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City of Laredo X

On this the 5th day of August, 1980, the City Council of Laredo, Texas, convened in regular meeting at the Laredo Civic Center Conference Rooms 1 and 2 at 7:30 o'clock P.M., with the following members thereof present, to-wit:

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

ABSENT: City Attorney, Eustorgio Perez

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With a quorum present, the following proceedings were carried out:

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The minutes of Regular City Council Meetings of June 17, 30 and July 1, 1980 and also the minutes of the Special City Council Meeting of June 27, 1980 were presented for approval. Alderman Trevino made a motion to approve the minutes as read. Alderman Flores seconded the motion and all were in favor.

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Under communications, a letter from Carmino Puopolo, Civil Preparedness Director, was read by Gustavo Guevara, Jr., City Secretary.

In summary, the letter stated that a copy of the City of Laredo "Emergency Operations Plan" was being given to the Councilmen and that Mr. Puopolo would present it for final approval on August 19, 1980.

Next under communications, Mr. Raymundo Pena, representative from XEROX Corporation, informed the Council about the company's plan to place a 9400 model copying machine in the City Hall for a 30 day no charge trial basis. The Mayor told Mr. Pena to go see him at his office so that arrangements could be made.

The third and last item under communications was a letter from Jorge Salazar read by the City Secretary.

The letter stated that a Proposed Use Hearing on the use of available Federal Revenue Sharing Funds on hand would be held on Monday, August 11, 1980 at 7:30 P.M. at the Civic Center meeting rooms 1 and 2.

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Mr. Jorge Salazar made his presentation to the City Council. The following Appropriation Ordinance was presented for City Council approval.

Alderman Guerra 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 Zuniga and prevailed by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None.

AN ORDINANCE

AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE PAYMENT OF CERTAIN DEBTS OWED BY THE CITY OF LAREDO TO CERTAIN PAYEES, OUT OF THE FUNDS OF THE CITY OF LAREDO, TEXAS FOR MATERIALS, EQUIPMENT, WORK AND/OR SERVICES PREVIOUSLY RENDERED.

<u>Payee/Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Fund</u>
Ernst & Whinney Services rendered during March through June 30, 1980 Audit - South Texas Cultural Basin Commission	\$ 4,050.00	General Fund
Ernst & Whinney Services rendered March through June 30, 1980 Financial & Compliance Audit - LPW Project	2,970.00	General Fund
Ernst & Whinney Services rendered from June 1 through June 30, 1980 as per letter of agreement dated May 11, 1979	7,979.00	General Fund
Ernst & Whinney Services in connection with LPW Project No. 08-51-01305, TDCA contract for 1978 and TDCA contract for 1979.	2,800.00	General Fund
Ernst & Whinney Services rendered from April 1 through May 31, 1980 as per letters of agreement dated 8/11/78 and 5/11/79.	17,283.00	General Fund
Ernst & Whinney Services rendered through April, 1980 - Laredo Bridge System.	1,845.00	General Fund

Ashley, Humphries & Partners
Reimbursable expenses
Toll Plaza Building

1,481.17

Bridge System

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

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The following was an ordinance approving a contract between the City of Laredo, Texas and the Laredo Chamber of Commerce for services rendered in promoting the Economic Growth and Development of Laredo for the general benefit and welfare of the citizens of Laredo; and authorizing and appropriating from the general fund for fiscal year 1980-81.

Mr. Conrado Cruz, Jr. Chamber of Commerce Manager, made the presentation. He was requesting \$43,730.00 when the monies were available and authorization to the Mayor to sign the contract at that time.

The Mayor stated that when the audit is completed he would, at that time, like to negotiate with the Chamber of Commerce. This way he could be assured of available monies.

Alderman Cantu made a motion to give the Chamber of Commerce first priority upon availability of funds. Alderman Ramos seconded the motion and it was prevailed by the following vote:

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

NAYS: Aldermen Benavides and Guerra.

Alderman Flores made a motion to authorize the Mayor to negotiate a contract with the Chamber of Commerce upon completion of the audit of the City of Laredo. Alderman Zuniga seconded the motion and all were in favor.

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Next was an ordinance approving a contract between the City of Laredo and the Laredo Chamber of Commerce for expending funds collected under the City of Laredo Hotel-Motel Occupancy Tax for the purpose of promoting the Tourist and Convention Industry for the City of Laredo; and authorizing an appropriation of the proceeds of said tax for Fiscal Year of 1980-81, less 5% for the City's service and collection costs.

Mr. Bill Harrell, Chamber of Commerce representative, made the presentation before the City Council.

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

AN ORDINANCE

APPROVING A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF LAREDO, TEXAS AND THE LAREDO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR EXPENDING FUNDS COLLECTED UNDER THE CITY OF LAREDO HOTEL-MOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROMOTING THE TOURIST AND CONVENTION INDUSTRY FOR THE CITY OF LAREDO; AND AUTHORIZING AN APPROPRIATION OF THE PROCEEDS OF SAID TAX FOR FISCAL YEAR

OF 1980-81, LESS 5% FOR THE CITY'S SERVICE AND
COLLECTION COSTS.

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

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The following was a resolution approving application for preliminary loan for low-rent public housing.

Mr. Raul Trevino, Laredo Housing Authority Director, made the presentation before the City Council.

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

A RESOLUTION

APPROVING APPLICATION FOR PRELIMINARY LOAN
FOR LOW-RENT PUBLIC HOUSING.

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Next was a resolution establishing Urban System Project Priorities within the City of Laredo, Texas.

Mr. Dan Farias, Texas State Department of Highways & Transportation Area Director, made the presentation before the City Council.

Alderman Cantu made a motion to adopt the resolution. Alderman Benavides seconded the motion and all were in favor.

A RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF LAREDO, TEXAS, ESTABLISHING URBAN
SYSTEM PROJECT PRIORITIES WITHIN THE CITY
OF LAREDO, TEXAS.

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The following was City Council consideration of reinstatement of Taxicab Permits to A-B Taxi or to Liborio Herrera and Tomas Vasquez.

Alderman Cantu stated that the Transportation Committee voted to reinstate the permits to Mr. Bernardo De La Garza of A-B Taxi.

Alderman Ramos made a motion to deny issuance of taxi permits to A-B Taxi. Alderman Sanchez seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Alderman Ramos made a motion to approve taxicab permits for Liborio Herrera and Tomas Vasquez. Alderman Trevino seconded the motion and all were in favor.

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Next was an ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into contract with Southwestern Bell Telephone Company for the installation of the Dimension 400 PBX System.

The Mayor requested that this item be tabled.

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Presented for City Council approval was an ordinance amending the fiscal year 1980-81 budget increasing personnel by \$5,000 to add one employee in the Tax Assessor's Budget.

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

AN ORDINANCE

AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 1980-81 BUDGET TO ADD \$5,000.00 TO BUDGET OF CITY TAX ASSESSOR'S OFFICE FOR SALARY OF ADDITIONAL EMPLOYEE.

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

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The following was an ordinance authorizing and approving the release of withdrawal of \$605,000.00 securities pledged by the Union National Bank of Laredo, Texas to the City of Laredo Depository as security for the funds of the Laredo Waterworks System and Sanitary Sewer System.

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

AN ORDINANCE

AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE RELEASE AND WITHDRAWAL OF \$605,000.00 SECURITIES PLEDGED BY THE UNION NATIONAL BANK OF LAREDO, TEXAS TO THE CITY OF LAREDO DEPOSITORY AS SECURITY FOR THE FUNDS OF THE LAREDO WATERWORKS SYSTEM AND SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM.

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

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Next was City Council approval of a proposed three-year lease agreement to grant concession space to car-rental agencies at the Airport Terminal.

The Laredo Airport Committee voted unanimously on the following:

"Contracts on all Car-Rental Agencies will be for a term of three (3) years with the following minimums or 10% of gross profits, whichever be greater:

1st year, \$ 850.00 per month - \$10,200 yearly

2nd year, 1,100.00 per month - \$13,200 yearly

3rd year, 1,350.00 per month - \$16,200 yearly"

"Included will be an escape clause that any agency may cancel its contract after the end of the first year through a 90-day written notice."

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

*In ordinance
Copy ordinance title*

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Presented for City Council approval was an ordinance authorizing the Mayor to sign a new lease with Alamo Commuter Airlines.

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

the motion and all were in favor.

AN ORDINANCE

AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF LAREDO FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF LAREDO OF A CERTAIN LEASE AGREEMENT COVERING A TRACT OF LAND SITUATED AT THE FORMER LAREDO AIR FORCE BASE AND BELONGING TO THE CITY OF LAREDO.

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

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The following was an ordinance awarding bid to Zuniga Construction, Inc. for construction work in the Air Freight Terminal.

Alderman Cantu made a motion to adopt the ordinance awarding bid to Zuniga Construction, Inc. for the bid price of \$20,800.00 (dollars). Alderman Trevino seconded the motion and it was prevailed by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: Aldermen Zuniga and Benavides.

AN ORDINANCE

AWARDING THE BID OR IMPROVEMENTS OF THE AIRPORT AIR FREIGHT TERMINAL FOR THE CITY OF LAREDO, AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO THE NECESSARY CONTRACT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF SAID PROJECT AND TO PAY FOR SAID PROJECT WITH AIRPORT FUNDS.

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

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Next was a resolution authorizing the filing of an application with the Department of Transportation, U.S.A. for Technical Studies Grant under Section 9, of the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964, as amended.

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

A RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, FOR A TECHNICAL STUDIES GRANT UNDER SECTION 9 OF THE URBAN MASS TRANSPORTATION ACT OF 1964, AS AMENDED.

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The Laredo Municipal Transit System requested to appear before the City Council to make their un-audited year end report of fiscal year 1979-80.

Mr. Richard Dunning, LMTS Manager, made the report to the City Council. He reported an increase of 11.5% in ridership; a 21.4% revenue increase; and a 25%

decrease in the City's share of the deficit over last year's figures.

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The following was an ordinance amending the Taxicab Ordinance Section IV to provide that a certificate or a taxi permit will not be re-issued to the taxi company or operator for a period of one (1) year from the date a certificate or permit had been revoked or cancelled by the City Council.

Alderman Cantu made a motion to amend the ordinance to read indefinite and to adopt the ordinance. Alderman Sanchez seconded the motion and it was prevailed by the following vote:

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

NAYS: Alderman Zuniga.

AN ORDINANCE

*Missing
before DeSuda*

AMENDING SECTION IV OF THE TAXICAB ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE THAT IN EVENT OF SUSPENSION, REVOCATION OR CANCELLATION OF CERTIFICATE, APPLICATION FOR REINSTATEMENT WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED BY THE CITY SECRETARY UNDER SECTION IV FROM DATE OF SUCH SUSPENSION, REVOCATION OR CANCELLATION: AMENDING SECTION XV TO REFLECT SUCH INDEFINITE PERIOD OF SUSPENSION, REVOCATION OR CANCELLATION.

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

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Next was a presentation by C.D.A. and the City Engineer on the C.D.A. Paving Phase X & XI and also they requested permission to advertise for bids.

Carlos Mejia, City Engineer, stated that the project encompasses sixty (60) City Blocks.

Alderman Sanchez made a motion to adopt the resolution granting permission to advertise for bids. Alderman Benavides seconded the motion and all were in favor.

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The following was discussion of drainage situation developing along San Dario Avenue from Canal Street to Hillside Road.

Carlos Mejia, City Engineer, informed the Council that the channel on the east side of IH-35 and the culverts under San Dario were designed in 1963 for a ten (10) year frequency storm for a condition of soil that was classified as agricultural. Since then this area, of course, has developed very fast. He stated that, during rains, San Dario gets flooded at this area and that even though it poses no immediate danger it would be hazardous in the future.

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The next item was the Chicago-Taylor Bridge Project progress report by City Engineer and discussion of required right-of-way.

The project was allocated \$300,000 (dollars). He informed the Council that since the Zacate Creek project had been awarded, the Corp of Engineers planned to demolish two (2) bridges that are serving that area. The Corp of Engineers classified the concrete culvert bridges as inadequate to take the water. He stated that a structural engineer from San Antonio was hired and he gave the City Engineer nine (9) pages of preliminary drawings and by the end of August he would have the finalized drawings. His current cost estimate is \$268,000 (dollars). Therefore, Mr. Mejia stated that he believed that it would be well within the \$300,000 (dollar) budget.

The Clark-Park bridge also has to be demolished and reconstructed but no funds have been allocated to this project.

The Sanchez-Gustavus bridge is adequate and high enough but it has to be widened most likely 25 ft. on the east side and 25 ft. on the west side. Mr. Mejia stated that the Clark-Park bridge would cost about half-a-million dollars (\$500,000).

Mr. Mejia stated that the Corp of Engineers would pay only for the reconstruction of the combination railroad bridges and not for the others.

Mr. Mejia also stated that there was some land that offsets Chicago from Taylor on the north side. Alderman Trevino stated that the land that didn't belong to the City was going to be donated by Raquel Gonzalez.

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Presented for City Council approval was an ordinance retaining Ricardo De Anda, Attorney at Law, to represent the City of Laredo in Federal Court in cause styled Benavides vs. Elizalde, et al, Civil Cause L-79-14.

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

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

NAYS: Alderman Trevino.

AN ORDINANCE

RETAINING RICARDO DE ANDA, ATTORNEY AT LAW,
TO REPRESENT THE CITY OF LAREDO IN FEDERAL
COURT IN CAUSE STYLED BENAVIDES VS. ELIZALDE,
ET AL, CIVIL CAUSE L-79-14.

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

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Next was a request for City Council resolution electing that the City be self-insurer as to certain parcels of land owned by and or acquired by the City of Laredo for the Zacate Creek Beautification Project rather than obtaining commercial title insurance for same. This was requested by the U. S. Army Corp of Engineers and drafted by the City Attorney's Office.

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

A RESOLUTION

BY WHICH CITY OF LAREDO ELECTS TO BE SELF-INSURER AS TO CERTAIN PARCELS WITHIN THE ZACATE CREEK BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT; AND AUTHORIZING CITY ATTORNEY TO CERTIFY TO SUCH EFFECT TO THE U.S. ARMY CORP OF ENGINEERS.

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The last item was a request for City Council resolution accepting Vanir Properties, Inc., of San Antonio, Texas as the developer for the proposed Zacate Creek Parkway-Riverfront Urban Development Action Grant Project.

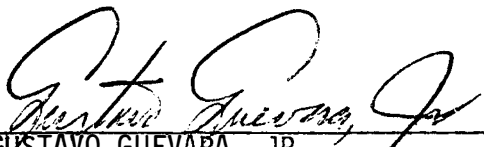
Alderman Trevino made a motion to adopt the resolution. Alderman Sanchez seconded the motion and all were in favor.

A RESOLUTION

ACCEPTING VANIR PROPERTIES, INC., OF SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, AS THE INTENDED DEVELOPER FOR THE PROPOSED ZACATE PARKWAY-RIVER FRONT URBAN DEVELOPMENT ACTION GRANT PROJECT.

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With no further business to discuss, Alderman Sanchez made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Alderman Zuniga seconded the motion and all were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 P.M.


GUSTAVO GUEVARA, JR.
CITY SECRETARY