

STATE OF TEXAS X

COUNTY OF WEBB X

CITY OF LAREDO X

On this the 15th. day of March, 1977, the Council of the City of Laredo, Texas convened in an emergency session at the regular place of meeting in the Council Chambers at 3:30 o'clock P.M., with the following members thereof present, to-wit:

JOE C. MARTIN, JR.	:	MAYOR
PETER R. ARGUINDEGUI, JR.	:	
JOE A. GUERRA	:	
LUIS F. MENDOZA	:	
ROBERTO SALINAS	:	ALDERMEN
CARLOS A. ZUNIGA	:	
ALLAN C. SKINNER	:	
WILLIAM W. ALLEN	:	CITY ATTORNEY

ABSENT: Aldermen Jose M. Solis, George R. Wright

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

Mayor Martin read in full the opening bids for the Laredo International Airport Airfield Lighting System as follows:

Coultas Electric Donna, Texas	\$108,987.00
Glo Constraction Co. Dallas, Texas	\$ 69,833.50
Loyd Electric Co., Inc.	\$ 75,236.00

The lowest and best bid was entered by Glo Constraction Company.

Mayor Martin introduced an Ordinance and Alderman Zuniga made a motion that it be passed. Whereupon said ordinance was read in full, the motion carrying with it the passage of the ordinance was seconded by Alderman Salinas and prevailed by the following vote:

YEAS: Aldermen Salinas, Guerra, Mendoza, Skinner, Zuniga and Arguindegui

NAYS: None

AN ORDINANCE

ACCEPTING THE BID OF LEYENDECKER PAVING
FOR THE FURNISHING OF ALL NECESSARY MATERIALS, MACHINERY,
EQUIPMENT, LABOR, SUPERINTENDENCE AND ALL OTHER SERVICES
REQUIRED FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF CERTAIN STREET IMPROVE-
MENTS IN THE CITY OF LAREDO, TEXAS, SAID PROJECT BEING
CARRIED OUT UNDER THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT
PROGRAM, PROJECT NUMBER B-76-MC-48-0505-105 V.

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

Mayor Martin read in full a letter from the Laredo Savings & Loan requesting a traffic light at McCelland & Guadalupe Street. The matter was referred to the Texas Highway Department.

A letter from Benito Garza requesting four (4) parking spaces for his taxi business, located at 1219 Zaragoza, two on one side and two across. The request was previously denied due to traffic problems with the Bus Terminal. The matter was referred to Chief for further investigation.

A letter from Ramon Gloria and other residents petition the CDA to implement sewer facilities along the Zapata Highway north of the Chacon Creek as it was stated at the Public Meeting on March 10, 1977. The matter was referred to the Laredo Water Works System.

Mr. O. C. Martinez, City Tax Collector is requesting a refund check for the following persons.

Mr. Joe M. Balli \$26.25
Exemption given to disable Veterans

Mr. Auturo Montemayor \$52.50
Qualifies for "Over 65" Homestead Exemption

Mr. Isidro Duarte \$26.25
Exemption given to disable Veterans

Alderman Mendoza made a motion that said amount be refund to each person. The motion was seconded by Alderman Zuniga and passed.

The Alma Pierce Parent-Teacher Association request that one street running paralld to Saunder Street and another north to Alma Pierce Elementary School to prepared for foot and vehicular traffic. The matter was referred to the Paving Committee.

The requested survey by Mrs. Esther Burge for a loading zone, to be installed on the south side of Lincoln Street and in the 300 block, has been completed by the Laredo Police Department. The Traffic Department recommends the request be approved.

The request survey by Mrs. Rosa Burgess, Manager of the "La Rosa Fabric Shop", located at 1318 Iturbide Street, has been completed. The Traffic Department recommends that this request be denied. Alderman Mendoza made a motion that the recommendations of the Traffic Department be approved. The motion was seconded by Alderman Salinas and passed.

Residents of the Santo Nino Neighborhood request that his barrio be included in the Community Action Agency general clean-up work of "barrio" residents' homes.

Mr. Jesus Salazar, President of the Santo Nino Neighborhood Council request from the City of Laredo some sort of patrolman between the hours of 5:00 and 9:00 P.M. to enforce a sanitation ordinance and prevent dumping of garbage in the mentioned barrio. The matter was referred to the Police Department and Health Department for further investigation.

Mayor Martin introduced an Ordinance and Alderman Mendoza made a motion that it be passed. 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 Salinas, Guerra, Mendoza, Skinner, Zuniga and Arguindegui

NAYS: None

AN ORDINANCE

ACCEPTING THE GRANT OFFER OF THE TEXAS AERONAUTICS COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF TEXAS FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE CITY'S COST OF CONSTRUCTION OF CERTAIN IMPROVEMENTS AND ADDITIONS TO THE LAREDO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT LIGHTING SYSTEM AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE SUCH GRANT OFFER ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF LAREDO, BEING TAC PROJECT NUMBER 772-37 AND TO TAKE ALL NECESSARY STEPS TO CARRY OUT THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SAID AGREEMENT.

The Laredo Airport Committee met in regular session on Tuesday, March 8, 1977, in the Airport Conference Room. Mr. Roberto Salinas, Chairman, request that the actions of the committee be approved. Alderman Skinner made a motion that minutes be approved, the motion was seconded by Alderman Arguindegui and passed.

Mayor Martin introduced a Resolution and Alderman Mendoza made a motion that it be adopted. Whereupon said resolution was read in full, the motion carrying with it the passage of the resolution was seconded by Alderman Arguindegui and prevailed by the following vote:

YEAS: Aldermen Salinas, Guerra, Mendoza, Skinner, Zuniga and Arguindegui

NAYS: None

A RESOLUTION

DIRECTING THE CALLING FOR SEPARATE BIDS ON BID BLOCK NO. 4 AND BID BLOCK NO. 5 FOR LEASING OF PORTIONS OF THE LANDS OWNED BY THE CITY OF LAREDO SITUATED WITHIN THE DESCRIBED BID BLOCKS, AND THE EXECUTION BY THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER, ON EACH BID BLOCK, UPON ACCEPTANCE OF SUCH BID BY THE CITY OF LAREDO OF AN OIL AND GAS LEASE WITH THE CITY OF LAREDO COVERING SUCH BID BLOCK.

WHEREAS, the City of Laredo has approved an oil and gas drilling ordinance for the orderly development of oil and gas drilling and production within the city limits; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council has passed an ordinance pertaining to the leasing of the land owned by the City and the information required to make such a bid; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council is of the opinion that a Notice to Bidders should be issued for leasing of Bid Blocks Nos. 4 and 5.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAREDO:

1. That the Deputy City Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to cause the attached "Notice to Bidders" to be given and published in The Laredo Times on the 18th day of March, 1977, and the 25th day of March, 1977, and on the 1st day of April, 1977, and said Notice to Bidders is hereby approved and incorporated in this resolution as fully as though set out herein verbatim.

2. The City Council further authorizes the City Secretary's office to furnish to any interested bidder:

- (a) Copy of the Drilling Ordinance, and
- (b) Copy of the Leasing Ordinance, which contains a copy of the oil and gas lease to be entered by bidder with the city, for the purpose of preparing bids with the city which shall be received by the City Council on the 19th day of April, 1977, as set out in said Notice to Bidders.

3. A copy of a plat showing the bidding blocks shall be available for inspection at the City Secretary's office during normal business hours.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AND APPROVED BY THE MAYOR, on the 15th day of March, 1977.

J. C. MARTIN, JR.
Mayor

ATTEST:

DEPUTY CITY SECRETARY

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

/s/ W. W. Allen
W. W. ALLEN
City Attorney

Mayor Martin introduced a Resolution and Alderman Zuniga made a motion that it be adopted. Whereupon said resolution was read in full, the motion carrying with it the adoption of the resolution was seconded by Alderman Salinas and prevailed by the following vote:

YEAS: Aldermen Salinas, Skinner, Zuniga, Guerra, Mendoza, and Arguindegui

NAYS: None

A RESOLUTION

CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES
FROM THE CITY OF LAREDO TO SERVE ON THE BOARD OF
DIRECTORS OF THE SOUTH TEXAS DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
FOR THE PERIOD MAY 1, 1977 TO APRIL 30, 1978

WHEREAS, the By-laws of the South Texas Development Council provide that the appointment of representatives of General Units of Government (City of Laredo and County of Webb) of Webb County shall consist of five (5) representatives from General Governmental Units and four (4) Non-governmental members representing general interest group categories to be shared equally on a 50-50% basis by Webb County and the City of Laredo; and,

WHEREAS, by prior agreement, the County of Webb has appointed two (2) elected officials and three (3) Non-governmental members to said Board, to have four and one-half (4½) votes, and the City of Laredo has appointed three (3) elected officials and two (2) Non-governmental members to the Board to have four and one-half (4½) votes; and,

WHEREAS, Mayor J. C. Martin, Jr., has recommended to the City Council the appointment of the below-mentioned representatives to represent the City of Laredo on the South Texas Development Council Board of Directors, and the Council is of the opinion that said representatives should be confirmed as members of said Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Laredo that the appointment of the following representatives of the City of Laredo to the South Texas Development Council Board of Directors to serve for the period May 1, 1977 to April 30, 1978, is hereby confirmed:

Elected Official: J. C. Martin, Jr.
Elected Official: W. W. Allen
Elected Official: Louis F. Mendoza
Non-governmental Member: W. H. Baker
Non-governmental Member: Andres R. Ramos

PASSED by the City Council and Approved by the Mayor on this, the 15th day of March, 1977.

J. C. MARTIN, JR.
Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Hortencia C. Gonzalez
HORTENCIA C. GONZALEZ, Deputy
City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

/s/ W. W. Allen
W. W. ALLEN
City Attorney

The Mayor declared in open meeting that the Resolution had been adopted.

Mayor Martin introduced an Ordinance and Alderman Arguindegui made a motion that it be passed. Whereupon said ordinance was read in full, the motion carrying with it the passage of the ordinance was seconded by Alderman Salinas and prevailed by the following vote:

YEAS: Aldermen Salinas, Guerra, Mendoza, Skinner, Zuniga, and Arguindegui

NAYS: None

AN ORDINANCE

GRANTING THE TEXAS MEXICAN RAILWAY COMPANY, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, THE RIGHT, PRIVILEGE AND PERMISSION TO CONSTRUCT AND MAINTAIN A RAILROAD TRACK UPON AND ACROSS SPRINGFIELD AVENUE AND ITS INTERSECTIONS WITH CORTEZ AND GUATEMOZIN STREETS, AS HEREINAFTER PARTICULARLY INDICATED BY A RED LINE ON MAP ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF, GRANTING THE SAID RAILWAY COMPANY, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, THE RIGHT TO OPERATE ITS ENGINES, TRAINS AND CARS UPON SAID TRACK WHEN IT SHALL HAVE BEEN CONSTRUCTED, AND PRESCRIBING THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH SAID TRACK SHALL BE CONSTRUCTED, MAINTAINED AND OPERATED.

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

Mayor Martin introduced an Ordinance and Alderman Mendoza made a motion that it be passed. Whereupon said ordinance was read in full, the motion carrying with it the passage of the ordinance was seconded by Alderman Skinner and prevailed by the following vote:

YEAS: Aldermen Salinas, Skinner, Guerra, Zuniga, Mendoza and Arguindegui

NAYS: None

AN ORDINANCE

AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF LAREDO AND THE ENGINEERING FIRM OF PAUL GARZA & ASSOCIATES FOR THE FURNISHING OF FULL ENGINEERING SERVICES CONSISTING OF SCHEMATIC DESIGN, FINAL PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS AND CONSTRUCTION SUPERVISION FOR THE TOLL PLAZA, ACCESS RAMPS, APPROACH RAMPS, AND RELATED SITE WORK IN CONNECTION WITH THE CITY OF LAREDO'S PORTION OF THE BORDER FACILITY AT THE JUAREZ-LINCOLN INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE IN LAREDO, TEXAS.

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

Mr. Blas Martinez, Director of the Community Development Agency, gave a brief discription of the third year block action plan. Alderman Salinas made a motion that presentation be approved. The motion was seconded by Alderman Zuniga and approved.

Heard a report from the Paving Committee, headed by councilman Peter R. Arguindegui, to the effect that a petition lodged by residents of El Cuatro Neighborhood would be honored if the money for the paving could be found. The petition requested the paving of a total of nine city blocks, including three blocks of Viduarri, three blocks Santa Rita, and one block of Grant Street, not originally in the Phase V Paving Plan.

Mayor Martin introduced an Ordinance and Alderman Salinas made a motion that it be passed. Whereupon said ordinance was read in full, the motion carrying with it the passage of the ordinance was seconded by Alderman Mendoza and prevailed by the following vote:

YEAS: Aldermen Salinas, Skinner, Guerra, Zuniga, Mendoza and Arguindegui

NAYS: None

AN ORDINANCE

AWARDING CONTRACT TO GLO CONSTRUCTION CO.
 FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF CERTAIN ADDITIONS TO THE
 LAREDO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT LIGHTING SYSTEM UNDER
 THE PROVISIONS OF FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION
 UNDER THE AIRPORT DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM,
 PROJECT NO. 6-48-0136-01, AND TEXAS AERONAUTICS
 COMMISSION GRANT NO. 772-37 AND WHICH AWARD IS
 SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE FEDERAL AVIATION
 ADMINISTRATION.

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

Andres Sandoval made a plea for an early solution to a longstanding problem in El Cuatro and San Francisco Javier Neighborhoods. Sandoval presented the council with a petition of 280 residents of the south west Laredo Neighborhood asking the city to fill a garbage choked ravine that cuts through the heart of the district. The ravine was cut by water from several storm drains, and at one time ran to the river. Presently, the gully starts at Lincoln Street and runs south to Zaragoza Street, bounded by Santa Cleotilde and Santa Rita on the east and west. In addition to piles of junk and debris clogging the ravine, the bottom of the creek has pools of stagnant water. Sandoval said one solution to the problem would be to connect the several storm drains to the main drain and then fill the ravine with silt taken from the city's drinking water. Councilman Arguindegui said council should get some expert advice on the problem from engineering and legal standpoints.

Councilman Carlos Zuniga reported on bridge situation. Personnel asking for Basic Benefits. The matter was referred to Bridge Committee.

Heard suggestions on the disposition of the silt taken from the water of the city's drinking water from citizen Vincent Schorch. Also Mr. Schorch also discussed Dog Leash and Vaccination Ordinance for rabies. He suggested the use of sound system truck to advise citizens of situation.

The county reported that it has completed a list of precincts. A plan will be prepared to reapportion wards.

The Council then proceeded with the Executive Session to discuss Acquisition of Real Estate and personnel matters.

In open session Mayor Martin read in full a proposal for installation of Gas Lights in San Agustin Plaza.

Twenty gas lites & poles	\$10,840.00
Conduit	425.00
	<u>\$11,265.00</u>

Entex will be the supplier.

Mayor Martin introduced an Ordinance and Alderman Zuniga made a motion that it be passed. Whereupon said Ordinance was read in full, the motion carrying with it the passage of the ordinance was seconded by Alderman Salinas and prevailed by the following vote:

YEAS: Aldermen Salinas, Skinner, Guerra, Zuniga, Mendoza and Arguindegui

NAYS: None

AN ORDINANCE

APPROPRIATING THE TOTAL SUM OF \$27,273.41 OUT OF THE "CITY OF LAREDO IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT - EDA PROJECT NUMBER 08-01-01659" (EXPORT LOT & SAN AGUSTIN PLAZA IMPROVEMENTS) TO PAY THE BILL OF PAUL GARZA & ASSOCIATES DATED MARCH 10, 1977 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1818.21 FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES, AND TO PAY THE BILL OF MISSION PAVING COMPANY INC., CONTRACTOR, AS PER ESTIMATE NO. 2 COVERING THE PERIOD FROM FEBRUARY 1ST THROUGH MARCH 1, 1977 ON SAID PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$65,455.20 FOR MATERIALS AND LABOR FURNISHED IN CONNECTION WITH SAID CONTRACT, AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY TREASURER TO BORROW THE NECESSARY FUNDS UNDER CONTRACT WITH UNION NATIONAL BANK OF LAREDO, TEXAS, TO PAY SAID BILLS.

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

Mayor Martin introduced an Ordinance and Alderman Zuniga made a motion that it be passed. Whereupon said ordinance was read in full, the motion carrying with it the passage of the ordinance was seconded by Alderman Mendoza and prevailed by the following vote:

YEAS: Aldermen Salinas, Skinner, Guerra, Zuniga, Mendoza and Arguindegui

NAYS: None

AN ORDINANCE

AUTHORIZING THE TOTAL PAYMENT OF \$1,290.02 TO PAY THE BILLS OF UVALDE ROCK ASPHALT COMPANY FOR MATERIALS FURNISHED IN CONNECTION WITH GENERAL STREET IMPROVEMENTS IN THE CITY OF LAREDO, OUT OF REVENUE SHARING FUNDS FOR THE SIXTH ENTITLEMENT PERIOD, PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION, GENERAL STREET IMPROVEMENT ACCOUNT.

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

Mayor Martin introduced an Ordinance and Alderman Zuniga made a motion that it be passed. Whereupon said ordinance was read in full, the motion carrying with it the passage of the ordinance was seconded by Alderman Mendoza and prevailed by the following vote:

YEAS: Aldermen Salinas, Skinner, Guerra, Zuniga, Mendoza and Arguindegui

NAYS: None

AN ORDINANCE

AUTHORIZING THE TOTAL PAYMENT OF \$2,756.91 TO PAY THE BILLS OF WHITE'S MINES FOR MATERIALS FURNISHED IN CONNECTION WITH GENERAL STREET IMPROVEMENTS IN THE CITY OF LAREDO, OUT OF REVENUE SHARING FUNDS FOR THE SIXTH ENTITLEMENT PERIOD, PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION, GENERAL STREET IMPROVEMENT ACCOUNT.

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

Mayor Martin introduced an Ordinance and Alderman Zuniga made a motion that it be passed. Whereupon said ordinance was read in full, the motion carrying with it the passage of the ordinance was seconded by Alderman Mendoza and prevailed by the following vote:

YEAS: Aldermen Salinas, Skinner, Guerra, Zuniga, Mendoza and Arguindegui

NAYS: None

AN ORDINANCE

AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF THE STATEMENT OF THE RUTHE B. COWL REHABILITATION CENTER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2030.00 FOR SERVICES RENDERED TO INDIGENT PATIENTS AS PER REQUISITION NO. A53472 FROM THE CENTRAL WELFARE AGENCY, OUT OF REVENUE SHARING FUNDS FOR THE SIXTH ENTITLEMENT PERIOD, HEALTH - RUTHE B. COWL REHABILITATION CENTER ACCOUNT.

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

Mayor Martin introduced an Ordinance and Alderman Zuniga made a motion that it be passed. Whereupon said ordinance was read in full, the motion carrying with it the passage of the ordinance was seconded by Alderman Mendoza and prevailed by the following vote:

YEAS: Aldermen Salinas, Skinner, Guerra, Zuniga, Mendoza and Arguindegui

NAYS: None

AN ORDINANCE

AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF THE STATEMENT OF MERCY HOSPITAL OF LAREDO IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,334.45 FOR SERVICES RENDERED TO INDIGENT PATIENTS AS PER REQUISITION NO. A53473 FROM THE CENTRAL WELFARE AGENCY, OUT OF THE REVENUE SHARING FUNDS FOR THE SIXTH ENTITLEMENT PERIOD, HEALTH-MERCY HOSPITAL ACCOUNT.

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

Mayor Martin introduced an Ordinance and Alderman Zuniga made a motion that it be passed. 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 Salinas, Skinner, Guerra, Zuniga, Mendoza and Arguindegui

NAYS: None

AN ORDINANCE

APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$221.50 OUT OF THE "CITY OF LAREDO IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT -- EDA PROJECT NUMBER 08-01-01659" (EXPORT LOT AND SAN AGUSTIN PLAZA IMPROVEMENTS) TO PAY THE BILL OF TRINITY TEXTING LABORATORIES DATED 2/28/77.

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

Mayor Martin introduced an Ordinance and Alderman Zuniga made a motion that it be passed. Whereupon said ordinance was read in full, the motion carrying with it the passage of the ordinance was seconded by Alderman Salinas and prevailed by the following vote:

YEAS: Aldermen Salinas, Skinner, Guerra, Zuniga, Mendoza and Arguindegui

NAYS: None

AN ORDINANCE

ESTABLISHING A LOADING ZONE ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF THE 300 BLOCK OF LINCOLN STREET FOR A DISTANCE OF 60 FEET IN THE CITY OF LAREDO, TEXAS.

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

There being no further business to come before the Council, it adjourned.


J. C. MARTIN, JR.
Mayor

ATTEST:


Deputy City Secretary