

**AS AMENDED
CITY OF LAREDO
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
M2022-R-18**

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1110 HOUSTON STREET
LAREDO, TEXAS 78040
November 7, 2022
5:30 P.M.**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Saenz called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The pledge of allegiance was led by Mayor Saenz.

III. MOMENT OF SILENCE

Mayor Saenz called for a moment of silence for any particular intention.

Cm. Martinez called for a moment of silence for Mr. Vidal Cantu.

IV. ROLL CALL

In attendance:

Pete Saenz	Mayor	
Rudy Gonzalez Jr.	District I	
Vidal Rodriguez	Mayor Pro Tempore	
Mercurio "Merc" Martinez, III	District III	
Alberto Torres Jr.	District IV	
Ruben Gutierrez Jr.	District V	
Dr. Marte Martinez	District VI	5:43 p.m.
Vanessa Perez	District VII	
Alyssa Cigarroa	District VIII	
Jose A. Valdez Jr.	City Secretary	
Rosario Cabello	Interim City Manager	
Rosario Cabello	Deputy City Manager	
Miazul Ria	Assistant City Manager	

Steve E. Landin
Zone Nguyen

Assistant City Manager
City Attorney

V. MINUTES

Approval of the minutes of October 17, 2022.

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Torres

Second: Cm. Gonzalez

For: 6

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

NP: Cm. Dr. Martinez.

Motion carries.

Citizen comments

Municipal Court Judge Jesus Dominguez, commended Mayor Saenz, Cm. Gonzalez, and Cm. Torres for the recognitions that were presented during City Council meeting. Jesus Dominguez also commended the recipients of the recognitions, he included that they are very well deserved. Jesus Dominguez also spoke in opposition to Item 90. H.3.

Arturo Dominguez

VI. RECOGNITION

1. Recognizing Mr. David Salazar, District Engineer for the Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) Laredo District for his outstanding service and work in our community designing, coordinating and assigning numerous transportation projects that will shape the future traffic in Laredo.

Mayor Saenz along with the members of City Council recognized Mr. David Salazar, District Engineer for the Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) Laredo District for his outstanding service and work in our community.

David Salazar expressed his gratitude on receiving the recognition.

2. Recognizing Jose Ollervides for 15 years of service with the City of Laredo; Jose has more than 35 years of experience in Media, Journalism, Public and Binational Relations. He has served 10 years in the formerly known Public Access Channel TV, today known as Laredo TV, and the last 5 years as Assistant to the Mayor Pete Saenz.

Mayor Saenz along with the members of City Council presented a recognition to Jose Ollervides, for his 15 years of service with the City of Laredo.

Jose Ollervides expressed his gratitude on receiving the recognition. Mr. Ollervides stated that it has been a privilege to work for the City of Laredo, specially being the personal assistant for Mayor Saenz.

Juan Carlos Mendoza General Council for Mexico in Laredo Texas, recognized Jose Ollervides on his professional career as an employee of the City of Laredo.

VII. COMMUNICATIONS

1. Invitation to the H-E-B Feast of Sharing to be held on November 11, 2022 from 4:00 p.m. through 8:00 p.m. at the Sames Auto Arena.

Linda Villarreal along with Ricky Garcia representing H-E-B, formally extended an invitation to the Mayor and City Council to the H-E-B Feast of Sharing to be held on November 11, 2022 from 4:00 p.m. through 8:00 p.m. at the Sames Auto Arena.

2. Presentation by the Laredo Fire Department Opioid Response Team on the Rainbow Fentanyl and potential risks.

Please refer to item 87.

VIII. APPOINTMENTS TO COMMISSIONS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

1. Appointment by Council Member Alberto Torres of Margarito Benavides to the City Utilities Advisory Commission.
2. Appointment by Council Member Ruben Gutierrez Jr. of Daniel Tijerina to the Impact Fees Committee.

Motion to approve items 1,2.

Moved: Cm. Torres

Second: Cm. Gutierrez

For: 6

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

NP: Mayor Saenz, Cm. Gonzalez, Cm. Martinez.

Motion carries.

IX. PUBLIC HEARINGS

Motion to open public hearings 1-9.

Moved: Cm. Torres

Second: Cm. Gonzalez

For: 5 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

NP: Mayor Saenz, Cm. Gonzales, Cm. Martinez, Cm. Cigarroa.

Motion carries.

1. **Public Hearing** to approve the removal of the existing rear fence and construction of a new rear fence on Lot 9 and 10, Block 143, Western Division, located at 1519 Matamoros Street in the Saint Peter's Historic District.

Historic District Landmark Board failed to establish quorum on October 12, 2022, therefore, the item is being presented for Council consideration pursuant to Municipal Code of Ordinances Section 2-156, which states, "To the extent permitted by law, if a committee is unable to establish a quorum for a regularly scheduled meeting, the city manager may by pass the committee and place any item on the committee's agenda for that meeting on the next regularly scheduled city council meeting." (Ordinance Number 2018-0-050)

Staff supports the application.

Motion to close and introduce.

Moved: Cm. Dr. Martinez

Second: Cm. Perez

For: 5 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

NP: Mayor Saenz, Cm. Gonzales, Cm. Martinez, Cm. Cigarroa.

Motion carries.

2. **Public Hearing** and discussion on the voluntary annexation and initial zoning of M-1 (Light Manufacturing) on a tract of land totaling 8.69 acres, more or less, as described by metes and bounds in the attached Exhibit "A" and known as Annexation Tract 1 (Alce Tract), located south of FM 1472 and west of FM 3338.

Motion to close and introduce.

Moved: Cm. Perez

Second: Cm. Gutierrez

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

NP: Mayor Saenz, Cm. Martinez, Cm. Cigarroa.

Motion carries.

3. **Public Hearing** and discussion on the voluntary annexation and initial zoning of M-1 (Light Manufacturing District) on a tract of land totaling 3.05 acres, more or less, as described by metes and bounds in the attached Exhibit "A", and known as Annexation Tract 2 (Terraval Tract), located south of FM 1472 and west of FM 3338.

Motion to close and introduce.

Moved: Cm. Perez

Second: Cm. Gutierrez

For: 5

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

NP: Mayor Saenz, Cm. Martinez, Cm. Cigarroa.

Motion carries.

4. **Public Hearing** and discussion on the voluntary annexation and initial zoning of M-1 (Light Manufacturing) on a tract of land totaling 305.40 acres, more or less, as described by metes and bounds in the attached Exhibit "A" and known as Annexation Tract 3 (Emerald Riverview Tract), located west of FM 1472 and south of Verde Boulevard.

Motion to close and introduce.

Moved: Cm. Perez

Second: Cm. Dr. Martinez

For: 6

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

NP: Mayor Saenz, Cm. Martinez, Cm. Cigarroa.

Motion carries.

5. **Public Hearing** and discussion of the voluntary annexation and initial zoning of R-1A (Single Family Reduced Area District) on a tract of land totaling 42.87 acres, more or less, as described by metes and bounds in the attached Exhibit "A", and known as Annexation Tract 4 (AFW Investments II Tract) located north of State Highway 359 and northwest of Wawi Tijerina Parkway.

Motion to close and introduce.

Moved: Cm. Gutierrez

Second: Cm. Gonzalez

For: 6

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

NP: Mayor Saenz, Cm. Martinez, Cm. Cigarroa.

Motion carries.

6. **Public Hearing** and discussion of the voluntary annexation and initial zoning of M-1 (Light Manufacturing District) on a tract of land totaling 1.96 acres, more or less, as described by metes and bounds in the attached Exhibit "A" and known as Annexation Tract 5 (Los Milagros Ranch II Tract) located east of FM 1472 and south of Pinto Valle Drive.

Motion to close and introduce.

Moved: Cm. Perez

Second: Cm. Gutierrez

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

NP: Mayor Saenz, Cm. Cigarroa.

Motion carries.

7. **Public Hearing** and discussion of the voluntary annexation and initial zoning of M-1 (Light Manufacturing District) on a tract of land totaling 388.97 acres, more or less, as described by metes and bounds in the attached Exhibit "A" and known as Annexation Tract 6 (5M WATR Industrial Tract), located east of FM 1472 and north of Pinto Valle Drive.

Motion to close and introduce.

Moved: Cm. Perez

Second: Cm. Gonzalez

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

NP: Mayor Saenz, Cm. Cigarroa.

Motion carries.

8. **Public Hearing** and discussion of the voluntary annexation and initial zoning of M-1 (Light Manufacturing District) on a tract of land totaling 6.0 acres, more or less, as described by metes and bounds in the attached Exhibit "A" and known as Annexation Tract 7 (Saldana Tract) located east of FM 1472 and south of Pinto Valle Drive.

Motion to close and introduce.

Moved: Cm. Perez

Second: Cm. Gonzalez

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

NP: Mayor Saenz, Cm. Cigarroa.

Motion carries.

9. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending Ordinance #2006-0-102, which established the laundromat service fees of \$1.00 for each washer and dryer cycle use on all laundromat facilities available within the Airport Noise Compatibility Program multi-family units. This amendment will establish a new rate of \$1.50 for each washer cycle and \$1.25 for each dryer cycle. The amendment will also establish this new rate to any other laundromat facility that Municipal Housing currently manages or is to manage hereafter.

Cm. Martinez requested clarification on the item.

Tina Martinez Community Development director, stated that the item was for all municipal housing properties that have laundromat facilities. Tina Martinez clarified, that they are increasing the fees to be able to comfortably maintain city owned units.

Motion to close and introduce.

Moved: Cm. Gutierrez

Second: Cm. Gonzalez

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

NP: Mayor Saenz, Cm. Cigarroa.

Motion carries.

10. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending Chapter 28 Article IX Public Right-of-Way Management Sections 28-164 through 28-239; update penalty fees; restrict transferring permits; raising liability insurance amount; raising excavation bond; mandating pre and post inspections; raising overtime inspection fees; and providing for a repealing clause; and providing for a severability clause; and providing effective date.

Motion to table.

Moved:

Second: Cm. Perez

For: 5

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

NP: Mayor Saenz, Cm. Gonzales, Cm. Martinez, Cm. Cigarroa.

Motion carries.

X. INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCES

11. An Ordinance authorizing the Interim City Manager to enter into a lease agreement with Laredo Center for the Arts, Inc. for the property located at 500 San Agustin. The initial term of the lease shall be for a period of ten years, with two options to extend for five years each

at the mutual consent of the parties. In lieu of rent, Laredo Center for the Arts will be required to make major renovations to the building. Laredo Center for the Arts shall be required to sublease a portion of the premises to the Webb County Heritage Foundation for a period of two years.

City Council to introduce.

XI. FIRST AND FINAL READINGS

Motion to approve first and final readings 12-15.

Moved: Cm. Torres

Second: Cm. Gonzalez

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

NP: Mayor Saenz, Cm. Dr. Martinez.

Motion carries.

12. **2022-0-198** Authorizing the issuance, sale and delivery of up to \$50,000,000 in "City of Laredo, Texas Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2022" for paying all or a portion of the city's contractual obligations incurred for the purpose of:
 - (1) planning, constructing, improving and repairing city streets, sidewalks, and drainage improvements, together with right-of-ways acquisition, traffic and street signalization, landscaping, and lighting improvements;
 - (2) acquiring, constructing, improving and equipping public safety facilities;
 - (3) acquiring, constructing, improving and equipping municipal parks;
 - (4) renovating, improving, and equipping existing municipal buildings and facilities;
 - (5) acquiring municipal equipment and municipal vehicles for various city departments, including the Parks and Leisure Department, Public Safety Departments, Public Works Department, Solid Waste Department, Traffic Department, and Animal Care Services Department;
 - (6) improving and equipping telecommunications, wireless communications, information technology systems, applications, hardware, software, and cybersecurity; and
 - (7) paying legal, fiscal, and engineering fees in connection with such projects; securing the payment thereof by authorizing the levy of an annual ad valorem tax; approving and authorizing the execution of all instruments and procedures related thereto including a paying agent registrar agreement and a purchase contract; approving the form of an official statement; delegating to certain city officials the authority to approve all final terms of the certificates of obligation; authorizing amendment to the city's budget to appropriate such proceeds for purposes authorized herein; and declaring an effective date.
13. **2022-0-199** Authorizing the issuance of approximately \$7,000,000.00 in City of Laredo, Texas International Toll Bridge System Revenue Bonds, Series 2022 for the purpose of

constructing, improving and equipping the bridge system, approving an official statement, authorizing the execution of a purchase contract, and making provisions for the security thereof, delegating authority to certain city officials to approve all final terms of the bonds, and authorizing amendment to the city's budget to appropriate such proceeds for purposes authorized herein; and ordaining other matters relating to the subject.

14. **2022-0-200** Authorizing the issuance of approximately \$17,000,000.00 in City of Laredo, Texas Sports Venue Sales Tax Revenue Bonds, Taxable Series 2022 to finance improvements to previously approved sports venue projects and related infrastructure and ordaining other matters relating to the subject including authorizing a bond purchase agreement and an official statement, and providing for the security of the bonds and the pledging of a sales tax and authorizing amendment to city's budget to appropriate such proceeds for purposes authorized herein and delegating to certain city officials the authority to approve all final terms of the bonds.
15. **2022-0-201** Authorizing the issuance of short term obligations in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$50,000,000.00 to provide interim financing to pay project costs for eligible projects for the city's combined waterworks and sewer system; authorizing such short term notes to be issued, sold, and delivered as commercial paper or revolving notes in one or more subseries and on a taxable or tax-exempt basis; prescribing the terms, features, and characteristics of such notes; approving and authorizing the execution of agreements entered into in connection with the foregoing; approving and authorizing certain authorized officers and employees to act on behalf of the city in the sale and delivery of such notes, within the limitations and procedures specified herein and in accordance with applicable law; making certain covenants and agreements in connection therewith; resolving other matters incident and related to the issuance, sale, security, and delivery of such notes; enacting other provisions incident and related to the subject and purpose of this ordinance; and providing for an effective date.

XII. THIRD AND FINAL READINGS

Motion to approve third and final readings 16 -19.

Moved: Cm. Torres

Second: Cm. Gonzalez

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

NP: Mayor Saenz, Cm. Dr. Martinez.

Motion carries.

16. **2022-0-194** Authorizing the Interim City Manager to grant a non-exclusive franchise to Rush Disposal to use the present and future streets, avenues, alleys, roads, highways, sidewalks, easements and other public rights-of-way of the City of Laredo, Texas for purposes of constructing, maintaining and operating a commercial container refuse gathering and disposing service, setting forth terms and conditions to govern the franchise; providing a severability clause, a savings clause and an effective date.

17. **2022-0-195** Authorizing the Interim City Manager to grant a non-exclusive franchise to Laredo Dumpster Rentals to use the present and future streets, avenues, alleys, roads, highways, sidewalks, easements and other public rights-of-way of the City of Laredo, Texas for purposes of constructing, maintaining and operating a commercial container refuse gathering and disposing service, setting forth terms and conditions to govern the franchise; providing a severability clause, a savings clause and an effective date.
18. **2022-0-196** Authorizing the Interim City Manager to grant a non-exclusive franchise to Agape D/R Services to use the present and future streets, avenues, alleys, roads, highways, sidewalks, easements and other public rights-of-way of the City of Laredo, Texas for purposes of constructing, maintaining and operating a commercial container refuse gathering and disposing service, setting forth terms and conditions to govern the franchise; providing a severability clause, a savings clause and an effective date.
19. **2022-0-197** Authorizing the Interim City Manager to grant a non-exclusive franchise to IMC Recycling d/b/a Shark Box to use the present and future streets, avenues, alleys, roads, highways, sidewalks, easements and other public rights-of-way of the City of Laredo, Texas for purposes of constructing, maintaining and operating a commercial container refuse gathering and disposing service, setting forth terms and conditions to govern the franchise; providing a severability clause, a savings clause and an effective date.

XIII. FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

Motion to approve final reading of Ordinances 20-36, with the exception of 37 and to table as requested by Legal.

Moved: Cm. Torres

Second: Cm. Gonzalez

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

NP: Mayor Saenz, Cm. Dr. Martinez.

Motion carries.

20. **2022-0-177** Amending the City of Laredo Land Development Code, Article V, Section 24-78.2, (b), entitled Central Business District, Arts and Entertainment District, and Historic District Exemptions, to exempt the Saint Peter's Historic District from the off-street parking requirements contained in Section 24-78, and thereby providing the Saint Peter's Historic District with the same parking exemptions which currently apply to the Old Mercado and San Agustin De Laredo Historic Districts, providing this ordinance to be cumulative, providing for severability clause, and providing for publication and effective date.

21. **2022-0-178** Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lot 12, Block 304, Western Division, located at 1620 Santa Maria Avenue, from R-3 (Mixed Residential District) to B-3 (Community Business District).
22. **2022-0-179** Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning approximately 2.88 acres tract of land out of Lot 1, Block 1, H.A.V. as per Volume 32, page 85, plat records of Webb County, Texas, located at 22801 FM 1472 Road, from AG (Agricultural District) to M-1 (Light Manufactured District).
23. **2022-0-180** Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lot 8, Block 2156, Eastern Division, located at 3102 Wooster Street, from AG (Agricultural District) to R-3 (Mixed Residential District).
24. **2022-0-181** Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lot 1, Block 14, Lago del Valle Subdivision, Phase II, located at 1610 Concord Hills Boulevard, from R-1 (Single-Family Residential District) and R-1A (Single-Family Reduced Area District) to B-3 (Community Business District).
25. **2022-0-182** Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning approximately 2.53 acres, situated in Porcion 32, Abstract 296, Antonio Trevino, original grantee, within the city limits of Laredo and Webb County, Texas, out and part of the 29.982 Acre Mezquite Land Development, Incorporated Tract, recorded in Volume 5294, pages 149-153 of the Webb County deed records, located east of Old Milwaukee Road and south of State Highway 359, from R-3 (Mixed Residential District) and B-4 (Highway Commercial District) to B-4 (Highway Commercial District).
26. **2022-0-183** Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning approximately 27.449 acres, situated in Porcion 32, Abstract 296, Antonio Trevino, original grantee, within the city limits of Laredo and Webb County, Texas, out and part of the 29.982 Acre Mezquite Land Development, Incorporated Tract, recorded in Volume 5294, pages 149-153 of the Webb County deed records, located east of Old Milwaukee Road and south of State Highway 359, from R-3 (Mixed Residential District) and B-4 (Highway Commercial District) to R-1 B (Single Family High Density District) conditional to and provided that all front yard setbacks shall be thirty-six (36) feet. (As Amended)
27. **2022-0-184** Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by amending Ordinance 2007-0-050, which authorized a Special Use Permit for a Mini Storage/Warehouse on Lots 1,2,3,4,5,6, 7, and 8, Block 1068, Eastern Division, located at 1320 South Meadow Avenue, in order to add approximately 1 .46 acres, as further described in attached Exhibit A, north of the existing mini-storage.
28. **2022-0-185** Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by amending Ordinance 2016-0-080 which authorized a Special Use Permit for a restaurant serving

alcohol on Lot 5A, Block 1, Encino Plaza Subdivision, Unit 2A, located at 7518 McPherson Road, Suite 510 (3,700 square feet) in order to remove Junction Partners, Limited and Encino Plaza, Limited for Cosmos Bar and Grill Restaurant and replace with Cosmos Bar and Grill Encino Plaza, Incorporated as the party to whom the permit is issued.

29. **2022-0-186** Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by authorizing the issuance of a Special Use Permit for a restaurant serving alcohol on Lot 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8, Block 474, Western Division, located at 2410 Santa Ursula Avenue, first floor restaurant (2,038.58 square feet).
30. **2022-0-187** Authorizing the Interim City Manager to accept and enter into a contract with the Department of Health and Human Services, amending the FY22-23 Health Department budget by appropriating and increasing revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$125,000.00 with no match, and amending the FY22-23 Full-Time Equivalent Position Listing by creating one (1) Health Educator I, R29, position and one (1) Medical Office Assistant, R28, positions for the City of Laredo Health Department Health Disparities Programs for the term period from September 30, 2022, through September 29, 2023.
31. **2022-0-188** Authorizing the Interim City Manager to amend the FY22-23 General Fund Traffic Department's budget by increasing revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$24,653.00 by Fred Loya Insurance for the funding and purchasing of a traffic signal pole with mast arm replacement.
32. **2022-0-189** Authorizing the Interim City Manager to accept a grant awarded by the South Texas Development Council in the amount of \$50,000.00 and amending the City of Laredo's FY 22-23 annual budget for the Environmental Services by appropriating the said grant revenue to the appropriate expenditure accounts. Funds will be used for a paint recycling program through the Household Hazardous Waste Collection site.
33. **2022-0-190** Authorizing the Interim City Manager to negotiate and execute all documents necessary to complete the sale of the "Surface Only" of City right-of-way for the amount of \$1,735,441.69 to Texas Department of Transportation. City property is located at 9402 NE Bob Bullock Loop in Laredo, Texas, Webb County; legally described as Fire Station No. 12, Block 1, Lot 1A. The City of Laredo reserves any and all visible and apparent easements recorded or not recorded; approving and providing for an effective date. Funds will be deposited to General Fund \$105,960.00, sanitary sewer adjustments \$1,018,939.12 and water adjustments \$610,542.57.
34. **2022-0-191** Authorizing the Interim City Manager to negotiate and execute all documents necessary to complete the sale of the "Surface Only" of City property 2420 Baltimore Street at its market value of \$49,000.00 to David and Blanca E. Delgado. The legal description for the property is Lot 1, Block 918, Western Division, Laredo, Texas, Webb County. The City of Laredo reserves any and all visible and apparent easements recorded or not recorded; approving and providing for an effective date.

35. **2022-O-192** Closing as a public easement, a section of Lafayette right-of-way out of the 1700 and 1800 block of Lafayette Street between Santa Rita and Main Street, Western Division, City of Laredo, Webb County; this area being more particularly described in the attached Exhibit "A". The City of Laredo reserves all and any apparent and visible easements recorded or not recorded. Authorizing the Interim City Manager to close as a public easement that section of Lafayette Street and providing for an effective date.

36. **2022-O-193** Authorizing the Interim City Manager to adopt and implement the Laredo International Airport's updated Noise Exposure Maps (NEMs) in concurrence with the Federal Aviation Administrations (FAA) Record of Approval dated, August 25, 2022. The updated Noise Exposure Maps were prepared in accordance with 14 CFR Part 150 Airport Noise Compatibility Planning. Said maps will remain in effect for the next 5 years and will serve as a basis for analyzing and comparing operational noise abatement procedure alternatives and evaluating land use-related noise mitigation measures; and providing for an effective date.

37. **2022-O-202** Authorizing Interim City Manager to amend the annexation ordinance fees of 2018-0-145, 2018-0-146, 2018-0-147, 2018-0-148, 2018-0-149, 2018-0-150, 2018-0-151, 2018-0-152, 2018-0-153, 2018-0-154, 2018-0-155, 2018-0-156, 2018-0-157, 2018-0-158, 2018-0-159, 2018-0-160, 2018-0-161, 2018-0-162 and 2018-0-163 for the operation and maintenance of public water and wastewater services section 4a and 4b by deleting the proposed increase cost of living index from 2020; implementing the new annexation fee for operation and maintenance of public water services for residential lots under 10,000 sq ft in the amount of \$1,019.00/lot and over 10,000 sq ft in the amount of \$1,530.00/lot; for commercial/industrial lots under one acre in the amount of \$1,020.00/lot and over one acre in the amount of \$1,530.00/acre; implementing the new annexation 11 fee for operation and maintenance of public wastewater services for residential lots under 10,000 sq ft in the amount of \$1,736.04/lot and over 10,000 sq ft in the amount of \$2,040.00/lot; for commercial/industrial lots under five acres in the amount of \$1,266.84/acre and \$1,530.00/acre for more than 5 acres. The purpose of this change is to standardize the annexation ordinances for 2018, 2019 and future 2020.

Motion to table.

Moved: Cm. Torres

Second: Cm. Gonzalez

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

NP: Mayor Saenz, Cm. Dr. Martinez.

Motion carries.

XIV. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda with the exception of items 39, 72, 44, 40, 54.

Moved: Cm. Torres

Second:

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

NP: Mayor Saenz, Cm. Dr. Martinez.

Motion carries.

BUILDING: STAFF SOURCE JOHN HICKLE, BUILDING DIRECTOR

38. **2022-R-173** Authorizing and approving a fee waiver and a tax abatement agreement between the City of Laredo and Aymar Holdings for a proposed project located at 1620 McClelland, Lot 3 & 4, Block 596, Eastern Division that consists of commercial, in accordance with authorized guidelines and criteria established for the Neighborhood Empowerment Zone (NEZ). This agreement will be for a ten (10) year period and will abate taxes on new improvements for the purpose of economic development. The project has an estimated capital investment total of \$458,028.75, estimated annual tax abatement total of \$2,818.57 and estimated total fee waivers of \$857.00. Guidelines and criteria for the agreement are set forth in the attached agreement and information.

39. **2022-R-180** Authorizing and approving a fee waiver and a tax abatement agreement between the City of Laredo and Arturo Garcia for a proposed project located at 117 South Mendiola Avenue, Lot 9,8,7 Block 914 Eastern Division that consists of multi-family (12 units), in accordance with authorized guidelines and criteria established for the Neighborhood Empowerment Zone (NEZ). This agreement will be for a ten (10) year period and will abate taxes on new improvements for the purpose of economic development. The project has an estimated capital investment total of \$1,681,600.00, estimated annual tax abatement total of \$9,585.12 and estimated total fee waivers of \$9,241.50. Guidelines and criteria for the agreement are set forth in the attached agreement and information.

Motion to make the correction, to replace Arturo Garcia with AGDL investments LLC as amended.

Moved: Cm. Martinez

Second: Cm. Gutierrez

For: 6

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

NP: Mayor Saenz, Cm. Gonzalez, Cm. Dr. Martinez.

Motion carries.

CITY ATTORNEY: STAFF SOURCE DOANH T. NGUYEN, CITY ATTORNEY

40. Authorizing the Interim City Manager to ratify an increase of \$40,000 for legal services to the firm of Denton Navarro Rocha Bernal & Zech, P.C., in connection with collective bargaining issues contained in the Notice of Intent to Bargain by Laredo Firefighters Association, Local 872. Total contract amount will be \$135,000.00. Funding is available in General Fund.

Cm. Perez requested an explanation on the item.

Rosario Cabello Interim City Manager, explained that there will be an increase in order to complete the collective bargaining.

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Torres

Second: Cm. Gutierrez

For: 6

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

NP: Mayor Saenz, Cm. Gonzalez, Cm. Dr. Martinez.

Motion carries.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT: STAFF SOURCE TINA MARTINEZ, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

41. Authorizing the Interim City Manager to award contract FY22-050 to sole bidder Midas Contractors, LLC, Laredo, Texas for an amount not to exceed \$126,730.00. This is a one-time contract for maintenance repairs to a municipal housing property at 101 Sand Trap A & B; These repairs will include a complete renovation of the duplex property. Funding is available in the Noise Abatement Lease Program Fund.
42. Authorizing the Interim City Manager to enter into a contract and award Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds made available by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in the amount of \$299,000.00 to Villa San Luis Charitable Trust to facilitate necessary rehabilitation improvements of fifty-six (56) low-income households for Phase I of the Villa San Luis Housing Project located at 201 E. Plum St. Laredo, TX 78040. Funding is available in the 46th Action Year CDBG Funds.

ENGINEERING: STAFF SOURCE RAMON E. CHAVEZ, CITY ENGINEER

43. Consideration for approval of the selection of the top ranked consultants for RFQ FY22-ENG-44 landscape architect consultant services for outdoor, areas, existing facilities, parks, plazas, streets/boulevards, other amenities and proposed projects FY2023 - FY2026, and authorizing the Interim City Manager to negotiate professional service contracts for each respective project assigned on a rotation basis. Professional service contracts will be issued per project upon funding available for a two (2) year term, with one (1) option for a two (2)

year renewal, for a total term of four (4) years beginning November 8, 2022 and ending September 30, 2026. Two (2) firms responded to the request for qualifications on or before Thursday, September 29, 2022, at 4:00 p.m. The evaluation committee recommends the selection of the following consultants based on the final rankings below:

1. Vickrey & Associates, LLC; San Antonio, Texas.
2. Asakura Robinson Company LLC; Houston, Texas

Consultant work performance of services will be monitored in accordance with the established guidelines and any deficiencies may result in removal from the rotation list. Funding will not exceed \$50,000.00 per project, per vendor in the respective budget account unless otherwise authorized by City Council. There is no financial impact at this time.

44. Consideration to reject the sole response received for RFP FY22-ENG-15 City of Laredo Conference or Convention Center, and authorization to initiate a new solicitation of the request for proposal. One (1) firm responded to the request for proposal on or before Thursday, March 31, 2022, at 4:00 p.m. as follows:

Bexhill Group LLC., Houston, Tx.

The response received did not meet the RFP criteria valuation factors listed under the solicitation. There is no financial impact at this time.

Cm. Gutierrez requested clarification on why the firm did not meet criteria.

Ramon Chavez City Engineer, stated that the reason why staff does not recommend to move forward with the company is because they are an architectural firm that concentrates more on design and master planning.

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Gutierrez

Second: Cm. Torres

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

NP: Mayor Saenz, Cm. Gonzalez.

Motion carries.

45. Consideration for approval to award a professional services contract to Howland Engineering and Surveying Co., Laredo, Texas, in the amount not to exceed \$543,205.00 to provide laboratory sampling and material testing services to be performed on-site for the City of Laredo Buena Vista Sports Complex. Contract time is for the duration of the project. Funding is available in the Sports and Community Venue Fund.

46. Consideration to award construction contract FY22-ENG-47 to the lowest responsible, responsive bidder Summit Building & Design, Laredo, Texas in the amount not to exceed \$3,750,048.58 which includes the base bid, alternate #1 and alternate #2 for the CDBG Corpus Christi Street Water and Wastewater Improvements (District III) - Phase 1A, which proposes to upgrade the infrastructure and beautification from Cedar Avenue to McClelland Avenue. Construction contract time for the project is two-hundred fifty (250) calendar days; and authorizing the Interim City Manager to execute all related contract documents contingent upon receipt and approval of insurance and bond documents. After a notice to proceed is issued the estimated time for completion is scheduled for August 2023. Funding is available in CDBG, Environmental, Water Revenue Bond, Sewer Revenue Bond and 2018, 2019 & 2021 Certificate of Obligation Bond.
- One (1) electronic bid was received at the City Secretary's Office, on Thursday, October 27, 2022, at 4:00 p.m. The sole bid was publicly opened, read, and taken under advisement on Friday, October 28, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. as follows:

Attached letter of recommendation from Crane Engineering Corporation.

47. Consideration for approval of the selection of consultant for RFQ FY22-ENG-19 Plum and Mier Streets shared use path for bicycle and pedestrian use - CSJ 0922-33-201 as part of the Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside (TASA) Program Project MPO-Selected Off-System connecting K. Tarver Elementary and Nixon High School (District 4) and Lamar Middle School and St. Augustine High School (District 3) respectively, and authorizing the Interim City Manager to negotiate a professional services contract. The evaluation committee recommends the selection of T JKM Transportation Consultants, Austin, Texas, in association with Howland Engineering and Surveying Company, Laredo, Texas. There is no financial impact at this time.

One (1) firm responded to the Request for Qualifications (RFQ) on or before Wednesday, June 22, 2022, at 4:00 p.m. as follows:

TJKM Transportation Consultants, Austin, Texas, in association with Howland Engineering and Surveying Company, Laredo, Texas.

Attached is the concurrence letter from the Texas Department of Transportation.

ENVIRONMENTAL: STAFF SOURCE JOHN PORTER, ENVIRONMENTAL DIRECTOR/ SOLID WASTE DIRECTOR

48. Authorizing the Interim City Manager to execute legal documents conveying an easement and right-of-way to AEP Texas, Inc, over, under, across and upon a 4.130-acre tract of land lying in Abstract 296, Webb County, Texas, recorded in volume 227, page 165, deed records Webb County, Texas; particularly described by metes and bounds in attached "Exhibit A"; and providing for an effective date.

49. Consideration to authorize the purchase for waste and recyclable carts and for future expenses of additional carts, lids and accessories to Toter Inc., Statesville, North Carolina in the amount not to exceed \$544,585.00. This purchase is utilizing the Omnia Cooperative Purchasing Contract. These waste containers are designed for household garbage and can be used with both semi-automated and automated systems. Solid Waste Department will make a purchase of 7,644 (96 gallon) garbage/refuse carts. Funding is available in the Solid Waste Operations Fund.

FINANCE: STAFF SOURCE JOSE F. CASTILLO, ACTING FINANCE DIRECTOR

50. Consideration to renew annual supply contract FY21-010 with the following vendors:

1. Executive Office Supply, Laredo, Texas;
2. Gulf Coast Paper, Laredo, Texas;
3. Patria Office Supply, Laredo, Texas;
4. Texchem Corporation, Corpus Christi, Texas;
5. Matera Paper Company, San Antonio, Texas;

in an amount of up to \$300,000.00 annually for providing general janitorial supplies to all city departments. This contract establishes discount percentage pricing for those janitorial supplies most commonly utilized by city departments. The term of this contract shall be for a period of one (1) year beginning as of the date of its execution and is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds. There was no price increase during the last extension period. This is the first of three (1) year extension periods. All items will be purchased on an as-needed basis and funding will be secured from the user departmental budgets.

51. Consideration to authorize purchases from the following local businesses with estimated annual purchase amounts:

Home Depot (Contract: UCOMM16154) - \$300,000.00
Lowe's (Contract: TCPR192006) - \$200,000.00
Dr. Ike's - \$70,000.00

Business prices include Omnia Partners Cooperative Program and U.S. Communities contracts for FY2023 purchases of maintenance, repair and operations (MRO) supplies, industrial supplies, equipment and related products and services offered through these purchase contracts. Due to continuous year-round, as needed, cumulative city-wide purchases, which include urgent operational goods and allow for future unforeseen emergency expenditures; these exceed the \$50,000 purchase limits, which require City Council approval. The city is a member of the State of Texas - Texas Procurement and Support Services (TPASS) Cooperative Purchasing Program which allows the City of Laredo to take advantage of approved state contracts. Funding for cooperative purchase contracts and services are available in the respective departmental budgets.

Cm. Torres requested clarification on why locally own and operated Dr. Ike's is receiving only 70,000.00 when big department stores are receiving 200,000.00- 300,000.00.

Miguel Pescador Purchasing Agent, stated that the monies are mainly for maintenance and repairs supplies. Mr. Pescador included that they have a separate contract that has already been awarded.

Cm. Perez questioned if the city purchases from McCoy's also.

Mr. Pescador stated that they do.

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Torres

Second: Cm. Gutierrez

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

NP: Mayor Saenz, Cm. Gonzalez.

Motion carries.

FIRE: STAFF SOURCE GUILLERMO HEARD, FIRE CHIEF

52. Consideration to approve a Memorandum of Understanding between Border Region Behavioral Health Center and the City of Laredo Fire Department to provide a clinical education program for EMS Academy Students.
53. Consideration to ratify a donation agreement between the City of Laredo and Gold's Gym for the acceptance of an in-kind donation of gym equipment, with an estimated value of \$49,951.00 and to be used by Fire personnel at various Laredo Fire Stations.

FLEET MANAGEMENT: STAFF SOURCE RONALD MILLER, FLEET DIRECTOR

54. Discussion with possible action to authorize the Interim City Manager to enter into an agreement between the City of Laredo, Texas and Enterprise FM Trust (Enterprise Fleet Management) for the lease of 35 vehicles. The lease term of this contract will be 36 months (3 years).

The total annual capital cost for all 35 units will be \$381,817.92. After taking into account the equity gained from the 35 disposals in the amount of \$318,662.50, the total cost in year 1 will be \$63,155.42. The estimated equity return at the end of the lease term will be \$254,886.19. The total annual cost including maintenance for all vehicles will be \$393,673.92, assuming 12 months of possession. This information is illustrated below:

Total 12 month lease payments are \$381,817.92.

Total 12 month lease payments with maintenance are \$393,673.92.

Funding is available in the Fleet Department Fund.

Motion to bring up item 84.

Moved: Cm. Martinez

Second: Cm. Torres.

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

NP: Mayor Saenz, Cm. Gonzalez.

Motion carries.

Motion to approve item 54 and 84 as recommended by staff.

Moved: Cm. Torres

Second: Cm. Gutierrez

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

NP: Mayor Saenz, Cm. Gonzalez.

Motion carries.

55. Consideration to renew supply contract FY22-029 for the purchase of Ford Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) automotive parts for the City's fleet vehicles with:

1. Sames Motor Company, Laredo, Texas in an amount up to \$250,000.00 (Primary Vendor);
2. Gillie Hyde Ford, Glasgow, Kentucky in an amount up to \$100,000.00 (Secondary Vendor).

All parts will be secured on an as needed basis. The term of this contract shall be for a period of one (1) year beginning as of the date of its execution. There was no price increase during the last extension period. This contract can be renewed two (2) additional one (1) year extension periods, upon mutual agreement of the parties. Funding is available in the Fleet Management Fund.

HEALTH: STAFF SOURCE RICHARD A. CHAMBERLAIN, HEALTH DIRECTOR

56. **2022-R-183** Ratifying the submission of a grant application to the National Association of County & City Health Officials for the Addressing Needs of People with Disabilities in COVID-19 Local Preparedness Planning, Mitigation and Recovery Efforts - Part 2 Grant, in the estimated amount of \$75,000.00 with no match for the City of Laredo Health Department, for the term period from July 31, 2023, through December 31, 2023, and further authorizing the Interim City Manager to execute any and all documents resulting from the award of this grant.

57. **2022-R-184** Authorizing the Interim City Manager to submit a grant application to the National Association of County & City Health Officials for the Strengthening Capacity in Suicide, Overdose, and Adverse Childhood Experiences Prevention for Local Health Departments: Community Prevention Framework Pilot Grant in the estimated amount of \$55,000.00 with no match for the City of Laredo Health Department for the term period from December 1, 2022, through July 31, 2023, and further authorizing the Interim City Manager to execute any and all documents resulting from the award of this grant.
58. **2022-R-186** Ratifying the submission of a grant application to the Public Health Service Commissioned Officers Foundation, Barclay-Giel Seed Grant in the estimated amount of \$10,000.00 with no match for the City of Laredo Health Department for the term period from March 1, 2023, through February 29, 2024, and further authorizing the Interim City Manager to execute any and all documents resulting from the award of this grant.
59. Consideration to authorize the purchase of Covid-19 testing supplies from Life Technologies Corporation in the amount of \$164,245.25 for the City of Laredo Health Department Laboratory. Funding is available through the CDBG COVID fund.

HUMAN RESOURCES: STAFF SOURCE LINDA TENIENTE, HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR

60. Consideration to award contract number FY22-065 to provide temporary staffing agency services by Elite Employment Services, LLC. Vendor will be awarded for set contract services to provide the City of Laredo with a labor pool for those departments that might require temporary staffing throughout the fiscal year. All services will be secured on an as needed basis and the estimated contract amount should not exceed \$500,000.00 per term. The term of this contract shall be for a period of one (1) year, beginning effective date of contract and allows for two (2) additional one (1) year renewal periods. Funding is available in the respective departmental budgets.

INFORMATION SERVICES & TELECOMMUNICATION: STAFF SOURCE HOMERO VAZQUEZ-GARCIA, 1ST DIRECTOR

61. Authorizing the Interim City Manager to approve payment for year five renewal option of services agreement with Superior Public Sector for opengov open data software services. Renewal term is for one (1) year effective January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2023; and shall automatically renew for successive one (1) year terms; unless terminated by either party with at least thirty (30) days written notice prior to expiration of the then-current term. Year five cost is \$157,950.07; funding is available in I.S.T. Fund.

POLICE: STAFF SOURCE CLAUDIO TREVINO, CHIEF OF POLICE

62. **2022-R-181** Authorizing the Interim City Manager to ratify acceptance of a grant in the amount of \$167,000.00 from the Office of the Governor's Homeland Security Grants Division (HSGD) to fund the 2023 Local Border Security Program (LBSP). This grant does not

require matching funds. Funding will be used to pay overtime to increase patrol security along the Texas-Mexico border. Funding is available in the Special Police Fund.

63. **2022-R-182** Authorizing the Interim City Manager to ratify an agreement and accept reimbursement from the U.S. Customs and Border Protection/U.S. Border Patrol Treasury Forfeiture Fund of up to \$350,000.00 for joint operations for overtime expenses. The City of Laredo required match will be \$112,000.00 for a total amount of \$462,000.00. Funding is available in the Special Police Fund.
64. **2022-R-185** Authorizing the Interim City Manager to renew a cooperative working agreement between the City of Laredo Police Department (LPD) and the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) for the purpose of disrupting the illicit drug trafficking activities in our city. The Police Department's participation is part of the community service provided to our citizens and our partner law enforcement agencies with no cost to the City of Laredo.
65. Consideration to authorize the purchase of six (6) unmarked police units with emergency equipment from Lake Country Chevrolet, Jasper, TX, in the amount of \$309,400.01. These vehicles will be purchased using the Goodbuy Contract Pricing Program. Funding is available in the Police Trust Fund.
66. Consideration to authorize a purchase contract with the sole source provider, Lexipol, LLC., in the amount of \$58,156.89 for the law enforcement policy manual update and daily training bulletins annual support services subscription. Funding is available in the Police Department Trust Fund.

UTILITIES: STAFF SOURCE ARTURO GARCIA, P.E., UTILITIES DIRECTOR

67. Authorizing the Interim City Manager to approve a sole source maintenance contract to Core & Main, LP, San Antonio, Texas for the Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) / Automatic Meter Reading (AMR) equipment and hosting software services in the amount of \$74,295.23. Funding is available in the Waterworks Fund-Utilities Billing Division.
68. Authorizing the Interim City Manager to approve the purchase of meters with Core and Main, LP, from San Antonio, Texas in the amount of \$140,490.00 through the Houston Galveston Area Council of Governments (HGAC) Cooperative Purchasing Program's contract pricing for the purchase of Automated Meter Reading (AMR) water meters. Funding is available in the Waterworks Fund-Utilities Billing Division.
69. Consideration to renew annual supply contract FY21-007 with Aguaworks Pipe & Supply, Brownsville, Texas, in an amount up to \$298,975.90 for the purchase of dry barrel fire hydrants and repair kits for the Utilities Department. This contract will be for a one-year period and is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds. There was no price increase during the last extension period. This contract can be renewed for one (1)

additional one (1) year extension periods, upon mutual agreement of the parties. Funding is available in the Waterworks and Sewer Funds.

70. Consideration to renew annual supply contract FY21-008 with Metropolitan Compounds, Pembroke Pines, Florida, in an amount up to \$100,000.00 for the purchase of asphalt pot hole patch materials used during emergency street repairs caused by water line breaks. The term of this contract shall be for a period of one (1) year beginning as of the date of its execution and is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds. There was no price increase during the last extension period. This contract may be extended for one (1) additional one (1) year period upon mutual agreement. All the asphalt material will be secured on an as needed basis. Funding is available in the Water Works Fund.
71. Consideration to approve a supply contract with Ferguson Enterprises LLC., d/b/a Ferguson Waterworks, San Antonio, TX in the total amount of \$275,000.00. This annual contract shall utilize the NCPA (National Cooperative Purchasing Alliance Program) and allows for future related expenditures for the purchase of lift station sewer fittings for the Utilities Department. The term of this contract shall be for a period of one (1) year beginning as of the date of its execution. Funding for this contract is available in the Sewer System Fund.
72. Authorizing the Interim City Manager to award an architectural and engineering professional services contract to Sepulveda Associates Architects, Inc. in the amount of \$237,470.00 for the proposed North Side Materials Storage Canopy and associated site improvements. Services include schematic design phase, construction document phase, bidding and negotiation and construction administration phase. Funding is available in the 2020A Water Revenue Bond.

Jose Valdez, Jr. City Secretary stated that there was a change on the amount of \$273,470.00, the correct amount should read 273,470.00.

Motion to approve item 72 with the correction stated by the City Secretary.

Moved: Cm. Torres

Second: Cm. Gutierrez

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

NP: Mayor Saenz, Cm. Gonzalez.

Motion carries.

73. Authorizing the Interim City Manager to award a maintenance contract to CLA-VAL Company, Dallas, TX, in the amount of \$97,997.00 for maintenance and installation of rubber goods kit with new ball valves, stainless steel tubing & fittings. The vendor shall provide all the labor, materials, machinery and safety equipment required to enter confined space entries. Funding is available in the Waterworks Operations Fund.

74. Consideration to approve a supply contract with USA Blue Book., d/b/a HD Supply, Northbrook, IL, in the total amount of \$500,000.00. This annual contract shall utilize the US Communities Cooperative Purchasing Program and allows for future related expenditures for the purchase of water and wastewater operations and maintenance supplies in order to meet permit requirements, conduct testing and other related support services for the Utilities Department. The term of this contract shall be for a period of one (1) year beginning as of the date of its execution. Funding is available in the Utilities Waterworks and Sewer System Funds.
75. Authorizing the Interim City Manager to approve a professional engineering contract to Tetra Tech of San Antonio, Texas not to exceed \$268,795.00 to develop plans and specifications for North Laredo Hachar Booster Pump station improvements. Funding is available in the 2020A Water Revenue Bond.
76. Authorizing the Interim City Manager to approve the purchase of three (3) pumps and one (1) screen for the El Pico Water Treatment Plant and three (3) pumps for the Jefferson Water Treatment Plant from Precision Pump System using the Buy Board Cooperative Purchasing Contract # 672-22 for a total amount of \$3,355,686.33. Funds are available in the Waterworks Construction Account and American Rescue Act Plan Funds.

Cm. Cigarroa requested clarification on the item.

Arturo Garcia Utilities Director, stated that it was equipment from one of the projects that they decided to purchase outside the contract because it was providing a cost savings.

Cm. Cigarroa question if the change will affect operations.

Arturo Garcia stated that it will affect operations, but can table the item if requested by Council.

Cm. Torres questioned on why he would be ok with tabling the item if it can cause a water boil.

Arturo Garcia stated that he can work with equipment that he already has, and would just prolong the new request for purchase. Mr. Garcia mentioned that it is imperative to acquire the new equipment to avoid any future issues.

Rosario Cabello recommended for the item to be brought back in another meeting since she has several concerns, including the equipment not being appropriate for the location.

Motion to go into Executive Session on items 76 and 88.

No action was taken during Executive Session.

Motion to rescind the approval of item 76, and to table as requested by staff and Legal.

Moved: Cm. Torres

Second: Cm. Gutierrez

For: 6

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

NP: Cm. Perez, Cm. Cigarroa.

Motion carries.

77. Consideration to rescind partial award of supply contract number FY23-001 from Brenntag Southwest, Lancaster, Texas and correctly award to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder Chemtrade Chemicals US, LLC, Parsippany, New Jersey. The overall contract amount of \$3,500,000.00 remains the same as previously awarded and amendment is only for the purchase of liquid aluminum sulfate with 1 % copper sulfate. This amendment/correction is due to an incorrect vendor submittal; Brenntag submitted a total price for 50,000 lbs of chemical instead of the bid requested price for 60,000 lbs. Chemtrade submitted a total price for 60,000lbs (\$0.1545/lb); due to this inaccuracy, Chemtrade is the lowest bidder. This contract has three (3) one (1) year extension periods. All chemicals will be purchased on as needed basis. Funding is available in the Water and Wastewater Treatment Division's Operating Budgets.
78. Authorizing the Interim City Manager to approve the purchase of meters with Core and Main, LP, from San Antonio, Texas in the amount of \$1,179,900.00 through the Houston Galveston Area Council of Governments (HGAC) Cooperative Purchasing Program's contract pricing for the purchase of Automated Meter Reading (AMR) water meters utilized by the Utilities Department. All meters meet NSF Standard 61 Certification and NSF 61 Annex F and G (lead requirements). Funding is available in the Waterworks Fund.
79. Authorizing the Interim City Manager for the approval of change order No. 1, in the amount of \$62,457.40 and increase of 200 working days to the contract time due to material supply delays. This change order is required to complete the project, adding material not included in the original contract. With this change order the contract amount with ALC Construction Co. Inc. will increase the contract to a total of \$552,257.40 and 290 working days. Funds are available in the 2019 Water Revenue Bond.
80. Authorizing the Interim City Manager to approve change order No. 1, a credit in the amount of (\$10,535.00) and accept the project as complete from Southern Trenchless Solutions, Inc. for the 12-inch waterline on Guaymas Avenue. The final contract is \$91,952.25 and the total contract period of 75 working days. Funding is available in the 2019 Water Revenue Bond, using Buyboard Proposal Code No. 635-21.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

XV. STAFF REPORTS

81. Discussion with possible action on ongoing audits and/or irregularities identified by the Internal Auditor including the potential assignment of other and/or additional auditing duties; and any other matters incident thereto. The following are the ongoing audits/review: Vehicle Repair Process Audit, Evaluation of City Policies, Asset Management Review and Credit Card Review.

Motion to approve the Auditor’s report.

Moved: Cm. Torres

Second: Cm. Dr. Martinez

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

NP: Mayor Saenz, Cm. Gonzalez.

Motion carries.

82. Presentation with possible action by Fire Chief/EMC, Guillermo Heard, and Utilities Director, Arturo Garcia, on the drought condition affecting Laredo; and any other matters incident thereto.

Guillermo Heard Fire Chief/EMC along with Utilities Director Arturo Garcia, provided a brief presentation on the drought condition affecting Laredo. Fire Chief Heard, recommended to go into plan 1.

Motion to approve the recommendation of staff.

Moved: Cm. Torres

Second: Cm. Martinez

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

NP: Mayor Saenz, Cm. Gonzalez.

Motion carries.

83. Status report with possible action by the Utilities Department on the water, including but not limited to quality, infrastructure, level status, improvements, and any other matters incident thereto.

84. Staff report with possible action to phase in a passenger lease vehicle program with Enterprise in an effort to reduce the costs associated with our city fleet.

Refer to item 54.

85. Presentation and general update on the activities by the Laredo Public Library Advisory Committee.

Bob Ortiz chair of Laredo Public Library Advisory Committee representing District 8, provided a brief presentation and general update of the activities performed by the committee. Mr. Ortiz mentioned several programs and resources that the Laredo Public Library provides for the citizens of Laredo.

Cm. Perez thanked the members of the Laredo Public Library Committee, for providing their services to the citizens of Laredo.

Cm. Torres stated that the public needs to know of all the great programs that are available to the community, specially since they are free of charge. Cm. Torres requested for management to create a campaign to make awareness on all the services provided by the Public Library.

No action was taken.

86. Staff report with possible action by Simplifyance and Health Director Dr. Richard Chamberlain regarding the detox facility, and any other matters incident thereto.

Parker Smith CEO of Simplifyance provided a brief presentation on the proposed detox facility.

Mayor Saenz stated that the community is facing a homelessness issue that goes together with drug abuse.

Mr. Parker mentioned that they are looking into all the issues that the detox facility can help address.

Dr. Chamberlain stated that he was informed by Webb County that the facility will be ready by April, 2023.

Rosario Cabello explained that the City is funding a portion of the furniture and staffing. Ms. Cabello mentioned that it is going to be a challenge, but the city is already working with grant writers to be able to obtain some assistance that will help with the operational cost.

Cm. Dr. Martinez included that the city has some money from grants that have been coming in, additionally the city is looking for other grants that can help assist with the cost.

Assistant City Manager Steve Landin, stated that Dr. Chamberlain is working on a legislative agenda item to address additional funding.

Dr. Chamberlain provided a brief presentation on the proposed two-year action plan.

Please refer to item 90. A-2.

87. Staff report with possible action by Police Chief Claudio Trevino, Fire Chief Guillermo Heard and Health Director Dr. Richard Chamberlain about the increase in overdoses and overdose related deaths in our community and any other matters incident thereto.

Health Department Director Dr. Chamberlain along with Police Chief Claudio Trevino, and Fire Chief Guillermo Heard, provided a brief staff report on the increase in overdoses and overdose related deaths in our community.

Alexa Huerta program director with PILLAR, gave a brief presentation on various programs that the Organization has to offer for the community.

Police Chief Claudio Trevino, stated that the information is also being provided to the Drug and Alcohol Committee to raise awareness and expand the services to the citizens of Laredo.

Cm. Dr. Martinez gave a brief explanation on what fentanyl is, and how dangerous it is.

Cm. Perez spoke on the importance to create awareness on how to obtain and utilize Narcan as a response during an Opioid overdose.

Nan Martinez along with Reyes Soto members of the Texas Target Opioid Team, provided a presentation on how to administer intranasal Narcan and how to utilize Narcan kits as a response method to try and save a person during an Opioid overdose.

Cm. Perez asked if there is a possibility to provide Narcan kits to Bars/Night Clubs in case of an emergency.

Dr. Chamberlain stated that they are working on having Narcan kits available for the community.

Police Chief Claudio Trevino, included that they are working in conjunction with several law enforcement agencies to attack the opioid issue that the City is facing.

Cm. Gonzalez congratulated the Fire Department for doing a tremendous job with the presentations that are being provided for high school students.

Please refer to item 86.

XVI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

88. Request for Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.072 related to the purchase of real property consisting of 4 properties known as ABC Plaza for La Plaza Theatre Project from Marcelino, LLC.

No action was taken during Executive Session.

XVII.RECESS AS THE LAREDO CITY COUNCIL AND CONVENE AS THE LAREDO MASS TRANSIT BOARD

Motion to recess as the Laredo City Council and convene as the Laredo Mass Transit Board.

Moved: Cm. Torres

Second: Cm. Gutierrez

For: 4

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

NP: Cm. Gonzalez, Cm. Martinez, Cm. Perez, Cm. Cigarroa.

Motion carries.

89. **2022-RT-19** Authorizing the Interim City Manager to submit a competitive grant application for \$1,200,000.00 to the Laredo -Webb County Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Transportation Alternatives (TA) Set-Aside Program from the Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) to construct and design ten (10) ADA bus stops and enhancement project with the possibility up to fifteen (15) bus stops. In addition, the Texas Department of Transportation imposes a 15% administrative fee. The required local match of \$200,000.00 will be funded from the Transit's local sales tax. The bus stop locations are as follows:

Jose Valdez, Jr. mentioned two corrections on the amount of \$1,200,000.00 to 1,250,000.00, and on the amount of \$200,000.00 to \$250,000.00.

Motion to approve as read into the record, and requested by staff.

Moved: Cm. Torres

Second: Cm. Gutierrez

For: 6

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

NP: Cm. Gonzalez, Cm. Perez.

Motion carries.

XVIII.ADJOURN AS THE LAREDO MASS TRANSIT BOARD AND RECONVENE AS THE LAREDO CITY COUNCIL

Motion to adjourn as the Laredo Mass Transit Board and reconvene as the Laredo City Council.

Moved: Cm. Torres

Second: Cm. Gutierrez

For: 6

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

NP: Cm. Gonzalez, Cm. Perez.

Motion carries.

90. GENERAL COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

A. Request by Mayor Pete Saenz

1. Discussion with possible action, regarding presentation by the Webb County-City of Laredo Regional Mobility Authority on Transportation Reinvestment Zone (TRZ), covering 2 mile corridor on Loop 20 from US Hwy. 59 to South US 83 and to 4-5 Bridge location; and possibly for further study of a TRZ in North Laredo given by HNTB and sub-consultant TXP, and any other matters related thereto.

Jett Brown head of the Regional Mobility Authority along with Travis Jenes with TXP, provided a brief presentation on the Feasibility of a Loop 20 Transportation Reinvestment Zones.

Mayor Saenz suggested that the city uses Federal funds to cover for the costs, as opposed to using monies from the general fund.

Cm. Perez mentioned that the only concern she has regarding his suggestion, is that it will take a lot more time to get things done.

Motion to have management address those particular issues.

Moved: Cm. Dr. Martinez

Second: Cm. Gutierrez

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

NP:

Motion carries.

2. Discussion with possible action on the progress made by Health Management Consultant on the study to address the under-served health and medical needs of the Laredo Region, and any other matters related thereto.

Dr. Chamberlain provided a brief update on the progress made by Health Management Associates on the study to address the under-served health and medical needs of the Laredo region.

Cm. Dr. Martinez expressed the importance on addressing the under-served health and medical issue that the city is facing.

B. Request by Council Member Alberto Torres, Jr.

1. Recognizing Hector J. "Tito" Garcia, Dr. Minita Ramfrez, and the late Jose A. Valdez, Sr. with a Meritorious Public Service Award for their exemplary dedication as Trustees of the Laredo Independent School District's Board of Trustees.

Cm. Torres recognized Hector J. "Tito" Garcia, Dr. Minita Ramirez, and the late Jose A. Valdez, Sr. with a Meritorious Public Service Award for their exemplary dedication as Trustees of the Laredo Independent School District's Board of Trustees.

Dr. Minita Ramirez, stated that it was an honor to have served as a Trustee of the Laredo Independent School District's Board of Trustees.

Hector J. "Tito" Garcia expressed his love and passion for serving as a Trustee of the Laredo Independent School District's Board of Trustees.

Jose A. Valdez Jr. City Secretary, on behalf of his late father Jose A. Valdez Sr. expressed his gratitude on receiving the recognition. Mr. Valdez mentioned that his father was all about public service, and he would be so proud to receive the recognition.

2. Discussion with possible action to reschedule the meeting of November 21, 2022 to November 28, 2022; and any other matters incident thereto. **(Co-sponsored by Council Member Ruben Gutierrez Jr. and Council Member Vanessa Perez)**

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Torres

Second: Cm. Dr. Martinez

For: 6 Against: 0

Abstain: 0

NP: Cm. Gonzalez, Cm. Perez.

Motion carries.

C. Request by Council Member Ruben Gutierrez, Jr.

1. Status report on the City Manager recruitment with possible action.

Rosario Cabello mentioned that they received a letter by Mr. Dug Thomas explaining on why it has been delayed. Ms. Cabello stated that the position has already been posted, and will be followed with the selection process.

Cm. Gutierrez mentioned that the reason he brought up the item was to get a status update on the persons that have applied, and to get an estimated time on the recruitment process.

Linda Teniente Human Resources Director provided a brief presentation on the City Manager recruitment process. Ms. Teniente explained a summary of the recruitment process as follows:

- November 4, 2022 the position was posted.
 - The position has been posted in 19 locations through SGR.
 - Will be presented in 7 different social outlets.
- The application will be open for 30 days, with a deadline of December 11, 2022.
- SGR will select the semifinalists and conduct Media Search, Questionnaires, and Online Interviews.
- On January 2023, SGR will meet with City Council to review semifinalist and facilitate selection for interviews, and will allow Council to select who they want to interview.
- Tentative date for the last week of January 2023 or February the 6, 2023 to bring back finalists to Council for selection of a new City Manager.

No action was taken.

2. Discussion with possible action to amend the Special Provision for Installation of Speed Hump in Ordinance 2010-0-139; to include speed table for pedestrian safety as needed in any new subdivision development, and any other matters incident thereto. **(Co-Sponsored by Council Member Alberto Torres and Council Member Vanessa Perez)**

Cm. Gutierrez stated that the item was placed on the agenda to address the requests of citizens of Laredo to install several speed humps throughout the community. Cm. Gutierrez mentioned that it is time to revisit and amend Ordinance 2010-O-139, to make it easier for the installation of speed humps that are needed throughout the city.

Motion to have Legal bring back recommendations to address the provisions.

Moved: Cm. Gutierrez

Second: MPT Rodriguez

For: Against: 0

Abstain: 0

NP: Cm. Gonzalez, Cm. Martinez.

Motion carries.

D. Request by Council Member Dr. Marte A. Martinez

1. Discussion with possible action regarding implementing a plastic bag restriction in line with Brownsville's Plastic Bag Ordinance and any other matters incident thereto.

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Dr. Martinez

Second: Cm. Perez

For: 7 Against: 0

Abstain: 0

NP: Cm. Gonzalez, Cm. Martinez, Cm. Perez.

Motion carries.

E. Request by Council Member Vanessa J. Perez

1. Discussion with possible action on the disposal of liquids within the City of Laredo, and any other matters incident thereto. **(Co-Sponsored by Council Member Alberto Torres and Council Member Alyssa Cigarroa)**

Cm. Perez brought up item 90. E1, E2, E3.

Arturo Dominguez spoke in favor of Item 90 E1.

John Porter Environmental Services Director explained that the main issue is equipment and personnel. Mr. Porter stated that the Environmental Services department came up with a questionnaire that will be put out on the City's website, to possibly host a day event for the public to properly dispose of liquids.

Cm. Perez expressed her concern on the high cost to transport liquids out of Laredo.

Assistant City Manager Riazul Mia stated that it has to be liquid waste only, no hazardous waste will be accepted.

Motion to bring back a plan during next City Council meeting.

Moved: Cm. Perez

Second: Cm. Torres

For: 6

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

NP: Cm. Rodriguez, Cm. Dr. Martinez.

Motion carries.

2. Discussion with possible action on the Weigh and Motion project on the exit lanes at the World Trade Bridge, and any other matters incident thereto. **(Co-Sponsored by Council Member Alberto Torres, Council Member Ruben Gutierrez, and Council Member Alyssa Cigarroa)**

Cm. Perez spoke on the importance of the Weigh and Motion project, and how it is imperative to have the service up and running.

Ramon Chavez City Engineer, stated that the project is already out on Bids.

Cm. Perez questioned why the project has been delayed since 2020.

Cm. Dr. Martinez, stated that the project has been delayed due to changes made by CBP in the past.

Yvette Limon bridge Director, mentioned that the new scales will be constructed in the current exit booths of the port of entry of the World Trade bridge. Therefore, the City has to work and coordinate with CBP and their team to make sure that the scales will not impede and affect their flow of traffic within their port.

Gonzalo Prida president of ALFA, provided a small presentation on the overweight permits.

Motion to bring back, and to direct management to have the bridge system look at whatever we are missing to become competitive. Additionally, to bring back whatever revisions of Ordinances that must be addressed to facilitate the movement.

Moved: Cm. Dr. Martinez

Second: Cm. Martinez

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

NP:

Motion carries.

Cm. Martinez expressed his concern on why Laredo is the number one Port of Entry in the nation, yet does not have the system in place.

Yvette Limon stated that the city does have the system in place for southbound movement, but does not have it for northbound.

Ms. Cabello stated that there is a confusion, but she clarified that the city does have the system in place.

Mr. Prida explained that the procedure needs to be changed for better and faster service.

Cm. Martinez mentioned that Laredo should be competitive, and should lead in innovation, efficiency, and in everything, since the City is the number one Port of Entry in the Nation.

Cm. Gutierrez agreed that the innovation system should be in Laredo.

Rosario Cabello stated that management will review the Ordinance, and see what they can streamline.

Cm. Torres agreed that the Ordinance must be reviewed and amended.

Cm. Perez mentioned that the issue was brought up to the Port of Entry Commission since September, and she had to bring it up as an item since nothing has been done.

Rosario Cabello stated that management will look into it and bring it back during the next City Council meeting.

Cm. Dr. Martinez mentioned that fundamentally what needs to be addressed is that the industry is rapidly evolving, and that they need to listen to what the industry is telling them.

3. Discussion with possible action to work with the newly elected Governor of Tamaulipas, Dr. America Villarreal, to finish the studies and exchange the diplomatic notes necessary to facilitate the crossing of HazMat on the World Trade Bridge, and any other matters incident thereto. **(Co-Sponsored by Council Member Alberto Torres, Council Member Ruben Gutierrez, and Council Member Alyssa Cigarroa)**

Ivette Limon bridge Director stated, that on 2015 the city of Laredo was awarded with the presidential permit for the crossing of hazardous materials through the World Trade bridge.

Motion to make it a priority, and bring back within the next six months.

Moved: Cm. Perez

Second: Cm. Torres

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

NP:

Motion carries.

F. Request by Council Member Alyssa Cigarroa

1. Discussion with possible action on establishing a "Tulsa Remote" program downtown to increase residential development downtown and any matters incident thereto. **(Co-Sponsored by Council Member Dr. Marte A. Martinez)**

Cm. Cigarroa stated that the reason for the item is in the hopes of revitalizing downtown, to try to increase foot traffic, to increase economic development, to bring more shops and restaurants to downtown Laredo.

Cm. Dr. Martinez explained the importance on creating more foot traffic as well as to create an atmosphere to attract people that like to shop and eat, or have their coffee close to where they live to create commerce and redevelopment downtown.

Motion to approve, and for management to bring something back.

Moved: Cm. Cigarroa

Second: Cm. Dr. Martinez

For: 6

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

NP: Cm. Gonzalez, Cm. Martinez.

Motion carries.

Miriam Castillo Economic Development Interim Director, stated that there are other cities that have been implementing the same type of programs in an effort to attract more people to their city. Miriam Castillo provided a brief presentation on what the program entails, and what it can bring to downtown.

Cm. Perez mentioned that some of the feedback that she has heard about downtown is that a lot of the property's downtown are privately own, which makes it harder to implement such programs.

Miriam Castillo stated that the city has been working in conjunction with Laredo Mainstream, to create packages with incentives to develop and redevelop their buildings.

Mayor Saenz suggested, to convince one owner and make it work and use it as a model.

Miriam Castillo mentioned that the program will require some financing, and that it is just a matter on finding ways to fund the program.

Cm. Perez questioned if the city would be able to model the 9% program that the state has.

Tina Martinez Community Development Director, expressed that in the recent years Laredo has been attracting more of those 9% tax credit deals, but it is because they haven't been receiving them so much.

Cm. Perez explained that it would be something similar but internal, without the need to apply for state grants.

Tina Martinez mentioned that they are currently working on a project that is in the final stages of getting funded, that can be used as another way of modeling the tax credit program.

G. Request by Council Member Rudy Gonzalez, Jr.

1. Recognition of Miguel A. Flores Rodriguez, a Laredoan and expert in International trade and logistics for being chosen Logistic Leader 2022 by the University Center for Legal Studies CUEJ in Mexico City.

Cm. Gonzalez presented a recognition to Miguel A. Flores Rodriguez, a Laredoan and expert in International trade and logistics for being chosen Logistic Leader 2022 by the University Center for Legal Studies CUEJ in Mexico City

Miguel A. Flores Rodriguez expressed his gratitude on receiving the recognition.

Dante Geova Cisneros Garcia representing the University Center for Legal Studies CUEJ in Mexico City, presented as recognition to Miguel A. Flores Rodriguez for being chosen as the Logistic Leader 2022 by the University Center for Legal Studies CUEJ in Mexico City.

H. Request by Mayor Pro-Tempore Vidal Rodriguez

1. Discussion with possible action to instruct the Interim City Manager to authorize staff to install speed humps at the following locations under the Special Provision of the Speed Hump Installation Policy and to authorize the use of asphalt type speed humps instead of speed cushions which is currently required under the policy and any other matters incident thereto. City Council District 2 Priority Funds will be used for this project.

- 5500 Beefalo Lane
- 2400 S Louisiana
- Study on Pine to assess the current speed table

Motion to approve.

Moved: MPT Rodriguez

Second: Cm. Dr. Marte Martinez

For: 6

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

NP: Cm. Gonzalez, Cm. Martinez.

Motion carries.

2. Discussion with possible action to create a program to strengthen non-civil service employee's leadership skills besides the certified public management class and add trade labor programs for labor or clerical workers to be fair to all employees who want to better themselves and any other matters incident thereto.

MPT Rodriguez stated that the program would be to strengthen low level employees with leadership skills, to be able to advance and better themselves.

Cm. Torres mention that he has been in contact with Dr. Ramirez to try and find ways on how to help secretarial positions employees with courses or certifications for personal growth.

Cm. Dr. Martinez stated that the city should help and support loyal employees, with a grant or a stipend as an incentive to further their education.

Rosario Cabello informed City Council that during the past year the city has spent in training and education citywide 270,00.00, and in professional development a little over 650,000.00 towards training towards employees. Ms. Cabello mention that in addition to that IT was able to purchase a software called skills sets.

Linda Teniente Human resources Director provided a brief presentation, and status update on the current employee programming.

Cm. Torres asked supervisors and department directors to support and encourage their employees to take advantage of the programs to better themselves.

Linda Teniente mentioned the following programs that the city has and are available to its employees at no cost. The programs are; The Certified Public Manager Program- CMP 2nd Session with TAMIU, The Employee Development Program, and The Leadership Development Program.

MPT Rodriguez stated that the city needs programs to assist on the field employees.

Cm. Perez included that the city needs to make sure that departments are not understaffed so employees can take advantage and have time to enroll in programs to advance themselves.

Linda Teniente stated that they are currently working with Laredo College, to bring programs such as plumbing, and CDL certifications.

Motion to create a system or a program for next school year or semester to benefit all city employees.

Moved: MPT Rodriguez

Second: Cm. Torres

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

NP: Cm. Gonzalez, Cm. Martinez.

Motion carries.

Motion to extend the meeting until 11:00 p.m.

Moved: Cm. Dr. Martinez

Second: Cm. Torres

For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

NP: Cm. Gonzalez, Cm. Martinez.

Motion carries.

3. Discussion with possible action pursuant to Section 2.06 of the City Charter on conducting an evaluation of the acting city manager, the assistant city managers, and all appointed department directors which has resulted in low employee morale, productivity and overall performance, for future council to consider or know of the issues from different point of view like employees do once they leave or retire from the city in executive or open meeting

and any other matters incident thereto.

MPT requested for the item to be taken into executive session.

City Attorney Zone T. Nguyen stated that the item can be taken into executive session if the item is towards a specific person, and the person requests for the item to be reviewed during executive session. Mr. Nguyen also included that section 2.06 of the City Charter deals with official conduct, therefore it would not be about work performance.

MPT Rodriguez stated that the item is specifically for evaluation.

Mr. Nguyen requested for the motion to be amended since it does not apply for 2.06 investigation of official misconduct. He included that in order to go into executive session the item must be towards a specific person, as opposed to evaluations in general.

MPT Rodriguez stated that the evaluation is towards management.

Mr. Nguyen advised Council to go into executive session.

Cm. Cigarroa mentioned that previous HR Director Ms. Bermudez had previously given Council evaluation forms for management that were not taken seriously at the time, therefore she does not understand why this item is being presented.

Mayor Saenz mentioned that the new Council should be the one to address the evaluations of management.

Cm. Torres requested clarification if the item is towards management or the City manager.

MPT Rodriguez clarified that the evaluation is towards management.

Assistant City manager Steve Landin stated that on his behalf he would rather do it out in the open.

Motion to go into executive session to address low morale, productivity, performance issues, regarding management as amended.

Moved: MPT Rodriguez

Second: Cm. Torres

For: 6

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

NP: Cm. Gonzalez, Cm. Martinez.

Motion carries.

No action was taken.

Mayor Saenz called the meeting back to order.

Motion to table.

Moved: Cm. Torres

Second: Cm. Gutierrez

For:

Against: 0

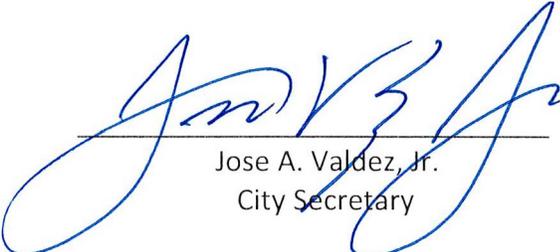
Abstain: 0

NP: Cm. Gonzalez, MPT. Rodriguez, Cm. Martinez, Cm. Dr. Martinez

Motion carries.

XIX. ADJOURN

Meeting was adjourn.



Jose A. Valdez, Jr.
City Secretary