

**CITY OF LAREDO
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
M-2014-SC-06
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1110 HOUSTON STREET
LAREDO, TEXAS 78040
SEPTEMBER 30, 2014
12:30 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

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
Cynthia Liendo,	District VIII
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

IV. MOTION

1. Discussion and possible action to approve a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Laredo and Laredo Baseball Investors, L.L.C., for the transition and transfer of ownership of the Laredo Lemurs; the membership in the American Association of Independent Professional Baseball; and, the assignment of the Operations and Lease Agreement and Development Agreement to Laredo Baseball Holdings, Inc., and authorizing the issuance of a Letter of Credit to the American Association of Independent Professional Baseball to facilitate the transfer and preserve the Lemur's status with the American Association and any matters incident thereto.

Parts of the memorandum of understanding read by Assistant City Manager

Jesus Olivares stated that it was to issue the letter of credit that would preserve the integrity of the Lemurs and their membership in the American Association of Baseball; to assign the operations and the agreement of the stadium to the new investors and work out all those details; and to be able to preserve the status of the professional baseball team that we currently have here in the City of Laredo. He added that Pete Incaviglia had signed a three-year contract to be extended, which was very important. He went on to say it would allow them to develop new marketing techniques to bring back to Mayor and Council and expand the use of the stadium to include other events.

City Manager Carlos Villarreal stated that it gave a lease term, rent, marketing, the City's obligations, operational costs related to the stadium, approval and audit, other city events, and operations and lease agreement and development agreement; he added that it was pretty technical about what they could and could not do and indicated taking into consideration that all the agreements in place right now would be honored. He concluded that the only way they could proceed was to call the letter of credit to be used by a 380 agreement that they would bring back for ratification at Monday's City Council meeting and that by that time, they would have the letter of credit already signed by the people involved with the new investors.

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Garza
Second: Cm. Vera
For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

V. EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn.

Moved: Cm. Perez
Second: Cm. Liendo
For: 8

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 02 and they are true, complete, and correct proceedings of the Special City Council meeting held on September 30, 2014.

Gustavo Guevara, Jr.
City Secretary