

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

<p>Date: 05/20/2013</p>	<p>SUBJECT: FINAL READING ORDINANCE NO: <u>2013-O-064</u></p> <p>AMENDING ARTICLE III, SECTION 24-58.2 OF CHAPTER 24 OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE ENTITLED, "STANDARD TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION MANUAL" DIVISION D BY ADOPTING THE "STANDARD TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION MANUAL 2013 EDITION" TO REPLACE THE CURRENT "STANDARD TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION MANUAL" ESTABLISHING STANDARDIZED PROCEDURES AND MATERIALS FOR THE ORDERLY CONSTRUCTION AND INSTALLATION OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS THEREOF; AND PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE.</p>
<p>INITIATED BY: Horacio De Leon, Assistant City Manager</p>	<p>STAFF SOURCE: Erasm Villareal, Building Development Director</p>
<p>PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION: On May 6, 2013, the City Council held a public hearing and introductory ordinance to amend the Land Development Code of the City of Laredo</p> <p>Ordinance 2004-O-018 adopted February 2, 2004, amended section 24-58 of the Laredo Land Development Code, which is contained in a separate volume and is not set in the Code of Ordinances.</p>	
<p>BACKGROUND: Article II, section 24-59 of Chapter 24, "Standard Technical Specification Manual" Division D has not been reviewed on an annual basis by the standard technical specification committee. The committee that was created, consists of four engineering consultants, two architectural consultants, private contractors, builders, staff including Utilities Department, Traffic Department, Environmental Services Department, and Building Development Services Department.</p>	
<p>FINANCIAL IMPACT: None</p>	
<p>COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Planning and Zoning Commission, in a 7 to 0 vote, recommended approval of the proposed amendment to the Land Development Code Book on April 2, 2013</p>	<p>STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Staff <u>recommends</u> that City Council approve this ordinance.</p>

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WHEREAS, the existing standard specification manual has been reviewed and requires an update in order to maintain high standards; and

WHEREAS, an update of the standard specification manual will provide a mechanism to simplify and clarify fundamental construction issues; and,

WHEREAS, Section 24-96 requires a public hearing before the Planning and Zoning Commission of proposed amendment; and,

WHEREAS, On April 02, 2013, after a public hearing, the Planning and Zoning Commission has recommended approval of the ordinance; and,

NOW THEREFORE BY IT ORDAINED, by the City Council of the City of Laredo that:

Section 1. Article III, Section 24-58.2 is hereby amended as follows:

Section 24-58.2 APPLICABILITY

The Standard Technical Specification Manual shall apply to all public improvement projects. Divisions A, B, C, and D of the Standard Technical Specification Manual shall apply to any public improvement to be awarded or constructed by the City of Laredo. Divisions A, C and Sections B-1, 2, 3 and 5 are not applicable to public improvements associated with the private platting of properties.

Division D shall be replaced with the "Standard Technical Manual 2013 Edition"

Section 2: This ordinance shall be published in a manner provided by Section 2.09 (D) of the Charter of the City of Laredo.

Section 3: This ordinance shall become effective as and from the date of publication specified in Section 2.

Section 4: Severability


If any provision, section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance, or the application of the same to any person or set of circumstances is for any reason held to be unconstitutional, void or invalid, by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality shall not affect any remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs and sections of this ordinance since the same would have been enacted by the City Council without the incorporation in this ordinance of any such unconstitutional phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section.

Section 5: This ordinance shall take effect upon adoption and publication as required by law.

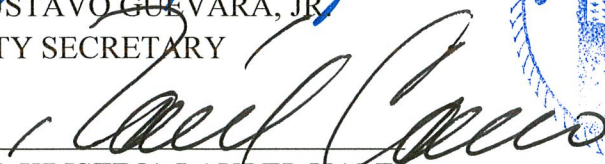
PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AND APPROVED BY THE MAYOR on this 20 day of May, 2013.

BY: 
RAUL SALINAS
MAYOR

ATTEST:


GUSTAVO GUEVARA, JR.
CITY SECRETARY




BY: KRISTINA LAUREL HALE
ASSITANT CITY ATTORNEY