State of Texas 

County of Webb

City of Laredo

On this the 8th day of February, 1982, the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas convened in Special City Council Meeting at the Council Chambers of City Hall at 6:00 P.M., with the following members thereof present, to-wit:

ALDO TATANGELO : MAYOR

VIDAL CANTU # ALDERMEN

GUILLERMO BENAVIDES

JOE A. GUERRA

FELIPE SANCHEZ, JR.

CARLOS A. ZUNIGA

GUSTAVO GUEVARA, JR. CITY SECRETARY

ANTHONY McGETTRICK SASSISTANT CITY ATTORNEY

ABSENT: Aldermen Flores, Trevino, Ramos and City Attorney, Eustorgio Perez.

With a quorum present, the Mayor called the meeting to order and the following proceedings were carried out:

The first item was a request by Mr. Raul Palacios to appear before the City Council to request appeal of a decision of the Planning and Zoning Commission to deny waiver of the Land Use Ordinance.

Mr. Palacios stated to the Council that he needs a city building permit in order to get a meter permit for the installation of the light and the water utility connection. He stated that the utility companies will not install the meters until he gets a clearance and permit from the Building Code Department.

Anthony McGettrick, Assistant City Attorney, stated that there is no specific provision in the ordinance to override a decision of the Planning and Zoning Commission at this time. He added that the Council

needs to amend the existing ordinance to provide for overriding the rules of the Planning and Zoning Commission to seat as the Board of Appeals.

The Mayor stated that no action can be taken until the ordinance is amended.

## NO ACTION TAKEN AT THIS TIME, -

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Following was a request by Mrs. Guerra to petition the City Council to open that portion of Salinas Street between Washington and the railroad tracks and Scott Street.

Ms. Lilia Perez, on behalf of the Holy Redeemer Neighborhood, requested that the portion of Salinas Street between Washington and Scott be opened for traffic.

Anthony McGettrick, Assistant City Attorney, explained that the question that needs to be answered was whether any agreement has been made with Tex-Mex Railways for the use of the right-of-way.

Mayor Aldo Tatangelo stated that we instruct our City Secretary and City Attorney to look and see if there are any records showing or reflecting an agreement with Tex-Mex, then we can take further action.

Anthony McGettrick stated that if no records have been found of an agreement as yet, that there is a presumption that we don't have an agreement or contract with Tex-Mex.

Alderman Benavides stated he felt that this street needs to be opened for traffic and for the thoroughfare to the new bridge,

Alderman Sanchez made a motion to instruct the City Secretary and the City Attorney to write a letter to the Texas Mexican Railroad Company requesting that the ramp be removed so that proper traffic flow can utilize this street. Second was by Councilman Benavides. All voted in favor.

Next was an ordinance granting permission to the Washington Birthday Celebration Association to use certain city property on the Vega Land for parking and other facilities during the period commencing on February 12, 1982 through February 28, 1982.

Alderman Cantu made a motion to adopt the ordinance. Alderman Sanchez seconded the motion and all were in favor.

## AN ORDINANCE

GRANTING PERMISSION TO THE WASHINGTON BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION ASSOCIATION TO USE CERTAIN CITY PROPERTY ON THE VEGA LAND FOR PARKING AND OTHER FACILITIES DURING THE PERIOD COMMENCING FEBRUARY 12, 1982 THROUGH FEBRUARY 28, 1982.

The Mayor declared in open meeting that the ordinance had passed.

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Following was discussion and possible action on authorizing the Street Closing Committee to hear and make recommendations to City Council of requests to open/widen platted streets and to rename said committee as the Street Closing and Opening Study Committee.

Alderman Cantu made a motion to rename the Street Closing Committee to the Street Closing and Opening Study Committee. Alderman Zuniga seconded the motion and all were in favor.

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Next was a request for Executive Session to discuss proposed settlement of case of James H. Foster vs. City of Laredo, et. al., Cause No. 32,162, 111th District Court, pursuant to Article 6252-17-17, Section 2(3) by Anthony McGettrick, Assistant City Attorney.

Alderman Zuniga made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss proposed settlement of case of James H. Foster vs. City of Laredo. Alderman Sanchez seconded the motion and all were in favor.

After Executive Session, the Mayor announced that no action was taken by the Council.

- Alderman Ramos came in at this time, -

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With no further business to discuss, Alderman Cantu made a motion to adjourn. Alderman Sanchez seconded the motion and all were in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 7:00 P.M.

GUSTAVO GUEVARA, JR.

CITY SECRETARY