of one year beginning as of the date of its execution. There was no price increase during the

last extension period. This contract may be extended one additional, one-year period, upon mutual agreement of the parties. All parts and services will be secured on an as-needed basis. Funding is available in the Fleet Management Fund.

54. Consideration to award contract FY25-016 for the purchase of one 2024 Sprinter Executive Shuttle requested by the Fleet Department to Cabot Coach Builders Inc, Haverhill, Massachusetts, in the amount of \$195,500.00. The City received one bid through Cit-E-Bid for the purchase of one administrative shuttle vehicle for the Fleet Department. Funding is available in the 2022 Certificate of Obligations Bond. [24-2205](#)

INFORMATION SERVICES & TELECOMMUNICATION: JOE C. RIVERA, DIRECTOR

55. Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a one-year service agreement with Central Square Superior Public Sector, Lake Mary FL, for \$305,695.08. The service agreement is for software enhancements and maintenance on the financial applications residing on the City's IBM Power Computer Systems for the period of October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025. Funding is available in the Information Technology Fund. [24-2115](#)
56. Authorizing the City Manager to approve the payment for a one-year contract with OpenGov for Open Data Software Services in the amount of \$169,130.85 as per TX-DIR: DIR-CPO-5327. The one year term is effective January 1, 2025 and ending December 31, 2025. Funding is available in the Information Technology Fund. [24-2225](#)
57. Authorizing the City Manager to ratify an existing contract between Pictometry International, an Eagleview Technologies company, and the City of Laredo to provide digital aerial imagery for the South Texas Region to increase the total amount from \$477,687.00 to \$543,442.00. The vendor has higher resolution now available, and the increase of \$65,755.00 will allow the last flight of the contract to have the enhanced imagery. The aerial imagery will be used by 9-1-1 Regional Administration GIS and Database personnel, as well as by 9-1-1 Public Safety Answering Points (PSAPs) or call centers to update the existing level of service. Pictometry International is a Sole Source vendor. Funding is available in the Regional 9-1-1 Fund. [24-2236](#)
58. Consideration to award RFP FY25-011 a six-year contract to Carbyne Inc., New York, NY in the total amount of \$1,777,878.42 to purchase APEX, a Next Generation 9-1-1, Cloud Native Call Handling Solution. This solution will provide voice and data delivery utilizing emerging technology that will allow agencies to minimize response times and maximize efficiency during 9-1-1 calls. The solution includes hardware and software. Features include on-demand device-based location, enhanced device location [24-2237](#)

attributes, live caller video, silent instant messaging, automated abandoned call management, redundant regional failover, two-way native language voice and text translation, advanced analytics, mapping services, and maintenance. Solution will be implemented throughout South Texas Region (Jim Hogg, Starr, Webb, and Zapata Counties) Funding is available in the Regional 9-1-1 Fund.

59. Consideration to approve a contract with Motorola to implement a backup prime site for the public safety radio system. The backup prime site provides redundancy and resiliency to the radio system, minimizing the potential for extended downtime events on the critical police and fire communications system. The cost to add the backup site is \$850,125 under H-GAC RA05-21 pricing. Funds are available in the 2024 CO Bond. [24-2276](#)

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

60. Consideration to renew service contract FY23-084 to Patriot Fire & Security (REMJ LLC.), Laredo, Texas in an annual amount up to \$50,000.00 for providing alarm monitoring, maintenance, and repair services for various Recreation Centers. The term of this contract shall be for a period of one year. This contract may be extended for two additional, one-year terms upon mutual agreement of both parties. This is the first extension. Funding is available in the Parks & Recreation Department Fund. [2024-R-348](#)
61. Consideration to authorize the purchase of two 2025 Ford F250's Crew Cab Trucks in the total amount of \$110,374.84 from Silsbee Ford, Silsbee, Texas utilizing the TIPS Cooperative Purchasing Program's contract #240901. These operation vehicles are for new Parks employees that will be working out in the field. Funding is available in the Capital Improvement Fund. [24-2168](#)
62. Consideration to approve a contract with American Ramp Company, Joplin, MO in the amount of \$106,790.00 for the purchase and installation of skateboard/bmx ramp equipment amenities for Father McNaboe Park in District 7, located at 201 Zebu Ct., Laredo, TX 78043, utilizing the Sourcewell Contract #112420-ARC. All labor, materials, equipment, insurance, and bonds are included in the final price. Funding for this project is available in the District 7 Priority Funds. [24-2230](#)

POLICE: MIGUEL RODRIGUEZ, CHIEF OF POLICE

63. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas, authorizing the City Manager to ratify the acceptance of a grant in the amount of \$41,902.00 from the Office of The Governor, Public Safety Office, Criminal Justice Division, to fund the FY2025 Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN) Program for the period of October 1, [2024-R-331](#)

2024 through September 30, 2025. This funding will provide overtime funds for details which will utilize target enforcement techniques against criminal and transnational organizations responsible for violent criminal activity. No local match is required. Grant is accounted for in the Special Police Fund.

- 64.** A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas, [2024-R-346](#)
authorizing the City Manager to ratify the acceptance of a grant in the amount of \$551,985.84 from the Office of the Governor, Homeland Security Grants Division for the purpose of funding the FY2025 Operation Lone Star (OLS) Grant Program. This grant will provide funding to pay for overtime, equipment, and supplies to reduce border-related criminal activity in Texas. No local match is required. Grant is accounted for in the Special Police Fund.
- 65.** A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas, [2024-R-353](#)
authorizing the City Manager to ratify the acceptance of a grant in the amount of \$204,000.00 from the Office of the Governor, Homeland Security Grants Division for the purpose of funding the FY2025 Local Border Security Program (LBSP) Grant for the period of September 1, 2024 through August 31, 2025. This grant will provide funding to pay for overtime to increase patrol security along the Texas-Mexico Border. No local match is required. Grant is accounted for in the Special Police Fund.
- 66.** A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas, [2024-R-347](#)
authorizing the City Manager to ratify the acceptance of a grant in the amount of \$49,999.50 from the Texas Department of Transportation to fund the FY2025 STEP Impaired Driving Mobilization (IDM) program. The performance period is during enforcement waves scheduled on holidays between October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025. This grant funding is to pay overtime salaries for officers to increase enforcement to arrest individuals driving while intoxicated (DWI) and driving under the influence (DUI) of alcohol by minor. The City of Laredo will be responsible for the required match of \$15,499.85, from General Fund, for a project total of \$65,499.35. Funding is available in the Special Police Fund.
- 67.** A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas, [2024-R-358](#)
authorizing the City Manager to enter into and execute a multiple use agreement between the City of Laredo, Texas and TxDOT authorizing Flock Safety to install automated license plate readers along TxDOT rights-of-way.
- 68.** Consideration to ratify a supply contract with BuyBoard Cooperative vender, G.T. Distributors, Pflugerville, TX, for accumulative amount of \$102,398.00 and to further authorize future related expenditures for an additional amount not to exceed \$300,000.00 for the [24-2151](#)

purchase of public safety gear, equipment, and supplies for the Police Department. This annual contract shall utilize the BuyBoard Cooperative Purchasing Program's contract #698-23. The term of the contract shall be for a period of one year with the option to renew for one additional year. Funding is available in the Police Department Funds.

69. Consideration to authorize the purchase of a Rapid Deployment Vehicle (RDV) from The Armored Group, LLC, in the amount of \$125,880 using GSA contract pricing via contract #GS-07F-9375S. This specialty vehicle will be used for enforcement operations by the Police Department as well as the Laredo Texas Anti-Gang Center (TAG). Funding is available in the Special Police Fund (TAG FY25 Grant). [24-2181](#)
70. Consideration to authorize the purchase of five, 2025 Tahoe 4x4 Police Pursuit Vehicle from Sames Motor Company, Laredo, TX in the amount of \$278,500.00. The purchase of these vehicles shall be made utilizing the TIPS USA contract number 240901. This purchase will be funded by the FY2025 Operation Lone Star (OLS) Grant Program. Funding is available in the Special Police Fund. [24-2233](#)

SOLID WASTE: JOHN PORTER, DIRECTOR

71. Consideration for approval of FY24-ENG-01 Landfill Phase 4 & 5 Project as complete, including all warranty certificates, release of retainage, and final payment in the amount of \$258,731.55 to 4x Construction Group, Mansfield, Texas, and approval of change order No. 1 for an increase of \$15,728.40. The final construction contract amount is \$4,794,227.40 with a construction contract time of 249 days. Funding is available in the 2022 Solid Waste C.O. Bond. [24-2221](#)

UTILITIES: WALTER PISHKUR, INTERIM DIRECTOR

72. Authorizing the City Manager to sign a water rights sales agreement, a copy of which is attached hereto as exhibit a, between the City of Laredo and E & S River Farm, Ltd., a Texas limited partnership, in which the City is agreeing to purchase the right to divert and use 400 acre feet per annum of class "a" irrigation water rights to the Rio Grande, which after conversion from irrigation rights to municipal use rights amounts to 200 acre feet of municipal use rights per annum at \$3,200.00 per municipal use ac./ft., for a purchase price of \$640,000.00; and further authorizing the City Manager to sign and file necessary application(s) with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality on behalf of the City requesting that said water rights be severed from certificate of adjudication no. 23-599, of the seller and combined with certificate of adjudication no. 23-3997, as amended, of the City and that the point(s) of diversion, purpose and place of [2024-R-357](#)

use of said water rights be changed as required by the City.
Funding is available in the Water Availability Fund.

73. Consideration to award an eighteen-month supply/service contract with OMNIA vendor Fastenal Company, from Laredo, Texas not to exceed an annual amount of \$180,000.00 and eighteen-month amount of \$360,000.00 for the purchase of personnel protective equipment and supplies through fastbin machines for the Utilities Department. These fastbin machines monitor bin stock locations 24/7 and alerts the vendor when inventory needs to be replenished, a proactive process for the supplies that keeps the Utilities Department operations running. The term of this contract shall be for a period of eighteen months. This annual contract shall utilize the OMNIA Contract #2018.000208. All supplies will be ordered on an as-needed basis. The term of this contract shall be for a period of one year. Funding is available in the Waterworks & Sewer System Funds. [24-2175](#)
74. Authorizing City Manager to award a construction contract utilizing the Buy Board Cooperative Purchasing Program with Southern Trenchless Solutions of La Feria, Texas for the installation of a Pressure Reducing Valve station in the amount of \$242,909.10. Funding is available in the Waterworks Fund-2020A Water Revenue Bond. [24-2214](#)
75. Authorizing City Manager to approve Contribution-In-Aid-Of-Construction Agreement with AEP Texas for electrical service to Buena Vista Sport Complex Sanitary Sewer Lift station for \$74,374.68. Funding is available in the Sewer System Fund- 2022 Sewer Revenue Bond. [24-2220](#)
76. Authorizing City Manager to purchase two single turner valve maintenance trailers, one single turner valve maintenance skid and one automated valve operator, exerciser and rehabilitator in the amount of \$280,415.25 from E.H. WACHS utilizing Buyboard Contract #685-22. These machines are needed to exercise valves in the distribution system. Funding is available in the Waterworks Fund- 2022 Water Revenue Bond. [24-2267](#)

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

XIV. STAFF REPORTS

77. Discussion with possible action to accept and approve the Fasken Community Center Treehouse review by Internal Audit. [24-2059](#)
78. El Metro Transit System will be celebrating a major milestone-135 years of providing reliable public transportation to the citizens of Laredo. This special occasion will take place on December 20, [24-2265](#)

2024, and we invite the entire community to join us for an unforgettable celebration. In addition to honoring our long-standing commitment to Laredo's transportation needs, we will also be hosting our annual Christmas Celebration Ceremony. It promises to be a festive and memorable evening for family, friends, and neighbors to come together and celebrate the spirit of the season.

- 79. Staff report on the implementation of the Binational Collaboration Program aimed at enhancing cooperation and mutual benefit between the City of Laredo and different regions in Mexico. [24-2268](#)
- 80. Discussion on the 2025 State and Federal Legislative Agendas, including updates on collaborations with the Laredo Chamber of Commerce and Laredo Economic Development Corporation. [24-2270](#)
- 81. Discussion and possible action on updates to procedures for City Council agenda items as part of the Council Member Orientation Policy. [24-2271](#)

XV. 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.

- 82. Request for Executive Session under Texas Government Code 551.071(1)(A) to discuss pending litigation: 2024CVK000200D4, Gubagreen Industrial, LLC v. The City of Laredo, and any other matter incident thereto. [24-1911](#)
- 83. Request for Executive Session under Texas Government Code 551.071(1)(A) to discuss potential litigation concerning a demand letter sent to the City of Laredo on behalf of former council members, and any other matter incident thereto. [24-2281](#)
- 84. Request for Executive Session under Texas Government Code 551.071(1)(A) to discuss potential litigation concerning the Fasken Treehouse Project, and any other matter incident thereto. [24-2282](#)

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

- 85. Discussion and Consideration to amend and increase the CNG Facilities Maintenance Agreement, signed and executed on November 10, 2011, between the City of Laredo ("Laredo") and Clean Energy, a California Corporation ("Clean Energy") from \$123,000.00 to \$150,000.00 due to a unit price increase from [2024-RT-42](#)

0.45073 to 0.46721. The City of Laredo presently own the stations located at 401 Scott St., ("the Scott Facility") and at 5710 Daugherty, Laredo, Texas. Funding is available through El Metro Operations Fund.

86. Authorizing the City Manager to purchase two StarCraft Allstar paratransit vans from Creative Bus Sales, Irving, TX, in the amount of \$288,412.00, utilizing the State of Oklahoma Contract #SW0797C pricing. This purchase will be funded by the FTA Section 5310 Capital Grant #TX-2024-100-00. The FTA share is \$245,150.20 (85%), and the Local Match share is \$43,261.80 (15%). Funding is available through the Transit Capital Grants Fund. [2024-RT-40](#)
87. Authorizing the City Manager to submit a grant application in the amount of \$469,978.00 to the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) for Fiscal Year 2023 Section 5339 Replacement - Capital Support Vehicles Grant Program. Funding will be will be used to replace two support vehicles to help maintain a safe, reliable, and efficient service. These two support vehicles have exceed their life expectancy and the cost to maintain is more than to replace. FTA share is \$375,982.00 (85%) and local match of \$93,996.00 (15%). No financial impact at this moment. [2024-RT-41](#)
88. Authorizing the City Manager to amend the Renewable Natural Gas (RNG) fuel credit contract with Clean Energy approved on September 3, 2024. The EPA has released new regulations, referred to as the Biogas Regulatory Reform Rule (BRRR), that become effective January 1, 2025. These regulations apply to anyone producing, delivery, or using RNG at a CNG station, and are creating additional roles and responsibilities throughout the RIN lifecycle (Biogas Producer > RNG Producer > RIN Owner > RIN Separator). Essentially, EPA is trying to get all parties in the RNG value chain to take on a more active role in the RFS program. This new regulation affects the recently executed RNG Supply contract, but will not affect the payment or any other terms of the contract. [2024-RT-45](#)

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

XVIII. GENERAL COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

89) A. Request by Mayor Dr. Victor D. Treviño

1. Discussion with possible action on raising the bridge toll fee to fund: 1) Port Authority department; 2) Bridge Expansion projects; and Legislative activities associated with the port. Specifically, to request that the Port of Entry Committee give advice and counsel, and any matters related thereto. [24-C-261](#)

Sponsors: Cm. Vanessa Perez

2. Discussion with possible action on the selection of the Mayor Pro Tem by the City Council, and any matters related thereto. [24-C-262](#)

3. Discussion with possible action and information to the public on status of property formerly known as the mercy hospital property, and any matters related thereto. [24-C-263](#)

89) B. Request by Council Member Vanessa J. Perez

1. Discussion with possible action regarding the potential decision to reduce the minimum hiring age for positions at the Parks & Recreation Center to 16 years old, as well as involving recreational staff in the interview process, and any other matters incident thereto. [24-C-251](#)

2. Discussion with possible action on classifying and separating old business from new business on agendas, and any other matters incident thereto. [24-C-264](#)

Sponsors: Mayor Victor D. Trevino

89) C. Request by Council Member Alyssa Cigarroa

1. Discussion with possible action to request a list of streets within District 8 that have experienced frequent water line breaks, to be repaired and reconstructed, and any other matters incident thereto. [24-C-217](#)

2. Discussion and Possible Action on the Review and Update of Truck Routes in Laredo to Align with Current Traffic Conditions, Safety Goals, and Stakeholder Recommendations, and Any Other Matters Incident Thereto. [24-C-241](#)

3. Discussion with possible action on an ordinance to establish designated parking spaces for pregnant persons at commercial, municipal, and multi-use facilities, including requirements for signage, potential modifications to existing parking layouts, enforcement measures, and penalties, along with any matters incident thereto. [24-2293](#)

89) D. Request by Council Member Gilbert Gonzalez

1. Discussion with possible action to request TxDot to add no pedestrian crossing on Cuatro Vientos Road in front of Wright Ranch Phase 2 and any other matters incident thereto. [24-C-252](#)

89) E. Request by Council Member Ricardo "Richie" Rangel, Jr.

1. Discussion with possible action to ask TxDot to provide the right of way maintenance schedule and any other matters incident thereto. [24-C-253](#)

89) F. Request by Council Member Melissa R. Cigarroa

1. Discussion with possible action to have Finance report detailing the components of Council Member salaries, additional funds that support Council Members such as Travel and Promotional funds, the benefits received (including health and pension), and any other compensation Council Members may be eligible for, and any other matters incident thereto. [24-C-260](#)

2. Discussion with possible action regarding the potential submission of the Tree for Texans 2024 Grant Application, aimed at securing funding for the installation of trees at Phoenix Village park in District 3, and any other matters incident thereto. [24-C-249](#)

3. Discussion and recognition of the Laredo Climate Cohort 2024, a skills-building college program of the Rio Grande International Study Center, for their efforts in profiling and photographing the stories of 9 individuals in our community whose lives are vulnerable to climate change and/or extreme heat and in creating a list of community climate pledges. The work resulted in a community exhibition at the Laredo Center for the Arts in November with a potential to travel to other venues in Texas. [24-C-250](#)

89) G. Request by Council Member Alberto Torres, Jr.

1. Discussion with possible action to strengthen through amendment the City of Laredo Code of Ethics to require officeholders and candidates to file Personal Financial Disclosure Reports and Campaign Finance Reports on a timely manner and establish protocols and procedures for failing to do so to include daily penalties and fines and/or removal of office or ineligibility to appear on the ballot; and any other matters incident thereto. [24-C-233](#)

Sponsors: Cm. Vanessa Perez, Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez and Cm. Ruben Gutierrez

2. Discussion with possible action to assist the government of Nuevo León, Mexico with donating Laredo Police patrol units (with no use for the City of Laredo) for Colombia Solidarity Bridge; and any other matters incident thereto. [24-C-257](#)

89) H. Request by Mayor Pro Tempore Ruben Gutierrez, Jr.

1. Discussion with possible action, for the City to assist the Wreaths Across America event happening on December 14, 2024 at the City Cemetery; and any matter incident thereto. [24-C-258](#)

Sponsors: Cm. Alberto Torres, Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez and Cm. Vanessa Perez

89) I. Request by Council Member Dr. David Tyler King

1. Discussion with possible action to appeal the land development code to return to a super majority requirement of 66% of the City [24-C-254](#)

Council (6 votes) to overturn the Planning and Zoning Commission's recommendations regarding zone changes as discussed previously at Council now that the Mayor has a vote per the new City Charter amendments, and any other matters incident thereto.

2. Discussion with possible action to begin the process of amending the city's smoking ordinance to apply the same restrictions to Electronic Smoking Devices (ESDs) to the locations where cigarette smoking is already prohibited, effectively prohibiting the use of vaping and e-cigarettes in those same areas, similar to the ordinance recently passed by the City of San Antonio, and any other matters incident thereto.

[24-C-255](#)

Sponsors: Cm. Alberto Torres

3. Discussion with possible action to clarify and potentially amend the restrictions of Stage 2 drought conservation measures, including unreasonable time/day restrictions for washing personal vehicles and refilling personal pools, and any other matters incident thereto.

[24-C-256](#)

Sponsors: Cm. Alberto Torres

XIX. 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 Wednesday, November 27, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.