

**CITY OF LAREDO
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
M-2010-R-17
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1110 HOUSTON STREET
LAREDO, TEXAS 78040
SEPTEMBER 7, 2010
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

In attendance:

Raul G. Salinas,	Mayor
Mike Garza,	Council Member, District I
Hector Garcia,	Council Member, District II
Michael Landeck,	Council Member, District III
Juan Narvaez,	Council Member, District IV
Johnny Rendon,	Mayor Pro Tempore, District V
Gene Belmares,	Council Member, District VI
Jose A. Valdez, Jr.	Council Member, District VII
Cynthia Liendo-Espinoza,	Council Member, District VIII
Carlos Villarreal,	City Manager
Gustavo Guevara, Jr.	City Secretary
Cynthia Collazo,	Deputy City Manager
Horacio De Leon,	Assistant City Manager
Jesus Olivares,	Assistant City Manager
Raul Casso,	City Attorney

Motion to excuse Cm. Landeck.

Moved: Cm. Garcia
Second: Cm. Narvaez
For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Cm. Landeck arrived at 5:55 pm.

IV. MINUTES

Approval of the minutes of August 9, 10, 11, 2010 and August 16, 2010.

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Garcia

Second: Cm. Narvaez

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

V. COMMUNICATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS

Recognitions

- a. Recognizing Alejandra “Alex” Salinas on her election as President of the Democrats of America. She is the first female Hispanic and youngest college student elected to this office.

Mayor Salinas announced that Alejandra Salinas could not be with them but that he and Council recognized her as the first female Hispanic to be elected as President of the Democrats of America.

- b. Recognizing Patrick A. Reyna for earning the Boxing Champion Ringside 2010 Belt at the 10th Annual Ringside World Championship Tournament held August 2-7, 2010 in Kansas City, Missouri.

Mayor Salinas and City Council publicly recognized Patrick Reyna.

- c. Recognition of †Fernando Valdez in honor of his dedicated thirty (30) years of service to the City of Laredo, International Airport as a Light Equipment Operator.

The Valdez Family received the recognition from Jose Flores, Airport Director.

Motion to place a small plaque at the airport in recognition of his service.

Moved: Mayor Pro Tem Rendon

Second: Cm. Belmares

There was no formal action taken since the item was not posted and will be handled administratively.

Communiqués

- a. Presentation by the 2010-2011 Sister Cities Youth Committee on the Sister Cities International Conference held in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

A video was presented to Council by Abigail Fernandez, Enrique Ramirez, Edson Gonzalez and Marcia Salas.

- b. Presentation by the 2009-2010 Sister Cities Youth Committee on a Student Exchange Program held in New Zealand.

Ana Vasquez presented a video on her perspective of her trip enrichment.

Citizen comments

Mr. Fernando Campo, Vice Minister of Commerce from Costa Rica who was visiting Laredo, was introduced to the Mayor and City Council.

VI. APPOINTMENTS TO COMMISSIONS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

- a. Appointment by Council Member Gene Belmares of Mrs. Donna Copeland-Magnon to the Convention & Visitors Bureau Advisory Committee.

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Garcia

Second: Cm. Valdez

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

- b. Appointments to the Economic Development Advisory Committee.

None.

VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Public hearing and introductory ordinance amending the City of Laredo Health Department FY 2009-2010 annual budget by appropriating additional revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$7,303.00 for a total award of \$230,491.00 from the Texas Department of State Health Services, for continuation of the Immunization Action Plan (IAP) program of the Health Department, with a projected amount of program income of \$82,038.00 for the period from September 1, 2010 through August 31, 2011. (Approved by Operations & Finance Committees)

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved: Cm. Valdez

Second: Cm. Liendo Espinoza

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

There was no public input.

Motion to close the public hearing and introduce.

Moved: Cm. Belmares

Second: Cm. Narvaez

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

2. Public hearing and introductory ordinance amending the City of Laredo Health Department FY 2009-2010 annual budget by appropriating additional revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$76,047.00 for a total of \$87,640.00 in funds from

the Texas Department of State Health Services as well as \$1,000.00 in program income for continuation of the Health Department Maternal and Well Child services to provide early wellness and screening, medical and dental services for children who are underserved, uninsured and medically indigent for the term beginning September 1, 2010 through August 31, 2011. (Approved by Operations & Finance Committees)

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved: Cm. Garcia

Second: Cm. Belmares

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

There was no public input.

Motion to close the public hearing and introduce.

Moved: Cm. Belmares

Second: Mayor Pro Tem Rendon

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

3. Public hearing and introductory ordinance authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement, accepting reimbursement from the Webb County Sheriff's Office (WCSSO) and amending the City of Laredo Special Police FY 2009-2010 budget by increasing expenditures and revenues in the amount of \$700,000.00 in overtime and benefits expenses for Operation Stonegarden. The term of this grant agreement is from October 1, 2009 to September 30, 2012. (Approved by Operations & Finance Committees)

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved: Cm. Garcia

Second: Cm. Belmares

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

There was no public input.

Motion to close the public hearing and introduce.

Moved: Cm. Belmares

Second: Mayor Pro Tem Rendon

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

4. Public hearing and introductory ordinance amending the City of Laredo Fiscal Year 2009-2010 budget for the 2007 Certificate of Obligation Fund by appropriating

revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$1,200,000.00. Funding will be derived from a donation by Rosalyn Mandel and contributions from the lessee (Foresight Golf) and will be used to partially fund the Max A. Mandel Memorial Golf Course. (Approved by Operations & Finance Committees)

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved: Cm. Garcia

Second: Mayor Pro Tem Rendon

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

There was no public input.

Motion to close the public hearing and introduce.

Moved: Cm. Belmares

Second: Cm. Garcia

For: 7

Against: 1

Abstain: 0

Cm. Landeck

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

5. Public hearing and introductory ordinance to adopt the proposed Annual Budget for fiscal year 2010-2011 by appropriating the proposed revenues, expenditures and balances reported therein for the year beginning October 1, 2010, and ending September 30, 2011, consistent with the financial plan described in said Annual Budget (see Exhibit A) and motions approved by City Council at public workshops (see Exhibit B) and authorizing the City Manager to implement said Annual Budget.

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved: Cm. Garcia

Second: Cm. Belmares

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

There was no public input.

Motion to close the public hearing and introduce.

Moved: Cm. Belmares

Second: Cm. Narvaez

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

6. Public hearing for consideration to adopt the 2011-2015 Capital Improvement Program of the City of Laredo.

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved: Cm. Garcia

Second: Cm. Liendo Espinoza

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

There was no public input.

Motion to close the public hearing.

Moved: Cm. Belmares

Second: Cm. Valdez

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

7. Public hearing and introductory ordinance authorizing the City Manager to accept and execute the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDot), Section 5317, New Freedom (NF) Project Grant Agreement No. 51122F7087 in the amount of \$221,425.00 with a local match of \$55,356.00, for a grant total of \$276,781.00; and to amend the FY 2010-2011 Transit Capital Grants Budget by appropriating the same amount for the purchase of ADA Signage with “real time” passenger information. (Approved by Operations & Finance Committees)

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved: Cm. Garcia

Second: Cm. Narvaez

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

There was no public input.

Motion to close the public hearing and introduce.

Moved: Cm. Belmares

Second: Cm. Valdez

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

8. Public hearing and introductory ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by authorizing a Special Use Permit for the storage of flammable and explosive products on approximately 1.97 acres, as further described by metes and bounds in attached Exhibit “A”, located at 126 Ranch Road 6086C.

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

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved: Cm. Garcia

Second: Mayor Pro Tem Rendon

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Margarito Benavides, representing Pioneer Wireline Services, stated that they had gone before the Planning and Zoning Commission and had been given conditions with which they needed to comply. He continued saying that they were currently in compliance with said conditions.

Steve Landin, Fire Chief, reported that they had reviewed the documentation presented to them and after discussing the situation with the applicants, they were comfortable with the proposed location of the magazine on the property. He went on to say that they would require an inspection of said location every other month.

Cm. Garcia said that as long as they inspected the location every sixty days, he felt that there was no problem with this. He added that if any homes would be built near the area, the business would be asked to shut down.

Motion to close the public hearing and introduce.

Moved: Cm. Garcia

Second: Cm. Garza

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Ordinance Introduction: Cm. Garcia

VIII. INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCES

9. Providing for the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.637000 per \$100 value with a Maintenance and Operation Rate of \$0.512304 per \$100 value and a Interest and Sinking Fund Rate of \$0.124696 per \$100 value for the levy and the collection of General and Special Ad Valorem taxes for the City of Laredo for Tax Year 2010 and Fiscal Year 2010-2011. (This is the seventh year that the City has adopted this same rate.)

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

10. Authorizing the City Manager to approve the granting of:
 1. A twenty-five (25) year Right-of-Way Easement to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security upon 0.46 acres of city property in west Laredo commonly known as Gonzales Street between Camp and the River Vega for the purpose of continuing with Phase III of the Riverbend Road Project with the option to extend for additional five (5) year periods and

2. A twenty-four (24) month Temporary Working Easement abutting both sides of the Gonzales roadway for accessibility of road construction, and providing for effective date. (Approved by Operations Committee)

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

11. Authorizing the City Manager to execute a Foreign Trade Zone Operator Agreement with PG Distribution, LLC as Zone Site Operator located at 8417 Amparan Road and located within El Portal Industrial Park, Foreign Trade Zone Proposed New Site No. 10; effective November 1, 2010 and ending October 31, 2013. Providing for activation, administration, annual and transaction fees to be paid to the City. (Approved by Operations Committee)

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

12. Authorizing the City Manager to execute a Foreign Trade Zone Operator Agreement with Southern Forwarding Company, Inc., as Zone Site Operator located at 1109 Uniroyal Dr. and located within Unitec Industrial Park, Foreign Trade Zone Site No. 6; effective October 1, 2010 and ending September 30, 2014. Providing for activation, administration, annual and transaction fees to be paid to the City. (Approved by Operations Committee)

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

13. Authorizing the City Manager to execute a Foreign Trade Zone Operator Agreement with BA Forwarding Co. Inc., as Zone Site Operator located at 14488 Port Dr. and located within Unitec Industrial Park, Foreign Trade Zone Site No. 6; effective October 1, 2010 and ending September 30, 2014. Providing for activation, administration, annual and transaction fees to be paid to the City. (Approved by Operations Committee)

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

14. Authorizing the City Manager to execute a Foreign Trade Zone Operator Agreement with ANNAH-El Custom Services of Laredo, Inc., as Zone Site Operator located at 1209 Uniroyal Dr. and located within Unitec Industrial Park, Foreign Trade Zone Site No. 6; effective October 1, 2010 and ending September 30, 2014. Providing for activation, administration, annual and transaction fees to be paid to the City. (Approved by Operations Committee)

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

15. Amending Ordinance No. 2000-O-295 which adopted the speed hump installation policy of the City of Laredo to amend language in the policy to reflect the use of speed cushions instead of speed humps, to add minimum requirements to the special provision for the installation of speed cushions, and to incorporate other changes to the established installation procedures providing for publication and effective date. (As amended and approved by Operations Committee)

IX. FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

Motion to waive the final readings of Ordinances 2010-O-113, 2010-O-114, 2010-O-115, 2010-O-116, 2010-O-117, 2010-O-118, 2010-O-119, 2010-O-120-, 2010-O-121, 2010-O-122, 2010-O-123, 2010-O-124, and 2010-O-125.

Moved: Cm. Garza

Second: Mayor Pro Tem Rendon

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

16. 2010-O-113 Amending the City of Laredo's FY 2009-2010 9-1-1 Regional Administration Fund budget by decreasing revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$41,163.00 for the period beginning September 1, 2009 and ending August 31, 2010. The Commission on State Emergency Communication has approved this strategic plan amendment. This decrease is due to state-wide budget reductions requested of all state agencies. Impact is to the four (4) county regional program network operations; only new activity for network expansions has been reduced.

Motion to approve 2010-O-113.

Moved: Cm. Garza

Second: Cm. Garcia

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

- 2010-O-114 Amending the FY 2010 9-1-1 Regional Administration budget by increasing revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$729,831.00 for administrative, equipment and program budgets for Jim Hogg, Starr, Webb, and Zapata counties for the period beginning September 1, 2010 and ending August 31, 2011. This increase is to match the FY 2011 strategic plan budget approved by CSEC, and the significant difference is due to regional equipment replacements budgeted for FY 2011.

Motion to approve 2010-O-114.

Moved: Cm. Garza

Second: Cm. Garcia

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

- 2010-O-115 Authorizing the City Manager to amend the Laredo Municipal Housing Corporation FY 2009-2010 annual budget by accepting and appropriating a \$44,000.00 emergency grant from the United Way of Laredo, Inc., to provide emergency housing rehabilitation assistance to families whose homes were affected by the recent flooding due to Hurricane Alex.

Motion to approve 2010-O-115.

Moved: Cm. Garza

Second: Cm. Garcia

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

- 2010-O-116 Amending the City of Laredo FY 2010 Airport Construction Budget to recognize additional revenues from a grant received from the Federal Aviation Administration Airport Improvement Program being Grant Project No. 3-48-0136-064-2010 in the amount of \$300,000.00 to contract for professional services to prepare an Airport Geographic Information System “AGIS” survey for the Laredo International Airport. The City’s local match in the amount of \$15,789.47 (5%) is available through the Airport Construction Fund.

Motion to approve 2010-O-116.

Moved: Cm. Garza

Second: Cm. Garcia

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

- 2010-O-117 Amending the City of Laredo FY 2010 Airport Construction Budget to recognize additional revenues from a grant received from the Federal Aviation Administration Airport Improvement Program being Grant Project No. 3-48-0136-065-2010 in the amount of \$8,843,166.00 for the extension of Runway 17R (150 feet wide by approximately 911 feet long), relocation of the Instrument Landing System (ILS), reconstruction of a portion of Taxiway “A” at the Laredo International Airport, and to amend the FY 2010 Airport Construction Fund to recognize the additional revenues and expenditures. The City’s local match in the amount not to exceed \$490,903.00 (5%) is available in the Airport Construction Fund.

Motion to approve 2010-O-117.

Moved: Cm. Garza

Second: Cm. Garcia

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

- 2010-O-118 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lot 5, Block 1930, Eastern Division, located at 3119 Loop 20, from R-2 (Multi-Family Residential District) to B-1 (Limited Commercial District); providing for publication and effective date.

Motion to approve 2010-O-118.

Moved: Cm. Garza
Second: Cm. Garcia
For: 8 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

2010-O-119 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lot 9, Block 1149, Eastern Division, located at 2018 Chihuahua Street, from R-O (Residential/Office District) to B-3 (Community Business District); providing for publication and effective date.

Motion to approve 2010-O-119.

Moved: Cm. Garza
Second: Cm. Garcia
For: 8 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

2010-O-120 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lot 2, Block 2, Jacaman Ranch I Subdivision, located at 1522 Jacaman Road, from R-2 (Multi-Family Residential District) to B-3 (Community Business District); providing for publication and effective date.

Motion to approve 2010-O-120.

Moved: Cm. Garza
Second: Cm. Garcia
For: 8 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

2010-O-121 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by authorizing a Conditional Use Permit for a fire station and fire administration building on 6.3 acres, as further described by metes and bounds in attached exhibit "A", located at 510 E. Del Mar Boulevard; providing for publication and effective date.

Motion to approve 2010-O-121.

Moved: Cm. Garza
Second: Cm. Garcia
For: 8 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

2010-O-122 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning 4.13 acres, as further described by metes and bounds in attached Exhibit "A", located at 22203 F.M. 1472 Road, from AG (Agricultural District) to M-1 (Light Manufacturing District); providing for publication and effective date.

Motion to approve 2010-O-122.

Moved: Cm. Garza
Second: Cm. Garcia
For: 8 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

2010-O-123 Authorizing the City Manager to execute all necessary documents to grant a perpetual Utility Easement to AT&T, a Utility Company for the relocation of service lines east of the proposed bridge structure for the North Merida Drive Extension. The Utility Easement consists of a 0.16 acre tract of land being out of Lot 23, Block 10, Freedom Park Subdivision Phase III, identified as unbuildable recorded in Volume 25, Page 101 of the Plat Records, Webb County, Texas; and more particularly described on attached, Exhibit A.

Motion to approve 2010-O-123.

Moved: Cm. Garza
Second: Cm. Garcia
For: 8 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

2010-O-124 Authorizing the City Manager to enter into an Operations/Lease Agreement with Laredo Baseball Investors, L.L.C. (Ventura Sports Group-Laredo, Inc., Manager) for the operations and lease of the proposed baseball stadium, the establishment of a professional baseball team and further authorizing the City Manager to sign all relevant documents, subject to appropriation of funding.

Motion to approve 2010-O-124.

Moved: Cm. Garza
Second: Cm. Narvaez
For: 5 Against: 3 Abstain: 0
 Cm. Landeck
 Cm. Valdez
 Cm. Liendo Espinoza

2010-O-125 Authorizing the City Manager to approve the granting of: 1) a twenty-five (25) year Right-of-Way Easement to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security upon 2.93 acres of City property located in west Laredo along the Rio Grande River Vega, extending from Sanchez Street northward to Jefferson Street, for the purpose of continuing with Phase III of the Riverbend Road Project with the option to extend for additional five (5) year periods and 2) a twenty-four (24) month Temporary Construction Easement abutting both sides of the proposed roadway for accessibility of road construction, and providing for effective date.

Motion to approve 2010-O-125.

Moved: Cm. Garza
Second: Cm. Garcia
For: 8 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

X. RESOLUTIONS

17. 2010-R-072 Authorizing the City Manager to execute an Advanced Funding Agreement (AFA) Amendment no. 2, with the Texas Department of Transportation for the Airport Industrial Streets Project, further identified as CSJ#0922-33-138 and CSJ#0922-33-141 in order to allocate an additional \$264,322.20 in American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (AARA) Funds to the project resulting in a total funding amount of \$2,474,539.20. Approval of for these funds is pending from TxDot. Funds will be accounted for in the Capital Grants Fund. (Approved by Operations & Finance Committees)

Motion to postpone Resolution 2010-R-072.

Moved: Cm. Garza
Second: Cm. Garcia
For: 8 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

18. 2010-R-076 Authorizing City Manager to accept additional grant funding from The United States Marshal Service (USMS) in the amount of \$12,000.00. Funding will be used to reimburse costs for overtime incurred by the Laredo Police Department for special operations.

Motion to approve 2010-R-076.

Moved: Cm. Garza
Second: Cm. Garcia
For: 8 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

19. 2010-R-077 Urging the Diocese of Laredo to consent to the conducting of Deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) testing on human remains found on the grounds of San Agustin Cathedral, Laredo, Texas.

Cm. Liendo Espinoza stated that she was concerned about this item because she felt it should be dealt with more privately with the diocese. She wished to present the bishop with a letter rather than a resolution.

Motion to approve 2010-R-077.

Moved: Cm. Garza
Second: Cm. Valdez
For: 6 Against: 2 Abstain: 0
Cm. Liendo Espinoza
Cm. Landeck

20. 2010-R-079 Authorizing the City Manager to take all actions he deems necessary, including but not limited to legal action, individually or jointly with other governmental entities with similar concerns, to protect the PEG Channels and to ensure that Laredo PEG Channels remain available to all Time Warner subscribers, without requiring subscribers to take any special steps, and without requiring the subscribers or any Laredo PEG Channel Administrator to pay any special charges. (Approved by Operations Committee)

Motion to approve 2010-R-079.

Moved: Cm. Garza

Second: Cm. Garcia

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

21. 2010-R-080 A resolution expressing official intent to reimburse costs of \$2,000,000.00 associated with the construction of the Fire Department Headquarters from a proposed bond to the 2009 Certificate of Obligation Fund—Public Works Streets Project. (Approved by Operations & Finance Committees)

Motion to approve 2010-R-080.

Moved: Cm. Garza

Second: Cm. Garcia

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

XI. MOTIONS

22. Consideration to execute a one (1) year service agreement with Centurylink Sales Solutions, Inc., in the amount of \$75,522.48 for the maintenance of 9-1-1 Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) equipment and mapping software (Mapped ALI) for Jim Hogg County SO, Rio Grande City PD, Roma PD, Starr County SO, Webb SO, and Zapata County SO. Funding is available in the 9-1-1 Regional Fund. (Approved by Operations & Finance Committees)

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Garza

Second: Cm. Garcia

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

23. Authorizing the City Manager to exercise the option to renew the Physician Contract commencing on October 1, 2010 and ending on September 30, 2012 between the City of Laredo and David Cruz, M.D., in which the physician provides medical services to city employees through the Employee Health and Wellness Division. The cost of this one (1) year contract is \$25,000.00. Funding is available in the Risk Management Fund/Employee Health Division Budget.

Motion to approve.

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

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

24. Authorizing the City Manager to amend the engineering services contract with Dannenbaum Engineering Company—McAllen, LLC in the amount of \$234,602.30 for a new total amount of \$8,210,914.96 to perform supplemental design work of a 12” wastewater line, design of a 12” water line, Riverbank Road and park access for the new 20 MGD El Pico Water Treatment Plant in northwest Laredo. Funding is available in the 2008 & 2009 Utility Bond. (Approved by Operations & Finance Committees)

Motion to approve.

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

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

25. Consideration for acceptance and release of retainage in the amount of \$47,955.59 to Closner Construction L.C. for the rehabilitation of four (4) Lift Stations for the Utilities Department; the total cost of the project is \$526,720.00. Funding for this contract is in the 2006 Sewer Bond. (Approved by Operations & Finance Committees)

Motion to approve.

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

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

26. Consideration to rescind the award of contract FY10-027 to Gutierrez Machine Shop, Laredo, Texas, due to non compliance with the City’s bonding requirements; and authorizing that this contract be awarded to the next lowest bidder, Juan Ramirez Investments, Laredo, Texas, in the estimated amount of \$125,000.00 for concrete repairs of sidewalks, driveways, and curbs as a result of water line break repairs made by the Utilities Department. Funding is available in the Water and Sewer Fund. (Approved by Operations & Finance Committees)

Motion to approve.

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

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

27. Authorizing the City Manager to award a HGAC contract number RA01-08 in the amount of \$52,984.00 to Motorola, Inc., for the purchase of a Text Messaging

Service (TMS) Infrastructure in conjunction with the Integrated Voice & Data (IV & D) additional to its ASTRO 25 System Release (SR) 7.7 radio system. This purchase will be 100% funded from the 2009 SHSP Homeland Security Grant. (Approved by Operations & Finance Committees)

Motion to approve.

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

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

28. Consideration to award contract FY10-071 to the low bidder Philpott Motors, Nederland, Texas, in the amount of \$450,335.05, for the purchase of twenty-two (22) full size sedans for the Police Department. Funding is available from Police Trust Fund proceeds. (Approved by Operations & Finance Committees)

Motion to approve.

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

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

29. Consideration to authorize the purchase of twenty (20) Digital Recording Cameras with accessories and installation through the U.S. Communities IT Products contract number RQ09-997736-42B from Insight Public Sector, in the amount of \$146,057.00. The Digital Recording Cameras will be installed in each motorcycle assigned to the Laredo Police Department's Traffic Division in order to record important evidence on all traffic stops. Funding is available through the Police Department Trust Fund Budget. (Approved by Operations & Finance Committees)

Motion to approve.

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

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

30. Consideration to authorize a contract with Kraftsman Playground & Park Equipment, Spring, Texas, in the total amount of \$160,317.53 through the BuyBoard Cooperative Contract No. 269-07 Purchasing Program for the purchase and installation of a rubber track surface system for the Milton Elementary School sidewalk. Funding is available from District IV Discretionary Funds- Bond Proceeds. (Approved by Operations & Finance Committees)

Motion to approve.

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

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

31. Consideration to award contract FY10-084, to the low bidder, Santos Consulting International, Laredo, TX in the amount of \$47,340.00 for the purchase of

approximately 120 trees of different species for planting at North Central Park. Funding is available from 2009 CO bond proceeds. (Approved by Operations & Finance Committees)

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Garcia

Second: Cm. Garza

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

32. Consideration to ratify the City Manager's approval of emergency purchases to Lowe's Home Centers, Inc., Laredo Texas, in an estimated amount of \$60,726.36 for the purchase of refrigerators and stoves, Texas Discount Furniture, Laredo, Texas, in an estimated amount of \$54,574.00 for the purchase of beds, and Clark Hardware, Inc., Laredo, Texas, in an estimated amount of \$23,424.00 for the purchase of water heaters. The emergency assistance was provided to the victims of the flooding for the replacement of basic essential household items caused as a direct result of Hurricane Alex. Funding is available in Community Development Block Grant funds. (Approved by Operations & Finance Committees)

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Garcia

Second: Cm. Garza

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

33. Authorizing the City Manager to enter into contract and award Community Development Block Grant funds made available by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in the amount of \$178,310.00 to Mercy Ministries of Laredo to facilitate the rehabilitation of their Health Clinic which is located at 2500 Zacatecas. Funding is available in the 2009 Community Development Block Grant funds. (Approved by Operations & Finance Committees)

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Garcia

Second: Cm. Garza

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

34. Authorizing the City Manager to enter into contract and award Community Development Block Grant funds made available by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in the amount of \$92,860.00 to Casa de Misericordia for the rehabilitation of their battered woman's shelter. Funding is available in the 2009 Community Development Block Grant funds. (Approved by Operations & Finance Committees)

Motion to approve.

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

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

35. Consideration to ratify the authorization by the City Manager to amend the contract with the Laredo Municipal Housing Corporation (LMHC) by increasing the amount from \$239,000.00 to \$299,228.00 to repair homes purchased through the Texas Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP). Once repaired, these homes will be made available for purchase by low-income households residing in the City with incomes that do not exceed 50% of the Area Median Income (AMI). Funding is available in the Texas Neighborhood Stabilization Program account. (Approved by Operations & Finance Committees)

Motion to approve.

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

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

36. Authorizing the City Manager to grant a Right-of-Entry to United States of America on City owned property located alongside the Rio Grande and within the Jefferson Water Plant facility for the purpose of accessibility for Phase III of the Riverbend Road Project site. This right of entry is requested for a period of twelve (12) months for the following described areas; Block 421, Lots 1, 3, 5, and 7, Western Division Laredo Water Works System, Block 435, Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 Western Division Laredo Water Work System and platted streets, Shea, Anna Avenue, Garden Street, and Constantinople Street, as depicted in Exhibits A-1 and A-2 and providing for effective date. (As amending & approved by Operations Committee)

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Garcia
Second: Cm. Liendo Espinoza
For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

37. Authorizing the City Manager to execute the Toll Collection System Maintenance Service Agreement between the City of Laredo and TransCore, L.P. for the hardware and software maintenance of the Laredo Bridge System Toll Collection Equipment. This maintenance service contract is for a term not to exceed one (1) year effective October 1, 2010 through September 30, 2011 and will not exceed \$190,000.00. Funding is contingent upon availability in the FY 10-11 Bridge Fund Budget. (Approved by Operations & Finance Committees)

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Garcia
Second: Cm. Liendo Espinoza

For: 7

Against: 1
Cm. Valdez

Abstain: 0

38. Consideration to ratify the emergency purchase order issued to Schindler Elevator Corporation in the total amount of \$119,413.00. The City Manager authorized an emergency purchase order to replace elevator components that were completely submerged in flood waters for several days. These two (2) service elevators are located on the south side of the Bridge Administration Building at El Portal. Funding is available in the FY09-10 Bridge Fund Budget. (Approved by Operations & Finance Committees)

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Garcia

Second: Cm. Liendo Espinoza

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

39. Consideration for approval of the Walkway Canopy (USA) of International Bridge I Project with Rhino Builders, Ltd., Laredo, Texas, as complete and approval of change order no. 2 a decrease of \$69,950.00 comprised of \$59,950.00 recommended for late completion of the project, and \$10,000.00 assessment for incomplete work and approval of final payment in the amount of \$11,650.80. Final construction contract amount is \$828,810.50. Funding is available in the Bridge System Fund. (As amended & approved by Operations & Finance Committees)

Motion to table.

Moved: Cm. Garcia

Second: Cm. Valdez

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

40. Consideration for approval of the Ejido Avenue Extension (San Nicolas to Cielito Lindo) Improvements as complete and approval of change order no. 2, a decrease of \$210,727.29 for the balance of quantities actually constructed in place and a credit for unused contingency allowance, release of retainage and approval of final payment in the amount of \$106,833.19 to Whitestone Construction, Ltd., Laredo, Texas. Final construction contract amount is \$2,136,663.60. Funding is available in the 2008 Community Development ARRA Fund, 2009 Utility Bond, 2007, 2006, 2005, 2003, 2000 and 1998 Bonds. (Approved by Operations & Finance Committees)

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Garcia

Second: Cm. Valdez

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

41. Consideration for approval of amendment no. 2, an increase of \$39,694.95 to the professional services contract with Sepulveda Associates Architects, Inc., Laredo,

Texas, for the New Laredo Fire Department Administration Center and Site Improvements for additional re-design services. Current engineering contract amount is \$830,895.00 and the revised amount will be \$870,589.95. Funding is available in the Fire Department Headquarters—2006 C.O. (Approved by Operations & Finance Committees)

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Garcia
Second: Cm. Valdez
For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

42. Award of a construction contract to the lowest bidder Leyendecker Construction, Laredo, Texas, in the base bid amount of \$7,000,000.00 for the City of Laredo Fire Department Administration Center with a construction contract time of three hundred sixty-five (365) calendar days; and authorizing the City Manager to execute all related contract documents contingent upon receipt and approval of insurance and bond documents. Funding is available in the 2006 CO, 2007 CO, and 2009 CO Bonds. (Approved by Operations & Finance Committees)

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Garcia
Second: Cm. Valdez
For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

43. Consideration for approval of amendment no. 2 an increase of \$282,521.26 to the professional services contract with URS Corporation, Dallas, Texas, for the Laredo International Airport Runway 17R-35L Extension for the construction phase services and resident project representative. Current engineering contract is \$497,962.60 and the revised amount will be \$780,483.86. Funding is available in the Airport Construction Fund—Grant No. 57. (Approved by Operations & Finance Committees)

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Garcia
Second: Cm. Valdez
For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

44. Award of construction contract to the sole bidder Price Construction, Ltd., Big Spring, Texas, in the base bid amount of \$9,073,776.35 for the Laredo International Airport Runway 17R-35L Extension with a construction contract time of two hundred sixty (260) calendar days; and authorizing the City Manager to execute all related contract documents contingent upon receipt and approval of insurance and bond documents. Funding is available in the Airport Construction Fund Grant No. 65 contingent upon approval of Ordinance No. 2010-O-117 amending the construction budget for FY 2010. (Approved by Operations & Finance Committees)

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Garcia
Second: Cm. Valdez
For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

45. Consideration for approval of change order to Antares Development Corporation, in the amount of \$91,200.00 for the continuation of Phase III of the data management system for Health Department, Environmental Services Division and to initiate the Animal Control Services portion that will allow us to further automate, archive, and streamline the data system operations to improve mobile business processes, food permits, inspections and animal control field operations, permits, and enforcement of rabies ordinance as well to improve the Data Management Infrastructure for the City of Laredo Health Department. Funding is available in the Health Department Operational budget. (Approved by Operations & Finance Committees)

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Garcia
Second: Cm. Valdez
For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

46. Directing staff to prepare a service plan for the unilateral annexation of five (5) tracts of land totaling 372.67 acres, more or less, as shown on attachment "A", in accordance with Section 43.052 of the Texas Local Government Code. (Approved by Operations Committee)

Motion to approve.

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

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

47. Authorizing the City Manager to acquire through fee simple title the surface only of the property legally described as Lot 3, Block 803, Western Division, Laredo, Texas, commonly known as 3015 Santa Maria Avenue in the amount of \$100,000.00 plus applicable closing costs. Funding for the acquisition is available in the Capital Improvements Fund.

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Liendo Espinoza
Second: Cm. Valdez
For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

XII. GENERAL COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

48. A. Request by Mayor Raul G. Salinas
1. Status report on the code inspections, specifically fire safety inspections being conducted in the downtown area, with possible action.

Fire Chief Steve Landin reported that the Fire Department had been doing inspections in the downtown district and had found multiple hazards in every store during the last month during seventy inspections. He went on to explain that some problems were fire extinguishers being expired, merchandise stacked on the floor up to the ceiling, and multiple electrical hazards.

- B. Request by Council Member Mike Garza
1. Discussion with possible action on a proposed moratorium on new and renewal applications for liquid waste services.

Cm. Garza stated that this was about portable restrooms. He wished to see what changes were required to the current ordinance concerning environmental services.

City Manager Carlos Villarreal responded that they would come back with more information at the next City Council meeting.

Motion to postpone this item until the next meeting.

Moved: Cm. Garza

Second: Cm. Garcia

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

2. Discussion with possible action on the status of negotiations for a new landfill site.

Assistant City Manager Jesus Olivares reported that they had contacted Mr. Treviño who had expressed interest in doing comparables with municipalities purchasing landfills, partnerships and even the possibility of operating the landfill and utilizing it for commercial construction and debris.

Steve Geiss, Solid Waste Director, reported that residential was about one-third and commercial was two-thirds of landfill waste. He explained that this year, they had collected 325,000 tons of residential waste.

Cm. Garza requested that they would come back in 30 days with a report.

- C. Request by Council Member Hector "Tito" Garcia
1. Discussion and update on the traffic light located off of Clark Boulevard and Newport Avenue.

Rogelio Rivera, City Engineer, reported that plans were ready and that they would be opening bids on the 16th of September. He went on to say that the cost associated was \$160,000 and the proposal was submitted by Crane Engineering, the consultant on the project.

2. Discussion with possible action on naming the gymnasium located at James & Maria Luisa Haynes Health & Wellness Center after Richard 'Dickie' Haynes.

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Garcia

Second: Mayor Pro Tem Rendon

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

- D. Request by Council Member Juan Narvaez

1. Discussion with possible action on naming the Special Needs Wing at the James & Maria Luisa Haynes Health & Wellness Center after †Gerardo “Jerry” Garcia.

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Narvaez

Second: Cm. Garza

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

- E. Request by Mayor Pro-Tempore Johnny Rendon

1. Status report on the restroom facility improvements located at Eistetter Park.

Rogelio Rivera, City Engineer, reported that they submitted a status report that same day before lunch time and he had noticed that there was currently no work being done. He said that some items were still pending and they would have their inspector go out there and assess the situation. He concluded that the contract was beyond the contract limit and that they would turn in an assessment report for the next Council meeting.

2. Status report on San Francisco and Canal Street Drainage Project.

Rogelio Rivera, City Engineer, reported that that had been working with a bonding company and that same day they had met with them to discuss the items submitted. He continued saying that they had agreed on most items, but some needed to be reassessed.

3. Discussion with possible action on the installation of two (2) school flashers to be located in vicinity of Harmony Science Academy to be funded by District V Discretionary Funds. (Co-Sponsored by Mayor Raul G. Salinas)

Roberto Murillo, Traffic Director, reported that they were proposing to utilize spare sets while they ordered the other ones. He went on to say that they had to establish a school zone to be able to post signs there.

- F. Request by Council Member Gene Belmares

1. Discussion with possible action on a preliminary engineering schematic for realignment of Springfield between Calle del Norte and Mann Road.

Roberto Murillo, Traffic Director, reported that this was one possible alignment but they had to make sure that they complied with the proper side distances and it would require a line acquisition on the west side.

Rogelio Rivera reported that first they would need to take a look at the two curvatures and the speed limit there would need to be drastically reduced.

2. Discussion with possible action on naming the trails at North Central Park after former Webb Commissioner Felix Velasquez.

Cm. Garza said that he would request that they consider only naming “in memorial” rather than naming the park after people still living.

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Belmares

Second: Cm. Liendo Espinoza

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

3. Status report on Shiloh crossing baseball/park/detention pond project.

Rogelio Rivera, City Engineer, reported that the yellow portion on the plans was a park area, and the pond was being constructed right now. He continued saying that the report he turned in by Humphries and Sanchez said that they would get preliminary plans that same day, and that he would provide sets to Mayor and Council. He stated that they would ask for an updated cost estimate.

Osbaldo Guzman, Parks and Recreation Director, reported that they were working on the conceptional part of the plans because the basketball court would be eliminated. He concluded that they had already approved a master plan for a proposed park and that it should be submitted soon.

- G. Request by Council Member Jose A. Valdez, Jr.

1. Discussion with possible action regarding the creation of a football field located in District VII.

Cm. Valdez said that he wished to use District VII discretionary funds for the Northwest Community Center to have an artificial turf for the football field. He went on to say that he would like for it to be mostly used for flag football and youth tackle football.

Motion to use District VII discretionary funds to add artificial turf to the football field.

Moved: Cm. Valdez

Second: Cm. Belmares

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

2. Discussion with possible action on amending the fire code requiring a fire extinguisher at all booths during events to exclude booths that exclusively sell popsicles and soft drinks.

Steve Landin, Fire Chief, reported that they would bring back an update to the ordinance and modify it.

3. Discussion with possible action regarding the parking of tractor trailers along the Mines Road area adjacent to residential neighborhoods.

Cm. Valdez stated that there were areas on Mines Road where tractor trailers were parking overnight in the convenience stores or in the adjacent alleys, and the neighbors were complaining.

City Manager Carlos Villarreal said that they ought to be able to enforce that, and that they would bring back a report at the next meeting.

Erasmus Villarreal, Building Development Services Director, reported that it was private property and that they had sent their code enforcement officers there. However, he said that they had to monitor how long they were parked there and then give them a citation; the property owner felt that they were there to do business with them and did not mind having them there.

XIII. STAFF REPORTS

49. Discussion with possible action to consider a first request for an extension of Injury Leave with Pay in accordance with 143.073 (b) of the Texas Local Government Code for Fire Assistant Driver Alberto Esquivel, III.

Dan Migura, Human Resources Director, requested 120 working days of extension of Injury Leave with Pay for Fire Assistant Driver Alberto Esquivel, III.

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Garza

Second: Cm. Liendo Espinoza

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

50. Presentation by Noe Hinojosa, Estrada Hinojosa Investment Bankers, of the Plan of Finance for the Proposed Bond Issuance.

City Manager Carlos Villarreal stated that the public needed to understand that the \$91 million of waterworks and sewer system revenue bonds, the combination of tax and revenue certificates of obligation, Series II 2010, the general obligation refunding bond Series 2010, in all a total package of about \$110 million, would be sold soon but would not present any type of tax increase.

Noe Hinojosa, Estrada Hinojosa Investment Bankers, gave the following presentation:

\$91,085,000 *

WATERWORKS & SEWER SYSTEM REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2010

\$10,000,000 *

COMBINATION TAX & REVENUE CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION, SERIES 2010

\$9,310,000 *

GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2010

Proposed Bond Issuance Fiscal Year 2010

Waterworks & Sewer System Revenue Bonds, Series 2010

Funding Source		Project Fund
Waterworks		\$ 71,673,000
Sewer System		\$ 11,230,000
Total		\$ 82,903,000
Combination Tax & Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2010		
Funding Source		Project Fund
Property Tax Supported:		\$ 10,000,000
Total		\$ 10,000,000
General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2010		
Bond Par Amount	\$ 9,310,000	
Par Amount of refunded bonds	\$ 9,200,000	
True Interest Cost Rate (2010)	2.165%	
Average coupon of refunded bonds	4.833%	
Net Present Value Savings:	\$ 721,975	Or 7.85%

Highlights of new language in springing Ordinance

- Flow of Funds: Eliminated the old Reserve Fund, Operating and Maintenance Reserve and Contingency and Retirement Fund and replaced with:
 - ✓ Reserve Fund [average annual principal and interest]
 - ✓ Surety and cash is acceptable
 - ✓ Operating Reserve Fund [two months of maintenance and operating expenses]
 - ✓ Repair and Replacement Fund [2.50% of System's net assets for the prior fiscal year]
 - ✓ Emergency Reserve Fund [\$10,000,000]
- Investments: Permitted money to be invested in any security or obligation or combination thereof permitted under the Public Funds Investments Act, Chapter 2256, Texas Government Code, as amended.
- Reserve Fund: Provided the City the ability to utilize a surety policy to fund the reserve fund (or substitute cash).
- Additional Bonds Test: Lowered the additional bonds test from 1.40 times to 1.25 times. [average annual principal and interest]
- Rate Covenant: Lowered the rate covenant from 1.40 times to 1.25 times. [average annual principal and interest]

Summary of Bonds to be Refunded

FYE 9/30	Prior Net Cash Flow	Refunding Net Cash Flow	Savings	Present Value Savings	FYE 9/30
2011	\$ 634,110	\$ 176,481	\$ 457,629	\$ 446,954	2011
2012	\$ 1,221,650	\$ 907,500	\$ 314,150	\$ 287,658	2012
2013	\$ 1,460,213	\$ 1,458,500	\$ 1,713	\$ (8,790)	2013
2014	\$ 1,458,534	\$ 1,453,600	\$ 4,934	\$ (5,850)	2014
2015	\$ 928,568	\$ 928,550	\$ 18	\$ (2,468)	2015
2016	\$ 923,355	\$ 918,500	\$ 4,855	\$ 1,721	2016
2017	\$ 926,174	\$ 921,263	\$ 4,911	\$ 1,668	2017
2018	\$ 926,641	\$ 926,575	\$ 66	\$ (2,163)	2018
2019	\$ 924,980	\$ 921,388	\$ 3,593	\$ 573	2019
2020	\$ 925,658	\$ 923,600	\$ 2,058	\$ (605)	2020
2021	\$ 748,354	\$ 743,750	\$ 4,604	\$ 3,278	2021
2022	\$ 748,250	\$ 748,250	\$ -	\$ -	2022
	\$ 11,826,485	\$ 11,027,956	\$ 798,529	\$ 721,975	

Savings Summary

PV of savings from cash flow	\$721,975
Net PV Savings	\$721,975
Percentage Savings of Refunded Bonds:	7.848%

The rest of this presentation can be viewed at the City Secretary's Office, 1110 Houston St., Laredo, TX 78040.

Motion to approve plan of finance.

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

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion to rescind approval of the plan of finance.

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

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

XV. RECESS AS THE LAREDO CITY COUNCIL AND CONVENE AS THE LAREDO MASS TRANSIT BOARD

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

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

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

51. 2010-RT-004 Authorizing the City Manager to accept and execute the Texas Department of Transportation Section 5307, Grant No. 517XXF7052, for fiscal year 2010-2011, in the amount of \$661,226.00, from the State Public Transportation Funds for Transit Operating Assistance. (Approved by Operations & Finance Committees)

Motion to approve 2010-RT-004.

Moved: Cm. Belmares

Second: Cm. Garza

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

52. Consideration for approval of the El Metro fourteen (14) Bus Shelter Slabs and Sidewalks along US Hwy. 83 and Loop 20 as complete and approval of change order no. 1 an increase of \$1,550.00 for the balance of quantities actually constructed in place, release of retainage and approval of final payment in the amount of \$11,525.60 to Zertuche Construction, Laredo, Texas. Final construction contract amount is \$32,232.80. Funding is available in the Transit New Freedom 2008 Grant. (Approved by Operations Committee)

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Garza

Second: Cm. Belmares

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

53. Consideration to ratify City Manager's authorization to perform the necessary repairs to the Transit System's compressed natural gas (CNG) fuel station, by Exterran, Inc., Houston, Texas, in the total amount of \$76,964.50. Emergency repairs were completed to the CNG plant in order to avert potential disruption of services. Funding is available from Transit contractual services maintenance machinery & equipment funds line item budget. (Approved by Operations & Finance Committees)

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Garza

Second: Cm. Belmares

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

XVI. ADJOURN AS THE LAREDO MASS TRANSIT BOARD AND RECONVENE AS THE LAREDO CITY COUNCIL AND ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn as the Laredo Mass Transit Board and reconvene as the Laredo City Council.

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

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA

I. RESOLUTION

1. 2010-R-078 Authorizing the City Manager to execute Advanced Funding Agreement (AFA) Amendment #2, with the Texas Department of Transportation for the Airport Industrial Streets Project, further identified as CSJ# 0922-33-138 and CSJ#0922-33-141 in order to allocate an additional \$264,322.00 in American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Funds and \$350,000.00 in Coordinated Border Infrastructure Funds to the project resulting in a total of \$2,824,539.20 including a match requirement of \$151,800.00. Approval for these funds is pending from TXDOT. Funds will be accounted for in the Capital Grants Fund.

Motion to approve 2010-R-078.

Moved: Cm. Garza
Second: Mayor Pro Tem Rendon
For: 8 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

2. 2010-R-083 Resolution directing publication of notice of intention to issue City of Laredo, Texas combination tax and revenue certificates of obligation, series 2010, in one or more series, in the maximum principal amount of \$10,000,000.00, for paying all or a portion of the City's contractual obligations incurred for the purpose of:

1. Constructing, improving and repairing City streets and sidewalks, together with drainage, traffic and street signalization and lighting improvements;

2. Acquisition of municipal equipment and municipal vehicles for various City departments, to wit: City administration, Health and Welfare Department, Engineering Department, Parks and Recreation Department, Public Safety Department, and Public Works Departments;

3. Acquiring, designing, constructing, improving and equipping municipal buildings, to wit: City parks and recreation buildings and facilities, public libraries, and fire administration building, including land acquisition and right-of-way, construction and design, and major repair and renovations to existing municipal buildings consisting primarily of electrical, plumbing and roofing; and

4. Acquisition of land and interest in land for authorized municipal public purposes for City departments, to wit: City Administration Department, Health and Welfare Department, Parks and Recreation

Department, Public Safety Department, and Public Works Department and for the payment of legal, fiscal, and engineering fees in connection with such projects.

Motion to approve 2010-R-083.

Moved: Cm. Garza

Second: Mayor Pro Tem Rendon

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

II. STAFF REPORT

3. Discussion with possible action regarding the identification and approval of properties as surplus and directing staff to proceed in obtaining appraisals and other necessary documentation as may be applicable for their sale and/or exchange in support of a City Hall annex.

City Manager Carlos Villarreal reported that they had discussions with Mr. Paul Young regarding the possible purchase of the building on Loop 20. He went on to say that Mr. Young would take 80% of the fair market value and the City would pay for the remaining 20% in cash and they had been looking at sources for that cash. He concluded that they had the necessary resources to be able to account for the 20%. He noted that there was a list of City properties that they had and wished for direction from Council regarding said properties.

Motion to approve vacating the Fleet/Traffic Facility for a possible sale.

Moved: Cm. Garza

Second: Cm. Garcia

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion to not include the sale or vacating of 6511 Sinatra Parkway.

Moved: Cm. Belmares

Second: Cm. Garza

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion to not include the sale or vacating of the Solid Waste property, Green Pastures Ranch.

Moved: Cm. Valdez

Second: Cm. Belmares

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion to vacate the Del Mar Human Resources Building for a possible sale.

Moved: Cm. Valdez

Second: Cm. Garza

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion to vacate the acreage adjacent to the Main Library for a possible sale.

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

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

III. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn.

Moved: Cm. Belmares
Second: Cm. Valdez
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 31 and they are true, complete, and correct proceedings of the City Council meeting held on September 7, 2010.

Gustavo Guevara, Jr.
City Secretary