

**RESOLUTION NO. 2026-R-30**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAREDO, TEXAS AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$250,000.00 TO THE STATE OF TEXAS OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR, FOR THE FY 2027 BORDER ZONE FIRE DEPARTMENT (BZFD) GRANT PROGRAM TO FUND ACQUISITION OF NEW HAZARDOUS MATERIALS AND RESCUE EQUIPMENT IN ORDER TO IMPROVE THE DEPARTMENT'S RESPONSE TIME TO DISTRESS CALLS. THE BZFD GRANT HAS A NO MATCH REQUIREMENT AT THE TIME OF APPLICATION. THIS NOTICE OF FUNDING OPPORTUNITY IS ON A REIMBURSEMENT BASIS. FUNDING IS AVAILABLE IN THE SPECIAL FIRE GRANTS FUND – BORDER ZONE GRANT ACCOUNT.**

**Whereas**, the Office of the Governor has announced, and made available reimbursable funds for the *Border Zone Fire Departments (BZFD)* Grant Program for the 2027 fiscal year that will allow for the acquisition of new rescue equipment; and

**Whereas**, the *City Council of the City of Laredo* acknowledges and expresses its sincere and cordial intention to apply for the aforementioned funding opportunity, whose implementation date cannot begin until funding is approved, and that the project must be completed by August 31, 2027; and

**Whereas**, the *City Council of the City of Laredo* finds it in the best interest of the citizens of the City of Laredo, Texas to formally apply and submit an application for the aforementioned Border Zone Fire Departments (BZFD) Grant Program through the City of Laredo's Fire Department in order to improve the department's response time to distress calls by acquiring more specialized rescue equipment; and

**Whereas**, the *City Council of the City of Laredo* agrees that in the event of loss or misuse of the Office of the Governor funds, the City of Laredo assures that the funds will be returned to the Office of the Governor in full; and

**Whereas**, the *City Council of the City of Laredo* designates the City Manager as the grantee's authorized official. The authorized official is given the power to apply for, accept, reject, alter, or terminate the grant on behalf of the applicant agency.

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

Section 1: Authorizing the City Manager to submit a grant application in the amount not to exceed \$250,000.00 to The Office of the Governor, under the Border Zone Fire Department (BZFD) Grant Program, to acquire specialized hazardous materials and rescue equipment. The BZFD grant has a no match requirement at the time of application. This notice of funding opportunity is on a reimbursement basis. Funding is available in the Special Fire Grants Fund – Border Zone Grant Account 260-2488-524-9900.

**Section 2:** This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

**PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AND APPROVED BY THE MAYOR ON THIS THE  
\_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2026.**

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**DR. VICTOR D. TREVIÑO  
MAYOR**

**ATTEST:**

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**MARIO I. MALDONADO, JR.  
CITY SECRETARY**

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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**DOANH "ZONE" T. NGUYEN  
CITY ATTORNEY**