

**ORDINANCE NO. 2024-O-\_\_\_\_\_**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LAREDO, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 23, ARTICLE I, SECTION 3, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES BY ADDING SUB-SECTION (b) TO ALLOW FOR THE WAVIER OF THE \$30.00 SWIMMING LESSON FEES LISTED IN SECTION 23-3(A)(2) OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR FAMILY MEMBERS AND/OR PRIMARY CAREGIVERS OF DISABLED INDIVIDUALS; PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE CUMULATIVE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, individuals with disabilities, especially children, are at a high risk of drowning without adequate training; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Laredo supports introducing disabled individuals to water activities and understands the importance of a parent or primary caregiver of a disabled individual being present in the water with the disabled individual; and;

**WHEREAS**, the City of Laredo recognizes that it is important for a parent and/or primary giver of an individual with a disability to be sufficiently trained in swimming so that the parent or primary caregiver can adequately and safely accompany a disabled individual during water activities; and;

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

**Section 1.** The City of Laredo Code of Ordinances, Chapter 23, Article I, Section 3 is hereby amended as follows:

(a) The following fees and charges at the city's swimming pools be and are hereby authorized:

*(1) Public swimming—Daily entry fee.*

Children eleven (11) years and younger .....\$1.00

Ages twelve (12) years and older .....2.00

*Individual season passes.*

Children eleven (11) years of age and younger .....25.00

Ages twelve (12) years and older .....45.00

(Including waterslide where available)

(2) *Public swimming lessons, children's and adults sessions. ....*

Learn to swim, per session .....30.00

Lap swimming, per session .....30.00

Water aerobics, per session .....30.00

Water aerobics (senior rate for ages sixty-two (62) and over), per session .....10.00

Lifeguard certification classes, per session .....150.00

Junior lifeguard (fourteen (14) and under), per session .....50.00

CPR/first aid (combined), per session .....50.00

CPR, first aid (infant, child, adult) individual lesson, per session .....35.00

Aquatics instructional programming—Percentage split

Instructor: 60%, City: 40%

Revenues collected and applied to 248 funds will have restricted recreational fund use.

(3) *Private parties.* .....

a. At the Freddie Benavides Sisters of Mercy Lazy River and Water Slide, per hour, three-hour maximum rental .....100.00  
Plus \$60.00 Deposit

Plus hourly salary for the necessary lifeguards.

b. All other city pools, (except inner-city pool facilities), per hour, three-hour maximum rental .....75.00  
Plus \$60.00 Deposit

Plus the hourly salary for the necessary lifeguards.

c. The number of lifeguards deemed necessary will be determined by the director of the parks and recreation department based on state standards or higher. The pools will be available for private parties under [subsections] a. or b. above, only during those hours outside of programming of the parks and leisure services department. At no time will pools be rented for commercial ventures, nor will alcoholic beverages be permitted on the premises. Rentals of pool facilities for special events shall be at the discretion of the director of parks and recreation with applicable fees.

(b) The \$30.00 swimming lesson fees located in section 23-3(a)(2) above shall be waived for the family members and/or primary caregivers of a legally disabled individual.

**Section 2.** This ordinance shall be cumulative of all provisions of ordinances of the City of Laredo, Texas, except where the provisions of this ordinance are in direct conflict with the provisions of

such ordinances, in which event the conflicting provisions of such ordinances are hereby repealed.

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

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

**PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AND APPROVED BY THE MAYOR ON THIS  
\_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.**

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**DR. VICTOR D. TREVINO  
MAYOR**

**ATTESTED:**

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**JOSE A. VALDEZ, JR.  
CITY SECRETARY**

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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