

State of Texas X
County of Webb X
City of Laredo X

On this the 24th day of February, 1981, the City Council of Laredo, Texas, convened in Special City Council Meeting at the Council Chambers of City Hall at 5:30 P.M.; with the following members thereof present, to-wit:

- ALDO TATANGELO : MAYOR
- ROBERTO FLORES : ALDERMEN
- CARLOS A. ZUNIGA :
- VIDAL CANTU, JR. :
- GUILLERMO BENAVIDES :
- ANDRES RAMOS, JR. :
- ENRIQUE TREVINO :
- JOE A. GUERRA :
- FELIPE SANCHEZ, JR. :
- GUSTAVO GUEVARA, JR. : CITY SECRETARY

ABSENT: Eustorgio Perez, City Attorney.

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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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The first item was a resolution authorizing the submission of the Seventh Year Community Development Block Grant Application.

Carlos Villarreal, C.D.A. Director, made the presentation before the City Council. He stated that the priorities placed by the Neighborhoods were as follows:

- 1) Street Improvements
- 2) Housing Rehabilitation
- 3) Sanitary Sewer Services
- 4) Flood and Drainage Facilities
- 5) Street Lighting
- 6) Day Care Centers
- 7) Recreational Facilities
- 8) Chore Services
- 9) Neighborhood Facilities
- 10) Section 312 Loans

He stated that they had submitted a list of priorities to the different Neighborhoods and that they had placed them in this order.

Mr. Villarreal also stated that this was how C.D.A. arrived at the following figures:

- 1) Land Aquisition \$ 150,000
- 2) Parks and Recreation 200,000
- 3) Street Improvements 1,200,000 (1.2 Million)

4) Water and Sewer	300,000
5) Flood and Drainage (For construction)	500,000
6) Relocation	150,000
7) Rehabilitation	600,000
8) Administration	400,000
9) Contingencies	100,000
TOTAL REQUEST	\$ 3,600,000 (3.6 million)

Alderman Flores made a motion to adopt the resolution. Alderman Sanchez seconded the motion and all were in favor.

A RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF THE SEVENTH YEAR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT APPLICATION.

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Next was a resolution affirming the City of Laredo's interest in and commitment to participate in the Triangular Partnerships program jointly sponsored by the Charles Stewart Mott Foundation and HUD's office of Public/Private Partnerships.

Mr. John Crawford, Economic Planner, made the presentation before the City Council. He stated that there were three (3) phases to this program. In the first two (2) phases of the program, the most that it could cost the City of Laredo would be \$30,000; whether in cash or in-kind services.

The Mayor questioned whether the City Planning Department could handle another program on top of the various programs that were already being worked on. He questioned whether it was feasible to add more work to the City Planning Department.

Larry Vetter, City Planner, replied that his staff would have to be increased by one (1) person.

Alderman Flores made a motion to adopt the resolution. Alderman Cantu seconded the motion and it was prevailed by the following vote:

YEAS: Aldermen Flores, Zuniga, Cantu, Ramos, Guerra, Trevino and Sanchez.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: Alderman Benavides

A RESOLUTION

AFFIRMING THE CITY OF LAREDO'S INTEREST IN AND COMMITMENT TO PARTICIPATION IN THE TRIANGULAR PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM JOINTLY SPONSORED BY THE CHARLES STEWART MOTT FOUNDATION AND HUD'S OFFICE OF PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS.

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The following was discussion of a Foreign Trade Zone for the City of Laredo.

Larry Vetter made the presentation before the City Council,

After a brief discussion, Alderman Trevino requested that someone bring a resolution before the City Council for Council action at a future date.

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Carlos Mejia, City Engineer, presented a progress report on the proposed street improvements on Marcella Avenue from Calton Road to Taylor Street.

Mr. Mejia stated that the plans were completed and that from the south end to the north end of the bridge no land easements were required. He also stated that there was one (1) property needed for right-of-way.

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The City Engineer requested discussion with City Council regarding the Planning and Zoning Commission approval of a final plat without providing adequate protection against flood damage.

Mr. Mejia stated that he was against the decision made by the Planning and Zoning Commission. He stated that the Commission had approved a development of about 60 acres which had a major drainage problem. Mr. Mejia stated that he was not guaranteeing that the problem would be taken care of by the decision of the Planning and Zoning Commission, therefore, he was not going to certify the subdivision plat. Mr. Mejia further stated that at the present time there was no guarantee by the developers that the drainage problem would be eliminated before any building permits were issued. Mr. Mejia requested that a written legal opinion be given to him by the City's legal department.

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Next was an ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract ratifying an oil and gas lease between Sanchez O'Brien and the City of Laredo .

Maria Elena Quintanilla requested that this item be tabled because it did not require any City Council action at this time.

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The last item was an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 1980-81 budget for certain public officials.

Alderman Sanchez made a motion to adopt the ordinance and to include the City Council in the car allowance increase. Alderman Guerra seconded the motion and it was prevailed by the following vote:

YEAS: Alderman Sanchez, Guerra, Flores and Cantu.

NAYS: Aldermen Ramos, Benavides and Zuniga.

ABSTAIN: Alderman Trevino

*Alderman Benavides stated that for the record he was in favor of the increase for the Tax Collector, Tax Assessor and the City Secretary, but that he was against the City Councilmen getting the increase.

AN ORDINANCE

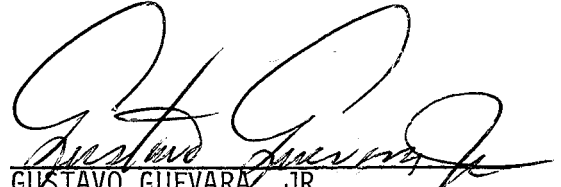
AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 1980-81 BUDGET FOR CERTAIN
PUBLIC OFFICIALS.

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

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With no further business to discuss, Alderman Sanchez made a motion to adjourn. Alderman Trevino seconded the motion and all were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 P.M.


GUSTAVO GUEVARA, JR.
CITY SECRETARY

APPROVED BY CITY COUNCIL ON
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