

**CITY OF LAREDO  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
M2021-S-01  
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CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS 1110 HOUSTON  
STREET  
LAREDO, TEXAS 78040  
March 1, 2021  
5:30 P.M.**

**SUPPLEMENTAL MINUTES**

**I. GENERAL COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

**A. Request by Mayor Pete Saenz**

1. Discussion with possible action on status/update on Hospital District Committee meeting recently held, and any other matters incident thereto.

This item was discussed in conjunction with Items D1, G1, and 37. Dr. Victor Treviño reported that the committee met Wednesday, February 24, and will focus on issues that affect the medically underserved community in Laredo.

No action taken.

**B. Request by Council Member Alberto Torres, Jr.**

1. Discussion with possible action to establish a process or hotline for tenants that rent a home, apartment or condo to report landlords not complying with building standards on repairing plumbing that was affected with the recent Winter Storm, and any other matters incident thereto. (Co-Sponsored by Council Member Alyssa Cigarroa)

Cm. Cigarroa asked that the City distribute or post flyers of Texas renters' rights. Rene Benavides, City Attorney, reminded Council that the City cannot enforce private issues like landlord issues. The City can only enforce Code compliance.

Robert Eads, City Manager, asked Council for time so that staff can determine a dedicated phone line for complaints or reports of this matter since 3-1-1 is still being overwhelmed with vaccination calls.

Cm. Rodriguez voiced his opinion that this is a matter for Webb County and that Council would be overstepping their boundaries by approving this item. Mr. Eads agreed, noting that the City is unable to help two private entities settle disputes.

Motion to instruct management to address the issue as it relates to potential health hazards.

Moved: Cm. Torres

Second: Cm. Cigarroa

For: 6

Against: 0

Abstain: 0.

Cm. Gutierrez was not present.

## **II. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn.

Moved: Dr. Marte Martinez

Second: Cm. Rodriguez

For: 6

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Cm. Gutierrez was not present.