PUBLIC NOTICE 2024 City Council Retreat

Public Notice is hereby given that the Mayor and Members of the City Council and City management will participate in a Council retreat Monday, February 12, 2024 starting at noon. The retreat will take place at Joe A. Guerra Laredo Public Library, 2nd Floor Program Room 1, located at 1120 E Calton Road, Laredo, Texas 78041.

No official City action will be taken at this time.

The agenda for the retreat is as follows:

Monday, February 12

Laying the Foundation

- Introductions
- Agenda Review
- Norms/Expectations

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Our Current Operating Context

We will engage in a high-level conversation that touches on your perceptions of organizational and community strengths and aspirations, s well as challenges and limitations.

Strategic Planning

We will discuss the value and importance of strategic planning, and the role the governing body can play in focusing the community and organization on aspirations for the future.

Mission and Values

City Staff will share the work done to develop the organization's Mission and Value Statements. This work was completed in 2022.

Strategic Outcomes

We will review the Strategic Outcome Statements and determine what adjustments need to be made to ensure their relevance in today's context.

From Outcomes to Vision

The consultants will prepare a proposed Vision Statement to complement the Outcome statements and we will use that as a starting point for capturing the Vision the Council has for the City.

Identifying Priorities

Each members of the City Council will be asked to share with their colleagues the most important policies, projects or initiatives they wish to pursue, that are not already being addressed through the Departmental Workplans. We will then consider individual priorities and understand the shared priorities among the Council members.

Closing

As the day comes to close, each participant will be asked to share a parting thought on how they feel about the work done during the retreat.

Please note that at no time during this City Council Retreat will a vote, order, decision, or any other action be taken on a matter of city business. Furthermore, pursuant to Sections 551.001, 551.002, and 551.0035 of the Texas Government Code, none of the events listed above qualify as a meeting to trigger the notice or other requirements of the Texas Open Meetings Act. For additional or updated information on meeting schedules, please contact City Manager's Office at 956-791-7302.

This notice was posted on Thursday, February 8, 2024 by 5:00 p.m. at Laredo City Hall located at 1110 Houston Street, Laredo, Texas, 78040.

Jose A. Valdez, Jr., City Segretary