CITY OF LAREDO REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

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

MINUTES

M-93-R-30

SEPTEMBER 20, 1993

I. CALL TO ORDER

With a quorum present Mayor Saul N. Ramirez, Jr. called the meeting to order.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Saul N. Ramirez, Jr., led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL III.

IN ATTENDANCE:

SAUL N. RAMIREZ, JR., MAYOR

JOSE R. PEREZ, JR., COUNCILMEMBER, DISTRICT I

, DISTRICT II

, DISTRICT III

JACINTO P. JUAREZ,

ARLENE RASH ALDRIDGE,

CECILIA MAY MORENO,

BLAS CASTANEDA,

JOSE GERARDO (TERRITADO) , DISTRICT IV

, DISTRICT V

JOSE GERARDO (JERRY) PEREZ, " , DISTRICT VII

, DISTRICT VIII FELIPE CARDENAS,

GUSTAVO GUEVARA, JR., CITY SECRETARY

JOSE SALVADOR TELLEZ, CITY ATTORNEY

CARLOS VILLARREAL, ASST. CITY MANAGER

ABSENCES:

Peter H. Vargas, City Manager, was absent. Jesus Nava, Assistant City Manager, was absent.

Motion to excuse Cm. Perales due to UISD business commitment.

Moved: Cm. G. Perez

Second: Cm. Castaneda

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCES IV.

Second reading of the ordinance amending Division 3 (Rates and Charges), of Chapter 31 (Utilities), of the Code of Ordinances. Specifically to amend Section 31-138 which provides for water rate charges by changing the minimum rate from \$3.75 to \$6.25 for both residential and commercial customers within the city limits; providing for publication and effective date.

Mr. Tomas Rodriguez, Water Utilities Director, read the ordinance publicly.

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

3. Second reading of the ordinance amending Chapter 14 (Garbage, Trash & Refuse) of the Code of Ordinances. Specifically Section 14-4.1(a) and 14-4.1(d), to increase Residential garbage fees from \$7.00 to \$9.25, Landfill tipping fees for non-compactor & compactor vehicles from inside the city limits from \$10.00 to \$15.00 per ton and for similar vehicles from outside of the county to \$100.00 per ton; providing for publication and effective date.

Mr. Joe Guerra, Director of Public Works, read the ordinance publicly.

Cm. Juarez suggested that we should be looking at assessing on a lot per lot basis for garbage on outside the city limits residents. That we should check to see if the \$50 which is collected outside landfill fee is comparable to the \$2.25 increased fees to citizens inside the city limits.

Carlos Villarreal, Asst. City Manager, said that staff will be looking at Cm. Juarez's request.

Cw. Moreno was concerned with the striking out of page 5 of 6 of the ordinance and requested to leave it as it was which was to earmark the monies to a particular fund.

Mayor stated that the striked out paragraph would be included in the final reading of the ordinance.

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

V. FINAL READINGS

Motion to waive the final reading of ordinances #93-0-178, #93-0-179, #93-0-180, #93-0-181, #93-0-182, #93-0-183, #93-0-184, and #93-0-185.

Moved : Cm. Castaneda Second: Cm. G. Perez

For: 7 Against: Abstain:

4. 93-0-178 Authorizing the City Manager to execute an operations amendment to the Foreign-Trade Zone Site Operations Agreement between the City of Laredo and

Packard Electric authorized by Ordinance No. 91-0-125, dated June 3, 1991, in order to allow Packard Electric to execute U.S. Customs forms 214 and 216 without obtaining a Limited Power of Attorney from zone grantee; revoking all previously issued Limited Powers of Attorney; providing for effective date. (City Council)

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Castaneda Second: Cm. G. Perez

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

- 5. 93-0-179 Authorizing the City Manager to execute a lease with Alzafar Shrine Temple for approximately 13.0 acres of land located on Saunders Street at the Laredo International Airport;
 - a. Lease term is for two (2) days commencing October 16, 1993, and ending October 17, 1993;
 - b. Daily rental will be \$600.00; providing for effective date. (City Council)

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Castaneda Second: Cm. G. Perez

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

- 6. 93-0-180 Authorizing the City Manager to execute a lease with the Washington's Birthday Celebration Association of Laredo, a non-profit corporation, for approximately 13.0 acres of land located on Saunders Street at the Laredo International Airport and providing for an alternate tract; for the purpose of hosting a carnival.
 - a. Lease term is for fifteen (15) days commencing November 15, 1993, and ending November 29, 1993;
 - b. Daily rental will be \$600.00; providing for effective date. (City Council)

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Castaneda Second: Cm. G. Perez

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

7. 93-0-181 Authorizing the City Manager to execute a lease

with Panorama Broadcasting Company D/B/A KLDO for approximately 9.0 acres of land located on Maher Avenue at the Laredo International Airport;

- a. Lease term is for one (1) day being October 30, 1993;
- b. Promotional services received by the Airport and the Airport co-sponsorship of the event shall preclude the payment of rent to the Airport Fund; providing for effective date. (City Council)

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Castaneda Second: Cm. G. Perez

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

8. 93-0-182 Authorizing the execution of the acceptance of a proposed easement and the release of an existing easement. The easement being accepted is located at the southwest corner of Lot 173, Block 1, Flynn Subdivision, Section 2. The easement located on Lots 173 and 174, Block 1, is being released due to abandonment and relocation.

(City Council)

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Castaneda Second: Cm. G. Perez

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

9. 93-O-183 Amending Division 3 - Use of Public Sewers of Chapter 31 - Utilities of the Code of Ordinances, to amend Section 31-53 (b) by adding Antimony to the list of heavy metals for which prescribed maximum concentrations are set forth and to amend Section 31-53 (d) to delete Antimony from the list of prohibited heavy metals and toxic metals; providing for effective date. (As amended by City Council)

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Castaneda Second: Cm. G. Perez

For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 1 Cw. Aldridge

10. 93-0-184 Authorizing the acceptance of a perpetual easement for two water transmission lines, and water storage and water pumping facilities to the City of Laredo

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from Laredo Northwest Development Limited. (City Council)

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Castaneda Second: Cm. G. Perez

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain:

11. 93-0-185 Authorizing and empowering the City Manager to enter into and execute, on the City of Laredo's behalf, all earthen or natural drainage channel maintenance agreement contracts, as required by Ordinance No. 90-0-199, dated October 22, 1990. (City Council)

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Castaneda Second: Cm. G. Perez

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

12. 93-0-186 Closing as public easements those sections of San Jorge Avenue between Scott Street and Moctezuma Street and the West 125 feet of Scott between San Jorge Avenue and San Enrique Avenue, situated in the Western Division, City of Laredo, Webb County, Texas. (City Council)

Motion waive the final reading of ordinance 93-0-186.

Moved: Cm. Castaneda Second: Cw. Aldridge

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Rick Pulido, Transit Director, introduced Mr. E. L. Walker of Wilbur Smith Associates, who explained the General Site Plan for El Metro Facility Study. He said that the council's suggestion to move the wall on Moctezuma to expand the street, would cost an additional \$40,000.

Cw. Aldridge suggested that Moctezuma be made a one way west with angular parking and to place a sidewalk on the north side for children to walk to the Boys/Girls Club, to school and the baseball field.

Cm. Cardenas had requested sidewalks to San Francisco.

Mr. Andres Sandoval stated that he was appearing before the council because the people on San Jorge

street asked him to. He approached the city attorney to confirm the notarization of a statement which he read to council. He stated, "
"People can stand on the side and accuse me of lying in the windows, shooting from the hip, people can run and put it in print, but when people come here and publicly call me a liar, they are going to have to contend with it."

The statement letter read as follows: "It's dated 9/10/93."

Honorable Mayor Saul N. Ramirez And Members of Laredo City Council

Statement of Fact

"We, Dr. A.R. Kahn, Fernando Cantu, Hector Gutierrez, Andres Sandoval, affixed our signatures as witnesses to this Statement of Fact that during a meeting at El Metro Office with Mr. R. Pulido while looking into the San Jorge Avenue project, Mr. Pulido stated that the biggest mistake he made, and I quote, "I did not communicate with the residents" we feel that Mr. Rick Pulido's denial before the City Council on live television as to having made this statement is demeaning, degrading and an insult to our integrity when we are dealing with the affairs affecting the residents of our community. We feel that the interest of fair play, honesty and the well being of our entire community, Mr. Rick Pulido owes everybody involved an apology."

He stated that this statement is signed by all four people who were present at this meeting. He stated this is an official record.

(No letter was submitted to the City Secretary's Office.)

He continued by saying that the people were not against the project, but stated from what he gathers from the letters they showed him is that they have been mislead, they have been used, and abused. That the people feel that there are other alternatives. If the council's interest is really improving the community and giving this community the best for its money, the best alternative that they can come with is that they own that area where the Park & Ride is. They feel that they can transfer that property for this property that they bought along in San Jorge. That they can put this complex in total, turn the area of El Metro and all

the surrounding area to the Boys Club, because the kids are limited to activities indoors. Why not give the kids an opportunity to have a softball field, baseball field, tennis court, etc., the kids benefit, the city benefits and the citizens benefit.

He stated that the federal government cannot push us, they give us help but that he thought they cannot dictate to us.

He concluded by asking that City Council, the government agencies, and people from these area to get together and think about these things and maybe they can come out with a solution that is suitable to council and the people.

Mr. Filiberto Garza stated that when Mr. Pulido has called meetings the residents have voiced their opposition. His concern was that the school children should be looked at.

Motion to go along with the recommendation to close and include to instruct staff to provide a sidewalk to run on Moctezuma all along the north side; provide whatever improvements as far as paving is concern from the San Jorge turnoff to the east all the way to where it's a dead-end; also, pave Coke Street from San Jorge to where it dead-ends and include the sidewalks; that enough lighting to the grounds of El Metro System be provided, but also to the outside of the corners to the creek be provided.

Moved : Cw. Aldridge Second: Cw. Moreno

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

13. 93-0-187 Authorizing the City Manager to effectively convey title to Luz Maria Cantu Dominguez, for that certain city property known as Lot 1 and Lot 2 of Block 1087-A, Western Division, situated in Webb County, Texas. This property is located at the 4400 block of Santa Isabel Avenue. (City Council)

Motion waive the final reading of ordinance 93-0-187.

Moved : Cm. Juarez Second: Cm. Castaneda

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Cardenas Second: Cm. Perez

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

14. 93-0-188 Adopting the Annual Budget for Fiscal Year 19931994, appropriating the estimated revenues and
balances reported therein for the year beginning
October 1, 1993, and ending September 30, 1994,
consistent with the financial plan described in
said Annual Budget; and authorizing the City
Manager to implement said Annual Budget. (City
Council)

Motion waive the final reading of ordinance 93-0-188.

Moved : Cm. Perez Second: Cw. Cardenas

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion that the City Manager's salary be moved down to its current salary and that the difference of what's being proposed be sent back to the salary reserve fund category.

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

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Mayor Ramirez requested that the San Bernardo fire station be a full crew even if they have to cross train personnel.

Motion that the San Bernardo fire station be a full crew station.

Moved: Cm. Castaneda Second: Cm. Cardenas

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion that \$25,000 of the \$50,000 allocated for the South Laredo Branch Library be designated for the purchase of books and the balance for the building improvements.

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

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Cm. Perez requested that staff continues to look into the contracting for the upkeep and maintenance of medians in this incoming budget year. He also requested that a full time service custodian be placed at the South Library Branch.

Carlos Villarreal stated that staff will bring a recommendation which would include a person to do the inside and outside maintenance.

Motion to recommend to City of Laredo Conventions and Visitors Bureau Corporation to cap the allocation at \$425,000 to the Chamber of Commerce Conventions & Visitors Bureau for this present fiscal year (1992-1993); to proceed in instructing staff to negotiate a contract up to \$500,000 for promotional activities for the incoming fiscal year to Laredo Chamber of Commerce; instruct staff to proceed with the negotiation of a contract for \$150,000 to the Downtown Development Corporation; and that these contracts be brought back to council for discussion and ratification before acceptance.

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

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Mayor Ramirez stated that we have an item of \$468,978.00 set aside under civic center debt reserve (the construction reserve) and we have already built up that fund over the last four years to almost \$3.2 million dollars. He added that if this election should pass in November 2nd, as it relates the new construction that would be funded out of hotel/motel, this would more than adequately serve the one and a half times requirement for debt reserve set aside to take care of that debt which in essence is approximately five years of payments on that debt. That being the case, he asked council that they reduce that amount by \$100,000 so that besides what's being funded, these two major contracts that are being funded there are two other items that were requested, one that was not funded at all and an increase that was not funded either, that we won't be able to fund completely but we will be able to increase the allocation. He stated that he would like to handle this by separate motion if council so wishes.

Motion to reduce \$100,000 from the \$3.2 million line item under civic center construction reserve fund back to the current revenue.

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

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Mayor Ramirez asked that the other two items be considered under this funding category (additional

funding will be coming from the \$100,000).

Motion to increase the Laredo Philharmonic Orchestra funding from \$10,000 to a additional \$12,000 to make it a total of \$22,000 under the Hotel/Motel fund.

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

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion to allocate \$5,215.00 to the LJC Guitar Ensembles.

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

For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 1 Cm. Juarez

Cw. Moreno questioned on expenditures made without budget amendments. She asked that the amendments be done correctly and that these things should be brought to council to merely inform council. She requeted that these amendments be brought to council and that the figures should not just be changed.

Mayor Ramirez stated that at the next regular council meeting we will establish our council Ad Hoc Investment Committee to look over our debt service as well as our investment policy as it relates to our cash and who we are working our cash through the securities that we are allowed to by law.

Motion instructing staff to get cost estimates on Saltillo tile to place on the mall area of the Civic Center and report to council at next scheduled meeting in October.

Moved : Cm. Juarez Second: Cm. Perez

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion that under our general fund that we have under our closing balance of \$7,643,061.00 that out of the \$43,061.00 of projected closing balance that from there we set aside on a dollar per dollar match up to half of the request that is being made by the BEST Organization for their Time Share Program. The amount to allocate is \$18,750.

Moved: Cm. Cardenas Second: Cm. G. Perez For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion that within that same fund, that we also include the Crimestoppers' request for 10,000.

Moved : Cm. Juarez Second: Cm. Cardenas

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion was made to instruct staff that they move within the necessary line items. Set aside were \$680,000+ from the general fund which is already reflected on the closing balances, but is not reflected accordingly within the Utilities

Department. It went to the general fund and we specifically stated that we wanted those \$680,000+ to be sent to the debt service under the utility fund (General Obigations). That these monies are not to go into the general fund for that operation, it was specifically earmarked for utilities and as such be put in accordingly.

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

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion instructing staff to allocate an additional \$15,000 to the Boys/Girls Club from the fund balance. The Boys/Girls Club goes from \$75,000 to \$90,000.

Moved : Cw. Aldridge Second: Cm. Juarez

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion to bring the allocation of \$15,000 additional to the Boys/Girls Club to the table for discussion.

Moved : Cm. Perez Second: Cm. Castaneda

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain:

Motion to allocate \$14,311.00 of additional funds instead of the \$15,000.00 to the Boys/Girls Club.

Moved : Cm. Perez Second: Cm. Cardenas

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Mr. Doug McKenzie, Acting Director of the Laredo Regional Food Bank, asked for an additional \$8,400.00 to their allocation fund.

Mayor Ramirez suggested that they calculate the savings accumulated (for the fringe benefits, the salary, etc.) from the vacancy of the former director that has been out and the time that they anticipate that director will be out. That after that calculation, that they re-work the request to the City of Laredo so that it goes to what they need to offset. Mayor Ramirez added that they calculate these monies and if it is a minimal amount and if monies do become available, that we will fund accordingly.

Motion to adopt our annual budget for Fiscal Year 1993-1994, appropriating the estimated revenues and balances reported therein for the year beginning October 1, 1993, and ending September 30, 1994, consistent with the final plan described in said Annual Budget; and authorizing the City Manager to implement said Budget.

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

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

15. 93-0-189 Approving the 1993 Tax Roll and providing for the levy and collection of General and Special Ad Valorem and Alcoholic Beverage taxes for the City of Laredo for the Tax Year 1993 and the Fiscal Year 1993-1994. (City Council)

Motion to waive the final reading of ordinance 93-0-189.

Moved : Cm. Cardenas Second: Cm. Perez

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Mrs. Phyllis Colon, Tax Assessor Collector, read the ordinance publicly.

Mr. Jesus Ponce asked how is it that our values are going up and cities like San Antonio and others, values are going down.

Mrs. Colon stated that the cost of homes have increased, homes are selling well, building construction is on the rise, and annexations are the circumstances which attribute to the increased appraisal values.

Mrs. Nina Pena, a local realtor, stated that we should inform the people that their properties have been reassessed and that an increase will affect some by 27%. She added that the Appraisal Board is

not paying attention to her complaints and has filed a protest with them. She was denied a second appointment when she was unable to attend her first appointment.

Mayor Ramirez informed her to see Norma Vargas, the liaison for public relations between citizens and the board.

Motion to approve the budget as amended.

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

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion to waive the regular rules of order and consider items #21 and IX(A) at this time.

Moved: Cm. Castaneda Second: Cm. Cardenas

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

16. 93-0-192 Approval of a two year contract with the Texas Department of Health for the HIV Health and Social Services Project and a budget for the first year beginning September 1, 1993, through August 31, 1994; and increasing Revenue Line Item #226-0000-323-4050 from \$0 to \$75,552, and increasing Expenditure Line Item #226-6085 from \$0 to \$75,552. (City Council)

Motion to waive the final reading of ordinance 93-0-192.

Moved: Cw. Moreno Second: Cm. Juarez

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion to approve.

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

For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0 (Cw. Aldridge was not present)

VI. RESOLUTIONS

17. 93-R-101 Declaring the public necessity to acquire a parcel identified as Tract 21-A for right-of-way of the Mines Road Widening Project and authorizing the City Attorney to file condemnation proceedings to acquire this parcel if staff is unable to acquire it through negotiations described as follows: a 0.9136 of an acre tract of land, more or less,

being out of Porcion 18 and Survey 2143, out of a 15.00 acre tract of land as conveyed by deed to Gilberto Salazar, as recorded in Volume 671, pages 261-264, Deed records, Webb County, Texas; and be more particularly described by Metes and Bounds attached hereto as Exhibit A.

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. G. Perez Second: Cm. Castaneda

For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0 (Cw. Aldridge was not present)

18. 93-R-102 Authorizing the City Manager to accept a grant from the Governor's Criminal Justice Division for third year funding of a multi-agency Financial Task Force in the amount of \$237,496, for a 9 month period beginning October 1, 1993, to June 30, 1994.

Motion authorizing the City Manager to accept a grant from the Governor's Criminal Justice Division for third year funding of a multi-agency Financial Task Force in the amount of \$237,496, for a 9 month period beginning October 1, 1993, to June 30, 1994.

Moved : Cm. Juarez Second: Cm. Castaneda

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

19. 93-R-103 Authorizing the City Manager to accept a grant from the Governor's Automobile Theft Prevention Authority for second year funding of an Auto Theft Task Force in the amount of \$420,328, for a twelve month period beginning September 1, 1993, to August 31, 1994.

Motion authorizing the City Manager to accept a grant from the Governor's Automobile Theft Prevention Authority for second year funding of an Auto Theft Task Force in the amount of \$420,328 for a twelve month period beginning September 1, 1993, to August 31, 1994.

Moved : Cm. Juarez Second: Cm. Castaneda

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

20. 93-R-104 Authorizing the City Manager to purchase from the various local taxing entities, the Laredo Independent School District, Webb County/Laredo Community College and the City of Laredo, the following eight parcels of foreclosed properties. These include the South 1/2 of Lot 5, Block 361,

Western Division, located at the Northwest corner of Hidalgo and San Pedro; Lot 7, Block 700, Western Division, located at the Southwest corner of San Jorge and Poggenpohl; Lot 8, Block 923, Western Division, located at the Southeast corner of Vidaurri and Pierce; Lot 1, Block 84, Western Division, located at the Southeast corner of Zaragoza and San Pablo; Lot 1, Block 918, Western Division, located at the Northeast corner of Baltimore and Pierce; Lots 1 & 2, Block 449, Eastern Division, located at the Southwest corner of Eistetter and Barcelona; Lot 3, Block 803, Eastern Division, located at the Northeast corner of Loring and Marion; and Lot 6, Block 643, Eastern Division, located at the Southwest corner of McPherson and Stewart.

Motion to exclude "the South 1/2 of Lot 5, Block 361, Western Division, located at the Northwest corner of Hidalgo and San Pedro" from resolution 93-R-104.

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

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion authorizing the City Manager to purchase from the various local taxing entities, the Laredo Independent School District, Webb County/Laredo Community College and the City of Laredo the properties described in resolution 93-R-104 as amended.

Moved : Cm. Cardenas Second: Cm. Castaneda

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

21. 93-R-105 Supporting the submission of an application by the State of Texas to the Veterans Administration for a Veteran's Home Complex to be constructed and operated in the City of Laredo, Texas, for the benefit of homeless veterans and their families.

Motion supporting the submission of an application by the State of Texas to the Veterans Administration for a Veteran's Home Complex to be constructed and operated in the City of Laredo, Texas, for the benefit of homeless veterans and their families.

Moved : Cm. Castaneda Second: Cw. Moreno

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Abstain: 0

VII. MOTIONS

22. Approval of change order no. 6, an increase of \$37,648.00, to the construction contract with Ramex Construction Company, Houston, Texas, for Street Paving Project 40 (45.5 Blocks), for concrete pavement improvements at Fire Station No. 5 on Bartlett Avenue, and for clearing and fencing improvements at Piedra China & Jarvis Streets for the future site of the New South Laredo Community Center.

Motion to approve change order no. 6.

Moved : Cm. Perez Second: Cm. Castaneda

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

23. Acceptance of the project, and approval of final payment in the amount of \$55,701.67, to J & B Contractors d/b/a South Texas Utility Contractors, Laredo, Texas, for the effluent line for the North Laredo Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Perez Second: Cm. Castaneda

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

24. Motion authorizing the City manager to enter into a contract with the Webb County Elections Administrator in the amount of \$26,537.68, for the purpose of conducting a joint special election with the City of Laredo.

Motion to add an additional \$3,000 to the contract due to the fact that the election will require an additional ballot to be printed.

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

For: 7 Against: 0

Motion to approve as amended.

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

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

VIII. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

25. Authorizing the City manager to execute three Vendor Agreements with the Community Action Council of South Texas, Child Care Management Services, to continue operating the Department of Community Development's Child Development Program for Fiscal Year 1993-1994 at La Ladrillera, Los

Amiguitos, and South Laredo Child Development Centers.

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cw. Aldridge Second: Cm. Castaneda

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

26. Authorizing the City manager to execute a contract with the South Texas Development Council for the continuation of the Family Care Program from October 1, 1993 through September 30, 1994.

Motion authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with the South Texas Development Council for the continuation of the Family Care Program from October 1, 1993 through September 30, 1994.

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

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

IX. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Request by Esterina Pulido to address the City Council concerning noise pollution. (Sponsored by Councilmember Jerry Perez)

Mrs. Esterina Pulido requested immediate action from the City Council to address the noise pollution problem caused by parties, restaurants with outside patios, etc. She wants the ordinance to be more specific and also include loitering on public places. She suggested that a committee be formed to look into the forming of such an ordinance.

B. Request possible action to re-schedule the first Regular City Council meeting from Monday, October 4, to Monday, October 11, 1993.

Motion to approve to re-schedule the first Regular City Council meeting from Monday, October 4, to Monday, October 11, 199.

Moved : Cm. Juarez Second: Cm. Castaneda

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain; 0

Mayor Ramirez announced the news from Secretary of Transportation Federico Peña that Laredo had been awarded \$20,000,000 for Military Assistance Program for the next 5 years for the purpose of terminal expansion, taxiways, runway expansions, etc. Laredo was one (1) of only 4 cities to receive this award.

X. CITY COUNCIL DISCUSSION AND PRESENTATION

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

A. Request By Councilmember Eduardo "Eddie" Perales

 Discussion and possible action concerning vagrants soliciting on street corners. A staff recommendation is requested.

Motion to table for the next regular council meeting of October 11th.

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

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

XI. PUBLIC HEARINGS

28. Public hearing and adoption of the resolution amending the Land Use and Transportation elements of the Comprehensive Plan.

93-R-106 Amending the Land Use and Transportation elements of the Comprehensive Plan of the City of Laredo.

Motion to open the public hearing.

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

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Marina Sukup, Planning Director, made the presentation before the council.

There was no public input.

Motion to approve Resolution #93-R-106 amending the Land Use and Transportation elements of the Comprehensive Plan of the City of Laredo.

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

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion to close public hearing.

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

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

29. Public hearing concerning each of six (6) tracts of land for which voluntary petitions for annexation have been received.

Motion to open the public hearings.

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

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

The tracts are as follows:

- a) Ruhlman Tract 395.74 acres, more or less,
 There was no public input on this annexation tract.
- b) Villarreal Tract 14.00 acres, more or less,
 There was no public input on this annexation tract.
- c) de Llano Tract III 45.84 acres, more or less, There was no public input on this annexation tract.
- d) Moreno Tract 12.46 acres, more or less,

Mr. Michael York addressed the council on the Moreno tract on his concern on the water fees allocated to this annexation area. He asked that the city give the developer consideration on the fees as the lots would be incremented by \$1,210 on each of the proposed 60 lots to be developed.

Carlos Villarreal, Asst. City Manager, stated that staff will look at this annexation again.

Mr. Danny Weirs asked that the other 5 annexations not be postponed, except the Moreno tract.

Mr. Oscar Moreno expressed his concern that it seemed to him that the city was stopping growth and that we should be looking at the human factors and how it's going to affect the poor people in the long run.

- e) Bruni Tract 32.17 acres, more or less, There was no public input on this tract.
- f) Muller II Tract 49.73 acres, more or less.

There was no public input on this tract.

Motion to close the public hearings.

Moved : Cm. G. Perez

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Second: Cm. Cardenas

Against: 0 Abstain: 0 For: 7

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn.

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Moved : Cm. Juarez Second: Cm. Perez

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Adjournment time: 10:15 P.M.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE MINUTES CONTAINED IN PAGES 01 TO 20 ARE TRUE, COMPLETE AND CORRECT PROCEEDINGS OFF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THE 20TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1993. A CERTIFIED COPY IS ON FILE AT THE CITY SECRETARY'S OFFICE

GUSTAVO GUEVARA, JRA

QITY SECRETARY

MINUTES PREPARED BY: Delia Rodriguez, Deputy City Secretary II APPROVED BY CITY COUNCIL ON: