

**CITY OF LAREDO
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
M-2015-R-07
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1110 HOUSTON STREET
LAREDO, TEXAS 78040
MAY 4, 2015
5:30 P.M.**

I. CALL TO ORDER

With a quorum present, Mayor Pete Saenz called the meeting to order.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Pete Saenz led in the pledge of allegiance.

III. ROLL CALL

Pete Saenz,	Mayor
Rudy Gonzalez,	District I
Esteban Rangel,	Mayor Pro-Tempore, District II
Alejandro Perez, Jr.,	District III
Juan Narvaez,	District IV
Roque Vela, Jr.,	District V
Charlie San Miguel,	District VI
George J. Altgelt,	District VII
Roberto Balli,	District VIII
Gustavo Guevara, Jr.	City Secretary
Jesus Olivares,	City Manager
Cynthia Collazo,	Deputy City Manager
Horacio De Leon,	Assistant City Manager
Raul Casso,	City Attorney

IV. MINUTES

Approval of the minutes of April 20, 2015 and April 27, 2015.

Motion to approve the April 20, 2015 and April 27, 2015 minutes.

Moved: Cm. Vela

Second: Cm. Gonzalez

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Cm. San Miguel excused himself from the meeting at 5:50 pm.

V. COMMUNICATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS

Communiqués

- a. Presentation by Ms. Dominique Campos on her invitation to participate in the Down Under Sports Tournament to be held in the Gold Coast of Australia in Summer 2015.

Dominique Campos, a junior at Alexander High School, explained that she was honored to participate in this international event and was looking for sponsors for her team. She concluded that the total cost of the trip was \$5,073.

Motion to support Dominique Campos in any way possible in her participation in the Down Under Sports Tournament.

Moved: Mayor Pro Tem Rangel

Second: Cm. Vela

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Cm. Vela contributed \$500 from his personal funds.

Citizen comments

Gary Jacobs spoke on the traffic on Mines Road, asking to consider a River Road.

Esther Firova spoke on the Municipal Management District and was in favor and welcomed the MMD with open arms.

Christina Mendoza asked for the Council's support on the Municipal Management District.

Alec Martinez spoke in favor of the Municipal Management District.

Jesus Segovia and Abraham Rodriguez read a letter before Mayor Saenz and City Council.

Honorable Mayor Saenz, Councilmen and all present here today, first of all, the reason for our presence here today is to ask the City of Laredo to sponsor and fund the money needed for a 48-niche columbarium. We need two columbariums to start off with at the current veterans section of the city cemetery. Two columbariums will give us a total of 96 niches. Not only is

cremation becoming more popular, but it will also offer veteran families with limited funds a less expensive option to go with.

Most of you know that Mr. Abraham Rodriguez and Rodolfo Aguilar have been working on acquiring a much needed veterans cemetery, but we are looking at a few years down the road. According to Mr. Aguilar, there are less than 40 plots left at the veterans cemetery. If allowed to use the walkways, there could be room for maybe twelve more plots. A few months back, I approached Mr. Abraham Rodriguez with the idea of setting up two 48-niche columbariums which would allow for 96 veterans and their spouse a cremation option. Mr. Rodriguez liked the idea and ask me to handle the details and find out what it would take to make it possible. On the information I handed out, it shows what each columbarium will end up costing, which is approximately \$9,500. If you divide that by 48, you are looking at a cost per niche of \$197.92 compared to the high cost of a ground plot and it will also eliminate the excavation cost. The niche would not require a headstone, only a plaque which I am looking into at this time.

For your information, last week we went before Commissioners Court and requested their support with the funds needed for these columbariums and they approved an amount of \$8,500 which was a 2014 price quote. We actually need approximately \$9,500 for each columbarium to cover the price of each unit, transportation and installation.

City Manager Jesus Olivares reported that staff is working on a new cemetery and meeting with the Catholic cemetery.

VI. APPOINTMENTS TO COMMISSIONS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

- a. Appointment by Council Member Charlie San Miguel of Jose Maria Guevara to the Third Party Funding Advisory Committee.

Motion to approve the nomination of Jose Maria Guevara to the Third Party Funding Advisory Committee.

Moved: Mayor Pro Tem Rangel

Second: Cm. Gonzalez

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Public hearing providing community residents an opportunity to comment on their housing and community needs and the projects that they wish to see funded. Comments received will be made part of the City's 2015-2019 Five Year Consolidated Plan and its 2015 Consolidated One Year Action Plan that will outline how funding from the programs listed below, made available

through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), will be utilized.

41st Action Year Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)	\$3,459,923.00
2015 HOME Investment Partnership Grant (HOME)	\$810,705.00
2015 Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)	\$316,721.00

The City also anticipates to receive \$98,820.00 in CDBG Program Income and Section 108 loan repayment; \$156,000.00 in HOME Program Income, and \$66,000.00 in Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan funds. Also for discussion and comment is the Fiscal Year (FY) 2013-2014 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) regarding the City's administration of HUD Programs.

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved: Cm. Vela

Second: Mayor Pro Tem Rangel

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Gabriel Lopez, President of South Texas Afghanistan Association, stated that they were for this item because of the nationwide problem of homeless veterans. He added that they would like to see the City of Laredo take on the Mayor's Challenge issued by President Obama in 2015 and declare Laredo as a friendly city for homeless veterans.

Motion to close the public hearing.

Moved: Mayor Pro Tem Rangel

Second: Cm. Gonzalez

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

2. Public hearing and introductory ordinance amending Article III, (WATER), Division 3 (RATES AND CHARGES) of Chapter 3 (UTILITIES) of the City of Laredo Code of Ordinances, specifically section 31-138, Meter Installation Fee for 5/8" X 3/4" and 3/4" X 3/4" from \$29.00 to \$93.20, 1" from \$29.00 to \$94.53, 1 1/2" from \$100.00 to \$404.74, 2" from \$150.00 to \$406.31, 3" from \$200.00 to \$836.29, 4" from \$250.00 to actual costs, 6" from \$300.00 to actual costs and adding the cost of an 8" for actual costs; the Cost of Meter Charge Inside City Limits (Does not include Water Availability Fees) from the current costs of 5/8" X 3/4", 3/4" X 3/4" for \$29.00, 1" for \$95.00, 1 1/2" for \$185.00, 2" for \$225.00, 3" for \$411.00, 4" for \$850.00 to the following: for AMI (Advanced Metering Infrastructure) Meters-5/8" X 3/4" to \$180.90, 3/4" X 3/4" to \$206.20, 1" to \$253.01, 1 1/2" to \$572.15, 2" to \$1,031.24 (Fire Hydrant

Turbine Meter), 2" to \$1,324.91 (Compound Meter), 3" to \$2,400.43, 4" to \$2,991.24 and adding the cost of a 6" for \$4,898.28 and an 8" for \$6,882.46; for AMR (Automatic Meter Reading) Meters-5/8" X 3/4" to \$156.81, 3/4" X 3/4" to \$182.11, 1" to \$228.92, 1 1/2" to \$547.93, 2" to \$856.54 (Fire Hydrant Turbine Meter), 2" to \$1,278.10 (Compound Meter), 3" to \$2,349.83, 4" to \$2,940.73 and adding the cost of a 6" for \$4,847.68 and an 8" for \$6,831.86; Adding valve operating crew fees of \$200.00, commercial deposits required for a 6" of \$1,000.00 and an 8" for \$1,200.00 and water availability connection charges for an 8" of \$64,000.00, clarifying pipe specifications and deleting some fees. Providing for publication and an effective date. (The last increase for water meters was in 1992) (Approved by Finance & Operations Committees)

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved: Mayor Pro Tem Rangel

Second: Cm. Vela

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

There was no public input.

Motion to close the public hearing and introduce.

Moved: Mayor Pro Tem Rangel

Second: Cm. Gonzalez

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

3. Public hearing and introductory ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by authorizing a Special Use Permit and Drilling Permit for Oil and/or Gas Extraction and Production for Hachar 5H Well on a 2.62 acre pad site out of a 6,132.06 acre tract known as the Hachar Lease, located East of F.M. 1472; providing for publication and effective date.

Staff is in support of the application and the Planning and Zoning Commission recommends approval of the proposed Special Use Permit. District VII

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved: Mayor Pro Tem Rangel

Second: Cm. Gonzalez

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

There was no public input.

Motion to table.

Moved: Cm. Altgelt

Second: Mayor Pro Tem Rangel

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

4. Public hearing and introductory ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by authorizing a Special Use Permit and Drilling Permit for Oil and/or Gas Extraction and Production for Hachar 6H Well on a 2.62 acre pad site out of a 6,132.06 acre tract known as the Hachar Lease, located East of F.M. 1472; providing for publication and effective date.

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Motion to table.

Moved: Cm. Altgelt

Second: Mayor Pro Tem Rangel

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

VIII. INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCES

5. Amending the City of Laredo Code of Ordinances Chapter 33, Environmental Protection, Article VIII, Plastic Checkout Bag Reduction, by clarifying that scope of place of commercial establishments where plastic check out bags may not be provided, and clarifying the prohibition of any manner of providing such check out bags.

This item was discussed together with item #21B(1).

Erika Saenz, a biology major at Texas A & M International University, thanked City Council for their support of the environmental art installation at the City Hall Annex in support of the plastic bag ordinance. She explained that the globe was constructed out of rebar, chicken wire, plastic bags and construction paper, mounted on a wooden platform with wheels and a pull string, representing all seven continents with information regarding the plastic bag pandemic.

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

6. Authorizing the City Manager to execute a lease with All-Ways Group, LLC., for approximately 0.4717 acres (20,584.03 square feet) of land known as Lot No. 10, Block 1 at the Laredo International Airport. Lease term is for

twenty (20) years commencing on June 1, 2015 and ending on May 31, 2035, and may be extended for one (1) consecutive ten (10) year term ending on May 31, 2045. Initial rental shall be \$624.30 per month and shall be adjusted annually according to changes in the Consumer Price Index and further adjusted by Fair Market Value appraisal on the 10th and 20th anniversaries. Lessor waives Lessee's rental obligation for the initial six (6) months commencing June 1, 2015 and ending on November 30, 2015 of the term of this lease; providing for an effective date. (Approved by Finance & Operations Committees)

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

7. Designating as a One-Way Southbound the 1400 and 1500 block of Davis Ave., between Garcia Street on the North and Coke Street on the South; during the peak school hours of 7:15 A.M. to 8:15 A.M. and 2:30 P.M. to 4:15 P.M., Monday thru Friday, during school days, providing for the installation of appropriate signs to indicate one-way traffic at Christopher M. Macdonell Elementary School, and providing for publication and effective date. (Approved by Operations Committee)

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

8. Amending Chapter 19, Motor Vehicle and Traffic Article VIII, Stopping, Standing or Parking of the Code of Ordinances, City of Laredo: specifically adding section 19-364 (16) which establishes the North side of the 300 and 400 Block of Crossroads Street, between Rio Fuerte Lane and Grand Central Blvd., as a "No Parking Anytime/Tow-Away Zone", providing for severability, effective date and publication. (Approved by Operations Committee)

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

IX. FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

Motion to waive the final readings of Ordinances 2015-O-053, 2015-O-054, and 2015-O-055.

Moved: Mayor Pro Tem Rangel

Second: Cm. Gonzalez

For: 6

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Cm. Perez was not present.

9. 2015-O-053 Authorizing the City Manager to accept funds in the amount of \$585,772.00 from the South Texas 9-1-1 Regional Administration Division to cost share personnel at the Laredo

Police Department Public Safety Answering Point in accordance to Section 771.0751 of the Texas Health and Safety Code and Rule 251.3 Use of Revenue in Certain Counties from the Commission on State Emergency Communications; and amending the FY 2014-2015 General Fund Budget of the City of Laredo by appropriating revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$585,772.00 for Laredo Police Department Communications Division salaries.

Motion to adopt Ordinance 2015-O-053.

Moved: Mayor Pro Tem Rangel

Second: Cm. Gonzalez

For: 6

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Cm. Perez was not present.

2015-O-054 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lot 76, Block 2, Southgate Subdivision, located at 3005 Frio Plaza, from R-1 (Single-Family Residential District) to R-2 (Multi-Family Residential District); providing for publication and effective date.

Motion to adopt Ordinance 2015-O-054.

Moved: Mayor Pro Tem Rangel

Second: Cm. Gonzalez

For: 6

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Cm. Perez was not present.

2015-O-055 Authorizing the City Manager to approve a sublease of the leased premises approved by Ordinance No. 95-O-251 dated February 20, 1996 between the City of Laredo as LESSOR and L.A. Ventures Terminal, LTD as LESSEE, for the premises described as Warehouse Suite No. 4A, which consists of approximately 11,348 sq. ft. of warehouse and office space located at 4114 Airpark Drive and within Lot 4, Block 1 of the Laredo International Airport Subdivision Plat to Johnstone Supply as SUB-LESSEE, said lease provides for right to sublease subject to city approval, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld.

Motion to adopt Ordinance 2015-O-055.

Moved: Mayor Pro Tem Rangel

Second: Cm. Gonzalez
For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Cm. Perez was not present.

X. RESOLUTIONS

10. 2015-R-34 Accepting the conveyance of the following 15 foot Utility and Utility Access Easement, for the right to construct, reconstruct, repair and perpetually maintain water line improvements for the construction of an 8" diameter water line from:

Dorel Springfield Holdings, L.L.C., By: Jonathan Marcus - Managing Member (La Contessa Town Homes) - Utility easement as follows:

Tract 1 - Being an access and utility easement containing 0.13 acres more or less, being out of a 2.80 acre tract, a copy of which conveyance is attached as Exhibit A:

Tract 2 - Being an access and utility easement containing 0.02 acres more or less, being out of a 2.80 acre tract, a copy of which conveyance is attached as Exhibit A:

And directing that the said Easements be filed of record in official property records of Webb County, Texas. (Approved by Operations Committee)

Motion to approve Resolution 2015-R-34.

Moved: Mayor Pro Tem Rangel
Second: Cm. Gonzalez
For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Cm. Perez was not present.

11. 2015-R-35 Accepting the conveyance of the following 15 foot Utility and Utility Access Easement, for the right to construct, reconstruct, repair and perpetually maintain water line improvements for the construction of a 24" diameter water line from:

4 V Holdings, Ltd., By: Richard M. Hachar - General Manager - Utility easements as follows:

Tracts - Being an access and utility easement containing 1.1383 acres more or less, being out of the Cuatro Vientos East, Inc. Tracts I (148.91 acres), Tract II (8.72 acres) and

Tract III (1.3345 acres), a copy of which conveyance is attached as Exhibit A:

And directing that the said Easement be filed of record in official property records of Webb County, Texas. (Approved by Operations Committee)

Motion to approve Resolution 2015-R-35.

Moved: Mayor Pro Tem Rangel

Second: Cm. Gonzalez

For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Cm. Perez was not present.

12. 2015-R-37 Amending Resolution No. 2015-R-09 by adding one (1) additional Memorandum of Understanding to the list of Cooperative Working Agreements/Mutual Assistance Agreements/Memorandums of Understanding between the City of Laredo Police Department and various federal, state and local agencies, including but not limited to: Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI), SCAN, et al., a comprehensive list is attached hereto as "Exhibit A". The Police Department's participation is part of the community service provided to our citizens, with no cost to the City of Laredo. (Approved by Operations Committee)

Motion to approve Resolution 2015-R-37.

Moved: Mayor Pro Tem Rangel

Second: Cm. Gonzalez

For: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Cm. Perez was not present.

13. 2015-R-38 Canvassing the returns of the Special City Runoff Election held on Saturday, April 25, 2015 to fill a vacancy for Council Member for District VII; and approving the results.

City Secretary Gustavo Guevara, Jr. read the results as follows:

Candidates	Early Voting	Percent	Total (EV + Election day votes)	Percent

DISTRICT VII				
Hector Lee Patiño	485	42.92	669	41.71
George J. Altgelt	645	57.08	935	58.29

Motion to approve Resolution 2015-R-38.

Moved: Cm. San Miguel

Second: Cm. Gonzalez

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

XI. MOTIONS

14. Consideration to appoint Mayor Pro Tempore as per Ordinance 2011-O-029 and whose term will serve until November 16, 2015 or at the first meeting after all Council Members are elected and qualified.

Motion to approve the nomination of Juan Narvaez as Mayor Pro-Tempore for the remainder of his term.

Moved: Mayor Pro Tem Rangel

Second: Cm. Balli

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

XII. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

Moved: Cm. Vela

Second: Mayor Pro Tem Rangel

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

XII (a) RESOLUTIONS

15. 2015-R-36 Authorizing the City Manager to submit a grant application in the estimated amount of \$1,375,733.00 to the Texas Auto Burglary & Theft Prevention Authority to fund the Laredo Auto Theft Task Force for the period of September 1, 2015 through August 31, 2016. This grant will pay for salaries, equipment and supplies for the LPD Auto Theft Division. The Laredo Police Department will request four (4) additional investigator positions for the FY16 grant. The four (4) additional investigator positions are contingent on an award of funds from the Texas Auto Burglary & Theft Prevention Authority to compensate for their salaries. If the funds are not forthcoming, there will be no additional positions created. The City is under no obligation to increase FTEs for the four additional

investigator positions in case the grant is not received or the grant funds less than four positions. The grant requires a 20% minimum cash match which is available in the General Fund.

XII (b) MOTIONS

16. Consideration for approval of a change order for Martinez Pharmacy in the amount of \$20,000.00 for a total of \$65,000.00 for continuity of pharmaceutical services in particular compounding services required for certain medication for patients and clients in the HIV/AIDS Programs of the City of Laredo Health Department for the period through August 31, 2015. Funding is through the City of Laredo Health Department-HIV Ryan White Program Budget.
17. Consideration for approval of the South Laredo Library Facility (Electrical Package) as complete, ratification of change order No. 3, an increase of \$10,500.00, ratification of change order No. 4, an increase of \$10,125.73, ratification of change order No. 5, an increase of \$5,451.42, approval of the release of retainage and approval of final payment in the amount of \$18,459.59 to AC-DC, Inc., Laredo, Texas. Final construction contract amount is \$374,643.15. Funding is available in the 2008 C.O. Issue and Capital Improvement Fund.
18. Consideration to authorize the purchase of ammunition for the Police Department in the estimated amount of \$55,166.00 from Precision Delta Corporation, Ruleville, Mississippi through the BuyBoard Cooperative Purchasing Program's contract No. 432-13. Funding is available in the Police Trust Fund.
19. Consideration to execute a renewal lease agreement between the City of Laredo Police Department as lessee, and LA Ventures, Inc., as lessor for the approximate 9,397 square feet office and warehouse space located at 2829 Airpark Drive at the Laredo International Airport Industrial Airpark. The monthly rent is \$4,322.00 per month. The lease agreement is for five (5) years and will commence on May 1, 2015, and end April 30, 2020. The facility will be used as storage of evidence and for other LPD operations. Funding is available in the Police Department's General Fund.
20. Consideration to renew the existing annual contract FY13-036 to LSC Environmental Products, Appalachian, New York in an amount up to \$184,500.00 for the purchase of alternative daily cover material for the City Landfill. The materials are made of fiber and cement mortar used to replace the use of on-site soils for daily cover at the disposal area. The term of this contract shall be for a period of one (1) year beginning as of the date of its execution. All material will be ordered on an as needed basis. Funding is available in the Solid Waste Services Department Fund.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

XIII. GENERAL COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

21. A. Request by Mayor Pete Saenz

1. Discussion regarding the elements to be included in the City's economic development agreement with the Laredo Development Foundation including but not limited to U.S. - Mexico marketing goals and objectives, utilization of the City's Monterrey promotional office, and shared communication and performance reporting.

Mayor Saenz reported that the purpose was to promote economic development and to solicit and bring in foreign international investors. He added that he wanted the public to know that they were working on this and moving forward. He went on to say that as Laredo has two railroads and an airport, these were plusses because they meant transportation of goods.

City Manager Jesus Olivares reported that the contract was nearly finalized and added that the Laredo Development Foundation had recognized the importance of reaching out to Mexico and to investors. He went on to say that they had met with them to share ideas and were putting together a request for proposal to hire the group to lead the search for investors in the Mexico market. He concluded that they had an office in Monterrey to service the Convention and Visitors Bureau and would use it as a springboard to service those who wished to come to Laredo to open up a business.

2. Discussion on direction on the proposal presented by Killam Development regarding the proposed Vallecio Road.

Mayor Saenz suggested that they put more money into their roads and streets, primarily the main arteries such as Mines Road. He went on to say that the Regional Mobility Authority should take the lead and see what they could do with the Vallecio Road, and they were strongly considering doing it to the extent of possibly even financing it through Webb County's license plate renewal fees.

B. Request by Council Member Alejandro "Alex" Perez

1. Discussion with possible action to allow the Rio Grande International Study Center to install a plastic bag ornament at the City Hall Annex.

This item was discussed together with item #5.

Motion to approve the installation of a plastic bag ornament at City Hall Annex.

Moved: Mayor Pro Tem Rangel

Second: Cm. Gonzalez

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

C. Request by Council Member Roque Vela, Jr.

1. Discussion with possible action for the reclassification analysis to include equal pay for both genders, and any related matters.

Cm. Vela stated that it would be prudent to take advantage of the company that was handling the reclassification to see if there were an issue with women getting paid less than men.

Motion to direct staff to share this request with the consultant as a directive from Mayor and Council.

Moved: Cm. Vela

Second: Cm. Balli

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

D. Request by Council Member Charlie San Miguel

1. Status report and progress on the proposed R1-HD lot density zoning designation.

Motion to table.

Moved: Cm. Narvaez

Second: Cm. Vela

For: 5

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

XIV. STAFF REPORTS

22. Report by Ramon Chavez, P.E., Building Development Services Department Director, on the total number of residential and commercial building permits, projects under plan review and structures being built throughout the City.

Building Director Ramon Chavez gave a report before Mayor Saenz and City Council.

Single Family Construction – Single Family Dwelling Permits

2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
635	634	707	779	862

Commercial Construction

2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
92	60	127	207	237

Food and Entertainment

Laredo Coliseum	1406 Jacaman Rd.
Pho 68 Restaurant	1414 E. Del Mar Blvd.
Hank's Place (restaurant/bar/outdoor patio)	901 Iturbide St.
Alamo Drafthouse	11210 East Point Dr.
Dunkin Donuts	7718 McPherson Rd. Ste. 101
Domino's Pizza	1920 Thurman St.
Little Caesar's Pizza	2420 Bob Bullock Loop Ste. 16
La Laguna Seafood Restaurant	4205 Jaime Zapata Memorial Hwy
Wayback Burgers	2517 NE Bob Bullock Loop 7510 McPherson Rd. Ste. 105
Panda Express	Clark & Bob Bullock Loop
Taco Palenque	2117 E. Saunders St.
Eduardo's Restaurant	6516 Arena Blvd.

Hotel Construction

Project	Address	Rooms
Towne Place Suites/Marriot	6519 Arena Rd.	124
Best Western Plus (NEZ)	3113 San Bernardo	96

Stores & Retail

Project	Address
Powell Watson Mercedes Benz	6912 Bob Bullock Loop
Powell Watson Buick/GMC/Cadillac	6301 Arena Blvd.
Ancira Volkswagen	2701 N.E. Bob Bullock Loop
Sames Honda	6310 Bob Bullock Loop
Monaco Self Storage Facility	9416 McPherson Rd.
Laredo Federal Credit Union (NEZ)	1119 Corpus Christi St.
Harbor Freight Tools	5904 San Bernardo Ave.
O'Reilly Auto Parts	9708 FM 1472
Stripes Store	4320 State Hwy 359 3920 Aguanieve Dr.
Gander Mountain	McPherson Rd. & Bob Bullock Loop

Shopping Centers

Project Name (Sq. Ft.)	Address	Suites
San Bernardo & Park Plaza (NEZ)	1920 San Bernardo Ave.	12
The Shops at Encino Plaza (11,200)	1211 E. Del Mar Blvd.	3
Encino Plaza (9,374)	7510 McPherson Rd.	4

Hungry Howie's Plaza (8,152)	2019 E. Del Mar Blvd.	
Palo Blanco by Oasis (4,477)	1820 Thurman St.	3
Khaledi Heights Plaza (44,274)	3910 E. Del Mar Blvd.	
Sinatra Plaza (5,914)	6427 Polaris Dr.	5
Sinatra Plaza (6,430)	2311 Saturn Dr.	5
Calton Plaza (20,270)	301 W. Calton Rd.	4
CFT Retail (8,000)	2320 NE Bob Bullock Loop	5
Windfield Retail Center (37,735)	Winfield Parkway & Del Mar Blvd	
Las Blancas Flea Market	102 Camino Nuevo Rd.	N/A
Commercial Plaza (future project)	Jacaman Rd. & McPherson Rd.	7
Retail Center (future project)	McPherson & Hillside	TBD
Outlet Shoppes at Laredo	Water St. and Santa Maria Ave.	TBD

Total Valuation, New Building Permit Valuation (Commercial)

2013: \$143,661,019

2014: \$143,627,057

Total Valuation, New Building Permit Valuation (Residential)

2013: \$34,177,143 (multi-family dwelling)

\$116,367,259 (single family dwelling)

2014: \$73,785,630 (multi-family dwelling)

\$131,707,119 (single family dwelling)

Total Permits

FY2012-2013 16,120

FY2013-2014 18,356

XV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn.

Moved: Cm. Narvaez

Second: Cm. Vela

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0



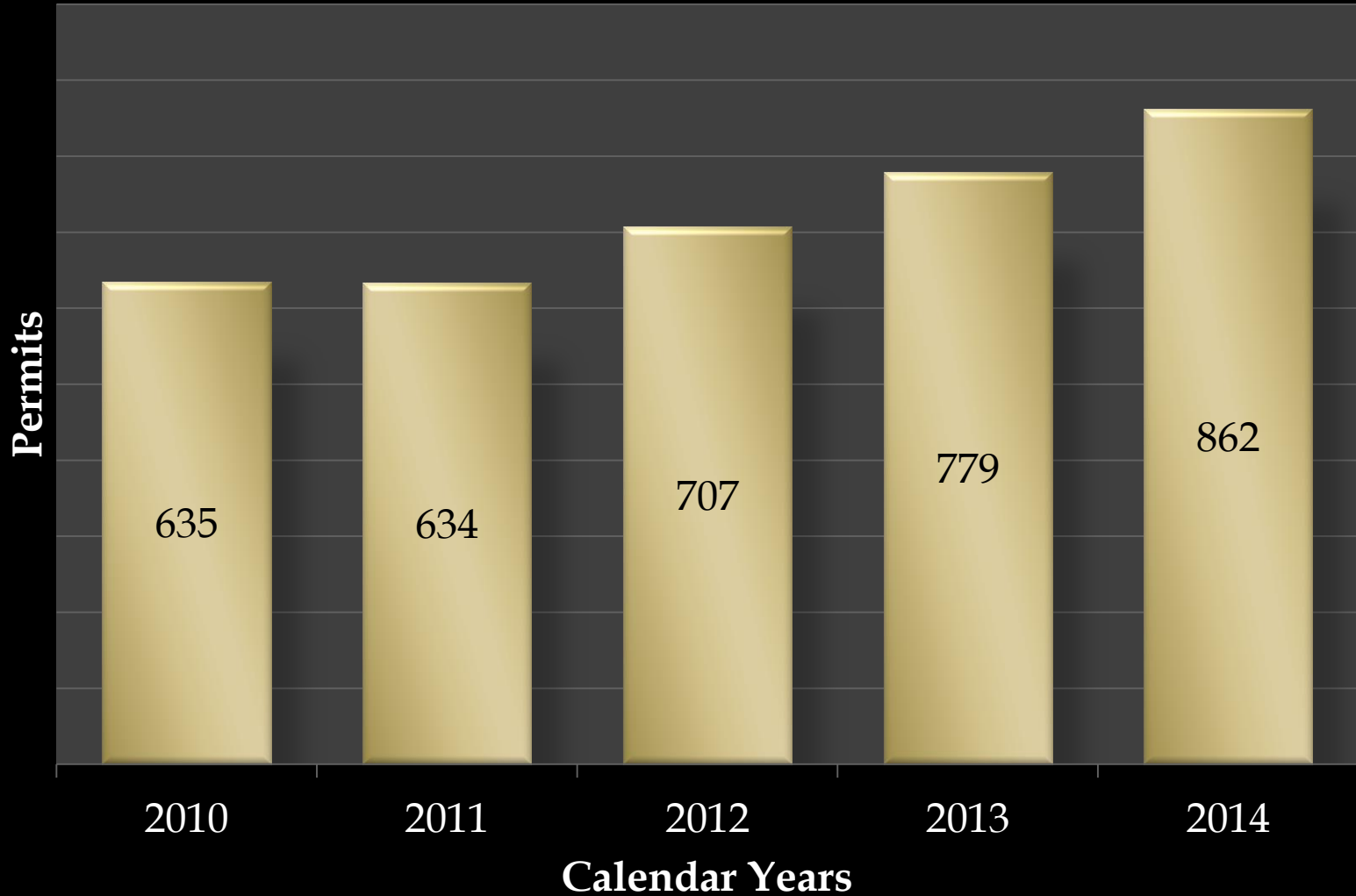
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Building Development Services Director

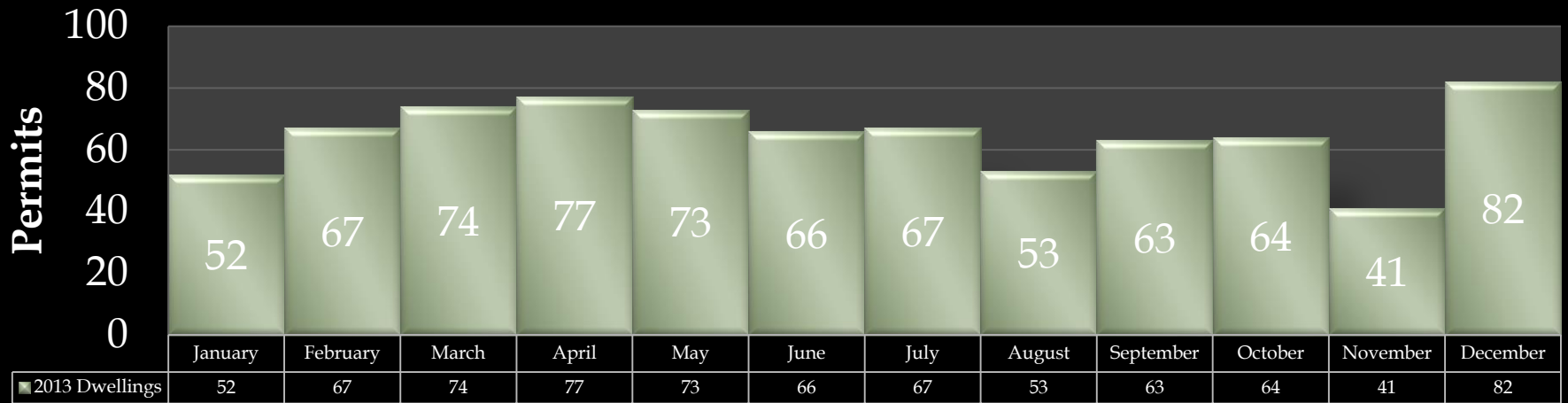
Single Family Construction

Single Family Dwellings

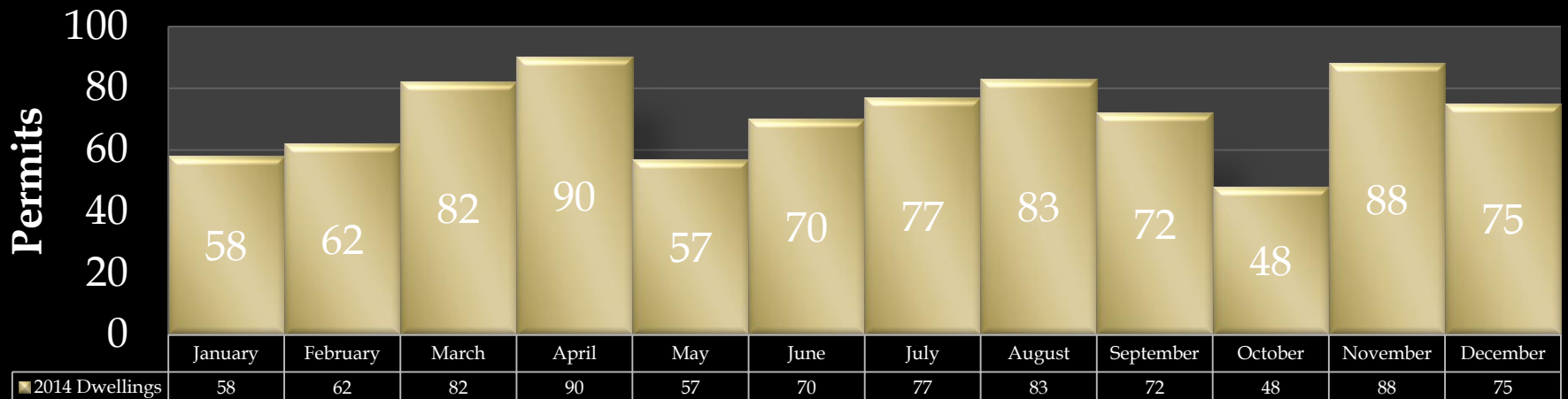


Single Family Construction

2013 Dwellings

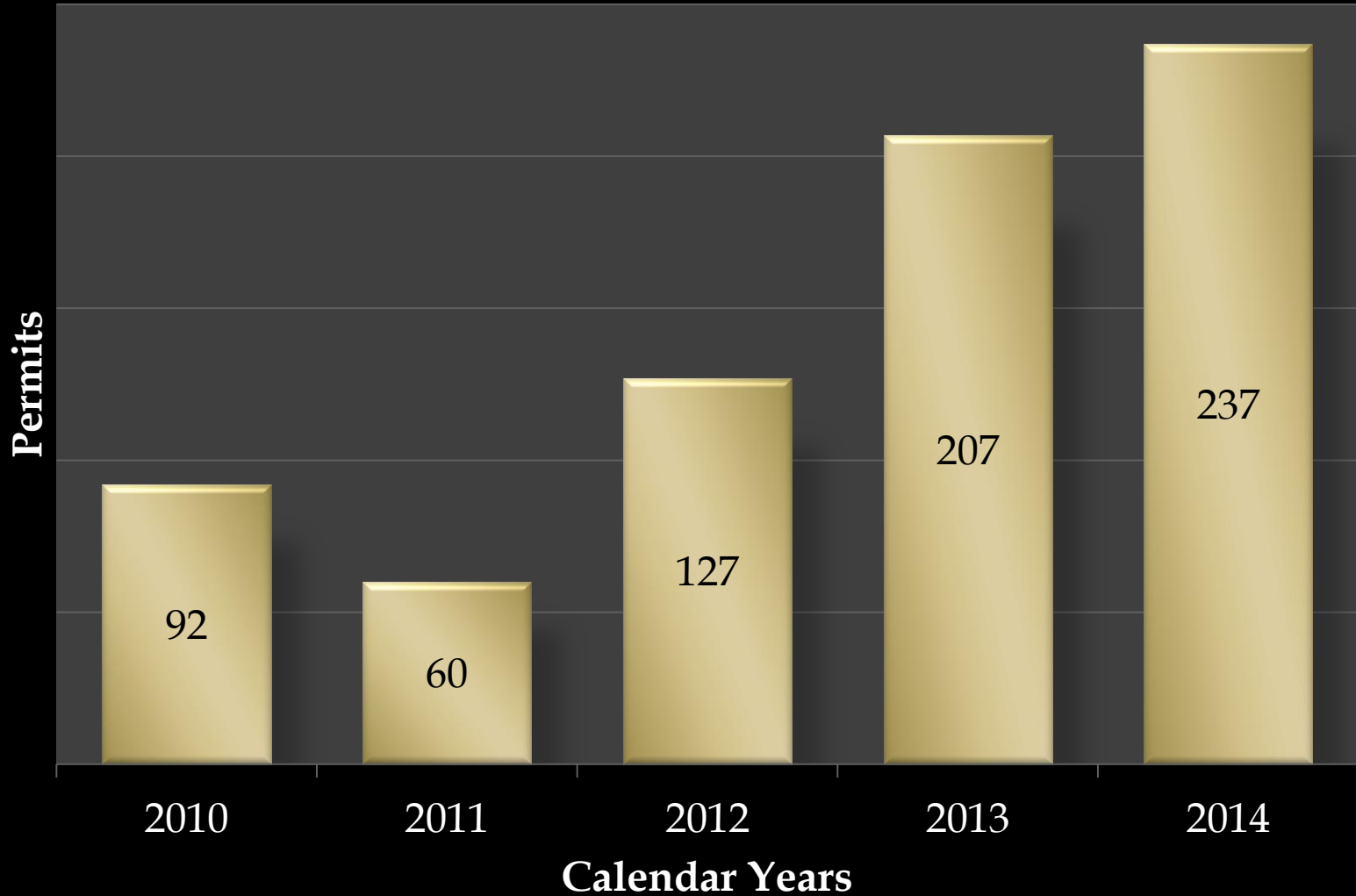


2014 Dwellings



Commercial Construction

Commercial Construction Permits



Hotel Construction

Project	Address	Rooms
TOWNE PLACE SUITES / MARRIOT	6519 ARENA RD	124
BEST WESTERN PLUS (NEZ)	3113 SAN BERNARDO	96

Multi-Family Construction

Project	Units	Address
Laguna Del Mar Apartments	58	7615 Laguna Del Mar Ct
La Joya Apartments	102	106 Obsidian Blvd
Stone Knight Apartment	108	7619 King Arthur's Court
Riverbank Village	152	202 Aquero Blvd
Cibolo Village Apartments	236	East Country Dr. & Gracie Ln
Contessa Apartments	270	101 Huron Ct.
Avery Village Phase I & II (10 Retail Suites)	58	6820 Springfield Ave
Von Ziegler Apartments	8	408 Shiloh Dr.
Elderly Rental Apartments	8	620 Santa Rita Ave.
Foya Apartments	12	1202 Lyon St
Apartment Complex	28	604 Gale St
Las Ventanas del Norte Apartments	34	602 Basswood Dr.

Condominiums Construction

Project	Units	Address
UNIQUE CONDOMINIUMS	10	409 SHILOH DR
SONTERA CONDOMINIUMS	28	10510 SANDIA DR

Food & Entertainment

Project	Address
LAREDO COLISEUM	1406 JACAMAN RD
PHO 68 RESTAURANT	1414 E. DEL MAR BLVD.
HANK'S PLACE (RESTAURANT/ BAR/ OUTDOOR PATIO)	901 ITURBIDE ST.
ALAMO DRAFTHOUSE	11210 EAST POINT DR
DUNKIN DONUTS	7718 MCPHERSON RD. SUITE 101
DOMINO'S PIZZA	1920 THURMAN ST.
LITTLE CAESAR'S PIZZA	2420 BOB BULLOCK LOOP SUITE 16
LA LAGUNA SEAFOOD RESTAURANT	2402 JACAMAN RD 4205 JAIME ZAPATA MEMORIAL HWY.
WAYBACK BURGERS	2517 NE BOB BULLOCK LOOP 7510 MCPHERSON RD STE 105
PANDA EXPRESS	CLARK & BOB BULLOCK LOOP
TACO PALENQUE	2117 E SAUNDERS ST
EDUARDO'S RESTAURANT	6516 ARENA BLVD.

Institutional & Medical

Project	Address	Sq Ft
LISD H.B. ZACHARY ELEMENTARY	3200 CHACOTA	100,535
UISD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CIELITO LINDO	5909 ST LUKE BLVD	104,000
UNITED SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL 9 TH GRADE UISD SCHOOL	3819 AUGUANIEVE	150,000
UNITED HIGH SCHOOL 9 TH GRADE UISD SCHOOL	2811 HILLCROFT DR.	200,269
LYNDON B. JOHNSON 9 TH GRADE UISD SCHOOL	5901 ST LUKE BLVD	TBD
SAN ISIDRO UISD SCHOOL	BUCKY HOUDMANN BLVD	TBD
TAMIU STUDENT CENTER	5231 UNIVERSITY BLVD.	6,996
JEFFERSON STREET WATER TREATMENT PLANT ADMINISTRATION BUILDING	2702 ANNA AVE.	10,634
DOCTORS HOSPITAL OF LAREDO FREESTANDING EMERGENCY CENTER	2901 JAIME ZAPATA MEMORIAL HWY	8,220
COMPLETE EMERGENCY CARE	7510 MCPHERSON RD. SUITE 107	3,700
STAT EMERGENCY CENTER OF LAREDO	11201 EAST POINT DR	18,025
	1023 BOB BULLOCK LOOP	9,877
TX PROSTETICS	10410 MONARCH DR	1,500
FRESENIUS MEDICAL CARE	2309 E. SAUNDERS ST.	2,209

Stores & Retail

Project	Address
POWELL WATSON MERCEDES BENZ	6912 BOB BULLOCK LOOP
POWELL WATSON BUICK/ GMC/CADILLAC	6301 ARENA BLVD.
ANCIRA VOLKSWAGEN	2701 N.E. BOB BULLOCK LOOP
SAMES HONDA	6310 BOB BLLOCK LOOP
MONACO SELF STORAGE FACILITY	9416 MCPHERSON RD
LAREDO FEDERAL CREDIT UNION (NEZ)	1119 CORPUS CHRISTI ST.
HARBOR FREIGHT TOOLS	5904 SAN BERNARDO AVE.
O'REILLY AUTO PARTS	9708 FM 1472
STRIPES STORE	4320 STATE HIGHWAY 359 3920 AGUANIEVE DR.
GANDER MOUNTAIN	MCPHERSON RD & BOB BULLOCK LOOP

Churches

Project	Address
LAREDO FIRST ASSEMBLY	6103 MCPHERSON RD.
COMMUNITY OF ST. JOHN CATHOLIC CAMPUS MINISTRY CENTER	5231 UNIVERSITY BLVD
ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH CLASSROOM ADDITION	555 E. DEL MAR BLVD.

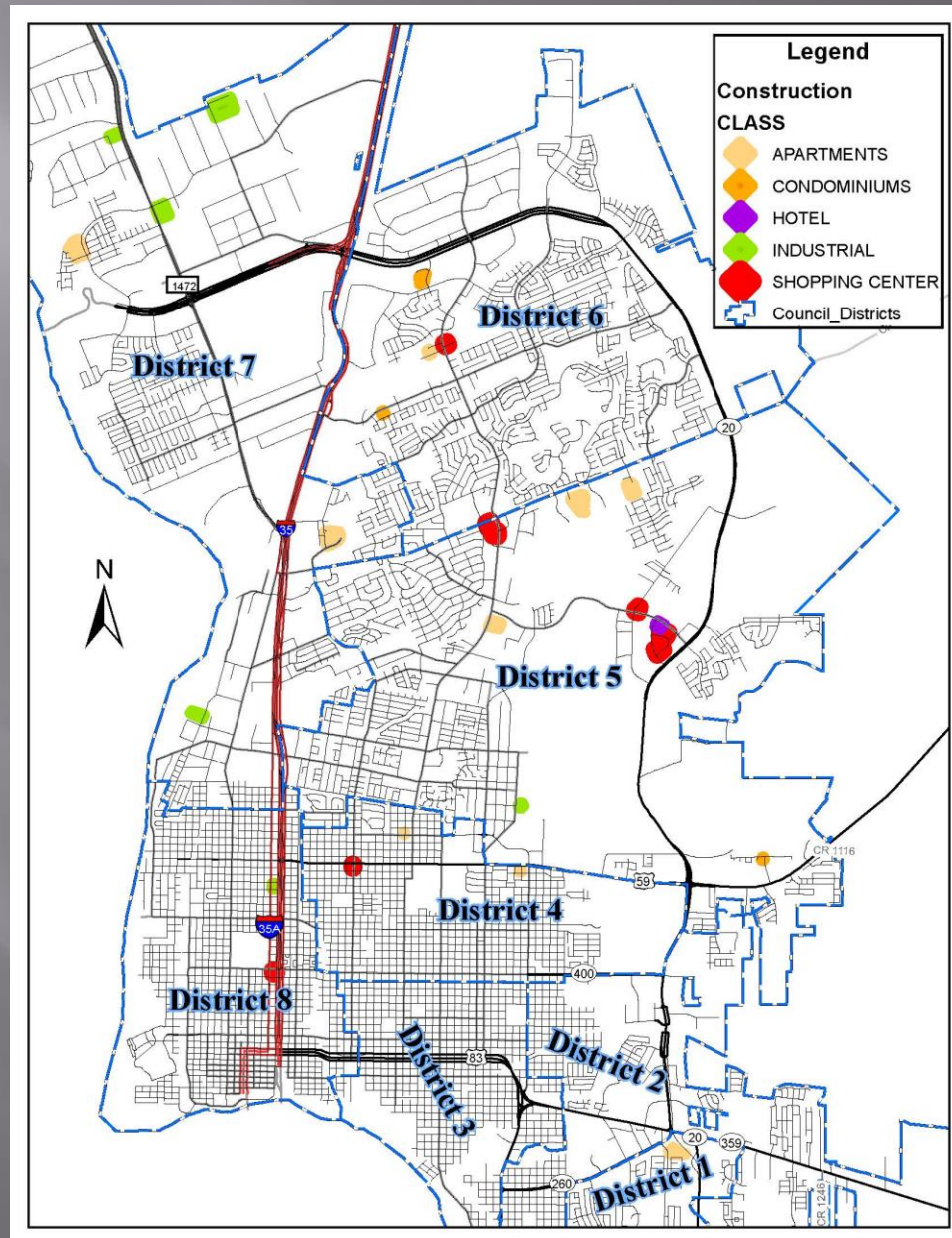
Shopping Centers

Project Name (SQ. FT.)	Address	Suites
SAN BERNARDO & PARK PLAZA (NEZ)	1920 SAN BERNARDO AVE.	12
THE SHOPS AT ENCINO PLAZA (11,200)	1211 E. DEL MAR BLVD.	3
ENCINO PLAZA (9,374)	7510 MCPHERSON RD.	4
HUNGRY HOWIE'S PLAZA (8,152)	2019 E. DEL MAR BLVD.	
PALO BLANCO BY OASIS (4,477)	1820 THURMAN ST	3
KHALEDI HEIGHTS PLAZA (44,274)	3910 E. DEL MAR BLVD.	
SINATRA PLAZA (5,914)	6427 POLARIS DR	5
SINATRA PLAZA (6,430)	2311 SATURN DR	5
CALTON PLAZA (20,270)	301 W. CALTON RD.	4
CFT RETAIL (8,000)	2320 NE BOB BULLOCK LOOP	5
WINDFIELD RETAIL CENTER (37,735)	WINFIELD PARKWAY & DEL MAR BLVD	
LAS BLANCAS FLEA MARKET	102 CAMINO NUEVO RD	N/A
COMMERCIAL PLAZA (FUTURE PROJECT)	JACAMAN RD & MCPHERSON RD	7
RETAIL CENTER (FUTURE PROJECT)	MCPHERSON & HILLSIDE	TBD
OUTLET SHOPPES AT LAREDO	WATER ST & SANTA MARIA AVE	TBD

Industrial Construction

Project	Address	Sq. Ft.
GAYTAN PROPERTIES	13519 MERCURY DR	17,250
CARTER EXPRESS-CROSSDOCK FACILITY	13520 MERCURY DR.	98,590
ALTIUS GROUP	8501 WHITE POINT DR.	50,632
LOGYTRADE INC.	301 CROSSROADS LOOP	45,602
EELCO SUPPLY CHAIN SOLUTIONS	8414 GAVIN RD.	72,412
AFS FORWARDING & LOGISTICS	306/310 CROSSROADS ST.	50,555
DETCEN HOLDINGS LLC WAREHOUSE	8206 KILLAM INDUSTRIAL BLVD.	103,500
INFINITE LOGISTIC SOLUTIONS	405 LOGISTICS DR	40,085
KILLAM DEVELOPMENT	12130 SARA RD	77,077
GRT TRANSPORT	12120 SARA RD	17,949
MULTITRASLADOS INTERNACIONALES	606 GRAND CENTRAL BLVD	10,795
ROADRUNNER TRANSPORTATION SERVICES RICH LOGISTICS	MILLENIUUM PARK	60,625

Commercial & Industrial Construction





U.I.S.D. Elementary School
Cielito Lindo (5909 St. Like Blvd.)



La Joya Apartments
106 Obsidian Blvd.

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U.I.S.D. Elementary School
Cielito Lindo (5909 St. Like Blvd.)

District 1





Doctors Hospital of Laredo
2901 Jaime Zapata Memorial Blvd.



LISD H.B. Zachary Elementary
2800 Chacota St.



1920 Thurman St.

District 2



820 Laredo St. (NEZ)



1911 Corpus Christi St. (NEZ)



1901 Fremont St. (NEZ)



District 3



LISD J.W. Nixon High School
2000 E. Plum St.



2117 E. Saunders St.
Taco Palenque



VMT School of Communication
and Fine Arts
2100 E. Lyon St.



District 4



Eduardo's Restaurant
6516 Arena Blvd.



Stone Knight Apartments
7619 King Arthur's Ct.



The Shoppes at Encino
1211 E. Del Mar Blvd.

District 5



Alamo Drafthouse Cinema
11201 East Point Dr.



Cibolo Village Apartments



306 Crossroads Loop



District 6





Contessa Apartments
101 Huron Ct.



5904 San Bernardo Ave.



13520 Mercury Dr.

District 7



3113 San Bernardo Ave.



San Bernardo & Park Plaza
1920 San Bernardo Ave.

620 Santa Rita Ave.
Elderly Rental Apartments



District 8



Total Valuation

New Building Permit Valuation (Commercial)



2013

Calendar Year

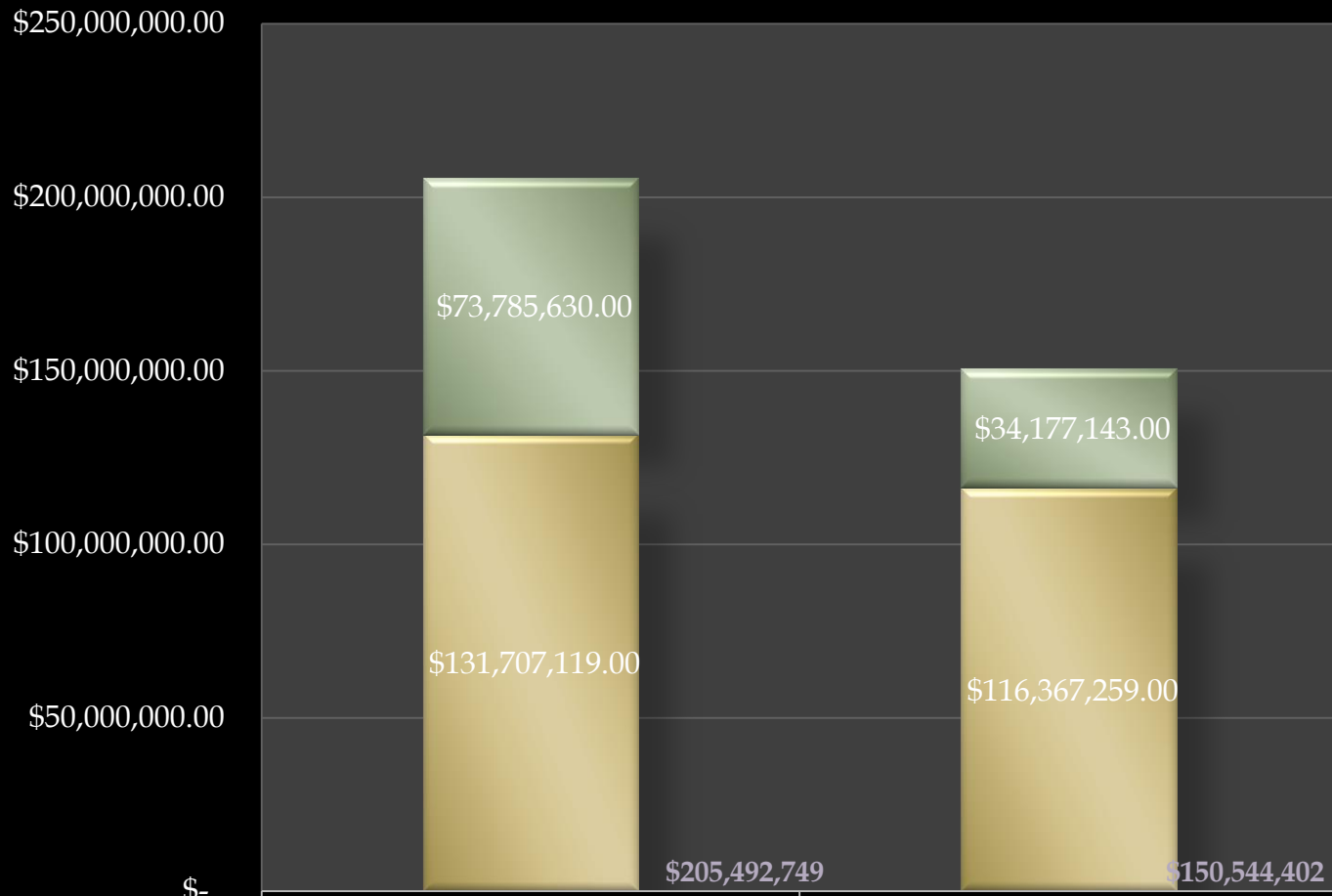
\$143,661,019.00

2014

\$143,627,057.00

Total Valuation

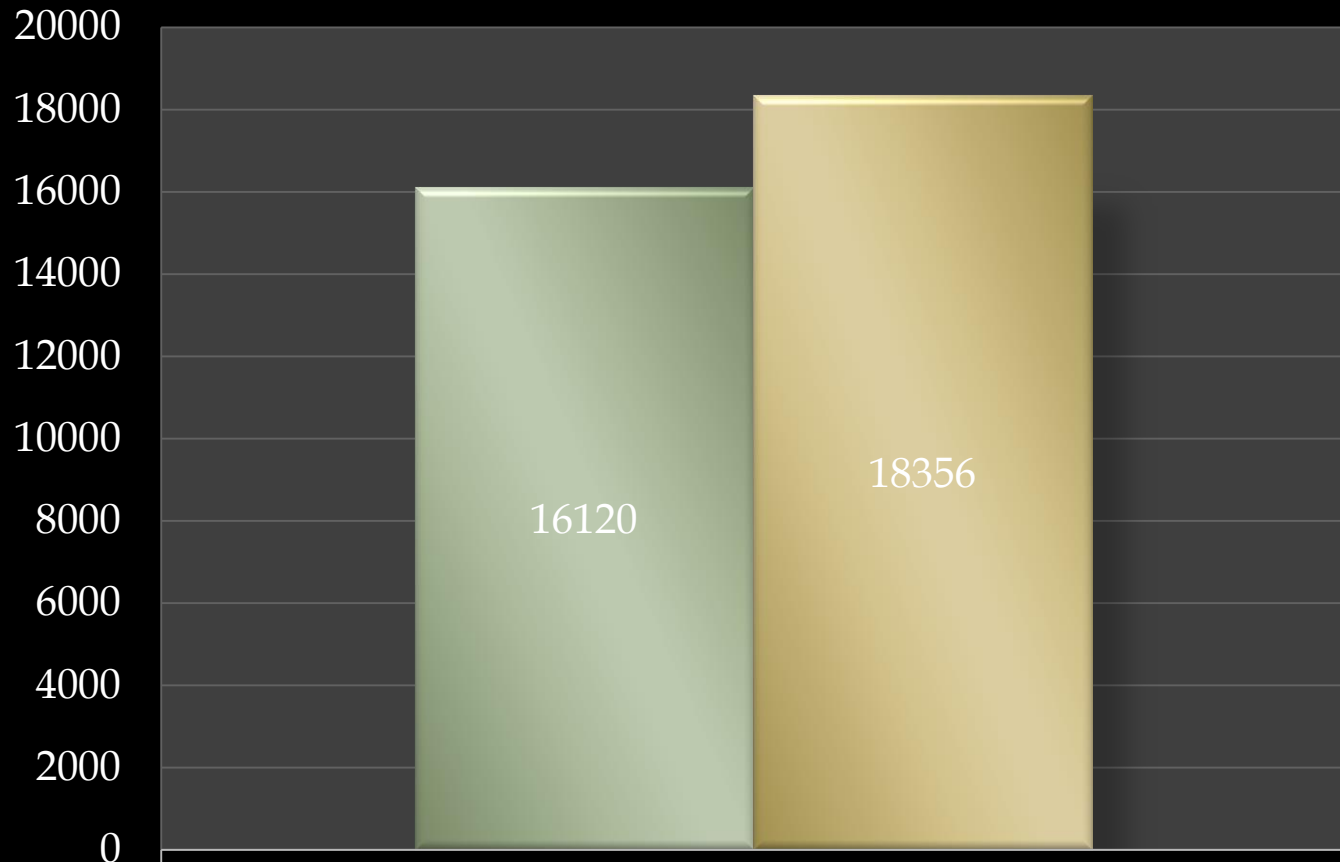
New Building Permit Valuation (Residential)



■ MultiFamily Dwelling	\$73,785,630.00	\$34,177,143.00
■ Single Family Dwelling	\$131,707,119.00	\$116,367,259.00

Total Permits

Total Permits FY



■ FY2012-2013

16120

■ FY2013-2014

18356



Building
Inspections

Zoning
Enforcement

GIS

Development
Review

Right-of-Way

Development Review - 2015

Subdivision Name	Use (Acres)	Lots
GREEN-ESCONDIDO SUBDIVISION - PH 6	RESIDENTIAL (5.38)	34
CUATRO VIENTOS SUR - PH 6	RESIDENTIAL (14.36)	77
COLLEGE HEIGHTS - UNIT 3	RESIDENTIAL (13.29)	71
PLAZA DE SAN ISIDRO - PH 2	COMMERCIAL (16.38)	2
SAN ISIDRO SOUTHWEST – PH 6	COMMERCIAL (13.32)	4
KHALEDI GARDEN HOMES	RESIDENTIAL (5.78)	76
LAS MISSIONES – UNIT 7	RESIDENTIAL (5.11)	36
SHILOH CROSSING – PH 4	COMMERCIAL (6.07)	2
CUATRO VIENTOS EAST - PH 1	RESIDENTIAL (18.35)	101
CELADON TRUCKING	INDUSTRIAL (53.27)	1
LAS VENTANAS DEL NORTE	RESIDENTIAL MULTIFAMILY (2.03)	1
CUATRO VIENTOS NORTE – PH 14	COMMERCIAL (1.68)	1
ALEXANDER COMMERCIAL – PH 8	COMMERCIAL (1.5)	1
VILLAS SAN AGUSTIN – UNIT 10	RESIDENTIAL (30.49)	113
NEW VISION – PH 5	RESIDENTIAL (5.64)	28



Permits

Residential

Single family
Duplex
Multi-family
Manufactured

Additional

Plumbing (TSBPE)
Electrical (TDLR)
Mechanical (TDLR)

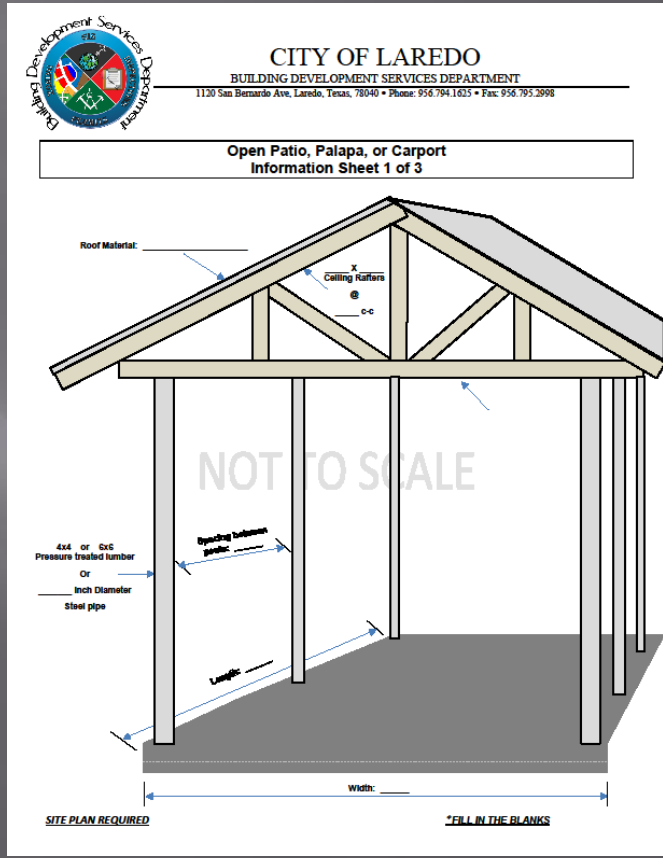
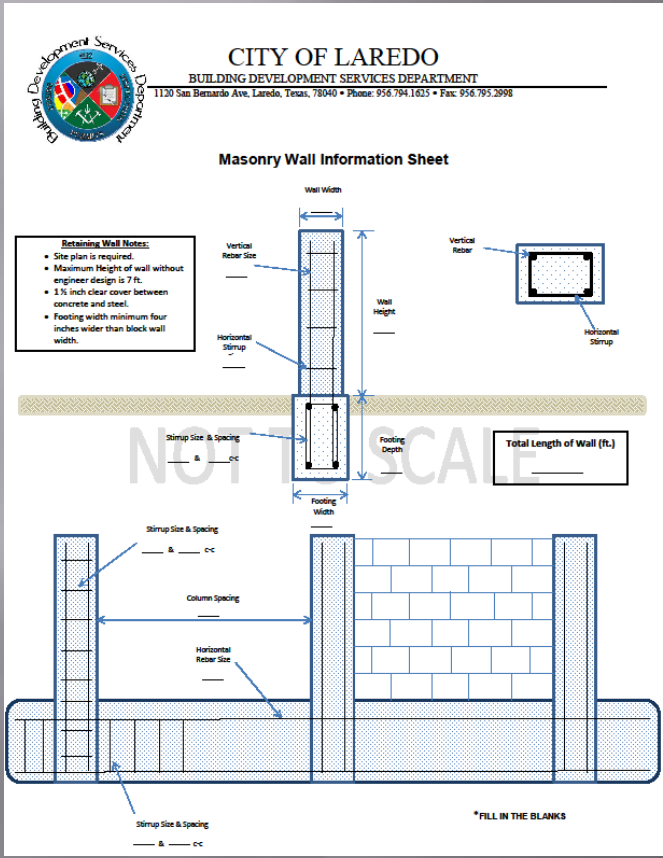
Commercial

Hotels &
Motels
Churches
Warehouses
Gas Stations
Hospitals
Office &
Banks
Retail Stores
Restaurants
Theaters &
Bars

Others

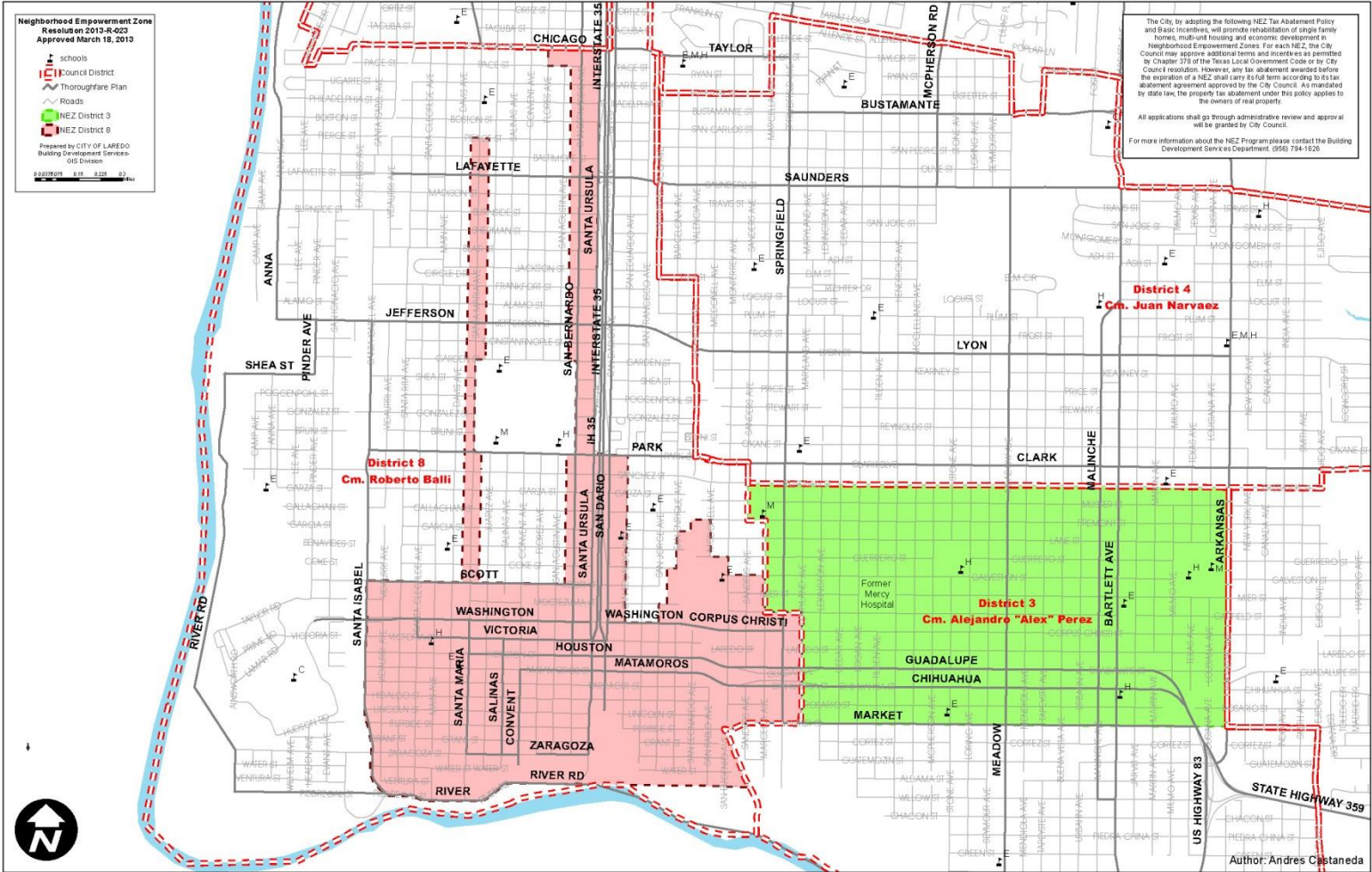
Signs
Porch/ Carports
Masonry walls
Remodelings
Re-roof/Shingles
Palapas
Swimming pools
Driveways
Sidewalks
Irrigation systems
Street-cuts
New business
Maquinitas
Vendors
Garage sales
Demolition

Online Application





Neighborhood Empowerment Zone (NEZ)





Building Development Services Department



- HOME
- MONTHLY PERMIT REPORTS
- PERMIT APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS
- NEZ INFORMATION
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- DEPARTMENT STAFF LISTING
- BUILDING CODES
- STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS MANUAL
- VERIFY LICENSES
- CITY ORDINANCES
- GIS MAPS DIVISION

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The City of Laredo Building Development Services offices are located on the north side of the Bruni Branch Library in downtown Laredo



We accept Check or Money Order as payment for permits and fees.
 Garage sale permits must be paid with money order.

All new business must visit our office to register and obtain a Certificate of Occupancy before opening to customers.

We have new information available concerning the Neighborhood Empowerment Zone
[Now available Neighborhood Empowerment Zone Map](#)
[Information regarding the NEZ](#)
[NEZ Application](#)



Building Development Services											
Population Figures				New Housing Unit Figures				New Permitted Lot Figures			
Year	Pop. Increase	Year	Population	Year	New Housing Units	Year	Permitted Lots	Year	Permitted Lots	Year	Permitted Lots
2000	150,000	2000	150,000	2000	100	2000	100	2000	100	2000	100
2001	155,000	2001	155,000	2001	120	2001	120	2001	120	2001	120
2002	160,000	2002	160,000	2002	140	2002	140	2002	140	2002	140
2003	165,000	2003	165,000	2003	160	2003	160	2003	160	2003	160
2004	170,000	2004	170,000	2004	180	2004	180	2004	180	2004	180
2005	175,000	2005	175,000	2005	200	2005	200	2005	200	2005	200
2006	180,000	2006	180,000	2006	220	2006	220	2006	220	2006	220
2007	185,000	2007	185,000	2007	240	2007	240	2007	240	2007	240
2008	190,000	2008	190,000	2008	260	2008	260	2008	260	2008	260
2009	195,000	2009	195,000	2009	280	2009	280	2009	280	2009	280
2010	200,000	2010	200,000	2010	300	2010	300	2010	300	2010	300
2011	205,000	2011	205,000	2011	320	2011	320	2011	320	2011	320
2012	210,000	2012	210,000	2012	340	2012	340	2012	340	2012	340
2013	215,000	2013	215,000	2013	360	2013	360	2013	360	2013	360
2014	220,000	2014	220,000	2014	380	2014	380	2014	380	2014	380
2015	225,000	2015	225,000	2015	400	2015	400	2015	400	2015	400
2016	230,000	2016	230,000	2016	420	2016	420	2016	420	2016	420
2017	235,000	2017	235,000	2017	440	2017	440	2017	440	2017	440
2018	240,000	2018	240,000	2018	460	2018	460	2018	460	2018	460
2019	245,000	2019	245,000	2019	480	2019	480	2019	480	2019	480
2020	250,000	2020	250,000	2020	500	2020	500	2020	500	2020	500



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QUESTIONS?