### **ORDINANCE NO. 2021-O-068**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LAREDO, TEXAS, AMENDING THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE, CHAPTER 24, ARTICLE V, SECTION 24-83.9, TO PROVIDE THAT MONEY-IN-LIEU OF TREES WILL SATISFY 50% OF THE TOTAL PLANTING REQUIREMENT; TO PROVIDE THAT FUNDS RECEIVED MAY BE USED FOR THE PURPOSES OF PURCHASING AND INSTALLING LANDSCAPING AND THE PLANTING OF ELIGIBLE TREES IN OR NEAR CITY PARKS OR PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY; TO PROVIDE THAT THE COST PER TREE SHALL BE DETERMINED BY THE PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD; PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE CUMULATIVE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Laredo Land Development Code currently provides that money-in-lieu of trees will satisfy 30% of the total planting requirement and that funds received shall be used for the purpose of purchasing eligible trees in city parks or public right-of-way; and

**WHEREAS**, Ordinance No. 2007-O-089 abolished the Tree Board and transferred the responsibilities of said board to the Parks and Recreation Board; and

WHEREAS, the amendments of said standards and requirements have been deemed necessary and appropriate; and

WHEREAS, the City Council determined that the amendments proposed herein will promote an orderly and healthy development of the City of Laredo.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAREDO, TEXAS THAT:

<u>Section 1.</u> The City of Laredo Land Development Code Chapter 24, Article 24.83.9 is hereby amended as follows:

#### Section 24.83.9 MONEY-IN LIEU OF TREES

(1) Up to [thirty] <u>fifty</u> percent [(30%)] (50%) of the total planting requirements may be met by depositing, with the Parks and Recreation Department, a sum of money equal to the cost of the required trees and their planting. This money shall be placed in a special fund designated for the purposes of <u>purchasing and installing landscaping and the</u> planting of eligible trees in <u>or near</u> city parks or public rights-of-way. The cost per tree shall be determined by the [Tree Board] <u>Parks and Recreation Board</u> on an annual basis. The remaining [seventy] <u>fifty</u> percent [(70%)] (50%) of the trees shall be planted as required by this ordinance.

<u>Section 2.</u> This ordinance shall be cumulative of all provisions of ordinances of the City of Laredo, Texas, except where the provisions of this ordinance are in direct conflict with the provisions of such ordinances, in which event the conflicting provisions of such ordinances are hereby repealed.

Section 3. It is hereby declared to be the intention of the City Council that the phrases, clauses,

sentences, paragraphs and sections of this ordinance are severable, and if any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section of this ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality shall not affect any of the 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.

<u>Section 4.</u> The City Secretary of the City of Laredo is hereby directed to publish the proposed Ordinance as required by Section 2.09 of the Charter of the City of Laredo.

<u>Section 5.</u> This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon passage.

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PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AND APPROVED BY THE MAYOR ON THIS

29 DAY OF March 2021.

PETE SAENZ MAYOR

ATTESTED:

JOSE A. VALDEZ, JR. CITY SECRETARY

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:** 

RENE C. BENAVIDES CITY ATTORNEY

## Final Reading of Ordinances 16.

City Council-Regular Meeting Date: 03/29/2021

Initiated By: Riazul Mia, Assistant City Manager

Staff Source: Arturo Garcia, Building Development Services Director

## **SUBJECT**

<u>2021-O-068</u> An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, amending the Land Development Code, Chapter 24, Article V, Section 24-83.9, to provide that money-in-lieu of trees will satisfy 50% of the total planting requirement; to provide that funds received may be used for the purposes of purchasing and installing landscaping and the planting of eligible trees in or near city parks or public right-of-way; to provide that the cost per tree shall be determined by the Parks and Recreation Board; providing that this Ordinance shall be cumulative; providing a severability clause; providing for publication; and declaring an effective date.

## PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION

On March 1, 2021, City Council introduced this ordinance.

#### **BACKGROUND**

On March 1, 2021, City Council Introduced this ordinance. On December 7, 2020, City council motioned and directed staff to bring back an ordinance for consideration increasing the percentage of money-in-lieu of trees from 30% to 50% of the landscaping requirements under the Land Development Code Section 24.83 (Trees and Shrubs).

The item is optional for industrial construction projects/developments and the purpose would be to be able to utilize these funds for planting trees in city parks as an example. The Building Development Services Department would be administered the fee during the development/construction review process. The in-lieu of fee for each tree has been determined by the Parks and Recreational Committee to be five hundred dollars per tree. The fee amount includes the cost of one 3" caliper tree, landscaping installation cost and irrigation maintenance cost.

Example: A new industrial development requires six trees to be installed to meet the City of Laredo Land Development Code Section 24.83's formula. If approved, a project requiring six (6) trees has the option to install all six trees or the project can install three (3) 50% trees and pay for the remaining (three (3)) 50% trees.

#### COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Planning & Zoning Commission provided a negative recommendation.

# STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of this ordinance.

# **Fiscal Impact**

Fiscal Year:

**Bugeted Y/N?:** 

**Source of Funds:** 

Account #:

Change Order: Exceeds 25% Y/N:

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:** 

Funds will be deposited into Parkland Improvements Fund.

# **Attachments**

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# Selicion noticios

Webb County Purchasing Departmen 1110 Washington Street, Suite 101 Laredo, Texas 78040

All contractors/subcontractors that are debarred, suspended or otherwise excluded from or ineligible for participation on federal assistance programs may not undertake any activity in part or in full under this project. Webb County Commissioners Count reserves the right to reject any and all RFP submitted and resolicit RFP if it is in the best interest for Webb County.

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