

**CITY OF LAREDO**  
**RECOGNITION AND COMMUNICATION NOTICE**  
**CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS**  
**1110 HOUSTON STREET**  
**LAREDO, TEXAS 78040**  
**June 17, 2019**  
**5:00 P.M.**

**The Mayor will be presenting the following:**

1. Recognizing Victor Trevino Jr. for competing in the Mountains 2 Beach Marathon in Ventura, California on May 26, 2019 with a time of 3:11.32 and for qualifying to compete in the 2020 Boston Marathon.

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**A-2019-R-10**  
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 **DISABILITY ACCESS STATEMENT** 

Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who may need auxiliary aid or services are requested to contact Jose A. Valdez Jr., City Secretary, at (956) 791-7308 at least two working days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made. The accessible entrance and accessible parking spaces are located at City Hall, 1100 Victoria Ave. Out of consideration for all attendees of the City Council meetings, please turn off all cellular phones and pagers, or place on inaudible signal. Thank you for your consideration. Pursuant to the Texas Penal Code (trespass by holder of license to carry a handgun), a person licensed under Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code (Concealed Handgun Law or Handgun Licensing Law), may not enter into the City Council Chamber while City Council is in session with a concealed or openly-carried handgun.

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

## II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

## III. MOMENT OF SILENCE

## IV. ROLL CALL

## V. MINUTES

### **Approval of the minutes of May 20, 2019 and June 3, 2019**

#### **Citizen comments**

Citizens are required to fill out a witness card and submit it to the City Secretary no later than 5:45 p.m. and identify themselves at the microphone. Comments are limited to three (3) minutes per speaker. No more than three (3) persons will be allowed to speak on any side of an issue. Should there be more than three (3) people who wish to speak on a particular issue, they need to select not more than three (3) representatives to speak for them and the presiding officer may limit the public comments further in the interest of an orderly meeting. Speakers may not pass their minutes to any other speaker. Comments should be relevant to City business and delivered in a professional manner. No derogatory remarks will be permitted.

## VI. VETERAN RECOGNITION

1. Honoring Veteran of the Month Jose Gilberto Garcia as a member of the U.S. Army and recognizing his distinguished service to our country.

## VII. APPOINTMENTS TO COMMISSIONS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

## VIII. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. **Public Hearing and Introductory Ordinance** amending Chapter 19, Motor Vehicle and Traffic, Article VIII, Stopping, Standing or Parking, of the Laredo Code of Ordinances Section 19-355, by adding time limits to subsection (b); Sec. 19-360 subsection (a) (1) by revising boundaries; subsection (a) (3) by revising length of time, subsection (a) (4) by excluding boundaries, and adding subsection (5); subsection (b) by revising hours of operations, providing for publication and effective date.

**(Recess)**  
**(Press Availability)**

## IX. INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCES

2. An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, establishing rental rates and tenant policies at the Fernando A. Salinas Elderly Rental Housing projects located at 1803 and 1806 Juarez Avenue; providing for rents to be in compliance and charged at HOME rent limits; occupancy to be limited to persons aged 62 years or older with incomes at or below 60% of the area median income as set annually by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; and leasing of the units on a first come first serve basis.
3. An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, amending Ordinance No. 2015-O-131 which provides for the rental rate structure of the Downtown Elderly Duplexes located at 1901 Farragut Street. This amendment increases the monthly rental fee amounts effective October 1, 2019 and establishing the following rates: \$425.00 for a one bedroom unit and \$500.00 for a two bedroom unit. It is necessary to increase the existing monthly rates in order to cover for additional operational costs associated with maintenance, repairs, and improvements for current duplexes; providing security deposits for new tenants on or after October 1, 2019 will be established at the same rate as the rental amount; repealing all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith; providing a severability clause; and providing an effective date.

## **X. FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES**

4. **2019-O-090** Amending the City of Laredo's Capital Grant Fund FY2019 Budget by appropriating revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$1,101,600.00. Revenue will be from the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Grant in the amount of \$816,000.00 and local match of \$285,600.00 for shared use path within the right of way along Plum Street, connecting K Tarver Elementary and Nixon High School located in District 4, and along Mier Street & Loring Avenue connecting Lamar Middle School and St. Augustine High School located in District 3. Acknowledging the availability of fund to pay all up-front costs, since the Transportations Alternative (TA) Program is a cost reimbursement program as outlined in the MPO Transportation Alternatives Program Guidance and Application Packet for 2019 authorized under the (FAST) Act.
5. **2019-O-091** An ordinance altering and extending the boundary limits of the City of Laredo by annexing additional territory of 26.61 acres, more or less, located north of Wormser Rd. and east of Loop 20/Cuatro Vientos Rd., providing for effective date of the ordinance, authorizing the Co-Interim City Managers to execute a contract adopting a service plan for annexed territory, and establishing the initial zoning of AG (Agriculture District). Staff recommends approval. **(As Amended)**
6. **2019-O-092** An ordinance altering and extending the boundary limits of the City of Laredo by annexing additional territory of 328.98 acres, more or less, located south of Wormser Rd. and east of Loop 20/Cuatro Vientos Rd., providing for effective date of the ordinance, authorizing the Co-Interim City Managers to execute a contract adopting a service plan for annexed territory, and establishing the initial zoning of AG (Agriculture District). Staff recommends approval. **(As Amended)**

7. **2019-O-093** An ordinance altering and extending the boundary limits of the City of Laredo by annexing additional territory of 6.26 acres, more or less, located north of FM 1472 and west of Copper Mine Rd., providing for effective date of the ordinance, authorizing the Co-Interim City Managers to execute a contract adopting a service plan for annexed territory, and establishing the initial zoning of M-1 (Light Manufacturing District). Staff recommends approval. **(As Amended)**
  
8. **2019-O-094** An ordinance altering and extending the boundary limits of the City of Laredo by annexing additional territory of 76.22 acres, more or less, located north of FM 1472 and west of FM 3338/Las Tiendas Rd., providing for effective date of the ordinance, authorizing the Co-Interim City Managers to execute a contract adopting a service plan for annexed territory, and establishing the initial zoning of M-1 (Light Manufacturing District). Staff recommends approval. **(As Amended)**
  
9. **2019-O-095** An ordinance altering and extending the boundary limits of the City of Laredo by annexing additional territory of 24.43 acres, more or less, located east of Max Mandel Golf Course and west of FM 1472, providing for effective date of the ordinance, authorizing the Co-Interim City Managers to execute a contract adopting a service plan for annexed territory, and establishing the initial zoning of R-1 (Single Family Residential District). Staff recommends approval. **(As Amended)**
  
10. **2019-O-096** An ordinance altering and extending the boundary limits of the City of Laredo by annexing additional territory of 1.5 acres, more or less, located north of FM 1472 and east of Lampazos Loop, providing for effective date of the ordinance, authorizing the Co-Interim City Managers to execute a contract adopting a service plan for annexed territory, and establishing the initial zoning of M-1 (Light Manufacturing District). Staff recommends approval. **(As Amended)**
  
11. **2019-O-097** An ordinance altering and extending the boundary limits of the City of Laredo by annexing additional territory of 8.87 acres, more or less, located north of Anahuac Dr. and east of Pinto Valle Dr., providing for effective date of the ordinance, authorizing the Co-Interim City Managers to execute a contract adopting a service plan for annexed territory, and establishing the initial zoning of M-1 (Light Manufacturing District). Staff recommends approval. **(As Amended)**
  
12. **2019-O-098** Authorizing the Co-Interim City Managers to accept a loan amount increase, on the State Energy Conservation Office (SECO) LoanSTAR loan Amendment No.1, in the amount of \$1,480,535.00 (One million four hundred eighty thousand five hundred thirty-five dollars) instead of \$1,033,558.00 (One million thirty three thousand five hundred fifty-eight dollars), and amending the City of Laredo's FY 2018-2019 Waterworks budget by appropriating the said revenue to the appropriate expenditure accounts. Funds received from lender pursuant to this agreement to be used for VFD'S and power factor correction implementation at Jefferson Water Treatment Plant as projects identified in attachment of the agreement.

## XI. CONSENT AGENDA

**All of the following items may be acted upon by one motion. No separate discussion or action on any of the items is necessary unless desired by a Council Member.**

13.        **BRIDGE**: STAFF SOURCE YVETTE LIMON, BRIDGE DIRECTOR
- a.       **2019-R-92** Ratifying the execution of a Revocable License for Non-Federal use of Real Property (License No. GS-07B-99318) between the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) and the City of Laredo to allow the City of Laredo to install improvements accepted by GSA in a fully executed Donation Acceptance Agreement (DAA) between the City of Laredo, Texas and GSA which is to facilitate the construction of a temporary roadway being built to decrease traffic congestion at the World Trade Bridge Laredo Port of Entry in Laredo, Texas. Executed DAA is attached hereto and made a part hereof as Exhibit "E".
14.        **BUDGET**: STAFF SOURCE GILBERTO SANCHEZ, BUDGET DIRECTOR
- a.        Consideration to award contract number FY19-068 to Ascending Technologies, Laredo, Texas for the purchase, installation for Public Wi-Fi for Sames Auto Arena for an amount not to exceed \$347,881.79. This contract will include the purchase, installation, conversion facilitation, testing and training for Public Wi-Fi for guest's application to include but not be limited to: Access for up to 10,000 guests to access Public Wi-Fi. Funding is available in the Sports Venue –Sales and Community Fund.
15.        **CITY ATTORNEY**: STAFF SOURCE KRISTINA L. HALE, CITY ATTORNEY
- a.        **2019-R-94** A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laredo, TX expressing its strong opposition to the addition of a citizenship question in the Census 2020 questionnaire.
16.        **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**: STAFF SOURCE ARTURO GARCIA, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR
- a.        **2019-R-93** Accepting the conveyance of:
- Lot 1C Sec II Mall del Norte (13.0615 acres);  
        Lots 2A & 8 Sec I Mall del Norte (32.656 Acres);  
        Lot 2B Sec I Mall del Norte (3.6013 Acres);  
        Lot 6 Sec I Mall del Norte (.4889 Acres);  
        Lot 1D Sec II Mall del Norte (.3143 Acres);  
        Lot 1 Sec I Mall del Norte (9.58 Acres);  
        Lot 4 Sec I Mall del Norte (.0873 Acres);

also known as Mall Del Norte, 5300 San Dario, for a utility and utility access easement, being more fully described in Exhibit "A"; and providing for an effective date.

- b. Consideration to rescind the selection of W.D. Shock Company Inc. of Nashville, Tennessee as the Sound Insulation Consulting Firm in support of the Laredo International Airport's Noise Compatibility Program for Phases 13 and 14 due to the inability to reach an agreement for services and to re-solicit request for qualifications from other qualified consulting firms.

17. **ENVIRONMENTAL**: STAFF SOURCE JOHN PORTER, ENVIRONMENTAL DIRECTOR

- a. Authorizing the Co-Interim City Managers to sign Amendment 2, for the additional engineering services contract with Crane Engineering- Laredo, Texas in the amount of \$51,344.88. The total contract amount with this amendment is \$497,168.14 for the Eastern Chacon Creek 18"- 36" Interceptor from Vaquillas Lift Station to India and Gates. Amendment #2 proposes to perform an H&H study on existing conditions in East Chacon Creek, prepare plans, specifications, and cost estimates for channel improvements, as well as develop a regional stormwater masterplan from Summers Pond to Loop 20. Funding is available in the 2016 Environmental CO.

18. **FIRE**: STAFF SOURCE STEVE LANDIN, FIRE CHIEF

- a. Consideration to authorize the purchase of Self Contained Breathing Apparatuses, (SCBA) for the Fire Department from HEAT Fire Equipment, Von Ormy, Tx. through contract pricing (FY18-074) in the total amount of \$301,569.28. Funding is available in the Departments FY 18-19 operational budget.

19. **FLEET MANAGEMENT**: STAFF SOURCE RONALD MILLER, ACTING FLEET DIRECTOR

- a. Consideration to authorize a lease purchase contract of seventy-five (75) 2019 Precedent Electric Golf Cars from Club Car LLC, Evans, Georgia in the total amount \$392,302.56 for the Max Mandel Golf Course. This contract is to replace current golf car models that have high usage and wear and tear. The purchase of this equipment shall be made utilizing a US Communities lease purchase contract subject to future appropriations. The lease purchase shall be 48 months. The estimated monthly payment shall be \$8,172.97. Funding is available in the Max Mandel Golf Course Fund.

20. **TAX**: STAFF SOURCE DORA MALDONADO, TAX ASSESSOR COLLECTOR

- a. Approving monthly adjustments to the tax roll. The amounts adjusted for the month of May 2019 represent a decrease of \$35,888.10. These adjustments are determined by the Webb County Appraisal District and by court orders.

## **END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

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### **XII. STAFF REPORTS**

21. Discussion with possible action on ongoing audits and/or irregularities identified by the Internal Auditor including the potential assignment of other and/or additional auditing duties; and any other matters incident thereto.
22. Discussion with possible action to consider a second request for an extension of Injury Leave with pay in accordance with 143.073(b) of the Texas Local Government Code for Patrol Officer Heriberto Rodriguez Jr. Human Resources and Police Department recommend extension. Total number of days out as of May 18, 2019 pay period: 276 days.
23. Update of State Bill 852 affecting Local Government Code. Staff to present new procedures for building and inspection fees.
24. Status of workshop held on June 12, 2019 between the Planning & Zoning Committee and the Technical Review Board together with City Staff in reference to the Setback Ordinance.

### **XIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Council reserves the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any posted agenda item when authorized by Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices), and/or 551.086 (Economic Development). Following closed session, the open meeting will reconvene at which time action, if any, may be taken.

25. Request for Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071(2) to consult with City Attorney in connection to the ongoing contract with 2L4L Baseball, LLC, and to return to open session for possible action.

### **XIV. RECESS AS THE LAREDO CITY COUNCIL AND CONVENE AS THE LAREDO MASS TRANSIT BOARD**

26. **2019-RT-06** Authorizing the Co-Interim City Managers to accept and execute the Federal Transit Administration Grant No. TX-2019-056-00 Section 5307 Urbanized Area Grant Program authorized under the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) act transportation bill. Funding will be for operating assistance and preventative maintenance to the El Metro Bus Operations. The required local match for this grant will be funded with the transit's local sales tax.
  
27. **2019-RT-07** Authorizing the City Manager to accept and execute the Federal Transit Administration grant award no. TX-2019-057-00 in the amount of \$401,862 for fiscal year 2019 Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities Grant Program authorized under the new Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act. The Laredo Transit Management Inc. (El Metro) and the City of Laredo will replace one (1) Heavy-Duty bus that has met the Useful Life Benchmark (ULB). The Transit's 15% local match is available in the Transit Sales Tax Fund .
  
28. **2019-RT-09** Authorizing the Co-Interim City Managers to execute Advanced Funding Agreement (AFA) no. CSJ-0922-33-181 with the Texas Department of Transportation in the amount of \$200,000 including an estimated local participation in the amount of \$76,000 including overruns for the city improvement of ADA Bus Stops and Bicycle Plazas Project. The required local match is funded from the Transit local sales tax.

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

**GENERAL COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

**A. Request by Mayor Pro-Tempore Roberto Balli**

1. Status report on the Kansas City Southern Railroad Quiet Zone Study with possible action; and any matters incident thereto.

**B. Request by Council Member Vidal Rodriguez**

1. Discussion with possible action to instruct the Co-Interim City Managers to authorize staff to install speed humps under the Special Provision of the Speed Hump Installation Policy, and to authorize the use of asphalt type speed humps, instead of a speed cushion, which is currently required under the policy; and any other matters incident thereto. City Council District II Priority Funds will be used for this project.

- a. 2800 South Malinche
- b. 2900 Cortez



**C. Request by Council Member Mercurio Martinez**

1. Discussion with possible action to direct staff to reach out to the Army Corps of Engineers to assist with Veteran cemetery headstone realignment; and any other matters incident thereto. **(Co-Sponsored by Mayor Pete Saenz and Council Member Alberto Torres, Jr.)**

**D. Request by Council Member Alberto Torres, Jr.**

1. Discussion with possible action to re-evaluate Ordinance 2018-O-050, specifically Section 2-157 (Automatic Forfeiture); and any other matters incident thereto.
2. Discussion with possible action to develop a beautification plan for Clark Blvd., Saunders St. and Corpus Christi St., and any other matters incident thereto. **(Co-Sponsored by Council Member Mercurio Martinez)**

**E. Request by Council Member Nelly Vielma**

1. Discussion with possible action to instruct the Co-Interim City Managers to authorize staff to install speed humps under the Special Provision of the Speed Hump Installation Policy, and to authorize the use of asphalt type speed humps, instead of a speed cushion, which is currently required under the policy; and any other matters incident thereto. City Council District V Priority Funds will be used for this project. Total cost is \$5,000.00.
  - a. (2) Speed humps on the 100 and 200 block of E. Mayberry St. between Springfield Ave. and Kentucky St.

**F. Request by Council Member Dr. Marte A. Martinez**

1. Status update on the direction to have staff explore alternative exit options for the Northeast part of the City to include the Unitec Industrial Park and surrounding areas where train crossings result in safety concerns; and any matters incident thereto.

**G. Request by Council Member George Altgelt**

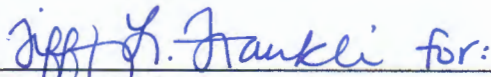
1. Discussion with possible action to file a formal resolution complaining about TXDOT management in Laredo and their lack of concern for pedestrians and cyclists and willingness to properly maintain on system routes and

roads; and any matters incident thereto.

2. Discussion with possible action directing Co-Interim City Managers to proceed with the project advancement of the Father McNaboe Hike and Trail by utilizing District VII discretionary funds for land survey and appraisal; and any matters incident thereto.
  
3. Presentation on Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) financing by Ms. Charlene Heydinger of the Texas PACE Authority, with possible action; and any matters incident thereto.

## XVI. ADJOURN

This notice was posted at the Municipal Government Offices, 1110 Houston Street, Laredo, Texas, at a place convenient and readily accessible to the public at all times. Said notice was posted on Wednesday, June 12, 2019 at 7:45 p.m.

  
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Jose A. Valdez, Jr.  
City Secretary

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