

**CITY OF LAREDO  
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
1110 HOUSTON STREET  
LAREDO, TEXAS  
5:30 P.M.**

**MINUTES**

**M-93-R-21**

**AUGUST 2, 1993**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

With a quorum present, Mayor Pro-tem Eduardo Perales called the meeting to order.

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Pro-tem Eduardo Perales led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**III. ROLL CALL**

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

JOSE R. PEREZ, JR.,	COUNCILMEMBER,	DISTRICT I
JACINTO P. JUAREZ,	"	, DISTRICT II
ARLENE RASH ALDRIDGE,	"	, DISTRICT III
CECILIA MAY MORENO,	"	, DISTRICT IV
EDUARDO PERALES,	"	, DISTRICT VI
JOSE GERARDO (JERRY) PEREZ,	"	, DISTRICT VII
FELIPE CARDENAS,	"	, DISTRICT VIII
PETER H. VARGAS,	CITY MANAGER	
RAY RODRIGUEZ,	ASST. CITY ATTORNEY	
JESUS NAVA,	ASST. CITY MANAGER	
CARLOS VILLARREAL,	ASST. CITY MANAGER	

**ABSENCES:**

Gustavo Guevara, Jr., City Secretary

Motion to excuse Mayor Ramirez and Cm. Blas Castaneda from the meeting due to out-of-town commitments.

Moved : Cm. Perez  
Second: Cm. Juarez  
For: 6

Against: 0                      Abstain: 0

Peter H. Vargas, City Manager, stated that Mayor Ramirez was invited to participate at an introduction of the new Ambassador of Mexico, Mr. James Jones to be confirmed by the senate. The Mayor was asked to be part of a 25 members advisory group to the new ambassador and also to address a luncheon in Washington,

D.C. for the installation of the new ambassador of Mexico.

#### IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2. Regular City Council Meeting: July 19, 1993  
Special City Council Meeting: July 26, 1993

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Juarez  
Second: Cm. G. Perez  
For: 6

Against: 0                      Abstain: 0

(Cm. Castaneda was not present.)  
(Mayor Pro-tem Perales chaired the meeting.)

#### V. INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCES

3. Authorizing the City Manager to execute all necessary documents to effectively convey title to the First Baptist Church for that certain City property formerly known as Frost Street between Malinche and Bartlett Avenues, situated in the Eastern Division, City of Laredo, Webb County, Texas.

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#### VI. FINAL READINGS

4. 93-O-142 Closing as public easements those sections of Foster Street and Naranjo Street between Sandman Street and East Calton Road, situated in the former Air Force Base, City of Laredo, Webb County, Texas. (City Council)

Motion to waive the final reading of ordinances #93-O-142 and #93-O-143.

Motion to adopt the ordinances #93-O-143 thru #93-O-157 with the exception of Ordinance #93-O-154 which was tabled.

Moved : Cm. Juarez  
Second: Cm. G. Perez  
For: 6

Against: 0                      Abstain: 0

5. 93-O-143 Authorizing the City Manager to execute a lease agreement with Laredo Board of Realtors, Inc., a non-profit corporation, for the approximate 240 square feet constituting Room No. 10 of Building No. S-1 located at 1718 East Calton Road at the Laredo International Airport. (City Council)

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Juarez  
 Second: Cm. G. Perez  
 For: 6                      Against: 0                      Abstain: 0

6. 93-O-144 Authorizing the City Manager to execute a lease agreement with Fence Masters, Inc., a Texas Corporation, for the approximate 1,280 square feet constituting Building No. 196 plus the approximate 30,700 square feet of fenced-in storage area located at 5303 Maher Avenue at the Laredo International Airport. (City Council)

Motion to waive the final readings of ordinance #93-O-144 thru #93-O-148.

Moved : Cm. Juarez  
 Second: Cm. G. Perez  
 For: 6                      Against: 0                      Abstain: 0

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Juarez  
 Second: Cm. G. Perez  
 For: 6                      Against: 0                      Abstain: 0

7. 93-O-145 Authorizing the City Manager to execute a lease with Antonio Gutierrez for the approximate 400 square feet constituting Building No. 1340 located at 4113 North Jarvis Avenue at the Laredo International Airport. (City Council)

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Juarez  
 Second: Cm. G. Perez  
 For: 6                      Against: 0                      Abstain: 0

8. 93-O-146 Authorizing the City Manager to execute a lease amendment to the lease agreement with Juan Vargas D/B/A The Education Center dated September 12, 1987, authorized by Ordinance No. 87-O-137 and as amended on July 9, 1988, by Ordinance No. 88-O-74; said lease is being amended to extend the term of lease for one year until July 31, 1994, and adjust the monthly rental obligation. (City Council)

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Juarez  
 Second: Cm. G. Perez  
 For: 6                      Against: 0                      Abstain: 0

9. 93-O-147 Ordinance to amend the City of Laredo's Special

Police Program 1992-1993 annual budget to increase the Overtime line item by the amount of \$8,000 for the Occupant Protection STEP Program as a result of an additional grant received from the Texas Department of Transportation and authorize the City Manager to implement said budget. (City Council)

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Juarez  
 Second: Cm. G. Perez  
 For: 6                      Against: 0                      Abstain: 0

10. 93-O-148 Approval of contract amendment with the Texas Department of Health for FY 93/94 for Public Health Services, and approve budget for the Chronic Disease Prevention Program, Breast and Cervical Cancer Control Project for a period of July 1, 1993, through June 30, 1994; and increasing Revenue line item #226-0000-323-4055 from \$0 to \$152,886; and increasing Expenditure line item #226-6078 from \$0 to \$152,886. (City Council)

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Juarez  
 Second: Cm. G. Perez  
 For: 6                      Against: 0                      Abstain: 0

11. 93-O-149 Authorizing the City Manager to execute an Earthen Channel Agreement between the City of Laredo and United Independent School District (UISD) of Laredo, Texas. (City Council)

Motion to waive the final reading of ordinances #93-O-149 thru #93-O-153.

Moved : Cm. Juarez  
 Second: Cm. G. Perez  
 For: 6                      Against: 0                      Abstain: 0

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Juarez  
 Second: Cm. G. Perez  
 For: 6                      Against: 0                      Abstain: 0

12. 93-O-150 Amending Section 2-1 of the Subdivision Ordinance by adding Subsection (e), excepting the conveyance of street rights-of-way to abutting property owners from platting requirements. (City Council)

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Juarez  
 Second: Cm. G. Perez  
 For: 6                      Against: 0                      Abstain: 0

13. 93-0-151 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Block 1207, Lots 7 and the East Half of 8, Eastern Division, located at 204-208 N. Bartlett and 2114 Green, from R-1 (Single Family Residence District) to R-3 (Mixed Residential District); providing for publication and effective date. (City Council)

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Juarez  
 Second: Cm. G. Perez  
 For: 6                      Against: 0                      Abstain: 0

14. 93-0-152 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning 1.23 acres out of Porcion 25, located on the Southern Porcion of the 7000 Block of San Bernardo, from B-3 (Community Business District) to B-4 (Highway Commercial District); providing for publication and effective date. (Councilman Jerry Perez)

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Juarez  
 Second: Cm. G. Perez  
 For: 6                      Against: 0                      Abstain: 0

15. 93-0-153 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning the N. 63.44' of Lot 5, Block 1654, Eastern Division, located at 2304 N. Arkansas Ave., from R-1 (Single Family Residence District) to B-1 (Limited Business District); providing for publication and effective date. (Councilman Jacinto Juarez)

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Juarez  
 Second: Cm. G. Perez  
 For: 6                      Against: 0                      Abstain: 0

16. 93-0-154 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning the eastern half of Block 31, located at the southeast corner of Calton Road and San Francisco in Calton Gardens Subdivision, from B-3 (Community Business District) to B-4 (Highway Commercial District); providing for publication and effective date. (Councilman Eduardo "Eddie" Perales)

(Amended from 1st reading)

Mr. Richard Sames stated that they would like to postpone this item by agreement.

Motion to table this item.

Moved : Cw. Aldridge  
Second: Cm. Perez  
For: 6                      Against: 0                      Abstain: 0

17. 93-O-155 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning 11.37 acres of Blocks 51, 52, 55 and 61 in Porcion 25, located at 6105 San Dario, from B-3 (Community Business District) to B-4 (Highway Commercial District); providing for publication and effective date. (Councilman Eduardo "Eddie" Perales)

Motion to waive the final reading of ordinance #93-O-155.

Moved : Cm. Juarez  
Second: Cm. Perez  
For: 6                      Against: 0                      Abstain: 0

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Juarez  
Second: Cm. Perez  
For: 6                      Against: 0                      Abstain: 0

18. 93-O-156 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning 2.9036 acres out of a 10 acre tract in Porcion 28, Abstract 241, located at 2515 East Saunders (Hwy. 59), as further described in "Attachment A" from B-3 (Community Business District) to M-1 (Light Manufacturing District); providing for publication and effective date. (Councilman Jacinto Juarez)  
(Amended from 1st reading)

\*Note: There was a typographical error on the agenda on the address, the actual notification was correct. The correct address is 5615 East Saunders instead of 2515 East Saunders.

Motion to amend from the first reading to read the correct address as 5615 East Saunders.

Moved : Cm. Juarez  
Second: Cm. Perez  
For: 6                      Against: 0                      Abstain: 0

Motion to waive the final reading of ordinance

#93-O-156.

Moved : Cm. Juarez  
 Second: Cm. Aldridge  
 For: 6                      Against: 0                      Abstain: 0

Motion to approve with amendment.

Moved : Cm. Juarez  
 Second: Cm. G. Perez  
 For: 6                      Against: 0                      Abstain: 0

19. 93-O-157 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Block 286, Lot 10, Eastern Division, located at 706 Musser, from R-3 (Mixed Residential District) to B-1 (Limited Business District); providing for publication and effective date. (City Council)

Motion to waive the final reading of #93-O-157.

Moved : Cm. G. Perez  
 Second: Cm. Cardenas  
 For: 6                      Against: 0                      Abstain: 0

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Juarez  
 Second: Cm. G. Perez  
 For: 6                      Against: 0                      Abstain: 0

## VII. RESOLUTIONS

20. 93-R-082 Confirming the appointment of representatives from the City of Laredo to serve on the Board of Directors of the South Texas Development Council for the period from October 1, 1993 to September 30, 1994.

Motion confirming the appointment of representatives from the City of Laredo to serve on the Board of Directors of the South Texas Development Council for the period from October 1, 1993 to September 30, 1994 with the exception of one alternate replacement, Mr. Keith Selman for Mr. Dan Hebner.

Moved : Cm. Juarez  
 Second: Cm. Cardenas

Mr. Vargas, City Manager, stated that the appointments listed on the Council Communication are the individuals that are currently serving in the S.T.D.C. Board which are:

Cm. Blas Castaneda  
 Cw. Arlene Rash Aldridge  
 Cm. Jose R. Perez  
 Cm. Felipe Cardenas  
 Cm. Jerry Perez

Alternates:

Ms. Marina Sukup  
 Mr. Joe Aranda  
 Mr. Luis Landin  
 Mr. Francisco Meza  
 Mr. Keith Selman

For: 6                      Against: 0                      Abstain: 0

21. 93-R-084 Appointing Mary Lou Mendiola as the Lay Representative and Guillermina Montes as Alternate Lay Representative for the South Texas Library System for the term September 1, 1993, through August 31, 1995.

Motion appointing Mary Lou Mendiola as the Lay Representative and Guillermina Montes as Alternate Lay Representative for the South Texas Library System for the term of September 1, 1993, though August 31, 1995.

Moved : Cm. Juarez  
 Second: Cm. G. Perez

For: 6                      Against: 0                      Abstain: 0

22. 93-R-085 Approval of contract amendment with the Texas Department of Health for FY 92/93 for public health services, in the amount of \$52,200 for the WIC Program Immunization Activity at the Health Department for the period of July 1, 1993 through September 30, 1993; and authorizing the City Manager to execute the contract amendment for this project.

Motion to approve contract amendment with the Texas Department of Health for FY 92/93 for public health services, in the amount of \$52,200 for the WIC Program Immunization Activity.

Moved : Cm. Juarez  
 Second: Cw. Moreno

For: 6                      Against: 0                      Abstain: 0

23. 93-R-086 Accepting contract amendment and grants for FY 1993-94 in the amount of \$1,511,928, consisting of \$1,365,648 in funds and \$146,280 in direct State paid salaries, from the Texas Department of Health



for public health services; and authorizing the City Manager to execute the contract amendment for FY 1993-94 for the period September 1, 1993 thru August 31, 1994.

Motion accepting contract amendment and grants for FY 1993-94 in the amount of \$1,511,928, consisting of \$1,365,648 in funds and \$146,280 in direct State paid salaries from the Texas Department of Health for public health services and authorizing the City Manager to execute the contract amendment for FY 1993-94 for the period September 1, 1993 thru August 31, 1994.

Moved : Cm. Juarez

Second: Cw. Moreno

For: 6

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

#### VIII. MOTIONS

24. Approval to reject the three (3) bids received for the Laredo International Bridge Toll Collection System at Bridge No. 1 and Bridge No. 2 as a result of the bids not meeting project specifications, and approval to re-bid the project.

Motion to approve to reject the three (3) bids received for the Laredo International Bridge Toll Collection System at Bridge No. 1 and Bridge No. 2 as a result of the bids not meeting project specification, and approval to re-bid the project.

Moved : Cm. Juarez

Second: Cm. Cardenas

Mr. Charles Borchers spoke on behalf of the low bidder stating that they thought their bid did not have any technical errors and that it meets specifications. Mr. Borchers asked that council to table this item and give them the opportunity to meet with staff and suggested that one or two members of the council join in these meetings along with the consulting engineers. He added that they can show that their bid does comply with the bid specifications and the requested proposal.

Carlos Villarreal stated they are trying to indicate that the bids are out of line and that the proposal were not filled out correctly.

Ray Rodriguez, Assistant City Attorney, stated that they had not reviewed the specifications and that he was basing his preliminary interpretation as to what our city engineer reviewed.

Cm. Juarez stated that his concern is that the Legal Staff review the legal issue, not the technicalities on whether or not we can proceed or if we have to reject all bids.

Second rescind his motion.

Motion to table this item.

Moved : Cm. Cardenas  
Second: Cw. Aldridge  
For: 6

Against: 0 Abstain: 0

25. Approval of change order no. 9, a decrease of \$25,044.50, acceptance of Street Improvements Project 38 (38 Blocks), and approval of final payment in the amount of \$127,210.58, to Pete Gallegos Paving, Inc., Laredo, Texas.

Motion to approve change no. 9, a decrease of \$25,044.50, acceptance of Street Improvement Project 38 (38 Blocks), and approval of final payment in the amount of \$127,210.58 to Pete Gallegos Paving, Inc., Laredo, Texas.

Moved : Cm. Juarez  
Second: Cw. Moreno  
For: 6

Against: 0 Abstain: 0

26. Approval of change order no. 3, a decrease of \$116,873.00, acceptance of Street Improvements Project 39 (46 Blocks), and approval of final payment in the amount of \$99,232.48, to Ramex Construction Inc., Houston, Texas.

Motion to approve change order no. 3, a decrease of \$116,873.00, acceptance of Street Improvements Project 39 (46 Blocks), and approval of final payment in the amount of \$99,232.48 to Ramex Construction Inc.

Moved : Cw. Moreno  
Second: Cm. G. Perez  
For: 6

Against: 0 Abstain: 0

27. Approval to reject the five (5) bids received for the Upgrading and Replacement of Six Lift Station Project; approval to modify the project specifications and to re-bid the project.

Mr. Jack Foster of Foster Engineering stated that because of the high cost of the bids, they recommended disapproval and rejection of the bids.

Mr. Bolner of Foster Engineer stated that the bids were quit high over the engineer's estimate. The engineer's estimate was priced on prices that were coming in on other communities. He added that it is to the city's advantage to re-bid this project.

Motion to approve to reject the five (5) bids received for the Upgrading and Replacement of Six Lift Stations Project; approval to modify the project specifications; and to re-bid the project.

Moved : Cm. Juarez  
 Second: Cm. G. Perez  
 For: 6

Against: 0                      Abstain: 0

28. Award of Architect/Engineering Professional Services Contract to Frontera Associates, International, Inc., Laredo, Texas, to conduct a feasibility study for three Neighborhood Recreational Centers for an amount not to exceed \$18,200.00.

Motion to award Architect/Engineering Professional Services Contract to Frontera Associates, International, Inc. to conduct a feasibility study for three Neighborhood Recreational Centers for an amount not to exceed \$18,200.00.

Moved : Cm. Cardenas  
 Second: Cm. G. Perez  
 For: 6

Against: 0                      Abstain: 0

29. Award of Architect/Engineering Professional Services Contract to Kell, Munoz, Wigodsky, San Antonio, Texas, to conduct a feasibility study for a New Main Library for an amount not to exceed \$37,500.00.

Motion to award Architect/Engineering Professional Services Contract to Kell, Munoz, Wigodsky to conduct a feasibility study for a New Main Library for an amount not to exceed \$37,500.00.

Moved : Cm. G. Perez  
 Second: Cm. Cardenas

Cm. Juarez asked why are architects hired from San Antonio when we have architects in Laredo?

Mr. Vargas stated that interest statements are sent to several firms to do the feasibility study and their selection was based on previous experience and the quality of work they do. He added that the policy of the city has been that at any time that we do hire, especially for a large project, the outside firm has a local firm that they work with. Mr. Vargas continued by stating that the recommendation is based on previous experience that the firm has had with this particular type of projects. He stated that what we are looking for is previous experience and expertise and this is the base for this recommendation.

Mr. Vargas stated that the report is to be in hands of the

city by September.

Cm. Perez stated that he does want to expand the South Laredo Branch Library and that he would like to include it in the study or include it whenever the bond issue comes around, also include an extra million dollars for the expansion.

(Cm. Perez stepped out momentarily. - 6:10 p.m.)

Cw. Aldridge was concerned about not hiring a local architect and being part of this project.

Cw. Moreno suggested that they go with a local firm.

Second rescind his motion.

Motion to table this item and come back with a recommendation for local firm.

Moved : Cm. Cardenas

Second: Cw. Moreno

For: 6

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion to waive the rules of order and take item #30 at the end of the meeting.

Moved : Cw. Aldridge

Second: Cm. G. Perez

For: 6

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

## IX. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

30. Request for Executive Session under Article 6252-17, Section 2(g) for review of the City Manager's salary, and possible action concerning his contract with the City.

Motion to go into executive session under Article 6252-17, Section 2(g) for review of the City Manager's salary, and possible action concerning his contract with the City.

Moved : Cm. Juarez

Second: Cm. G. Perez

For: 6

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion to convene after executive session.

Moved : Cm. Juarez

Second: Cm. Perez

For: 6

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

After executive session Mayor Pro-tem Perales announced that they had discussed the City Manager's salary and they will

perform an evaluation of the City Manager in conjunction with the proposed salary increase.

31. Submittal of amendments to the Zoning Ordinance Handbook to City Council for review and future action.

Peter H. Vargas, City Manager, stated they are looking to amend the zoning ordinance which is a very voluminous document of over 65 pages. He added they are giving it to City Council for their review and that they will come back at a council meeting, in the near future, to actually take up the topic, but that they are giving the council some opportunity to review the issue since it is so voluminous.

No vote was necessary on this issue.

#### X. COMMUNICATIONS

- A. Request by Mr. Aldo Tatangelo to address the City Council concerning the sale of specific city owned properties.  
(Sponsored by Councilmember Felipe Cardenas)

Mr. Aldo Tatangelo spoke before council regarding the bids to be presented concerning the sale of specific city owned properties on August 5, 1993 to the City Secretary's Office. He spoke in reference to the 900 Block of Lincoln, the estimated figures of the bids and the lack of parking spaces. He spoke in regards to his concern of limited of parking spaces in downtown. He stated that in 1988 we purchased this property, built a parking space to accomodate the escasity of parking space and now, if action is taken, we're doing away with that parking.

Mr. Vargas stated that the issue is that the City Council asked the staff to re-evaluate all city owned property to make an analysis on what the best use for the property would be and this included affordable housing and the review of every property that the city owned in the downtown area. He stated that this particular parking lot is the only piece of property that the city owns that could in fact sell for uses in other capital projects.

Ms. Becky Sepulveda with the Webb County Heritage Foundation spoke against the sale of this property.

Ms. Katherine Rubentall, Laredo Philharmonic Orchestra and Ms. Ann Vela representing the Laredo Art League expressed that they were not against the property sale, but requested that council consider perhaps attaching a deed restriction to the property so that it remains a parking lot no matter who owns it, whether it's the city or a private enterprise. She added the market square needs parking and asked that if

council considers selling this property that a deed restriction be attach for parking.

(Cm. G. Perez and Cm. Cardenas stepped out momentarily at this time - 6:15 p.m.)

- B. Request by Mr. Victor Jacaman to address the City Council concerning city beautification and street paving.  
(Sponsored by Councilmember Eduardo "Eddie" Perales)

Mr. Victor Jacaman addressed council regarding beautification of Laredo. He stated that the city is spending too much money on paving and the projects are not done right because every time it rains we have pot holes and cracks on the streets and if these projects were done right they could last three to four years. He had other concerns such as street names and numbers on the blocks. He questioned construction on Guadalupe Street for more than one year? Mr. Jacaman concluded by saying that we need more trees around Laredo and in schools to beautify Laredo.

- C. Discussion on the Dallas Morning News article and publicity for Laredo on Tecolotes de Los Dos Laredos.

Mayor Pro-Tem Perales stated this was just a piece of information in regards to a magazine put out by the Dallas Morning News showing seven pages of colored pictures on the Tecolotes of Los Dos Laredos. He stated this is a tremendous publicity for our community.

- D. Mr. Frank Sharp of 8607 Crest Lane in Cross Country II on the north part of town spoke in regards to the affected area by the latest water crisis.

Mr. Sharp presented to the City Secretary for validation, a packet of petition of 180 households that represent the affected area.

(The packet was submitted to Mr. Vargas, City Manager.)  
(No signatures were submitted to the City Secretary's Office.)

This petitions request a formal City Council hearing regarding this water problems and that this issues be addressed at the next City Council meeting of the 16th. The residents have major concerns regarding the city's response to the ongoing water problems.

Mr. Sharp read nine questions that the people in that area would like some answers too.

- 1) What is the city prepared to do in case of a fire in any of these affected areas when the water is completely shut off? This is one of the biggest concerns of the

residents for safety.

- 2) Why do our areas, these affected areas, always loose water pressure and/or have a water failure whenever any type of failure occurs it seems like their area is the one that has the low pressure and the water completely shut-off.
- 3) Why does the city not have backup provisions?
- 4) Since the city has an unlimited water supply, why can't the water storage facilities be kept full or nearly full?
- 5) Since there is such an obvious problem supplying water to the homes already in these areas, why are more building permits and constructions being allowed? What entity is responsible for the citing on this permits? All these homes in northern Shiloh, might not have any water.
- 6) How does the City Council plan to answer to the Texas Water Commission inquiries as to whether or not the state requirement of 35 pounds per square inch of pressure in all state municipalities, having to answer that this is not being met.
- 7) If the situation continues, how can the city in good conscious promote itself as having adequate utilities?
- 8) Why is the new storage facility at McPherson and International not kept at maximum capacity?
- 9) Why was the population of these areas not notified sooner thru the media of the seriousness of the problem and other areas of the city put on ration to help the affected areas, if this had anything to do with it?

Mr. Sharp stated that they knew they could not get any answers tonight and hoped that they could get answers soon.

Cm. Perales stated that they would have a public hearing in the neighborhood on the 18th at Clark Middle at the cafeteria and at that time they could have the discussion on the water issue.

Mr. Sharp concluded that they are more concerned with the long term plan or what can be done.

Cm. Perales stated that we are going into budget hearings and that they are going to request more booster stations be constructed. He added that there might be a rate hike because of the tremendous growth that is going on and maybe revenue bonds to be sold, but that this is a problem that

has to be addressed by this council.

Cw. Aldridge recommended that perhaps staff answer this gentleman's questions in writing and that she be delivered a copy of these answers.

Cm. Perales stated that this item will come back at the next meeting and at that time Mr. Rodriguez and staff will answer these nine questions.

- E. Cm. Cardenas had concerns on traffic when streets are closed when stripping is done. He suggested that whenever there is blocking of streets or that street are going to be closed that the public be advised of this prior to the closing.

#### **XI. CITY COUNCIL DISCUSSION AND PRESENTATION**

32. Requests by the Mayor and Councilmembers for discussion and presentation.

##### **A. Request By Councilmember Cecilia Moreno**

1. Discussion and possible action concerning the paving work being done at the cemetery.

Cw. Moreno stated that she was under the impression that they had approved paving all the streets of the city cemetery.

Mr. Vargas stated that council approved the major entrance, the improvement of the fences, and the improvement of the irrigation system on the budget.

Cw. Moreno stated that they were never told that we were not even paving half of the streets. She added the way the presentation was made was that it always said that they were going to pave the street in the cemetery.

Cw. Moreno requested that it be part of the capital improvements program for next year's operating budget.

#### **XII. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

33. Public hearing concerning approval of an amendment to the contract with the Texas Department of Health for public health services for FY 92/93 (September 1, 1993 through August 31, 1993), providing additional funds for the WIC Programs's immunization activities in the amount of \$52,200.00; and that an ordinance be introduced.

#### **INTRODUCTION OF AN ORDINANCE**



Approval of contract amendment with the Texas Department of Health for FY 92/93 for public health services, and budget for the WIC Program immunization activities at the Health Department for the operational period of July 1, 1993 through September 30, 1993; increasing Revenue Line Item #226-0000-323-4060 from \$0 to \$52,200; and increasing Expenditure Line Item # 226-6074 from \$0 to 52,200.

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved : Cm. Juarez Second: Cm. Perez  
For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

There was no public input.

Motion to close the public hearing and introduce the ordinance.

Moved : Cm. Juarez  
Second: Cm. Cardenas  
For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

34. Public hearing concerning approval of an amendment to the contract with the Texas Department of Health for FY 93/94 beginning September 1, 1993 through August 31, 1994 and budget in the amount of \$1,511,928.00, consisting of \$1,365,648 in funds and \$146,280 in direct State paid salaries to provide public health services; and that an ordinance be introduced.

#### INTRODUCTION OF AN ORDINANCE

Approval of contract amendment with the Texas Department of Health in the amount of \$1,511,928 consisting of \$1,365,648 in funds and \$146,280 in direct State paid salaries, to provide public health services at the City of Laredo Health Department for FY 93/94 beginning September 1, 1993 through August 31, 1994; and increasing corresponding Revenue and Expenditure line items.

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved : Cm. Juarez Second: Cm. Perez  
For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

There was no public input.

Motion to close the public hearing and introduce.

Moved : Cm. Perez  
Second: Cm. Cardenas  
For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

- 35. Rezoning 9.779 acres out of a 130.94 acre tract known as Crown Ridge Subdivision, north of Las Brisas Subdivision, in Porcion 23, Abstract 283, from AG (Agricultural District) to R-2 (Multi-family Residential District); and that an ordinance be introduced.

INTRODUCTION OF AN ORDINANCE

Amending the Zoning Ordinance (map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning a 9.779 acre tract in Porcion 23, Abstract 283, located in Crown Ridge Subdivision, as further described in Attachment "A" from AG (Agricultural District) to R-2 (Multi-Family Residential District); providing for publication and effective date.

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved :	Cm. Perez		
Second:	Cm. Juarez		
For: 6		Against: 0	Abstain: 0

Marina Sukup, Planning Director, made the presentation.

Carlos Mejia of Mejia Engineer representing the property owner spoke in favor of the zone request.

Motion to close the public hearing and introduce the ordinance.

Moved :	Cw. Aldridge		
Second:	Cm. G. Perez		
For: 6		Against: 0	Abstain: 0

Ordinance Introduction: Cw. Aldridge

Motion to approve the ordinance.

Moved :	Cm. G. Perez		
Second:	Cw. Aldridge		
For: 6		Against: 0	Abstain: 0

Mayor Pro-tem asked permission to allow constituents of his district to speak in regards to the water crisis at the end of the meeting.

- 36. Rezoning 2.57 acres out of a 130.94 acre tract known as Crown Ridge Subdivision, north of Las Brisas Subdivision, in Porcion 23, Abstract 283, from AG (Agricultural District) to R-2 (Multi-family Residential District); and that an ordinance be introduced.

INTRODUCTION OF AN ORDINANCE

Amending the Zoning Ordinance (map) of the City of Laredo by



Moved : Cm. G. Perez

Second: Cm. Perez

For: 6

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Ordinance Introduction: Cm. G. Perez

- 38. Rezoning 42.37 acres out of a 130.94 acre tract known as Crown Ridge Subdivision, north of Las Brisas Subdivision, in Porcion 23, Abstract 283, from AG (Agricultural District) to R-1 (Single Family Residential District); and that an ordinance be introduced.

INTRODUCTION OF AN ORDINANCE

Amending the Zoning Ordinance (map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning a 42.37 acre tract in Porcion 23, Abstract 283, located in Crown Ridge Subdivision, as further described in Attachment "A" from AG (Agricultural District) to R-1 (Single Family Residential District); providing for publication and effective date.

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved : Cm. G. Perez

Second: Cm. Perez

For: 6

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Marina Sukup, Planning Director, made the presentation.

Carlos Mejia of Mejia Engineering was present to answer any questions.

(Mayor Pro-tem Perales stepped out momentarily - 6:50 p.m.)

Motion to close the public hearing; introduce the ordinance and approve the zone change.

Moved : Cm. Perez

Second: Cm. Cardenas

For: 5

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

(Cm. G. Perez chaired the meeting at this time.)

(Cm. Castaneda not present.)

Ordinance Introduction: Cm. Perez

- 39. Rezoning 18.32 acres out of a 130.94 acre tract known as Crown Ridge Subdivision, north of Las Brisas Subdivision, in Porcion 23, Abstract 283, from AG (Agricultural District) to B-3 (Community Business District); and that an ordinance be introduced.

INTRODUCTION OF AN ORDINANCE

Amending the Zoning Ordinance (map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning a 18.32 acre tract in Porcion 23, Abstract 283, located in Crown Ridge Subdivision, as further described in

Attachment "A" from AG (Agricultural District) to B-3 (Community Business District); providing for publication and effective date.

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved : Cm. Juarez  
Second: Cm. Perez  
For: 5

Against: 0 Abstain: 0

(Mayor Pro-tem Perales stepped out momentarily.)  
(Cm. G. Perez chaired the meeting at this time.)

Marina Sukup, Planning Director made the presentation.

(Mayor Pro-tem Perales returned at this time.)

Carlos Mejia of Mejia Engineer stated this is the same project and was there to answer any questions.

Motion to close the public hearing; approve the zone change; and introduce the ordinance.

Moved : Cm. Perez  
Second: Cm. G. Perez  
For: 6

Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Ordinance Introduction: Cm. Perez

40. Rezoning 12.435 acres out of a 130.94 acre tract known as Crown Ridge Subdivision, north of Las Brisas Subdivision, in Porcion 23, Abstract 283, from AG (Agricultural District) to B-3 (Community Business District); and that an ordinance be introduced.

#### INTRODUCTION OF AN ORDINANCE

Amending the Zoning Ordinance (map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning a 12.435 acre tract in Porcion 23, Abstract 283, located in Crown Ridge Subdivision, as further described in Attachment "A" from AG (Agricultural District) to B-3 (Community Business District); providing for publication and effective date.

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved : Cm. G. Perez  
Second: Cm. Perez  
For: 6

Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Marina Sukup, Planning Director, made the presentation.

Carlos Mejia, Mejia Engineering, spoke in favor of the zone change request and was there to answer any questions.

Motion to close the public hearing; introduce the ordinance and approve the zone change.

Moved : Cm. Cardenas

Second: Cm. G. Perez

For: 6

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Ordinance Introduction: Cm. Cardenas

At this time motion was made to waive the rules of order and go back to communications X.(D.)

Moved : Cm. Perez

Second: Cm. Cardenas

For: 6

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

**XII. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn.

Moved : Cm. G. Perez

Second: Cm. Cardenas

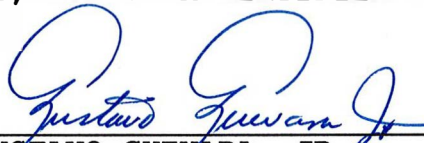
For:

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Adjournment time was at 7:30 P.M.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE MINUTES CONTAINED IN PAGES 01 TO 22 ARE TRUE, COMPLETE AND CORRECT PROCEEDINGS OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THE 2ND DAY OF AUGUST, 1993. A CERTIFIED COPY IS ON FILE AT THE CITY SECRETARY'S OFFICE.



GUSTAVO GUEVARA, JR.  
CITY SECRETARY

MINUTES PREPARED BY: Delia Rodriguez, Deputy City Secretary II

APPROVED BY CITY COUNCIL ON: