

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

On this the 21st 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:

- ALDO TATANGELO : MAYOR
- ROBERTO FLORES : ALDERMEN
- VIDAL CANTU, JR. :
- GUILLERMO BENAVIDES :
- ANDRES RAMOS, JR. :
- ENRIQUE TREVINO :
- FELIPE SANCHEZ, JR. :
- GUSTAVO GUEVARA, JR. : CITY SECRETARY
- EUSTORGIO PEREZ : CITY ATTORNEY

ABSENT: Aldermen Carlos A. Zuniga and Joe A. Guerra

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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 under Communications was a report from Noel Robinson, Traffic Safety Director, on alleviating traffic on Malinche in front of Nixon High School. Mr. Robinson stated that he had finished a preliminary survey on the traffic problem in that area and that he recommended that Malinche and Bartlett be made a one-way pair. He stated that Malinche would be made one-way south to Clark and Bartlett would be made one-way north from Clark to the base. Mr. Robinson further stated that he would return to the City Council with a complete written report on August 7, 1981, about what he was recommending now for Malinche and Bartlett and what he would recommend for the future, based on the surveys that have been conducted.

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The next item under Communications was a request from Assistant City Attorney, Anthony McGettrick to go into Executive Session to inform the City Council on a case pending in Court against the City.

Alderman Benavides made a motion to go into Executive Session. Alderman Flores seconded the motion and it was prevailed by the following vote:

YEAS: Aldermen Benavides and Flores

NAYS: Aldermen Trevino and Ramos

ABSTAIN: Alderman Cantu

The Mayor stated that due to a lack of a quorum no executive session was held.

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The last item under Communications was a question from Mr. Jose Quintanilla as to when an audit of the Laredo Water Works System would be conducted.

The Mayor answered that he would raise the question at the next meeting of the LWWS.

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Next was a presentation of a plaque from the Texas Chapter of the American Public Works Association to Carmino Puopolo as Public Works Man of the Year for 1981.

The Mayor presented the plaque to Carmino Puopolo for being selected as one of the top three Public Works men of the Year by the Texas Chapter of the American Public Works Association.

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The following was an ordinance authorizing the Mayor of the City of Laredo to enter into an agreement with the Laredo Post Office for the placing of "Cluster Boxes" on certain City right-of-way; and authorizing the Laredo Post Office to install and maintain said "Cluster Boxes".

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

AN ORDINANCE

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF LAREDO TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE LAREDO POST OFFICE FOR THE PLACING OF "CLUSTER BOXES" ON CERTAIN CITY RIGHT-OF-WAYS; AND AUTHORIZING THE LAREDO POST OFFICE TO INSTALL AND MAINTAIN SAID "CLUSTER BOXES.

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

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Next was an ordinance amending section 8 of the ordinance dated March 6, 1979 "Defining a Taxicab, other terms and regulating the operation of taxicabs in the City of Laredo ..." to increase the rate from 20¢ for each 1/4 of a mile to 20¢ every 1/5 of a mile.

Alderman Cantu, Chairman of the Transportation Committee, informed the City Council that the Transportation Committee, on July 21, 1981, repealed the motion made by committee member, Margarito Flores and seconded by J. Guerra to grant the taxicab drivers the increase. He stated that this action was taken because of a petition from several taxicab drivers that did not want the increase. Therefore, Alderman Cantu made a motion to withdraw this item from the agenda. Alderman Trevino seconded the motion and all were in favor.

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The following was City Council action on recommendation by Transportation Committee not to renew permits of those persons who have violated the insurance and taxicab meter provisions; and those violations of no identification cards, no markings, no fire extinguishers, and no drivers license will be reprimanded, cautioned and will be subject to suspension or revocation.

Alderman Cantu made a motion to accept the recommendations of the Transportation Committee. Alderman Benavides seconded the motion and all were in favor.

-Alderman Ramos was not present.-

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Next was an ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into a purchase option agreement with the Laredo Housing Authority to grant the LHA a right to purchase certain real property owned by the City adjacent to the Nixon High School grounds to be used for low income public housing.

Alderman Trevino made a motion to adopt the ordinance upon getting a written policy that the City could sell property. Alderman Flores seconded the motion and all were in favor.

AN ORDINANCE

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN OPTION TO PURCHASE
CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY OWNED BY THE CITY IN FAVOR OF THE
LAREDO HOUSING AUTHORITY.

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

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The following was an ordinance authorizing the Mayor to transfer and deed to the Laredo Housing Authority certain real property owned by the City adjacent to Nixon High School grounds to be used for low income public housing.

Alderman Trevino made a motion to adopt the ordinance and to get a clearing from the City Attorney that this could be done. Alderman Cantu seconded the motion and all were in favor.

AN ORDINANCE

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A DEED FOR CERTAIN
CITY OWNED PROPERTY TO THE LAREDO HOUSING AUTHORITY
FOR THE USE AS A SITE FOR LOW-INCOME PUBLIC HOUSING
AND CLOSING THE 3100, 3200 AND 3300 BLOCKS OF MENDIOLA,
TAPEYSTE, AND BUENA VISTA STREETS, AND 1600, 1700 AND
1800 BLOCKS OF LOCUST AND ELM AVENUES

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

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Next 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 (200 ft.) measured easterly and westerly along said street.

Mr. C.H. Darnel, Texas Mexican Railway Co. representative, appeared before the City Council to make the presentation.

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

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 (200 FT.) MEASURED EASTERLY AND WESTERLY ALONG SAID STREET FROM ITS INTERSECTION WITH THE SIDELINES OF SAN YGNACIO AVE., AS HEREINAFTER PARTICULARLY INDICATED BY RED LINES ON MAP ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF, GRANTING SAID RAILWAY COMPANY, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, THE RIGHT TO OPERATE ITS ENGINES, TRAINS AND CARS UPON SAID TRACK SPUR WHEN THEY SHALL HAVE BEEN CONSTRUCTED AND PRESCRIBING THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH SAID TRACK SPUR SHALL BE CONSTRUCTED, MAINTAINED AND OPERATED.

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

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The following was an ordinance establishing an Impound Lot and providing for a City Wrecking Service; authorizing the Chief of Police to operate an Impound Lot; providing for disposition of unclaimed vehicles; authorizing the Mayor and City Council to take bids for an exclusive contract to provide wrecker services; establishing requirements for the chosen wrecker service; listing causes for revocation of exclusive contract; providing a choice of services in accident cases.

Police Chief Victor Garcia presented the ordinance and he stated that this ordinance was similar to the Impound Lot ordinance of the City of San Antonio, Texas. He also presented a proposed budget for operating an Impound Lot for a one (1) year period.

Charles Borchers, representative of several wrecking services, appeared before the City Council and stated that the wrecking services were opposed to this new ordinance.

Alderman Ramos made a motion to table this item and that a committee be established to handle any complaints on wrecker services. Alderman Cantu seconded the motion and all were in favor.

-THIS ITEM WAS TABLED.-

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Councilman Andres Ramos, Jr. requested a resolution expressing no confidence in the property valuations prepared by Appraisal Services of Laredo, Inc.

Alderman Ramos raised the question if whether the City had contracted with Appraisal Services of Laredo, Inc.

Mr. Ruben Cortez, Tax Assessor, stated that the Central Appraisal District had made the contract with them.

Mr. Guevara, City Secretary, stated that the City never approved an ordinance contracting with the Appraisal Services of Laredo, Inc. He stated that a resolution was passed appropriating a ceiling of \$50,000.00 to contribute for the services.

Alderman Ramos requested that the Mayor and City Attorney call Mr. Clay Blakely to verify what Mr. Ramos was saying about the operations of the Board of Equalization being illegal.

Alderman Ramos made a motion to adopt the resolution and to request that the Board of Equalization scrutinize the values set by Appraisal Services of Laredo, Inc.

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Next was an ordinance authorizing the Mayor to approve the recommendations of the Airport Committee in awarding the highest bid for the sale of surplus building #100.

Alderman Sanchez made a motion to award the bid to Alberto H. Magnon for the highest bid price of \$6,000.00. Alderman Benavides seconded the motion and it was prevailed by the following vote:

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

NAYS: Alderman Ramos

AN ORDINANCE

AWARDING THE BID FOR THE SALE OF BUILDING #100 AT THE LAREDO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT TO ALBERTO H. MAGNON.

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

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The following were ten (10) ordinances authorizing the Mayor to sign eight new leases, a renewed lease, and a renegotiated lease agreement: (a) Leopoldo Ruiz, Jr., (b) Texas Industrial Services, Inc. (c) Alpha Components Company, (d) John Waliky, (e) L.I.S.D. Lunch Program, (f) Diana Lacey, (g) Ed Davis, (h) Laredo Webb County-CAA Day Care, (i) South Texas Development Council and (j) Les Foutch, dba Pre-Seis.

Alderman Sanchez made a motion to adopt the ordinances except the one for Alpha Components, Co. which was tabled. Alderman Flores seconded the motion and all were in favor.

AN ORDINANCE
(SAME WORDING FOR ALL THESE ORDINANCES)

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CERTAIN LEASE AGREEMENT FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF LAREDO FOR CERTAIN BUILDING SPACE SITUATED AT THE LAREDO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AND BELONGING TO THE CITY OF LAREDO.

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

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Next 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. (SECOND READING)

This item was tabled at the request of the City Secretary who stated that no added readings were required.

Alderman Ramos requested that the City Attorney report back to the City Council as to whether it required three readings or not.

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Mayor Aldo Tatangelo requested City Council discussion on the following items:

- (a) City owned equipment assigned to each department head,
- (b) Privately owned vehicles entering the City Compound to pick up equipment or supplies, and
- (c) Possibility of having both the Parks and Recreation Department and the Engineering Department under the Public Works Department.

Under item A the Mayor stated that he wanted to consolidate all City owned vehicles under a motor-pool type operation and that all department heads draw equipment based on their needs. He further stated that he believed that by doing this there would be better control for maintenance, distribution and efficiency in using this equipment.

Under item B the Mayor expressed his idea that no personally owned vehicle should be driven into the Public Works Compound to draw supplies or for any other reason.

Under item C the Mayor stated that he felt that the Parks & Recreation Department and the Engineering Department should be under the Public Works Department because he felt that a new structure would be needed when the City started heading the Laredo Water & Sewer Departments (LWWS).

The Mayor concluded by saying that the above three (3) matters would be discussed in greater detail at a workshop at a later date.

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The following was City Council action on the following ordinances:

- (a) Awarding bid for the purchase of a five-ton central air unit for the City of Laredo/ Legal Department.

Alderman Cantu made a motion to reject all bids and to call for new bids for a smaller air conditioning unit. Alderman Trevino seconded the motion and all were in favor.

- (b) Awarding bid for the purchase of four (4) motorcycles for the City of Laredo/ Police Department.

Alderman Ramos made a motion to adopt the ordinance awarding the bid to Kawasaki of

San Antonio for the total bid price of \$19,000.00 (\$4,750.00 each). Alderman Flores seconded the motion and all were in favor.

AN ORDINANCE

AWARDING THE BID FOR THE PURCHASE OF FOUR MOTORCYCLES FOR THE CITY OF LAREDO/POLICE DEPARTMENT, AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO NECESSARY CONTRACT OR PURCHASE ORDER FOR THE ACQUISITION OF SAID EQUIPMENT OUT OF THE GENERAL FUND/REVENUE SHARING, ACCOUNTS #01-2215-2000-0000, AND 66-1027-0500-0000.

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

(c) Awarding the bid for the purchase of motor fuels for the City of Laredo.

Alderman Sanchez made a motion to adopt the ordinance awarding the bid to Martin Distributors, Inc. for the bid price of \$470,733.00. Alderman Flores seconded the motion and all were in favor.

AN ORDINANCE

AWARDING THE BID FOR THE PURCHASE OF MOTOR FUELS FOR THE CITY OF LAREDO AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO THE NECESSARY CONTRACT OR PURCHASE ORDER FOR THE ACQUISITION OF SAID FUELS OUT OF THE GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS #01-3102-1300-0000, 01-2212-1300-0000, 51,1002-1300-0000; SAID CONTRACT TO BEGIN JULY 21, 1981 AND END JUNE 30, 1982

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

(d) Awarding bid for the purchase of Dry Cleaning Service for the City of Laredo/Police Department.

Alderman Sanchez made a motion to adopt the ordinance awarding the bid to Gomez Cleaners for the bid price of \$43,334.00. Alderman Benavides seconded the motion and all were in favor.

AN ORDINANCE

AWARDING THE BID FOR THE PURCHASE OF DRY CLEANING SERVICE FOR THE CITY OF LAREDO/POLICE DEPARTMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO THE NECESSARY CONTRACT OR PURCHASE ORDER FOR THE ACQUISITION OF SAID SERVICE OUT OF THE GENERAL FUND; SAID CONTRACT TO BEGIN JULY 21, 1981 AND END JUNE 30, 1982 (FUND ACCOUNT #01-2113-3000-0000)

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

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Next was discussion on the City's Financial Statement as of June 30, 1981 by the City Comptroller.

Mr. Frank Etheredge, City Comptroller, made the presentation. He reported that the City had a surplus of \$1,862,595.02 but that he recommended that the City Council be a little conservative and stick to the \$1,500,000 figure in case late bills arrive that need to be charged back to June.

The Mayor stated that he would review these figures with Mr. Etheredge and then he would make a list of priorities for the City of Laredo.

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The following was an ordinance approving and authorizing the release and withdrawal of \$6,000,000.00 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 General and Special Accounts.

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

AN ORDINANCE

APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE AND WITHDRAWAL OF \$6,000,000.00 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 GENERAL AND SPECIAL ACCOUNTS.

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

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Next was an ordinance approving and authorizing the release and withdrawal of \$500,000 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 General and Special Accounts.

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

AN ORDINANCE

APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE AND WITHDRAWAL OF \$500,000.00 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 GENERAL AND SPECIAL ACCOUNTS.

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

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The following was an ordinance amending the fiscal year 1981-1982 Budget to transfer \$2,000.00 from the General Fund (Contingencies) to the City Attorney's Office for Capital Outlay.

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

AN ORDINANCE

AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 1981-1982 BUDGET TO TRANSFER \$2,000.00 FROM THE GENERAL FUND (CONTINGENCIES) TO THE CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE FOR CAPITAL OUTLAY; THIS CHANGE TO INCREASE THE TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY BUDGET FOR LEGAL DEPARTMENT FROM \$0.00 TO \$2,000.00.

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

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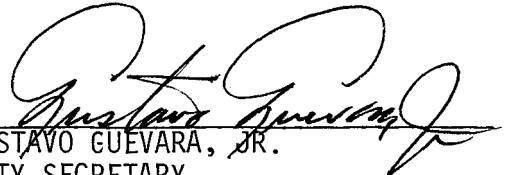
The last item was an Executive Session under Article 6252-17 Section 2(e) for discussion on contemplated litigation by Morgan Aviation on Hanger #142.

-THIS ITEM WAS TABLED.-

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


GUSTAVO GUEVARA, JR.
CITY SECRETARY

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