

**CITY OF LAREDO
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
M-2014-R-13
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1110 HOUSTON STREET
LAREDO, TEXAS 78040
AUGUST 18, 2014
5:30 P.M.**

I. CALL TO ORDER

With a quorum present, Mayor Raul G. Salinas called the meeting to order.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Raul G. Salinas led in the pledge of allegiance.

III. ROLL CALL

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| Raul G. Salinas, | Mayor |
| Mike Garza, | 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 |
| Jorge A. Vera, | District VII |
| Gustavo Guevara, Jr. | City Secretary |
| Carlos Villarreal, | City Manager |
| Cynthia Collazo, | Deputy City Manager |
| Horacio De Leon, | Assistant City Manager |
| Jesus Olivares, | Assistant City Manager |
| Raul Casso, | City Attorney |

Motion to excuse Cm. Liendo and Cm. San Miguel.

Moved: Mayor Pro Tem Rangel

Second: Cm. Perez

For: 6

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Cm. San Miguel joined the meeting at 5:44 pm.

IV. MINUTES

Approval of the minutes of June 27, 2014, July 30, 2014 & August 4, 2014.

Motion to approve the June 27, 2014, July 30, 2014 and August 4, 2014 minutes.

Moved: Mayor Pro Tem Rangel

Second: Cm. Vera

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

V. COMMUNICATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS

Recognitions

- a. Recognizing the Under 14 Laredo Heat 00 Boys Red team for winning the Region III Presidents Cup (Soccer) Championship and for proudly representing Laredo and competing at the National Presidents Cup Championship in Greenville, South Carolina this past June.

Mayor Salinas and City Council congratulated Under 14 Laredo Heat 00 Boys Red team members Alan Garcia, Alberto Martinez, Carlos Varela, Daniel Zapata, Eduardo Vasquez, Francisco Ruiz, Gabriel Arias, Humberto Cavazos, Jesus Sanchez, Johan Alvarado, Jose Rivera, Juan Gonzalez, Luis Gonzalez, Luis Montemayor, Maximiliano De Leon, Nicolas Perez, Sebastian Brenis, Sebastian Gutierrez and Sebastian Rivera and presented them with certificates of recognition.

- b. Recognizing the Laredo Pony Pinto 8U Division for winning the World Series Baseball Championship.

Mayor Salinas and City Council congratulated Laredo Pony Pinto 8U Division team members Jorge Alvarado, Brytton Clements, Leo Coutino, Ricardo Covarrubias, Sebastian Dancause, Jacob Garcia, Daniel Rendon, Marco Rodriguez, Ricky Rodriguez, Josh Sanchez, Christian Santos and Adrian Villarreal and presented them with certificates of recognition.

- c. Recognizing the Boys Scout Troop 201, led by Mr. Joey Villarreal, for completing their Eagle Scout Project entailing the repainting of approximately one hundred sixty (160) fire hydrants in the Heights area within the boundaries of Clark Boulevard, Market Street, Springfield Avenue and Arkansas Avenue.

Mayor Salinas and City Council congratulated Boys Scout Troop 201 members Marco Villarreal, Carlos Villarreal, Jack Paul, Ben Mora, Ryann Cervantes, Bryann Cervantes, Vidal Aguilar, Christopher Chen, Andres

Aguilar, Sergio Arellano, Oscar Zazueta, and Alex Duarte and presented them with certificates of recognition.

Citizen comments

Fernando Alderete on behalf of the Laredo Philharmonic Orchestra, stated that there was a fender bender in the parking lot when they were trying to turn in their application for third party funding; therefore, the application was turned in late. He asked for Mayor Salinas and City Council to consider funding the Laredo Philharmonic Orchestra.

Tatiana Friar, President of the Board of Directors of the Laredo Philharmonic Orchestra, said that had an issue with third party funding. She explained that they had seven concerts per year and this was their thirty-fifth season. She went on to say that they had been recognized by the League of American Orchestras as the most innovative within their budget category.

Brendon Townsend, Music Director and Chief Operating Officer for the Laredo Philharmonic Orchestra, asked Mayor and Council to look at the special circumstances regarding their application for third party funding and said that he had tried to contact someone to let them know he would be turning in the application late.

Marc Contreras, Laredo area coordinator for ALS, asked for help from the city to raise awareness and find a cure. He asked for an event in the community to reach this end. He asked that they visit the organization's website, http://web.alsa.org/site/TR?fr_id=10430&pg=entry.

VI. APPOINTMENTS TO COMMISSIONS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

- a. Appointment by Council Member Mike Garza to the Technical Review Board Ad Hoc Committee.

Motion to approve the nomination of Benny Salinas to the Technical Review Board Ad Hoc Committee.

Moved: Cm. Garza

Second: Mayor Pro Tem Rangel

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Public hearing for the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.637000 per \$100 value for the Tax Year 2014. The tax rate will provide revenue for the general fund and debt service. The rate includes \$0.491720 per \$100 value for Maintenance and Operation and \$0.145280 per \$100 value for Sinking Fund of the Debt

Service and is estimated to generate a tax levy of \$72,039,423. The City Council is scheduled to vote on the tax rate on September 9, 2014 at 12:00 Noon and September 15, 2014 at 5:30 PM at City Council Chambers located at 1110 Houston.

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved: Cm. Garza

Second: Mayor Pro Tem Rangel

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

There was no public input.

Motion to close the public hearing.

Moved: Cm. Garza

Second: Mayor Pro Tem Rangel

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

2. Public hearing and introductory ordinance declaring the public necessity and ordering the paving with supplemental improvements to McDonald Road upon its dedication to the City of Laredo; approving the street paving assessment roll and project cost estimate as prepared by City staff and imposing a lien against the property and personal liability and charge against the property owner upon completion and final acceptance of the project improvements.

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved: Cm. Garza

Second: Mayor Pro Tem Rangel

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Frank Leal, Real Estate Assessment Appraiser, explained that the City of Laredo planned to extend the necessary utilities and was platting the unplatted lots facing McDonald Road. He added that the total cost was estimated at \$302,000 and that the city would assess lot owners facing McDonald Road their share of the cost based on a per lineal foot basis. His assignment was to determine if the planned improvements would enhance the market value of the property proportionate to the assessment made to each lot owner. He reported that on platted lots two, three, four, and five, the assessment was appropriate; on lots six and seven, a \$132 adjustment was recommended; on lot eight, the assessment was appropriate; on lot nine, a \$13,380 adjustment was recommended; on lots ten and eleven the assessment was appropriate. He went on to report that on lot one, block one, Limon Subdivision, a \$7,786 adjustment was recommended; and on lot

three, block one, Loop 20, a \$25,238 adjustment was recommended.

Mayor Pro Tem Rangel recommended changing the name of the street to Mauro Sandoval Drive after a fire fighter who passed away on June 24, 1975 and whose two grandsons worked for the City of Laredo Fire Department.

Motion to close the public hearing and introduce as amended.

Moved: Mayor Pro Tem Rangel

Second: Cm. San Miguel

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Ordinance Introduction: Mayor Pro Tem Rangel

3. Public hearing and introductory ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lots 4A and 5A, Block 2, Las Blancas Subdivision Unit 2, located at 102 and 106 Camino Nuevo Road, from B-4 (Highway Commercial District) to M-1 (Light Manufacturing District); providing for publication and effective date.

Staff is in support of the zone change and the Planning and Zoning Commission recommends approval of the zone change. District II

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved: Cm. Vela

Second: Cm. Garza

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. Vera

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Ordinance Introduction: Mayor Pro Tem Rangel

4. Public hearing and introductory ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by authorizing a Conditional Use Permit for an amusement redemption machine establishment on Lot 1, Block 1, Jacaman Ranch Subdivision Unit V, located at 6402 N. Bartlett Avenue, Suite No.6; providing for publication and effective date.

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

recommends approval of the Conditional Use Permit. District V

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved: Cm. Vela

Second: Cm. Garza

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

George Rodriguez, representing Guerra Communications, spoke in favor of staff's recommendation.

Motion to close the public hearing and table.

Moved: Cm. Vela

Second: Cm. Vera

For: 6

Against: 0

Abstain: 1

Cm. Narvaez

5. Public hearing and introductory ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lot 3, Block 1, Martinez Business Park Unit 2, located at 1411 Jacaman Road, from B-3 (Community Business District) to B-4 (Highway Commercial District); providing for publication and effective date.

Staff is in support of the application and the Planning and Zoning Commission recommends approval of the zone change. District V

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved: Cm. Garza

Second: Cm. Vela

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

George Juarez representing the applicant requested Council to concur with the recommendation of staff.

Motion to close the public hearing and introduce.

Moved: Cm. Vela

Second: Cm. Vera

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Ordinance Introduction: Cm. Vela

6. Public hearing and introductory ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lots 4 and 10, Block 99, Western

Division, located at 614 Hidalgo Street and 607 Farragut Street, from B-1 (Limited Commercial District) to B-3 (Community Business District); providing for publication and effective date.

Staff is in support of the application and the Planning and Zoning Commission recommends approval of the zone change. District VIII

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved: Cm. Garza

Second: Cm. Vela

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

There was no public input.

Motion to table.

Moved: Cm. Vela

Second: Cm. Perez

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

7. Public hearing and introductory ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lots 1, 2, 11 and 12, Block 99, Western Division, located at 619 Farragut Street, from B-3 (Community Business District) to B-4 (Highway 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 VIII

Motion to table.

Moved: Cm. Vela

Second: Cm. Perez

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

8. Public hearing and introductory ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by authorizing a Special Use Permit for a restaurant selling alcohol on Lots 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9, Block 71, Eastern Division, located at 2020 Corpus Christi; providing for publication and effective date.

Staff supports the application and Planning and Zoning Commission recommends denial of the Special Use Permit. District III

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved: Cm. Garza

Second: Cm. Vela

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Ricardo Kissi reported that they were applying for a Special Use Permit to sell only beer and explained that they were a small family-owned chain of and had the funds to construct their own buildings. He added that they had been in business for eleven years and had 165 employees. He concluded that the other three stores already had their permits to sell early in the evening as their type of business was family-oriented.

Planning Director Nathan Bratton stated that they had sent out thirty-three notices and had received one in favor and one in opposition.

Motion to close the public hearing and introduce.

Moved: Cm. Perez

Second: Cm. Vela

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Ordinance Introduction: Cm. Perez

9. Public hearing and introductory ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lot 5, Block 2037, Eastern Division, located at 2020 S. Ejido Avenue, from R-3 (Mixed Residential District) to B-1 (Limited Commercial District); providing for publication and effective date.

Staff does not support the application and the Planning and Zoning Commission recommends denial of the zone change. District II

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved: Cm. Garza

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. Vera

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Ordinance Introduction: Mayor Pro Tem Rangel

VIII. INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCES

10. Authorizing the City Manager to update the City's Foreign Trade Zone No. 94 fee schedule applicable to Laredo's foreign trade zone operators by designating an initial activation fee of \$2,500.00, designating the annual fee at a minimum of \$3,000.00 for operators with less than 10,000 square feet of activated space, \$5,000.00 for operators with 10,001-100,000 square feet of activated space and \$6,500.00 for operators with more than 100,001 square feet of activated space. This fee schedule shall become effective October 1, 2014 thru September 30, 2019. (Approved by Operations & Finance Committees)

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

11. Authorizing the City Manager to execute a three (3) year lease agreement between the City of Laredo, as LESSOR and Altair Aviation, L.L.C., as LESSEE, for Hangar No. 162 consisting of 13,114 square feet situated on an approximate 42,038 square foot tract of land at the Laredo International Airport, commencing on October 1, 2014 and ending on September 30, 2017. The current monthly rental is \$4,789.00 and annually adjusted by changes in CPI, providing for effective date.

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

IX. FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

Motion to waive the final readings of Ordinances 2014-O-095, 2014-O-096 and 2014-O-097.

Moved: Cm. Garza

Second: Cm. Vela

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

12. 2014-O-095 Authorizing the City Manager to execute a lease with the Hydroworks Inc., for the approximately 1,520 sq. ft. hangar known as Building 1328 at the Laredo International Airport. Lease term is for three (3) years commencing on September 1, 2014, and ending on August 31, 2017. The building is being leased in "AS IS" condition. Initial rent shall be four hundred fifty six dollars (\$456.00) per month. Rent will be adjusted annually based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI); providing for an effective date.

Motion to adopt Ordinance 2014-O-095.

Moved: Cm. Garza
Second: Cm. Vera
For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

2014-O-096 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 (12) which establishes the north and south side of 8000 to 8600 block of Milo as a No Parking/Tow Away Zone and correcting the numbering of Section 19-364 (10) to 19-364 (11) and to amend Ordinance 2013-0-150, Section 19-364-10 to remove the west side of N. Texas Ave., between U.S. 59 and Travis St., as a No Parking/Tow Away Zone within city limits of Laredo; providing severability and for an effective date and publication.

Motion to adopt Ordinance 2014-O-096.

Moved: Cm. Garza
Second: Cm. Vera
For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

2014-O-097 Amending the City of Laredo 2013-2014 Laredo Auto Theft Task Force annual budget by increasing revenues in the amount of \$54,934.00 and expenses in the amount of \$54,534.00 to fund the Laredo Auto Theft Task Force and accepting a grant award in the amount of \$433,514.00 from the State of Texas Automobile Burglary and Theft Prevention Authority. The Texas Automobile Burglary and Theft Prevention Authority will fund the Laredo Auto Theft Task Force for the period of September 1, 2014 through August 31, 2015. This grant pays for salaries, equipment and supplies for Laredo Police Department (LPD) personnel to combat auto theft in the City of Laredo.

Motion to adopt Ordinance 2014-O-097.

Moved: Cm. Garza
Second: Cm. Vera
For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

X. RESOLUTIONS

13. 2014-R-83 Authorizing the City Manager to accept a donation from STX Fitness, L.L.C., DBA Crunch Fitness Laredo, of four (4) treadmills, four (4) elliptical machines and two (2) recumbent bikes for a total estimated value of \$28,000.00. Crunch Fitness Laredo has generously proposed to donate this gym equipment

to the City of Laredo Police Department. This donation will greatly benefit the facility and the PD staff that make use of this equipment. (Approved by Operations Committee)

Motion to approve Resolution 2014-R-83.

Moved: Cm. Garza
Second: Mayor Pro Tem Rangel
For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

14. 2014-R-86 Urging the support and sponsorship of the Homeless Children and Youth Act, HR 5186 sponsored by the House of Representatives and the Homeless Children and Youth Act, S.2653 sponsored by the U.S. Senate by the City of Laredo City Council.

Motion to approve Resolution 2014-R-86.

Moved: Cm. Garza
Second: Mayor Pro Tem Rangel
For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

XI. MOTIONS

15. Approving the interlocal agreement between the City of Laredo and Webb County to provide grant supported public health services in the Women, Infant, and Children (WIC) Nutrition services, Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) Prevention, Treatment, diagnosis, and social and housing support services, Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) and Healthcare Hospital Preparedness (HPP) services to residents of the unincorporated areas of Webb County for the term period through August 31, 2014, and automatically renewed annually, subject to the availability of funding and willingness by both parties to continue the agreement.

Motion to approve.

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

Cm. Perez was not present.

16. Consideration for approval of Amendment No. 7, an increase of \$5,444.00 to the professional services contract with Arcadis, Laredo, Texas, for the West Laredo Corridor – Calton Road Railroad Grade Separation for additional scope of services to prepare two (2) right-of-way surveys on Union Pacific

Railroad track. We received a letter of approval from TxDot to proceed with the amendment. Current engineering contract amount including this amendment No. 7 is \$1,898,811.14. Funding is available in the Capital Grants Fund. (Approved by Operations Committee)

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Garza

Second: Mayor Pro Tem Rangel

For: 6

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Cm. Perez was not present.

17. Approving monthly adjustments to the tax roll. The amounts to be adjusted for the month of July 2014, represent a decrease of \$17,124.80. These adjustments are determined by the Webb County Appraisal District and by court orders.

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Garza

Second: Mayor Pro Tem Rangel

For: 6

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Cm. Perez was not present.

XII. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda except item 21.

Moved: Cm. Garza

Second: Cm. Vela

For: 6

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Cm. Perez was not present.

XII (a) RESOLUTIONS

18. 2014-R-87 Authorizing the City Manager to accept the contract from the Department of State Health Services in the amount of \$75,000.00 for the continuation of the City of Laredo Health Department Title V Child Health Services Program and continue to provide medical and dental services for children who are underserved, uninsured and medically indigent in Laredo for the term period from September 1, 2014 through August 31, 2015.

19. 2014-R-88 Authorizing the City Manager to renew the contract with the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHS) in the amount \$560,423.00 with an in-kind match of \$56,044.00 for a total of \$616,467.00 for continuation of the Nurse-Family Partnership (NFP) for the City of Laredo Health Department (CLHD) to provide evidence-based nurse home visitation for first-time mothers and their children for the period beginning September 1, 2014 through August 31, 2015.

XII (b) MOTIONS

20. Authorizing the City Manager, in support of the City of Laredo International Airport Noise Compatibility Program, to award a contract for Sound Insulation Services to Northeast Noise Abatement Corporation of Warwick, Rhode Island, in the amount of \$399,000.00, as the lowest qualified bidder, for the sound insulation of nineteen (19) homes (Phase 8). Funding is available in the Airport Construction Fund- FAA Grant No. 72.
21. Consideration for approval of the Energy Services contract with Chevron Energy Solutions Company, A Division of Chevron, U.S.A., for Upgrading of City of Laredo Facilities and Maintenance as complete, approval to ratify change order No. 1 (no change in cost), approval of change order No. 2, a decrease of \$154,300.00 which consists of removal of scope at North Central Park Pool, and approval of final payment in the amount of \$249,185.00 to Chevron Energy Solutions Company, a division of Chevron U.S.A., Inc., Overland Park, Kansas. Final construction contract amount is \$5,894,550.00. Funding is available in the General Fund, Sports Venue, Transit, Bridge, Water and Sewer.

Geoff Howland of Chevron Energy Solutions made a presentation before Mayor Salinas and City Council.

“Energize Laredo”
“Project Status Report
Geoff Howland
August 18, 2014

Energize Laredo Overview

- Description
 - Leverage sustainability and energy conservation to improve facilities with Guaranteed savings
- Goals
 - Save \$502,353 during the first year
 - Save \$9,343,220 over 15 years
- Scope \$5,894,550 investment
 - 46 buildings, 14 parks, traffic signals, water conservation

Savings Profile
\$502,353 Year 1

Building Improvements

- City Hall / Annex / Energy Arena / Library / Health Centers / Senior Activity Center / Police Station
- Fire stations, recreation centers and parks
- Bridges, transit buildings, and water treatment plant buildings
- Types of projects:
 - Energy efficient lighting
 - Air conditioning (HVAC) upgrades
 - Building energy management system upgrades
 - Domestic water conservation
 - Irrigation controllers, Solar hot water heating
 - Energy Efficient LED Traffic Signals

Current Status

- Project completed in August
- Change orders reduced total cost by \$154,300
- Year 1 of 15 - savings guarantee begins September 1, 2014

Initial Savings Assessment

| | Year 1 Guarantee | Initial Report | Preliminary Data | Year 1 Forecast |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|----------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Option A Savings | \$119,284 | \$121,670 | | \$121,670 |
| Option C Savings (Previous 5 months) | | | | |
| Energy Arena | \$67,132 | | No data yet | \$67,132 |
| City Hall | \$28,506 | | 118% | \$33,697 |
| Public Library | \$36,829 | | 119% | \$43,951 |
| LVB Pool (Gas) | \$4,410 | | -124% | \$(5,479) |
| Irrigation 9 Parks | \$33,953 | | 139% | \$47,296 |
| Total: | \$170,830 | | | \$186,598 |
| Stipulated Savings | \$212,239 | | | \$212,239 |
| Grand Total: | \$502,353 | | | \$520,506 |

Initial Results

- Initial estimate of \$520,506 - exceeds savings by almost 4%
- Building reliability and comfort improved
- Local business support in amount of \$1,569,000
 - Carbon foot print reduced
 - 3,534 removed metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent
 - 322 homes energy for one year, or
 - 8.4 million miles driven by an average passenger vehicle every

year

Special Thanks

- Sammy Hinojosa
- Gabriel Martinez
- Pete Paredes
- Robert Pena
- Beto Ramirez
- Tomas Rodriguez
- Mario Ruiz
- Horacio De Leon, Rosario Cabello, Francisco Meza
- City of Laredo

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Garza

Second: Mayor Pro Tem Rangel

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

22. Consideration to renew existing contract FY13-054 to Rotex Truck Center, Laredo, Texas for an amount up to \$60,000.00 for the purchase of International Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) automotive parts for the City's medium size trucks. The term of this contract shall be for a period of one (1) year beginning as of the date of its execution. The contract may be extended for four (4) more, additional one (1) years periods each upon mutual agreement of the parties. All parts will be secured on an as needed basis. Funding is available in the Fleet Maintenance Budget.
23. Consideration to renew the existing six (6) month contract FY14-039 to Hollon Oil Company, Weslaco, Texas in an amount up to \$88,000.00 for the purchase of motor oil and lubricants for the Fleet Department. The term of this contract shall be for a period of six (6) months beginning as of the date of its execution. The contract may be extended for seven (7), additional six (6) month periods each upon mutual agreement of the parties. All lubricants will be secured on an as needed basis. Funding is available in the Fleet Maintenance Budget.
24. Consideration to ratify and renew the award of annual contracts FY14-014 by the City Manager to the following bidders:
 1. Velco Inc., Laredo, Texas in an amount up to \$35,000.00; and
 2. Hosemasters, Laredo, Texas in an amount up to \$15,000.00,for the fabrication of hydraulic hoses with fittings for the City's heavy equipment. The term of this contract shall be for a period of one (1) year

beginning as of the date of its execution. The contract may be extended for one, additional one (1) year period each upon mutual agreement of the parties. All hoses will be purchased on an as needed basis. Funding is available in the Fleet Maintenance Budget.

25. Consideration to award a contract to Tremco Incorporation, Beachwood, Ohio in the amount of \$63,210.05 for roof repairs on the Auxiliary Building of Haynes Recreation Center. This will include a twenty (20) year warranty plus a ten (10) year maintenance plan. Funding is available in the 2007 C.O. Bond Capital Outlay Parks Construction Project Budget.
26. Consideration to award contract FY14-066 awarded to sole bidder, Praxair, Laredo, Texas in an annual amount not to exceed \$50,000.00 to provide welding gases/medical oxygen to various city departments to include: Fire, Traffic, Parks and Recreation. This contract is for a period of one (1) year. If the contract pricing does not exceed the current pricing structure, the contract will be automatically renewed for an additional one (1) year period. Funding is available in the respective departmental budgets.
27. Consideration to award a two (2) year professional services contract FY14-076 to ComPsych Corporation, Chicago, Illinois to provide employee assistance program (EAP) services and to authorize the City Manager to execute all contract documents. The mental health services provided by the employee assistance program include: family, grief, financial, substance abuse counseling, stress management and tobacco cessation counseling for eligible employees and their dependents. It is estimated that the program will incur a cost of approximately \$46,800.00 per year and contract has option to be extended three (3) additional one (1) year periods. The contract is based on a fee of \$1.56 per active employee per month and has a five (5) year price rate guarantee and contract is subject to future appropriations. Funding is available in the Health Benefits Budget of the Employee Health Division.
28. Consideration to ratify and renew the award of annual contract FY14-013 by the City Manager to Quadex, North Little Rock, Arkansas in an amount up to \$45,000.00 for the purchase of cementitious mortar concrete for the repair of sanitary sewer underground structures for the Utilities Department. The term of this contract shall be for a period of one (1) year beginning as of the date of its execution. The contract may be extended for two (2), additional one (1) years periods each upon mutual agreement of the parties. All material will be purchased on an as needed basis. Funding is available in the Utilities Department Budget.
29. Consideration for partial release of retainage of 3% in the amount of \$2,549,500.87, to Western Summit Contractors, Inc./McAllen Construction, Inc., a Joint Venture Contractor, Fort Worth, Texas, for El Pico Water Treatment Plant 20 MGD. The plant is in operation, but there are twenty-nine

(29) pending punch list items that are being addressed by the general contractor. The contract amount remains the same in the amount of \$85,657,070.10. Funding is available in Water 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, & 2012 Revenue Bonds.

30. Consideration for approval of change order No. 4, a net increase of \$13,652.51 to Pedal Valves, Inc., increasing the contract to \$15,052,975.85 for the installation of approximately 65,000 Automatic Water Meter Reading Devices (AMI/AMR System). This change order allows for additional work and services to install meters. Approximately 43,000 meters have been installed to date. Funding is available in the 2012 Water Revenue Bond and 2008 B Sewer Combination Tax/Revenue Certificate.
31. Authorizing the City Manager to approve Amendment No. 1, to the professional engineering services contract in the amount of \$13,000.00 to LNV, Inc., Laredo for Initial Coordination and Environmental Documentation for Environmental Information Document. The original contract sum was \$358,527.00. With this amendment, the total new contract amount is \$371,527.00. Funding is available in the 2013 Line Rehab Water Revenue Bond.
32. Authorizing the City Manager to approve change order No. 4, in the amount of \$747,032.32 to Pepper-Lawson Waterworks, L.L.C., Houston, Texas for the South Laredo Wastewater Treatment Plant 6 MGD Expansion Project. This change order will allow for future expansion of the plant, address unforeseen field conditions and missing work that was not shown in the contract documents and additional work due to failure of the existing 36-inch sewer main. This change order also adds an additional one hundred twenty-five (125) calendar days. The total new contract amount will be \$43,666,280.00. Total contract time is one-thousand seventy three (1,073) calendar days. Funding is available in the 2012 Sewer System Revenue Bond - TWDB - SLDO WWTP, and is subject to approval by Texas Water Development Board (TWDB).

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

XIII. GENERAL COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

33. A. Request by Mayor Raul G. Salinas
 1. Extend the City's random drug testing policy to include all City of Laredo elected officials.

Mayor Salinas said that it was important that they submit to random drug testing and lead by example in transparency.

Cm. Vela stated that he understood that there were some legal issues at the state level and that they could not make this a requirement, so he suggested that each Council Member would agree to be part of the random drug testing process by their own will. He volunteered to be part of the process himself.

Mayor Salinas said that he would agree to submit to this process and strongly encouraged that other elected officials do the same on a voluntary basis.

Human Resources Interim Director Monica Flores said that employees must go within two hours of being called; however, fire fighters had four hours.

- B. Request by Mayor Pro-Tempore Esteban Rangel
- 1. Status on the Technical Review Committee and their duties with possible action.

Mayor Pro Tem Rangel asked for interaction with Council on what, exactly, would be the duties of a member of this committee.

City Manager Carlos Villarreal replied that they could make recommendations, but there would have to be a lot of dialogue between them and staff. He added that, for example, specifications for the construction of city streets could be looked at, but those specifications would need to be enhanced because of subdivisions that had streets that were caving in after one year. He concluded that those were the discussions that they needed to have, and the ultimate authority would be the City Council.

Cm. Vera stated that this related to many ordinances, including the parking and sign ordinances, so that the public sector could come in and share their ideas. He added that in San Antonio this arrangement was working well.

XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

XV. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn.

Moved: Cm. Garza

Second: Cm. Vera

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

I, Gustavo Guevara, Jr., City Secretary, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes contained in pages 01 to 19 and they are true, complete, and correct proceedings of the City Council meeting held on August 18, 2014.

Gustavo Guevara, Jr.
City Secretary

“Energize Laredo” Project Status Report

Geoff Howland
August 18, 2014



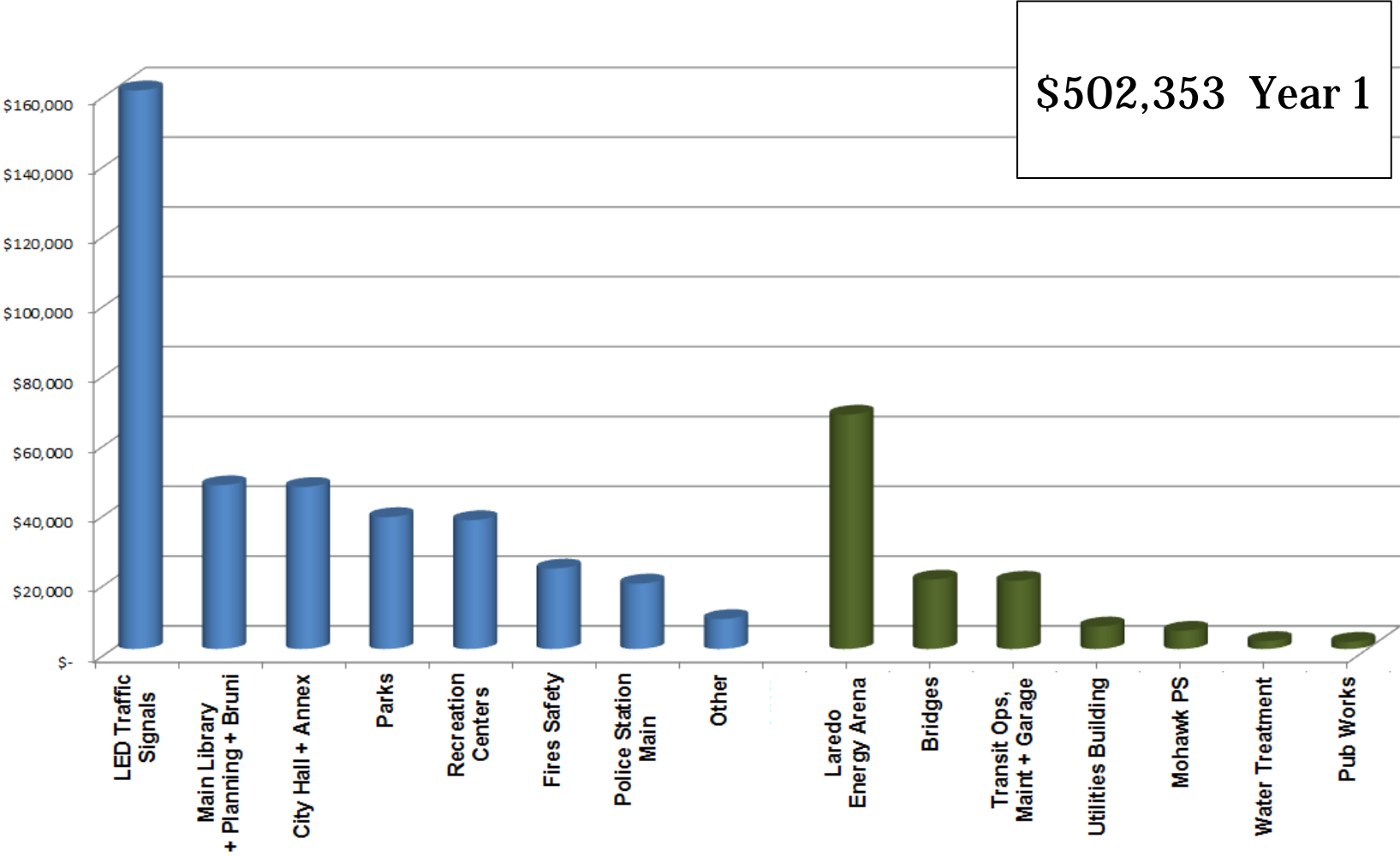
Energize Laredo Overview

- **Description**
 - Leverage sustainability and energy conservation to improve facilities with Guaranteed savings
- **Goals**
 - Save \$502,353 during the first year
 - Save \$9,343,220 over 15 years
- **Scope \$5,894,550 investment**
 - 46 buildings, 14 parks, traffic signals, water conservation





Savings Profile



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Building Improvements

- City Hall / Annex / Energy Arena / Library / Health Centers / Senior Activity Center / Police Station
- Fires stations, recreation centers and parks
- Bridges, transit buildings, and water treatment plant buildings
- Types of projects:
 - Energy efficient lighting
 - Air conditioning (HVAC) upgrades
 - Building energy management system upgrades
 - Domestic water conservation
 - Irrigation controllers, Solar hot water heating
 - Energy Efficient LED Traffic Signals



Current Status

- Project completed in August
- Change orders reduced total cost by \$154,300
- Year 1 of 15 - savings guarantee begins September 1, 2014



Initial Savings Assessment

| | Year 1 Guarantee | Initial Report | Preliminary Data | Year 1 Forecast |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|----------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Option A Savings | \$ 119,284 | \$ 121,670 | | \$ 121,670 |
| Option C Savings (Previous 5 Months) | | | | |
| Energy Arena | \$ 67,132 | | No data yet | \$ 67,132 |
| City Hall | \$ 28,506 | | 118% | \$ 33,697 |
| Public Library | \$ 36,829 | | 119% | \$ 43,951 |
| LVB Pool (Gas) | \$ 4,410 | | -124% | \$ (5,479) |
| Irrigation 9 Parks | \$ 33,953 | | 139% | \$ 47,296 |
| Total: | \$ 170,830 | | | \$ 186,598 |
| Stipulated Savings | \$ 212,239 | | | \$ 212,239 |
| Grand Total: | \$ 502,353 | | | \$ 520,506 |



Initial Results

- Initial estimate of \$520,506 - exceeds savings by almost 4%
- Building reliability and comfort improved
- Local business support in amount of \$1,569,000
- Carbon foot print reduced
 - 3,534 removed metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent
 - 322 homes energy for one year, or
 - 8.4 million miles driven by an average passenger vehicle every year



Special Thanks

- Sammy Hinojosa
- Gabriel Martinez
- Pete Paredes
- Robert Pena
- Beto Ramirez
- Tomas Rodriguez
- Mario Ruiz
- Horacio De Leon, Rosario Cabello, Francisco Meza
- City of Laredo



