

City of Laredo

Meeting Minutes - Preliminary

A-2026-R-04

Monday, March 16, 2026

5:30 PM

City Council Chambers

City Council

These minutes are preliminary and subject to change.
They are considered unofficial until approved at the next City Council meeting.

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

The Mayor will be presenting the following:

1. The City of Laredo Mayor, Dr. Victor D. Trevino will present the Keys to the City to Mr. Roberto Santos for his years of dedicated service as Superintendent of the United Independent School District and for his commitment to advancing education and supporting the success of students in our community.

**City of Laredo
Regular City Council Meeting
A-2026-R-04
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1110 HOUSTON STREET
LAREDO, TEXAS 78040
MARCH 16th, 2026
5:30 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Dr. Victor D. Treviño called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

TEXAS PLEDGE

The Texas pledge was led by Mayor Dr. Victor D. Treviño

MOMENT OF SILENCE

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

ROLL CALL

Also in attendance:

- City Manager Joseph W. Neeb
- Assistant City Manager Steve E. Landin
- Assistant City Manager Jose A. Valdez, Jr.
- Assistant City Manager Ramon Chavez
- City Secretary Mario Maldonado, Jr.
- City Attorney Zone Nguyen

Present: Mayor Pro Tempore & District I Gilbert Gonzalez
 Mayor Dr. Dr. Victor D. Trevino
 District III Melissa R. Cigarroa
 District IV Ricardo "Rick" Garza
 District V Ruben Gutierrez Jr.
 District VI Tyler King
 District VII Vanessa Perez
 District VIII Alyssa Cigarroa

Absent: District II Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr.

MINUTES

Motion to approve the minutes for:

January 16, 2026

February 11, 2026

February 17, 2026

February 26, 2026

Moved: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

Second: Vanessa Perez

For: Mayor Pro Tempore Gilbert Gonzalez, Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. Tyler King, Cm. Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Np: 0

Motion carries.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

RECOGNITION

1. The City of Laredo Mayor, Dr. Victor D. Trevino recognizes Adolfo Gonzalez, a retired educator and veteran who dedicated 36 years to education and 39 years of military service with the Texas Army National Guard (1968–2007), retiring as Master Sergeant/First Sergeant. A lifelong resident of Laredo who has been actively involved in numerous civic and veteran organizations, including helping organize the Laredo Mexican-American Chamber of Commerce and volunteering with the Laredo Regional Food Bank for over 15 years.

[REC26-14](#)

Gonzalez has served as Area 13 Chairman for Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve since 2001, supporting service members across Webb, Zapata, and Maverick counties, and received both Volunteer of the Year recognition and a presidential citation for his service. He has also led and supported multiple veteran initiatives, including the Webb County Veterans Coalition and memorial efforts honoring fallen soldiers. His lifelong commitment reflects outstanding leadership and dedication to the

community and to those who have served.

2. The City of Laredo Mayor, Dr. Victor D. Treviño, and Council recognize Walmart Store 554 for being named 2026 Division 1 Hometown Store of the Year. [REC26-15](#)
3. The City of Laredo Mayor, Dr. Victor D. Treviño, and City Council recognize the Harmony School of Excellence Mighty Hawks Robotics Team, the John B. Alexander High School Hotdawgs Robotics Team, the John B. Alexander High School Chillydawgs Robotics Team, and the Dr. Leo Cigarroa High School Chaos Robotics Team for advancing to the World Championships. [REC26-16](#)
4. The City of Laredo Mayor, Dr. Victor D. Treviño, and City Council recognize the John B. Alexander High School Swimming and Diving athletes who competed at the UIL 6A State Meet in Austin, Texas. [REC26-17](#)
5. The City of Laredo Mayor and City Council recognize Fernando J. Gongora Gaytan for his outstanding dedication, hard work, and unwavering commitment over the past 20 years in service to the City of Laredo. Thank you for your service! [REC26-19](#)
6. The City of Laredo Mayor and Council recognize the Adapted Running and Walking Team, composed of athletes with Autism and Down Syndrome, for their outstanding participation in the Runway Run 5K and 1-Mile Walk on January 31, 2026. The team was created to provide individuals with disabilities the opportunity to enjoy sports, build confidence, and actively engage with the community through inclusive athletic activities. The Mayor and Council also extend their sincere appreciation to the dedicated runner guides who participated alongside the athletes, selflessly setting aside their personal race goals to provide support, encouragement, and guidance, helping ensure that every adapted athlete had the opportunity to cross the finish line and share in the accomplishment of the event. [REC26-20](#)
7. The City of Laredo Mayor, Dr. Victor Trevino, and Council, recognize Leslie Garcia for her outstanding participation in the Annual Conference of High Gate Hotels, where top honors were awarded in the categories of Greatest Growth, Best Service Score, Hotel of the Year, and Leader of the Year. [REC26-21](#)

COMMUNICATIONS

8. Presentation by Mayor Dr. Victor Trevino, providing general comments on city matters, upcoming initiatives, and other relevant updates for the Council and the public. [26-489](#)
9. Recognition of City officials for their selection and participation in the Bloomberg Leadership Program. [26-546](#)

- Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino
- Joseph W. Neeb, City Manager

- Vanessa Perez, District 7 Council Member
- Steve E. Landin, Assistant City Manager
- Jose A.Valdez, Jr., Assistant City Manager

10. Update on the status of previous effluent water actions related to Casa Blanca Lake, and any matters related thereto. [26-548](#)
 Report from the Border Wall Advisory Committee Chairman regarding recent committee meeting.
 Status update on the installation and/or request for a City flag pole.

APPOINTMENTS TO COMMISSIONS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

Motion to approve.

Moved: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

Second: Gilbert Gonzalez

For: Mayor Pro Tempore Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. Tyler King, Cm. Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Np: Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino

Motion carries.

11. Appointment by Council Member Ruben Gutierrez Jr. of Jonathan Paul Ruiz to the Animal Care Services Advisory Committee. [APPT26 - 27](#)

PLANNING & ZONING - PUBLIC HEARING & INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCE

12. Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning approximately 8.0432 acres, as further described by metes and bounds in Exhibit A, located south of Inspiration Parkway and east of Bob Bullock Loop, from R-2 (Multi-Family Residential District) to B-3 (Community Business District). [26-452](#)

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the proposed zone change, and Staff does not support the B-3 zoning, but will support a B-1 zoning district.

ZC-026-2026

District VI

Motion to close public hearing.

Moved: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

Second: Tyler King

For: Mayor Pro Tempore Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. Tyler King, Cm. Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Np: Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino

Motion carries.

13. Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lot 1, Block 5, Riverhill South Subdivision, Phase I, located at 4401 Nogal Lane, from R-1MH (Single Family Manufactured Housing District) to R-2 (Multi-Family Residential District). [26-456](#)

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the proposed zone change. Staff supports the application.

ZC-020-2026

District II

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

Moved: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

Second: Tyler King

For: Mayor Pro Tempore Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. Tyler King, Cm. Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Np: Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino

Motion carries.

14. Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning approximately 55.27 acre tract, as further described by metes and bounds in attached "Exhibit A", located south of Cielito Lindo Boulevard and west of Cuatro Vientos Road, from R-1A (Single Family Reduced Area District) to R-1B (Single Family High Density District). [26-457](#)

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the proposed zone change. Staff supports the application.

ZC-023-2026

District I

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

Moved: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

Second: Tyler King

For: Mayor Pro Tempore Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. Tyler King, Cm. Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Np: Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino

Motion carries.

15. Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning the west 83 feet of Lots 7 and 8, Block 765, Western Division, as further described by metes and bounds in attached "Exhibit A", located at 2819 Flores Avenue, from R-3 (Mixed Residential District) to B-1 (Limited Business District). [26-469](#)

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the proposed zone change and staff supports the application.

ZC-021-2026
District VIII

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

Moved: Tyler King

Second: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

For: Mayor Pro Tempore Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. Tyler King, Cm. Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Np: Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino

Motion carries.

16. 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 baseball bat manufacturing (woodworking shop) on the west 83 feet of Lots 7 and 8, Block 765, Western Division, as further described by metes and bounds in attached Exhibit A, located at 2819 Flores Avenue. [26-470](#)

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the proposed conditional use permit and staff supports the application.

ZC-022-2026
District VIII

to bring back CUP in three years, as amended.

Moved: Alyssa Cigarroa

Second: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.
For: Mayor Pro Tempore Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. Tyler King, Cm. Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa
Against: 0
Abstain: 0
Np: Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino

Motion carries.

17. Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lots 2 and 3, Block 7, San Isidro Northeast Las Palmas Subdivision, Phase 2, located at 11082 and 11110 Cavatina Drive from R-2 (Multi-Family Residential District) to R-1B (Single Family High Density District). [26-472](#)

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the proposed zone change and staff supports the application.

ZC-024-2026
 District VI

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

Moved: Tyler King
Second: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.
For: Mayor Pro Tempore Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. Tyler King, Cm. Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa
Against: 0
Abstain: 0
Np: Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino

Motion carries.

18. Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lot 6 and the east half (1/2) of Lot 5, Block 92, Eastern Division, as further described by metes and bounds in attached Exhibit A, located at 720 Laredo Street from B-1 (Limited Business District) to B-3 (Community Business District). [26-474](#)

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the proposed zone change and staff supports the application.

ZC-025-2026
 District III

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

meeting.**Moved:** Melissa R. Cigarroa**Second:** Ruben Gutierrez Jr.**For:** Mayor Pro Tempore Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. Tyler King, Cm. Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa**Against:** 0**Abstain:** 0**Np:** Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino**Motion carries.****PUBLIC HEARING & INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCE**

19. Authorizing the City Manager to amend the FY 2025-2026 Capital Grants Fund budget by appropriating revenues and expenditures in the total project amount of \$797,890.00, consisting of \$664,890.00 in grant funding from the Southwest Border Regional Commission (SBRC) under the Economic Infrastructure Development (EID) 2025 Grant Program and a required 20% local match of \$133,000.00 funded by the 2022 Certificate of Obligation Bond. Grant funds will support facility improvements associated with the development and implementation of economic development programs and projects. [26-259](#)

Staff recommends the approval of the proposed item.

Items 19-22 were not introduced..

20. Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, authorizing the City Manager to amend the budget for the FY 2026 Financial Task Force and the Rio Grande Valley (RGV) HIDTA Task Force by reducing revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$165,000.00 in the 2025 award due to deobligation from the agency. Both grants are funded by the Executive Office of the President, Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP) and High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA). Funding was authorized for personnel salaries, fringe benefits, overtime, travel, and operating expenses from January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2026. Funding is available in the Financial Task Force Fund. [26-409](#)

Recommends the approval of this Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance.

21. Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance authorizing the City Manager to amend the City of Laredo FY26 Police General Fund budget by increasing revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$69,044.00. The revenues are from forfeiture cases involving abandoned and unclaimed money from the Laredo Police Department Property and Evidence Section. Funding will be used to purchase police equipment, law enforcement software, and building repairs. [26-468](#)

Recommends the approval of this Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance.

- 22.** An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, amending Chapter 15, "Health and Sanitation," Article I, "In General," Section 15-11 of the Code of Ordinances to add the fees for the mammography screening; providing for publication and effective date. Fees are as follows: 2D Screening mammogram \$160 (new), 3D Screening Stand-alone \$225 (new), 3D Screening - Add-On \$65 (new). [26-523](#)

Staff recommends that Council approves the Ordinance.

INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCES

23-25.

- 23.** An Ordinance Amending The City Of Laredo's Code Of Ordinance Chapter 2, Administration, Article VII, Drug And Alcohol Policy Of The Code Of Ordinances; Providing For Updates To Ensure Clarity, Consistency, Enforceability, And Compliance With Applicable Federal And State Laws And Regulations; Providing For A Cumulative Clause; Providing For Severability; Providing For Publication; And Declaring An Effective Date. [2026-O-64](#)

Staff recommends approval of item as presented.

- 24.** Public hearing and introductory ordinance authorizing the establishment of fees, terms, and conditions for the lease and use of the El Metro Park & Ride facility, owned by the City of Laredo and operated by the Laredo International Airport, located at 1819 Hillside Road, Laredo TX 78041; providing for authority, administration, insurance requirements, operational conditions, and cost recovery; providing for severability; and providing an effective date. [26-463](#)

Staff recommends the approval of this introductory ordinance.

- 25.** Authorizing the City Manager to execute a lease agreement between the Laredo International Airport and the City of Laredo Police Department for approximately 5,320 square feet at 4812 N. Bartlett Avenue, Laredo, Webb County, Texas 78041 situated on Block 8, of the Subdivision Plat of Laredo Airport according to the map or plat thereof recorded in Volume 5, Page 1, Plat Records of Webb County, Texas. Lease term shall be for a total of five years, with three options to extend this lease, with each option being an additional five years, commencing on April 1, 2026. Initial monthly rent shall be \$6,230.00 a month and will be adjusted annually according to changes in the consumer price index (CPI); and providing for an effective date. [2026-O-65](#)

Staff recommends the approval of this introductory ordinance.

SECOND READING

- 26.** Authorizing the City Manager to grant a non-exclusive franchise to DeBriCo LLC to use the present and future streets, avenues, alleys, roads, highways, sidewalks, easements and other public rights-of-way of the City of Laredo, Texas for purposes of constructing, maintaining and operating a commercial container refuse gathering and disposing service, setting forth terms and conditions to govern the franchise; providing a [26-207](#)

severability clause, a savings clause and an effective date. Franchise fees will be deposited in the General Fund.

Staff recommends the second reading.

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

Motion to approve final reading of ordinances 27-42, except 36-37.

Moved: Vanessa Perez

Second: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

For: Mayor Pro Tempore Gilbert Gonzalez, Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. Tyler King, Cm. Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Np: 0

Motion carries.

- 27.** An Ordinance authorizing the City Manager to amend the FY 2025-2026 Noise Abatement Fund budget by drawing down fund balance and appropriating expenditures in the amount of \$61,162.89, representing funds awarded by the Texas Municipal League (TML) related to a residential fire. Funds were received in FY2025 and deposited into the operating revenue account and will be utilized for Noise Abatement Building Improvements in FY2026. [2026-O-34](#)
- For this ordinance to be introduced.
- 28.** An Ordinance of the city of Laredo, Texas, amending chapter 23 - Parks and Recreation Department, of the code of ordinances of the city of Laredo to amend Chapter 23-6, Section 2, fee schedule for the Buena Vista Sports Complex to allow retail vendor space rental fees and also amend the definition of hours of usage from all day to mean the period of time from 8am to 10pm; providing for publication and effective date; and providing for severability. [2026-O-51](#)
- Staff recommends approval of this item.
- 29.** Authorizing the City Manager to accept and execute a grant awarded by the Laredo Area Community Foundation for the amount of \$5,000.00 to fund Keep Laredo Beautiful for the Keep Laredo Beautiful garden club and to amend the FY 2026 Keep Laredo Beautiful Fund by appropriating revenues and expenses in the same amount. [2026-O-48](#)
- Staff recommends passage approval of the ordinance.
- 30.** An Ordinance Amending The City Of Laredo's Code Of Ordinance Chapter 2, Administration, Article II, Departments, Officers And Employees, Division 2, Return To Work Policy Of The Code Of Ordinances; Providing For Updates To Ensure Consistency, Enforceability, And Compliance With Applicable Federal And State Laws [2026-O-35](#)

And Regulations; Providing For A Cumulative Clause; Providing For Severability; Providing For Publication; And Declaring An Effective Date.

N/A

- 31.** An Ordinance of the City of Laredo adopting and implementing the Laredo International Airport's revised Noise Compatibility Program (NCP) in concurrence with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) record of approval. The NCP was prepared pursuant to 14 CFR Part 150. The revised Noise Compatibility Program establishes a standardized process for assessing aircraft noise exposure and identifying measures to promote compatible land use in areas surrounding airports; providing for severability; and effective date. [2026-O-32](#)

Staff recommends the approval of this ordinance.

- 32.** An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, concerning a voluntary annexation request by Jose Julio Gutierrez and wife, Judith Elena Gutierrez, altering and extending the boundary limits of the City of Laredo to annex approximately 0.25 acres of land, more or less, located south of FM 1472 and east of Iron Mine Road; 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) for approximately 0.25 acres of land, more or less, as described by metes and bounds in the attached Exhibit "A." [2026-O-36](#)

AN-002-2025

District VII - Cm. Vanessa Perez

Staff supports the proposed annexation.

Staff supports the proposed initial zoning of M-1 (Light Manufacturing District). The proposed initial zoning is compatible with the surrounding industrial uses and consistent with the M-1 (Light Manufacturing District) zoning pattern.

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. The subject tract is part of a larger parent tract designated for industrial use, and the surrounding area is partly outside city limits and remains vacant and undeveloped. Pinnacle Industry Center lies approximately 600 feet, more or less, to the south, further establishing the surrounding area's industrial development pattern.

Would this change create an isolated zoning district unrelated to surrounding districts?

No. The subject tract is part of a larger parent tract zoned M-1. The adjacent tracts to

the west and south are zoned M-1, while the surrounding area outside the city limits remains vacant and undeveloped.

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

33. An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, concerning a voluntary annexation request by Russell Palmer, on behalf of Las Islitas Ranch, LLC, altering and extending the boundary limits of the City of Laredo to annex approximately 59.89 acres of land, more or less, of land located northeast of FM 1472 and Max A. Mandel Municipal Golf Course; 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 B-3 (Community Business District) for approximately 14.40 acres of land and approximately 1.039 acres of land, more or less, and R-1A (Single Family Reduced Area District) for approximately 44.452 acres of land, more or less, as described by metes and bounds in the attached Exhibit "A." [2026-O-37](#)

AN-003-2025

District VII - Cm. Vanessa Perez

Staff supports the proposed annexation.

Staff supports the proposed initial zoning of B-3 (Community Business District) and R-1A (Single Family Reduced Area District). The proposed initial zoning is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan's Future Land Use Map, which designates this area for High, Medium, and Low Density Residential, as well as Mixed-Use Center uses. The combination of B-3 (Community Business District) near the primary access from FM 1472 and R-1A (Single Family Reduced Area District) within the interior of the tract provides an appropriate transition of commercial to residential uses.

IMPACT ANALYSIS

B-3 (Community Business District):

The purpose of the B-3 District is to provide for those businesses and services serving a trade area larger than a neighborhood, but smaller than the entire City and located primarily along minor or principal arterial streets, as classified in the Transportation Plan of the City of Laredo. It is intended for this zoning classification to exist primarily abutting minor or principal arterial streets while preserving established residential neighborhoods along such streets.

R-1A (Single Family Reduced Area District):

The purpose of the R-1A District is to provide for residential uses and those public uses normally considered an integral part of the residential neighborhood they serve. In addition, this district provides for the subdivision of single-family residential lots with a minimum of four thousand five hundred (4,500) square feet.

Is this change contrary to the established land pattern?

No. The surrounding land pattern is vacant and undeveloped. However, directly opposite to the subject tract is the Max A. Mandel Municipal Golf Course, which provides recreational use that complements the proposed residential and commercial uses of the subject tract.

Would this change create an isolated zoning district unrelated to surrounding districts?

No. The surrounding land is vacant and undeveloped.

Will this change adversely influence living condition in the neighborhood?

No. This tract is surrounded by vacant and undeveloped land.

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

N/A

- 34.** An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, concerning a voluntary annexation request by Baltazar Hinojosa, on behalf of Ben-Bal, LLC, altering and extending the boundary limits of the City of Laredo to annex approximately 13.735 acres of land, more or less, located north of FM 1472 and Ben-Hur Ranch Road; 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 B-1 (Limited Business District) for an approximately 13.735 acres of land, more or less, as described by metes and bounds in the attached Exhibit "A." [2026-O-38](#)

AN-004-2025

District VII - Cm. Vanessa Perez

Staff supports the proposed annexation.

Staff does not support the initial zoning of M-1 (Light Manufacturing District). However, Staff recommends the initial zoning of B-1 (Limited Business District), as it aligns with the Comprehensive Plan's Future Land Use Map, which designates this area as Mixed-Use Center, and allows for limited commercial uses.

B-1 (Limited Business District) zoning provides a gradual transition in land use intensity from the highway frontage toward the interior of the site, where the subject tract is located. B-1 (Limited Business District) also provides for low-intensity commercial uses that more compatible with the adjacent existing activities, such as El Primero Training Center & Feed, while avoiding the heavier operational impacts associated with M-1 industrial uses, as the subject tract is next to Santa Isabel Creek. Industrial uses could create greater environmental risks to this natural feature.

Overall, the surrounding area remains largely vacant and undeveloped, and establishing B-1 (Limited Business District) as the initial zoning will help guide a growth pattern that is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan and supports the long-term vision for this area.

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.

B-1 (Limited Business District):

The purpose of the B-1 Limited Business District is to provide for business and commercial development serving a limited geographic area or neighborhood.

Is this change contrary to the established land pattern?

No. The surrounding land pattern is largely vacant and undeveloped, with the exception of the existing horse training facility located adjacent to the subject tract to the west and north.

Would this change create an isolated zoning district unrelated to surrounding districts?

No. The subject tract is adjacent to AG (Agricultural District) zoning district to the south, and vacant, undeveloped land to the east.

Will this change adversely influence living condition in the neighborhood?

Yes. There is a residential compound to the west of this tract, as it is part of the horse training facility.

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

N/A

- 35.** An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, concerning a voluntary annexation request by Alejandro Ramos, on behalf of North Laredo Industrial Park, Ltd., altering and extending the boundary limits of City of Laredo to annex approximately 275.67 acres of land, more or less, located west of IH-35, north of Beltway Parkway, and south of Reuthinger Parkway; 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) for approximately 275.67 acres of land, more or less, as described by metes and bounds in the attached Exhibit "A." [2026-O-39](#)

AN-005-2025

District VII - Cm. Vanessa Perez

Staff supports the proposed annexation.

Staff supports the initial zoning of M-1 (Light Manufacturing District). The Future Land Use Map designates this area as Light Industrial, and the proposed M-1 zoning is compatible with the surrounding industrial pattern and consistent with the Comprehensive Plan's projected land use pattern for this corridor.

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. The surrounding land pattern is largely vacant and undeveloped, with the exception of industrial uses to the east and AG zoning to the south.

Would this change create an isolated zoning district unrelated to surrounding districts?

No. The subject tract is adjacent to existing M-1 zoning to the east and AG zoning to the south, and vacant, undeveloped to the west and north.

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

- 36.** An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, concerning a voluntary annexation request by David Reuthinger, on behalf of Reuthinger Living Trust, altering and extending the boundary limits of City of Laredo to annex approximately 562.7735 acres of land, more or less, located northwest of FM 1472 and FM 3338 intersection; providing for 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) for approximately 562.7735 acres of land, more or less, as described by metes and bounds in the attached Exhibit "A." [2026-O-40](#)

AN-006-2025

District VII - Cm. Vanessa Perez

Staff supports the proposed annexation.

Staff does not support the initial zoning of M-1 (Light Manufacturing District) for the entire tract. Instead, Staff recommends M-1 (Light Manufacturing District) for an area approximately 2,200 feet in width along and adjacent to the existing M-1 (Light Manufacturing District) zoning to the west and B-3 (Community Business District) for the remainder of the tract, as shown in the attached Staff Recommendation Exhibit. This limits the M-1 zoning to the western portions of the site, maintaining continuity with the established industrial area, while preventing industrial uses from expanding further northwest, which the Comprehensive Plan has identified as Low Density Residential, Institutional, and Neighborhood Mixed-Use.

Establishing the B-3 zoning on the remainder of the tract provides the appropriate transition in land use intensity considering the size of the tract, which encompasses approximately 562.7735 acres. In addition, B-3 zoning will allow for commercial services that are currently lacking along the corridor, supporting both the existing employment base and future growth. Overall, the surrounding area to the east remains largely vacant and undeveloped. Establishing M-1 zoning to the western portion of the site and B-3 zoning to the remainder of this 562.7735-acre tract of land as the initial zoning designations will help guide orderly and compatible growth that is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan's long-range vision for this region.

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.

B-3 (Community Business District):

The purpose of the B-3 District (Community Business District) is to provide for those businesses and services serving a trade area larger than a neighborhood, but smaller than the entire City and located primarily along minor or principal arterial streets, as classified in the Transportation Plan of the City of Laredo. It is intended for this zoning classification to exist primarily abutting minor or principal arterial streets while preserving established residential neighborhoods along such streets.

Is this change contrary to the established land pattern?

No. The surrounding land pattern is largely vacant and undeveloped, with the exception of industrial uses to the west and the Rancho Penitas Colonia to the north.

Would this change create an isolated zoning district unrelated to surrounding districts?

No. The subject tract is adjacent to existing M-1 zoning to the west, with vacant, undeveloped land to the east, FM 1472 to the south, and the Rancho Penitas Colonia to the north.

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

- 37.** An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning approximately 13.74 acres, as further described by metes and bounds in attached "Exhibit A", located south of Avenida Los Presidentes and east of Brownwood Street, from R-1 (Single Family Residential District) and R-1A (Single Family Reduced Area District) to R-1B (Single Family High Density District). [2026-O-41](#)

ZC-013-2026

District III

- 38.** An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lot 1, Block 796, Eastern Division, located at 1401 Guatemozin Street, from R-3 (Mixed Residential District) to B-1 (Limited Business District). [2026-O-42](#)

ZC-014-2026
District II

- 39.** An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning approximately 2.15 acre tract, as further described by metes and bounds in attached "Exhibit A", located south of North Bartlett Avenue and west of Harper Lee Drive, from R-1 (Single Family Residential District) to B-3 (Community Business District). [2026-O-43](#)

ZC-016-2026
District V

- 40.** An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by amending Ordinance 2023-O-094 which authorized a special use permit for mini storages on Lot 4B, Block 3, Amending Plat of D & J Alexander Commercial Subdivision Phase 15, Lots 4A, 4B, 4C, Block 3, located at 7121 Bartlett Avenue, in order to amend the site plan to include additional storage units and parking on approximately 2.15 acre tract, as further described by metes and bounds in attached "Exhibit A" located south of North Bartlett Avenue and west of Harper Lee Drive. [2026-O-44](#)

ZC-017-2026
District V

- 41.** An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lots 6 and 7, Block 851, Eastern Division, located at 1504 and 1518 East Bustamante Street, from R-3 (Mixed Residential District) to B-1 (Limited Business District). [2026-O-45](#)

ZC-018-2026
District IV

- 42.** An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, amending Chapter 2, "Administration," Article I "In General" of the Code of Ordinances Section 2-3 "Fees for City Services" to update Section 2-3 "Fees for City Services" to amend the schedule of fees; and providing for an effective date. [2026-O-52](#)

Staff recommends that Council approves the Ordinance.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to approve the consent agenda items 43-97, with the exception of 87,48,96, 50.

Moved: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

Second: Tyler King

For: Mayor Pro Tempore Gilbert Gonzalez, Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. Tyler King, Cm. Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Np: 0

Motion carries.

BUDGET: JESUS ESPARZA, DIRECTOR

- 43.** Authorizing the City Manager to award contract to Athletica Sport System, for the Dasher Board System for Sames Auto Arena in the amount of \$452,795.00 using Sourcewell Cooperative Contract #081425-BAP-1 Funding is available in the Sports & Community Venue Sales Tax. [26-284](#)

Staff recommends that this contract be approved.

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE: JOSEPH W. NEEB

- 44.** A Resolution of the City of Laredo, Texas suspending the effective date of Centerpoint Energy's Gas Reliability Infrastructure Program (GRIP) rate adjustment to permit review of the filing as authorized by the Texas Utilities Code; finding that the meeting at which this resolution is passed is open to the public as required by law; and directing that notice of this resolution be provided to Centerpoint Energy. [2026-R-82](#)

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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT: TINA RODRIGUEZ, DIRECTOR

- 45.** Ratifying a resolution of the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas authorizing the City Manager to submit and accept a grant program application to AEP Texas for the AEP Texas Targeted Low-Income Program in the amount of \$50,000.00, and authorizing the city manager to execute all necessary documents. The program will provide for the replacement of complete central air conditioning and heating units for an estimated five single family dwellings from the Municipal Housing homes. Funding is under Municipal Housing Funds. [2026-R-62](#)

Staff recommends the approval of this resolution.

- 46.** 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 \$2,900,000.00 from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to maximize the number of children under the age of six protected from lead poisoning by undertaking comprehensive programs to identify and control lead-based paint hazards in eligible housing populations. Grant match in the amount not to exceed \$250,000.00 is [2026-R-54](#)

available through Community Development Fund - CDGB Grant

Staff recommends the approval of this resolution.

- 47. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas, authorizing the City Manager to execute all necessary documents to purchase the "surface only" of a 27,884.99 square feet parcel more or less out of 13102 Riverbank Dr., from The Three Lesser Lights LLC, for the sum of \$210,800.00. The City agrees to cover fifty percent of the closing costs estimated at \$4,000.00. Property being more particularly described and depicted in the attached Exhibit "A". Funding is available in the 2025 Tax Note account. Providing for an effective date. [2026-R-68](#)

Staff recommends the approval of this Resolution

CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU: AILEEN RAMOS, DIRECTOR

- 48. Discussion with possible action to approve the proposed design as one of the official designs to be adopted and utilized by the City of Laredo for various municipal and community-related purposes. [26-539](#)

Staff recommends that the City Council review the proposed design and consider approval for its use for municipal and and community-related uses.

Fiscal Impact

Fiscal Year: 2025-2026
 Budgeted Y/N?: N
 Source of Funds: N/A
 Account #: N/A
 Change Order: Exceeds 25% Y/N: N/A

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

No Financial Impact

Motion to approve.

Moved: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

Second: Vanessa Perez

For: Mayor Pro Tempore Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. Tyler King, and Cm. Vanessa Perez

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Np: Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Motion carries.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: TINA RODRIGUEZ, ACTING DIRECTOR

- 49. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas amending Resolution 2025-R-113 to change the project location from El Mercado to the Federal Courthouse building, in accordance with the requirements of [2026-R-31](#)

the Southwest Border Regional Commission (SBRC); authorizing the City Manager to accept a grant in the amount of \$664,890.00 from the Southwest Border Regional Commission under the Economic and Infrastructure Development (EID) 2025 grant program with a local match funded through the 2022 Certificate of Obligation in the amount of \$133,000.00, for a total grant amount of \$797,890.00. The grant is to support facility improvements for the purpose of creating economic development programs and projects; further authorizing the City Manager to execute any and all documents necessary to implement the award of this grant.

Approval of item

50. A Resolution of the City of Laredo authorizing the City Manager to accept a grant from Texas Parks and Wildlife under the National Park Service for the Outdoor Legacy Partnership Grant Program 2023 (ORLP) in the amount of \$3,799,996.00 with a required Non-Federal 1:1 match, for a total estimated project cost of \$7,599,992.00 Grant funds will be used to improve existing trails and embankments along Zacate Creek, as well the development of newly extended trails, and improve recreational accessibility to surrounding neighborhoods. Matching funds will be derived from in-kind contributions of land, private donations, land value, 2019 Bond for \$1,800,000.00 and \$2,000,000.00 Webb County Match contingent upon County approval. [2026-R-63](#)

Staff recommends approval.

Motion to approve, with the condition to verify that the City will get reimbursed.

Moved: Melissa R. Cigarroa

Second: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

For: Mayor Pro Tempore Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. Tyler King, Cm. Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Np: Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino

Motion carries.

51. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas ratifying and authorizing the City Manager to submit a grant application in the amount of \$34,561,597.00, which \$25,000,000.00 are from the U.S. Department of Transportation for the FY 2026 Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) Grant Program to support World Trade Bridge for the purpose of improving transportation infrastructure. The required match will be \$9,561,597.00, available in the Future Bridge System Revenue Bonds for \$8,561,597.00 and \$1,000,000.00 in general fund. This notice of funding opportunity is on a reimbursement basis. [2026-R-65](#)

Staff recommends approval of this item.

- 52.** A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas ratifying and authorizing the City Manager to submit a grant application in the amount of \$46,600,000.00, which \$25,000,000.00 are from the U.S. Department of Transportation for the FY 2026 Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) Grant Program to support Colombia Solidarity Bridge for the purpose of improving transportation infrastructure. The required match will be \$21,600,000.00, available in the future Bridge System Revenue Bonds for \$20,600,000.00, Federal Funds for \$800,000.00, and State Funds for \$200,000.00. This notice of funding opportunity is on a reimbursement basis. [2026-R-66](#)

Staff recommends approval of this item.

ENGINEERING: ELIUD DE LOS SANTOS P.E., CITY ENGINEER

- 53.** A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas, authorizing the City Manager to accept setting a temporary construction speed zone limit at IH 35 at Uniroyal Dr and SH 84 from 75 MPH to 60 MPH on IH 35 Main lanes (Mile Point 1.338) and from 55 MPH to 45 MPH on IH 35 Frontage Rd. (Mile Point 5.033) [2026-R-61](#)

Staff recommends approval of Resolution.

- 54.** Consideration for approval of FY24-ENG-25 George Pappas Tennis Courts Overlay Rebid Project as complete, including all warranty certificates, release of retainage, and final payment in the amount of \$36,940.10 to Hellas Construction Inc., Cedar Park, Texas and approval of change order no. 1 in a decrease of \$7,178.93. The final construction contract amount is \$738,802.07. Funding is available in the 2022 Certificate of Obligation Bond. [26-426](#)

Approval of this motion.

- 55.** Consideration for approval of amendment no. 2 an increase of \$74,312.50 to the professional services contract with Slay Architecture, Laredo, Texas, for the Barbara Fasken Community Center Pool and Amenities. This Amendment No. 2 is to provide architectural and engineering services for the proposed swimming pool. Current contract amount with this amendment is \$193,962.50. Funding is available in the 2025 Certificate of Obligation Bond. [26-432](#)

Approval of this motion.

- 56.** Consideration to award a construction contract to the lowest, responsible, responsive bidder CID Group, Inc., Laredo, Texas in the amount not to exceed \$235,884.44 for the FY25-ENG-28 Fleet Metal Shade Structure Project for the total base bid including a \$10,000.00 contingency allowance. The construction contract time for this project is 105 working days. Funding is available in the Fleet Management Fund. [26-441](#)

Approval of this motion.

- 57.** Consideration for approval of FY22-ENG-25 Sames Auto Arena Roof Replacement Project as complete, including all warranty certificates, and release of retainage, in the amount of \$146,389.78 to Abba Construction, [26-442](#)

LLC, Laredo, Texas and approval of change order no. 1 in a decrease of \$86,203.50. The final construction contract amount is \$2,927,795.50. Funding is available in the Sports and Community Venue.

Approval of this motion.

FINANCE: FRANCISCO J. MATA, DIRECTOR

- 58.** Consideration to reject sole bid received for RFP FY25-099 Solar Panels and authorization to rebid the project. Vendor's proposal does not align with original scope of work of the Request for Proposals. [26-481](#)

None.

FIRE: GUILLERMO HEARD, FIRE CHIEF

- 59.** Consideration to approve the purchase of two power loader cot fasteners and 13 powered stair chairs in the amount of \$129,542.04 from Stryker Medical, Chicago, IL, which are critical for ensuring the safety and efficiency of emergency response operations during patient handling and transportation safety. The purchase will be made utilizing Sourcewell Contract #041823-STY. Funding is available in the 2025 Public Property Financial Contractual Obligation (PPFCO) Fund. [26-336](#)

Staff recommends approval of this item.

FLEET MANAGEMENT: RONALD MILLER, DIRECTOR

- 60.** Consideration to renew annual parts/labor service contract FY24-048 for off/road heavy and mid-size construction support equipment with: [26-346](#)

1. Laredo Mechanical Industry, Laredo, Texas, in an annual amount up to \$250,000.00 and \$250,000.00 for the remainder of the contract term;
2. Bone's Custom Cycles, Laredo, Texas, in an annual amount up to \$225,000.00 and \$225,000.00 for the remainder of the contract term;
3. Nueces Power Equipment, Laredo, Texas, in an annual amount up to \$200,000.00 and \$200,000.00 for the remainder of the contract term.

All repairs will be done at the vendor's shop or at repair location and 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 one additional one-year extension period, upon mutual agreement of the parties. Funding is available in the Fleet Management Fund.

It is recommended that these contracts be renewed.

- 61.** Consideration to renew annual parts/service contract FY23-039 for repairs to the City's lawn maintenance equipment with the following vendors: [26-350](#)

- 1) Mechanical Shop of Laredo, Laredo, Texas in an amount up to

\$220,000.00;

2) Bone's Custom Cycles, Laredo, Texas in an amount up to \$220,000.00;

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 Fleet Management Fund.

It is recommended that these contracts be renewed.

- 62.** Consideration to award annual service/parts contract RFB 2026-044 to provide maintenance and repair services for the city's stationary and portable generators to the lowest responsive/responsible bidders: [26-505](#)

1). Laredo Mechanical Industrial Services, Laredo, TX in an annual amount up to \$300,000.00 and \$900,000.00 for the remainder of the contract term;

2). Glz Auto Services, Laredo, Texas in an annual amount up to \$75,000.00 and \$225,000.00 for the remainder of the contract term;

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. All services will be secured on an as needed basis. This contract can be renewed three 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 approved.

PUBLIC HEALTH: DR. RICHARD A. CHAMBERLAIN, DIRECTOR

- 63.** A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas, authorizing the City Manager to submit an application to the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) for the Texas Spay and Neuter Program Grant, in the estimated total amount of \$500,000 per grant year, with no match for the City of Laredo Public Health Department for a one year term, to be effective on the signature date of the agreement and will expire on August 31, 2027, 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 - Animal Care Services - Texas Spay and Neuter Program Grant. [2026-R-46](#)

Staff recommends that Council approve the Resolution.

- 64.** A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas, authorizing the City Manager to accept and enter into a continuation contract from the South Texas Development Council for the HIV Ryan White Program Grant, in the amount of \$427,738.00 with no match for the City of Laredo [2026-R-49](#)

Public Health Department for the term period from April 01, 2026 through March 31, 2027. Funds will be accounted for in the Laredo Public Health Department Fund - Ryan White Program Grant.

Staff recommends that Council approve the Resolution.

- 65.** A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas, authorizing the City Manager to accept and enter into a continuation contract from the Department of State Health Services, Children/Youth with Special Health Care Needs Systems Development Group Family Support and Community Resources (FSCR) Grant in the amount of \$125,000.00, with no match for the City of Laredo Public Health Department for the term period from September 01, 2026 through August 31, 2027. Funds will be accounted for in the Laredo Public Health Department Fund - FSCR Grant. [2026-R-51](#)

Staff recommends that Council approves the Resolution.

- 66.** A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas, authorizing the City Manager to accept and enter into a continuation contract from the Department of Health and Human Services, Children & Youth with Special Health Care Needs (CYSHCN) Case Management Grant in the amount of \$99,000.00, with no match for the City of Laredo Public Health Department for the term period from September 01, 2026 through August 31, 2027. Funds will be accounted for in the Laredo Public Health Department Fund - CYSHCN Grant. [2026-R-52](#)

Staff recommends that Council approves the Resolution.

- 67.** Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract and award the Cancer Screening and Early Detection Grant Program funds from the Cancer Prevention & Research Institute of Texas, to Gateway Community Health Center, Inc., in the total amount of \$152,936.00 for a two year term starting on January 01, 2026 to December 31, 2027. Funds will be accounted for in the Laredo Public Health Department Fund - Cancer Screening and Early Detection Grant. [26-410](#)

Staff recommends that Council approves the Introductory Ordinance.

- 68.** Consideration for approval of a contract with Dental Odyssey, located at 5901 McPherson Rd Laredo, TX 78041, in the total amount not to exceed \$150,000.00 for dental services necessary within the scope of practice for the HIV Ryan White Program. Term of the agreement is from April 01, 2026 through March 31, 2027; with option to renew additional two one-year periods, contingent of funding availability. Funding is available in the Laredo Public Health Department - HIV Ryan White Program Fund. [26-415](#)

Staff recommends that Council approves the Motion.

- 69.** Consideration to renew contract FY24-017 to MWI Animal Health Information, Boise, Indiana, in an annual amount not to exceed \$350,000.00 for a total contract value of \$1,750,000.00 for the purchase of pharmaceutical & medical supplies, for the Laredo Public Health - Animal Care Services. The term of this contract is for one year, this is the first of three, one-year extension periods. Funding is available in the [26-418](#)

Laredo Public Health Department Fund - Animal Care Services.

Staff recommends that Council approve the Motion.

70. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas, authorizing the City Manager to accept and enter into a continuation contract from the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHS) for the Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Project Grant in the additional amount of \$86,200.00, with no match for the City of Laredo Public Health Department for a total amount of \$6,447,750.00 for the term period from October 01, 2025 through September 30, 2026. Funds will be accounted for in the Laredo Public Health Department Fund - Women's, Infants, and Children (WIC) Project Grant. [2026-R-64](#)

Staff recommends that Council approve the Resolution.

HUMAN RESOURCES: CAROLINA THURKETTLE, ACTING DIRECTOR

71. Consideration to award contract RFP-2026-035 to provide Executive Recruitment and Leadership Services to Strategic Government Resources to provide the City with professional services to assist with recruiting, assessing and placing executive level and senior staff positions as requested. The resulting contract will allow the City to respond efficiently to vacancies transitional leadership needs and organizational development requirements. Services will be provided on an as needed basis with no minimum guarantee of work. The estimated contract is for an annual amount not to exceed \$100,000.00 and a contract value not to exceed \$500,000.00. This contract is for two (2) years, with three (3) one (1) year extensions contingent on budget appropriations. Funding is available in the respective departmental budgets. [26-552](#)

Staff recommend to approve this item as presented.

LIBRARY: DANIELLE M. BURNS, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

72. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas, authorizing the City Manager to submit an application to the Texas State Library and Archives Commission (TSLAC) for the Family Place Training Grant, in the estimated total amount of \$9,000, with no match for the City of Laredo Public Library Department for a three year term, from April 1, 2025, through April, 30 2028, for a total estimated amount not to exceed \$9,000.00; 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 Library Department - General Fund. [2026-R-50](#)

Staff recommends the approval of the resolution.

PARKS & RECREATION: JOSE A. VALDEZ, JR., ACTING DIRECTOR

73. Authorizing the city manager to enter into and execute an Inter-local agreement between the Laredo Independent School District and the City of Laredo for joint use of certain outdoor recreational facilities, namely, Albert Ochoa Baseball Park, Freddie Benavides Baseball Field, Cigarroa [26-416](#)

Recreational Sports Complex Tennis Courts and Multi-Purpose Field, George Pappas Tennis Courts Complex, Inner City Swimming Pool and Kawas Elementary Parking Lot, also to amend and consolidate several previous Inter-local agreements, namely, Farrias Elementary Ryan Elementary, C.L. Milton Elementary and Don Jose Gallego Elementary; promoting physical fitness for the students and the general public, through the previously installed playgrounds and exercise equipment at the City's expense.

Staff recommends the approval of this item.

POLICE: MIGUEL RODRIGUEZ, CHIEF OF POLICE

74. Consideration to authorize a supply contract with BuyBoard Cooperative vendor, G.T. Distributors, Pflugerville, TX, for an annual amount not to exceed \$350,000.00 for the purchase of public safety gear, equipment, and supplies for the Police Department. This annual contract shall utilize the BuyBoard Cooperative Purchasing Program's contract #798-26. This contract will commence on April 1, 2026. The term of the contract shall be for a period of one year. Funding is available in the Police Department Funds. [26-104](#)

It is recommended that this contract be approved.

75. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas, authorizing the City Manager to submit a grant application in the estimated amount of \$200,000.00 to the Office of the Governor, Public Safety Office, for the funding of FY2027 State Crisis Intervention Grant Program, Laredo FIRST (Frontline Integrated Response Safety Team). The grant performance period is October 01, 2026 through September 30, 2027. This funding will be utilized for overtime and equipment for the Behavioral Health Response Team. No local match is required. Funding will be accounted for in the Special Police Fund. [2026-R-40](#)

Recommends the approval for this Resolution.

76. Consideration to authorize the purchase contract with Axon Enterprise, Inc., Scottsdale, Arizona for a five-year term for a total amount of \$940,669.60, for the purchase of body worn cameras, accessories, software, and operational services. This purchase shall be made using the BuyBoard Contract No. 743-24. Funding is available in the Body-Worn Camera Grant Special Police account and in General Fund-Police Department. [26-471](#)

It is recommended that this purchase be authorized.

77. Consideration to execute a renewal lease agreement between the City of Laredo Police Department as lessee, and L.A. Ventures, Inc., as lessor for the property located 6909 Springfield Ave, Suite 200B, Laredo, Texas 78041, in the amount not to exceed \$135,000.00 for the term period of April 1, 2026 through August 31, 2027 for the City of Laredo Police Department Auto Theft Task Force operations with the option to extend for an additional year, contingent upon funding availability. Funding is available in the Auto Theft Task Force Fund. [26-425](#)

It is recommended that this lease agreement be approved.

- 78.** A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas 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 vehicle occupant protection during the “Click It or Ticket” (CIOT) Campaign. The grant period for FY2026 CIOT will begin May 15, 2026 through June 03, 2026. 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 match of approximately \$9,300.00 from the General Fund. Funding is available in the Special Police Fund. [2026-R-67](#)

Recommends that Council approves this resolution.

- 79.** A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas 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 a Safe Speed” Operation Slowdown Campaign. The grant period for FY2026 Operation Slowdown will begin July 15, 2026 through August 05, 2026. 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 \$9,300.00, from General Fund. Funding is available in the Special Police Fund. [2026-R-69](#)

Recommends that Council approves this resolution

- 80.** Consideration to authorize a purchase contract with HP, Inc., Palo Alto, California, for the purchase of one hundred (100) mobile computer terminals (MCTs) for new marked patrol units through OMNIA PARTNERS PC [R210403] contract pricing in the amount of \$321,520.00. Funding is available in the Public Property Finance Contractual Obligation (PPFCO) 2025. [26-464](#)

Recommends that this purchase be approved.

- 81.** A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas, authorizing the City Manager to submit a grant application in the estimated amount of \$2,800,000.00 to the Office of the Governor, Homeland Security Grants Division for the purpose of funding the FY2027 Operation Lone Star (OLS) Grant Program. This grant will provide funding for equipment and supplies to enhance efforts aimed at reducing border-related criminal activity in Texas. No local match is required. Funding will be accounted for in the Special Police Fund. [2026-R-71](#)

Recommends the approval of this Resolution.

- 82.** A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas, authorizing the City Manager to submit a grant application in the estimated amount of \$115,000.00 to the Office of The Governor, Homeland Security Grant Division for the purpose of funding the State Homeland Security Program [2026-R-72](#)

(SHSP) - Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Activities (LETPA) Grant. This funding will be utilized to purchase one fully equipped specialized vehicle for the Laredo Police Department Bomb Squad Unit. No local match is required. Funding will be accounted for in the Special Police Fund.

Recommends that Council approves the resolution.

83. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laredo, authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement and accept reimbursement from the U.S. Customs and Border Protection/U.S. Border Patrol Treasury Forfeiture Fund of up to \$265,000.00 for joint operations for overtime expenses. The City of Laredo required match will be \$84,800.00, from General Fund, for a total amount of \$349,800.00. Funding is available in the Special Police Fund. [2026-R-74](#)

It is recommended that this resolution be approved

84. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas, authorizing the City Manager to submit a grant application in the amount of \$1,602,116.00 to the Office of The Governor, Homeland Security Grants Division (HSGD) for the purpose of funding the 2025 Operation Stonegarden Grant (OPSG). This funding will be used for the purchase of patrol vehicles, equipment, and overtime expenses used for Stonegarden Operations. No local match is required. Funding is accounted for in the Special Police Fund. [2026-R-76](#)

Recommends that City Council approve this resolution.

SOLID WASTE: BISHOP P. WAGENER , DIRECTOR

85. Ratification to authorize the purchase of two Kubota S Series SVL97-3HFCC Skid Steer (track Loader) from Texas AG Equipment, LLC, from Uvalde, Tx. in the amount of \$185,676.10. The purchase of these equipment shall be made utilizing the Sourcewell pricing program contract Number 112624-KBA. Funding is available under the Solid Waste and Environmental Services- 2019 CO Bond. [26-453](#)

The equipment purchase is essential for the department's operations. Staff recommends approval

86. Consideration to authorize the purchase of seven (7) units of heavy equipment for the Environmental & Solid Waste Department from French Ellison Truck Center, LLC, from Laredo, Tx. in the amount not to exceed \$2,077,179.16. The heavy equipment units are composed of the following: two (2) 2027 Day Cab T880-Roll Offs Trucks, two (2) 2026-ALS-L770 Side Loaders, two (2) 2027 T8880 21 yd. Dump Trucks with Lift Axle and one (1) T480 Grapple Truck. The purchase of these equipment shall be made utilizing the Sourcewell pricing program contract #032824-KTC. Funding is available in the Solid Waste Fund. [26-461](#)

It is recommended that this equipment purchase be approve.

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

Moved: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

Second: Tyler King
For: Mayor Pro Tempore Gilbert Gonzalez, Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. Tyler King, Cm. Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa
Against: 0
Abstain: 0
Np: 0
Motion carries.

TAX: DORA MALDONADO, TAX ASSESSOR COLLECTOR

87. Authorizing the City Manager to renew the contract for the Collection of Delinquent Property Taxes and Other Charges with the firm Flores, Flores & Canales, PLLC in light of the impending expiration of the existing contract on September 30, 2026. The term of the contract will be the same as the current one, which is for three years, commencing October 1, 2026 and ending September 30, 2029, with a two year option to extend commencing on the first day after the expiration date of the previous term. Funding is available in General Fund-Tax Department. [26-255](#)

Authorize the City Manager to renew and execute this contract.

Motion to approve.

Moved: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.
Second: Gilbert Gonzalez
For: Mayor Pro Tempore Gilbert Gonzalez, Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. Tyler King, Cm. Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa
Against: 0
Abstain: 0
Np: 0
Motion carries.

88. Motion to approve tax roll adjustments for the month of January 2026. The amounts adjusted represent an increase of \$8,143.21 for prior year taxes and a decrease of \$33,307.30 for current year taxes. The aggregate adjustment represents a decrease of \$25,164.09. These adjustments are determine by value changes reported by the Webb County Appraisal District, which include rollbacks and reflected in General Fund. [26-467](#)

Approve motion.

UTILITIES: DR. TAREQ AL-ZABET, DIRECTOR

89. Authorizing the City Manager to approve change order #2 in the amount of \$155,218.82 to Southern Trenchless Solutions of La Feria, Texas for [26-433](#)

the 36-Inch Water Transmission Main from Jefferson Water Treatment Plant to Zacate Creek Project. The updated contract is \$23,595,758.82. Funding is available in the Waterworks Fund - 2022 Water Revenue Bond

Approve this motion.

- 90.** Authorizing the City Manager to approve change order #2 in the amount of \$12,500.00 to Southern Trenchless Solutions of La Feria, Texas for the 36-Inch Water Transmission Main from Zacate Creek to Lyon St Booster Pump Station Project. The updated contract is \$9,787,840.00. Funding is available in the Waterworks Fund - 2022 Water Revenue Bond [26-434](#)

Approve this motion.

- 91.** Authorizing City Manager for final project acceptance of the construction of the City of Laredo 24-Inch WTR PRV Station inside Airport, including all warranty certificates, release of retainage, and final payment in the amount of \$24,290.91 to Southern Trenchless Solutions. The final construction contract amount of \$242,909.10 and final contract time of 62 working days. Funding is available in the Water System Fund-2022 Water Revenue Bond. [26-435](#)

Approve this motion.

- 92.** Consideration to award a supply contract with BuyBoard vendor, ACT Pipe & Supply, Laredo, Texas, in the annual amount of \$700,000.00 for a total contract value of \$1,400,000.00 for the purchase of lift station sewer fittings, composite manhole rings and covers for the Utilities Department. This annual contract shall utilize the BuyBoard Contract 770-25. The term of this contract shall be for a period of two years as of the date of its execution. Funding is available in the Sewer System Fund. [26-436](#)

It is recommended that this contract be approved.

- 93.** Consideration to approve a purchase with Green Equipment Company authorized dealer of Envirosight for the procurement of a basic truck system with RX130 and RC90 for CCTV inspections for wastewater collection sewer main, in the total amount of \$102,185.15, utilizing Sourcewell Contract # 120721-EVS. Funding is available in the Sewer System Fund - 2024 Sewer Revenue Bond. [26-437](#)

Approve this motion.

- 94.** Consideration to renew the annual supply and service contract FY24-046 with Martin's Heating & Cooling, Laredo, TX, in an annual amount up to \$60,000.00 and \$60,000.00 for the remainder of the contract term to provide HVAC (heating, ventilation, and air conditioning) repair services for the Wastewater Treatment Plants. This contract establishes an hourly service rate and cost percentage for parts. The term of this contract shall be for a period of one year beginning on the date of its execution. There was no price increase during the last extension period. The contract may be extended for one, additional one year period. Funding for the additional extensions are subject to future budget appropriations. All services will be purchased on an as needed basis and funding will be secured from the Sewer System Fund. [26-438](#)

It is recommended that this contract be renewed.

95. Consideration to ratify and amend the issuance of Purchase Order 430326 to Murphy Pipeline Contractors, in the amount of \$1,697,174.12. This amendment is for the additional work needed for the water line replacement program. The updated contract is \$15,412,048.26. Funding is available in the Waterworks Fund - 2022 Water Revenue Bond. [26-504](#)

Approve this motion.

96. Consideration to award service contract RFB2026-045 to the lowest responsive/responsible bidder Murphy Pipeline Contractors, Sunrise, Florida, in the amount of \$11,153,320.00 for the water line installation by pipe bursting and/or horizontal directional drilling (HDPE) for the Utilities Department. Estimated time for completion of this project is two hundred twenty (220) working days. Funding is available in the Waterworks Fund - 2024 Water Revenue Bond [26-506](#)

Approve this motion.

Motion to approve.

Moved: Ricardo "Rick" Garza

Second: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

For: Mayor Pro Tempore Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. Tyler King, Cm. Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Np: Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino

Motion carries.

97. Discussion with possible action to provide direction and approve, if so desired, the attached design, as presented, for installation on the La Bota Elevated Storage Tank during the current maintenance and repainting project, at no additional cost to the City, prior to the tank being returned to operation. [26-534](#)

Staff respectfully requests that the City Council decide on this item as soon as practicable, as the contractor's no-cost offer is limited to the current project schedule and the tank's return to operation is pending timely approval and completion of the work.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

STAFF REPORTS

98. Environmental & Solid Waste Department staff report with possible action related to residential services, public education efforts, and related issues, with commercial services in accordance with city ordinances. [26-248](#)

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- 99. Discussion with possible action to accept and approve reports/reviews presented by Internal Audit. [26-310](#)

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion to go into executive session for item 100

- 100. Request for Executive Session under Texas Government Code 551.072 pertaining to ongoing negotiations with Three Lesser Lights LLC for PID 579220, consisting of 27,884.99 square feet out of a 1.5797-acre tract, legally described as Aquero, Block 3, Lot 2A, Phase 1, for the Mescalero Road extension, located in Webb County, Texas, and any other matter incident thereto. [26-414](#)

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Motion for staff to proceed as directed.

Moved: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

Second: Tyler King

For: Mayor Pro Tempore Gilbert Gonzalez, Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. Tyler King, Cm. Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Np: 0

Motion carries.

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

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

Moved: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

Second: Gilbert Gonzalez

For: Mayor Pro Tempore Gilbert Gonzalez, Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. Tyler King, Cm. Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Np: 0

Motion carries.

- 101. Consideration to authorize to execute a three year support service contract with Via Mobility, LLC in the total amount of \$200,410.00. This contract is for a web-based support service for mapping, rider experience, dispatch and operator settings, and scheduling for the El Lift Paratransit [2026-RT-07](#)

Department. This contract also includes the purchase and support service of twenty-one Samsung tablet devices. The purchase will be made utilizing the OMNIA Contract # R250802. The purchase will be funded through the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Grant Section 5310 grant TX-2025-107. Funding is available in the Transit System Capital Grants Fund.

Staff recommends the approval of this resolution in order to better service El Lift Paratransit services to the Laredo community.

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

Moved: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

Second: Gilbert Gonzalez

For: Mayor Pro Tempore Gilbert Gonzalez, Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. Tyler King, Cm. Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Np: 0

Motion carries.

- 102. Consideration to amend and renew contract FY24-038 for automotive parts, transit parts, and supplies for Laredo Transit Management, Inc. (LTMI) to seven vendors listed below to allow for a 25% increase of \$225,000.00 to the contract annually, for a new annual total of \$1,125,000.00. The increase is due to an industry standard price increase in this renewal. This renewal is the first contract extension of three, one year extensions upon mutual agreement. The original contract was awarded on March 18, 2024 for two years. [2026-RT-08](#)

The Vendors are as follows:

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| 1. Cummins - Primary Vendor | \$300,000.00 |
| 2. Gillig - Primary Vendor | \$300,000.00 |
| 3. Gonzalez Auto Parts - | \$200,000.00 |
| 4. Muncie Transit Supply - Primary Vendor | \$115,000.00 |
| 5. CD Starter - Secondary Vendor | \$90,000.00 |
| 6. Teg's Warehouse Supply - Secondary Vendor | \$70,000.00 |
| 7. Vehicle Maintenance Program - Secondary Vendor | \$50,000.00 |
| Total | \$1,125,000.00 |

Staff recommends the approval of this resolution in order to continue to repair El Metro fleet on-time.

Motion to approve and to include an audit, as amended.

Moved: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

Second: Vanessa Perez

For: Mayor Pro Tempore Gilbert Gonzalez, Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Np: Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, and Cm. Dr. Tyler King

Motion carries.

- 103.** Discussion to consider El Metro Performance and Operational Efficiency [2026-RT-10](#) Review with possible action. This item is to present the finding of the recent Operational Efficiency Study. The report evaluates current resource allocation, workflow optimization, and the integration of real-time data platforms to improve service delivery. The presentation will outline data-driven recommendations aimed at reducing overhead while maintaining high standards of public service.

Staff requests feedback from the Laredo Mass Transit Board regarding the prioritized implementation of the recommended efficiency measures.

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: Tyler King

For: Mayor Pro Tempore Gilbert Gonzalez, Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. Tyler King, Cm. Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Np: Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza

Motion carries.

GENERAL COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Request by Mayor Dr. Victor D. Treviño

- 104.** Discussion with possible action regarding the issuance of Requests for Proposals (RFPs) and design services for the expansion of the Sames Auto Arena and Convention Center, and any matters related thereto [26-C-33](#)
- 105.** Discussion with possible action regarding collaboration with the Office of Congressman Henry Cuéllar on potential federal partnership projects, [26-C-34](#) including:
- A. Development and improvement of Laredo Animal Care facilities.
 - B. Establishment of a Veterans Recreational Center.
 - C. Improvements and enhancements to Downtown St. Augustine Plaza; and any matters related thereto.

Motion to instruct management to come up with a location that would be appropriate, and to send the item to the Veterans Affairs Committee.

Moved: Dr. Victor D. Trevino

Second: Gilbert Gonzalez

For: Mayor Pro Tempore Gilbert Gonzalez, Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. Tyler King, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Np: Cm. Vanessa Perez

Motion carries.

Motion to instruct management to have a stakeholder meeting and coordinate with congressman Cuellar's office to lineup the appropriate year mark with the associated needs.

Moved: Dr. Victor D. Trevino

Second: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

For: Mayor Pro Tempore Gilbert Gonzalez, Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. Tyler King, Cm. Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Np: 0

Motion carries.

Motion to instruct management to coordinate with the Congressman office and align the improvement with the appropriate funds.

Moved: Dr. Victor D. Trevino

Second: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

For: Mayor Pro Tempore Gilbert Gonzalez, Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. Tyler King, Cm. Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Np: 0

Motion carries.

Request by Mayor Pro Tempore Gilbert Gonzalez

- 106.** Status update regarding the voting system installed in council chambers and any other matters incident thereto. [26-C-25](#)
- 107.** Discussion and possible action to have the City Secretary look into the possible implementation of online accessibility to serve on boards, committees, and commissions for easier participation, and any other matters incident thereto. [26-C-26](#)

Request by Council Member Melissa R. Cigarroa

- 108.** Discussion with possible action to create an advocacy position regarding the City of Laredo's interests in the Amistad Dam and Amistad Reservoir as they pertain to overall City Water Security planning with the goal of integration into the City's legislative agenda and shared with relevant Federal agencies, officials, and stakeholders, and any other matters incident thereto. [26-C-31](#)
- 109.** Presentation with possible action of an environmental report about the impacts of the CBP "Smart Wall" infrastructure proposed for the Laredo Sector by Dr Mark Tompkins, Geomorphologist, and presented by Martin Castro, member of the Riverfront Advisory Committee. [26-C-35](#)
- 110.** Presentation by Martin Castro, RGISC Watershed Science Director (and Member of the Riverfront Advisory Committee) of an environmental report commissioned by RGISC and funded by the Rio Grande Landowners Coalition (RGLC) regarding the flooding impacts of the CBP "Smart Wall" infrastructure proposed for the City of Laredo by Dr. Mark Tompkins, PE, PhD (FlowWest). [26-C-40](#)

Request by Council Member Ruben Gutierrez, Jr.

- 111.** Discussion with possible action to authorize the use of the Sames Auto Arena for the 13th Annual Driscoll Health Plan Back to School Health Fair taking place on July 15, 2026; and any matter incident thereto. [26-C-41](#)

Motion to approve.

Moved: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

Second: Vanessa Perez

For: Mayor Pro Tempore Gilbert Gonzalez, Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. Tyler King, Cm. Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Np: 0

Motion carries.

- 112.** Discussion with possible action on hosting the sixth annual "Family Night Under the Stars", an overnight camping event on April 9, 2026 at the Jovita Idar Park, as authorized under Section 21-272a(2)&(3) of the City [26-C-42](#)

Code; and any matter incident thereto.

April 10-11, as amended.

Moved: Ruben Gutierrez Jr.

Second: Vanessa Perez

For: Mayor Pro Tempore Gilbert Gonzalez, Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. Tyler King, Cm. Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Np: 0

Motion carries.

Request by Council Member Tyler King

- 113.** Discussion with possible action regarding an update on the Animal Care Services pilot program as it relates to preventing the damage being done to private property by javelinas and feral hogs, any matters incident thereto.

[26-C-4](#)

Motion for staff to initiate negotiations and bring back plans for cost and possible revenue for fiscal year 2027.

Moved: Tyler King

Second: Ricardo "Rick" Garza

For: Mayor Pro Tempore Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. Tyler King, Cm. Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Np: Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino

Motion carries.

- 114.** Discussion with possible action regarding having the City support the exploration and advocacy for more Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) therapy services in Laredo for children with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD), working with State, Federal and County partners, with presentation from local pediatricians, and any other matters incident thereto.

[26-C-36](#)

Motion to instruct Dr. Chamberlain to meet with the group and bring back any tangible actions.

Moved: Tyler King

Second: Melissa R. Cigarroa

For: Mayor Pro Tempore Gilbert Gonzalez, Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino, Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. Tyler King, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Np: Cm. Vanessa Perez

Motion carries.

- 115.** Discussion with possible action regarding having the City consider possible truck parking lease options on unused City property as a way to reduce traffic congestion and create a potential new revenue stream for the City, in addition to looking into applying for the new DOT grants for truck parking, and any other matters incident thereto. [26-C-37](#)

Request by Council Member Vanessa J. Perez

- 116.** Discussion with possible action to create a project management policy, with standardized reporting, and any other matters incident thereto. [25-C-204](#)
- 117.** Discussion with possible action regarding water pressure and recent water breaks on Mines Rd, to include a status report, and any other matters incident thereto. [26-C-32](#)
- 118.** Discussion with possible action to establish a CIP project for the development of a master plan for the Muller property, including eight acres designated for a police sector station with a training room, public walking trails, a food truck area with restrooms, and a regional public park space utilizing pending parkland fees from Green Ranch and future residential development, and any other matters incident thereto. [26-C-38](#)

Request by Council Member Alyssa Cigarroa

- 119.** Discussion with possible action on establishing a Pre-Council Review and Briefing Process for agenda Items and any other matters incident thereto. [26-C-11](#)
- 120.** Discussion with possible action to direct the City Manager's Office to develop revised development codes such as form-based code or similar alternative for Downtown Laredo as contemplated in the Viva Laredo Plan and any other matters incident thereto. [26-C-15](#)
- 121.** Presentation by representatives of Laredo Pantry de la Comunidad regarding the organization's nonprofit efforts, community services, and future goals to support residents of the Laredo community. [26-C-39](#)

ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn at 10:59 p.m.

Moved: Gilbert Gonzalez

Second: Vanessa Perez

For: Mayor Pro Tempore Gilbert Gonzalez, Cm. Melissa R. Cigarroa, Cm. Ricardo "Rick" Garza, Cm. Ruben Gutierrez Jr., Cm. Dr. Tyler King, Cm. Vanessa Perez, and Cm. Alyssa Cigarroa

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Np: Mayor Dr. Victor D. Trevino

Motion carries.