

City of Laredo

1110 HOUSTON STREET
LAREDO, TEXAS 78040

AS AMENDED REGULAR MEETING AGENDA A-2024-R-07

**Monday, May 6, 2024
5:30 PM**

City Council Chambers

City Council

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

The Mayor will be presenting the following:

1. Recognizing Sandra Cavazos Ayala or her role as a bilingual author of children's books, and illustrator Cindy Elizabeth Sherwood for promoting literacy among our youth and in her hometown of Laredo and all over the world.
2. Recognition of local runners that competed in the 2024 128th Boston Marathon.
3. Recognition of the Laredo Fire Department in achieving Preliminary ISO Rating.
4. Recognizing Margarita Araiza for her long-standing dedication and passion for preserving our history and heritage as the executive director of the Webb County Heritage Foundation for 28 years.
5. Recognition of Mary Help of Christians School 4th grade basketball champions.
6. Recognitions of Mary Help of Christians School 4th grade soccer champions.
7. Recognition of Alexander High School swim team,

Girls Team - Regional Champions 3 years in a row (2022, 2023 and 2024)

Chelsea Chavez- was State qualifier for the 3rd time in a row. (200 Freestyle, 500 Freestyle)

Olivia Farias - Voted Top Regional Diver

Analucia Diaz - Voted Top District Diver

8. Recognizing Ms. Stephie Lozano and Ms. Meghan Leyendecker, Alexander High School students, for their remarkable non-profit project, "500 Pounds of Love." Since its inception during their freshman year in 2022, Stephie and Meghan have tirelessly collected and donated over 10,000 pounds of pet food to local organizations. Their dedication and commitment to community service serve as an inspiring example of youth-driven philanthropy. We applaud their contributions, which have truly made Laredo proud!

9. Recognizing United High School 2023-2024 Larriettes for their outstanding accomplishments of winning three consecutive MA National Titles under guidance of Mrs. Gina Lara Portillo. With a rich history spanning 52 years, the Larriettes have established an extraordinary legacy of tradition and excellence.

Their third consecutive MA National title in 2024 is a testament to their unwavering dedication and relentless hard work. Participating in prestigious events such as the MA Austin's Dance Classic and the MA San Antonio Regional, where they earned impressive rankings, highlights their exceptional talent and skill on a regional level before competing on the national stage.

With a team comprising of 50 members, the Larriettes stand as a formidable force in the super high school team division, consistently facing tough competition and demonstrating their expertise both within their division and beyond. We commend their remarkable achievements and celebrate their continued success.

10. Recognizing Ximena Salazar, a member of the United High School 2023-2024 Larriettes, for winning the MA National Solo Championship. Ximena's dedication to choreographing and mixing music for her hip-hop solo, while also attending team practices, exemplifies her unwavering commitment to excellence. Despite facing initial challenges due to the unconventional nature of her solo, Ximena surpassed expectations and secured the MA National Solo Championship, achieving a perfect score at nationals. This exceptional accomplishment distinguishes her as the sole Larriette to achieve such a remarkable success. We applaud Ximena for her talent, determination, and exceptional achievement, which have brought immense pride to United High School, the Larriettes team, and the City of Laredo.
11. Recognition of the Honore Ligarde Elementary Lady Unicorns on their undefeated season with the Laredo Boys and Girls Club. The team has shown remarkable skills and determination resulting in consecutive championships.

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As Amended
Regular City Council Meeting
A-2024-R-07
COUNCIL CHAMBERS 1110
HOUSTON STREET LAREDO,
TEXAS 78040
5:30 P.M.**

- I. CALL TO ORDER**
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- III. MOMENT OF SILENCE**
- IV. ROLL CALL**
- V. MINUTES**

Minutes of February 5, 2024 and February 20, 2024.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Citizens can participate through in-person and written comments submitted through an online form. Citizens wishing to provide in-person comments are required to fill out a witness card and submit it to the City Secretary no later than 5:45 p.m. and identify themselves at the microphone. Comments are limited to three (3) minutes per speaker. Speakers may not pass their minutes to any other speaker. Citizens wishing to submit a written public comment must submit here or visit <https://www.cityoflaredo.com/council-agendas.html> by 12:00 noon of the Council meeting day. All comments should be relevant to City business and delivered in a professional manner. No derogatory remarks will be permitted.

VI. COMMUNICATIONS

1. Recognition of City of Laredo Mayor Dr. Victor Trevino and Laredo City Council, Police Department, Fire Department, Health Department, and Roots Recovery Center for the 2024 Partnership Award Nomination: City of Laredo Drug Overdose Prevention and Response Efforts by Texas Municipal League Intergovernmental Risk Pool (TMLIRP). [24-0963](#)
2. Recognizing Mr. Jose A. Valdez, Jr. for his 6 years of service as City Secretary for the City of Laredo. [24-0976](#)
3. The Webb County Heritage Foundation invites the community to celebrate Laredo's 269th Birthday Celebration on Saturday, May 18, 2024 at 10:00am at the Border Heritage Museum, located at 810 Zaragoza Street. [24-0978](#)

VII. APPOINTMENTS TO COMMISSIONS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

1. Appointment by Councilman Gilbert Gonzalez of Maxine Rebeles to the Citizens Environmental Advisory Committee. [APPT. - 43](#)
2. Appointment by Mayor Pro Tempore Ruben Gutierrez, Jr. of Jorge Dominguez to the City Utilities Advisory Commission. [APPT. - 44](#)

VIII. PUBLIC HEARING & INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCE

1. Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance amending the FY23-24 Laredo International Airport Construction Fund Budget by appropriating revenues and expenses in the amount of \$11,111.11 to fund the FY 2024 Routine Airport Maintenance Program (RAMP) Grant. Funds are being awarded by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT). This funding will be used for airport maintenance at the Laredo International Airport. Local match of \$11,111.11 was appropriated in FY23-24 Laredo International Airport Construction Fund. [24-0916](#)

Attachments: [Intro Ordinance](#)
[TXDOT RAMP GRANT 2024 04.12.24](#)

2. Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance authorizing the City Manager to amend FY 23-24 revenues and expenditures under the Community Development Department in the amount of \$373,000.00 in Section 108- Southern Hotel Fund to be used for the rehabilitation of the Southern Hotel Project. The U. S. Department of Urban Development (HUD) is requesting the City to establish a Deposit Account Control Agreement (DACA) funded purely from HUD Community Development Block Grant funds (CDBG), which will create a shortfall in the funding availability for the project. [24-0846](#)

Attachments: [Draft Ordinance 373,000](#)

3. Public Hearing providing community residents an opportunity to comment on the grant application for the Preservation and Reinvested Initiative for Community Enhancement (PRICE) grant which will focus on affordable housing preservation by encouraging revitalization and enhancement activities to preserve existing manufactured housing communities (MHCs), and manufactured housing units, including the repair, rehabilitation and replacement of existing manufactured homes. [24-0873](#)

The grant application is available for public comment beginning May 5, 2024 and ending at 5:00 p.m. on May 19, 2024.

The public may provide comments via this public hearing, by visiting the offices of the Community Development Department and or via email to cdcomments@ci.laredo.tx.us...

Attachments: [Public Notice PRICE 4.21.24](#)

4. Public Hearing & Introductory Ordinance authorizing the City Manager to ratify and amend the City of Laredo's FY 2024 Police Trust Fund budget by drawing down on fund balance and appropriating additional expenditures in the amount of \$1,203,450.00, for the purchase of a SWAT tactical vehicle, replace outdated SWAT equipment, equipment for new SWAT members, and replace service weapons for all sworn personnel. [24-0909](#)

5. Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by authorizing the issuance of a Conditional Use Permit for a car lot (auto dealer) on Lots 1 and 2, Block 1950, Eastern Division, located at 3101 Clark Boulevard. [24-0862](#)

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended denial of the proposed conditional use permit and staff does not support the application.

ZC-032-2024

District IV

Attachments: [ZC-032-2024 - Intro Staff Report](#)
[ZC-032-2024 - Maps](#)
[ZC-032-2024 - Narrative](#)
[ZC-032-2024 - Site Plan](#)
[ZC-032-2024 - Zone Change Signage](#)
[Draft Ordinance- ZC-032-2024](#)

(Recess)
(Press Availability)

IX. INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCES

6. An Introductory Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, allowing for the waiver of the waiting period requirements listed in section 24.92.22(b) of the City of Laredo Land Development Code for applicants whose zoning application was denied by the Planning & Zoning Commission and subsequently did not receive the requisite three-fourths vote to overturn the denial between October 1, 2023 and May 6, 2024. This item requires the approval of Ordinance 2024-O-072 prior to it being introduced. [24-0870](#)

Attachments: [24.92.2\(b\) limited waiver](#)

7. An Introductory Ordinance amending Chapter 2, Article II, Division 1, Section 2-16, "Departments of the City" of the Code of Ordinances by removing Building Development Services, Traffic, and Animal Care Services as named departments and adding a Communications Department. [24-0946](#)

Attachments: [Ordinance City Departments](#)

8. An Introductory Ordinance amending Chapter 31 (Utilities), Article V (Water Conservation and Drought Contingency Plan) sections 31-195 through 31-242. Amending sections 31-195, 31-196, 31-197, 31-199, 31-203, 31-204, 31-207, 31-208, 31-211, 31-212, 31-215, 31-217, 31-218, 31-220, 31-222, 31-237, 31-238, 31-240 and deleting sections 31-209, 31-223, 31-224. Providing for severability and publication date. This amendment incorporates changes such as a new irrigation schedule, enhancing outdoor water management, imposing restrictions on non-essential water usage, establishing triggers for drought responses, and introducing automatic citation protocols. [24-0692](#)

Attachments: [Article V. Water Conservation and Drought Contingency Plans](#)

X. FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

9. Final reading of Ordinance 2024-O-064 authorizing the City Manager to grant a license agreement between The City of Laredo, Texas, a municipal corporation and Axtel, S.A.B de C.V., formerly [2024-O-064](#)

known as Alestra S. de R.L. de C.V., a Mexican corporation dated April 8, 2024 for the use of one fiber/cable tray affixed beneath the Juarez Lincoln Bridge and 519 linear feet of right-of-way. The term of the agreement shall be for five years commencing at 12:00 am, April 8, 2024 and terminating at 12:00 pm April 7, 2029. Annual fee shall be \$37,025.00 and will increase by 5% every year the license is in place. In addition to the fee, Licensee shall pay a \$9.76 linear foot right-of-way fee, and will increase by 5% every year. Total amount for the first year for the annual fee and right-of-way fee is \$43,797.95 and will be accounted for in the General Fund.

Attachments: [Axtel, S.A.B. de C.V. formerly known as Alestra-c1 2024 Final Document.docx](#)
[Axtel - 2024 Schedule A.pdf](#)
[CC-Axtel 2024.doc](#)
[Ordinance Axtel 2024-O-.docx](#)

10. Final reading of Ordinance 2024-O-065 authorizing the City Manager to grant a license agreement between The City of Laredo, Texas, a municipal corporation and VTX Communications, LLC, a Texas limited liability company, dated February 4, 2024 for the use of one inner duct in the Juarez Lincoln Bridge and 640 linear feet of right-of-way. The term of the agreement shall be for five years commencing at 12:00 a.m., February 4, 2024 and terminating at 12:00 p.m. February 3, 2029. Annual duct fee shall be \$43,558.00 and will increase by 5% every year the license is in place. In addition to the duct fee, Licensee shall pay a \$13.05 linear foot right-of-way fee, and will increase by 5% every year. Total amount for the first year for the annual fee and right-of-way fee is \$51,910.00 and will be accounted for in the General Fund. **2024-O-065**

Attachments: [VTX 2024.-c1 \(1\).docx](#)
[VTX - 2024 Schedule A.pdf](#)
[CC-VTX 05 02 24.doc](#)
[VTX Ordinance #2024-O-.doc](#)

11. Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning approximately 9,125.0 square feet, as further described by metes and bounds in attached Exhibit A, located at 101 Masterson Road, from AG (Agricultural District) to R-3 (Mixed Residential District). **2024-O-066**

ZC-031-2024
District II

Attachments: [ZC-031-2024 - Final Staff Report](#)
[ZC-031-2024 - Maps](#)
[ZC-031-2024 - Survey](#)
[ZC-031-2024 - Zone Change Signage](#)
[Final Ordinance ZC-031-2024](#)

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12. Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning approximately 2.708 acre tract being all of a called 2.7455 acre tract, as further described by metes and bounds in attached Exhibit A, located at 22315 FM 1472, from AG (Agricultural District) to M-1 (Light Manufacturing District). [2024-O-067](#)
- ZC-033-2024
District VII
- Attachments:** [ZC-033-2024 - Final Staff Report](#)
[ZC-033-2024 - Maps](#)
[ZC-033-2024 - Survey, Metes, & Bounds](#)
[ZC-033-2024 - Zone Change Signage](#)
[Final Ordinance ZC-033-2024](#)
13. Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning approximately 0.059 acres as further described by metes and bounds in attached Exhibit A, located at 419 Hidalgo Street, from R-3 (Mixed Residential District) to B-1 (Limited Business District). [2024-O-068](#)
- ZC-077-2023
District VIII
- Attachments:** [ZC-077-2023 - Final Staff Report](#)
[ZC-077-2023 - Maps](#)
[ZC-077-2023 - Survey, Metes, & Bounds](#)
[ZC-077-2023 - Zone Change Signage](#)
[Final Ordinance ZC-077-2023](#)
14. Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8, Block 1015, Eastern Division, and a 7,320.03 square feet tract of land along South Buena Vista Avenue between Palo Blanco Street and Tinaja Street, as further described in metes and bounds in attached Exhibit A, located at 2720 South Zapata Highway, from B-3 (Community Business District) to B-4 (Highway Commercial District). [2024-O-069](#)
- ZC-010-2024
District II
- Attachments:** [ZC-010-2024 - Final Staff Report](#)
[ZC-010-2024 - Maps](#)
[ZC-010-2024 - Survey](#)
[ZC-010-2024 - Zone Change Signage](#)
[Ordinance 2018-O-014](#)
[Final Ordinance ZC-010-2024](#)
15. Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lots 7 and 8, Block 2131, Eastern Division, located at 520 [2024-O-070](#)
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South Meadow Avenue, from B-1 (Limited Business District) to B-3 (Community Business District).

ZC-029-2024
District II

Attachments: [ZC-029-2024 - Final Staff Report](#)
[ZC-029-2024 - Maps](#)
[ZC-029-2024 - Zone Change Signage](#)
[Final Ordinance ZC-029-2024](#)

16. Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lots 1 and 2, Block 103, Eastern Division, located at 1503 Marcella Avenue, Units A and B and 304 Garfield Street, from R-3 (Mixed Residential District) to B-1 (Limited Business District). [2024-O-071](#)

ZC-030-2024
District III

Attachments: [ZC-030-2024 - Final Staff Report](#)
[ZC-030-2024 - Maps](#)
[ZC-030-2024 - Zone Change Signage](#)
[Final Ordinance ZC-030-2024](#)

17. An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, repealing section 24.92.4(5) of the City of Laredo Land Development Code which required the affirmative vote of at least three-fourths of all members of the City Council to overrule a recommendation of the Planning & Zoning Commission that a proposed change to the zoning map amendment be denied. [2024-O-072](#)

Attachments: [Ordinance repealing super majority requirement](#)

18. An Ordinance to repeal Ordinance 2021-O-014 Employee of the Quarter and Employee of the Year Program and replace it with Resolution 2024-R-139. [2024-O-073](#)

Attachments: Approved Ordinance 2021-o-014

19. An Ordinance Amending Chapter 2, Article II, Division 6 (Pay Administration), of the City Code of Ordinance, specifically Section 2-87.7 - Policy (c.) by providing for five calendar days (5) for the posting of competitive advertised vacant positions; Section 2-87.8-Overtime (a.) and (d.) and Section 2-87.9-Compensatory Time (a.) and (b.) providing for approval through Department Director rather than the City Manager; And providing for an effective date. [2024-O-074](#)

Attachments: [DIVISION 6. PAY ADMINISTRATION](#)
[APPLICATIONS RECEIVED REPORT](#)

20. An Ordinance Amending Chapter 2, Article II, Division 3, Section [2024-O-075](#)

2-61(b) "Court/Jury Leave" to remove the necessity of turning jury duty paychecks over to the Human Resources; Section 2-61(f) "Administrative Leave" to add section that the City Manager has the discretion to approve Administrative Leave with pay or without pay; Providing for a cumulative clause; providing a severability clause; and declaring an effective date.

Attachments: [DIVISION 3. LEAVE POLICY](#)
[Jury Duty Revenue Report](#)

21. Authorizing the City Manager to execute legal documents conveying to AEP Texas Inc., two, 5x30 foot long anchor easements. The estimated land value for these easements is a total of \$156.00. The City of Laredo is the current owner of the parcels. Said easements lie wholly within a portion of 106.8704 acres of land, more or less Abstract 296, Porcion 32 A Trevino Original Grantee and being out of Lot 1, Block 1 of the Landfill. More particularly described by Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made part of; providing for an effective date.

[2024-O-076](#)

Attachments: [Exhibit A](#)
[Laredo Landfill Aerial Easement](#)
[Ordinance 2024-O-076](#)

XI. CONSENT AGENDA

All of the following items may be acted upon by one motion. No separate discussion or action on any of the items is necessary unless desired by a Council Member.

AIRPORT: STAFF SOURCE GILBERTO SANCHEZ, AIRPORT DIRECTOR

22. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas, authorizing the City Manager to accept a grant in the amount of \$111,111.11 from the Texas Department of Transportation's Routine Airport Maintenance Program. Funds will be used for airport maintenance at the Laredo International Airport. Local Match is \$11,111.11 and is available in the Airport Construction Fund.

[2024-R-155](#)

Attachments: [2024-R-155](#)
[TXDOT RAMP GRANT 2024 04.12.24](#)

23. Consideration to award contract FY24-052 to the sole bidder Villa Laredo Restaurant, Laredo, TX in order to provide drink and snack vending machine services for the City of Laredo Airport. The term of this contract shall be for a period of three years beginning the date of its execution. This contract can be renewed two additional three-year periods upon mutual agreement of the parties. Villa Laredo Restaurant will offer a 10% commission of gross sales and will provided a monthly sales report with their commission payment. All services will be secured on an as needed basis. All commission

[24-0887](#)

will be deposited into the Airport Operations Fund.

Attachments: [Bid FY24-052](#)
[FY24-052 - Attachment B - Selling Price Schedule](#)
[FY24-052 Evaluation](#)

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT: STAFF SOURCE TINA MARTINEZ

24. Authorizing the City Manager to submit a grant application to AEP Texas for the AEP Texas Targeted Low-Income Program in the estimated amount of \$45,000.00 and to execute all necessary documents. The program will provide for the replacement of complete central air conditioning and heating units for an estimated 14 noise abatement home properties. The estimated project cost is \$125,000.00, which includes a City match of \$80,000.00. Funding for the grant and City match are available in the Noise Abatement Fund. **[2024-R-124](#)**

Attachments: [Resolution #2024-R-124 AEP Grant Application](#)
[Resolution-AEP Grant Application-2024](#)

25. Authorizing the City Manager to execute all necessary documents to purchase the "Surface Only" of a 0.387 acre tract from Leopoldo Garza Benavides Ltd. for \$250,000.00, plus an estimated amount of \$3,000.00 in closing costs. The parcel being situated in Porcion 23, Abstract 283, Leonardo Sanchez, Original Grantee, within the City limits of Laredo, Webb County, Texas. Being more particularly described in the attached exhibit "A". Providing for an effective date. Funding is available in the 2022 Certificate of Obligation. **[2024-R-146](#)**

Attachments: [Resolution](#)
[plat](#)
[Aerial](#)

26. Authorizing the City Manager to amend Habitat for Humanity of Laredo, Inc. 2019 HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) contract by reducing \$30,045.59, and increasing their 2021 HOME CHDO contract to include 2019 HOME CHDO remaining funds. Funding is available in the Home Investment Partnership Project Fund. **[24-0888](#)**

Attachments: [2019 CHDO Amendment No.2.doc](#)
[2021 CHDO Amendment No.1.doc](#)

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: STAFF SOURCE MIRIAM CASTILLO, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

27. Authorizing the City Manager to update and execute a Chapter 380 economic development performance agreement set forth in City Council Resolution 2022-R-050 and as amended in Resolution 2024-R-016, pursuant thereto with UNIMEX. UNIMEX is requesting **[24-0933](#)**

a revision to Year One and incentive cap to the approved Chapter 380 Economic Development Grant Agreement set forth in City Council Resolution to reflect the addition of 170,000 square feet and the increase of \$14,000,000.00 in capital investment.

Attachments: [UNIMEX Chapter 380 2024-R-106 rev AC ED](#)

ENGINEERING: STAFF SOURCE RAMON E. CHAVEZ P.E., CITY ENGINEER

28. Consideration to award a professional services contract to Slay Architecture, Laredo, Texas, in an amount not to exceed \$64,995.00 to provide basic architectural & engineering services, including design development, construction documents, permitting, bid phase negotiation, and construction administration for the North Central Park ADA playground - Phase II to be located in the area south of the pavilion at North Central Park at 10202 International Blvd, Laredo, Texas. Contract time is for the duration of the project. Funding is available in the Parkland Acquisition/Park Improvement Fund-District VI. [24-0759](#)

Attachments: [FY24-ENG-50 - Proposal](#)

29. Consideration for approval to reject the four bids received for FY24-ENG-13 Father McNaboe Basketball Courts Restroom - District VII for the construction of a multi-user ADA restroom over an existing concrete slab located southwest of the basketball courts at 201 Zebu Ct. The four bids received exceeded the estimated budget amount. There is no financial impact at this time. [24-0874](#)

Attachments: [FY24-ENG-13 Bid Tabulation](#)
[FY24-ENG-13 Bids](#)
[FY24-ENG-13 Recommendation Letter](#)

30. Authorizing the City Manager to ratify payment to Southwestern Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T in the amount of \$76,303.80 for the utility conflict with existing communications line for the future State Highway 84 (Hachar-Reuthinger Road), as per the Utility Adjustment Certification provided to the Texas Department of Transportation. Funding is available in the Capital Improvement Fund. [24-0907](#)

Attachments: [SH 84 - Utility Adjustment Certification](#)
[SH 84 - ATT Letter of Agreement for Construction](#)
[Staff Report](#)
[Staff Report](#)
[Staff Report](#)
[Staff Report](#)

FINANCE: STAFF SOURCE FRANCISCO J. MATA, FINANCE DIRECTOR

31. Consideration to approve purchases from Amazon Business, [24-0710](#)

Seattle, Washington for an annual amount up to \$150,000.00. Amazon Business purchases are due to year-round, as needed, cumulative city-wide purchases; these purchases include urgent operational goods and allow for future unforeseen, emergency expenditures. Amazon purchases are done utilizing Omnia Partners Cooperative Program Contract R-TC-17006. Funding is available in the respective operational budgets.

Attachments: [Omnia Contract RTC 17006](#)

- 32.** Consideration to award contract FY24-054 to the following vendors: **[24-0781](#)**

1). Nouveau Texas, San Antonio, Texas in an annual amount of up to \$125,000.00 and three-year total of \$375,000.00 (Primary Vendor);

2). Otis Elevator, Palm Gardens, Florida in an annual amount up to \$60,000.00 and three-year total of \$180,000.00 (Secondary Vendor);

for a three-year elevator and escalator maintenance service contract. This contract will provide monthly maintenance on the elevators and escalators at the following locations: Airport Terminal, Bridges III & IV, City Hall (Downtown), City Hall Annex, Police Department, Public Library, Fire Administration Building, El Mercado, Parking Division, Federal Courthouse, Parks & Recreation Centers, El Pico Water Treatment Plant, Max Mandel Golf Course, and Uni-Trade Stadium. The term of this contract shall be for a period of three years beginning as of the date of its execution. This contract can be renewed one additional three-year period, upon mutual agreement of the parties. Funding is available in the respective departmental budgets.

Attachments: [FY24-054 Contracts](#)
[FY24-054 Bid Tab](#)
[FY24-054 Evaluation Matrix Final](#)

FIRE: STAFF SOURCE GUILLERMO HEARD, FIRE CHIEF

- 33.** Authorizing the City Manager to submit a grant application in the amount of \$165,422.00 to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for the Fire Prevention and Safety Grant Program. If awarded, this grant will provide funding to purchase 2,000 smoke detectors for the Smoke Detector Distribution Campaign and to purchase fire and arson investigation personal protective equipment and media equipment for a one year grant period. There is a cost share requirement in an amount equal to not less than 5% of the grant award. The grant will be accounted for in the Special Fire Grants Fund. **[2024-R-154](#)**

Attachments: [2024-R-154](#)

34. Consideration to approve the renewal of an agreement with Laredo College, Laredo, TX, on behalf of the Emergency Medical Services, Bachelor of Science in Nursing, Associate Degree Nursing, and Vocational Nursing Programs and the City of Laredo Fire Department to provide a clinical education and fieldwork experience for its health science students. The term of this agreement is for five years. There is no financial impact. [24-0834](#)

Attachments: [Renewal- City of Laredo Fire Department signed by Laredo College](#)**FLEET MANAGEMENT: STAFF SOURCE RONALD MILLER, FLEET DIRECTOR**

35. Consideration to award contract FY24-053 to the sole bidder Cabello Recovery and Auction Services, Laredo, TX in the annual amount of \$200,000.00 for towing services for non-police city owned vehicles. The term of this contract shall be for a period of two years beginning the date of its execution. This contract may be extended one additional two year period, upon mutual agreement of the parties. All services will be secured on an as needed basis. Funding for this contract is available in the Fleet Management Fund. [24-0813](#)

Attachments: [FY24-053 Contract](#)
[FY24-053 Bid Pricing](#)

36. Consideration to renew contract FY21-073 for asphalt maintenance and vacuum trucks OEM parts/services for the City's Fleet Department with the following vendors: [24-0827](#)

1). Kinloch Equipment, Pasadena, TX in annual amount of \$70,000.00 and;

2). Cooper Equipment, San Antonio, TX in annual amount of \$40,000.00.

This contract provides the Fleet Department with the ability to outsource and expedite needed services for the City's pothole patcher trucks and vacuum trucks for the Public Works & Utilities Departments. There was no price increase during the last extension period. 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 is the last extension period for this contract. All parts and services will be secured on an as needed basis. Funding is available in the Fleet Management Fund.

Attachments: [Contract FY21-073](#)
[Bid Tab FY21-073](#)
[FY21-073 Current Pricing](#)

37. Consideration to award contract FY24-057 to provide medium-size to heavy truck wash services to the sole bidder, RSH Wash Services, Laredo, Texas in an amount up to \$60,000.00. The term of the contract shall be for period of one year as of the date of its execution and is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds. This contract can be renewed three additional one year periods upon mutual agreement of the parties. Funding is available in the Fleet Management Fund. [24-0842](#)

Attachments: [FY24-057 Pricing Summary](#)
[Bid Tab FY24-057](#)
[FY24-057 Contract](#)

38. Consideration to award contract FY24-061 to the bidder Arguindegui Oil, Laredo, Texas, in an annual amount up to \$5,600,000.00 for the purchase of unleaded and diesel fuel for the City's automotive fleet. Contract unit price will be determined by the daily published Oil Price Information Service (OPIS) index made up of the composite posted prices in the Laredo area. The term of this contract shall be for a period of two years beginning as of the date of its execution and is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds. The contract may be extended for three more, additional one-year periods, each upon mutual agreement of the parties. Funding is available in the Fleet Management Fund. [24-0896](#)

Attachments: [FY24-061 CITY OF LAREDOFUEL Recommendation](#)
[FY24-061 Correction Memo](#)
[Contract FY24-061](#)
[FY24-061 Final Evaluation Scores](#)

HEALTH: STAFF SOURCE, DR. RICHARD A. CHAMBERLAIN, HEALTH DIRECTOR

39. Authorizing the City Manager to accept and enter into a continuation contract 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 amount of \$120,867.00 with no match for the City of Laredo Public Health Department for the term period from April 1, 2024 through March 31, 2025. Funding is available in the WHFPT Title X Project Grant - Public Health Department Fund. [2024-R-157](#)

Attachments: [2024-R-157.doc](#)

40. Authorizing the City Manager to accept and enter into a continuation contract from the Department of State Health Services (DSHS), Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) in the amount of \$341,737.00 with an in-kind match of \$34,174.00 for the [2024-R-158](#)

City of Laredo Public Health Department for the term of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025. Funding is available in the PHEP Grant - Public Health Department Fund.

Attachments: [2024-R-158.doc](#)

41. Authorizing the City Manager to accept and enter into a continuation contract from the Department of State Health Services (DSHS), Healthy Texas Babies Program in the amount of \$85,000.00 with no match for the City of Laredo Public Health Department for the term period from September 1, 2024 through August 31, 2025. Funding is available in the Healthy Texas Babies Grant - Public Health Department Fund. [2024-R-159](#)

Attachments: [2024-R-159.doc](#)

42. Authorizing the City Manager to accept and enter into a contract extension from the Department of State Health Services (DSHS), HIV Prevention Grant in the amount of \$106,848.00 with no match for the City of Laredo Public Health Department for the term period from September 01, 2024 through December 31, 2024. Funding is available in the HIV Prevention Grant - Public Health Department Fund. [2024-R-160](#)

Attachments: [2024-R-160.doc](#)

43. Authorizing the City Manager to submit a grant application to the Health Resources & Services Administration, Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program (RWHAP) Part C Early Intervention Services Program: Existing Geographic Service Area Grant in the amount of \$310,799.00 per year for a total of up to \$932,397.00 with no match for the City of Laredo Public Health Department for the term period from May 01, 2025 through April 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 to the Ryan White (RWHAP) Grant - Public Health Department Fund. [2024-R-161](#)

Attachments: [2024-R-161.doc](#)

44. Consideration for the approval of the purchase of telephone equipment and installation services including monthly recurring charges and additional bandwidth from AT&T Office@Hand through the Texas Department of Information Resources (DIR) Purchasing Contract DIR-TELE-CTSA-002 in the amount of \$226,484.24 to upgrade the Public Health Department voice services and telephone systems and equipment. Funding is available in the American Rescue Plan Act Fund. [24-0908](#)

Attachments: [AT&T Office @ Hand.pdf](#)

45. Consideration to approve a lease agreement with GARCO, located [24-0910](#)

at 1632 E. Santa Gertrudis Laredo, TX 78041, in an amount not to exceed \$25,092.00 per year for a total of \$103,680.00, to allow the City of Laredo to operate on building and property situated at 125 East Miller in Falfurrias, TX 78355. Term of the agreement is four-year period from June 1, 2024 through May 31, 2028; with the option to renew one two-year period. Funding is available in the Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Grant - Public Health Department Fund.

Attachments: [Falfurrias lease.pdf](#)

INFORMATION SERVICES & TELECOMMUNICATION: STAFF SOURCE JOE C. RIVERA

46. Authorizing the City Manager to renew the annual subscription with Granicus Government at Carasoft in the amount of \$128,200.91 for year three, with two additional one-year options for services. This purchase will be through state DIR Contract No. DIR-TSO-4288. Funding is available in the Information Services and Telecommunications Department Fund. [24-0945](#)

Attachments: [Carasoft - Granicus - 04.03.2024 - Quote 39342255 - TX Laredo TX Q-334555.pdf](#)

PARKS & RECREATION: STAFF SOURCE JUAN J. GOMEZ, JR., PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR

47. Consideration to execute a change order for an additional amount of \$123,199.00 with Tri-Tex, Granbury, Texas for a total amount of \$235,699.00 to now include the mobilization, stripping and disposing of sod onsite, rototilling the greens surface and machine and hand finishing the grading for the Max Mandel Golf Course utilizing the Buy Board Cooperative Purchasing Program. Funding is available in the 2019 Certificate of Obligation Bond. [24-0558](#)

Attachments: [Quote TifEagle Renovation PO# 390472 Tri-Tex Grass](#)

POLICE: STAFF SOURCE MIGUEL RODRIGUEZ, CHIEF OF POLICE

48. Authorizing the City Manager to submit a grant application in the estimated amount of \$33,000.00 to the Texas Department of Transportation for the enforcement of Vehicle Occupant Protection during the "Click It or Ticket" (CIOT) Campaign. The grant period for FY2024 CIOT will begin May 17, 2024 through June 5, 2024. This grant is to pay overtime salaries and fringe benefits 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 local match of approximately 24% of total project funds from the General Fund. [2024-R-143](#)

Attachments: [Resolution](#)

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49. Authorizing the City Manager to submit a grant application in the estimated amount of \$40,000.00 to the Texas Department of Transportation for the enforcement of speed violations during the “Be Safe. Drive Smart. - Drive a Safe Speed” Operation Slowdown Campaign. The grant period for FY2024 Operation Slowdown will be July 16, 2024 through August 7, 2024. This grant is to pay overtime salaries and fringe benefits for officers to conduct intense speed limit enforcement in efforts to decrease traffic fatalities involving speed. The city will be responsible for a required match of approximately 24% of total project funds from the General Fund. [2024-R-144](#)
- Attachments:** [Resolution](#)
50. Authorizing the City Manager to accept a grant in the amount of \$1,491,348.00 from the Office of the Governor, Homeland Security Grants Division for the purpose of funding the 2023 Operation Stonegarden Grant (OPSG). This funding will be used for the purchase of two patrol vehicles and for overtime and fringe benefit expenses used for Stonegarden Operations. No local match is required. Funding is available in the Special Police Fund-Operation Stonegarden Grant. [2024-R-145](#)
- Attachments:** [Resolution](#)
51. Authorizing the City Manager to apply for a grant in the estimated amount of \$7,925,993.00 from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Service (COPS) Program. The City of Laredo will utilize this funding to hire 25 new police officers for a period of three years. The 2024 COPS Hiring Program (CHP) grant provides a maximum federal share of \$125,000.00 per officer position of the approved entry level salaries and fringe benefits of each newly hired and/or rehired full time sworn career law enforcement officer over the three years (36 months) grant period. The federal share will be \$3,125,000.00 and the city will be responsible for a required local match of approximately 61% of the total project funds from the General Fund in the amount of \$4,800,993.00. [2024-R-152](#)
- Attachments:** [Resolution](#)
52. Consideration to authorize the purchase of one unmarked unit from Gunn Chevrolet, Selma, TX, in the amount of \$48,053.75. The purchase of this vehicle will be made utilizing the BuyBoard Pricing Program Contract # 724-23. Funding is available in the 2022 Certificate of Obligation Bond. [24-0890](#)
- Attachments:** [Quote](#)
53. Authorizing the City Manager to ratify the purchase of a SWAT tactical vehicle “BearCat” from Lenco Armored Vehicles, Pittsfield, MA, in the amount of \$399,335.00. The purchase of this vehicle [24-0923](#)
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shall be made utilizing the TIPS - The Interlocal Purchasing System, Contract No. 210907 Automobiles. Funding will be available in the Police Trust Fund.

Attachments: [Quote](#)

54. Consideration to authorize the purchase contract with DANA Safety Supply, Inc, Harlingen, Texas, for the acquisition of Emergency Vehicle Packages, Zebra Mobile Printers, and reflective graphics for fifteen police units for a total amount of \$190,547.12. This purchase shall be made utilizing the Buy Board Contract 698-23. Funding is available in the 2023 Certificate of Obligation Bond. [24-0925](#)

Attachments: [Quote# 521387](#)
[Quote# 521396](#)
[Quote# 521392](#)

**SOLID WASTE: STAFF SOURCE JOHN PORTER, SOLID WASTE DIRECTOR/
ENVIRONMENTAL DIRECTOR**

55. Consideration to renew contract FY22-054 to UTW Tire Collection Services, Donna, TX in an annual amount of \$225,000.00 for processing, recycling, beneficial use, or disposal of used tires collected by the City of Laredo Landfill. This service is to comply with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) regulations and guidelines to properly dispose of tires by certified transporters. The term of this contract shall be for a period of two years 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 is the last extension period for this contract. Funding is available in the Solid Waste Fund. [24-0900](#)

Attachments: [Renewal Notice](#)

56. Consideration to approve purchases with LSC Environmental Products, LLC. Apalachin, NY. who is the sole source vendor for a cumulative amount of \$77,786.00 for the purchase of Posi-Shell environmental coating base mix bags for the Solid Waste Department. Funding is available in the Solid Waste Fund. [24-0901](#)

Attachments: [LSC Environmental quote](#)
[PO 385137](#)
[SSA LSC Affidavit 11202023](#)

TAX: STAFF SOURCE DORA MALDONADO, TAX ASSESSOR COLLECTOR

57. Motion to approve tax roll adjustments for the month of March 2024. The amounts adjusted represent an increase of \$190,474.77 for prior year taxes and an increase of \$13,426.90 for current year taxes. The aggregate adjustment represents an increase of \$203,901.67. These adjustments are determine by value changes [24-0818](#)

reported by the Webb County Appraisal District which include rollbacks and will be reflected in General Fund.

Attachments: [Tax Adjustment Reports.pdf](#)

UTILITIES: STAFF SOURCE ARTURO GARCIA, P.E., UTILITIES DIRECTOR

58. Authorizing the City Manager to approve an agreement with HAPO Development, LLC for the upgrade of the proposed 12-inch offsite gravity sanitary sewer line and dual 8-inch siphon lines to a 15-inch offsite gravity sanitary sewer line and dual 10-inch siphon lines. The City's share for the upsizing will be \$101,685.00. The total cost of the project is \$1,092,710.00. Funding is available in the Sewer Fund- Sewer Capital Improvements. [24-0792](#)

Attachments: [Sheet Sewer Oversize Areas.pdf](#)
[Oversizing Participation Agreement.pdf](#)
[Santa Elena OS Sewer Plans.pdf](#)
[Estimate for Offsite Sanitary Sewer Line.pdf](#)

59. Consideration to renew annual service contract FY21-070 with Mo-Vac Service Company, Laredo, Texas in an amount up to \$65,000.00 to provide vacuum truck services for the Utilities Department. The vendor shall remove and transport domestic sewage, sewage sludge and/or sludge during the raining season. 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 is the last extension period for this contract. All services will be purchased on an as needed basis and funding will be secured from the Sewer Fund. [24-0826](#)

Attachments: [Bid Tab FY21-070](#)
[FY21-070 Contract](#)

60. Consideration to renew annual heavy equipment rental contracts FY21-047 with the following vendors: [24-0868](#)

1). United Rentals, Laredo, TX in an annual amount of up to \$100,000.00; and

2). Texas First Rentals, Laredo, TX in annual amount of up to \$120,00.00.

All equipment rentals 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 is the last extension period for this contract. Funding is available in the Sewer System Fund.

Attachments: [FY21-047 Bid Tab](#)
[FY21-047 Contracts](#)
[FY21-047 Awarded Section Summary](#)

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

XII. STAFF REPORTS

61. Discussion with possible action on ongoing audits and/or irregularities identified by the Internal Auditor including the potential assignments of other and/or additional auditing duties; and any other matters incident thereto.
62. Status report with possible action by the Utilities Department on the water, including but not limited to quality, infrastructure, level status, improvements, and any other matters incident thereto.
63. Discussion with possible action related to enforcement efforts by the Building Services Department of industrial parking ordinance 2021-O-122 and 190-O-088, also in the City of Laredo Land Development Code section 24.78.2. [24-0690](#)

Attachments: [2021 industrial parking ordinance existing 1990 ordinance LDC \(002\)](#)

XIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Council reserves the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any posted agenda item when authorized by Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices), and/or 551.086 (Economic Development). Following closed session, the open meeting will reconvene at which time action, if any, may be taken.

XIV. RECESS AS THE LAREDO CITY COUNCIL AND CONVENE AS THE LAREDO MASS TRANSIT

64. Authorizing the City Manager to accept and execute the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) FY2022 Section 5339 (c) Low or No Emission Grant Program in the amount of \$8,761,630.00. Funding will be used to purchase fourteen (14) CNG buses. The required local match is for \$1,331,245.00 and FTA share is for \$7,430,385.00. Funding is available in the Transit Capital Grants Fund. [2024-RT-14](#)

Attachments: [RESOLUTION NO. 2024-RT-14](#)
[View Print Application - TX-2024-034-00 \(1\)](#)

65. Authorizing the City Manager to amend the FY2024 Transit Capital Grant budget by increasing revenues and expenses in the amount of \$5,743,245.00 in order to appropriate the approved Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Grant NO. TX-2024-034, upon [2024-RT-15](#)

approval of Council Item #2024-RT-14.

Attachments: [Budget Table](#)
[Resolution 2024-RT-15](#)
[View Print Application - TX-2024-034-00 \(1\)](#)

66. Consideration to authorize a purchase of twenty handheld radios from vendor Motorola Solutions, Inc. utilizing the Houston-Galveston Area Council of Government (HGAC) Cooperative Purchasing Program Contract No. RA05-21 in the amount of \$56,460.60. These twenty (20) APX 900 7/800 MHZ Model 2 portable radios will be replacing current outdated radios for the Operations and El Lift Departments. Funding is available in the following accounts; FTA grant TX-2020-100 savings in the amount of \$20,915.00, FTA grant TX-2019-063 savings in the amount of \$3,785.00, FTA grant TX-04-0047 savings in the amount of \$5,030.00 and Training and Safety operating account 558-5815-582-2400 in the amount of \$26,730.60. **2024-RT-16**

Attachments: [HGACBUY-RA05-21-04082024164913](#)
[COL EL Metro APX900 QUOTE \(20\)-2591090-1](#)
[Resolution 2024-RT-16](#)

XV. ADJOURN AS THE LAREDO MASS TRANSIT AND RECONVENE AS THE LAREDO PUBLIC FACILITY CORPORATION

67. Appointment of Officers for the positions of Executive Director, Secretary, and Treasurer for the Laredo Public Facility Corporation. **24-LPFC-01**

Proposed positions to be filled as follows:
Executive Director: City Manager
Secretary: City Secretary
Treasurer: Finance Director

XVI. ADJOURN AS THE LAREDO PUBLIC FACILITY CORPORATION AND RECONVENE AS THE LAREDO CITY COUNCIL

68. GENERAL COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

A. Request by Mayor Dr. Victor D. Treviño

1. Follow-up and updates for the public on recent protocols and discussions between Mayor Dr. Treviño and Mexican Counterparts, with possible action on recommendations and contingency plan presented to reduce hazards from commercial traffic and improve public safety during international bridge outages, and any matters related thereto. **24-C-091**

Sponsors: Vanessa Perez and Dr. David Tyler King

2. Discussion with possible action with creation of Senior Healthy Living event, with the first event to be held at Jarvis Plaza in **24-C-092**

coordination with the Health Department, Parks and Rec., PIO, and any other departments, and any other matters related thereto.

3. Discussion with possible action on Memorandum of Understanding to lease City space located within the former federal courthouse at 1300 Matamoros Street with Kazen fellowship program that recognizes and promotes civic education within our city. With a presentation and recognition of the Kazen fellowship program and middle school citizenship program, and any matters related thereto.

[24-C-093](#)

Sponsors: Alyssa Cigarroa and Alberto Torres Jr.

B. Request by Council Member Vanessa J. Perez

1. Discussion with possible action on the need to seek funding opportunities at the state and federal level to enhance existing and future infrastructure in the industrial parks and trade corridors. Management will formulate a long term strategy and comprehensive plan detailing funding strategies, recommendations to current policies/ordinances, and any other changes needed to ensure our infrastructure remains adequate as we proactively plan for increased demands of trade in our city, and any other matters incident thereto.

[24-C-016](#)

2. Discussion with possible action to request City Manager to hire two employees who will manage the port by overseeing growth, development, and enforcement of ordinances in the industrial corridors, and any other matters incident thereto.

[24-C-074](#)

Sponsors: Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Dr. David Tyler King and Gilbert Gonzalez

3. Discussion with possible action on Port of Entry Advisory Committee initiative and recommendations to improve Port Laredo, and any other matters incident thereto.

24-C-097

C. Request by Council Member Alyssa Cigarroa

1. Discussion with possible action on naming the walking trail at Slaughter Park, "Korean War Veterans Walking Trail" and any matters incident there to.

24-C-096

Sponsors: Vanessa Perez and Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr.

D. Request by Council Member Gilbert Gonzalez

1. Recognizing the Heat Volleyball Academy 13's and 14's teams earning bids to compete at the 2024 USA Volleyball Girls Junior National Championship in Dallas, Tx. and Las Vegas, Nevada

[24-C-094](#)

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

1. Discussion with possible action for the City Council to consider

[24-C-095](#)

the implementation of Senate Bill 1145 Texas property code section 11.36 child-care facilities exemption and any other matters incident thereto.

Sponsors: Alberto Torres Jr.

F. Request by Council Member Alberto Torres, Jr.

1. Discussion with possible action to dedicate the fields of the Buena Vista Sports Complex as follows:

24-C-101

-Wrigley Field, Fenway Park Field, Yankee Stadium Field, Minute Maid Park Field, and Dodger Stadium Field

-Dan Firova Field (A Laredo constituent, American professional baseball catcher and coach. Firova played with the Seattle Mariners, and Cleveland Indians. Firova served as the manager of Vaqueros Laguna in the Mexican League and was named league's Manager of the Year in 2000. Firova coached the Washington Nationals as Bullpen Coach. He also served as the manager for the Acereros de Monclova. Firova joined the Houston Astros to serve as Quality Control coach with the major league team, serving as one of the Astros' coach when the team won the World Series title in 2022.) *previously approved by City Council

-Tano Tijerina Field (A graduate of Nixon High School, Tijerina he was selected by the Milwaukee Brewers in the eighth round of the amateur draft and played four years of professional baseball in the Milwaukee organization before retiring from baseball and returning to Laredo. Tijerina is a longtime rancher in Webb County and has professional interests in oil and gas, rodeo stock management, financial investments and transportation. He currently serves as Webb County Judge.)

-Eduardo Garza Robles Field (A top business and community leader who invests in community projects, scholarships and activities that promote the academics as well as athletic growth of our local students. Garza proudly enters his 13-year as the name sponsor of Uni-Trade Stadium. He is advocate of baseball in our community, especially the Tecolotes Dos Laredos. In 2023, Garza was named Sportsman of the Year by the Latin American International Sports Hall of Fame.)

-Freddy Benavides Field (Born in Laredo, Benavides graduated from Nixon High School. He was drafted by the Reds in the 2nd round of the 1987 MLB amateur draft, Benavides made his Major League Baseball debut with Cincinnati on May 14, 1991. Benavides was then a member of the Colorado Rockies team and the Montreal Expos. He spent time as interim manager of the

Cincinnati Reds. He has also served as the infield coordinator of the Cincinnati Reds Minor League Teams and is also head coach of the Freddie Benavides Baseball Academy, which takes place in Laredo from late November to mid January yearly. In 2016, Benavides became the first-base coach of the Cincinnati Reds. Following the 2018 season, Benavides was named the bench coach for the 2019 Reds. He is an American former Major League Baseball infielder and now a coach with the Cincinnati Reds.)

-Marco Raya Field (A Laredoan, graduate of United South High School is now in 2A in the Minnesota Twins Organization. Raya is recognized for his pitching skills in the minor leagues.)

Sponsors: Vanessa Perez, Gilbert Gonzalez and Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr.

2. Discussion with possible action to create a public weekly listing of Garage Sale Permits; and any other matters incident thereto. **24-C-102**

3. Discussion with possible action to establish protocols for scheduled waterline breaks and emergency waterline breaks to effectively notify those affected with ample time to plan for the interruption of service; and any other matters incident thereto. **24-C-103**

G. Request by Mayor Pro Tempore Ruben Gutierrez, Jr.

1. Recognizing, United High School student, Liana Moncivais for becoming City Champ in Discus in 2023 and 2024 . Competing at the Regional Level, she earned 2nd Place in Discus, qualifying her for the State Level Championship. **24-C-099**

2. Recognizing Laredo Heat Volleyball Academy's 14's Red team for being awarded a bid to Las Vegas for USA Volleyball's (USAV) 2024 Girls Junior National Championship (GJNC) July 08-July 12, 2024 at the Mandalay Bay Convention Center in Las Vegas, Nevada. **24-C-098**

3. Discussion with possible action to consider adjusting the required bond amounts for City construction projects; and any matters incident thereto. **24-C-100**

H. Request by Council Member Dr. David Tyler King

1. Discussion with possible action to direct management and staff to develop a strategic plan for how the City plans to capitalize on the credits and deductions under the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) of 2022, which expire in 2032, with sharp focus on elective pay, which allows applicable entities, including tax-exempt and governmental entities that would otherwise be unable to claim certain credits because they do not owe federal income tax, to **24-C-090**

benefit from clean energy tax credits, and any other matters incident thereto.

Sponsors: Melissa R. Cigarroa

Attachments: [Credits and deduction under the Inflation Reduction Act of 2022](#)
[Elective Pay and Transferability](#)
[What is elective pay?](#)
[Clean Energy Tax Incentives: Elective Pay Eligible Tax Credits](#)

XVII. ADJOURN

This notice was posted at the Municipal Government Offices, 1110 Houston Street, Laredo, Texas, at a place convenient and readily accessible to the public at all times. Said notice was posted on Friday, May 3, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.