

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

On this 30th day of June, 1980, the City Council of Laredo, Texas, convened in regular meeting at Conference Rooms 1 and 2 of the Laredo Civic Center 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 following proceedings were carried out;

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The first item of discussion was the third and final reading on an ordinance amending and superceding the 1967 ordinance granting Central Power & Light Company an electric, heat and power franchise; granting the renewal of said franchise and extending the term and increasing the franchise fee.

Aldermen Guerra made a motion to adopt the ordinance. Alderman Zuniga seconded the motion and it was prevailed by the following vote:

- YEAS: Aldermen Flores, Zuniga, Cantu, Benavides, Guerra, Trevino, and Sanchez.
- NAYS: Alderman Ramos.

AN ORDINANCE

AMENDING AND SUPERCEDING THE 1967 ORDINANCE GRANTING TO CENTRAL POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY, A CORPORATION DULY INCORPORATED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, AN ELECTRIC LIGHT, HEAT, AND POWER FRANCHISE: PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND PUBLICATION CLAUSE.

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

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Next was an ordinance setting the tax rate on all taxable property subject to taxation by the City of Laredo at one dollar and fifty-three cents (\$1.53) for each

one hundred dollars (\$100) of assessed value for the tax year beginning January 1, 1980.

Mr. Ruben Cortez, Tax Assessor, stated that the tax rolls would not be completed until September if his personnel is cut.

Alderman Sanchez made a motion to keep the one dollar and forty-nine cents (\$1.49) for each one hundred dollars (\$100) of assessed value of the previous years instead of the proposed one dollar and fifty-three cents (\$1.53) tax rate for each one hundred dollars (\$100) of assessed property value. Alderman Guerra seconded the motion and it was prevailed by the following vote:

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

NAYS: Aldermen Cantu, Benavides and Zuniga.

AN ORDINANCE

SETTING THE TAX RATE ON ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION BY THE CITY OF LAREDO AT ONE DOLLAR AND FORTY-NINE CENTS (\$1.49) FOR EACH ONE-HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100) OF ASSESSED VALUE FOR THE TAX YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 1980.

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

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The following was an ordinance providing for the levy and collection of General and Special Ad Valorem and Occupation Taxes for the City of Laredo for the tax year 1980 and the fiscal year 1980-81.

Alderman Sanchez made a motion to adopt the ordinance. Whereupon said ordinance was read in full; the motion, carrying with it the passage of the ordinance, was seconded by Alderman Guerra and prevailed by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None.

AN ORDINANCE

PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF GENERAL AND SPECIAL AD VALOREM AND OCCUPATION TAXES FOR THE CITY OF LAREDO FOR THE TAX YEAR 1980 AND THE FISCAL YEAR 1980-81.

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

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Next was an ordinance awarding bids on insurance proposals for fiscal year 1980-81.

The first ordinance presented for Council consideration under the insurance proposals was an ordinance awarding bid for Property Damage and Use & Occupancy Insurance for Laredo International Bridge II. The following bid proposals were received:

- 1) Ward Jackson Insurance Agency
Property Damage - \$15,312.00
Use and Occupancy - \$8,750
- 2) Bravo Insurance Agency
Property Damage - \$17,220.00
Use & Occupancy - \$2,627.00 (for one (1) year on 75% provisional premium)
- 3) Insurance Associates
Property Damage - \$15,300.00
Use & Occupancy - \$ 7,600.00 on 100% revenue received

Alderman Trevino made a motion to accept Insurance Associates for Bridge II property insurance and use & occupancy. Alderman Guerra seconded the motion and all were in favor.

AN ORDINANCE

AWARDING THE BIDS FOR INSURANCE (USE & OCCUPANCY) FOR THE LAREDO BRIDGE SYSTEM (BRIDGE II) AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO THE NECESSARY CONTRACT OR PURCHASE ORDERS FOR THE ACQUISITION OF SAID INSURANCE AND TO PAY FOR SAID INSURANCE WITH MONIES FROM THE GENERAL FUND.

AN ORDINANCE

AWARDING THE BIDS FOR INSURANCE (PROPERTY DAMAGE) FOR THE LAREDO BRIDGE SYSTEM (BRIDGE II) AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO THE NECESSARY CONTRACT OR PURCHASE ORDERS FOR THE ACQUISITION OF SAID INSURANCE AND TO PAY FOR SAID INSURANCE WITH MONIES FROM THE GENERAL FUND.

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

The next insurance bid ordinance was General Liability Insurance with the following bids received:

- 1) Ward-Jackson Insurance Agency
Bid: 15% dividend for first \$30,000 and 10% over \$31,000
- 2) Insurance Associates
Bid: 15% flat

Alderman Flores made a motion to accept Insurance Associates at 15% dividend and to include the medical. Alderman Sanchez seconded the motion and all were in favor.

AN ORDINANCE

AWARDING THE BIDS FOR COMPREHENSIVE GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE FOR THE CITY OF LAREDO AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO THE NECESSARY CONTRACT OR PURCHASE ORDERS FOR THE ACQUISITION OF SAID INSURANCE AND TO PAY FOR SAID INSURANCE WITH MONIES FROM THE GENERAL FUND.

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

The following ordinance presented on the insurance bids was on Automobile Physical Damage and Comprehensive Auto Liability with the following bids submitted:

1) Insurance Associates

Comprehensive Auto Liability - 12% flat

Automobile Physical Damage - 12% flat

Alderman Trevino made a motion to accept Insurance Associates at 12% flat.

Alderman Cantu seconded the motion and all were in favor.

AN ORDINANCE

AWARDING THE BIDS FOR AUTOMOBILE PHYSICAL DAMAGE INSURANCE FOR THE CITY OF LAREDO AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO THE NECESSARY CONTRACT OR PURCHASE ORDERS FOR THE ACQUISITION OF SAID INSURANCE AND TO PAY FOR SAID INSURANCE WITH MONIES FROM THE GENERAL FUND.

AN ORDINANCE

AWARDING THE BIDS FOR COMPREHENSIVE AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY INSURANCE FOR THE CITY OF LAREDO AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO THE NECESSARY CONTRACT OR PURCHASE ORDERS FOR THE ACQUISITION OF SAID INSURANCE AND TO PAY FOR SAID INSURANCE WITH THE MONIES FROM THE GENERAL FUND.

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

The last insurance proposal brought before the Council was for Workmen's Compensation Insurance with the following bids received:

1) Insurance Associates

Bid: \$211,520.00

Alternate bid: \$183,523.00

2) TML - Employers

Bid: \$208,190.00

Alternate bid: \$190,842.00

Alderman Cantu made a motion to accept the alternate bid of Insurance Associates in the amount of \$183,523.00. The alternate bids required a reclassification of job positions. The motion was seconded by Alderman Flores and prevailed by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None.

AN ORDINANCE

AWARDING THE BIDS FOR WORKER'S COMPENSATION INSURANCE FOR THE CITY OF LAREDO AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO THE NECESSARY CONTRACT OR PURCHASE ORDERS FOR THE ACQUISITION OF SAID INSURANCE AND TO PAY FOR SAID INSURANCE WITH THE MONIES FROM THE GENERAL FUND.

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

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The last item presented for City Council approval was an ordinance adopting the annual budget for the City of Laredo for the fiscal year 1980-81; appropriating funds in accordance with said budget; and fixing the authorized number of positions in each municipal department, fund and office.

The Council decided to take and vote on each department individually.

Alderman Benavides stated that it did not seem right that when this Council was trying to come up with a tight budget that the City Council increase its own benefits. He said it was not setting a good example.

Alderman Sanchez made a motion to adopt the budget for the City Council which included a gas allowance increase. Alderman Guerra seconded the motion and it was prevailed by the following vote:

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

NAYS: Alderman Benavides.

Alderman Zuniga made a motion to move over all the items except those the Council wanted to discuss separately. Alderman Cantu seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Alderman Cantu made a motion to increase the Municipal Court's budget by approximately \$4,000. Alderman Zuniga seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Alderman Cantu made a motion to leave the hiring for positions at the City Attorney's office at the Mayor's discretion. Alderman Zuniga seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Alderman Sanchez made a motion to continue the present projects; Bartlett, McPhearson and Calton Road Projects, and monies left over from last year's budget are also included. Alderman Trevino seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Alderman Sanchez made a motion to appropriate the balance from the C.P.L. franchise fees to the Public Works for drainage and paving. Alderman Ramos seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Alderman Cantu made a motion to increase \$100,000 to the budget of the Tax Assessor and Tax Collector's office. The motion was rescinded.

Alderman Cantu made a motion to include \$8,000 in the budget for election expenses. Alderman Zuniga seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Alderman Cantu made a motion to amend the figure of \$3,544,173 under general administration to \$3,694,173. Alderman Zuniga seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Alderman Cantu made a motion to approve the budget as amended and to include \$9,000 more for the Tax Assessor's office and \$9,000 for the Tax Collector's office from the general administration fund. Alderman Sanchez seconded the motion and it

was prevailed by the following vote:

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

NAYS: Aldermen Ramos, Trevino and Zuniga.

AN ORDINANCE

ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF LAREDO FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 1980-81; APPROPRIATING FUNDS IN ACCORDANCE WITH SAID BUDGET: AND FIXING THE AUTHORIZED NUMBER OF POSITIONS IN EACH MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT, FUND AND OFFICE.

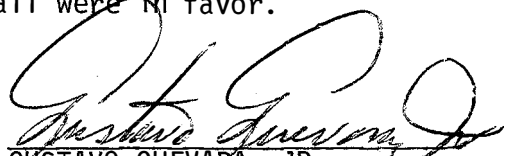
The Mayor declared in open meeting that the ordinance, adopting the annual budget, had passed.

Alderman Ramos stated that the reasons he voted against the budget were:

- 1) He wanted to call for a City Manager,
- 2) He believed that decisions were being made "off-the-cuff" without following a systematic procedure,
- 3) He believed that the decisions made on the depository bid were not proper and possibly even violated some laws.

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


GUSTAVO GUEVARA, JR.
CITY SECRETARY