

# Meeting Minutes - Preliminary A-2025-R-09

Monday, June 2, 2025 5:30 PM City Council Chambers

**City Council** 

City Council A-2025-R-09 June 2, 2025

### Recognition and Communication 5:00 P.M.

#### The Mayor will be presenting the following:

- 1. The City of Laredo Mayor, Dr. Victor D. Trevino, and the Council recognize the Heat Volleyball Academy 11-U Red Team, which has earned a spot to compete in the 2025 USA National Tournament in Kansas City, Missouri. This is a historic achievement, as the 11-U Heat Red team is the only team from Laredo in their age group to reach this prestigious national level. They will proudly represent the City of Laredo at the USA Volleyball National Championship! Best of luck!
- 2. City of Laredo Mayor and City Council recognize Miss Laredo Teen USA Niali Mahtani for placing in the Top 5 at the 2025 Miss Texas Teen USA 2025 pageant.
- 3. The City of Laredo Mayor and City Council recognize Miss Laredo USA 2025 Megan Jackson for placing in the Top 15 at the 2025 Miss Texas USA pageant.

City of Laredo
Regular City Council Meeting
A-2025-R-09
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1110 HOUSTON STREET
LAREDO, TEXAS 78040
Monday, June 2, 2025
5:30 P.M.

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Dr. Victor D. Treviño called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m.

#### II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

#### III. MOMENT OF SILENCE

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

#### IV. ROLL CALL

Also in attendance:

City Manager Joseph W. Neeb Assistant City Manager Steve E. Landin Assistant City Manager Jose A. Valdez, Jr. City Secretary Mario Maldonado, Jr. First Assistant City Attorney Joaquin Rodriguez 0

#### V. MINUTES

Motion to approve.

**Moved:** Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

**Second:** Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr.

**For:** Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Ricardo

"Richie" Rangel Jr., 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.

#### CITIZEN COMMENTS

#### VI. COMMUNICATIONS

1. Invitation from the Gateway City Pride Association to upcoming Pride Month events in June- a collaboration with local organizations and businesses in celebrating diversity and inclusivity.

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

**Moved:** Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

**Second:** Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr.

**For:** Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Ricardo

"Richie" Rangel Jr., 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.

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.

#### VII. PUBLIC HEARING & INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCE

Motion to open Public Hearings.

Moved: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

Second: Ricardo "Rick" Garza

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Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Ricardo For:

"Richie" Rangel Jr., Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., and Cm. Dr. David Tyler King

Against: 0

0 Abstain:

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

#### Motion carries.

1. Providing community residents an opportunity to comment on the 2025-2029 Five Year Consolidated Plan, and its 2025-2026 One Year Action Plan which identifies the projects proposed to be funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The City anticipates receiving \$2,859,543.00 in the 51st Action Year Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds, \$946,902.88 through the HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME), and \$266,495.00 through the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG). An additional \$80,000.00 is anticipated to be received in Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan Funds, and \$125,000.00 in HOME program income. The follow projects are proposed:

51st AY Community Development Block Grant

1) Community Development Administration \$571,908.00

2) Housing Rehabilitation Administration \$387,635.00

3) Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program \$800.000.00

4) Homeless Services- Bethany House Expansion Project \$400,000.00

5) Section 108 Loan Repayment \$400,000.00

6) Rental Rehabilitation Program \$300,000.00

TOTAL: \$2,859,543.00

#### Revolving Loan

7) Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan Administration \$10.000.00

8) Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan Program \$70,000.00

TOTAL: \$80,000.00

#### **HOME Investment Partnership Grant**

| HOME Program Administration         | \$94,500.00         |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------|
| 10) Down Payment Assistance Program | \$180,000.00        |
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11) Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (PI&EN) \$365,000.00

12) Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) \$150,000.00

Reconstruction 13) Homeowner Program

\$132,402.88

14) HOME Affordable Rental Housing Program

\$150,000.00

TOTAL:

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\$1,071,902.88

| Emergency Solutions Grant                        |                  |
|--|------------------|
| 15) ESG Program Administration                   | \$20,000.00      |
| 16) Emergency Shelter-Shelter Operations         | \$85,000.00      |
| 17) Emergency Shelter- Essential Services        | \$30,000.00      |
| 18) Street Outreach                              | \$35,000.00      |
| 19) Rapid Re-Housing                             | \$40,045.00      |
| 20) Homelessness Prevention                      | \$50,000.00      |
| 21) Homeless Management Information System (HMIS | S) \$6,450.00    |
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| 12) Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) | \$150,000.00   |
| 13) Homeowner Reconstruction Program                  | \$132,402.88   |
| 14) HOME Affordable Rental Housing Program            | \$150,000.00   |
| TOTAL   | \$1 071 902 88 |

**Emergency Solutions Grant** 

15) ESG Program Administration \$20,000.00

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| TOTAL   | : \$266,495.00 |

That interested persons be provided an opportunity to comment on the draft plans.

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

Moved: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

Second: Melissa R. Cigarroa

**For:** Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Melissa R.

Cigarroa, Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., and

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Cm. Dr. David Tyler King

Against: 0
Abstain: 0

**Np:** Cm. Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr., Mayor Pro Tempore Vanessa Perez,

and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

#### Motion carries.

2. Amending Chapter 18, Article V, of the City of Laredo Code of Ordinances to change the title of Article V to "Certificate of Occupancy," to establish policies and procedures for the issuance, maintenance, and historical record keeping of certificates of occupancy within the City of Laredo; and establish a framework for addressing missing certificates of occupancy for long-standing business and properties to ensure regulatory compliance and public safety while minimizing undue burdens on property owners; and adding Section 18-27 entitled "Record Keeping and Reinstatement Process;" providing that the ordinance shall be cumulative, providing for severability clause, and providing for publication and effective date.

AMENDING CHAPTER 18, ARTICLE V, OF THE CITY OF LAREDO CODE OF ORDINANCES TO CHANGE THE TITLE OF ARTICLE V TO "CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY," TO ESTABLISH POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR THE ISSUANCE, MAINTENANCE, AND HISTORICAL RECORD KEEPING OF CERTIFICATES OF OCCUPANCY WITHIN THE CITY OF LAREDO; AND ESTABLISH A FRAMEWORK FOR ADDRESSING MISSING CERTIFICATES OF OCCUPANCY FOR LONG-STANDING BUSINESS AND PROPERTIES TO ENSURE REGULATORY COMPLIANCE AND PUBLIC SAFETY WHILE MINIMIZING UNDUE BURDENS ON PROPERTY OWNERS; AND ADDING SECTION 18-27 ENTITLED "RECORD KEEPING AND REINSTATEMENT PROCESS;" PROVIDING THAT THE ORDINANCE SHALL BE CUMULATIVE, PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY CLAUSE, AND PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

#### PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION

On June 24, 2024, City Council approved Ordinance 2024-O-127 amending the Code of

Ordinances Chapter 18, Article v, in order to clarify the need to enforce existing business regulations entitled "Regulation for New Business Registration" and adding section 18.21 "Registration Requirements for New and Existing Businesses;" adding section 18.21(a) entitled "Registration Requirements for New Businesses;" adding section 18.21(b) entitled "Registration Requirements for Existing Businesses;" and amending section 18-23 entitled "Application Fee" by increasing the application fee from \$50.00 to \$200.00 for new businesses and adding a technology fee of \$150.00 for new businesses; and by clarifying all businesses new and existing require a valid certificate of occupancy to operate, providing for publication, providing for a severability clause, and declaring and effective date.

#### **BACKGROUND**

The City of Laredo intends to protect its residents' public health, safety, and welfare as it relates to new businesses and regulating new and existing businesses. There is a need to clarify all businesses (new and existing) to require a valid Certificate of Occupancy within the city that will help guide the orderly growth of new businesses and enhance the efficient delivery of city services, including police and fire. The Certificate of Occupancy must be posted to ensure the proper enforcement of businesses operating within the city.

#### **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

NA

#### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the City Council approve this ordinance.

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

Moved: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

Second: Ricardo "Rick" Garza

For: Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Melissa R.

Cigarroa, Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza, and Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

Against: 0
Abstain: 0

Np: Cm. Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr., Cm. Dr. David Tyler King, Mayor Pro

Tempore Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Motion carries.

3. Public hearing and Introductory Ordinance accepting and amending the FY 2024-2025 9-1-1 regional administration budget by appropriating additional revenues and expenditures provided by the Commission on State Emergency Communications in the amount of \$430,000.00 to fund the NG911 Program for the South Texas Region, including Jim Hogg, Starr, Webb, and Zapata counties, to make a total on the biennium of \$7,625,515.00 for the period beginning September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2025.

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Staff recommends approval.

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

Moved: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

Second: Melissa R. Cigarroa

**For:** Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Melissa R.

Cigarroa, Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza, and Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

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Against: 0
Abstain: 0

**Np:** Cm. Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr., Cm. Dr. David Tyler King, Mayor Pro

Tempore Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

#### Motion carries.

4. An Ordinance authorizing the City Manager to grant a non-exclusive franchise to Dumpster Rescue LLC to use the present and future streets, avenues, alleys, roads, highways, sideways, easements and other public rights-of-way of the City of Laredo, Texas for purpose 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 into the General Fund.

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Staff recommends second reading of this ordinance

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

Moved: Melissa R. Cigarroa

Second: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

**For:** Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Melissa R.

Cigarroa, Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza, and Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

Against: 0
Abstain: 0

**Np:** Cm. Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr., Cm. Dr. David Tyler King, Mayor Pro

Tempore Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Motion carries.

the City Manager to amend the City of Laredo, Texas, authorizing the City Manager to amend the City of Laredo FY2025 Capital Grant Fund to appropriate revenues and expenses in the amount of \$1,368,770.00 for the Texas Department of Transportation TASA (Transportation Alternative Set Aside) grant for City improvements to and construction of sidewalks, curb and gutter, cross-surface materials, pavement markings, lighting, landscaping and select utility relocation along Salinas Avenue between Iturbide Street and Water Street. The local match will be funded by the Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone #1 (TIRZ No 1). Grant will be allocated in the Capital Grant Fund. Providing that this ordinance shall be cumulative; providing a severability clause; providing for publication; and declaring an effective date.

An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas, authorizing the City Manager to amend the City of Laredo FY2025 Capital Grant Fund to appropriate revenues and expenses in the amount of \$1,368,770.00 for the Texas Department of Transportation TASA (Transportation Alternative Set Aside) grant for City improvements to and construction of sidewalks, curb and gutter, cross-surface materials, pavement markings, lighting, landscaping and select utility relocation along Salinas Avenue between Iturbide Street and Water Street. The local match will be funded by the Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone #1 (TIRZ No 1). Grant will be allocated in the Capital Grant Fund. Providing that this ordinance shall be cumulative; providing a severability clause; providing for publication; and declaring an effective date.

Staff recommends the approval of this resolution.

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

Moved: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

**Second:** Gilbert Gonzalez

**For:** Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Melissa R.

Cigarroa, Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza, and Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

**Np:** Cm. Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr., Cm. Dr. David Tyler King, Mayor Pro

Tempore Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Motion carries.

(Recess) (Press Availability)

#### VIII. INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCES

#### Council to introduce Introductory Ordinances 6-8.

Authorizing the City Manager to grant a License, as attached hereto, by and between The City of Laredo, Texas, herein designated as "Licensor" and AT&T Corp., a New York Corporation, hereinafter designated as "Licensee," dated July 31, 2025, for the use of one (1) innerduct in the Juarez Lincoln Bridge and 555.5 linear feet of right-of-way.

- 1. Term of the License Extension shall be for five (5) years commencing on August 1, 2025 and terminating on July 31, 2030.
- 2. Annual duct fee shall be \$40,912.50 and will increase by five percent (5%) every year the License is in place. In addition to the duct fee, Licensee shall pay an \$14.42 linear foot right-of-way fee, and will increase by five percent (5%) every year.

Authorizing the City Manager to grant a License, as attached hereto, by and between The City of Laredo, Texas, herein designated as "Licensor" and AT&T Corp., a New York Corporation, hereinafter designated as "Licensee," dated July 31, 2025, for the use of one (1) innerduct in the Juarez Lincoln Bridge and 555.5 linear feet of right-of-way.

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- Authorizing the City Manager to execute a Second Amendment to Lease Agreement ("Lease") by and between the City of Laredo, a municipal corporation ("Landlord"), and T-Mobile West LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("Tenant"), as successor in interest to Cook Inlet/Voicestream PCS, LLC., ("T-Mobile"), dated May 1, 2000 and attached hereto; to extend the term of the lease one (1) additional five (5) year term commencing May 3, 2025; with an additional three (3) five (5) year terms. Rent shall increase from \$28,197.00 to \$35,000.00 per year with a four (4) percent escalation; all other terms and conditions remain in full force and effect.

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8. An Ordinance amending ordinance 2024-O-196 to recognize continuous service for former United Water employees in accordance with the Texas Municipal Retirement System (TMRS) Restricted Prior Service Agreement; To re-open the Voluntary Retiree Incentive Program (VRIP) for 30 days for these employees; To extend the VRIP benefit to those who retired during the original VRIP window; And providing for an effective date.

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Incentive Program (VRIP) for 30 days for these employees; To extend the VRIP benefit to those who retired during the original VRIP window; And providing for an effective date.

Staff recommends City Council approve this item as presented.

#### IX. FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

Motion to approve final reading of Ordinances 9-18, with the exception of number 16.

Moved: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

Second: Ricardo "Rick" Garza

**For:** Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Melissa R.

Cigarroa, Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza, and Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

**Np:** Cm. Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr., Cm. Dr. David Tyler King, Mayor Pro

Tempore Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Motion carries.

9. Amending the Fiscal Year 2025 Hotel/Motel Fund by drawing down from fund balance and appropriating \$60,000.00 to the Laredo Center for the Arts under the Third-Party Funding Contract.

For City Council to approve this motion.

appropriate \$11,750.00 to the FY24-25 Laredo International Airport Budget for funding the FY2024 Operations Stonegarden Grant (OPSG). Funds are being awarded by the Office of the Governor's Homeland Security Grants Division (HSGD). This funding will be used for overtime and fringe benefit expenses used for Stonegarden Operations by Airport Law Enforcement. No local match is required.

Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance authorizing the City Manager to amend the budget and appropriate \$11,750.00 to the FY24-25 Laredo International Airport Budget for funding the FY2024 Operations Stonegarden Grant (OPSG). Funds are being awarded by the Office of the Governor's Homeland Security Grants Division (HSGD). This funding will be used for overtime and fringe benefit expenses used for Stonegarden Operations by Airport Law Enforcement. No local match is required. Staff recommends the approval of this resolution.

11. An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, amending the City of Laredo's FY 2025 annual budget by appropriating revenues and expenses in the amount of \$663,743.00 in the Waterworks System Fund 2019 Water Revenue Bond. The interest earnings being appropriated are to pay for expenses for projects.

An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, amending the City of Laredo's FY 2025 annual budget by appropriating revenues and expenses in the amount of \$663,743.00

in the Waterworks System Fund 2019 Water Revenue Bond. The interest earnings being appropriated are to pay for expenses for projects.

Introduce this ordinance.

12. An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, amending chapter 19, article VIII, section 19-364, of the code of ordinances by adding subsection (30), restricted parking areas to include no parking, standing, and stopping, anytime and tow away zone, temporary loading/unloading, and no overnight parking between 10 p.m. And 6 a.m. On both the north and south side of 12000 block of Riverbank Drive between IH-69W frontage road and FM 1472

An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, amending chapter 19, article VIII, section 19-364, of the code of ordinances by adding subsection (30), restricted parking areas to include no parking, standing, and stopping, anytime and tow away zone, temporary loading/unloading, and no overnight parking between 10 p.m. And 6 a.m. On both the north and south side of 12000 block of Riverbank Drive between IH-69W frontage road and FM 1472

Staff recommends approval of this ordinance.

13. Concerning a voluntary annexation application by Jose Luis Saldana, on behalf of Mines Property, LLC, altering and extending the boundary limits of the City of Laredo, annexing additional territory of 6.00 acres, more or less, located northeast of FM 1472 and Pinto Valle Drive, and north of Lampazos Loop. Providing for the effective date of the ordinance, authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract adopting a service plan for the annexed territory, and establishing the initial zoning of M-1 (Light Manufacturing District).

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The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the annexation and initial zoning.

Staff supports the application and initial zoning.

AN-001-2025

District VII - Cm. Vanessa Perez

Concerning a voluntary annexation application by Jose Luis Saldana, on behalf of Mines Property, LLC, altering and extending the boundary limits of the City of Laredo, annexing additional territory of 6.00 acres, more or less, located northeast of FM 1472 and Pinto Valle Drive, and north of Lampazos Loop. Providing for the effective date of the ordinance, authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract adopting a service plan for the annexed territory, and establishing the initial zoning of M-1 (Light Manufacturing District).

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the annexation and initial zoning.

Staff supports the application and initial zoning.

AN-001-2025

District VII - Cm. Vanessa Perez

Staff supports the annexation.

Staff supports the initial zoning. The initial zoning is compatible with existing adjacent industrial uses and is in conformance with Comprehensive Plan's designation as Light Industrial (M-1, B-4, B-3). The annexation consists of three (3) platted tracts within the Pinto Valle Industrial Park.

#### **IMPACT ANALYSIS:**

M-1 (Light Manufacturing District):

The purpose of the M-1 Light Manufacturing District is to encourage the development of manufacturing and wholesale business establishments, which are clean, quiet, and free of hazardous or objectionable elements, such as noise, odor, dust, smoke, or glare. Research activities are encouraged. This district is further designed to act as a transitional use between industrial uses and other less intense and residential uses.

Is this change contrary to the established land pattern? No. This surrounding land pattern is industrial.

Would this change create an isolated zoning district unrelated to surrounding districts? No. This tract is surrounded by M-1 (Light Manufacturing District) zoning.

Will this change adversely influence living condition in the neighborhood? No. There are no residential neighborhoods in the area.

Are there substantial reasons why the property cannot be used in accordance with existing zoning?

N/A

14. An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas amending the Zoning 2025-O-98 Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lots 8 and 10, Block 347, Eastern Division, located at 2802 Springfield Avenue, from B-1 (Limited Business District) to R-3 (Mixed Residential District)

ZC-032-2025 District IV

15. An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, authorizing the City Manager 2025-O-100 to amend the City of Laredo FY2025 Police General Fund budget by increasing revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$35,105.00 for additional funding provided by the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education (LEOSE) Fund for the continued education of law enforcement personnel.

An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, authorizing the City Manager to amend the City of Laredo FY2025 Police General Fund budget by increasing revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$35,105.00 for additional funding provided by the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education (LEOSE) Fund for the continued education of law enforcement personnel. Recommends the approval of this Ordinance.

An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, amending the Zoning 2025-O-101 Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by authorizing the issuance of a conditional use permit for a hospital on Lot 1, Block 3, Clear Choice 2: Alexander Bartlett Commercial, Phase 15, and Lot 2, Block 3, Clear Choice: Alexander Bartlett Commercial, Phase 15, located at 7101 and 7105 North Bartlett Avenue.

ZC-033-2025 District V

#### Motion to approve.

Moved: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

Second: Ricardo "Rick" Garza

**For:** Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Ricardo

"Rick" Garza, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., and Cm. Dr. David Tyler King

Against: 0

Abstain: Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa

**Np:** Cm. Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr., Mayor Pro Tempore Vanessa Perez,

and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

#### Motion carries.

17. An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, amending the Zoning 2025-O-102 Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning approximately 3.05 acre tract of land, as further described by metes and bounds in attached Exhibit A, located south of FM 1472 and east Iron Mine Road, from AG (Agricultural District) to M-1 (Light Manufacturing District).

ZC-034-2025 District VII

18. An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, amending Ordinance No. 2018-O-069 Chapter 31 (Utilities), Article III (Water) Section 31-115 to introduce detailed definitions, hazard classifications (e.g., health vs. non-health hazards), test and maintenance report submission fees, and technical requirements for backflow prevention assemblies. This ordinance also sets requirements for testing frequency by certified professionals, digital reporting, and specific rules for fire systems, mobile units, and irrigation-aligning with current Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) and University of Southern California (USC) standards.

An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, amending Ordinance No. 2018-O-069 Chapter 31 (Utilities), Article III (Water) Section 31-115 to introduce detailed definitions, hazard classifications (e.g., health vs. non-health hazards), test and maintenance report submission fees, and technical requirements for backflow prevention assemblies. This ordinance also sets requirements for testing frequency by certified

professionals, digital reporting, and specific rules for fire systems, mobile units, and irrigation-aligning with current Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) and University of Southern California (USC) standards.

Amendment of Ordinance

#### X. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda items 19-35, with the exception of 33,29.

Moved: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

Second: Melissa R. Cigarroa

**For:** Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Ricardo

"Richie" Rangel Jr., Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., and Cm. Dr. David Tyler King

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Against: 0
Abstain: 0

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

Motion carries.

#### AIRPORT: GILBERTO SANCHEZ, DIRECTOR

19. Consideration to renew contract FY24-031 with ADS Comunicación, San Nicolas de la Garza, NL Mexico, in an annual amount of \$85,000.00 for a total contract amount of \$255,000.00. This contract provides statewide, national, and international communication and marketing services for the Laredo International Airport. 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. This contract may be renewed two additional, one-year extension periods upon mutual agreement of both Parties. This is the first extension. Funding is available in the Laredo International Airport Operations Fund.

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Staff recommends the approval of this motion.

#### **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: MIRIAM CASTILLO, DIRECTOR**

20. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas approving a 2025-R-149 Chapter 380 Agreement between the City of Laredo and Killam Development Ltd., pursuant to an economic development incentive under Chapter 380 of the Texas Local Government Code, and any other matters incident thereto; to promote economic development and stimulate

business and downtown revitalization; establishing performance requirements; and authorizing the City Manager to execute said agreement on behalf of the City; providing for severability; providing for an effective date; and providing for publication. The 10 year agreement obligates the Company to invest an aggregate estimated amount of \$40,720,000.00 towards acquisition, revitalization, construction and completion of the project.

A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas approving a Chapter 380 Agreement between the City of Laredo and Killam Development Ltd., pursuant to an economic development incentive under Chapter 380 of the Texas Local Government Code, and any other matters incident thereto; to promote economic development and stimulate business and downtown revitalization; establishing performance requirements; and authorizing the City Manager to execute said agreement on behalf of the City; providing for severability; providing for an effective date; and providing for publication. The 10 year agreement obligates the Company to invest an aggregate estimated amount of \$40,720,000.00 towards acquisition, revitalization, construction and completion of the project.

Recommends approval of this Resolution

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

- 21. Consideration to award a construction contract to the lowest, responsible, responsive bidder Quantum Construction LLC, Laredo, Texas, in the amount not to exceed \$445,745.05 for the FY25-ENG-08 City of Laredo Health Department Site Accessibility Upgrades Project for the total base bid including alternates 1 and 2. Construction contract time is 130 working days. Funding is available in the 2017 Certificate of Obligation Issue Fund, 2017 and 2023 Certificate of Obligation Issue Funds, and Public Health Fund- EMS Waiver Funds.
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- 1. Quantum Construction, Laredo, Texas Total Base Bid: \$344,650.62 + Alternates \$101,094.43 = \$445,745.05
- 2. ALC Construction Co. Inc., Laredo, Texas
  Total Base Bid: \$438,613.00 + Alternates \$147,448.00 = \$586,061.00

Refer to attached letter of recommendation from Slay Architecture, Laredo, Texas.

Consideration to award a construction contract to the lowest, responsible, responsive bidder Quantum Construction LLC, Laredo, Texas, in the amount not to exceed \$445,745.05 for the FY25-ENG-08 City of Laredo Health Department Site Accessibility Upgrades Project for the total base bid including alternates 1 and 2. Construction contract time is 130 working days. Funding is available in the 2017 Certificate of Obligation Issue Fund, 2017 and 2023 Certificate of Obligation Issue Funds- Mayor's Priority Funds, and Public Health Fund- EMS Waiver Funds.

- 1. Quantum Construction, Laredo, Texas Total Base Bid: \$344,650.62 + Alternates \$101,094.43 = \$445,745.05
- 2. ALC Construction Co. Inc., Laredo, Texas Total Base Bid: \$438,613.00 + Alternates \$147,448.00 = \$586,061.00

Refer to attached letter of recommendation from Slay Architecture, Laredo, Texas. Approval of this motion.

22. Consideration for approval of Eastern Chacon Creek Interceptor & Drainage Improvements as complete, including all warranty certificates, release of retainage, and final payment in the amount of \$219,830.48 to Azar Services, LLC, and approval of change order no. 5 for an amount of \$64,602.46. The final construction contract amount is \$4,194,227.65 and final contract time is 912 working days. Funding is available in the Environmental Services Fund and Sewer System Funds.

25-906

Consideration for approval of Eastern Chacon Creek Interceptor & Drainage Improvements as complete, including all warranty certificates, release of retainage, and final payment in the amount of \$219,830.48 to Azar Services, LLC, and approval of change order no. 5 for an amount of \$64,602.46. The final construction contract amount is \$4,194,227.65 and final contract time is 912 working days. Funding is available in the Environmental Services Fund and Sewer System Funds.

Approval of this motion.

#### FINANCE: FRANCISCO J. MATA, DIRECTOR

23. Consideration to renew award supply contract FY23-043 for the purchase of general office supplies for all City of Laredo departments to the following vendors:

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- 1. Executive Office Supply, Laredo, Texas
- 2. Patria Office Supply, Laredo, Texas

It is the intent of the City to secure a contract for general office supplies based on the lowest responsible responsive bidders for general office supplies. Contracts will be awarded to both vendors. Approximately \$600,000.00 is spent on office supplies on an annual basis. The term of this contract was for a period of two years beginning as of the date of its execution. The contract may be extended for one additional two year periods each upon mutual agreement of the parties. This is the last extension period. All items will be purchased on an as needed basis and funding will be secured from the user departmental budgets.

Consideration to renew award supply contract FY23-043 for the purchase of general office supplies for all City of Laredo departments to the following vendors:

- 1. Executive Office Supply, Laredo, Texas
- 2. Patria Office Supply, Laredo, Texas

It is the intent of the City to secure a contract for general office supplies based on the lowest responsible responsive bidders for general office supplies. Contracts will be awarded to both vendors. Approximately \$600,000.00 is spent on office supplies on an annual basis. The term of this contract was for a period of two (2) years beginning as of the date of its execution. The contract may be extended for one (1) additional two (2) year periods each upon mutual agreement of the parties. This is the last extension period. All items will be purchased on an as needed basis and funding will be secured from the user departmental budgets.

It is recommended that this contract be renewed.

#### FIRE: GUILLERMO HEARD, FIRE CHIEF

24. Consideration to ratify the approval of an emergency purchase order with Siddons-Martin Emergency Group, LLC., San Antonio, TX, in the amount of \$82,005.85 to purchase critical equipment that will directly enhance our specialized rescue teams stationed at Stations 2 and 8 and support the new addition of the Station One Extrication Team, which is set to be operational by 2025. We are utilizing the Buyboard Cooperative Contract #746-24. Funding is available in the Special Fire Grants Fund.

Consideration to ratify the approval of an emergency purchase order with Siddons-Martin Emergency Group, LLC., San Antonio, TX, in the amount of \$82,005.85 to purchase critical equipment that will directly enhance our specialized rescue teams stationed at Stations 2 and 8 and support the new addition of the Station 1 Extrication Team, which is set to be operational by 2025. We are utilizing the Buyboard Cooperative Contract #746-24. Funding is available in the Special Fire Grants Fund.

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Staff recommends approval of this item.

#### FLEET MANAGEMENT: RONALD MILLER, DIRECTOR

- **25.** Consideration to renew annual service contract FY24-067 for Outside Tire Repair Services with the following vendors:
  - 1). Section I: Outside tire repairs for mid-size vehicles:
  - a). Toro Automotive, Laredo, Texas in an amount up to \$100,000.00; and
    - b). Border Tire, Laredo, Texas in an amount up to \$70,000.00.
  - 2). Section II: Outside tire repairs for heavy-duty trucks:
  - a). Toro Automotive, Laredo, Texas in an amount up to \$70,000.00; and
  - b). Southern Tire Mart, Laredo, Texas in an amount up to \$60.000.00.
  - 3). Section III: Outside tire repairs for industrial sized trucks:
  - a). Southern Tire Mart, Laredo, Texas in an amount up to \$90,000.00; and
    - b). T&W Tire LLC., Laredo, Texas in an amount up to \$45,000.00.

All outside tire repair services will be 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. There was no price increase during the last extension period. This contract can be renewed two additional one-year extension periods upon mutual agreement of the parties. Funding is available in the Fleet Management Fund.

Consideration to renew annual service contract FY24-067 for Outside Tire Repair Services with the following vendors:

- 1). Section I: Outside tire repairs for mid-size vehicles:
  - a). Toro Automotive, Laredo, Texas in an amount up to \$100,000.00; and
  - b). Border Tire, Laredo, Texas in an amount up to \$70,000.00.
- 2). Section II: Outside tire repairs for heavy-duty trucks:
  - a). Toro Automotive, Laredo, Texas in an amount up to \$70,000.00; and
  - b). Southern Tire Mart, Laredo, Texas in an amount up to \$60,000.00.
- 3). Section III: Outside tire repairs for industrial sized trucks:
  - a). Southern Tire Mart, Laredo, Texas in an amount up to \$90,000.00; and
  - b). T&W Tire LLC., Laredo, Texas in an amount up to \$45,000.00.

All outside tire repair services will be 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. There was no price increase during the last extension period. This contract can be renewed two additional one-year extension periods upon mutual agreement of the parties. Funding is available in the Fleet Management Fund.

It is recommended that these contracts be renewed.

#### PUBLIC HEALTH: DR. RICHARD A. CHAMBERLAIN, DIRECTOR

26. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas, authorizing the City Manager to submit an application to the Cancer Prevention & Research Institute of Texas (CPRIT) for the Primary Prevention of Cancer Grant, in the total amount of up to \$1,000,000.00 with no match for the City of Laredo Public Health Department for the term period from December 1, 2025 through November 30, 2028; and further authorizing the City Manager to execute all documents resulting from the award of this grant. Any funding as a result of this application will be appropriated in the Laredo Public Health Department Fund - Primary Prevention of Cancer Grant.

A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas, authorizing the City Manager to submit an application to the Cancer Prevention & Research Institute of Texas (CPRIT) for the Primary Prevention of Cancer Grant, in the total amount of up to \$1,000,000 with no match for the City of Laredo Public Health Department for the term period from December 1, 2025 through November 30, 2028; and further authorizing the City Manager to execute all documents resulting from the award of this grant. Any

funding as a result of this application will be appropriated in the Laredo Public Health Department Fund - Primary Prevention of Cancer Grant.

Staff recommends that Council approve the Resolution.

27. Consideration to authorize the City Manager to purchase Environment Health Solutions Software, from Citizenserve located at 1101 E Warner Rd. Suite 160 Tempe, Arizona 85284 for the City of Laredo Public Health Department - Environmental Division for a four-year term. Total annual costs for Year one \$124,000.00; Year two \$45,000.00; Year three \$45,000.00; Year four \$45,000.00; for a total amount not to exceed \$259,000.00. Funding is available in the Public Health Department Fund.

Consideration to authorize the City Manager to purchase Environment Health Solutions Software, from Citizenserve located at 1101 E Warner Rd. Suite 160 Tempe, Arizona 85284 for the City of Laredo Public Health Department - Environmental Division for a (4) four-year term. Total annual costs for Year (1) one \$124,000; Year (2) \$45,000; Year (3) three \$45,000; Year (4) four \$45,000; for a total amount not to exceed \$259,000. Funding is available in the Public Health Department Fund.

Staff recommends that Council approve the Motion.

#### Motion to amend to "award FY25-056"

Moved: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

Second: Melissa R. Cigarroa

**For:** Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Ricardo

"Richie" Rangel Jr., 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.

28. Consideration to authorize the City Manager to purchase an XR Fusion 400S SRS Pocket System (x-ray machine), from Brown's Medical Imaging located at 14315 "C" Circle Omaha, NE 68144 for the City of Laredo Public Health Department Tuberculosis Prevention Program in the total amount not to exceed \$68,150.00. Vendor is a sole source manufacturer. Funding is available in the Public Health Department Fund.

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Consideration to authorize the City Manager to purchase an XR Fusion 400S SRS Pocket System (x-ray machine), from Brown's Medical Imaging located at 14315 "C" Circle Omaha, NE 68144 for the City of Laredo Public Health Department Tuberculosis Prevention Program in the total amount not to exceed \$68,150.00. Vendor is a sole source manufacturer. Funding is available in the Public Health Department Fund.

Staff recommends that Council approve the Motion.

#### **HUMAN RESOURCES: LINDA TENIENTE, DIRECTOR**

**29.** Discussion with possible action to approve the proposed changes to the medical insurance rates for the City of Laredo Health and Benefits Plan for all employees, retirees and dependents. Funding will be available in

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the Health and Benefits fund.

Discussion with possible action to approve the proposed changes to the medical insurance rates for the City of Laredo Health and Benefits Plan for all employees, retirees and dependents. Funding will be available in the Health and Benefits fund. Staff recommends Council approve the changes to the medical health plan as presented.

#### Motion to approve.

Moved: Melissa R. Cigarroa

**Second:** Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

**For:** Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Ricardo

"Richie" Rangel Jr., Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez

Jr., and Cm. Dr. David Tyler King

Against: 0
Abstain: 0

Np: Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza, Mayor Pro Tempore Vanessa Perez, and

Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Motion carries.

#### INFORMATION SERVICES & TELECOMMUNICATION: JOE C. RIVERA, DIRECTOR

30. Consideration to approve the purchase of IT communication circuit and equipment to provide basic technology services at the Buena Vista Sports Complex for a total combined cost of \$274,232.23. The IST department will integrate all the systems with eight vendors using various governmental discount programs. Funding is available in the Buena Vista Sports Complex project

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Consideration to approve the purchase of IT communication circuit and equipment to provide basic technology services at the Buena Vista Sports Complex for a total combined cost of \$274,232.23. The IST department will integrate all the systems with eight vendors using various governmental discount programs. Funding is available in the Sports & Community Venue/Buena Vista Operations.

Staff recommends approval.

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

31. Authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with Hurricane Fence Company, Harlingen, Texas for the purchase and installation of an ornamental and galvanized chain link fence for the Buena Vista Sports Complex located at 4709 Cuatro Vientos Road, Laredo, Texas 78046, perimeter in the amount of \$566,547.00. This purchase is utilizing the Buy Board Cooperative Purchasing Program No. 757-24. Funding is available through the Sports Venue Tax Fund.

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Authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with Hurricane Fence Company, Harlingen, Texas for the purchase and installation of an ornamental and galvanized chain link fence for the Buena Vista Sports Complex located at 4709 Cuatro Vientos Road, Laredo, Texas 78046, perimeter in the amount of \$566,547.00. This purchase is utilizing the Buy Board Cooperative Purchasing Program No. 757-24. Funding is

available through the Sports Venue Tax Fund - 2021 Revenue Bond. Staff recommends approval of this item.

#### POLICE: MIGUEL RODRIGUEZ, CHIEF OF POLICE

32. 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 \$29,999.96 from the Texas Department of Transportation for the enforcement of Vehicle Occupant Protection during the "Click It or Ticket" (CIOT) Campaign. The grant period for FY2025 CIOT will begin May 16, 2025 through June 04, 2025. This grant funding is to pay overtime salaries for officers to conduct intense occupant protection enforcement in order to increase occupant restraint use in all passenger vehicles and trucks. The city will be responsible for a required match of \$9,299.95, from General Fund, for a project total of \$39,299.95. Funding is available in the Special Police Fund.

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 \$29,999.96 from the Texas Department of Transportation for the enforcement of Vehicle Occupant Protection during the "Click It or Ticket" (CIOT) Campaign. The grant period for FY2025 CIOT will begin May 16, 2025 through June 04, 2025. This grant funding is to pay overtime salaries for officers to conduct intense occupant protection enforcement in order to increase occupant restraint use in all passenger vehicles and trucks. The city will be responsible for a required match of \$9,299.95, from General Fund, for a project total of \$39,299.95. Funding is available in the Special Police Fund. Recommends that Council approves this resolution.

#### TAX: DORA MALDONADO, TAX ASSESSOR COLLECTOR

33. Consideration to approve an amendment to the contract of the delinquent tax attorney, Flores, Flores, & Canales, PLLC, by removing Section X, which requires the delinquent tax attorney to mail a 30 day notice (15 day notice for personal property) prior to filing a lawsuit, and the Attorney requests to relinquish this notice and file lawsuits as soon as delinquent accounts are turned over for collection in an effort to generate more revenue for the City. There is no financial impact at this time.

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Consideration to approve an amendment to the contract of the delinquent tax attorney, Flores, Flores, & Canales, PLLC, by removing Section X, which requires the delinquent tax attorney to mail a 30 day notice (15 day notice for personal property) prior to filing a lawsuit, and the Attorney requests to relinquish this notice and file lawsuits as soon as delinquent accounts are turned over for collection in an effort to generate more revenue for the City. There is no financial impact at this time.

Approve amendment.

Motion to approve.

**Moved:** Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr.

Second: Ricardo "Rick" Garza

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Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Ricardo For:

"Richie" Rangel Jr., Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ricardo "Rick"

Garza, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., and Cm. Dr. David Tyler King

Against: 0 Abstain:

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

Motion carries.

#### UTILITIES: ELIUD DE LOS SANTOS, INTERIM DIRECTOR

34. Authorizing the City Manager to purchase one 250 Horsepower (HP) KSB 25-458 submersible pump from Pump Solutions, Inc. (PSI) of New Caney, Texas, in the amount of \$128,702.00 utilizing the Inter-local Purchasing System (TIPS) Account ID #8755, Contract #23010401. Funding is available in the Sewer System Fund - 2015B Sewer Revenue Bond.

Authorizing the City Manager to purchase one 250 Horsepower (HP) KSB submersible pump from Pump Solutions, Inc. (PSI) of New Caney, Texas, in the amount of \$128,702.00 utilizing the Inter-local Purchasing System (TIPS) Account ID # 8755, Contract # 23010401. Funding is available in the Sewer System Fund - 2015B Sewer Revenue Bond.

It is recommended that this purchase be approved.

Authorizing City Manager to approve amendment No.1 to the Professional 35. **25-918** Engineering Services contract with Ardurra Group, Inc., Laredo, Texas. in the amount of \$19,940.00 for the Tx-DOT IH 35 Utility Relocation. The total contract amount with amendment No.1 is \$61.820.00. Funding is available in the Sewer System Fund- 2017 Sewer Revenue Bond

Authorizing City Manager to approve amendment No.1 to the Professional Engineering Services contract with Ardurra Group, Inc., Laredo, Texas. in the amount of \$19,940.00 for the Tx-DOT IH 35 Utility Relocation. The total contract amount with amendment No.1 is \$61,820.00. Funding is available in the Sewer System Fund- 2017 Sewer Revenue Bond

Approval of Motion

#### **END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

#### XI. STAFF REPORTS

Introduction of the Public Art Program Manager, Vanessa Filazzola. 36. Followed by a review of key points from the Laredo Art Master Plan (LAMP) and an overview of the Standard Operating Procedures for proposing public art projects. Provide an update on current projects. including one that requires specific committee representation from each district through the Fine Arts and Culture Committee. A summary of funding sources from Certificates of Obligation since the adoption of Ordinance 2019-O-177. The item will conclude with information on upcoming public art initiatives for the City of Laredo that align with the LAMP.

**25-793** 

Introduction of the Public Art Program Manager, Vanessa Filazzola. Followed by a review of key points from the Laredo Art Master Plan (LAMP) and an overview of the Standard Operating Procedures for proposing public art projects. Provide an update on current projects, including one that requires specific committee representation from each district through the Fine Arts and Culture Committee. A summary of funding sources from Certificates of Obligation since the adoption of Ordinance 2019-O-177. The item will conclude with information on upcoming public art initiatives for the City of Laredo that align with the LAMP.

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#### XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion to go into Executive Session.

Moved: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

**Second:** Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr.

**For:** Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, 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, and Cm.

Alyssa Cigarroa

Against: 0
Abstain: 0

**Np:** Mayor Pro Tempore Vanessa Perez

Motion carries.

37. Request for Executive Session pursuant to §551.072 of the Texas
Government Code, concerning a tract of land owned by the City of
Laredo, located in Starr County, and interest from the federal government
to acquire said land, and any other matter incident thereto.

Request for Executive Session pursuant to §551.072 of the Texas Government Code, concerning a tract of land owned by the City of Laredo, located in Starr County, and interest from the federal government to acquire said land, and any other matter incident thereto.

NA

Motion for staff to proceed as directed, and to continue negotiations, as amended.

**Moved:** Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

**Second:** Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr.

**For:** Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Ricardo

"Richie" Rangel Jr., Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ricardo "Rick"

Garza, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Against: 0
Abstain: 0

Np: Cm. Dr. David Tyler King, and Mayor Pro Tempore Vanessa Perez

Motion carries.

38. Request for Executive Session under Texas Government Code 551.074 (a)(1) related to possible action regarding the recent Charter amendment establishing a new full-time Municipal Judge position; consideration of letters of interest received from two applicants; and discussion on Council's preferred process for selection and appointment, including but not limited to interviews, direct appointment, or other methods; and any other matters incident thereto.

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Request for Executive Session under Texas Government Code 551.074 (a)(1) related to possible action regarding the recent Charter amendment establishing a new full-time Municipal Judge position; consideration of letters of interest received from two applicants; and discussion on Council's preferred process for selection and appointment, including but not limited to interviews, direct appointment, or other methods; and any other matters incident thereto.

N/A

Motion for staff to interview both candidates, and come back next meeting for a decision to be made.

Moved: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

Second: David Tyler King

**For:** Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, 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, and Cm.

Alyssa Cigarroa

Against: 0
Abstain: 0

**Np:** Mayor Pro Tempore Vanessa Perez

Motion carries.

**39.** Discussion with possible action regarding possible land purchase near Divine Mercy Park, and any other matters incident thereto.

Motion for staff to proceed as directed.

Moved: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

Second: Ricardo "Rick" Garza

**For:** Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, 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, and Cm.

Alyssa Cigarroa

Against: 0
Abstain: 0

**Np:** Mayor Pro Tempore Vanessa Perez

Motion carries.

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

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Motion to recess as the Laredo City Council and convene as the Laredo Mass Transit Board.

Moved: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

Second: Ricardo "Rick" Garza

**For:** Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, 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, and Cm.

Alyssa Cigarroa

Against: 0
Abstain: 0

**Np:** Mayor Pro Tempore Vanessa Perez

#### Motion carries.

40. Authorizing the City Manager to waive bus fares for children between the 2025-RT-27 ages of six to seventeen with a brand new initiative program to help families and children in Laredo stay connected and active during these summer months. Kids on the Go Summer Youth Transportation Program will be commencing on June 3, 2025 through August 31, 2025.

Authorizing the City Manager to waive bus fares for children between the ages of six (6) to seventeen (17) with a brand new initiative program to help families and children in Laredo stay connected and active during these summer months. Kids on the Go Summer Youth Transportation Program will be commencing on June 3, 2025 through August 31, 2025.

Staff recommends approval authorizing the City Manager to waive bus fares for Summer Program.

#### Motion to approve.

Moved: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

Second: Ricardo "Rick" Garza

**For:** Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, 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, and Cm.

Alyssa Cigarroa

Against: 0
Abstain: 0

**Np:** Mayor Pro Tempore Vanessa Perez

#### Motion carries.

41. Authorizing the City Manager to Amend the executed lease agreement 2025-RT-25 between the Laredo Transit Management, Inc., "El Metro" (Lessor) and Laredo Insurance Services, LLC (Lessee) for the lease of office space in the Transit Center Lobby, for a monthly sum of \$2,000.00 for the first year, with a three percent increase on year two and three, for a term of one three year period with the option of two one year extensions.

Authorizing the City Manager to Amend the executed lease agreement between the Laredo Transit Management, Inc., "El Metro" (Lessor) and Laredo Insurance Services, LLC (Lessee) for the lease of office space in the Transit Center Lobby, for a monthly sum of \$2,000.00 for the first year, with a three percent (3%) increase on year two (2) and three (3), for a term of one (1) three (3) year period with the option of two (2) one (1) year extensions.

Staff recommends passage of this ordinance.

### Motion to approve items 41-42.

Moved: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

Second: Ricardo "Rick" Garza

**For:** Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, 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, and Cm.

Alyssa Cigarroa

Against: 0
Abstain: 0

**Np:** Mayor Pro Tempore Vanessa Perez

#### Motion carries.

42. Consideration to purchase automobile parts, transit parts, and supplies for Laredo Transit Management, Inc., (LTMI) with contract Buyboard 715-23 cooperative contract vendor Rotex Truck Center of Texas, New Braunfels, Texas for a cumulative amount \$45,000.00 and to allow future purchases for an additional amount not to exceed \$190,000.00, for one (1) year which will expire on November 30, 2026. Funding is available in the El Metro Maintenance accounts.

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Staff recommends passage of this contract.

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

Motion to adjourn as the Laredo Mass Transit Board and reconvene as the

Laredo City Council.

Moved: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

**Second:** Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr.

**For:** Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Ricardo

"Richie" Rangel Jr., 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.

#### XV. GENERAL COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

#### Request by Mayor Dr. Victor D. Treviño

**43.** Discussion with possible action on future international bridge sites, and any matters related thereto.

Motion to instruct management to come up with a plan incorporating these potential international crossings.

Moved: Dr. Victor D. Trevino

**Second:** Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr.

**For:** Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Ricardo

"Richie" Rangel Jr., 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.

44. Discussion with possible action on creating a healthy neighborhoods challenge to encourage, focus, and promote physical activity and public health in our medically underserved community, and any matters related thereto.

Motion to instruct management to work with the health department to promote a challenge within our City throughout the neighborhoods or districts to see who can log the most steps or physical activity for selective period time.

Moved: Dr. Victor D. Trevino

Second: Ricardo "Rick" Garza

**For:** Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, Cm. Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Ricardo

"Richie" Rangel Jr., 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.

#### Request by Council Member Gilbert Gonzalez

**45.** Discussion with possible action to allocate funds for the renovation of the health and wellness center, located at the Laredo Police Department Headquarters, and any matters incident thereto.

Motion to come back in two weeks with recommendation to City Council.

**Moved:** Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

**Second:** Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr.

**For:** Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, 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, and Cm.

Alyssa Cigarroa

Against: 0
Abstain: 0

**Np:** Mayor Pro Tempore Vanessa Perez

Motion carries.

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

**46.** Recognizing the John B. Alexander High School Baseball Team for winning Outright District Champs, Bi-District Champs, Area Champs and Regional Semi-Finalists on their 2025 Season.

47. Recognizing Andrew De Leon, John B. Alexander High School Senior Varsity Baseball Player for obtaining 2022 Newcomer of the Year, District Champion, 2023 District MVP, 1st Team All-State (1st Base) 2024 Pitcher of the Year, District Champion, 2025 District 30-6A MVP, Selected to the Texas High School Baseball Coaches Association 6A-5A South All Star Team.

#### Request by Council Member Dr. David Tyler King

48. Discussion with possible action regarding a follow up on a new City ordinance to strengthen the City's position as it relates to regulating fiber contractors and subcontractors in holding them accountable for damages to private property during fiber installation, up to the maximum allowable manner allowed by State law, and any other matters incident thereto.

#### Request by Mayor Pro Tempore Vanessa J. Perez

Motion to table items 49-51.

**Moved:** Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

**Second:** Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr.

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**For:** Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, 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, and Cm.

Alyssa Cigarroa

**Against:** 0

0

Np: Mayor Pro Tempore Vanessa Perez

Motion carries.

Abstain:

49. Discussion with possible action to develop an improved method for handling "turn-arounds" from insufficient fees at WTB, with an update on the directive requiring 100% of accounts have a backup credit card on file, eliminating turn arounds, and any other matters incident thereto.

50. Discussion with possible action on pending staff recommendations to Ordinance 2021-O-122 from the May 15, 2023 agenda item regarding paved parking ordinances, enforcement efforts for industrial and commercial vehicles parking on dirt lots, and any other matters incident thereto.

**51.** Discussion with possible action regarding the policy/process of awarding contracts and/or entering into partnerships, agreements, relationships, engagements, etc. with entities, and any other matters incident thereto.

#### XVI. ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn at 8:46 p.m.

**Moved:** Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

**Second:** Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr.

**For:** Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, 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, and Cm.

Alyssa Cigarroa

**Against:** 0

Abstain: 0

**Np:** Mayor Pro Tempore Vanessa Perez

Motion carries.