

**CITY OF LAREDO
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
M-2015-R-19
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1110 HOUSTON STREET
LAREDO, TEXAS 78040
NOVEMBER 16, 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,	District II
Alejandro Perez, Jr.,	District III
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 November 2, 2015.

Motion to approve the November 2, 2015 minutes.

Moved: Cm. Balli

Second: Cm. Altgelt

For: 4

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Cm. Rangel, Cm. Narvaez, Cm. Vela, and Cm. San Miguel were not present.
Cm. Vela arrived at 5:40 pm.

Cm. Rangel arrived at 6:03 pm.
Cm. San Miguel arrived at 6:20 pm

V. COMMUNICATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS
Citizen comments

None.

Communiqués

1. Presentation by the Laredo of Tomorrow Initiative by Chair Gerry Schwebel and Dr. Gladys Keene on a resolution request of the City of Laredo, In Support of the Laredo of Tomorrow Initiative whose mission is to work with the citizens of Laredo to develop a healthier, better educated community committed to improving their quality of life.

Mr. Gerry Schwebel stated that the Laredo of Tomorrow Initiative were present to seek the Council's support for a resolution to aid the Laredo of Tomorrow Initiative in its health and wellness objectives.

2. Presentation on City of Laredo Ranking Top 100 Greenest Cities in the U.S the only other Texas cities on top 50 are Austin and Dallas.

John Porter from the City of Laredo Environmental Services Department presented that Laredo was ranked by WalletHub as the 40th greenest city in the United States and the third highest Texas city. He reviewed the local ordinances and initiatives that contributed to Laredo's high ranking and noted future projects that Laredo can participate in to improve its environmental ranking.

VI. APPOINTMENTS TO COMMISSIONS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

- a. Appointment by Mayor Pete Saenz of Chris Haynes, Albert Lowery and Rolando Perez to the Building Standards Board.

Motion to approve the nomination of Mayor Pete Saenz of Chris Haynes, Albert Lowery and Rolando Perez to the Building Standards Board.

Moved: Cm. Vela

Second: Cm. Gonzalez

For: 5

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Cm. Rangel and Cm. San Miguel were not present.

VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by authorizing a Special Use Permit for a Communication Tower, on Lots 3, 4, 5, and 6, Block 357, Eastern Division, located at 620 E Lyon Street. Staff does not support the application and Planning and Zoning Commission recommends approval of the Special Use Permit. District IV

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved: Cm. Vela

Second: Cm. Gonzalez

For: 5

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Cm Rangel and Cm. San Miguel were not present.

There was no public input.

Motion to table the public hearing.

Moved: Cm. Vela

Second: Cm. Perez

For: 5

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Cm. Rangel and Cm. San Miguel were not present.

2. Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning approximately 4.15 acres, as further described by attached Exhibit "A", located at Northwest corner of FM 1472 Rd. and Riverbank Dr., from B-3 (Community Business District) to B-4 (Highway Commercial District); providing for publication and effective date.

Staff supports the application and Planning and Zoning Commission recommends approval of the zone change. District VII

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved: Cm. Vela

Second: Cm. Gonzalez

For: 5

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Cm. Rangel and Cm. San Miguel were not present.

Oscar Castillo, representing KAS Ventures LLC, spoke in favor.

Motion to close the public hearing and introduce.

Moved: Cm. Altgelt

Second: Cm. Balli

For: 5

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Cm. Rangel and Cm. San Miguel were not present.

Ordinance Introduction: Cm. Altgelt

3. Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by authorizing a Special Use Permit for Oil and/or Gas Extraction and Production, plug/abandonment of Killam-Hurd-Amoco Trautmann #6 Well on Lot 7, Block 1, Encino Subdivision, Unit 2A, located at 7502 McPherson Road; providing for publication and effective date.

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

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved: Cm. Vela

Second: Cm. Altgelt

For: 5

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Cm. Rangel and Cm. San Miguel were not present.

There was no public input.

Motion to close the public hearing and introduce.

Moved: Cm. Vela

Second: Cm. Gonzalez

For: 5

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Cm. Rangel and Cm. San Miguel were not present.

Ordinance Introduction: Cm. Vela

4. Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by authorizing a Special Use Permit for Oil and/or Gas Extraction and Production, plug/abandonment of Killam-Hurd-Amoco Trautmann GU A #7 Well on 154.17 acres, located at Plantation golf course West of Floyd Drive; providing for publication and effective date.

Staff is in support of the application and the Planning and Zoning Commission

recommends approval of the Special Use Permit. District VI

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved: Cm. Vela

Second: Cm. Altgelt

For: 5

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Cm. Rangel and Cm. San Miguel were not present.

There was no public input.

Motion to close the public hearing and introduce.

Moved: Cm. Vela

Second: Cm. Altgelt

For: 5

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Cm. Rangel and Cm. San Miguel were not present.

Ordinance Introduction: Cm. Vela

5. Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by authorizing a Special Use Permit for Oil and/or Gas Extraction and Production, plug/abandonment of Killam-Hurd-Amoco Walker GU #2 Well on 1.38 acres, located at 2715 E. Del Mar Boulevard; providing for publication and effective date.

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

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved: Cm. Vela

Second: Cm. Gonzalez

For: 6

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Cm. San Miguel was not present.

There was no public input.

Motion to close the public hearing and introduce.

Moved: Cm. Vela

Second: Cm. Balli

For: 6

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Cm. San Miguel was not present.

Ordinance Introduction: Cm. Vela

6. Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by authorizing a Special Use Permit for Oil and/or Gas Extraction and Production, plug/abandonment of Killam-Hurd-Amoco Trautmann GU B #1 Well on 154.17 acres, located at Plantation golf course West of Azinger Drive; providing for publication and effective date.

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

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved: Cm. Vela

Second: Cm. Gonzalez

For: 6

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Cm. San Miguel was not present.

There was no public input.

Motion to close the public hearing and introduce.

Moved: Cm. Vela

Second: Cm. Gonzalez

For: 6

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Cm. San Miguel was not present.

Ordinance Introduction: Cm. Vela

7. Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by authorizing a Special Use Permit for Oil and/or Gas Extraction and Production, plug/abandonment of Killam-Hurd-Amoco Trautmann #3 Well on Lot 1, Block 1, Plantation Centre I Subdivision, located at 7709 McPherson Road; providing for publication and effective date; providing for publication and effective date.

Staff is in support of the application and the Planning and Zoning.

Commission recommends approval of the Special Use Permit. District VI

Motion to open the public hearing.

9. Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lots 7, 8, and 9, Block 1490, Eastern Division, located at 2520 Cortez Street, from R-3 (Mixed Residential District) to B-1 (Limited Commercial District); providing for publication and effective date.

Staff is not in support of the application and the Planning and Zoning Commission recommends denial of the zone change. District III.

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved: Cm. Vela

Second: Cm. Gonzalez

For: 6

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Cm. San Miguel was not present.

Victor Peña, 2508 Cortez resident, spoke against this item and also on item 10.

Cm. Perez stated that the following conditions must be met in order to obtain a B-1 and CUP zoning status: the fence to the back and east must be opaque, the Fire Marshall must be able to perform a commercial inspection, the lots must be rezoned as B-1 prior to B-4 zoning and use.

Motion to table.

Moved: Cm. Perez

Second: Cm. Gonzalez

For: 6

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Cm. San Miguel was not present.

10. Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by authorizing a Conditional Use Permit for an air conditioning contractor's office and warehouse on Lots 7 and 8, Block 1490, Eastern Division, located at 2520 Cortez Street; providing for publication and effective date.

Staff is not in support of the application and the Planning and Zoning Commission recommends denial of the Conditional Use Permit. District III

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved: Cm. Vela

Second: Cm. Gonzalez

For: 6

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Cm. San Miguel was not present.

Motion to table.

Moved: Cm. Perez

Second: Cm. Gonzalez

For: 6

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Cm. San Miguel was not present.

11. Amending Article VI, "No Smoking in Public Places" in Chapter 15, "Health and Sanitation" of the Code of Ordinances by amending Section 15-78 "Definitions" to prohibit the smoking of electronic cigarettes in public places; repealing all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith; providing a savings clause; providing a severability clause; renumbering provisions as necessary; providing for penalty; and an effective date.

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved: Cm. Vela

Second: Cm. Altgelt

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion to table.

Moved: Cm. Vela

Second: Cm. San Miguel

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

12. Amending Chapter 13, "Food and Food products," Article I "In General" of the City of Laredo Code of Ordinances providing clarification on the adoption of rules and regulations by reference of the Texas Administrative Code Title 25: Chapter 228 Texas Food Establishment Rules as amended on October 1, 2015; by the Texas Department of State Health Services and to be implemented locally by the City of Laredo Health Department and providing for publication and an effective date.

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved: Cm. Vela

Second: Cm. Rangel

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

There was no public input.

Motion to close the public hearing and introduce.

Moved: Cm. Vela
Second: Cm. Rangel
For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

VIII. INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCES

13. Authorizing the City Manager to accept and appropriate additional revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$85,000.00 for a total grant amount of \$895,795.00 from the Office of the National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP) High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA), no local match is required. Funding will be used to partially cover expenses for a new License Plate Reader system (LPR). This grant is accounted for in Fund 223- Financial Task Force. (Approved by Operations and Finance Committees)

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

14. An Ordinance Amending Chapter 19 (Motor Vehicles and Traffic) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Laredo, by Amending Section 19-1 (Definitions) to include six new definitions: "Agricultural Equipment," "Commercial Motor Vehicle," "Overnight," "Semitrailer," "Trailer," and "Truck Tractor;" by Amending Article VIII (stopping, standing or parking) to add a new subsection (l) to section 19-347(a)(1) to prohibit overnight parking of certain commercial vehicles and trucks on public streets; and adding a new subsection (13) to section 19-350(a) authorizing the impoundment of certain commercial vehicles and trucks in violation hereof; providing that this ordinance shall be cumulative; providing a severability clause; providing a savings clause; providing a penalty clause; providing for publication; and providing an effective date. (Approved by Operations and Finance Committees)

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

IX. FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

Motion to waive the final reading of Ordinance 2015-O-158.

Moved: Cm. Vela
Second: Cm. San Miguel
For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

- 2015-O-158 Setting the new speed limits on Sections of US 83, between Market Street and Palo Blanco Street within the city limits of Laredo, Webb County, Texas to 45 miles per hour, as defined in the Texas Department of Transportation Control Section Map CS0038-01,

providing for the installation of appropriate signs to indicate new speed changes in the designated area and providing for publication and effective date.

Motion to adopt Ordinance 2015-O-158.

Moved: Cm. Vela

Second: Cm. San Miguel

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

X. THIRD AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE

Maria Morales requested that the Council postpone the third reading of Ordinances 2015-O-156 and 2015-O-157 so that she and the Council could discuss her concerns.

2015-O-156 Ordinance granting of a non-exclusive franchise to Pedro Gonzalez IV DBA Pedro Pete Services, L.L.C. to use the present and future streets, avenues, alleys, roads, highways, sidewalks, easements and other public right-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.

Motion to postpone.

Moved: Cm. Vela

Second: Cm. Altgelt

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

2015-O-157 Ordinance granting of a non-exclusive franchise to Mario Sanchez DBA LAR-CON Services, L.L.C. to use the present and future streets, avenues, alleys, roads, highways, sidewalks, easements and other public right-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.

Motion to postpone.

Moved: Cm. Vela

Second: Cm. Altgelt

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

XI. RESOLUTIONS

15. 2015-R-101 A Resolution to enter into and execute a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), attached hereto as Exhibit A, between Laredo Border Behavioral Health Center, Center for Emergency Health Services, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, and the Laredo Fire Department for the purpose of obtaining and providing clinical education and field work experiences.

Motion to approve Resolution 2015-R-101.

Moved: Cm. Vela

Second: Cm. Rangel

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

16. 2015-R-106 A Resolution in support of the Laredo of Tomorrow initiative whose mission is to work with the citizens of Laredo to develop a healthier, better educated community committed to improving their quality of life. The initiative is a result of the 2011 Community Healthcare Assessment and aligns with the Mayor's Active Living Task Force.

Motion to approve Resolution 2015-R-106.

Moved: Cm. Vela

Second: Cm. Gonzalez

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

XII. MOTIONS

17. Approving monthly adjustments to the tax roll. The amounts to be adjusted for the month of October 2015, represent a decrease of \$326.25. These adjustments are determined by the Webb County Appraisal District and by court orders.

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Vela

Second: Cm. Rangel

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

XIII. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

Moved: Cm. Rangel

Second: Cm. Vela
For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

XIV. (a) RESOLUTIONS

1. 2015-R-107 A Resolution supporting Hamilton Housing Partners, LTD., inclusive of its managing general partner, the Laredo Housing Finance Corporation, in its application to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to obtain financing through the 223(f) Multifamily Rental Housing Mortgage Insurance Program for the purpose of refinancing existing debt related to Hamilton apartments and further authorizing the City Manager to negotiate with Hamilton Housing Partners, LTD. to provide for a reduced payoff in the amount of \$1,699,901.00 for the Section 108 loan initially provided by the City to the project. (Approved by Operations and Finance Committees)

Motion to approve Resolution 2015-R-107

Moved: Cm. Altgelt

Second: Cm. San Miguel

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

XV. (b) MOTIONS

1. Consideration for acceptance of project, warranty letter, approval of final payment amounting to \$10,388.33, and release of retainage amounting to \$6,898.36 for a total sum of \$17,286.69 for a total contract amount of \$68,983.50 to ACDC, Inc., of Laredo Texas for the Jefferson Street Water Treatment Plant Slope Erosion Prevention Project Total. Funding is available in the 2013 Water Revenue Bond and the Retainage Account. (Approved by Operations and Finance Committees)
2. Consideration to award contract FY16-002 to lower bidder Cantu Electric, Laredo, Texas in the estimated annual amount of \$321,560.80. Vendor will provide electrical services necessary for the installation/maintenance including: materials, machinery, equipment, labor, and all other services necessary for the maintenance of street lights (not maintained by AEP) and traffic signal lights throughout the City of Laredo. This contract is subject to future appropriations. Funding is available in the Traffic Safety budget. (Approved by Operations and Finance Committees)
3. Ratification of a contract to Siddons-Martin Emergency Group, Denton, Texas in the amount of \$ 991,684.00 through the Houston Galveston Area Council of Governments (H-GAC) - Cooperative Purchasing Program, for the purchase of

one (1) replacement aerial fire truck. The aerial fire truck will be assigned to Central Station located on Guadalupe Street. The anticipated delivery is expected within 10 to 11 months of order date. Funding is available in 2015 CO Bond and in General Fund. (Approved by Operations and Finance Committees)

4. Consideration to renew contract FY15-001 to Century Asphalt, Houston, Texas in an amount up to \$135,000.00 for the purchase of prime emulsified asphalt oil used for street paving projects. All materials are purchased on an as needed basis utilizing the construction project budgets. There will be no price increase during this extension period. 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 Public Works and Utilities Departments construction projects budgets. (Approved by Operations and Finance Committees)
5. Consideration to reject bids received for FY16-004 from A to Z Tires, Tire Centers, and Southern Tire Mart for tire replacement and repair services. All bids failed to include the requirements needed for facility tire repair services for ambulances and fire trucks. Approval is also requested to re-solicit this bid with modified specifications. (Approved by Operations and Finance Committees)
6. Consideration to award annual contract FY16-006 to the low bidder meeting specifications RNR Rebar Supply, Laredo, Texas in an amount of up to \$40,000.00 for the purchase of cement and concrete mix for various City Departments. 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 purchased on an as needed basis. Funding is available in various departmental budgets. (Approved by Operations and Finance Committees)
7. Consideration to award a two year contract FY15-060 for Leather Gear and Assorted Police Clothing to Primary and Secondary vendors as follows:

Section 1: Primary Vendor - Al & Rob Sales, Laredo, TX; No Secondary Vendor;
Section 2: Primary Vendor - G.T. Distributors, Austin, TX; Secondary Vendor – Al & Rob Sales, Laredo, TX;

Section 3: Primary Vendor - G.T. Distributors, Austin, TX;
Secondary Vendor – Al & Rob Sales, Laredo, TX;

Section 4: Primary Vendor - G.T. Distributors, Austin, TX; Secondary Vendor – Al & Rob Sales, Laredo, TX;

Section 5: Primary Vendor - G.T. Distributors, Austin, TX; Secondary Vendor – Al & Rob Sales, Laredo, TX;

Section 6: Primary Vendor - G.T. Distributors, Austin, TX; Secondary Vendor – Al & Rob Sales, Laredo, TX;

Section 7: Primary Vendor - G.T. Distributors, Austin, TX; No Secondary Vendor;

Section 8: Primary Vendor - G.T. Distributors, Austin, TX; Secondary Vendor – Al & Rob Sales, Laredo, TX;

Al & Rob Sales will be awarded an estimated amount of \$90,000.00 and G.T. Distributor will be awarded an estimated amount of \$80,000.00 for the purchase of Leather Gear and Assorted Police Clothing for Laredo Police Department in accordance with the Collective Bargaining Agreement. This contract is subject to future appropriations. Funding is available within the Laredo Police Department's general fund uniform account.

Approved by Operations and Finance Committees with selection of local vendor: Al & Robs Sales.

8. Authorizing the City Manager to execute individual contracts with the following Third Party Funding Recipients totaling \$378,725.00 for FY 2015-2016. Funding is available in the General Fund.(Approved by Operations and Finance Committees)

Laredo Little Theatre	\$6,500.00
Ldo Children's Museum / Imaginarium	\$7,000.00
Laredo Animal Protective Society	\$20,000.00
Laredo Crime Stoppers	\$4,000.00+ \$10,000.00
Laredo Regional Food Bank	\$3,000.00
South Texas Food Bank	\$35,000.00
Ruthe B. Cowl Rehabilitation Center	\$34,725.00
Bethany House	\$25,000.00
Serving Children and Adolescents	\$13,500.00
Children's Advocacy Center	\$27,000.00
Boy's & Girl's Clubs of Laredo	\$10,000.00 + \$45,000.00
Border Area Nutrition Council	\$25,000.00
Literacy Volunteers of Laredo	\$6,000.00
Sacred Heart Children's Home	\$15,000.00
Laredo Veterans Coalition	\$30,000.00
Casa de Misericordia	\$20,000.00
Special Olympics	\$10,000.00
Kidney Foundation	\$18,000.00
Laredo Amateur Boxing	\$5,000.00
Big Brothers Big Sisters	\$4,000.00

Area Health Education Center	\$5,000.00
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TOTAL \$378,725.00

9. Authorizing the City Manager to execute individual contracts with the following Hotel/Motel Tax Fund recipients totaling \$482,460.00 for FY 2015-2016. Funding is available in the Hotel/Motel Tax Fund. (Approved by Operations and Finance Committees)

Society of Martha Washington	\$10,000.00
Border Olympics	\$100,000.00
LULAC #7	\$10,000.00
Chamber o Commerce/Cola Blanca	\$25,000.00
WBCA	\$60,000.00
Laredo Philharmonic Orchestra	\$22,00000
Webb County Heritage Foundation	\$50,000.00
Laredo Center for the Arts	\$150,000.00
Laredo Main Street - Farmer's Market	\$4,000.00
Laredo Main Street - Jamboozie	\$20,000.00
Mexican Cultural Institute	\$6,460.00
Laredo Area Youth Soccer Asso	\$20,000.00
Laredo Main Street - Artesian Bazaar	\$5,000.00
TOTAL	\$482,460.00

10. Authorizing the City Manager to execute a Contract for Service with Laredo Main Street in the amount of \$50,000.00 in support of the Laredo Main Street Program. Funding is available from the Hotel-Motel Fund. (Approved by Operations and Finance Committees)
11. Authorizing the City Manager to accept the agreement with The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio Dental School in the amount of \$75,000.00 per year to continue to provide dental care for children and pregnant women and enhance Title V dental services by the City of Laredo Health Department for the term from October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2018. Funding is available through the Health Department budget and is contingent on funding availability. (Approved by Operations and Finance Committees)
12. Consideration to accept equipment donation from Firehouse Subs Restaurant

Grant Foundation for water rescue equipment that will replace aging and damaged equipment for water related emergencies that require immediate action by Fire water rescue and dive personnel. The equipment is valued at \$8,900.00. (Approved by Operations and Finance Committees)

13. Consideration for approval of the selection of engineering consultant based on Request For Qualifications (RFQ) received and authorizing the City Manager to negotiate a contract for the design, preparation of plans and specifications, bidding and construction management for channel improvements of Zacate Creek from McPherson to Gale St. Funding is available in the Environmental Services 2013 C.O. (Approved by Operations and Finance Committees)
14. Authorizing the City Manager to continue contracting with six (6) local testing laboratories on a rotation and on as needed basis for the FY 2015–2016 for construction materials quality testing and subsurface exploration services. List of local testing labs are as follows:
 - Carrillo & Associates, Inc., Laredo, Texas
 - Castle Engineering & Testing, LLC., Laredo, Texas
 - Terracon Consultants, Inc., Laredo, Texas
 - Howland Engineering & Surveying Company, Laredo, Texas
 - CMT-Tec, L.L.C., Laredo, Texas
 - South Texas Testing Laboratories, Inc., Laredo, Texas

Funding is to be available from each respective project account. (Approved by Operations and Finance Committees)

15. Consideration for approval of the CDBG Roberto Llano Track Improvements as complete, release of retainage and approval of final payment in the amount of \$11,160.80 to ALC Construction, Inc., Laredo, Texas. Final construction contract amount is \$111,608.00. Funding is available in the CDBG – 40th Action Year. (Approved by Operations and Finance Committees)
16. Authorizing the City Manager to award an Airline Service Market Study “professional services” contract to GRA, Incorporated, Alexandria, VA for an amount not to exceed \$110,000 for the pursuit of new direct service from the Laredo International Airport to Mexico City. Funding is available in the Airport Operations Fund. (Approved by Operations and Finance Committees)

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

XVI. STAFF REPORTS

18. Report on Laredo Animal Care Facility, with possible action.

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

Moved: Cm. Vela
Second: Cm. Balli
For: 5

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Cm. Balli and Cm. Rangel were not present.

20. Authorizing the City of Laredo to submit a grant application with the Department of Transportation, Federal Transit Administration, in the amount of \$347,622.00 for the Fiscal Year 2015 Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities Grant Program authorized under the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21) and authorizing the City Manager to execute all related documents. (Approved by Operations and Finance Committee)

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Vela
Second: Cm. Rangel
For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

21. Consideration to authorize the purchase of two (2) 40ft. low-floor Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) buses in the amount of \$927,732. from Gillig L.L.C. ("Gillig") Hayward, California, through a joint procurement with Corpus Christi Regional Transit Authority, Request for Proposal (FRP) No.:2013-V-20. The City of Laredo will execute the provision under the RFP Option 1 for the additional purchase of two (2) CNG buses. Funding is available through the Transit's Sales Tax fund and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities grant. FTA Grant # TX-34-0021 in the amount of \$347,622 with local match in the amount of \$86,906 (20%) from Transit Sales Tax. The remaining balance of \$493,204 will be funded by local Transit Sales Tax. (Approved by Operations and Finance Committee)

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Vela
Second: Cm. Rangel
For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

22. Authorizing the City Manager to exercise the first renewal option for a lease agreement of three (3) years, by and between The Laredo Transit Management, Inc., (Lessor) and The City of Laredo Police Department (Lessee) for the lease of 1,732 square feet of building space plus an

additional 949.61 square feet; for a total of 2,681.61 square feet, located in the same area on the second floor west wing of the Laredo Transit Center, 1301 Farragut St. The rate per square feet is \$.6920, for a total monthly sum of \$1,855.67, commencing on December 1, 2015. The prorated share cost of 25% of the electric bill and the rental fee of \$30.00 per month for Parking will remain the same. In addition, 25% of the water bill will be added to the contract. All other terms of the agreement will remain the same. (Approved by Operations and Finance Committee)

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Vela
Second: Cm. Rangel
For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

23. Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a lease agreement by and between Laredo Transit Management, Inc., (Lessor) and the City of Laredo Department of Community Development, (Lessee) for the leased building space at the Laredo Transit Center located at 1301 Farragut Street, of 6,628 square feet, second and third floors (East); for a term of three (3) years commencing on December 1, 2015. The monthly sum is \$4,586.58 (\$.6920 per square foot). The prorated share cost of 20% of the electric and water bills and all other terms of the agreement will remain the same. (Approved by Operations and Finance Committee)

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Vela
Second: Cm. Rangel
For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

XIX. 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. Vela
Second: Cm. Rangel
For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

GENERAL COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

24. A. Request by Mayor Pete Saenz

1. Staff Report regarding the status of Independent Audit on First Recycling, with possible action.

Veronica Baeza, City Auditor, reported that they are currently working on an engagement letter with the audit firm to include the agreed-upon procedures for the assignment.

2. Staff Report regarding the four (4) Block area immediately north and adjacent to the Custom's facilities at Bridge II, with possible action.

Melissa Montemayor, District Administrator for the Texas Department of Transportation, reported that the survey of the four block area was completed and delivered. She stated that she would hire an independent appraiser to conduct the appraisal of the area. It will be determined if the area is eligible for a donation or surplus property, then it will be reviewed for approval by the Texas Transportation Commission, Attorney General's Office, and Governor's Office. Ms. Montemayor stated that the entire process can take between four and a half months and six months.

C. Request by Council Member Roque Vela, Jr.

1. Authorizing the City Manager to prepare a Memorandum of Understanding with Critter House, Inc. for the construction of an Adoption Center to be located adjacent to the Laredo Animal Care Facility at 5202 Maher Ave, with possible action.

Cm. Vela stated that Critter House, Inc. can use their time to raise money and partner with stakeholders to build and operate the Adoption Center.

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Vela

Second: Cm. San Miguel

For: 6

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

2. Update on scheduled events involving a parade permit, with possible action.

Cm. Vela stated the purpose of this item is to clean up after the events taking place in the streets, providing a safer environment.

Osbaldo Guzman, Parks Director, reported that they have eight pending permits for street events.

Cm. Vela noted that many events require street closures and wants Council to

take action that would require event organizers to utilize street closures, provide safety plans, use traffic safety cones and related equipment, and other means to provide a safer environment during street events.

Motion to direct City Manager, Parks Department, and Traffic staff to develop a traffic safety plan for street events and establish safe designated routes for such events as amended.

Moved: Cm. Vela

Second: Cm. Altgelt

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

3. Discussion with possible action on creating a "Business of the Month" to be recognized by their individual Council District.

Cm. Vela suggested working with the Laredo Chamber of Commerce to determine which businesses would be selected.

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Vela

Second: Cm. Altgelt

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

D. Request by Council Member Charlie San Miguel

1. Discussion with possible action regarding the status of the Laredo Fire Department Station 8 located on Del Mar Blvd. (Co-Sponsored by Council Member Esteban Rangel)

Fire Chief Steve Landin stated that the Fire Station 8 is operational but has some structural issues. He reported that lack of funding prevented renovation plans and that the project is on-hold.

Motion to instruct staff to go out for a bond package, request an RFP and come back with a timeline.

Moved: Cm. San Miguel

Second: Cm. Rangel

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

H. Request by Council Member Esteban Rangel

1. Status report on Request for Qualifications (RFQ) Waste Tire Energy Project, with possible action. (Co-Sponsored by Council Member George Altgelt)

Riazul Mía, Utilities Director, reported that the RFQ was submitted but did not qualify because it did not follow the RFQ guidelines, so it was rejected.

Motion to put out another RFQ to be 100% funded by the private sector as amended.

Moved: Cm. Rangel
Second: Cm. Altgelt
For: 5

Against:

Abstain: 0

Cm. Gonzalez and Cm. Vela were not present.

2. Discussion with possible action on renaming the Airport Rescue Fire Fighting (ARFF) Station located at the Laredo Airport to Station 15.

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Rangel
Second: Cm. Altgelt
For: 5

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Cm. Gonzalez and Cm. Vela were not present.

XX. ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn.

Moved: Cm. Rangel
Second: Cm. Altgelt
For: 5

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Cm. Rangel and Cm. Balli were not present.

I, Doanh "Zone" T. Nguyen, Acting City Secretary, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes contained in pages 01 to 25 and they are true, complete, and correct proceedings of the City Council meeting held on November 2, 2015.

Doanh "Zone" T. Nguyen
Acting City Secretary

2015's Greenest Cities in America

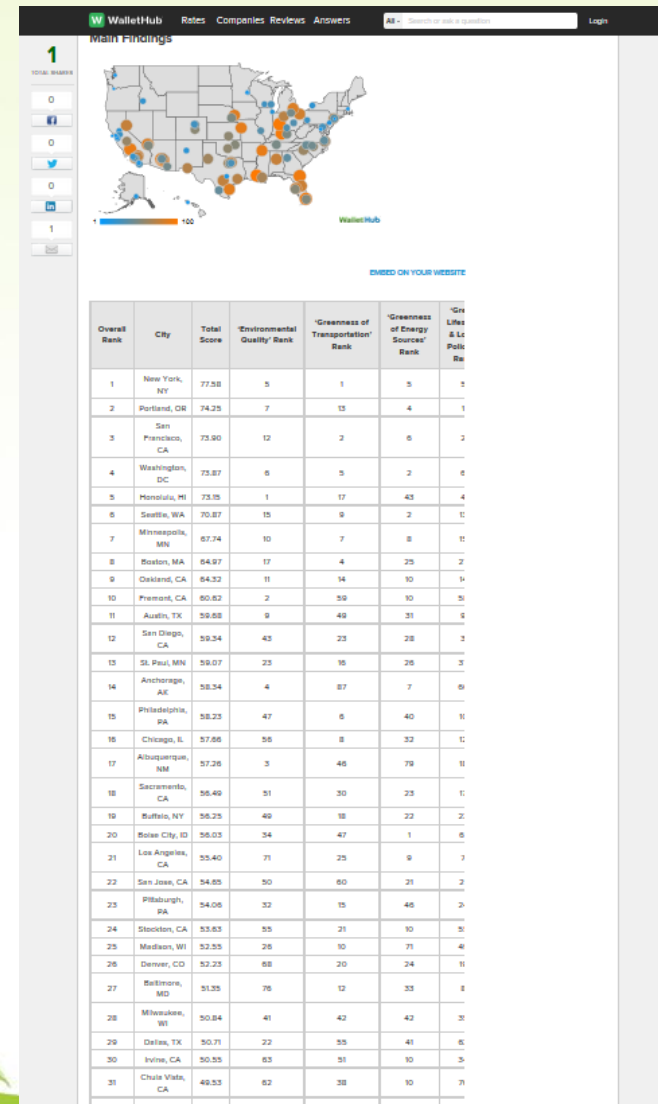


Background

- WalletHub - one-stop destination for all the tools and information consumers and small business owners need to make better financial decisions and save money.
- To find the cities that most encourage an environmentally friendly lifestyle, WalletHub analysts compared 100 U.S. cities across 13 key metrics
- Conducted study because: “[Green is] good for America’s bottom line:

Laredo's Standing

- Laredo was ranked 40th.
 - #3 in Texas Cities!
 - Austin ranked 11th
 - Dallas ranked 29th
 - Arlington ranked 43rd
 - Lubbock ranked 63rd



Metrics Used

- Environmental Quality
- Greenness of Transportation
- Greenness of Energy Sources
- Green Lifestyle & Local Policies
- Median Air Quality Index
- Greenhouse Gas Emissions per Capita
- Green Space (percentage of parkland)
- Percentage of Commuters Who Drive (not carpooling, not walking, not taking public transit and not biking)
- Walk Score
- Annual Excess Fuel Consumed (measures gallons per auto commuter; used as a proxy for “congestion level”)
- Percentage of Electricity from Renewable Sources
- Green Jobs (percentage of the Green Goods and Services Sector (GGS) employment compared with total employment)
- Number of Local Programs for Promoting the Use of Green Energy

Overall Rank	11	29	40	43
City	Austin	Dallas	Laredo	Arlington
'Environmental Quality' Rank	9	22	59	19
'Greenness of Transportation' Rank	49	55	35	93
'Greenness of Energy Sources' Rank	31	41	58	58
'Green Lifestyle & Local Policies' Rank	9	63	25	91
Median Air Quality Index	18	18	52	52
Greenhouse-Gas Emissions per Capita	59	46	54	5
Green Space (percentage of parkland)	25	94	32	55
Percentage of Commuters Who Drive (not carpooling, not walking, not taking public transit and not biking)	33	42	55	92
Walk Score	68	40	39	70
Annual Excess Fuel Consumed (measures gallons per auto commuter; used as a proxy for "congestion level")	54	54	7	54
Percentage of Electricity from Renewable Sources	41	41	41	41
Green Jobs (percentage of the Green Goods and Services Sector (GGS) employment compared with total employment)	64	64	64	64
Number of Local Programs for Promoting the Use of Green Energy	48	58	71	71

Green Transportation

- City has Public CNG station
 - El Metro CNG station
- Fleet of 57 CNG vehicles
- Fleet of 31 CNG Buses
 - 2 new ordered
- Laredo ranks #1 in trips per capita (Cities with population of 200,000-250,000)
- Chacon/Manadas/Zacate Hike and Bike Trails



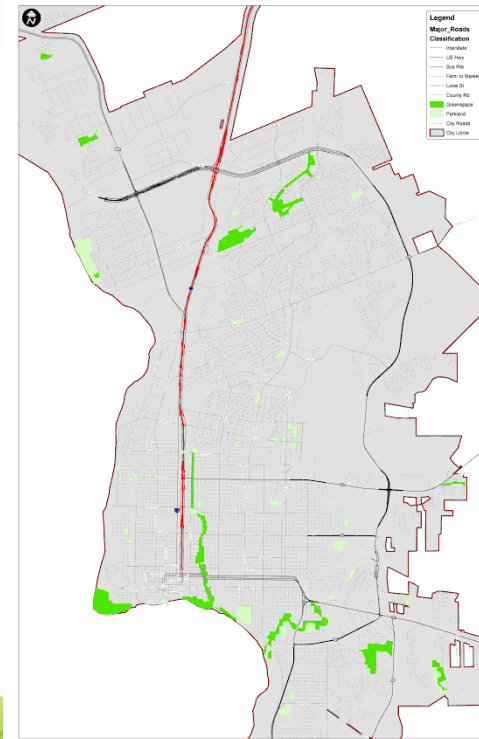
Green Lifestyle/ Policies

- Checkout Bag Reduction Ordinance
- Scrap Tire Ordinance (Core Charge)
- Greenspace Ordinance
- Commercial Litter Ordinance
- Keep Laredo Beautiful



Greenspace

- 58% of Parkspace is Greenspace!
- Greenspace preservation Ordinance
- Chacon Creek Master plan/Feasibility Study.
- River bend Section 206 Project.
 - USCOE joint venture.
- Merida Pond and Hike and Bike
- Bartlett Multi-use Complex



Renewable Energy

- 82.5 kW Solar and Wind systems on City Buildings
- Chevron Energy Efficiency Project
- Downtown LED Lighting
- Landfill Biogas Project



Future Projects

(Staying on Target)

- Wastewater Renewable Energy Project (Sludge to Energy)
- Installation of Solar/Renewables at City Facilities.
- Implementation of Chacon Creek Feasibility Study
- Expansion of Greenspace/Hike and Bike Trails (Merida Phase II, Chacon Phase III, Bartlett)
- River bend Section 206 Project.
- Continue aggressively pursuing CNG
- Transportation projects (overpasses, bridge improvements)

Questions?

Thank You





Adoption 🐾 Education 🐾 Enforcement

City of Laredo Health Department
Hector F. Gonzalez, MD, MPH, Director of Health

November 16, 2015

History

- ▶ In November 2011, **The City of Laredo starts services under** emergency Public Health and Safety rule with temporary kennels built by Public Works for quarantine and observation for pet infectious diseases and rabies prevention.
- ▶ The Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) reviews and approves plans and designs to proceed construction.
- ▶ Animal Care Facility opens on June 2012 with 80 kennels.

Laredo Animal Career Facility (ACF)



Personnel

Title	No. of Positions
Animal Control Supervisor	1
Animal Control Officer III	1
Animal Control Officer II	4
Animal Control Officer I	10
Dispatcher	1
Clerk II	2
Kennel Worker	5
Vacancies	6 from total

All trained and certified by the Texas Department of State Health Services approved program.

Challenges with Pet Care

- ▶ Culture of Stray Animals
- ▶ Lack of Knowledge of Spay and Neuter (SN), Foster Care and Adoption
- ▶ Overpopulation
- ▶ Unvaccinated Pets
- ▶ Bites and Vicious Dogs
- ▶ Cat Nuisance
- ▶ Pet Infections (fleas and ticks)

LACF/AC Capacity

- ▶ 20 Emergency Kennels for Isolation
- ▶ Temporary Cat House
- ▶ 40 Intake Holding Kennels
- ▶ Dipping Bath
- ▶ 80 Holding Kennels (*no guillotine gate*)
- ▶ 80 Holding Kennels (*with guillotine gate*)
- ▶ Socialization Park
- ▶ Clinic for Surgery and Emergency Care
- ▶ Mobile Unit Office
- ▶ Total Kennels: 160
Must have 40 free at all times for strict infection control, unless there is an emergency.

LACF/AC Responsibilities

- ▶ **AC Response**

- ▶ Rabies Prevention
- ▶ Zoonotic Disease Prevention

- ▶ **Complaints**

- ▶ Total Response for 2014: 13,333
- ▶ Total Response for 2015: 15,193

- ▶ **Types of Response**

- ▶ Bees, bites, strays, injured, surrender of pets by owners, traps, wildlife, permits, inspections (litters, zoos, circus, rodeos, school agricultural projects, neglect, abuse (prosecution has increased), vector control, bats, tick and flea infestations (typhus, rocky mountain spotted fever), court testimony and educational presentations.

Veterinarian Recruitment

September 27, 2012

Eleanor M. Green, DVM, DACVIM, DABVP

Carl B. King Dean of Veterinary Medicine

Texas A&M University, College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences

Dear Dr. Green;

It is with great pleasure that we send this Memorandum of Agreement for your consideration for the fourth (4th) year students of veterinary medicine rotation. We are enthused to offer this opportunity and hope that students take advantage of this effort. Three original copies are enclosed if you agree please sign and keep one and mail two back to us. We are sending a copy to Mr. Les Fechner, Director of Student Affairs.

If there are any questions please contact Mr Daniel Migura, Director of Human Resources (956) 791-7474 or myself (956) 795-4922.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Hector F. Gonzalez MD, MPH

Director of Health

Cc: Carlos Villarreal, City Manager

Cynthia Collazo, Deputy City manager

Dr. John L. Spruiell, DVM

Current Intake and Shelter Procedures

- ▶ Pet is picked up in the field scanned for microchip and/or other ID.
 - ▶ If pet is microchipped and registered, the owner is called and notified of pet at time of capture and/or from ACF, citation is given, and is advised of 72 hour wait.
 - ▶ The ACO may opt to give owner a warning and allow him/her to keep pet.
- ▶ Pet is taken to the ACF.
- ▶ A tag is assigned and pet is registered and dipped.
- ▶ If pet is healthy and not suffering, is tested for heart worm and zoonotic diseases.
- ▶ For those pets deemed adoptable, the first dose of parvo, distemper, leptospirosis, and deworming is administered.
- ▶ Food, water, and shelter are given to each pet daily.
- ▶ Pets for adoption are prepared for spay and neuter clinics with either Dr. Lawler (mass public SN clinics) or Dr. Leyendecker (weekly SN clinics).
- ▶ Dr. Leyendecker and/or Dr. Martin provide urgent care, as needed.

Current Intake and Shelter Procedures

- ▶ All Animal Control Officers are trained and certified by an approved state program.
 - ▶ All Officers must pass a test to be granted certification as an ACO I.
 - ▶ All Officers must maintain 32 hours of continuing education over a 3 year period to maintain their certification.
- ▶ All are required to take advanced training and certification.
 - ▶ Euthanasia, shelter care, infection control, vector control, rabies prevention, pet handling, flea and tick prevention
- ▶ All pets are chipped, vaccinated against rabies, and spayed or neutered by the veterinarian to be ready for adoption.
- ▶ Monthly rabies clinics are held at the ACF where, on average, 75-125 pets are vaccinated.

Animal Pet Adoption Policy (2012)

- ▶ An Individual, 18 years of age or older, may adopt an animal from the Laredo Animal Care Facility under the following conditions:
- ▶ The animal has been classified as adoptable by Laredo Animal Care Facility.
- ▶ The prospective adopter has proper facilities and means to care for the animal.
- ▶ The prospective adopter must comply with health, rabies vaccination, pet registration and spay or neuter rules.
- ▶ If a humane society is adopting, they must be inspected for keeping practices and shelter compliance.
- ▶ The prospective adopter will satisfactorily fill out questionnaire/application.
- ▶ The prospective adopter will present a valid form of identification.
- ▶ The prospective adopter will provide proof of residency.
- ▶ The prospective adopter will provide pet agreement from landlord (if renting).
- ▶ The prospective adopter will pay necessary fees (\$60).
- ▶ The prospective adopter will provide proof that animal has been vaccinated, registered, and sterilized (spayed or neutered) as set out in the agreement.
- ▶ **All** adoptions are subject to approval by the Supervisor of Laredo Animal Care Facility.
- ▶ The adopter is held responsible for the well being and care of the pet.
- ▶ The prospective adopter will participate in an education session on pet care and pet responsibility provided at the time of adoption.

Spay & Neuter (SN) Services Promotion

- ▶ Continuous Education and Promotion of Pet Responsibility
 - ▶ SN, Rabies Vaccination, Microchip and Registration
- ▶ [Health Department Website](#)
 - ▶ SN, Rabies Vaccination, Microchip and Registration
 - ▶ Links to Facebook
- ▶ [Health Department Facebook](#)
 - ▶ States 72 hour wait for return to owner, foster/adoption or euthanasia
 - ▶ Pictures of pets up for adoption
 - ▶ Cross-posting by Humane Groups
- ▶ [City Web Site](#)

Health Department Website



For Pet Adoption & Foster Care
Call (956) 717-5762

Click [here](#) for the list
of Pets Available!

*Remember: All pets must be registered
by microchip & vaccinated.*

Health Department Facebook

Every 72 hours, unclaimed pets that are not microchipped and registered may be euthanized. Every week, LACF is forced to euthanize on average 40 pets that are not claimed, adopted, or fostered. These animals are waiting for a loving home. If a home is not found, many may be euthanized.



Help Save a Pet

For Pet Adoption & Foster Care

Call (956) 717-5762



Before and After



Promotion Efforts

HOME FOR THE PAWLIDAYS

LAREDO'S LARGEST ADOPTION EVENT EVER!



District V Council Member
Roque Vela Jr. is proud to
present Laredo's 1st Annual
"Home For the Pawlidays"
Saturday December 7th 10a-3p
At Blas Castañeda Park
(5700 McPherson)

All pets available for adoption will
be from Laredo Animal Protective
Society, Laredo Animal Care Facility,
PAWS, and Critter Care.



Family Fun Fur the Holidays!

Food, Paws and Fun!
All pets must be on a 4-6ft leash

If interested in being a Sponsor of this Event Please
Contact Sid Holden at (956)206-4229

Come Join Us! If interested in having a vendor booth at
this event Please Contact Parks & Recreation Dept.
at 795-2350 Hurry space will be limited!



Over a 100 pets will be up
for adoption!

All Dogs will be at \$60 and
Cats at \$30

All pets will be vaccinated, spayed, and microchipped

The Honorable Roque Vela, Jr., Councilmember for District V
is proud to present:

Home for the PAW-lidays!

Laredo's Largest Pet Adoption Event of the Year!!

Saturday, December 6, 2014
10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Blas Castañeda Park
5700 McPherson Road

Family Fun "fur" the Holidays!

Call Sid Holden
(956)206-4229
to become a
Sponsor



Food, Paws, & Fun!

Adopt or Foster a
Pet this Holiday
Season.

Call
(956)795-2350
to become a
Vendor

Pets available for adoption
from Laredo Animal
Care Facility, LAPS,
& PAWS.

Dogs: \$60
Cats: \$30



Promotion Efforts

Affordable Spay & Neuter Clinics for November 2012

Only
\$10.00

Monday, November 19, 2012; 8:30 a.m.
(CATS ONLY)

El Eden Recreation Center
4535 Loma Vista

For appointment call (956) 744-9901 or email
info@pethavenlaredo.com

Tuesday, November 20, 2012; 8:30 a.m.
(DOGS AND CATS)

Old Santo Nino WIC Clinic
2200 Zacatecas

For appointment call (956) 744-9901 or
email info@pethavenlaredo.com

Tuesday, November 27, 2012; 12-5 p.m.
(MALE DOGS ONLY)

Laredo Animal Protective Society
2500 Gonzalez

For appointment call (956) 724-8364 or
email mdeves@petadoptionlaredo.org

No food for 12 hours prior to procedure.



Microchip (\$10.00) and Registration (\$5.00) will also be available.
Additional vaccines available upon request for an additional cost.
Please bring certificate of vaccination.



For More Information call (956) 795-4902

Provided by the City of Laredo Health Department in collaboration with
Pet Haven, Laredo Animal Protective Society, Gateway Gatos and PAWS.

Affordable Spay & Neuter Clinics for December 2012

Only
\$10.00

Monday, December 3, 2012; 8:30 a.m.
(DOGS and CATS)

El Eden Recreation Center
4535 Loma Vista

Tuesday, December 4, 2012; 8:30 a.m.
(DOGS AND CATS)

Old Santo Nino WIC Clinic
2200 Zacatecas

Tuesday, December 18, 2012; 12-5 p.m.
(MALE DOGS ONLY)

Ladrillera Service Center
2100 Pinder

No food for 12 hours prior to procedure.



Microchip (\$10.00) and Registration (\$5.00) will also be available.
Additional vaccines available upon request for an additional cost.
Please bring certificate of vaccination.



To schedule an appointment, call (956) 795-4902 or
email ssolis@ci.laredo.tx.us or zgarcia@ci.laredo.tx.us

Provided by the City of Laredo Health Department in collaboration with
Pet Haven, Laredo Animal Protective Society, Gateway Gatos and PAWS.

Promotion Efforts

City of Laredo Health Department Pet Registration (Microchip) Clinic

**November 2, 2011
7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**

**Old Santo Niño
WIC Clinic
2200 Zacatecas St.**

\$15.00 per pet

***Pre-registration starts
at 6:00 p.m.***



Pet owners must provide a copy of a **valid current rabies vaccination certificate.**

**FIRST 50
pets ONLY**

 City of Laredo Health Department
Animal Control Program
2600 Cedar Avenue
(956) 795-4902



City of Laredo Health Department
Rabies "Vacuna" Clinic
Wednesday, April 16, 2014 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Laredo Animal Care Facility, 5202 Maher Avenue

Laredo
Animal
Care
Facility

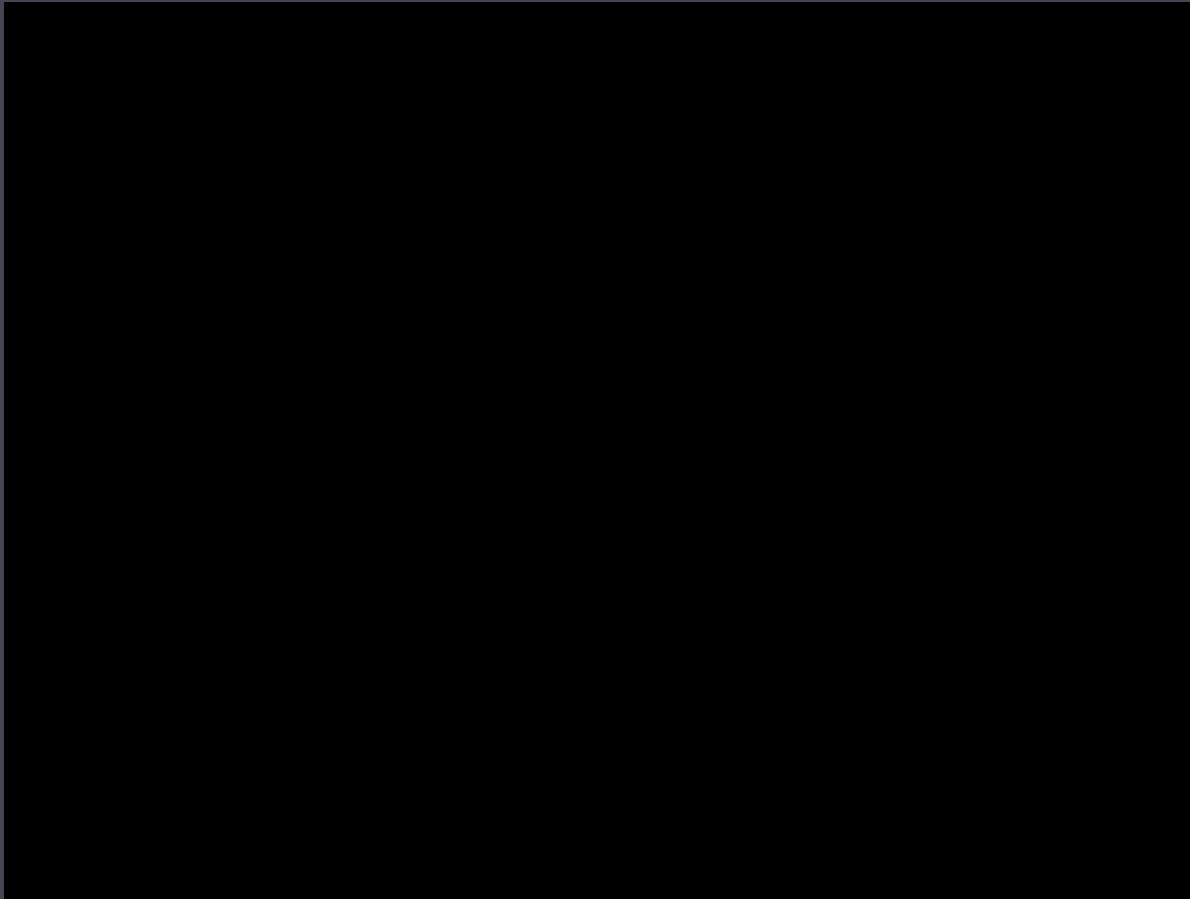


Adoption 🐾 Education 🐾 Enforcement

Rabies "Vacuna" Clinic
Wednesday, June 3, 2015
6:30-7:30 p.m.
5202 Maher Avenue
Rabies Vaccine: \$12; Microchip: \$10
Registration: \$5; *Others upon request.*

Promotion Efforts

Public Service Announcements for the Laredo Animal Care Facility, Adoption, Pet Responsibility, and Pet Care.



ACF Statistics

	2013	2014	2015
Total Intake	8592	6,127	7,008
Euthanized	7818	5,307	5,939
Sick/Suffering	3049	2,122	2,078
Dogs	4790	3,204	4,014
Cats	3028	2,103	1,925
Returned to Owner	479	557	584
Fostered/Adopted*	295	271	269
Spay/Neutered	640	745	465

Goals for ACF

- ▶ Provide professional, humane and responsible impoundment, shelter care and rabies observation and quarantine of pets
- ▶ Strict rabies prevention
- ▶ Strict infection control
- ▶ Strict training to provide best care and pet handling
- ▶ Continue and expand SN services
- ▶ Continue work with local veterinarians to provide consultant care and SN services
- ▶ Promote pet responsibility and enforce rabies prevention

Goals for ACF (Continued)

- ▶ Enhance education of the public on current ordinances and rules
- ▶ Educate public on pet responsibility
- ▶ Launch “Your ACO Cares” campaign to highlight working together for pet safety and promote adoption
- ▶ Continue working with humane groups on pet adoption, foster care and SN services
- ▶ Continue to recruit Veterinarians
- ▶ Assess continuous quality improvement

Quality Assurance

- ▶ Established committee over a year ago of external Health Department Non-Animal Control Staff to assess and provide recommendations
 - ▶ Intake Procedures
 - ▶ Training of Staff
 - ▶ Automation
 - ▶ SN and Adoption Services
- ▶ Under leadership of Deputy City Manager, an external city-wide committee was developed to review and update procedures and provide recommendations

Community Partnership

- ▶ Work with all agencies and groups to promote foster care, adoption and spay and neuter services
 - ▶ Laredo Animal Protective Society (LAPS)
 - ▶ Gateway Gatos
 - ▶ PAWS
 - ▶ Local Veterinarians
 - ▶ Pet Haven
 - ▶ Pets Alive
 - ▶ Texas Department of State Health Services
 - ▶ City Secretary, City Promotion
 - ▶ Parks and Recreation

Conclusion

- ▶ All of our staff is dedicated to the goal of humane, professional and responsible pet care.
- ▶ 3.6 years of experience with the ACF and taking great steps toward excellence. Improvement is continuous.
- ▶ Guided by two “best practices” cities, Austin and San Antonio, who have been in the business a minimum of 30 years.
- ▶ Will always continue to assess pet care improvement, adoption, SN and the priority of rabies and zoonosis disease prevention.