

City of Laredo

Meeting Minutes - Preliminary

A-2025-R-18

Monday, November 3, 2025

5:30 PM

City Council Chambers

City Council

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**City of Laredo
Regular City Council Meeting
A-2025-R-18
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1110 HOUSTON STREET
LAREDO, TEXAS 78040
November 3rd, 2025
5:30 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Dr. Victor D. Treviño called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The pledge of allegiance was led by Mayor Dr. Victor D. Treviño

TEXAS PLEDGE

The Texas pledge was led by Mayor Dr. Victor D. Treviño

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Mayor Dr. Victor D. Treviño called for a moment of silence for any particular intention.

ROLL CALL

Also in attendance:

- City Manager Joseph W. Neeb
- Assistant City Manager Steve E. Landin
- Assistant City Manager Jose A. Valdez, Jr.
- Assistant City Manager Ramon Chavez
- City Secretary Mario Maldonado, Jr.
- City Attorney Zone Nguyen

- Present:**
- District I Gilbert Gonzalez
 - District II Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr.
 - Mayor Dr. Dr. Victor D. Trevino
 - District III Melissa R. Cigarroa
 - District IV Ricardo "Rick" Garza
 - District V Ruben Gutierrez Jr.
 - District VI David Tyler King
 - Mayor Pro Tempore & District VII Vanessa Perez
 - District VIII Alyssa Cigarroa

MINUTES

Motion to approve.**Moved:** Ruben Gutierrez Jr.**Second:** Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr.**For:** Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr., Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. David Tyler King, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa**Against:** 0**Abstain:** 0**Np:** Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, and Mayor Pro Tempore Vanessa Perez**Motion carries.****CITIZEN COMMENTS****RECOGNITION**

1. Recognizing a Laredo tennis team composed of 12 ladies who won first place in the 3.5, 18 & Over Division in Surprise, Arizona. The team defeated Mid Atlantic in the final, placing first among 16 teams. Prior to that, they earned first place at the Sectionals Tournament in Dallas, Texas, competing against 14 teams. Their greatest accomplishment is remaining undefeated throughout the entire year.

[REC-31](#)**COMMUNICATIONS**

2. Presentation by Mayor Dr. Victor Trevino, providing general comments on city matters, upcoming initiatives, and other relevant updates for the Council and the public.
3. Announcement of City of Laredo's return as the #1 Safest City in Texas and #13 in the Nation.

[25-2146](#)[25-2155](#)**APPOINTMENTS TO COMMISSIONS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES****Motion to approve appointments 4-5.****Moved:** Ruben Gutierrez Jr.**Second:** Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr.**For:** Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr., Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. David Tyler King, Mayor Pro Tempore Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa**Against:** 0**Abstain:** 0**Np:** Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino**Motion carries.**

4. Appointment by Council Member Ricardo "Rick" Garza of Mercurio Martinez III to the Planning and Zoning Commission.

[APPT - 74](#)

5. Appointment by Council Member Ricardo "Rick" Garza of Armando [APPT - 75](#) Duarte to the Suicide Prevention Committee.

PUBLIC HEARING & INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCE

Motion to open Public Hearings.

Moved: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

Second: Vanessa Perez

For: Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr., Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. David Tyler King, Mayor Pro Tempore Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Np: Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino

Motion carries.

6. An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, authorizing the City Manager [2025-O-228](#) to accept and enter into a contract from the Texas A&M International University (TAMIU) for the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board's Minority Health Research and Education Grant Program, amending the FY2025-2026 budget by appropriating revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$162,231.00, with no match for the City of Laredo Public Health Department, and amend the FY2025-2026 Full Time Equivalent (FTE) Position Listing by creating one (1) Licensed Professional Counselor, 208 position, for the term from August 01, 2025 through July 31, 2027. Funds will be accounted for in the Laredo Public Health Department Fund - Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board's Minority Research and Education Grant.

Staff recommends that Council approves the Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance.

Motion to close and introduce and bring back on the following City Council meeting.

Moved: Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr.

Second: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

For: Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr., Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. David Tyler King, Mayor Pro Tempore Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Np: Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, and Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza

Motion carries.

7. An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, amending Chapter 6, "Animal [2025-O-229](#) and Fowl," Article I "In General", Article II "Rabies Control", and Article VII

“Applications, Registrations, Permits, Fees”; To revise Regulations related to vaccinations, registration, and fees; providing for severability; providing for a penalty; providing for publication and effective date.

Staff recommends that Council approves the Ordinance.

Motion to close and introduce and bring back on the following City Council meeting.

Moved: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

Second: Melissa R. Cigarroa

For: Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr., Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. David Tyler King, Mayor Pro Tempore Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Np: Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, and Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza

Motion carries.

FIRST AND FINAL READINGS

8. An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, authorizing either a new [2025-O-208](#) purchase agreement or an amendment to the existing note purchase agreement to effectuate an extension of the existing \$50,000,000.00 commitment relating to Waterworks and Sewer System Revolving Notes, Series A.

Approve and adopt this First and Final Reading of Ordinance.

Motion to approve.

Moved: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

Second: Melissa R. Cigarroa

For: Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr., Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. David Tyler King, Mayor Pro Tempore Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Np: Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, and Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza

Motion carries.

SECOND READING

Motion to approve second reading of items 9-10.

Moved: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

Second: Vanessa Perez

For: Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr., Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. David Tyler King, Mayor Pro Tempore Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Np: Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, and Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza

Motion carries.

9. Authorizing the renewal amendment to grant a non-exclusive franchise to Pedro Pete Services, LLC to use the present and future streets, avenues, alleys, roads, highways, sidewalks, easements and other public rights-of-way of the City of Laredo, Texas for purposes of constructing, maintaining and operating a commercial container refuse gathering and disposing service, setting forth terms and conditions to govern the franchise; providing a severability clause, a savings clause and an effective date. Franchise fees will be deposited in the General Fund. [2025-O-226](#)

Staff recommends the third reading of this ordinance.

10. Authorizing the City Manager to grant a non-exclusive franchise to I Need Dumpster LLC to use the present and future streets, avenues, alleys, roads, highways, sidewalks, easements and other public rights-of-way of the City of Laredo, Texas for purposes of constructing, maintaining and operating a commercial container refuse gathering and disposing service, setting forth terms and conditions to govern the franchise; providing a severability clause, a savings clause and an effective date. Franchise Fees will be deposited in the General Fund. [2025-O-227](#)

Staff recommends the third reading of this ordinance.

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

Motion to approve final readings 11-21, with the exception of item 16, 21.

Moved: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

Second: Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr.

For: Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr., Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. David Tyler King, Mayor Pro Tempore Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Np: Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, and Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza

Motion carries.

11. An Ordinance amending the City of Laredo's Code of Ordinance Chapter 2, Article II, Division 3, "Leave Policy" providing for updates to definitions, Holiday Pay, Annual Leave, Sick Leave, and other leave provisions to align with the Compressed Workweek Policy and the Classification and Compensation Plan Policy; Providing for a Cumulative Clause; Providing for severability; Providing for Publication; and Declaring an Effective Date. [2025-O-224](#)

Staff recommends approval of this item

12. An Ordinance Of The City Of Laredo, Texas authorizing to amend [2025-O-219](#)

Ordinance 2018-O-175, Article X, Local Preference Program, Of Chapter 2, Administration, Of The Code Of Ordinances To Set Forth The Guidelines For Granting A Local Preference In City Procurements; Providing That This Ordinance Shall Be Cumulative; Providing A Severability Clause; Providing For Publication; And Declaring An Effective Date (As Amended).

Approve and adopt the Amended and Final Reading of this Ordinance.

13. An Ordinance of the city of Laredo, Texas, amending ordinance no. [2025-O-218](#) 2025-O-065 to revise the description of the authorized use of funds related to the State Infrastructure Bank (SIB) loan, providing for severability, and providing an effective date.

Approval of this motion.

14. An Ordinance authorizing the City Manager to accept a grant, approve a program, and appropriate funds from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) Program and amend the FY 2025-2026 General Fund Budget by increasing revenues and expenses in the amount of \$327,560.00. The funds will be used to provide National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) approved physicals, laboratory testing, comprehensive cancer screenings, and cardiovascular and fitness exams for all firefighters. The grant performance period is September 30th, 2025 to September 29th, 2027. Funding will be available in the Special Fire Grants Fund. [2025-O-207](#)

Staff recommends approval of this item.

15. An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, authorizing the City Manager to accept and appropriate revenues in the amount of \$48,742.00 and expenditures in the amount of \$48,742.00 for expansion of services for individuals case management services for individuals experiencing opioid use disorders, with a 0% match, for the Detoxification Department for the term period from November 1st, 2025 through September 30th, 2026. The total amount of the grant will not exceed \$48,742.00.00 for the life of the grant. Funds will be accounted for in the Detoxification Department Fund. [2025-O-220](#)

Staff recommends approval.

16. An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, repealing and replacing Chapter 32, "Vehicles for Hire" of the code of ordinances, to update application process, required fees and to simplify and streamline the vehicle for hire process; providing for severability, repealing all ordinances in conflict; and providing an effective date. [2025-O-215](#)

Approval of this motion.

Motion to bring update during the next City council meeting.

Moved: Vanessa Perez

Second: Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr.

For: Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr., Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. David Tyler King, Mayor Pro Tempore Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Np: Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, and Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza

Motion carries.

17. An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning approximately 4.61 acres, as further described by metes and bounds in attached "Exhibit A", located south of Bartlett Avenue and east of Arthur Miller Court, from R-1 (Single Family Residential District) and B-3 (Community Business District) to R-1B (Single Family High Density District). [2025-O-216](#)

ZC-074-2025

District V

18. An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning approximately 11.91 acres, as further described by metes and bounds in attached "Exhibit A", located east of FM 1472 and north of Rancho Viejo Drive, from R-1A (Single Family Reduced Area District) to R-2 (Multi-Family Residential District). [2025-O-217](#)

ZC-075-2025

District VII

19. An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning approximately 10.8 acres, as further described by metes and bounds in attached Exhibit A, located south of Tesis Drive and west of Colegio Lane, from AG (Agricultural District) to R-1B (Single-Family High Density District). [2025-O-221](#)

ZC-072-2025

District II

20. An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning approximately 3.8 acres, as further described by metes and bounds in attached Exhibit A, located west of Bernadette Lane and southwest of Aquero Boulevard, from AG (Agricultural District) to R-2 (Multi-Family Residential District). [2025-O-222](#)

ZC-073-2025

District VII

21. An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by amending Ordinance Number 2000-O-026, which authorized a conditional use permit for a Police Substation Lot 20, Block 5, Sierra Vista Police Station Plat, located at 140 Ceniso Loop in order to change the use of the property to an Animal Care Substation (Office). [2025-O-223](#)

 ZV-077-2025

District I

Motion to amend to Animal Care substation, with possible indoor kennel with noise cancellation.
Moved: Gilbert Gonzalez**Second:** Vanessa Perez**For:** Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. David Tyler King, Mayor Pro Tempore Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa**Against:** 0**Abstain:** 0**Np:** Cm. Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr., Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, and Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza**Motion carries.****CONSENT AGENDA**
Motion to approve the Consent Agenda items 22-48, tabling Item 26, and excluding 34, 35.
Moved: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.**Second:** Vanessa Perez**For:** Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. David Tyler King, Mayor Pro Tempore Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa**Against:** 0**Abstain:** 0**Np:** Cm. Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr., Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, and Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza**Motion carries.****AIRPORT: GILBERTO SANCHEZ, DIRECTOR**

- 22.** Consideration to approve contract FY25-052 with Republic Parking System, LLC New York, NY in the amount of \$766,061.00 for parking management services at the Laredo International Airport. The term of this contract shall be for a three year term, and may be extended for two additional one year periods at the discretion of the Airport Director. Funding is available in the Laredo International Airport Operations Fund. [25-2035](#)

Staff recommends the approval of this contract

- 23.** Consideration to approve the purchase of two 2024 Chevrolet Express Cargo Vans from Lake Country Chevrolet, Jasper Texas, in the amount of \$88,466.50 through The Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS), Contract No. 240901. New vehicles shall replace Units #8242 (van) and #8243 (van), both of which have reached their useful life. Vehicles shall be assigned to the Laredo International Airport Building Maintenance [25-2045](#)

Division. Funding is available in the Laredo International Airport Operations Fund.

Staff recommends the approval of this motion.

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

- 24.** Consideration for approval of FY24-ENG-19 CDBG Poggenpohl Street Sidewalk Project as complete, including all warranty certificates, release of retainage, and final payment in the amount of \$17,016.00 to Capstone Industrial Services, LLC, Lake Jackson, Texas and approval of change order no. 1 in an increase of \$4,222.00. The final construction contract amount is \$132,162.00. Funding is available in the Community Development Fund, 2022 and 2024 Certificate of Obligations Bonds. [25-1799](#)

Approval of this motion.

- 25.** Consideration for approval of change order no. 1, a decrease of \$287,039.98 to the construction contract with REIM Construction, Inc., Mission, Texas, for the Laredo International Airport Construction of Taxiways J1 and J2. Change Order 1 consists of the reconciliation of quantities for quantities in place, credit for cement treated base pavement section layer to remain in place, and the reduction for P-501 concrete PWL. Construction contract amount including this change order is \$8,755,562.02. Funding is available in the Laredo International Airport Fund. [25-2053](#)

Approval of this motion.

- 26.** Consideration to award professional services contract to Slay Architecture, Laredo, Texas in the amount not to exceed \$316,870.00 for the FY25-ENG-11 City of Laredo Health Department Building Improvements located at 2600 Cedar Avenue for architectural and engineering services. Funding is available in the 2025 Certificate of Obligation. [25-2060](#)

Approval of this motion.

Motion to table and bring back on the following City Council meeting.

Moved: Melissa R. Cigarroa

Second: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

For: Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. David Tyler King, Mayor Pro Tempore Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Np: Cm. Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr., Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, and Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza

Motion carries.

FIRE: GUILLERMO HEARD, FIRE CHIEF

27. Consideration to approve a contract with Galls LLC, Lexington, KY, in an amount not to exceed \$270,000.00 for the purchase of fire department uniforms utilizing Buyboard Cooperative Contract 773-25. The term of this contract is for one year. Funding is available in the General Fund. [25-2012](#)

Staff recommends approval of this item.

28. 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 \$250,000.00 from the Office of the Governor (OOG), Public Safety Office, for the FY 2026 Border Zone Fire Department (BZFD) grant, with no city match requirement. The grant performance period is from September 1, 2025, through October 31, 2026. 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. [2025-R-289](#)

Staff recommends approval of this item.

29. Consideration to approve the Psychological Services Agreement with Dr. Gina Dunckel, Psy.D., P.L.L.C., for a total of \$69,750.00 to provide peer support consultation services, including review of peer support protocols, psychoeducation and presentation programs tailored to the request of the department and the peer support team, and after action sessions for fire personnel. This service is part of the Laredo Fire Department Health & Wellness Initiative for firefighters. Funding is available in the General Fund - Fire Department. [25-2061](#)

Staff recommends approval of this item.

FLEET MANAGEMENT: RONALD MILLER, DIRECTOR

30. Consideration to renew annual supply contracts FY24-114 for the purchase of police and passenger car tires with the following vendors: [25-1957](#)

1. Section I: The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company, Akron, Ohio, in an annual amount up to \$100,000.00 and \$200,000.00 for the remainder of the contract term;

2. Section I: Southern Tire Mart, Columbia, Missouri in an annual amount up to \$90,000.00 and \$180,000.00 for the remainder of the contract term;

3. Section II: Southern Tire Mart, Columbia, Missouri in an annual amount up to \$70,000.00 and \$140,000.00 for the remainder of the contract term;

4. Section II: Toro Automotive, Laredo, Texas in an annual amount up to \$70,000.00 and \$140,000.00 for the remainder of the contract term;

All tires are secured on an as needed basis. 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. Southern Tire Mart is proposing a price increase of 9% and The Goodyear Tire

Rubber and company is proposing a .5% increase due to an increase in the costs of raw materials and logistics. This contract may be extended two additional one-year periods, upon mutual agreement of the parties. Funding is available in the Fleet Management Fund.

It is recommended that these renewals be approved.

PUBLIC HEALTH: DR. RICHARD A. CHAMBERLAIN, DIRECTOR

31. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas, authorizing the City Manager to accept and enter into a contract amendment from the Women's Health and Family Planning Association of Texas (WHFPT) d.b.a. Every Body Texas, WHFPT Title X Project Grant in the additional amount of \$67,325.00, with no match for the City of Laredo Public Health Department for a total amount of \$123,539.00 for the term period from April 1st, 2025 through March 31st, 2026. Funds will be accounted for in the Laredo Public Health Department Fund - WHFPT Title X Project Grant - [2025-R-286](#)

Staff recommends that Council approve the Resolution.

32. Consideration for approval of a continuation contract with MP Cloud Technologies in the amount not to exceed \$250,000.00 for a thirty-six month term, subscription service fee of \$6,810.83 per month for the term commencing on October 1st, 2025, to provide a management platform for billing and claims processing for the City of Laredo Public Health Department Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Billing Division, for the term period from October 1st, 2025 through September 30th, 2028. Funding is available in the Laredo Public Health Department Fund - EMS Billing Division. [25-2048](#)

Staff recommends that Council approve the Motion.

33. A Motion of the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas, authorizing the City Manager to ratify the submission of the Participation Form to the Purdue Direct Settlement for the City of Laredo Public Health Department and further authorizing the City Manager to execute all documents resulting from this submission. [25-2113](#)

Staff recommends that Council approves the motion.

INFORMATION SERVICES & TELECOMMUNICATION: JOE C. RIVERA, DIRECTOR

34. Authorizing the City Manager to approve a contract with Rapid7 through Freeit Data Solutions to provide cybersecurity software solutions for the total amount of \$130,460.00. Pricing under DIR-TSO-5687. Funding is available in the Information Services & Telecommunications Cybersecurity Division. [25-1960](#)

Staff recommends approval.

Motion to approve and amend "DIR-CPO-5687"

Moved: Vanessa Perez

Second: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

For: Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. David Tyler King, Mayor Pro Tempore Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Np: Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr., Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, and Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza

Motion carries.

POLICE: MIGUEL RODRIGUEZ, CHIEF OF POLICE

- 35.** Motion to rescind purchase with Brinc Drones and consideration to authorize a purchase contract with Axon Enterprise, Inc., Scottsdale, Arizona for a five-year term contract in the total amount of \$3,446,031.07 for the purchase of drones. Brinc has been slow to roll out all the drone stations initially ordered, therefore the purchase contract will need to be cancelled. Funding is available in the Auto Theft Task Force Fund. [25-1623](#)

It is recommended that this action be authorized.

Motion to approve, and amend to using Buy Board Contract #718-23, as amended.

Moved: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

Second: Vanessa Perez

For: Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. David Tyler King, Mayor Pro Tempore Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Np: Cm. Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr., Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, and Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza

Motion carries.

- 36.** 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 \$597,254.85 from the Office of the Governor's Homeland Security Grants Division to fund the 2026 Operation Lone Star (OLS) Grant Program. Funding will be used to pay for overtime and purchase equipment in an effort to reduce border-related criminal activity in Texas. This grant does not require matching funds. Grant is accounted for in the Special Police Fund. [2025-R-279](#)

Recommends the approval of this Resolution.

- 37.** 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 \$27,803.85 from the Office of the Governor, Public Safety Office, Criminal Justice Division for the FY2026 First Responder Mental Health Grant, Peer Support Program. The grant performance period will be October 1st, [2025-R-282](#)

2025 through September 30th, 2026. The Laredo Police Department will utilize this funding to obtain a professional service contract for Clinical Advisory for Trauma and Work-Related Counseling, training, and outreach supplies for the sustainment of the LPD Peer Support Program. The City of Laredo will be responsible for the required match of \$6,950.97, from General Fund, for a total project amount of \$34,754.82. Funding is available in the Special Police Fund.

Recommends that Council approves this resolution.

38. 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 \$58,451.25 from the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division, for the funding of the FY2026 Body-Worn Camera Grant Program. The grant performance period is from October 1st, 2025 through September 30th, 2026. This grant program is to aid municipal police departments in establishing or enhancing body-worn camera (BWC) programs. The City of Laredo will be responsible for the required match of \$19,483.75, from General Fund, for a total project amount of \$77,935.00. Funding is available in the Special Police Fund. [2025-R-283](#)

Recommends that Council approves the resolution

39. 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 \$11,116.29 from the Office of Governor, Public Safety Office, Criminal Justice Division for the funding of FY2026 Criminal Justice Grant Program- Laredo Police Department (LPD) Mental Health/Crisis Intervention Unit for the period of October 1st, 2025 through September 30th, 2026. This funding will be utilized for overtime and training to the LPD Mental Health/Crisis Intervention Unit. No local match is required. Funding is available in the Special Police Fund. [2025-R-285](#)

Recommends the approval for this Resolution.

40. Authorizing the City Manager to award contract FY25-088 to the lowest bidder, HDL Construction, LLC., for the gym remodel project at the Laredo Police Department Headquarters in the amount of \$250,000.00. Funding for this project is available in the Capital Improvement Fund, 2015 Certificate of Obligation Bond, 2017 Certificate of Obligation Bond, 2018 Certificate of Obligation Bond, 2019 Certificate of Obligation Bond, 2021A Certificate of Obligation Bond, 2022 Certificate of Obligation Bond, 2023 Certificate of Obligation Bond. [25-2129](#)

Staff recommends that this contract be approved.

SOLID WASTE: BISHOP P. WAGENER , DIRECTOR

41. Consideration to authorize the purchase for waste and recyclable carts and for future expenses of additional carts, lids and accessories to Toter Inc., Statesville, North Carolina not to exceed the annual amount of \$600,000.00 This purchase is utilizing the Omnia Cooperative Purchasing Contract 226024-2. This contract is subject to future appropriations and shall be for two years upon execution. These waste containers are [25-2006](#)

designed for household garbage and can be used with both semi-automated and automated systems. Solid Waste Department will make a purchase of 8,820 (96 gallon) garbage/refuse carts. Funding is available in the Solid Waste Operations Fund.

It is recommended that this purchase be approved.

UTILITIES: DR. TAREQ AL-ZABET, DIRECTOR

- 42.** Authorizing the City Manager to ratify a purchase order in the amount of \$515,000.00 to SAL Construction Management for an emergency contract. This contract was necessary to repair a 36-inch sewer line break that occurred on September 26, 2025 and to replace 2 existing Manhole repairs. The emergency work ensured continuous sewer service to the South Laredo area. Funding for this contract is available in the 2022 Sewer Revenue Bond. [25-2003](#)

Approval of Motion

- 43.** Authorizing the City Manager to ratify a purchase order in the amount of \$343,000.00 to Rain for Rent for an emergency contract. This contract was necessary to install a 36-inch wastewater bypass line in order to prevent raw sewage from discharging into the Rio Grande River and to maintain sewer flow to the South Laredo Wastewater Treatment Plant. Funding for this contract is available through the Sewer System Fund - 2022 Sewer Revenue Bond. [25-2004](#)

Approval for Motion

- 44.** Authorizing the City Manager to execute all necessary documents to purchase a 0.42-acre (18,295 sq. ft.) tract of land for the Green Meadow Drive Lift Station Project "surface only" from D&J Alexander Investments, LLC, for \$340,000.00 approximately \$18.58 per square foot. A 0.42-acre tract, more or less, out of a tract of land conveyed to D&J Alexander Investments, LLC, recorded in volume 4164, pages 705-710, official public records, Webb County, Texas, situated in Porcion 26, Agustin Sanchez, original grantee, abstract 282 within the City of Laredo, Webb County Texas. Tract of land is being more particularly described and depicted in "Exhibit A". Provided for an effective date. Funding is available in the Sewer System Fund - 2024 Sewer Revenue Bond. [2025-R-281](#)

Staff recommends the acquisition of the said tract.

- 45.** Consideration to renew annual service contracts FY23-083 with the following vendors: [25-2054](#)
- 1). Total Termite and Pest Control, Laredo, TX in an annual amount up to \$20,000.00 and \$20,000.00 for the remainder of the contract term;
 - 2). JD's Pest Control, Laredo, TX in an annual amount up to \$20,000.00 and \$20,000.00 for the remainder of the contract term;

to provide pest control services for the water treatment plants, waste water treatment plants and utilities main office. This contract establishes a

linear footage rate that includes all labor, materials, pesticides, equipment, and incidentals needed to perform these services. 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. There was no price increase during the last extension period. This contract can be extended for one additional one-year period, upon mutual agreement of the parties. All services will be purchased on an as needed basis and funding will be secured from the Waterworks and Sewer System Funds.

It is recommended that these contracts be renewed.

- 46.** Consideration to renew supply/services contract FY23-085 with the following vendors: [25-2055](#)

1). Arellano's Plumbing, Laredo, Texas in an annual amount up to \$75,000.00. This is the last extension of \$75,000.00 for contract. Primary vendor

2). Chavarria's Plumbing, Laredo, Texas in an annual amount up to \$45,000.00. This is the last extension of \$45,000.00 of contract. Secondary vendor

for providing plumbing, maintenance and repair services for the City of Laredo Utilities Department. 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. There was no price increase during the last extension period. This contract may be extended for one additional one-year period, upon mutual agreement of the parties. Funding is available in the Waterworks and Sewer System Funds.

It is recommended that these renewals be approved

- 47.** Authorizing the City Manager to accept a grant from NADBank and amend the City of Laredo FY2025 Water Works Budget by appropriating revenues in the amount of \$ 256,000.00 and expenditures in the amount of \$261,500.00. Said grant will be used to conduct a feasibility study for the Community Water and Energy Resource Center (CWERC). The CWERC is an innovative, neighborhood-scale facility designed to transform wastewater into renewable energy, reclaimed water, and compost for the Utilities Department. The total project budget is \$261,500.00, with \$81,500.00 in matching funds already secured from partners. [25-2057](#)

Staff recommends the approval if this Ordinance.

- 48.** Consideration to renew supply contract number FY23-001 with PVS DX (DPC Industries) Corpus Christi, Texas in an annual amount up to \$150,000.00 and \$150,000.00 for the remainder of the contract term. This contract establishes pricing for the purchase of water liquid chlorine water treatment chemical for the Utilities Department. There was no price increase during the last extension period. The term of this contract shall [25-2058](#)

be for a period of one year beginning as of the date of its execution and is contingent upon availability of appropriated funds. This contract has one, one-year extension period remaining. Liquid Chlorine will be purchased on as needed basis. Funding is available in the Waterworks and Sewer System Funds.

It is recommended that this contract be renewed.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion to go into Executive Session. Items 51, 53, 55, Supplemental item 2.

Moved: Dr. Victor D. Trevino

Second: Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr.

For: Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr., Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Mayor Pro Tempore Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Np: Cm. Dr. David Tyler King

Motion carries.

- 49.** Request for Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.071(1)(B) of the Texas Government Code concerning a Tax Exemption Settlement Agreement between CPS Energy and the City of Laredo, and all other taxing entities, and any other matter incident thereto. [25-2124](#)

NA

Item was discussed on 10-27-25.

- 50.** Request for Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.071(1)(A) (consultation with attorney regarding pending litigation) of the Texas Local Government Code, related to 2024CVI000660-D1 and any other matter incident thereto. [25-2125](#)

NA

Item was discussed on 10-27-2025

- 51.** Request for Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.072 (Deliberation Regarding Real Property) regarding the possible purchase of property that connects Divine Mercy Park and Shiloh Bike Trails, and any other matter incident thereto. [25-2147](#)

NA

GENERAL COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Request by Mayor Dr. Victor D. Treviño

52. Discussion with possible action on inviting a bipartisan delegation and hosting an international summit to tour our border riverfront, and any matters related thereto. [25-C-200](#)

Motion to approve.

Moved: Dr. Victor D. Trevino

Second: Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr.

For: Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr., Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., and Cm. Dr. David Tyler King

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Np: Mayor Pro Tempore Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Motion carries.

53. Discussion with possible action on the City of Laredo reaffirming its position on supporting border security but not in support of a border wall within its residential areas and/or city limits, and any matters related thereto. [25-C-201](#)

Motion to send it to the public for poll.

Moved: Dr. Victor D. Trevino

Second: Melissa R. Cigarroa

For: Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr., Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. David Tyler King, and Mayor Pro Tempore Vanessa Perez

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Np: Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Motion carries.

Request by Council Member Gilbert Gonzalez

54. Recognizing the United Independent School District bus drivers for their exceptional dedication and service. They have gone above and beyond taking on extra routes, while always prioritizing the safety of our students. [25-C-195](#)

Request by Council Member Ricardo "Richie" Rangel, Jr.

55. Discussion with possible action on update on contract negotiations of Laredo Transit Management Inc (El Metro) and any other matters incident thereto. [25-C-194](#)

Request by Council Member Melissa R. Cigarroa

56. Discussion with possible action to amend the City Code of Ordinance to [25-C-184](#)

modify the current five-year residency requirement for appointment to City boards, commissions, and committees, reducing it to two-year residency requirement; and any other matters incident thereto.

Motion to recommend changing the current five - year residency to two -year residency, with all the language included.

Moved: Melissa R. Cigarroa

Second: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

For: Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. David Tyler King, Mayor Pro Tempore Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Np: Cm. Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr., Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, and Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza

Motion carries.

Request by Council Member Ricardo "Rick" Garza

57. Discussion with possible action to direct the City Manager to enter into a discussion with LECHE organization regarding the potential development of a Vallecillo Connector Road, and any related matters.; and any matter incident thereto. [25-C-188](#)

Motion to approve and amend the wording from "Vallecillo" to "Elote".

Moved: Ricardo "Rick" Garza

Second: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

For: Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr., Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. David Tyler King, Mayor Pro Tempore Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Np: Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino

Motion carries.

Request by Council Member Ruben Gutierrez, Jr.

58. Discussion with possible action regarding the TAMIU tennis courts, focusing on the discrepancies between what was originally designed and proposed versus what was ultimately delivered to the City of Laredo and Texas A&M International University (TAMIU). The courts currently do not meet the required standards for collegiate or professional-level play; and any matter incident thereto. [25-C-199](#)

Motion to set up a meeting with TAMIU staff, City Manager, and Contractor, and bring back in two weeks with a cost estimate to fix.

Moved: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.
Second: Melissa R. Cigarroa
For: Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. David Tyler King, Mayor Pro Tempore Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa
Against: 0
Abstain: 0
Np: Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr., Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, and Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza

Motion carries.

Request by Council Member Dr. David Tyler King

- 59.** Discussion with possible action to have the City pass a resolution of support in advocating for new state legislation that could lead to a Laredo Project Finance Zone (PFZ) designation with the state of Texas, which allows for municipalities to designate a three-mile zone centered around a convention center or arena in which growth in state hotel taxes collected within the zone would be rebated to the City for a 30-year period to pay for improvements to a convention center or arena, by working with Dean Senator Judith Zaffirini and State Representative Richard Raymond to file legislation for the 2027 Session that would allow Laredo to qualify for a PFZ designation in the future, and any other matters incident thereto. [25-C-196](#)

Motion to move forward with working with our Sate Senator and our State Representative to find Legislative Language that can help Laredo qualify passing a Resolution.

Moved: David Tyler King
Second: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.
For: Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr., Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. David Tyler King, Mayor Pro Tempore Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa
Against: 0
Abstain: 0
Np: Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, and Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza

Motion carries.

- 60.** Discussion with possible action to have the City formally invite President Donald J. Trump to Laredo for a round of golf at the Max A. Mandel Municipal Golf Course, a Robert Trent Jones, Jr. designed course and the No. 9 ranked municipal golf course in Texas, beautifully located along the Rio Grande River, in addition to a tour of World Trade Bridge and Downtown Laredo, to discuss the potential impacts of a border barrier along City of Laredo riverfront property, and any other matters incident thereto. [25-C-197](#)

Motion to invite President Trump to play golf & to discuss WTB and the potential impact of a border barrier along the river. To Invite the president through the Governor's office, as amended.

Moved: Dr. Victor D. Trevino

Second: Ricardo "Rick" Garza

For: Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr., Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. David Tyler King, Mayor Pro Tempore Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Against: Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa

Abstain: 0

Np: 0

Motion carries.

61. Discussion with possible action regarding an update on the status and timeline for completion of the Environmental/Solid Waste weir project at North Central Park, and any other matters incident thereto. [25-C-198](#)

Request by Mayor Pro Tempore Vanessa J. Perez

62. Discussion with possible action to Adopt a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas, Expressing Support for Clear Choice Emergency Room's Proposed Expansion into Clear Choice Hospital. [25-C-192](#)

Motion to approve.

Moved: Vanessa Perez

Second: Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr.

For: Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr., Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. David Tyler King, and Mayor Pro Tempore Vanessa Perez

Against: 0

Abstain: Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Np: Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, and Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza

Motion carries.

63. Discussion with possible action on creating a plan to alleviate the public safety congestion concerns related to parking in front of Muller Elementary, and any other matters incident thereto. [25-2154](#)

Motion to have millings placed until a site plan is developed.

Moved: Vanessa Perez

Second: Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr.

For: Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr., Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. David Tyler King, and Mayor Pro Tempore Vanessa Perez

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Np: Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Motion carries.

ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn at 10:54 p.m.

Moved: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

Second: Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr.

For: Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr., Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. David Tyler King, Mayor Pro Tempore Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Np: 0

Motion carries.