

CITY OF LAREDO
LAREDO, TEXAS
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CIVIC CENTER CONFERENCE ROOMS 1 & 2
2400 SAN BERNARDO AVENUE
5:30 P. M.

AGENDA M90-R-13 Minutes March 19, 1990

I. CALL TO ORDER

(016.1) Mayor Aldo Tatangelo called the meeting to order.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

(020.1) Mayor Aldo Tatangelo led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. ROLL CALL

(033.1) ALDO TATANGELO, MAYOR
JACINTO P. JUAREZ, COUNCILMEMBER, DISTRICT II
SAUL N. RAMIREZ, JR., " " III
BLAS CASTANEDA, " " V
DAVID R. CORTEZ, " " VI
HECTOR J. LIENDO, " " VII
CONSUELO "CHELO" MONTALVO, " " VIII
HORTENCIA C. GONZALEZ, CITY SECRETARY
PETER H. VARGAS, CITY MANAGER
ANTHONY MCGETTRICK, CITY ATTORNEY

ABSENCES:

SANTOS BENAVIDES, COUNCILMEMBER, DISTRICT I

Motion to excuse Cm. Santos Benavides from the meeting due to another commitment: Ramirez, Jr.

Second: Montalvo

For: 5 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

(056.1) 2. Regular City Council Meeting: February 26, 1990
Regular City Council Meeting: March 5, 1990
Special City Council Meeting: March 12, 1990

Motion to approve: Juarez

Second: Montalvo

For: 5 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

V. INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCE(S)

- (072.2) 3. Accepting the dedication of the 1.359 acres as a park in the plat of the Las Brisas-Del Mar, Phase I Subdivision, by the developer, Las Brisas-Del Mar, a Joint Venture.

Ms. Zita Palacios, speaking on behalf of Las Brisas Association, requested assistance in developing a park in the area.

Cm. Cortez stated that he together with Cm. Ramirez, Jr. have visited the park on several occasions and have found the need for a park in Las Brisas. He further requested that City Council accept the dedication of this park and that staff develop a park plan for consideration during next year's budget.

Ordinance Introduction: Mayor & Councilmembers

- (431.1) 4. Authorizing the sale of Bartlett Avenue, between Vicente and San Luis Streets to Maurice Alexander, Samuel Meyer and Roslyn A. Mandel.

Ordinance Introduction: Street Closing Committee.

- (475.1) 5. Authorizing the City Manager to execute a lease with the Texas Department of Human Services for 11,256 square feet of the City Health and Welfare Building from March 1, 1990, to August 31, 1993, with a right of renewal to August 31, 1997.

Ordinance Introduction: All Councilmembers

- (489.1) 6. Approving a renewed lease agreement with Otilio Limon dba Laredo Hat Company for Building #1333 at the Laredo International Airport located at 3918 North Jarvis.

Ordinance Introduction: Juarez

- (497.1) 7. Approving a lease agreement with Daniel Radiator Corporation for a tract of land consisting of 4.2434 acres at the Laredo International Airport.

Ordinance Introduction: Juarez

VI. FINAL READING(S)

- (506.1) Motion to waive the Final Reading of Ordinance(s) #90-0-56, #90-0-57, #90-0-58, #90-0-59, #90-0-60, #90-0-61 and #90-0-62: Ramirez, Jr.

Second: Castaneda

For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

(533.1)

8. 90-0-56 Annexing 1.07 acre tract of land adjacent to the Towne East Sub-division. This land is located south of U.S. Highway 59 and south of Towne East Subdivision, Phase I as requested by David Killam owner of property.

Motion to approve: Ramirez, Jr.
Second: Castaneda
For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

9. 90-0-57 Closing as a public easement that section of Bartlett Avenue, between San Luis and Vicente Streets.

Motion to approve: Ramirez, Jr.
Second: Castaneda
For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

10. 90-0-58 Closing as a public easement the north one-half of Lexington Avenue, between Stewart and Reynolds Streets.

Motion to approve: Ramirez, Jr.
Second: Castaneda
For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

11. 90-0-59 Amending the Subdivision Ordinance Section 3-6(H)(12)(b), pertaining to Curb and Gutter Improvements along State Highways.

Motion to approve: Ramirez, Jr.
Second: Castaneda
For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

12. 90-0-60 Authorizing City Manager to execute a lease agreement with Reagan National Advertising to place an outdoor sign on City property located at IH-35 and Farias Street, and receiving a rental income of \$1,200 annually. An Amendment has been added to include a Termination Clause.

Motion to approve: Ramirez, Jr.
Second: Castaneda
For: 5 Against: 0 Abstain: Liendo

13. 90-0-62 Annexing 90.51 acres of land known as Northview Park located East of IH-35 west of McPherson Road, north of Las Brisas Subdivision, contiguous to the City's corporate limits.

Motion to approve: Ramirez, Jr.
Second: Castaneda
For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

VII. RESOLUTION(S)
(790.1) 14. 90-R-22

Honoring City Secretary Hortencia C. Gonzalez.

Motion to approve: Juarez
Second: Ramirez, Jr.
For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

(916.1) 15. 90-R-24 Recognizing Victor Lozano, owner of the Tecolotes, for being selected as "League Executive of the Year" and designating Saturday March 24, 1990, as Victor Lozano Day in the City of Laredo.

Motion to approve: Ramirez, Jr.
Second: Cortez
For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

(1080.1) 16. 90-R-23 Recognizing the need for a Comprehensive Water Pollution control Program for the City of Laredo and presenting this resolution to the South Texas Development Council and the Texas Municipal League to seek their cooperation in the development of a joint Rio Grande Pollution Control Program.

Motion to approve: Ramirez, Jr.
Second: Montalvo
For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

(1161.1) 17. 90-R-25 Supporting the proposition that life begins at conception.

Addressed jointly with Item XI(46).

(2763.1) Ms. Peggy Coleman Shearer, registered nurse, stated that she is not for abortion, but voiced concern with legislation which may be passed in this respect and requested consideration of other aspects involving this issue.

(2885.1) Ms. Marie Coussolis, nurse, commented that this issue was not political but rather a religious issue and people should have their own beliefs.

Speaking in favor of the resolution was Mr. Roger

Garza, Mr. Rex Moses and Sister Andrew of Mercy Hospital.

Councilmembers expressed concern with possible lawsuits occurring if legislation passed as well as involvement of the governing body in this controversial issue. Establishment of programs to address children adoptions as an alternate solution was also discussed.

Motion to approve Resolution: Liendo

Second: Ramirez, Jr.

For: 4 Against: 0 Abstain: Cortez & Montalvo

VIII. MOTIONS

- (2424.3) 18. Approval of Final Acceptance of Alta Mira Drive Street Improvements.

Motion to approve: Ramirez, Jr.

Second: Cortez

For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

- (2441.3) 19. Approval of Amendment No. 4 for an increase of \$3,000 to Foster Engineering Co. for Professional Services Contract on Tapeyste-Mier to Chacon Creek Storm Drainage and Street Improvement project. (1986 Bond)

Motion to approve: Ramirez, Jr.

Second: Cortez

For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

- (2448.3) 20. Approval of Change Order No. 1 of an increase of \$3,331.20 to Parker Bridge and Engineering Co. and Final Acceptance of Springfield Bridge and Street Improvements project.

Motion to approve: Cortez

Second: Castaneda

For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

21. Approval of refund on tax overpayment to Killam Development Corporation in the amount of \$569.94.

Motion to approve: Cortez

Second: Castaneda

For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

22. Approval of Contract to Gonzalez Auto Parts, Laredo Motor Mart, and Velco Inc., for an annual supply contract of automotive parts.

Motion to approve: Cortez

Second: Castaneda
For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

23. Approval of Contract to Noland/Mars, McAllen Pipe & Supply, A & P Water, Rohan, and International Supply for an annual supply contract for mechanical joint fittings and PVC pipe.

Motion to approve: Cortez
Second: Castaneda
For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

24. Approval and Contract to Motorola for the purchase of eleven radios for the Laredo Narcotics Task Force.

Motion to approve: Cortez
Second: Castaneda
For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

25. Approval of Contract to J.C. Twiss Co., Laredo, Texas for the purchase of 61 body armor vests for the Police Department.

Motion to approve: Cortez
Second: Castaneda
For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

26. Approval of Final Acceptance of North Bound Exit Ramp Modification to International Bridge No. 1.

Motion to approve: Cortez
Second: Castaneda
For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

27. Approval of Amendment No. 1 for an increase of \$9,930 for Professional Services Contract to G. G. Salinas, Inc. on the Anna Truck Route Project.

Motion to approve: Cortez
Second: Castaneda
For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

28. Approval of change Order No. 3 for an increase of Contract time of 23 calendar days on the new City Hall project.

Motion to approve: Cortez
Second: Castaneda
For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

29. Approval of Change Order No. 3 for an increase of \$2,491 and increase of Contract time of 10 days

on the Zacate Creek Park Project.

Motion to approve: Cortez

Second: Castaneda

For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

30. Approval of contract to IBM for the purchase of computer equipment for the Health Department.

Motion to approve: Cortez

Second: Castaneda

For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

- (740.3) 31. Approval of Construction Contract for the Robertshaw 165,000 square foot facility at the Laredo International Airport to Leyendecker Construction Inc. in the amount of \$3,871,620, contingent upon the City of Laredo receiving EDA grant.

City Manager Peter H. Vargas made presentation of the project.

Mr. Cox, General Manager for the Laredo and Nuevo Laredo Plant, thanked City Council for expediting project.

Motion to approve: Juarez

Second: Cortez

For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

IX. CITY MANAGER'S REPORTS

- (2997.3) 32. Request to set a date for Council's review of City Manager's performance.

Motion to hold a Special City Council Meeting on March 26, 1990 at 6:00 P.M., Civic Center Rooms 1 & 2: Cortez

Second: Castaneda

For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

- (2136.2) 33. Presentation of 1988 - 1989 Audit Report.

Mr. Hamilton, firm of Peat Marwick, presented an overview of the audit report.

Motion to accept the auditor's report as presented: Ramirez, Jr.

Second: Juarez

For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

- (3037.3) 34. Discussion and award of EMS Coordinator Contract.

Motion to approve: Juarez
 Second: Cortez
 For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

- (3085.3) 35. Discussion on voting place at the Laredo Civic Center due to conflicts with prior convention reservations.

Motion to authorize the City Manager and City Secretary to discuss with Mr. Abraham Rodriguez the possibility of using one of the housing meeting places as an absentee polling place; if that is not possible, then as part of the motion, to request and talk to the Mall people about possibly of using one of their facilities or the Airport: Castaneda
 Second: Cortez
 For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

- (1698.3) 36. Introduction of members of law firm retained by City for water rights and environmental matters; and Executive Session pursuant to Article 6252-17, Sec.2(e), Revised Civil Statutes, for consultation with said attorneys.

Mr. Robert Lloyd, firm of Lloyd, Gosselinck, Fowler, Blevins and Mathews, made presentation of water rights and environmental matters.

- (3630.3) 37. Executive session pursuant to Article 6252-17, Sec.(e) to discuss case of City of Laredo v. James T. Odiorne, Receiver and possible action on proposed settlement of the case.

Motion to go into Executive Session: Ramirez, Jr.
 Second: Juarez
 For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Upon their return, Mayor Pro-Tem Saul N. Ramirez, Jr. announced that no action was taken. The City Attorney was instructed to proceed in accordance with the recommendations that were presented.

X. CITY COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

38. Request from the Mayor and the Councilmembers for discussion and possible Council action:

A. Request from Mayor Aldo Tatangelo:
 1. Appointments to City/County Committee on Education.

Item 38(A)1 was tabled to the next meeting.

B. Request(s) from Cm. Jacinto P. Juarez:

1. Report on lighting of main arterials.

Item 38(B)1 was tabled to the next meeting.

2. Presentation by Ms. Joan Gillespie in support of Adolescent Parenting Task Force.

Ms. Joan Gillespie, Coordinator of Adolescent Parenting Task Force, spoke on behalf of the program.

Motion to support the program: Juarez
Second: Ramirez, Jr.

For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

3. Discussion and possible action on Agreement with County to re-surface 6/10 of a mile for a road adjacent to Lake Casa Blanca.

Item 38(B)3 was tabled to the next meeting.

(2930.2)

4. Discussion concerning the establishment of an International Trade Center.

Mr. Armando Ramirez, citizen, explained that the International Trade Center should be in City property. It could be established by using the resources of the Port Authority and Foreign Trade Zone and accomplish the following objectives:

1. Make Laredo the terminal point for all goods and services from Mexico and South America.
2. Generate over 1,000 jobs.
3. Annual goods and services sales over 500 million dollars.
4. Add 5 million dollars to city revenue that could be used as Laredo Fund for industry or industrial sites.
5. Revitalize banking and financial institutions for a robust and healthy future doc to increase deposits and transactions.

Councilmembers Jacinto P. Juarez, Blas Castaneda and David R. Cortez were named to the committee that will work with this particular project.

5. Status Report on items presented at 3-5-90 Council meeting:

- (A) Traffic light adjacent to Waterworks bldg.
- (B) Diversification of sport facilities.
- (C) Waving fees from Sunday to Saturday at landfill.

Item 38(B)5 was tabled to the next meeting.

(083.4)

C. Request(s) from Cm. Blas Castaneda:

- 1. Status report on employee training program.
(Tabled from 2/5/90, 2/26/90 & 3/5/90)

Mr. Jesus Olivares, Parks & Recreation Director, stated that classes are set to start at Laredo Junior College this month.

- 2. Discussion regarding traffic conditions at Springfield and Taylor Streets.
(Tabled 2/26/90 & 3/5/90)

Item 38(C)2 was tabled to the next meeting.

- 3. Citizen's request to access his property through City Park.
(Tabled 2/26/90 & 3/5/90)

Item addressed jointly with Item 39.

D. Request from Cw. Chelo Montalvo.

- 1. Status report on Rental Rehab Program.
(Tabled from 2/26/90 & 3/5/90)

Item 38(D)1 tabled to the next meeting.

E. Request from Cm. Santos Benavides:

- 1. Regarding installation of traffic signal at Chacon and Meadow. (Mr. Gonzalez)
(Tabled from 2/26/90 & 3/5/90)

Item 38(E)1 tabled to the next meeting.

F. Request(s) from Cm. Hector J. Liendo:

- 1. Discussion and possible action on center for the deaf.
(Tabled 2/26/90 & 3/5/90)

Item 38(F)1 tabled to the next meeting.

- 2. Request report regarding revenues derived from February festivities and how same will be expended.
(Tabled from 2/26/90 & 3/5/90)

Item 38(F)2 tabled to the next meeting.

7:00 P.M.

- R E C E S S -

XI. COMMUNICATIONS

(1334.2) 39. Discussion on providing possible exits at the Zacate Creek Park by Mr. Simon Villarreal.

Mr. Simon Villarreal made a presentation and requested that a ramp be built to have accessibility to the park.

Mr. Carlos Mejia, Foster Engineering, explained that problems could arise by allowing residents to exit from their property through the park.

Committee members include Councilmembers Chelo Montalvo, Jacinto P. Juarez, Blas Castaneda, and Mayor Aldo Tatangelo.

Motion that a committee be named to include 2 Councilmembers, Cm. Castaneda and staff to work on providing exits at the Zacate Creek Park: Castaneda

Second: Cortez

For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

(1005.2) 40. Discussion of parking project for Central Business District by Mr. George Hachar.

Mr. George Hachar, local businessman, made presentation regarding construction of a multi-level parking garage on Block 61, W.D. and described the proposed project.

It was Council's consensus that Councilmembers Jacinto P. Juarez, Hector J. Liendo, Chelo Montalvo, and Mayor Aldo Tatangelo be part of the committee with Mayor Pro-Tem Saul N. Ramirez, Jr. acting as Chairman of the committee.

Motion that a committee be name to work with Mr. Hachar and return with recommendations: Montalvo

Second: Ramirez, Jr.

For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

XII. PUBLIC HEARING(S)

(114.3) Motion to open the Public Hearing(s); Ramirez, Jr.

Second: Castaneda

For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

(119.3) 41. Request of Trautmann Investments Properties,

Ltd. to rezone a 10.6899 acre tract of land Porciones 25 & 26, to rezone RSM (Residential Suburban Multi-Family) to R-2 (Multi-Family Residential District) West of McPherson Road, between Del Mar Blvd. and Manor Rd.

INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCE

CHANGING FROM RSM (RESIDENTIAL SUBURBAN MULTI-FAMILY) TO R-2 (MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT) 10.6899 ACRE TRACT OF LAND PORCIONES 25 & 26 LOCATED WEST OF MCPHERSON ROAD BETWEEN DEL MAR BLVD. AND MANOR RD.

(Recessed 2/26/90 & Tabled 3/5/90)

Mr. Paul Payne, 203 Merlin, and Mr. Carlos Mejia, Foster Engineering, made presentation as to the proposed zone change.

Motion to recess the Public Hearing for the next City Council meeting: Cortez

Second: Castaneda

For: 5 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

(Without Cw. Montalvo who stepped out momentarily)

(840.3)

Motion to open the Public Hearing: Ramirez, Jr.

Second: Cortez

For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

42. Request of Leticia Aguilar to rezone Lot 7, Block 1067 WD, from R-3 (Mixed Residential District) to B-3 (Community Business District) located at 4302 San Agustin.

INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCE

CHANGING FROM R-3 (MIXED RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT) TO B-3 (COMMUNITY BUSINESS DISTRICT), LOT 7, BLOCK 1067 WD, LOCATED AT 4302 SAN AGUSTIN.

Mr. Dave Pasley, City Planner, described the proposed zone change.

Mr. Ron Whitehawk, representing Ms. Leticia Aguilar, explained that area residents are in favor of the proposed zone change.

Cm. Cortez requested that a report be brought forth at the next meeting regarding information as to the zone of a particular property when it is to be sold.

Motion to override the Planning & Zoning Commission recommendation and approve the zone change: Liendo

Second: Castaneda

For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Ordinance Introduction: Liendo

- (1286.3) 43. Request of South Texas Land Developers, Inc. to rezone 6.3195 acre tract of land, Porcion 26, Abstract 282 from B-3 (Community Business District) to B-4 (Highway Commercial District) located on the Southwest corner of Mann Road and IH-35.

INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCE
 CHANGING FROM B-3 (COMMUNITY BUSINESS DISTRICT) TO B-4 (HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL DISTRICT) 6.3195 ACRE TRACT OF LAND PORCION 26, ABSTRACT 282 LOCATED ON THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF MANN ROAD AND IH-35.

Motion to open the Public Hearing: Ramirez, Jr.
 Second: Montalvo
 For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Mr. Dave Pasley, City Planner, presented the proposed zone change.

Mr. Ron Whitehawk, representing South Texas Land Developers, explained the proposed project.

Motion to approve: Cortez
 Second: Ramirez, Jr.
 For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Ordinance Introduction: Cortez

- (1523.3) 44. Request of Santa Rita Development Inc., owner of property, to rezone a 56.9554 acre tract, Porcion 37, Abstract 410, Webb County, from AG (Agricultural District) to R-2 (Multi-Family Residential District), located Northeast of Prada Machin Drive and West of U.S. 83. (Recessed 3/5/90)

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE
 AMENDING THE ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF LAREDO TO REZONE 56.9554 ACRE TRACT, PORCION 37, ABSTRACT 410, WEBB COUNTY, FROM AG (AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT) TO R-2 (MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT, LOCATED NORTHEAST OF PRADA MACHIN DRIVE AND WEST OF U.S. 83, SOUTH LAREDO AS REQUESTED BY SANTA RITA DEVELOPMENT INC., OWNER OF PROPERTY.

Motion to open the Public Hearing: Ramirez, Jr.
 Second: Juarez
 For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Mr. Dave Pasley, City Planner, explained the proposed zone change.

Mr. Cesareo Porras, P.E., advocate, presented proposal.

Motion to waive the Final Reading and approve Ordinance #90-0-61: Juarez

Second: Castaneda

For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Ordinance Introduction: Juarez

SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA

IX. CITY MANAGER'S REPORTS

45. Discussion of the Branch Polling Place for the May 5, 1990 Election and possible amendment to Resolution No. 90-R-12.

Item addressed jointly with Item 35.

XI. COMMUNICATION(S)

46. Presentation by Mr. Rex Moses in support of the proposition that life begins at conception.

Item same as Item 46.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT.

Motion to adjourn: Ramirez, Jr.

Second: Cortez

For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Adjournment was at 11:00 P.M.

THIS NOTICE WAS POSTED AT THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, CORNER OF FLORES AND LINCOLN STREETS, LAREDO, TEXAS AT A PLACE CONVENIENT AND READILY ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC AT ALL TIMES. SAID NOTICE WAS POSTED ON MARCH 16, 1990 AT 3:00 P.M.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT ABOVE MINUTES CONTAINED IN PAGES 01 TO ARE TRUE, COMPLETE AND CORRECT PROCEEDINGS OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THE 19TH DAY OF MARCH, 1990. A CERTIFIED COPY IS ON FILE IN THE CITY SECRETARY'S OFFICE.


HORTENCIA C. GONZALEZ
CITY SECRETARY

MINUTES PREPARED BY: Gloria M. Garza, Deputy City Secretary