

State of Texas X

County of Webb X

City of Laredo X

On this the 7th day of July, 1981, the City Council of Laredo, Texas convened in Regular City Council Meeting at the Laredo Civic Center conference rooms 1 and 2 at 7:30 P.M.; with the following members thereof present, to-wit:

CARLOS A. ZUNIGA

MAYOR PRO TEM

ROBERTO FLORES

**ALDERMEN** 

VIDAL CANTU, JR.

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**GUILLERMO BENAVIDES** 

ANDRES RAMOS, JR.

ENRIQUE TREVINO

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JOE A. GUERRA

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FELIPE SANCHEZ, JR.

ROSA ELVIA SALINAS

DEPUTY CITY SECRETARY

EUSTORGIO PEREZ

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CITY ATTORNEY

ABSENT: Mayor Aldo Tatangelo and City Secretary, Gustavo Guevara, Jr.

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

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The minutes of the Regular City Council Meetings of May 19, 1981 & June 2, 1981; the Special City Council Meetings of June 11, 23, & 30, 1981; and the Emergency City Council Meeting of June 17, 1981 were presented for City Council approval. Alderman Sanchez made a motion to approve the minutes as read. Alderman Flores seconded the motion and all were in favor.

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The first item under Communications was a letter addressed to the Mayor and the City Council from Armengol Guerra, Jr. of the Laredo Hardware Co. concerning (1) certain repairs to the Market Tennis Courts and (2) the extension of the closing time from 10:00 P.M. daily to 11:00 P.M. daily.

He mentioned to the City Council that he was under the understanding that the Laredo Hotel/Motel Association may authorize that some of the funds from the collection of the Hotel/Motel tax be used for some of these repairs. He further stated that many people that use the tennis courts have complained because they work late but like to go and get some exercise after they get out of work. He stated that many requests, to keep the facility open until 11:00 P.M., have been made previously. He stated that

he hoped that the Council would authorize these repairs and that the facility would remain open until 11:00 P.M.

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The next item under Communications was a petition from the Tercera Iglesia "El Salvador". The people of this church were requesting that the Council take the paving of the 4100 block of Main St. into consideration because this would be beneficial to the church, school and the neighborhood.

Mayor Pro tem referred this to the Public Works Department,

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The last item under Communications was a request from Anastacio Barrera to open Green Street at the intersection with the Zapata Highway on the west side of the Zapata Highway.

This was referred to the Traffic Department.

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The following was an ordinance amending schedule of rates charged by Vumore Company of Laredo, Inc., and prescribing a new schedule of rates to be charged for residential and non-residential fees and monthly charges within the City of Laredo, Texas; fixing the time when such schedule of rates shall become effective.

Mr. Morris Reese made the presentation before the City Council,

Andres Ramos, Jr. protested the rate increase by stating that the Vumore Co. was acting as a monopoly.

Vidal Cantu congratulated the Vumore Committee for the fine work they had done.

After some discussion, Alderman Benavides made a motion to adopt the ordinance.

Alderman Cantu seconded the motion and it was prevailed by the following vote:

YEAS: Aldermen Guerra, Sanchez, Benavides, Flores, Cantu and Zuniga.

NAYS: Aldermen Ramos and Trevino.

## AN ORDINANCE

AMENDING SCHEDULE OF RATES CHARGED BY VUMORE COMPANY OF LAREDO, INC., AND PRESCRIBING A NEW SCHEDULE OF RATES TO BE CHARGED FOR RESIDENTIAL AND NON-RESIDENTIAL FEES AND MONTHLY CHARGES WITHIN THE CITY OF LAREDO, TEXAS; FIXING THE TIME WHEN SUCH SCHEDULE OF RATES SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE.

The Mayor Pro tem declared in open meeting that the ordinance had passed,

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Alderman Sanchez made a motion to move item #21 to item #4. Alderman Cantu seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Item #21 was City Council action on threatened litigation, concerning sewer and water connections on the 1700 block of Chacon Street.

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Mr. Eustorgio Perez, City Attorney, stated that he would recommend that the City agree to pay \$700.00 of the cost for sewer and water connections, but only if Mr. Haynes agreed to pay \$700.00 and the residents agreed on paying approximately \$525.00 each, and that this agreement be approved by the City Attorney otherwise there would be no agreement.

Alderman Trevino made a motion to go along with the City Attorney's recommendation under the condition that the City will not pay more than \$700.00 and that it be approved by the City Attorney. Alderman Cantu seconded the motion and all were in favor.

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The following was an ordinance granting the Texas Mexican Railway Company, its successors and assigns, the right, privilege and permission to construct and maintain one railroad track spur upon and across San Ygnacio Avenue at its intersection with Moctezuma Street and along Moctezuma Street within a distance of two-hundred feet.

Alderman Flores made a motion  $\underline{\text{to table}}$  this item. Alderman Sanchez seconded the motion and all were in favor.

The Mayor Pro tem suggested that the Texas-Mexican Railway Co. get together with the Planning and Engineering Departments and also that someone from the Texas-Mexican Railway Co. be present at the City Council Meeting when this ordinance is presented to City Council again.

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The City Attorney requested that City Council reconsider action taken on June 16, 1981 in awarding the bid for the purchase of hot mix to both Leyendecker Materials, Inc. and Laredo Asphalt Materials, Inc.

Mr. Perez, City Attorney recommended that the City Council rescind its previous action because it was illegal to negotiate a bid after the bids were opened.

Alderman Sanchez stated that the reason this was done was because it was decided that this would be more advantages to the City.

Alderman Trevino, for the record, stated that the City Council had acted on the Legal Counsel's advice.

Alderman Benavides made a motion to repeal the previous ordinance and to award the bid to <u>Leyendecker Paving Company</u> for the <u>bid price</u> of \$19.45 per ton for asphaltic materials-hot mix. Alderman Ramos seconded the motion and it was prevailed by the following vote:

YEAS: Aldermen Flores, Benavides, Zuniga and Ramos

NAYS: Aldermen Sanchez and Guerra

ABSTAIN: Alderman Trevino and Cantu

(ALDERMAN CANTU DISQUALIFIED HIMSELF BECAUSE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST). 00141

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## AN ORDINANCE

REPEALING COUNCIL ACTION OF JUNE 16, 1981; AWARDING THE BID FOR THE ANNUAL CONTRACT OF ASPHALTIC MATERIALS—HOT MIX FOR THE CITY OF LAREDO, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO THE NECESSARY CONTRACT OR PURCHASE ORDER FOR THE ACQUISITION OF SAID MATERIAL OUT OF REVENUE SHARING FUNDS, ACCOUNT #66-1027-0900-0000.

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

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Next was an ordinance approving an exchange of real property owned by Mike Villarreal to be deeded to the City of Laredo in exchange for a platted-but-unopened public street to be deeded to Mike Villarreal; the lots traded to the City would become part of the Dryden Recreational Park.

## -THIS ITEM WAS TABLED.-

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The following was an ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute a contract with A.T.E. Management Service Company, Inc., a Delaware Corporation, for Management Services of a Professional Management Company in connection with the operation of the Laredo Municipal Transit System of the City of Laredo, and further authorizing the Mayor to pay the expenses of non-resident A.T.E. personnel in accordance with section 7, paragraph (c) of said contract; contract to be effective from August 7, 1981 through July 31, 1984.

Alderman Cantu stated that the Transportation Committee's recommendation is that the City go with a three (3) year contract with A.T.E.

After a lengthy discussion, Alderman Ramos and Trevino stated that they did not want to tie down the new administration with a three (3) year contract.

Alderman Ramos suggested a two (2) year contract even though the figures would change.

Alderman Cantu made a motion to adopt the ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute a three (3) year contract with A.T.E. Alderman Benavides seconded the motion and it was prevailed by the following vote:

YEAS: Aldermen Flores, Zuniga, Benavides, Cantu and Guerra.

NAYS: Aldermen Sanchez, Ramos and Trevino.

### AN ORDINANCE

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH A.T.E. MANAGEMENT AND SERVICE COMPANY, INC., A DELAWARE CORPORATION, FOR MANAGEMENT SERVICES OF A PROFESSIONAL MANAGEMENT COMPANY IN CONNECTION WITH THE OPERATION OF THE LAREDO MUNICIPAL TRANSIT SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF LAREDO, AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO PAY THE EXPENSES OF NON-RESIDENT A.T.E. PERSONNEL IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 7, PARAGRAPH (c) OF SAID CONTRACT; CONTRACT TO BE EFFECTIVE FROM AUGUST 1, 1981 THROUGH JULY 31, 1984.

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

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Next was a request by Gustavo Guevara, Jr., City Secretary, for the passage of an ordinance adopting and enacting a new code of ordinances of the City of Laredo, Texas.

Mr. Guevara explained to the City Council that this was a book compiling ordinances of a permanent nature from 1889 to May, 1980. He further stated that any citizen, department head or city official could use this book as a reference book for ordinances.

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

#### AN ORDINANCE

ADOPTING AND ENACTING A NEW CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF LAREDO, TEXAS; ESTABLISHING THE SAME; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF CERTAIN ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREIN; PROVIDING FOR THE MANNER OF AMENDING SUCH CODE OF ORDINANCES; PROVIDING A PENALTY FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF; AND PROVIDING WHEN THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE.

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

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The following was an ordinance accepting the dedication to the City of Laredo of a tract of land of the south 15 feet of block 50 of Calton Gardens Subdivision No. 2 for public right-of-way from Armadillo Construction Company, Inc.

Alderman Trevino made a motion to adopt the ordinance. Alderman Sanchez seconded the motion and it was prevailed by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: Alderman Zuniga

## AN ORDINANCE

ACCEPTING THE DEDICATION TO THE CITY OF LAREDO OF A TRACT OF LAND OF THE SOUTH 15 FEET OF BLOCK NO. 50 OF CALTON GARDENS SUBDIVISION NO. 2 FOR PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY FROM ARMADILLO CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC.

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

Next was an ordinance authorizing the closing of parks, playground and athletic fields of the City at certain hours.

Ramon Garza, Parks & Recreation Director, made the presentation. He stated that the intent of this ordinance was to figuretively close these areas in order to curtail vandalism.

Alderman Trevino made a motion to adopt the ordinance and that a section be added to include that for the use of these areas on special occasions special permission could

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be granted by the Mayor and the Parks & Recreation Director. Alderman Flores seconded the motion and it was prevailed by the following vote:

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

NAYS: Alderman Ramos

\*\*\* Alderman Ramos voted against this ordinance because of the problems it could create for people that frequent the plazas.

#### AN ORDINANCE

AUTHORIZING THE CLOSING OF PARKS, PLAYGROUNDS, AND ATHLETIC FIELDS OF THE CITY AT CERTAIN HOURS; PROVIDING FOR ENFORCEMENT BY THE LAREDO POLICE DEPARTMENT; PROVIDING PENALTIES; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

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Alderman Andres Ramos, Jr. requested adoption of a resolution supporting the Texas Municipal League in its efforts to oppose the telephone rate increase.

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

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

NAYS: Alderman Cantu

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The following was an ordinance authorizing payment of \$405.77 in settlement of claim by Mr. Roberto J. Castro; payment to be made out from the General Fund (Contingencies).

Alderman Trevino made a motion to go into Executive Session. Alderman Sanchez seconded the motion and all were in favor.

After the Executive Session Mayor Pro tem Zuniga stated that the settlement had been discussed.

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

## AN ORDINANCE

AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF \$405.77 IN SETTLEMENT OF CLAIM BY MR. ROBERT J. CASTRO; PAYMENT TO BE MADE OUT FROM THE GENERAL FUND (CONTINGENCIES).

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

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Councilman Roberto Flores requested City Council discussion on the lighting of West Martin Baseball Field; Carlos Villarreal, CDA Director and Ramon Garza will report on possible funding sources.

Carlos Villarreal stated that he believed that Laredo deserves night time baseball

and that the lighting is necessary for this. He stated that the funds of the Texas Department of Parks & Recreation could be matched.

Ramon Garza informed the Council that the cost to the City would be in the neighborhood of \$37,500 (50% of the cost) and the other half would come from possible grant monies from the Texas Department of Parks & Recreation.

Alderman Trevino made a motion to adopt a resolution stating that the City Council looks favorably into the installation of these lights and that the matter be pursued to find all the possible funding sources. Alderman Cantu seconded the motion and all were in favor.

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Next was a resolution granting approval to appoint Sammy Garcia as an alternate member to the Board of Equalization for the City of Laredo.

Alderman Sanchez made a motion to approve the appointment. Alderman Flores seconded the motion and all were in favor.

## A RESOLUTION

TO GRANT APPROVAL TO APPOINT SAMMY GARCIA AS AN ALTERNATE MEMBER TO THE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION FOR THE CITY OF LAREDO, TEXAS.

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The following was an ordinance amending certain ordinance dated April 21, 1981, to change the hours of operation of the Market Street Tennis Courts during the months of April through September.

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

# AN ORDINANCE

AMENDING THAT ONE CERTAIN ORDINANCE OF APRIL 21ST, 1981, TO CHANGE THE HOURS OF OPERATION OF THE MARKET STREET TENNIS COURTS DURING THE MONTHS OF APRIL THRU SEPTEMBER, TO BE FROM 6:00 P.M. TO 11:00 P.M. INSTEAD OF 6:00 P.M. TO 9:00 P.M.; AND TO ADD MONTHLY AND YEARLY PASSES TO PLAY AT THE TENNIS COURTS; PASSES TO BE SOLD FOR \$10.00 A MONTH, IF BOUGHT ON A MONTHLY BASIS OR \$108.00 IF BOUGHT FOR A ONE YEAR PERIOD; THESE MONTHLY AND YEARLY RATES WILL APPLY TO ADULTS AS WELL AS JUVENILES.

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

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Next was an ordinance amending Chapter II, section 2-2 of the Land Development Ordinance dated September 2, 1980 to include Webb County Road and Bridge Administrator part of the Technical Review Committee; amending Chapter VIII, section 8-2 of the same to authorize the Ordinance Enforcement Division and the Police Department to enforce the Land Development Ordinance.

Alderman Trevino made a motion to adopt the ordinance. Alderman Flores seconded

the motion and all were in favor.

## AN ORDINANCE

AMENDING CHAPTER II, SECTION 2-2 OF THE DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE DATED SEPTEMBER 2, 1980 TO INCLUDE WEBB COUNTY ROAD AND BRIDGE ADMINISTRATOR...PART OF THE TECHNICAL REVIEW COMMITTEE; AMENDING CHAPTER VIII, SECTION 8-2 OF THE SAME TO AUTHORIZE THE ORDINANCE ENFORCEMENT DIVISION AND THE POLICE DEPARTMENT TO ENFORCE THE LAND DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE.

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

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#### -ALDERMAN SANCHEZ LEFT AT THIS TIME.-

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The following was an ordinance awarding the bid for the purchase of a two-way radio communication system for the City of Laredo/Fire Department, and authorizing the Mayor to enter into the necessary contract or purchase order for the acquisition of said equipment out of the General Fund/Revenue Sharing.

Alderman Ramos made a motion to adopt the ordinance awarding the bid to <u>Motorola</u> <u>Corporation</u> for the <u>bid price of \$8,738.00</u>. Alderman Trevino seconded the motion and all were in favor.

#### AN ORDINANCE

AWARDING THE BID FOR THE PURCHASE OF A TWO WAY RADIO COMMUNICATION SYSTEM FOR THE CITY OF LAREDO/FIRE DEPARTMENT, AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO THE NECESSARY CONTRACT OR PURCHASE ORDER FOR THE ACQUISITION OF SAID EQUIPMENT OUT OF THE GENERAL FUND/REVENUE SHARING, ACCOUNT'S #66-1027-0500-0000, 01-2215-2000-0000.

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

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Next was an ordinance awarding the bid for the purchase of Pool & Turf Chemicals for the Parks & Recreation Department and authorizing the Mayor to enter into the necessary contract or purchase order for the acquisition of said chemicals.

Alderman Cantu made a motion to adopt the ordinance awarding the bid to <u>Cantu-Johnston Pools</u> for the <u>bid price of \$1,048.00 for 5000 lbs of Diatomite</u>. Alderman Benavides seconded the motion and all were in favor.

# AN ORDINANCE

AWARDING THE BIDS FOR THE PURCHASE OF POOL & TURF CHEMICALS FOR THE PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO THE NECESSARY CONTRACT OR PURCHASE ORDER FOR THE ACQUISITION OF SAID CHEMICALS, PAYMENT TO BE MADE OUT OF THE PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT, ACCOUNT #01-5112-1900-0000.

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

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The following was an ordinance approving and authorizing the release and with-drawal of \$5,000.00 in securities pledged by the Union National Bank of Laredo, Texas, to the City of Laredo Depository as security for the funds of the City of Laredo Water Works and Sanitary Sewer System.

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

YEAS: Aldermen Flores, Benavides, Zuniga, Trevino, Ramos and Guerra.

NAYS: Alderman Cantu.

### AN ORDINANCE

APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE AND WITHDRAWAL OF \$5,000.00 IN SECURITIES PLEDGED BY THE UNION NATIONAL BANK OF LAREDO, TEXAS, TO THE CITY OF LAREDO DEPOSITORY AS SECURITY FOR THE FUNDS OF THE CITY OF LAREDO WATERWORKS AND SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM.

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

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The last item was an ordinance authorizing change order No. (1), and amending the ordinance dated February 17, 1981 authorizing the Community Development Agency Street Improvements Phase X & XI Project for the City of Laredo; authorizing the Mayor to amend said contract to reflect said change order in the amount of \$36,769.12 and to pay for said change order from C.D.A. Funds.

Alderman Trevino made a motion to adopt the ordinance. Alderman Flores seconded the motion and all were in favor.

## AN ORDINANCE

AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER NO. (1), AND AMENDING THE ORDINANCE DATED FEBRUARY 17, 1981 AUTHORIZING THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY STREET IMPROVEMENTS PHASES X & XI PROJECT FOR THE CITY OF LAREDO; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO AMEND SAID CONTRACT TO REFLECT SAID CHARGE ORDER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$36,769.12 AND TO PAY FOR SAID CHANGE ORDER FROM C.D.A. FUNDS, ACCOUNT #67-6355-0000-0000

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

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With no further business to discuss, Alderman Cantu made a motion to adjourn.

Alderman Zuniga seconded the motion and all were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 P.M.

APPROVED BY CITY COUNCIL ON,

<u>SEP 0 1 1981</u>

GUSTAVO GUEVARY, JR. CITY SECRETARY