

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-O-174

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LAREDO, TEXAS, AMENDING THE FY2025 CAPITAL GRANT FUND TO APPROPRIATE REVENUES AND EXPENSES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,000,000.00 FOR THE FEDERAL RAILROAD ADMINISTRATION (FRA) CONSOLIDATED RAIL INFRASTRUCTURE AND SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS (CRISI) GRANT FOR THE DOWNTOWN LAREDO RAIL CORRIDOR SAFETY PLANNING PROJECT; PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE CUMULATIVE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, on May 19, 2025, the City Council of the City of Laredo approved Resolution No. 2025-R-142 which authorized City Manager to ratify acceptance of a private partnership funding agreement in the amount of \$1,000,000 from the Texas Mexican railway company (“TM”), a Texas statutory corporation, and the Kansas City Southern Railway company (“KCRS”), a Missouri corporation qualified to do business in Texas (TM and KCRS together referred to herein as “CPKC”). This funding represents the 20% non-federal match for a US Department of Transportation Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements (CRISI) Grant in the amount of \$ 4,000,000 (80%) for a total project cost of \$ 5,000,000.

WHEREAS, the City partnered with CPKC in the submission of a grant application to the US Department of Transportation Federal Railroad Administration Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements Grant to seek federal assistance to fund engineering and other work required for the grade crossing and grade separation improvements in Laredo to ensure timely completion of the project; and

WHEREAS, CPKC will fund the twenty (20) percent [\$1,000,000] non-federal match for the US department of transportation federal railroad administration consolidated rail infrastructure and safety improvements grant; and

WHEREAS, FRA will fund the eighty (80) percent [\$4,000,000] federal match for the US department of transportation federal railroad administration consolidated rail infrastructure and safety improvements grant; and

WHEREAS, the City now seeks to accept and appropriate the \$5,000,000.00 for the Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements Grant.

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

Section 1. The City Council hereby amends the FY 2025 Capital Grant Fund and accepts the \$5,000,000.00 provided by the Federal Railroad Administration Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements Grant.

Section 2. This ordinance shall be cumulative of all provisions of ordinances of the City of Laredo,

Texas, except where the provisions of this ordinance are in direct conflict with the provisions of such ordinances, in which event the conflicting provisions of such ordinances are hereby repealed.

Section 3. It is hereby declared to be the intention of the City Council that the phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs and sections of this ordinance are severable, and if any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section of this ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs and sections of this ordinance, since the same would have been enacted by the City Council without the incorporation in this ordinance of any such unconstitutional phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section.

Section 4. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon passage.

**PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AND APPROVED BY THE MAYOR ON THIS
_____DAY OF _____, 2025.**

**DR. VICTOR D. TREVINO
MAYOR**

ATTESTED:

**MARIO MALDONADO, JR.
CITY SECRETARY**

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

CITY ATTORNEY

**DOANH “ZONE” T. NGUYEN
CITY ATTORNEY**