# CITY OF LAREDO HISTORIC DISTRICT/LANDMARK BOARD PUBLIC NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING

City of Laredo City Hall City Council Chambers 1110 Houston Street Laredo, Texas November 10, 2021 12:00 Noon

# **MEETING AGENDA**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- ROLL CALL
- 3. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF:
  - A. Regular Meeting of August 12, 2021.
  - B. Regular Meeting of October 14, 2021 (No Quorum).

#### 4. CITIZEN COMMENTS

Citizens are required to fill out a witness card and submit it to the HBO, or designee, no later than 11:45 a.m. and identify themselves at the microphone. Comments are limited to three (3) minutes per speaker. No more than three (3) persons will be allowed to speak on any side of an issue. Should there be more than three (3) people who wish to speak on a particular issue, they need to select not more than three (3) representatives to speak for them and the presiding officer may limit the public comments further in the interest of an orderly meeting. Speakers may not pass their minutes to any other speaker. Comments should be relevant to City business and delivered in a professional manner. No derogatory remarks will be permitted.

- 5. DISCUSSION WITH POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING:
  - A. Ordinance 2021-O-091 as approved by City Council on May 17th, 2021 (2nd reading) which clarified which activities in the historic districts require Historic Board review, and specified that only activity which require a building permit and are not considered repair or maintenance require Historic Board review.
- 6. ADJOURNMENT

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Orlando D. Navarro Director of Planning City Secretary

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# City of Laredo

#### Historic District/Landmark Board

# Minutes of Regular Meeting of August 12, 2021

The Historic District/Landmark Board of the City of Laredo convened in a regular meeting on Thursday, August 12, 2021 at 12:00 noon, at the City Council Chambers at 1110 Houston St., in Laredo, Texas 78040, to consider the following:

#### I. CHAIRPERSON TO CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Madam Chair Sepulveda, called the meeting to order at 12:07 p.m.

#### II. CHAIRPERSON TO CALL ROLL

Madam Chair Sepulveda, called roll and verified a quorum existed.

Members present: Rebecca Sepulveda

Maria Elena Morales

Wayne Nance Stanley Green Marc Gonzalez

Members absent: Justin Allen Hundsnurscher

Robert David Gonzalez Christina Davila Villarreal

Priscilla Iglesias

**Staff present:** Orlando Navarro

Jason Hinojosa

Others present: Telissa Lueckenotte Molano

Sandra Rocha Taylor William D. Taylor, Jr. William Taylor, III

# III. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF: Regular meeting of July 8, 2021

Bm. Nance made a motion to **approve** the minutes of July 8, 2021.

Second: Bm. Morales

For: 5
Against: 0
Abstain: 0

Minutes of the HDLB meeting of August 12, 2021

Motion carried unanimously.

#### IV. CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

None

#### V. PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION OF THE FOLLOWING:

a. Public Hearing and consideration of a motion to write a letter in support of the nomination of Lots 1, 2, 3 & 10, 11, 12, Block 857, Western Division, located at 3301 San Bernardo Ave., property known as "Pan America Court & Café" (Case number: HD-011-2021).

# Staff supports.

Telissa Lueckenotte Molano and Sandra Rocha Taylor, spoke on behalf of the Laredo Cultural District. They informed the Board that in 2018 a group of people presented Laredo as a Cultural District to the Texas Commission to the Arts. If granted, Laredo would be designated a Cultural District at the State level, and would join 48 other cultural districts in Texas. Said designation would allow Laredo to apply for grants opportunities for non-profits and historical buildings.

Jason Hinojosa, Planning Staff, gave a brief presentation on the item.

Madame Chair Sepulveda, requested a motion to close the public hearing for HD-011-2021.

Bm. Morales made a motion to **close** the public hearing for HD-011-2021.

Second: Bm. Nance

For: 5
Against: 0
Abstain: 0

Motion carried unanimously.

Madame Chair Sepulveda, requested a motion to approve the letter of support for the nomination of the Pan American Courts and Café to the National Register of Historic Place.

Bm. Morales made a motion to <u>approve</u> the letter of support for item HD-011-2021.

Second: Bm. Nance

For: 5
Against: 0
Abstain: 0

Minutes of the HDLB meeting of August 12, 2021

Motion carried unanimously.

#### VI. DISCUSSION WITH POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING:

a. (COALITION of HISTRICAL ORGANIZATIONS in WEBB CO/Laredo)
Presentation by Texas Historical Commission on the roles and responsibilities of
Historic Landmark Board members and introduction to the Certified Local
Government program.

Jason Hinojosa, Planning Staff, gave a brief presentation on the Texas Historical Commission on Preservation Networking he attended.

#### VII. DISCUSSION WITH NO ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING:

- a. Discussion of policies development for the Historic Board.
- b. Further discuss the Executed Ordinance No. 2021-O-091, "Amending the City of Laredo Land Development Code, Section 24.66.4 to adjust the rules clarifying what requires historical district/landmark board approval" effective as of May 17, 2021.

There was a brief discussion on this item.

Madam Chair Sepulveda requested an item be placed on the agenda for discussion regarding the above identified ordinance.

Bm. Nance, reminded the Board and Staff, that they had previously agreed on Staff sending out a copy of the Ordinance so that the Board could then give feed back on anything they did not agree on.

Bm. Gonzalez excused himself and left the meeting at 12:53 p.m.

#### VIII. DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS.

No comments were given at that time.

# IX. ADJOURNMENT

Madam Chair Sepulveda, requested a motion to adjourn due to lack of quorum at 1:00 p.m.

| Orlando D. Navarro,    | Rebecca Sepulveda |
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| City Planning Director | HDLB Chair        |

Minutes of the HDLB meeting of August 12, 2021

#### **CITY OF LAREDO**

#### Historic District/Landmark Board

#### Minutes of Regular Meeting of October 14, 2021

The Historic District/Landmark Board of the City of Laredo convened in a regular meeting on Thursday, October 14, 2021 at 12:00 noon, at the City Council Chambers at 1110 Houston St., in Laredo, Texas 78040, to consider the following:

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Madam Chair Sepulveda, called the meeting to order at 12:29 p.m.

# 2. ROLL CALL

Deidre Garcia, Planning Staff, called roll and verified no quorum existed.

Members present: Rebecca Sepulveda

Robert David Gonzalez Maria Elena Morales

Wayne Nance

Members absent: Justin Allen Hundsnurscher

Christina Davila Villarreal

Stanley Green Priscilla Iglesias Marc Gonzalez

**Staff present:** Orlando Navarro

Vanessa Guerra Deidre Garcia

Others present:

# 3. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF:

Regular meeting of August 12, 2021

- 4. CITIZEN'S COMMENTS
- 5. DISCUSSION WITH POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING:
  - A. Ordinance 2021-O-091 as approved by City Council on May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021 (2<sup>nd</sup> reading) which clarified which activities in the historic districts require Historic Board

review, and specified that only activity which require a building permit and are not considered repair or maintenance require Historic Board review.

# 6. ADJOURNMENT

Madam Chair Sepulveda, adjourned due to lack of quorum at 12:32 p.m.

Orlando D. Navarro, City Planning Director Rebecca Sepulveda HDLB Chair

# Historic District/Landmark Board- Regular

Meeting Date: 11/10/2021

Initiated by: Historic District Landmark Board Staff Source: Vanessa Guerra, Planner IV Prior Action: On April 8th, 2021, the HDLB recommended approval of the proposed ordinance

amendment as presented with the exception of doors, fencing, and paint. On June 10th,

2021, the HDLB discussed the ordinance again.

#### SUBJECT:

Ordinance 2021-O-091 as approved by City Council on May 17th, 2021 (2nd reading) - which clarified which activities in the historic districts require Historic Board review, and specified that only activity which require a building permit and are not considered repair or maintenance require Historic Board review.

#### BACKGROUND:

# Ordinance 2021-O-091 Adoption Schedule Summary

# April 8th, 2021 – Historic District Landmark Board Meeting

- Staff presented the proposed ordinance.
- In a 7 to 0 vote, the HDLB recommended approval of the proposed ordinance amendment as presented with the exception of doors, painting, and fencing.

# April 15, 2021 – Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting

- Staff presented the proposed ordinance, as well as, the recommendation of the Historic Board.
- In a 5 to 0 vote, the Commission recommended approval of the proposed ordinance without changes.

# May 3rd, 2021 - City Council Meeting - Introduction of Ordinance

- Staff presented the proposed ordinance, including the recommendations from both the Historic Board and the Planning and Zoning Commission.
- In a 8 to 0 vote, the City Council voted to introduce the proposed ordinance.

# May 17th, 2021 – City Council Meeting – Final Reading of Ordinance

• In a 7 to 0 vote, the City Council voted waive the final reading of ordinance and adopt Ordinance 2021-O-091.

#### STAFF COMMENTS:

Prior to the adoption of Ordinance 2021-O-091, there was significant confusion regarding which activities required Historic Board review. To clarify which activities required review and which activities were exempt, an ordinance amendment was proposed. The following language was proposed for addition to Laredo Land Development Code Section 24.66.4.2:

- 3. The following activities are exempt from Historic District/Landmark Board review:
- (a) The proposed use, interior arrangement, or interior design of any structure
- (b)Repairs and renovations to existing buildings which do not alter the exterior appearance
- (c)Activity which does not require a building permit
- (d) The addition, repair, or renovation of utilities and services such as power, water, sewer, and communication lines

| 4. The Historic District/Landmark Board may | <u>v authorize staff to</u> | <u>o administratively</u> | approve activities | <u>which</u> |
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| require Board approval.                     |                             |                           |                    |              |

# STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommended approval

# Attachments

**ORDINANCE** 

Staff Report PZ 2021.04.15

Staff Report CC 2021.05.03

Minutes - PZ 2021.04.15

Minutes - Intro City Council meeting

Minutes Final City Council

#### **ORDINANCE 2021-O-091**

AMENDING THE CITY OF LAREDO LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE SECTION 24.66.4 TO ADJUST THE RULES CLARIFYING WHAT REQUIRES HISTORIC DISTRICT/LANDMARK BOARD APPROVAL; PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE CUMULATIVE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Laredo Land Development Code rules for what requires Historic District/Landmark Board approval need to be clarified due to conflicting interpretations; and,

**WHEREAS**, the amendments proposed herein provide for the orderly and healthful development of the City of Laredo; and,

WHEREAS, the creation of said requirements and standards have been deemed necessary and appropriate; and

WHEREAS, the Planning & Zoning Commission, after a discussion on April 15, 2021 recommended the City Council of the City of Laredo approve this amendment to the City of Laredo Land Development Code; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council has held a public hearing on May 3, 2021 on this amendment and finds the ordinance amendment appropriate and consistent with the General Plan of the City of Laredo and in the best interest of the public health safety and welfare.

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

<u>Section 1.</u> City of Laredo Land Development Code Section 24.66.4 entitled "Provisions Relating to Historic Districts and Locally Significant Historic Landmarks" is hereby amended to read as follows:

# Section 24.66.4 PROVISIONS RELATING TO HISTORIC DISTRICTS AND LOCALLY SIGNIFICANT HISTORIC LANDMARKS

1. No permit shall be issued for the alteration, construction or demolition of any structure located in a historic district or for any locally significant historic landmark without the approval of the Historic District/Landmark Board, provided, however, that immediate demolition may be ordered by the Building Official for any structure in imminent danger of collapse which in the opinion of the Building Official represents a significant threat to the public safety.

- 2. No permit shall be issued for the installation of any sign or monument in the historic district without the prior approval of the Historic District/Landmark Board.
- 3. The following activities are exempt from Historic District/Landmark Board review:
- (a) The proposed use, interior arrangement, or interior design of any structure
- (b) Repairs and renovations to existing buildings which do not alter the exterior appearance
- (c) Activity which does not require a building permit
- (d) The addition, repair, or renovation of utilities and services such as power, water, sewer, and communication lines
- 4. The Historic District/Landmark Board may authorize staff to administratively approve activities which require Board approval.
- <u>Section 2.</u> 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.
- <u>Section 4.</u> The City Secretary of the City of Laredo is hereby directed to publish the proposed Ordinance as required by Section 2.09 of the Charter of the City of Laredo.
- <u>Section 5.</u> The publishers of the City Code of Laredo, Texas are authorized to amend said code to reflect the changes adopted herein and to correct typographical errors and to index, format and number paragraphs to conform to the existing code.
- <u>Section 6.</u> This Ordinance shall become effective from and after its adoption and publication in accordance with the provisions of the Charter of the City of Laredo.

# PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AND APPROVED BY THE MAYOR ON THE

17 DAY OF May 2021.

PETE SAENZ MAYOR

ATTEST:

JOSE A VALDEZ CITY SECRETARY

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

RENE BENAVIDES

CITY ATTORNEY

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Meeting Date: 05/17/2021

Staff Source: James Kirby Snideman, Planning & Zoning Director

Staff Source: Vanessa Guerra, Planner IV

Initiated by: Planning Department

Prior Action: This item was introduced at the City Council meeting of 05/03/21.

#### SUBJECT:

<u>2021-O-091</u> Amending the City of Laredo Land Development Code Section 24.66.4 to adjust the rules of the Historic District. This amendment will allow minor improvement and rehabilitation projects while still protecting historic structures. The ordinance will also allow the Historic Board to authorize staff to administratively approve items which do require Board approval, expediting selected activities.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

At the Historic District Landmark Board meeting of April 8, 2021, staff presented the proposed ordinance. In a 7 to 0 vote the Historic District Landmark Board recommended to approve the item as presented except for doors, painting, and fencing.

At the Planning and Zoning Commission meeting of April 15, 2021, staff presented the proposed ordinance as well as the recommendation of the Historic Board. In a 5 to 0 vote recommended approval without changes of the proposed ordinance amendment.

#### STAFF COMMENTS:

The following activities are currently exempt from Historic District/Landmark Board review:

- (a) The proposed use, interior arrangement, or interior design of any structure
- (b) Repairs and renovations to existing buildings which do not alter the exterior appearance

The ordinance proposes to exempt the following activities from Historic District/Landmark Board review:

- (c) Activity which does not require a building permit
- (d) The addition, repair, or renovation of utilities and services such as power, water, sewer, and communication lines.

The ordinance will also allow the Historic Board to delegate staff to administratively approve items which do require Historic District/Landmark Board review, thus expediting the process further.

# P&Z RECOMMENDATION:

The Planning and Zoning Commission in a 5 to 0 vote recommended approval without changes of the proposed ordinance amendment.

# STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of the proposed amendment without changes.

# **IMPACT ANALYSIS**

These changes will have a positive impact on the Historic District, where investment is often discouraged due to the confusion and uncertainty over what will require approval from the Historic Board.

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#### Land

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#### Legals/Public Notices

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 2021-0-093**

ALTERING AND EXTENDING THE BOUNDARY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF LAREDO, ANNEXING AD-DITIONAL TERRITORY OF 15.556 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, LOCATED SOUTH OF FM 1472 (MINES RD) AND SOUTHWEST OF VERDE RD. PROVID-ING FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE ORDI-NANCE, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT ADOPTING A SERVICE PLAN FOR THE ANNEXED TERRITORY, AND ES-TABLISHING THE INITIAL ZONING OF M-1 (LIGHT MANUFACTURING DISTRICT): L-45

#### Legals/Public Notices

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#### ORDINANCE NO. 2021-0-095

ALTERING AND EXTENDING THE BOUNDARY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF LAREDO, ANNEXING AD-DITIONAL TERRITORY OF 0.09 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, LOCATED NORTH OF FM 1472 (MINES RD) AND WEST OF COPPER MINE RD. 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 MANUFAC-TURING DISTRICT). L-47

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#### Legals/Public Notices

#### ORDINANCE 2021-0-091

AMENDING THE CITY OF LAREDO LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE SECTION 24.66.4 TO ADJUST THE RULES CLARIFYING WHAT REQUIRES HISTORIC DISTRICT/ LANDMARK BOARD APPROVAL; PRO-VIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE CUMULATIVE: PROVIDING A SEVER ABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR PUB LICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE 1-43

#### ORDINANCE NO. 2021-0-094

ALTERING AND EXTENDING THE BOUNDARY IMITS OF THE CITY OF LAREDO, ANNEXING ADDITIONAL TERRITORY OF 2.7906 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, LOCATED SOUTH OF FM 1472 (MINES RD) AND SOUTHWEST OF VERDE RD. PROVID-ING FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE ORDI-NANCE, 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) · L-46

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# **Planning and Zoning Commission- Regular**

Meeting Date: 04/15/2021

Staff Source: James Kirby Snideman, Planning & Zoning Director

Staff Source: Rafael Vidaurri, Planner IV

Initiated by: Planning Department

Prior Action: None

# **SUBJECT:**

Discussion and recommendation regarding an amendment to Section 24.66.4 of the Laredo Land Development Code, to clarify the scope of improvements that require Historic District/Landmark Board approval.

#### BACKGROUND:

At the Historic District/Landmark Board meeting of April 8, 2021, the Board made recommendations to clarify the scope of improvements that require approval by the HDLB in order to facilitate/expedite minor improvement/rehabilitation projects.

# STAFF COMMENTS:

The ordinance proposes to exempt the following activities from Historic District/Landmark Board review:

- (a) The proposed use, interior arrangement, or interior design of any structure
- (b) Repairs and renovations to existing buildings which do not alter the exterior appearance
- (c) Activity which does not require a building permit
- (d) The addition, repair, or renovation of utilities and services such as power, water, sewer, and communication lines.

# **P&Z RECOMMENDATION:**

#### STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends this commission send a positive recommendation to council on the proposed amendment.

# IMPACT ANALYSIS

The amendment will help facilitate and expedite minor improvement/rehabilitation projects within the historic districts of Laredo.

# City Council-Regular

Meeting Date: 05/03/2021

Staff Source: James Kirby Snideman, Planning & Zoning Director

Staff Source: Vanessa Guerra, Planner IV

Initiated by: Planning Department

Prior Action: None

#### SUBJECT:

**Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending the City of Laredo Land Development Code Section 24.66.4 to adjust the rules of the Historic District. This amendment will allow minor improvement and rehabilitation projects while still protecting historic structures. The ordinance will also allow the Historic Board to authorize staff to administratively approve items which do require Board approval, expediting selected activities.

The Historic Landmark Board recommended approval of the proposed ordinance with changes. The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the proposed ordinance without changes. Staff recommends approval without changes.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

At the Historic District Landmark Board meeting of April 8, 2021, staff presented the proposed ordinance. In a 7 to 0 vote the Historic District Landmark Board recommended to <a href="mailto:approve">approve</a> the item as presented except for doors, painting, and fencing.

At the Planning and Zoning Commission meeting of April 15, 2021, staff presented the proposed ordinance as well as the recommendation of the Historic Board. In a 5 to 0 vote recommended **approval** without changes of the proposed ordinance amendment.

#### STAFF COMMENTS:

The following activities are currently exempt from Historic District/Landmark Board review:

- (a) The proposed use, interior arrangement, or interior design of any structure
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The ordinance proposes to exempt the following activities from Historic District/Landmark Board review:

- (c) Activity which does not require a building permit
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water, sewer, and communication lines.

The ordinance will also allow the Historic Board to delegate staff to administratively approve items which do require Historic District/Landmark Board review, thus expediting the process further.

# P&Z RECOMMENDATION:

The Planning and Zoning Commission in a 5 to 0 vote recommended <u>approval</u> <u>without changes</u> of the proposed ordinance amendment.

# STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of the proposed amendment without changes.

# **IMPACT ANALYSIS**

These changes will have a positive impact on the Historic District, where investment is often discouraged due to the confusion and uncertainty over what will require approval from the Historic Board.

|           | Attachments |  |
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#### Pl-100-2021

#### District VI - Cm. Dr. Marte A. Martinez

Cm. Narvaez made a motion to **approve** the item.

Second:

Cm. Dueñas

In Favor:

5

Opposed:

0

Abstained:

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Motion Carried Unanimously

#### 11. CONSIDERATION OF MODEL SUBDIVISION COMPLIANCE:

A. Consideration of the Model Subdivision Rule Compliance for the plat of Lot 8, Block 10, Crown Ridge Subdivision Phase 1, and 0.04 acre tract of land into Lots 8-A, 8-B, and 8-C, Block 10, Crown Ridge Subdivision, Phase 1. The purpose of this replat is to incorporate 1.04 acres and subdivide 1 lot into 3. The intent is residential.

PL-097-2021

#### District VI - Cm. Dr. Marte A. Martinez

Rafael Vidaurri, Planning Staff, provided a brief overview on the item.

Cm. Dovalina made a motion to **approve** the item.

Second:

Cm. Narvaez

In Favor:

5

Opposed:

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Abstained:

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Motion Carried Unanimously

#### 12. DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATION:

- A. Discussion and recommendation regarding an amendment to Section 24.66.4 of the Laredo Land Development Code, to clarify the scope of improvements that require Historic District/Landmark Board approval
  - J. Kirby Snideman, Planning Director, provided a brief overview on the item.

Cm. Dovalina made a motion to send a **positive** recommendation to the City Council.

# CITY OF LAREDO CITY COUNCIL MEETING M2021-R-08

LIVE WEB LINK: http://laredotx.swagit.com/live CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS 1110 HOUSTON STREET LAREDO, TEXAS 78040 May 3, 2021 5:30 P.M.

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pete Saenz called the meeting to order.

# II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Pete Saenz led in the pledge of allegiance.

# III. MOMENT OF SILENCE

Mayor Pete Saenz led in a moment of silence, remembering Judge George P. Kazen, who recently passed away.

#### IV. ROLL CALL

#### In attendance:

Pete Saenz Mayor

Rudy Gonzalez, Jr. District I, Mayor Pro Tempore

Vidal Rodriguez District II Mercurio "Merc" Martinez, III District III Alberto Torres, Jr. District IV Ruben Gutierrez, Jr. District V Dr. Marte Martinez District VI Vanessa Perez District VII District VIII Alyssa Cigarroa Jose A. Valdez, Jr. City Secretary Robert Eads City Manager

Rosario Cabello Deputy City Manager Kristina L. Hale Assistant City Manager Riazul Mia Assistant City Manager

Rene Benavides City Attorney

Cm. Rodriguez joined at 5:34 p.m. Dr. Marte Martinez joined at 5:44 p.m.

Moved: Cm. Torres

Second: Cm. Mercurio Martinez

For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0 Cm. Rodriguez and Dr. Marte Martinez were not present.

Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance ratifying the execution of a contract from the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS), amending the FY 2020-2021 budget by appropriating revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$3,106,637.00 and amending the FY 2020-2021 Full Time Equivalent (FTE) Position Listing by adding one (1) Registered Nurse II, R38 position, four (4) Medical Office Assistant I, R28 positions, four (4) Clerk III, R27 positions, one (1) Management Information Application Analyst, R36 position, one (1) Program Coordinator, R33 position, and one (1) Budget Analyst I, R33 position for the City of Laredo Health Department (CLHD) COVID-19 Vaccination Capacity program for the term period from April 22, 2021 through June 30, 2024.

There was no public input.

Motion to close public hearing and introduce.

Moved: Cm. Torres Second: Cm. Rodriguez

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Dr. Marte Martinez was not present.

4. Motion to open public hearing #4.

Moved: Cm. Torres

Second: Cm. Mercurio Martinez

For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0 Cm. Rodriguez and Dr. Marte Martinez were not present.

Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance amending the City of Laredo Land Development Code Section 24.66.4 to adjust the rules of the Historic District. This amendment will allow minor improvement and rehabilitation projects while still protecting historic structures. The ordinance will also allow the Historic Board to authorize staff to administratively approve items which do require Board approval, expediting selected activities.

The Historic Landmark Board recommended approval of the proposed ordinance with changes. The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the proposed ordinance without changes. Staff recommends approval without changes.

Sadigh Yahya, Jamshid Yeroushalmi, Ana Volpe, Gary Skoien, Angel Velazquez, Luis Vela, Marilyn Gonzalez, Jasveer Malik, Terri Deutsch, Luis Ludsky, Lawrence

Friedman, Hank Sames, Flint Bourgeois, and Jorge Santana voiced their support of this rule change.

Motion to close public hearing and introduce.

Moved: Cm. Torres
Second: Cm. Gutierrez

For: 8 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

5. Motion to open public hearing #5.

Moved: Cm. Torres

Second: Cm. Mercurio Martinez

For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0 Cm. Rodriguez and Dr. Marte Martinez were not present.

Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance concerning a voluntary annexation application by EMA Commercial Investments LLC, altering and extending the boundary limits of the City of Laredo by annexing additional territory of 9.961 acres, more or less, located east of Loop 20 (Bob Bullock Loop) and north of East Del Mar Blvd., 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.

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the annexation and initial zoning and staff supports the application. AN-010-021 District VI

There was no public input.

Motion to close public hearing and introduce.

Moved: Cm. Torres Second: Cm. Rodriguez

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Dr. Marte Martinez was not present.

6. Motion to open public hearing #6.

Moved: Cm. Torres

Second: Cm. Mercurio Martinez

For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0 Cm. Rodriguez and Dr. Marte Martinez were not present.

Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance concerning a voluntary annexation application by Emerald Riverview Development LTD, altering and extending the boundary limits of the City of Laredo by annexing additional territory of 15.556

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

Health Department (CLHD) Immunization Action Plan (IAP) Program for COVID-19 activities for the term period upon execution through August 31, 2022. No grant match required.

Motion to adopt Ordinance 2021-O-089.

Moved: Dr. Marte Martinez Second: Cm. Gutierrez

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

MPT Gonzalez was not present.

18. 2021-O-090

Ratifying the execution of a contract from the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS), amending the FY 2020-2021 budget by appropriating revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$3,106,637.00 and amending the FY 2020-2021 Full Time Equivalent (FTE) Position Listing by adding one (1) Registered Nurse II, R38 position, four (4) Medical Office Assistant I, R28 positions, four (4) Clerk III, R27 positions, one (1) Management Information Application Analyst, R36 position, one (1) Program Coordinator, R33 position, and one (1) Budget Analyst I, R33 position for the City of Laredo Health Department (CLHD) COVID-19 Vaccination Capacity program for the term period from April 22, 2021 through June 30, 2024.

Motion to adopt Ordinance 2021-O-090.

Moved: Dr. Marte Martinez Second: Cm. Gutierrez

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

MPT Gonzalez was not present.

19. <mark>2021-O-091</mark>

Amending the City of Laredo Land Development Code Section 24.66.4 to adjust the rules of the Historic District. This amendment will allow minor improvement and rehabilitation projects while still protecting historic structures. The ordinance will also allow the Historic Board to authorize staff to administratively approve items which do require Board approval, expediting selected activities.

Motion to adopt Ordinance 2021-O-091.

Moved: Dr. Marte Martinez Second: Cm. Gutierrez

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

MPT Gonzalez was not present.

20. 2021-O-092 An Ordinance concerning a voluntary annexation application by EMA Commercial Investments LLC, altering and extending the boundary