

STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF WEBB §
CITY OF LAREDO §

On this the 2nd day of November, 1982, the City Council of Laredo, Texas, convened in a Regular City Council Meeting at the Civic Center Auditorium at 5:30 P.M., with the following members thereof present, to wit:

ALDO TATANGELO	:	MAYOR
SANTOS BENAVIDES	:	ALDERMEN
VIDAL CANTU, JR.	:	"
SAUL N. RAMIREZ, JR.	:	"
CARLOS A. ZUNIGA	:	"
ANDRES RAMOS, R.	:	"
DAVID R. CORTEZ	:	"
JOSE A. VALDEZ	:	"
JOHN PETER MONTALVO	:	"
EUSTORGIO PEREZ	:	CITY ATTORNEY
MARVIN TOWNSEND	:	CITY MANAGER
HORTENCIA C. GONZALEZ	:	CITY SECRETARY

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

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Mayor Tatangelo opened the meeting and requested approval of the Minutes of October 5, 1982.

On motion of Councilman Carlos Zuniga and the second by Councilman Valdez, the Minutes were unanimously approved by the affirmative vote of all Councilmen present.

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Under Communications, copies of a letter from Dr. Janice B. Donahue was distributed to the Mayor and all Councilmembers. Dr. Donahue in her letter made a protest against what in her opinion was unfairness by a local utility company.

Next item to be discussed was the 1982-83 budget which was recessed from a previous meeting. Under this item, a report was given on a poll taken on employee responses as regarded employee reductions and alternatives. An approximate 926 responded half of whom did not favor any of the recommendations offered while the other half gave their own recommendations. These are to be taken into consideration by the City Manager. Mr. Townsend also reported that anticipated lay-offs would be effective on November 5, 1982. He further stated that there had been approximately ten appeals from those employees affected by the cut-backs. A meeting has been scheduled for November 3rd at which time a committee will be named to hear such appeals.

Regarding, the budget Mr. Townsend stated that there were no new revenue sources at this point. Councilman Cantu made a motion that this budget hearing be recessed for further study. Second was by Councilman Ramirez. All were in favor.

Next item was a public hearing to consider the annexation of 2 tracts of land generally described as follows:

Item #IV(B)-1 172 acres along the north and south sides of Highway 59 from the east City limits to the floodway area below Lake Casa Blanca and containing various residential and commercial improvements, including Country Club Estates and Young Zuniga Subdivisions.

Item #IV(B)-2 672 acres South of Highway 359 and east of the City containing residential, commercial and industrial properties, including Century City, Pecan Acres, and South Laredo Industrial Park Subdivision. Complete description of the areas involved is on file at the City Secretary's Office. A proposed service plan for the areas involved will be available at the public hearing. This meeting was discussed until 7:30 p.m. because of publication for that time. Councilman Valdez asked about the Laredo Packing Co. Septic Tank. Mr. Townsend is to check on Industrial Waste regulations. (An ordinance is available, which states that the City

has no obligation to take Laredo Packing's waste). Mr. Paul Garza addressed Council regarding water rights which are getting to be very expensive. He further went on to say that if annexed, will they be "discriminated" against as in the past as to water and sewer rights? Mayor Tatangelo suggested for him to attend the LWWS meeting to ask this question, since it has been discussed before.

Councilman Zuniga moved to close this hearing, and was seconded by Councilman Cantu. All were in favor.

Item #V(A) related to the fact that on October 19, 1982, the appointment of a temporary committee to recommend an approach to be followed to provide a future water supply for the Laredo area was approved. The County has appointed Commissioner Arnulfo Santos and Commissioner Renato Zapata. The City needs to designate 2 members of the City Council and 2 members of the Waterworks Board. The Waterworks Manager and the City Manager are the other committee members. Councilman Cantu made a motion that two Councilmembers be named to this Committee. Second was by Councilman Ramirez. All were in favor. It was pointed out that previously a four-member committee had already been named to study the water situation. It was, therefore, requested that two Councilmembers would need to step down. Councilman Cortez and Councilman Valdez stepped down. Those remaining were Councilman Ramos and Councilman Montalvo. Laredo Waterworks System will name their own representatives.

Item #VI(A) MANAGER'S REPORTS: Consideration of action to be taken regarding garbage rates. A public hearing held on October 19, 1982, considered the possibility of raising residential rates from \$2.00 to \$4.00 per month, trailers at the landfill from \$14.00 to \$25.00 and tires at the landfill \$.07 each. Councilman Cortez made a motion that residential garbage rates be raised from \$2.00 to \$4.00 per month, trailers at the landfill from \$14.00 to

\$25.00 and tires at the landfill \$.07 each. Second was by Councilman Ramirez. Those voting in favor were Councilman Benavides, Councilman Cantu, Councilman Cortez, and Councilman Ramirez. Those voting against were Councilman Zuniga, Councilman Ramos, Councilman Montalvo and Councilman Valdez. Since this was a tie vote, Mayor Tatangelo cast the deciding vote in favor of raising the garbage fee.

Next Item #VI(B) dealt with a construction contract awarded to G. G. Salinas, Inc. for the low bid of \$138,333 for construction of the Farias Neighborhood Clinic at 1200 Philadelphia Street. The 3,200 square foot building will be financed by an \$80,000 grant from the Hachar Foundation, \$10,000 grant from the Moody Foundation, and a \$50,000 grant from the Federal Migrant Program plus interest already earned (\$15,684) and to be earned on the Foundation grants. The ½ block site was purchased by the City in 1979 for \$50,000. Four bids were received. The project should be completed by April, 1983.

Councilman Cortez made a motion to approve the Manager's Reports Item #VI(B) to Item #VI(G) with the exception of Item #VI(C) which was withdrawn. Second was by Councilman Cantu. All were in favor, except Councilmen Valdez and Montalvo who opposed item (B) and (G).

Item #VI(C) was WITHDRAWN and it stated that parking be prohibited on the bankside of all streets abutting the Laredo National Bank drive in facility, i.e., the north side of Farragut and south side of Matamoros from San Dario to San Eduardo, and the east side of San Dario and the west side of San Eduardo from Matamoros to Farragut. It is further recommended that the meters removed from Farragut Street be reinstalled on San Dario and San Eduardo.

Item #VI(D) related to .. change order #2 for the Bridge #1 improvement project involving paving, drainage, signing and lighting improvements at and along Water, Zaragoza and Salinas Streets be approved for \$11,855.55. This change order would increase the

contract to \$469,423.05 by adding 245 feet of guard rail around the recently built traffic island at Salinas and Water Streets.

Item #VI(E) related to change order #1 for Automated Toll Systems for increasing toll classification from 10 to 13 be approved for \$24,800. The original specifications failed to include enough classifications to fully handle the different kinds of fares and users of the bridge. If approved, the revised Bridge Fund contract total will be \$762,913.

Item #VI(F) stated that the City's Personnel policies be amended to require that all new employees live inside the City within 90 days of employment and that all existing employees be required to continue to reside inside the City unless they now live outside the City. This change would be consistent with the Council's position regarding contractors and would also improve employees call back response time.

Item #VI(G) Consideration of the proposed Labor agreement between Transit Management Company of Laredo and the Laredo El Metro Transit Employees Association through September 30, 1984. The proposed contract is basically a continuation of the existing agreement as to Economic Factors with some revisions as to working rules. The only significant change relating to financial cost is an IRA type pension plan with 2% Company participation as of January 1, 1983 at a cost of about \$9,000. The employees now have no retirement except social security. The contract provides for a reopener as to wages on August 15, 1983. Councilman Ramirez commended employees of the Transit Department for working jointly due to financial situation. Councilman Valdez questioned contract and rights of workers "squeezed)". Mr. Townsend stated that the City does not recognize union nor negotiates.

Next Item #IX(A) was a resolution requesting the City Council to steadfastly oppose the granting of pay raises to Water and Sewer System employees at a time when employees of other City departments are being laid-off; and to direct City Manager Marvin Townsend to research State Law and to study the bond indenture establishing the autonomous management board of the Water and Sewer System management; and, in addition, to determine the current costs of refunding Water and Sewer System bonds to dissolve the bond indenture and its management board; and to strongly recommend the Mayor to vote against the pay increase when this item comes to a vote at the Board meeting. Councilman Andres Ramos made a motion for its passage. Second was by Councilman Vidal Cantu. All were in favor.

RESOLUTION

EXPRESSING OPPOSITION OF CITY COUNCIL TO PROPOSED PAY RAISES FOR EMPLOYEES OF LAREDO WATERWORKS SYSTEM; AND DIRECTING CITY MANAGER TO STUDY MEANS BY WHICH CITY COUNCIL CAN OBTAIN MORE DIRECT CONTROL OF THE OPERATIONS OF THE LAREDO WATERWORKS SYSTEM.

Item #X(A) the recommendation of the Airport Committee that the following leases be approved. Councilman Zuniga made a motion for the passage of items #X(A)1 to #X(A)6. Second was by Councilman Ramirez. All were in favor.

Item #X(A)1 A ten-year lease to October 31, 1992, with two five-year options with REO LEASING, INC., AN ARKANSAS CORPORATION, for Building #1308, containing 19,765 square feet at \$.043 per square foot. Rent per month is \$850 with an annual CPI increase with a 7 per cent ceiling. The facility will be used as an aircraft engine accessory and airframe overhaul shop.

Item #X(A)2 A one-year lease to October 31, 1983, with a one two-year option with ALBERTO RODRIGUEZ AND NEIL EDWARD DURANCE dba AL'S LOG HOMES for Building #1108 (south), containing 2,306 square feet at \$.10 per square foot. Rent per month is \$230.60. The building is used for office space, cabinet space, cabinet manufacture, and warehousing.

Item #X(A)3 a four-year lease renewal to September 30, 1986, with LAREDO LITTLE THEATER, for building #52, containing 5,801 square feet at \$.07 per square foot. Rent is \$415 per month. The facility is used as a community theater.

Item #X(A)4 a one-year lease renewal to September 30, 1983, with the Laredo WEBB COUNTY C.A.A. for Building #574, which contains 13,091 square feet at \$.09 per square foot. Monthly rental is \$1,189.67. The facility houses the Central Kitchen and youth recreation program of the agency.

Item #X(A)5 a two-year lease renewal with one two-year options to November 30, 1984, with MARGARITO FLORES for Bldg. #1405, containing 380 square feet at \$.16 per square foot. Rent is \$62.93 per month. The building is used for office space and notary public service.

Item #X(A)6 a one-year lease renewal to September 30, 1983, with one one-year option with SOUTH TEXAS NATIONAL BANK for 35,100 square feet of land at \$552.00 per month. The fenced compound is used to store repossessed motor vehicles.

Item #X(B) Extending the ordinance dated October 28, 1981 designating primary industrial areas within the City of Laredo, and establishing a temporary hold on the issuance of building permits and a temporary moratorium on the use of land for warehouses and industrial type building in all other areas of the City until such time as the Urban Transportation Study and city growth plan are completed and acted upon by the City Council. Councilman Valdez made a motion for its passage. Second was by Councilman Montalvo. Voted in favor were Councilmen Cortez, Montalvo, Valdez, Ramos, and Mayor Tatangelo. Opposed were Councilmen Cantu, Santos, Ramirez, and Zuniga.

AN ORDINANCE

EXTENDING THE ORDINANCE DATED OCTOBER 28, 1981 DESIGNATING PRIMARY INDUSTRIAL AREAS WITHIN THE CITY OF LAREDO, AND ESTABLISHING A TEMPORARY HOLD ON THE ISSUANCE OF BUILDING PERMITS AND A TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON THE USE OF LAND FOR WAREHOUSES AND INDUSTRIAL TYPE BUILDINGS IN ALL OTHER AREAS OF THE CITY UNTIL SUCH TIME AS THE URBAN TRANSPORTATION STUDY AND A CITY GROWTH PLAN ARE COMPLETED AND ACTED UPON BY THE CITY COUNCIL.

Next Item X(C) Approving lease of portion of Franklin Street between Marcella and Springfield to the St. Vincent de Paul Society; and authorizing City Manager to sign the lease agreement. Councilman Andres Ramos made a motion for its passage. Second was by Councilman Zuniga. All were in favor.

AN ORDINANCE

APPROVING LEASE OF PORTION OF FRANKLIN STREET BETWEEN MARCELLA AND SPRINGFIELD TO THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY; AND AUTHORIZING CITY MANAGER TO SIGN THE LEASE AGREEMENT.

Item X(E) Amending Chapter III, Section 3-6J of the Land Development Ordinance of September 2, 1980, to include requirement for the payment of testing fees and ratio of testing; amending Chapter III, Section 3-6J of same and adding Section 3-6N, lot grading and drainage requirements. Councilman Cantu made a motion for its passage. Second was by Councilman Ramirez. All were in favor.

AN ORDINANCE

AMENDING CHAPTER III, SECTION 3-6J OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE OF SEPTEMBER 2, 1980, TO INCLUDE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE PAYMENT OF TESTING FEES AND RATIO OF TESTING; AMENDING CHAPTER III, SECTION 3-6J OF SAME AND ADDING SECTION 3-6N, LOT GRADING AND DRAINAGE REQUIREMENTS.

Item X(F) providing for the levy and collection of Ad Valorem and Occupational Taxes for the City of Laredo for the tax year 1982 and the Fiscal Year 1982-83. Councilman Cantu made a motion for its passage. Second was by Councilman Ramirez. All were in favor.

AN ORDINANCE

PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF AD VALOREM AND OCCUPATIONAL TAXES FOR THE CITY OF LAREDO FOR THE TAX YEAR 1982 AND THE FISCAL YEAR 1982-1983.

Item X(G) dealt with regulating the operation of video game establishments and any other establishment that operates video games in the City of Laredo; prohibiting the operation of video game machines by persons under seventeen (17) years of age during certain hours and days; providing a definition; providing exceptions; providing a penalty not to exceed two hundred dollars (\$200.00) for each offense; and providing for publication. (Consideration of a motion to amend the ordinance regarding Video Games to reduce the age to "under the age of seventeen" and change the hours to 7:00 A.M. to 3:30 P.M.) Councilman Valdez made a motion to amend the ordinance substituting the word "regulating" with "prohibiting". Second was by Councilman Montalvo. All were in favor. Motion was made by Councilman Valdez for passage. Second was by Councilman Montalvo. Those abstaining were: Councilman Zuniga who abstained on legality; Councilmen Cantu and Ramirez abstained on the "philosophical position of those thinking of the championship of free enterprise and no regulation against the emotion and the free education and well-being of our children." Councilman Benavides also abstained. Voting in favor were Councilmen Valdez, Cortez, Ramos and Montalvo.

AN ORDINANCE

REGULATING THE OPERATION OF VIDEO GAME ESTABLISHMENT AND ANY OTHER ESTABLISHMENT THAT OPERATES VIDEO GAMES IN THE CITY OF LAREDO; REGULATING THE OPERATION OF VIDEO GAME MACHINES BY PERSONS UNDER SEVENTEEN (17) YEARS OF AGE DURING CERTAIN HOURS AND DAYS; PROVIDING A DEFINITION; PROVIDING EXCEPTIONS; PROVIDING A PENALTY NOT TO EXCEED TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00) FOR EACH OFFENSE; AND PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION.

Item #XI(A) - - WITHDRAWN - - it dealt with reconsideration of the resolution establishing the Laredo Health Facilities Development Corporation so that the composition of the initial board of directors can be considered.

Item #XI(C) Councilman Valdez requested status report on Santa Isabel Truck Route, Porcion, and Sherman/Davis Streets. Regarding Porcion Ave., City Attorney, Eustorgio Perez stated that a lawsuit is pending against owners. He has talked to the attorneys representing these individuals to see if settlement can be accomplished before going to court. Mr. Landin spoke on the Sherman/Davis Streets. People have been cited by them and also by the Health Department. Next discussion was the Santa Isabel Truck Route. Councilman Valdez is against long term transportation plan and Planning & Zoning Commission issuing building permits on truck route. Councilman Valdez asked about the possibility of re-routing the truck route, since he anticipates a problem with the route going through LaFayette Street. No resources are available to re-route at this time. Councilman Valdez made a motion to go before the Planning & Zoning Commission on November 18th. Second was by Councilman Montalvo. All were in favor.

Item #XI(D) Request from Councilman Andres Ramos for the City Manager to look into the feasibility of installing a traffic light at the corner of Saunders and Tilden; and corner of Saunders and San Francisco. Mr. Landin stated that we should be getting approximately 14 traffic lights. A survey has to be made by Mr. Farias, District Engineer, before installations can be made. Councilman Ramos moved to direct Manager to conduct study. Second was by Councilman Cantu. All were in favor. {?

Item #XI(E) dealt with a resolution to rescind City Council action of previous meeting and to earmark \$600,000 back to Public Works for paving project as an alternative to minimize reduction in labor force and that streets to be paved continue with the Council's previous commitment of paving around schools and churches such as Leo Cigarroa High School, Joaquin Cigarroa, Zachry, Kawas Elementary, Buenos Aires Elementary, D.D. Hachar Elementary School,

etc., and churches, such as, La Sagrada Familia, and all other churches, and other commitments recommended previously by the City Engineer and approved by City Council. Councilman Andres Ramos made a motion for discussion and was seconded by Councilman Montalvo. All were in favor. Councilman Cortez asked if Mims Street is on the list of 59 streets that the Public Works have available. He further went on to say that a church is located at the corner of Calton Rd. and Mims. Mr. Townsend stated that there are several lists of streets going around, but that priority will be given to the people that have been given notice by Laredo Water Works System. Councilman Montalvo made a motion to adjourn the meeting in order to convene as the Laredo Municipal Housing Corporation Board to address the next item. Second was by Councilman Valdez. All were in favor.

Item #XII(A) Meeting of the Laredo Municipal Housing Corporation for consideration of an action recommended by the Executive Committee at the meeting on Monday, November 1, 1982 at 5:30 P.M. at the City Hall. The committee voted to have the City Manager held responsible as the Executive Director of the Laredo Municipal Housing Corporation, and that action be taken thru the Minutes of the Corporation. The position of the past Executive Director will remain as Director. There is no violation concerning this action, as long as the Minutes are recorded. Councilman Zuniga moved for approval. Second was by Councilman Valdez. All were in favor, except Councilman Andres Ramos who opposed.

Item #XII(B) thru (D) No action was taken at this time.

With no further business to be discussed, Councilman Cantu made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Valdez seconded the motion and all were in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 8:48 P.M.

APPROVED BY CITY COUNCIL ON

12/21/82

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CITY SECRETARY