

CITY OF LAREDO  
Laredo, Texas  
Regular City Council Meeting  
2400 San Bernardo Avenue  
Civic Center Conference Rooms 1 & 2  
6:00 P. M.

AGENDA NO: M88-R-12

DATE: APRIL 18, 1988

## IN ATTENDANCE:

ALDO TATANGELO, MAYOR	(Arrived at 6:30 P.M.)	
DR. JACINTO P. JUAREZ, COUNCILMEMBER, DISTRICT II		
SAUL N. RAMIREZ, JR.,	" " "	III
MARGARITO BENAVIDES, JR.,	" " "	IV
ENRIQUE "HENRY" TREVINO,	" " "	V
DAVID R. CORTEZ,	" " "	VI
JOSE A. VALDEZ,	" " "	VII
JOHN PETER MONTALVO,	" " "	VIII
HORTENCIA C. GONZALEZ, CITY SECRETARY		
R. MARVIN TOWNSEND, CITY MANAGER		
MARTHA MARTINEZ, ASSISTANT CITY ATTORNEY		
ANTHONY McGETTRICK, CITY ATTORNEY		

## ABSENCES:

SANTOS BENAVIDES, COUNCILMEMBER, DISTRICT I

## I. MAYOR TO CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

(010.1) With a quorum present, Mayor Pro-Tem opened the meeting and Chaired until the Mayor's arrival.

## II. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

(018.1) Regular City Council Meeting: April 4, 1988  
Emergency City Council Meeting: April 8, 1988

Motion to approve: Montalvo

Second: Ramirez, Jr.

For: 7                   Against: 0                   Abstain: 0

## III. COMMUNICATIONS

(405.1) Councilman Montalvo read a letter from Mr. Jose Tovar who complained of loud sound system at the baseball field. Mr. Tovar made the following suggestions:

1. Games can be scheduled for Sunday afternoon, as it was over 50 years ago.
2. The loud speakers can be arranged so that only the fans benefit instead of the whole community.
3. Volume of loud speakers can be reduced.
4. Games can be played in Nuevo Laredo.
5. The field can be relocated to the vicinity of the Cigarroa School.
6. Games can be scheduled for daylight hours as was done during last Thursday's game.

Item was taken under advisement.

## IV. RECOGNITIONS

(029.1) Cm. Jacinto P. Juarez - Resolution commending the Laredo Junior College Computer Information System Team for its successful completion in a statewide college programming contest at Tarleton State University in Stephenville, Texas on March 26, 1988.

Cm. Juarez presented and congratulated the students in the successful team headed by Mr. Patrick Wong. They are:

Sandra Montante, Veronica Sanchez, Adriana Villarreal, Luis Acosta, Joe Chacon, Ida North, Hector Perez, Maritza Perez, and Hector Torres.

Motion to approve Resolution Juarez

Second: Montalvo

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

(220.1)

Cm. John Peter Montalvo -

Certificates of Appreciation to his appointees:

Ms. Esterine Pulido, Library Board

Ms. Mary Cantu, Library Board

Mrs. Consuelo Montalvo, Transportation/Traffic Advisory Board

Mr. Arnulfo Marquez, Planning & Zoning Commission

Mr. Jorge Vergara, Airport Advisory Board

Ms. Peggy Coleman Shearer, Cable Commission

Ms. Lily Perez, Laredo Improvement Corporation

Mr. Efrain Sanchez, City Charter Evaluation Committee

Recognitions are to be placed on the next agenda when all appointees are present. Councilman Montalvo as well as the City Council thanked those appointees that were present this evening: (Mrs. Consuelo Montalvo, Ms.

Peggy Coleman, Ms. Lily

Perez, and Mr. Efrain Sanchez).

V. PUBLIC HEARING(S)

(460.1)

Motion to open the Public Hearing(s): Juarez

Second: M. Benavides

For: 6

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

A. To consider possible annexation of the following areas:

(514.1)

(a) Highway 59 East

An area south of Highway 59, east of the existing City Limits and north of Moreno Addition, including about 5 acres of the proposed Town East Subdivision (residential). The area contains about 250 acres and 15 dwelling units and is able to receive water and sewer service from existing mains, assuming usual subdivision improvements.

City Manager Townsend described the areas proposed to be annexed.

(587.1)

(b) South Laredo

(1) One area, between Highway 83 and the Rio Grande River and north of Masterson Road, is surrounded by the City and is crossed by a major sewage transmission line. This tract includes approximately 250 acres and 6 dwellings.

(2) The other area is east of Highway 83, and includes the highway and strip on both sides of Hwy. 83 south 1000 feet from the present City Limits at Santa Rita Subdivision, including about 90 acres.

City Manager Townsend stated that city's staff concern is primarily the fact that the water system might allow further extensions and connections without it being control by the city, and without the applicants going through the platting process and the permit process. Mr. Garza has indicated to us that prior to the time when this can be scheduled for final reading or even the introductory reading at the May 11th meeting, that he would arrange for the transfer of this water system to the city so that the city would then have control over the connections to that water system. We would suggest to you that if that is done, before the time we come for the introduction of this matter, that there is no real pressing need for this area to be annexed. The main reason why we recommend this area to be annexed was to see that the water system was placed as part of the city's system and so there could not be a new extensions, like the house that was built within the last year or so,

added in that area without going through the requirements of the City Charter and the City Ordinances."

(648.1) Interstate 35  
(c) An area of approximately 442 acres north of the City along Interstate 35 for 3.65 miles generally following Interstate 35 and the Union Pacific Railroad with a width of 1000 feet. The land involved will have access to a proposed water line upon payment of usual subdivision and water line extension costs. Annexation of this area will extend the City Limits to a point from which all of the proposed industrial subdivision near the entrance to Univoyal's facilities will be within 5 miles of the City and also within the area where tractors from Mexico can travel without Texas registration or Texas licensed drivers.

City Manager Townsend explained the area proposed to be annexed.

(d) Mines Road  
An area of approximately 664 acres on both sides of the Mines Road for 5 miles from the existing City Limits, including Pueblo North Subdivision and near-by unpaved warehouse property.

Staff made presentation of the Mines Road area proposed to be annexed.

(659.1) Mr. Paul Garza, property owner in south Laredo, spoke of easements and also concurs that there will be no new construction except as related to a present tenant, unless the property is platted.

(816.1) Mr. Paul Young, property owner in Highway 59, requested information as to a fire hydrant, water lines, sewage and police protection for that area.

City Manager Townsend stated that it is staff's recommendation that there be a water main extension and a fire hydrant added as this area is annexed. As far as sewer service, it is not a part of the annexation process.

(892.1) Mr. Trinidad Silva, citizen, made a statement as to the City Manager's recommendation to annex the 4 proposed areas.

(937.1) Councilman Valdez stated that he does not anticipate any problems with the Highway 59 East annexation.

Councilman Montalvo spoke in favor of annexing the areas on Interstate 35 and Mines Road.

Councilman Trevino also favors annexing Interstate 35 and Mines Road.

Councilman M. Benavides, Jr. spoke in favor of annexing Interstate 35 only.

Councilman Ramirez, also concurs with favoring the Interstate 35 and Mines Road areas.

(1205.1) Councilman Juarez supports the annexing of Interstate 35 and Mines Road areas, including the 5 acres of the proposed Town East Subdivision of Highway 59 East area.

Councilman Cortez expressed concern in annexing the 5 acres of the proposed Town East Subdivision by itself. He prefers annexing the whole area or none at all. He also spoke in favor of annexing Interstate 35 area and Mines Road, and opposes the annexation of

areas on Highway 59 East and South Laredo.

- (1470.1) Councilman Ramirez urged Councilmembers to consider Councilman Juarez' request to amend the annexation of the Highway 59 East area, based on the fact that staff recommended annexation prior to this particular one.
- (1560.1) City Manager Townsend explained that the reason staff keeps recommending annexations is to try to capture the tax base within the city limits created by economic activity. The Tax Appraisal Review Board has reduced more values than the combination of new construction and annexation and all capital improvements that have been added to the city.
- (2248.1) Motion to close the Public Hearing(s): Juarez  
Second: M. Benavides, Jr.  
For: 7              Against: 0              Abstain: 0
- (2260.1) Motion not to proceed with the annexation of Highway 59 East: Valdez  
Second: Cortez  
For: 4              Against: Ramirez, Juarez & Trevino      Abstain: 0
- (2320.1) Motion not to proceed with the annexation of South Laredo: Valdez  
Second: Montalvo  
For: 7              Against: 0              Abstain: 0
- (2333.1) Motion to proceed with the annexation of Interstate 35 area: Cortez  
Second: Montalvo  
For: 7              Against: 0              Abstain: 0
- (2362.1) Motion to proceed with the annexation of the Mines Road area: Cortez  
Second: Trevino  
For: 6              Against: M. Benavides, Jr.      Abstain: 0
- (2393.1) B. On the proposed assessments for installation of a 6" water line and 8" sewer line along Iturbide Street from Santa Rita to Santa Cecilia Avenues. The proposed assessments have been calculated on the basis of \$10.00 per foot for the sewer line (actual cost approximately \$12.66 per front foot) and \$10.00 per per front foot for the water line (Actual approximately \$12.00 per front foot) or about 80% of actual cost. This block of Iturbide was previously part of the pit and thus has never had water or sewer service.
- INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCE
- CLOSING THE HEARING ON THE EL CUATRO PIT II SANITARY SEWER AND WATER IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT AND FIXING A LIEN AND CHARGE.
- Mr. Amador Escudero, City Engineering, explained the proposed assessments for installation of a 6" water line and 8" sewer line.
- Ms. Frances Villarreal, Real Estate Appraiser, described the properties and found that the enhancements were above the amounts that they were being assessed for.
- (2836.1) City Manager Townsend stated that this project would eliminate all of the problems that have existed at El Cuatro Pit.
- Councilman Montalvo thanked residents for patience during process of completing project.

(3063.1) Councilman Juarez stated that he supports the project, but clarified that the City's share is derived from the Community Development Block Grant Program.

(3100.1) Mr. Rodolfo Mendez, area resident, expressed his concern regarding the pit (filling).

Motion to close the Public Hearing(s): Montalvo

Second: M. Benavides, Jr.

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Ordinance Introduction: Montalvo

(3407.1) C. On the proposed assessment for El Cuatro Pit II Paving Assessment Project for the following streets:

	FROM	TO	BLOCKS
Santa Cimetiide	Zaragoza	Lincoln	3
Iturbide	Sta. Rita	Main	2
Sta. Rita	Iturbide	Approx. 140' South of Iturbide	1/2
TOTAL			5 1/2
City's Share \$ 31,526.38			
Assessments \$ 31,039.69			
Low Bid + 10% \$112,566.07			

#### INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCE

CLOSING THE HEARING ON THE EL CUATRO PIT II PAVING ASSESSMENT PROJECT AND FIXING A LINE AND CHARGE.

Item addressed jointly with V(B).

Motion to close the Public Hearing(s): Montalvo

Second: Valdez

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Ordinance Introduction: Montalvo

(3415.1) D. Consideration of the Statement of Intent to use this City's 14th Entitlement Community Development Block Grant Funds of \$2,769,000. The application must be submitted no later than May 31, 1988 for funds to be available for expenditure July 1, 1988. The purpose of this hearing is to explain how the funds may be used and to allow the public to provide comment. The following use of the money is proposed.

Administration (staff)	\$ 348,728
Code Enforcement (staff)	78,000
Housing Rehabilitation	
Administration (Staff)	176,500
Housing Rehabilitation Loan	405,000
Day Care Program-City Share	150,000
Family Care Program-City Share	80,000
Street Improvements	1,530,772
TOTAL \$2,769,000	

Paving projects already authorized, with engineering now underway by contract City Engineering (220 blocks) will require almost \$3,000,000 of Community Development money. If \$1,530,772 is allocated to streets in this 1988-89 program, an additional \$1,500,000 will be required from the 1989-90 program to complete these already authorized street projects.

Ms. Cynthia Celizaez, Community Development Department Programs Administrator, explained how the funds may be used and welcomed any public input.

(022.2) Mr. Enrique De La Garza, inquired as to how amounts are allocated in each line item.

(170.1) Ms. Peggy Coleman Shearer, concerned citizen, stated

that not everyone is being reached.

- (230.2) Councilman Ramirez, Jr. requested that at the next public hearing the Community Development Department return with actual statistics as to the numbers of people that have been served and loans that have been made, not only for the present year but go back 2 or 3 years in order to see the full impact that this money has.
- (310.2) Councilman Montalvo asked as to number of people served through the Family Care Program.
- Ms. Cynthia Collazo, CDD Program Administrator, stated that they are presently serving 294 elderly persons.
- (334.2) Councilman Valdez clarified that City Council does not have the authority to allocate these monies.
- (433.2) Councilman Cortez explained that these monies go to targeted areas, but he believes that monies should be targeted for the entire City, not just selected areas.
- (504.2) Councilman Trevino clarified that regarding the Day Care Program-City's Share (\$150,000) is matched by the Federal Government.
- City Manager Townsend concurred that the Day Care Program-City Share of \$150,000 is matching about \$750,000 of Federal money.
- (537.2) Councilman M. Benavides, Jr. stated that he concurs with the figures that were presented.
- (565.2) Councilman Ramirez, Jr. thanked the public that made comments and commended the department for a job well done.
- (585.2) Councilman Juarez stated that last year City Council received a more comprehensive plan related to the expenditures of the Community Development Department, in support of the work of this department.
- (1075.2) Mayor Tatangelo explained that the Laredo Industrial Development Foundation funds are not related to the Economic Development Funds of HUD.
- (1090.2) Councilman Valdez indicated that HUD provides guidelines as to how much money can be used for administrative purposes.
- (1275.2) Councilman M. Benavides, Jr. requested that staff include the percentage that HUD allows to be spent on salaries on the next report.
- (1298.2) Motion to close the Public Hearing and post another one for the next regular meeting: Ramirez, Jr.  
Second: Montalvo  
For: 7              Against: 0              Abstain: 0
- Motion to close the Public Hearing(s) and resume with the regular meeting: Juarez  
Second: Ramirez, Jr.  
For: 7              Against: 0              Abstain: 0
- VI. PRESENTATION(S)  
Requests by Mayor & Councilmembers for discussion with possible action:  
A. Requests from Mayor Aide Tatangelo:  
1. Overspending in several City departments.

Mayor Aido Tatangelo gave brief comments on the following:

1. Public Works Department - no other cities pick up branches.
  2. Engineering Department - duplication work being done by other departments.
  3. Planning Department - needs to be evaluated.
- (1553.3) 2. Status report on the number of Police Officers and Firemen since 1982 to February 1988.

Mayor Aido Tatangelo also received a report stating that there are 174 police officers in the department.

Councilman Ramirez, Jr. made a correction stating that there are 162 police officers in the force, the difference being the cadets.

- (1908.3) B. Requests from Cm. John Peter Montalvo:  
1. Resolution in support of overpasses on Zaragoza and Park Streets.

Motion that support of overpasses on Zaragoza into San Francisco Javier on El Cuatro Area and to Ladrillera over Park be included in the Capital Improvement Program: Montalvo

Second: Valdez

For: 7              Against: 0              Abstain: 0

- (1931.3) 2. Status report on requested study of traffic flow into Laredo Junior College from Santa Maria Avenue via Washington Street.

Mr. Luis Landin, Traffic Director, has submitted a request to the Texas Highway Department to review their previous studies to determine if the present arrangements can be modified.

- (1961.3) 3. Length of time railroad crossing is closed on Sanchez Street.

City Manager Townsend stated that staff has met with the trainmaster and will pursue this particular concern to its solution.

- (2015.3) 4. Enforcement of parking designated for use by the handicapped.

Staff to submit report at the next regular meeting.

- (2098.3) 5. Traffic light study at corner of San Agustin and Scott.

Staff to return with a report at the next meeting.

- (2135.3) 6. Possibility of developing Dyes Properties in west Laredo to a City, State, or federally funded park.

An invitation will be extended to the Interior Department for the possibility of funding a State or National Park.

- C. Requests from Cm. Santos Benavides:

- (2381.3) 1. The following area be designated for parking for voters during absentee voting period - April 19 to May 3, 1988:  
West side of 400 Block Flores between the hours of 8 A.M. and 5 P.M.

This item was withdrawn due to Cm. Benavides' absence.

(2403.3)

Motion to excuse Cm. Benavides from the meeting due to an emergency! Juarez  
 Second: Ramirez, Jr.  
 For: 7      Against: 0      Abstain: 0

2. Status report on paving on San Salvador Street.

Item tabled to the next meeting.

D. Request from Cm. Jacinto P. Juarez

(2564.3)

1. Mr. Glenn Farley, Hamilton Hotel Limited Partnership representative, is requesting to meet with the Council in a "workshop" type forum to discuss and outline the feasibility of using the Hamilton Hotel as an alternative site for the new City Hall.

Mr. Tom Whittmer, representing Mr. Glenn Farley, spoke of 2.9 million that could be saved by the City of Laredo if space is leased from the Hamilton Hotel for the City Hall.

Councilman Valdez requested that a Workshop be held so that Mr. Farley can present figures.

(2790.3)

2. Procedures for Councilmembers to follow regarding complaints reported to them by their constituents.

City Manager Townsend stated that if for any reason citizens believe their problems have not be solved or addressed by the prospective department heads, they should contact the city manager's office.

3. Discussion regarding the next steps to be taken regarding construction of the next international bridge. (Cm. Enrique "Henry" Trevino)

Item deferred to the next regular meeting.

E. Request from Cm. Jose A. Valdez

Set aside \$25,000 from the Tourist Promotion account to make no less than 100 silver medals to present on special occasions and to provide other monies for special guest officials visiting the City of Laredo; also the purchase of special ties for the members of the Council and other officials promoting the City of Laredo.

F. Requests from Cm. Enrique "Henry" Trevino

(1353.2)

1. Request of Project CAROL for City of Laredo to sponsor City buses for a City tour for the elderly on Wednesday, May 18, 1988 from 8:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.

Motion to approve request: Trevino

Second: Juarez

For: 7      Against: 0      Abstain: 0

G. The Planning Commission be requested to consider the master plan to connect Calle Del Norte to Mayberry Drive north of Clark School.  
 (Cm. David R. Cortez)

H. Presentation by Mr. Trinidad Silva on allegations of possible violations of the City of Laredo Equal Employment Opportunity Program and Affirmative Action Plan.

(Cm. Saul N. Ramirez, Jr.)

## VII. COMMITTEE REPORT(S)

(1913.2)

Presentation of the City's comprehensive audited

CPA

financial statements for the fiscal year which ended on September 30, 1987.

Mr. Eddie Guerra, Gonzalez, Farias, & Guerra, firm, made a brief presentation of reports submitted to City Council.

Motion to place this item for final consideration at the next regular meeting after City Council studies report submitted: Ramirez, Jr.

Second: Juarez

For: 7      Against: 0      Abstain: 0

VIII. REPORTS. IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT:

- (2404.1) A. A contract be awarded to Ben Construction, Inc., San Antonio, for \$195,790.71 for water, sewer, drainage Street and sidewalk improvements to the El Cuatro Pit area. The only other bid was \$227,993.00 by South Texas Utility Contractors, Mercedes. This Community development project includes:
- a) 1800 feet of Sanitary Sewer along Santa Cleotilde and Santa Rita Avenues.
  - b) 3 1/2 blocks of water mains
  - c) Street improvements on Santa Cleotilde Avenue from Zaragoza to Lincoln Streets. Iturbide Street from Santa Rita to Main Avenues and Santa Rita Avenue from Iturbide 1/2 block south
  - d) 125 feet of 18" storm sewer
  - e) Sidewalks along both sides of Santa Cleotilde Avenue from Iturbide to Zaragoza Street.

Item Withdrawn and is to be addressed at the next regular meeting. It is staff's recommendation that the contract be awarded to the second low bidder.

- (3500.2) B. Widening of Santa Maria Avenue from Iturbide to Zaragoza Streets be accepted from the contractor, Pete Gallegos Paving, Inc., the final change order reflecting net quantity reduction of \$1,226.75 be approved and final payment of \$20,237.03 be authorized. The revised total contract is \$83,164.85. Time extensions were granted because of delays requested by the City to avoid construction during peak shopping periods. The project was completed in 101 of the 102 days authorized. The project included widening Santa Maria to 36 feet, construction of 2 small parking areas, sidewalks, and traffic signal modification.

Motion to approve: Juarez

Second: M. Benavides, Jr.

For: 7      Against: 0      Abstain: 0

- (3517.2) C. Change Order #2 be approved for \$3,900 and 10 calendar days to modify McClean Construction, Inc.'s contract for the Zocate Creek Trunk Sewer to add lowering 75 feet of 36" storm sewer on the south side of Corpus Christi Street to get the storm sewer below the bore hole for the 36" sanitary sewer being installed east of Zocate Creek. The revised contract will be \$2,506,044.15 and the completion time 375 calendar days. Estimate completion January 1989.

Motion to approve: Trevino

Second: Juarez

For: 7      Against: 0      Abstain: 0

- (3533.2) D. Change order #6 of \$19,556 and 28 calendar days be approved for the Zocate Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant with Industrial Contractors, Inc. for repairs to the deteriorated upper section of the walls of the wet well of the biofilter pump station. The original plan

provided for grouting of the wet well wall, but deterioration was more extensive than originally anticipated and thus a new 6" reinforced concrete wall is needed. The revised contract will be \$6,978,507 and the revised contract time will be 853 calendar days.

Motion to approve: Ramirez, Jr.

Second: M. Benavides, Jr.

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

- (3555.2) E. Change order #7 for Industrial Contractors, Inc. contract for renovating and expanding the Zárate Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant be approved to increase the contract by \$12,553 and 8 calendar days to replace the bearing on the trickling filter. This replacement was not proposed but its condition has been reevaluated, while the unit is under repair and replacement is indicated. The revised contract will be \$6,991,060 and the contract time 861 days. The contract was awarded on April 13, 1986. Completion is now scheduled for August, 1988.

Motion to approve: Ramirez, Jr.

Second: M. Benavides, Jr.

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

- (3560.2) F. Plans and specifications be approved for Lyon-Frost-Meadow to Zárate Creek drainage improvements and bids be received on May 25, 1988. The area to be served by this 1986 Bond Election project is generally bounded by Ash Street on the north, Price Street on the south, Meadow Avenue on the east and Zárate Creek on the west. Actual construction will be along McPherson Frost, Tilden, Plum, Monterrey, Kearney and Maryland. The project includes 6500 feet of storm sewer pipe from 60" to 30", 38 inlets, 8 blocks of related voluntary street improvements and water and sewer relocation and betterments.

Motion to approve: M. Benavides, Jr.

Second: Montalvo

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

- (3705.2) G. The following actions be taken regarding the 8 block Lyon/Frost Drainage & Paving Assessment Project.

1. A public hearing be held on June 6, 1988 at 6:00 P.M. at the Civic Center as part of the regular City Council Meeting on the proposed assessment roll which includes 36 parcels and \$41,617.80 of estimated assessments. The Housing Authority's part of the proposed assessments of \$11,897 has already been paid.
2. Plans and specifications be approved and bids be received on May 25, 1988 for construction of the following streets as part of the Lyon-Frost - Meadow to Zárate Creek Drainage Project.

	FROM	TO	BLOCKS
Frost	Hendricks	McPherson	2
Valencia	Lyon	Frost	1
Plum	Springsfield	Logan	4
McPherson	Lyon	Frost	1
TOTAL . . . . .			8

#### INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCE

LYON/FROST DRAINAGE & PAVING ASSESSMENT PROJECT,  
DECLARING THE NECESSITY FOR AND ORDERING THE  
PAVING AND IMPROVEMENT OF CERTAIN STREETS IN THE  
CITY OF LAREDO, TEXAS; APPROVING THE STREET PAVING  
ASSESSMENT ROLL AND COST ESTIMATES AS PREPARED BY  
THE CITY ENGINEER; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATIONS; AND  
DIRECTING THE CITY SECRETARY TO POST THIS ORDINANCE  
WITH THE COUNTY CLERK AS NOTICE OF ITS ENACTMENT;

AND ORDERING AND SETTING PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 6th  
DAY OF JUNE 1988.

Mr. Amador Escudero, City Engineer, explained the  
the proposed project.

Motion to approve: M. Benavides, Jr.

Second: Valdez

For: 7              Against: 0              Abstain: 0

- (3835.2) H. Bids be received on May 5, 1988 for an annual supply contract for the following industrial uniforms.

	SHIRTS		TROUSERS	
	SHORT SLEEVE	LONG SLEEVE	STRAIGHT CUT	JEAN CUT
CIVIC CENTER	36	4	8	32
WATER	86	171	139	102
SEWER	53	77	62	72
AIRPORT	52	68	110	0
HEALTH	56	56	56	56
TOTAL	<u>233</u>	376	375	262

City Manager Townsend stated that it is staff's recommendation to include Public Works Department.

Motion to approve: Trevino

Second: Cortez

For: 7              Against: 0              Abstain: 0

- (079.3) I. A contract be approved for \$26,700 with Laredo Junior College to continue the Hotel-Motel Tax Fund support of the Republic of the Rio Grand Museum operations. The City's participation in 1986-87 was \$23,700.

Motion to approve: Ramirez, Jr.

Second: Trevino

For: 7              Against: 0              Abstain: 0

- (121.3) J. Change Order #3 for \$5,732 and 15 additional calendar days be approved for Pete Gallegos Paving, Inc.'s. contract for 1986 voluntary paving improvements, Group I, (Project 16) to construct 324 feet of 6" sanitary sewer main along Ireland Street from South Louisiana to South Arkansas Avenues (\$2,832) and 2, 8 inch water gate valves and relocate a 12" gate valve (\$2,900). These changes are needed because the existing sewer at Ireland and Louisiana is shallower than anticipated and is backing up sewage.

Motion to approve: M. Benavides, Jr.

Second: Juarez

For: 7              Against: 0              Abstain: 0

- (128.3) K. Contract for an amount not to exceed \$2,000 be approved with the Laredo Art Association. The funds are used to support the Annual Rio Grande Art Show. Payment is made on a reimbursement basis on such items as advertising, printing, display screens and food costs associated with a reception. This contract is funded from the Hotel-Motel Tax.

Motion to approve: Ramirez, Jr.

Second: Juarez

For: 7              Against: 0              Abstain: 0

- (1387.2) L. Contract for an amount not to exceed \$5,750 be approved with the Ballet Folklorico to purchase costumes, pay rent and travel expenses associated with performances. Payments are made on the basis

of \$150 per performance and direct expenditures for clothing and travel may be reimbursed, but such reimbursements can not exceed \$5,750. The organization has advised the City of outstanding accounts totalling \$4,100. Payment should be conditioned on the organization submitting a plan explaining how they intend to pay the outstanding accounts within the term of this contract. This contract is funded from the Hotel Motel Tax.

Ms. Ana Maria Hernandez, Ballet Folklorico President, spoke of additional expenses that Ballet Folklorico have encounter with.

Councilman Valdez requested that Ms. Ana Maria Hernandez meet with staff to discuss contract, and the stationery.

Motion to approve: Valdez  
Second: Montalvo

For: 7              Against: 0              Abstain: 0

- (144.3)    M. Contract be awarded to Moody Brothers, Inc., Houston, for one Polysonics Dobbler flow meter for \$5,590. Two bids were received. The specifications required that the flow meter be tested for accuracy and consistency of measuring "true value". The equipment was field tested by the Water Department. The low bid, by Energy Instrument Systems, Inc., for \$4,410 was less accurate than the bid by Moody Brothers. This portable flow meter will be used to analyze the efficiency of water pumps and large meters throughout the water system.

Motion to approve: Juarez  
Second: Ramirez, Jr.

For: 7              Against: 0              Abstain: 0

- (149.3)    N. The contract with Los Tecolotes de Los Dos Laredos, for 22 games to be played in West Martin Field be renewed for the 1988 season according to the same terms as in 1987-88. The Contract provides that:
1. The Tecolotes receive \$4,000 and the City \$2,000 per game as long as there is revenue to make such distribution. Concession revenues are to be distributed at the end of the season subject to the \$4,000 and \$2,000 provision.
  2. If revenues fall below \$132,000, the Tecos will be paid on the basis of 2 to 1 or 66.7% Tecos and 33.3% City.
  3. Revenues over \$132,000 will be shared on a 50/50 basis.
  4. Playoff revenues will stand on their own. The Tecos will get \$6,000 and the City \$3,000 of the first \$9,000 earned. After the first \$9,000, the share will be on a 50/50 basis.
  5. All other special games will be handled on a game by game basis, subject to Council approval.

Motion to approve: Montalvo  
Second: Valdez

For: 7              Against: 0              Abstain: 0

- (299.3)    O. Bids be received May 12, 1988 for an air conditioning system for that section of the Laredo Health and Welfare Building occupied by the Texas Department of Human Resources and the City-County Welfare Department. The project consist of replacing 7 air handling units, and installing an air cooled liquid chiller, a chilled water pump, water piping, electrical wiring, new central valves and thermostats. The state has agreed to pay \$35,000 for the new air conditioning

if the City extends the lease, which expires February 28, 1990, to August 31, 1993. Expenditures exceeding \$35,000 will have to be provided from the General Fund Reserve.

INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCE  
AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AMENDMENT  
TO THAT LEASE APPROVED BY CITY COUNCIL ON NOVEMBER 30,  
1982, AND ENTERED INTO WITH TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN  
RESOURCES; SAID AMENDMENT TO PROVIDE THAT CITY WILL  
PROVIDE AIR CONDITIONING IMPROVEMENT TO LEASED PREMISES  
AT ESTIMATED COST OF \$44,000; THAT TENANT WILL REIMBURSE  
CITY FOR COST OF SAME TO EXTENT OF \$35,000; AND EXTENDING  
THE LEASE TERM FROM FEBRUARY 28, 1990 TO AUGUST 31, 1993.

Motion to approve: Ramirez, Jr.

Second: M. Benavides, Jr.

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Ordinance Introduction: All Council Members

(307.3)

- P. City Secretary requests City Council consideration to employ two temporary employees as follows:
- 1) Clerk - to assist in Vital Statistics Division due to foreseen activity during next few months related to birth certifications primarily for school registrations, as well as other various reasons. This would be a temporary full time position from May to September 1988 at an approximate cost of \$4,500. This activity was forecast at budget time, but request was ignored. This position is to be again requested during 1988-89 as a permanent full time position.
  - 2) Data Entry Clerk - for continuation of data entry of Vital Statistics. The present DE Clerk who is an LJC student, at no cost to the City, will be ending her tour the latter part of April 1988. Because of this student's diligence and dedication, it is requested that the City employ her on a temporary basis from May to September 1988 at an approximate cost of \$4,000.

It is felt that the office of Vital Statistics has generated sufficient revenues during the past few years to justify the positions requested. For the past ten or more years, this office has operated with the same number of personnel (2) even though the workload has more than doubled.

Motion to approve: M. Benavides, Jr.  
Second: Juarez

Councilman Cortez requested an amendment to the motion to include that City Manager be instructed to come back with funding for these particular positions.

Councilman M. Benavides, Jr. accepted the amendment.  
For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

(340.3)

- Q. Request of Mr. Oscar J. Zuniga that Shiloh Commercial Subdivision be annexed and authorizing public hearings to be advertised for May 2, 1988 and May 16, 1988. The area involved contains 8.3467 acres east of McPherson Road and south of Shiloh Drive, surrounded on all sides by land already inside the City. All improvements have been constructed. The Planning Department advises that all City services will be immediately available upon annexation.

City Manager Townsend described the area proposed to be annexed.

Councilman Cordero stated that he does not favor any other annexation except to the north and south.

Motion authorizing staff to proceed: Juarez  
Second: Trevino  
For: 2              Against: 4              Abstain: 0

Motion Dies.

IX. FINAL READING ORDINANCE(S)

(423.3) Motion to waive the reading of Ordinance IX(A) to  
IX(F): Ramirez, Jr.

Second: Valdez  
For: 7              Against: 0              Abstain: 0

A. AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A LEASE  
AMENDMENT TO THE LEASE AGREEMENT DATED MAY 1, 1976  
BETWEEN THE CITY OF LAREDO, AS LESSOR, AND MORGAN  
AVIATION SERVICES, INC., AS LESSEE, AS AMENDED ON  
NOVEMBER 17, 1981, TO DELETE HANGER #142 FROM THE  
LEASED PREMISES.

INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCE: CM. JACINTO P. JUAREZ,  
ORDINANCE NO. 88 O 41

Motion to approve: Ramirez, Jr.

Second: Valdez  
For: 7              Against: 0              Abstain: 0

B. AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A LEASE  
AGREEMENT WITH MORGAN AVIATION SERVICES, INC.,  
FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF LAREDO FOR THE  
APPROXIMATE 11,560 SQUARE FEET CONSTITUTING HANGER  
#123 LOCATED AT 512 FLIGHTLINE AT THE LAREDO  
INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.

THE LEASE IS FOR FIVES YEAR FOUR MONTHS UNTIL  
JUNE 30, 1993 WITH ONE THREE YEAR RENEWAL OPTION  
UNTIL JUNE 30, 1996. INITIAL MONTHLY  
PERIOD UNTIL JUNE 30, 1996. INITIAL MONTHLY  
RENT IS \$316.45 TO BE ADJUSTED ANNUALLY  
BASED ON CHANGES IN THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX.  
ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION: CM. JACINTO P. JUAREZ  
ORDINANCE NO. 88 O 42

Motion to approve: Ramirez, Jr.

Second: Valdez  
For: 7              Against: 0              Abstain: 0

C. NEW LEASE. AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE  
A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH AMERICAN AIR FREIGHT COMPANY  
FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF LAREDO FOR THE  
APPROXIMATE 33,199 SQUARE FEET CONSTITUTING HANGER  
#142 LOCATED AT 412 FLIGHTLINE AT THE LAREDO  
INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.

LEASE TERM IS FOR FIVE YEAR TWO MONTHS UNTIL APRIL  
30, 1993 WITH ONE FIVE-YEAR RENEWAL OPTION UNTIL  
APRIL 30, 1998 AND AN ADDITIONAL THREE-YEAR  
RENEWAL OPTION UNTIL APRIL 30, 2001. MONTHLY  
RENTAL IS \$2,500 AND IS TO BE ADJUSTED ANNUALLY  
BASED ON CHANGES IN THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX.  
ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION: CM. JACINTO P. JUAREZ  
ORDINANCE NO. 88 O 43

Motion to approve: Ramirez, Jr.

Second: Valdez  
For: 7              Against: 0              Abstain: 0

D. AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A LEASE  
AGREEMENT WITH AUTOPHONE OF LAREDO, INC., FOR AND  
ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF LAREDO FOR THE PURPOSE  
OF INSTALLING AND OPERATING RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

EQUIPMENT ATOP THE AIRPORT'S BEACON LIGHT TOWER  
AT THE LAREDO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.

LEASE TERM IS FOR ONE YEAR UNTIL DECEMBER 31, 1988,  
WITH NO RENEWAL OPTION PERIODS. MONTHLY RENTAL  
IS \$75.00.

ORDINANCE INTRODUCTORY: CM. JACINTO P. JUAREZ  
ORDINANCE NO. 88 O 44

Motion to approve: Ramirez, Jr.

Second: Valdez

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

- E. AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH LAREDO AIR, INC., FOR AND ONE BEHALF OF THE CITY OF LAREDO FOR THE APPROXIMATE 268 SQUARE FEET CONSTITUTING AIRLINE COUNTER SPACE AND TICKET OFFICE LOCATED IN BUILDING #104 AT 608 FLIGHTLINE AT THE LAREDO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.

LEASE TERM IS FOR ONE YEAR UNTIL MARCH 31, 1989,  
WITH FIVE ONE-YEAR RENEWAL OPTIONS UNTIL MARCH 31,  
1994. MONTHLY RENTAL IS \$144.00 TO BE ADJUSTED ANNUALLY BASED ON CHANGES IN THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX.

INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCE: CM. JACINTO P. JUAREZ  
ORDINANCE NO. 88 O 45

Motion to approve: Ramirez, Jr.

Second: Valdez

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

- F. REPEALING ORDINANCE #86-0-156 AND LEASE AGREEMENT DATED SEPTEMBER 10, 1986, WITH AMERICAN AIR FREIGHT, INC., AND THE CITY OF LAREDO AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH AMERICAN AIR FREIGHT COMPANY FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF LAREDO FOR THE APPROXIMATE 2,640 SQUARE FEET CONSTITUTING BUILDING #147 LOCATED AT 407 MAHER AVENUE AT THE LAREDO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.

LEASE TERM IS FOR FIVE YEARS COMMENCING MARCH 16, 1988, AND MAY BE EXTENDED FOR ONE FIVE-YEAR RENEWAL OPTION UNTIL MARCH 15, 1993, AND FOR A SECOND THREE-YEAR RENEWAL OPTION UNTIL MARCH 15, 2001. INITIAL MONTHLY RENTAL IS \$479.00 TO BE ADJUSTED ANNUALLY BASED ON CHANGES IN THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX.  
INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCE: CM. JACINTO P. JUAREZ  
ORDINANCE NO. 88 O 46

Motion to approve: Ramirez, Jr.

Second: Valdez

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

- (461,3) G. ESTABLISHING AND DECLARING TO BE TWO-WAY THAT PORTION OF SANTA MARIA AVENUE BETWEEN HIDALGO AND WATER STREETS TO THE NORTH AND SOUTH RESPECTIVELY; ESTABLISHING AND DECLARING TO BE ONE-WAY THAT PORTION OF GRANT STREET BETWEEN DAVIS AND SALINAS STREETS TO THE WEST AND EAST, RESPECTIVELY, SUCH THAT TRAFFIC WILL FLOW WESTBOUND ONLY; ESTABLISHING AND DECLARING TO BE ONE-WAY THAT PORTION OF ITURBIDE FROM DAVIS TO SANTA MARIA TO THE EAST AND WEST, RESPECTIVELY, SUCH THAT TRAFFIC WILL FLOW WESTBOUND ONLY; PROVIDING FOR THE REMOVAL OF OR INSTALLATION OF APPROPRIATE SIGNS TO INDICATE TWO-WAY TRAFFIC OR ONE WAY TRAFFIC IN THE DESIGNATED DIRECTION; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE.  
INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCE: CM. JOHN PETER MONTALVO  
ORDINANCE NO. 88 O 47

The ordinance making Santa Maria two-way, was introduced on January 4, 1988 and tabled until completion of the Santa Maria Project and acceptance by the City. The Transportation and Traffic Safety Advisory Committee's recommendation that these changes be carried out was approved by the City Council on December 7, 1987. Representatives of River Drive Mall have been advised that this ordinance is being posted for final reading.

Motion to table item to the next meeting and that Merchants Association and River Drive Mall representatives be notified: Ramirez, Jr.  
Second: Montalvo

For: 7              Against: 0              Abstain: 0

X. INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCE(S)

- (716.3) A. ESTABLISHING A 15% PENALTY OF 1987 DELINQUENT TAX ACCOUNTS AS OF JULY 1, 1988, TO DEFRAY COST OF COLLECTION PURSUANT TO SECTION 33.07 (A) OF THE STATE PROPERTY TAX CODE; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

This ordinance will enable the City to collect an additional 15% after July 1, 1988 on 1987 delinquent taxes to help offset the cost of employing outside attorneys to assist in collecting delinquent taxes.

Ordinance Introduction: All Council Members

- (751.3) B. AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 87-0-189 DATED DECEMBER 8, 1987, CLOSING THE HEARING ON THE VOLUNTARY STREET IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT 18 AND FIXING A LIEN AND CHARGE; THIS AMENDMENT BEING TO REVISE PARCEL 1 THROUGH 16 ON ORDINANCE NO. 87-0-189 DATED DECEMBER 8, 1987 OF ATTACHMENT "A" FOR PROJECT 18.

This correction is to conform the ordinance to the change caused by delaying a section of Benavides Street because of the proposed storm sewer construction. The original ordinance deleted 6 lots that should not have been deleted and failed to delete 4.

Ordinance Introduction: All Council Members

XI. RESOLUTION(S)

- (1379.3) XII. MUNICIPAL HOUSING CORPORATION  
Motion to recess the regular meeting and meet as the Municipal Housing Corporation: Ramirez, Jr.  
Second: M. Benavides, Jr.  
For: 7              Against: 0              Abstain: 0

One Cargo Van be purchased for \$12,199 from Powell Watson, the low bidder meeting specifications. A similar cargo van purchased last year for \$14,995. This is a 23% decrease. Only one bid was received. The budget estimate was \$15,000.

Motion to approve: Ramirez, Jr.

Second: Montalvo

For: 7              Against: 0              Abstain: 0

- (1396.3) Motion to adjourn as the Municipal Housing Corporation and resume the Regular City Council Meeting: Ramirez, Jr.  
Second: M. Benavides, Jr.  
For: 7              Against: 0              Abstain: 0

SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA

VIII. REPORTS. IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT:

- (773.3) R. The contractor on the Import Lot improvements has not been able to locate a mixer to assist in preparing the soil cement base. It is recommended that the city lease its reclaimer to the contractor, Pete Gallegos, Inc. at the rate of \$125 per hour, \$860 per day or \$2,586 per week until such time as satisfactory private equipment is available to do the work. The proposed rental rates are those rates that equipment rental companies would charge if they had the equipment available for rent.

Motion to approve: Ramirez, Jr.

Second: M. Benavides, Jr.

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

- (856.3) S. An application be submitted for \$14,000 to the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation to be used for enforcement of safety seat belt laws. The application, if approved, will provide funding from May 1988 to September 1988 for the following:

Personnel Overtime Costs	\$ 11,350
Travel and Training	350
Supplies	2,300

TOTAL \$ 14,400

Motion to approve: Juarez

Second: M. Benavides, Jr.

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

- (864.3) T. Bids be received on April 25, 1988 for 5,200 square feet of vinyl floor tiles and 120 linear feet of 4" vinyl cove base for the airport terminal building to be installed by the Airport staff. Customs, Immigration and Agriculture will use the space involved to process international arrivals.

Motion to approve: Juarez

Second: Montalvo

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

- U. Contracts be awarded for the following equipment for the Los Dos Laredos Riverfront Development:

I. 41 picnic tables, Park Place Rec. \$22,053.20  
5 handicap wheel- Houston  
chair tables & 73  
park benches

II. 25 rotating grills S&R, Sports & 5,306.40  
& 20-2 level grills Recreational  
Products, Laredo

III. 3 Playground equip. Gametime, Houston 13,054.00  
groups, bike rack,  
whirls, 12 saddle  
mate play units &  
3 outdoor basketball

Three bids were received. The jogging track bids are recommended for rejection and readvertising because the specifications were not clear. Deletion of the item does not change the low bidder on Group III.

Motion to approve: Montalvo

Second: Valdez

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

- (876.3) V. Contract be awarded to Sames Motor Company, Laredo for \$138,974 for eleven full size police package sedans. Two bids were received.

Sames Motor Paul Young Last Year's Price

11 Police Package			
Vehicles	\$12,634	\$12,600	\$11,399
	per unit	per unit	

The low bid reflects an increase of 10.8% over the 1987-88 price.

Motion to approve: Ramirez, Jr.  
Second: M. Benavides, Jr.  
For: 7                   Against: 0                   Abstain: 0

- (893-3) W. A contract be approved for collection of delinquent taxes with attorneys Eustorgio Perez and Ricardo De Anda for the period July 1, 1988 to June 30, 1989. the contract is substantially the same as the current year agreement with the following exceptions:
1. Payment to the Attorneys will be at 15% of all prior year taxes, penalties and interest and 1987 current delinquent taxes when turned over to the attorneys for collection. The current year contract provides 9% up to \$1,700,000 then 12.5% of the next \$400,000. Current estimates indicate that collections will not exceed \$1,700,000.
  2. Tighter requirements to insure timely submission of monthly progress reports regarding tax suit and other activities.
  3. Requirement that address corrections made by the firm be documented and submitted to the city promptly.
  4. Deleting section that contract can only be terminated by cause.
  5. Adding a section reserving the right to terminate or re-negotiate the contract if collections fall below the monthly estimates by 15% or more.
- Motion to approve contract: Montalvo  
Second: Trevino  
For: 7                   Against: 0                   Abstain: 0
- (997-3) X. Contract be approved with Muralismo Inc. for \$3,600. Specific projects will be submitted for City Council review and approval. Eligible expenses include materials, artist fees, insurance, transportation and food expenses related to the projects. This contract is funded from the Hotel-Motel Tax.
- Motion to approve contract: Ramirez, Jr.  
Second: Juarez  
For: 7                   Against: 0                   Abstain: 0
- (1005-3) Y. Bids for the purchase of ten used mid-sized vehicles be rejected. Bids were sent to 13 companies, but only one bid was received. The bid from Sames Motor Company was for \$10,600 per vehicle. The bids were sent in error to local offices and not to the appropriate fleet bidding offices.
- Motion to re-bid for ten used mid-sized vehicles: Cortez  
Second: Ramirez, Jr.  
For: 7                   Against: 0                   Abstain: 0
- (1343-3) Z. A contract be awarded to Sames Motor Company, Laredo for \$11,199 for purchase of one 2-door coupe sedan. One bid was received. The vehicle will be used by the Police Traffic detail.

Motion to approve: Ramirez, Jr.  
Second: Juarez  
For: 7                      Against: 0

Abstain: 0

## XI. RESOLUTION(S)

- (1354.3) A. AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO FILE THE ANNA STREET TRUCK ROUTE PROJECT PRE-APPLICATION WITH THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION, U. S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE.

4/18/88  
88-R-31  
Truck route will follow existing right of way and  
Financial participation is 60% federal and 40%

To approve: Valdez  
Ramirez, Jr.  
Against: 0

Abstain: 0

## III. ADJOURNMENT.

Motion to adjourn: Ramirez, Jr.  
Second: M. Benavides, Jr.  
For: 7                      Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Adjournment was at 11:15 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 18TH DAY OF APRIL, 1988. THE ORIGINAL COPY IS ON FILE IN THE CITY SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

WITNESS MY HAND AND THE CORPORATE SEAL OF THE CITY OF LAREDO, TEXAS  
ON THIS THE 29TH DAY OF APRIL, 1988.

*Hortencia C. Gonzalez*  
HORTENCIA C. GONZALEZ  
CITY SECRETARY

PREPARED BY: Gloria M. Garza, Deputy

PASSED AND APPROVED BY CITY COUNCIL ON:

CORRECTIONS: