

## Resolution 2026-R-19

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAREDO, TEXAS, RECOGNIZING AND SUPPORTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE RIO GRANDE RIVERFRONT COORDINATION & ADVISORY AD-HOC COMMITTEE (RRCAC) AS A MAYOR'S COMMITTEE TO PROVIDE TECHNICAL AND COMMUNITY-BASED ADVISORY INPUT ON RIVERFRONT, FLOOD CONTROL, FEDERAL BORDER-RELATED MATTERS, AND **FEDERALLY OWNED RIVERFRONT AREAS INCLUDING THE RIVERBEND AND ASSOCIATED BUOY INFRASTRUCTURE; AND PROVIDING FOR RELATED MATTERS.****

**WHEREAS**, the Rio Grande riverfront is a defining geographic, environmental, economic, and cultural feature of the City of Laredo, and matters affecting the riverfront carry citywide implications; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Laredo is currently navigating complex federal actions and proposals related to riverfront infrastructure, flood control, and border security, including potential impacts associated with federal border wall planning and implementation; and

**WHEREAS**, such matters extend beyond city-owned property and include federally owned lands and infrastructure along the Rio Grande, including the riverbend area and related buoy systems, which have direct impacts on local environmental conditions, public safety, navigation, and community interests; and

**WHEREAS**, these matters involve multiple layers of government, technical disciplines, regulatory frameworks, and community interests, requiring a coordinated and informed advisory approach; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Laredo has determined that the creation of a Mayor's advisory ad-hoc committee will provide a structured, balanced, and technically grounded forum to support informed discussion and coordination on riverfront-related issues; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed Rio Grande Riverfront Coordination & Advisory Ad-Hoc Committee (RRCAC) is intended to serve in an advisory capacity only and shall not exercise decision-making authority, but rather provide recommendations, technical insight, and community perspective to the Mayor, City Council, and City management as appropriate; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has identified the need for broad and balanced representation on the Committee, including citywide residents, river-adjacent stakeholders, business and civic leaders, institutional partners, and individuals with technical expertise in areas such as engineering, hydrology, environmental sciences, utilities, and related fields; and

WHEREAS, The Committee will consist of eleven (11) citizen members appointed by the Mayor, following a nomination and screening process coordinated with the City Manager's Office and City Attorney's Office to ensure compliance with applicable laws and policies;

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

1. The City Council hereby recognizes and supports the Mayor's establishment of the Rio Grande Riverfront Coordination & Advisory Committee (RRCAC) as a Mayor's Committee.

The purpose of the RRCAC shall be to provide advisory input, technical perspective, and community-based recommendations related to riverfront matters, including but not limited to federal border infrastructure, flood control initiatives, environmental considerations, and related planning efforts affecting the City of Laredo, and impacts to federally owned riverfront areas, including the riverbend, **and the installation, maintenance, and operation of buoy systems and related federal infrastructure.**

2. The Committee shall consist of eleven (11) citizen members appointed by the Mayor, with consideration given to balanced representation across the following general categories:
  - a. Citywide residents
  - b. River-adjacent representation
  - c. Business and civic community
  - d. Institutional representation
  - e. Technical experts
3. The Committee shall serve in an advisory capacity only and shall not possess independent decision-making or policy-setting authority.
4. Appointments, committee operations, and coordination shall be conducted in collaboration with the City Manager's Office and City Attorney's Office to ensure alignment with City policies, procedures, and applicable law.
5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

Passed and approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2026.

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