

# **CITY OF LAREDO**

## **SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**A-2017-SC-03**  
**CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS**  
**1110 HOUSTON STREET**  
**LAREDO, TEXAS 78040**  
**April 11, 2017**  
**5:30 P.M.**



### **DISABILITY ACCESS STATEMENT**



Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who may need auxiliary aid or services are requested to contact Heberto "Beto" L. Ramirez, Acting 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**

#### **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.

## **V. STAFF REPORTS**

1. Staff Report on the Outlet Shoppes at Laredo Marketing in Monterrey.
2. Presentation by JBS Water, Inc. on summary findings of their 2016 report, Comprehensive Water Distribution and Meter Management Audit.
3. Presentation regarding the late fees exemption for Veterans, with possible action.

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

4. Consideration for approval of the El Metro Operations and Maintenance Building Roof Replacement and Building Improvements as complete, approval of change order no. 1, a decrease of \$1,446.78 and to add one hundred seven (107) calendar days to the construction contract time, release of retainage and approval of final payment in the amount of \$54,303.83 to ABBA Construction, LLC., Laredo, Texas. Final construction contract amount is \$948,343.22. Funding is available in the Transit Capital Grants Fund/FTA Grant.

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

### **GENERAL COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

#### **A. Request by Mayor Pete Saenz**

1. Status on Community Calendar.
2. Report on What Works Cities 2017 Summit.

#### **B. Request by Council Member Rudy Gonzalez, Jr.**

1. Discussion with possible action to integrate special needs programs at the recreation centers.

**C. Request by Mayor Pro-Tempore Alejandro "Alex" Perez**

1. Update on utility repairs and resurfacing of Lane street in the Heights area.

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

1. Discussion with possible action to develop a City ordinance that prohibits mobile snack trucks from conducting business past a certain hour; and any other matters incident thereto.
2. Discussion with possible action to explore the possibility of establishing a Special Needs Recreation Center and Community Fine Arts & Culture Center in District 4; and any other matters incident thereto.
3. Discussion with possible action to install speed humps along the 3800 to 4400 block of E. San Francisco Ave. under the Special Provision of the Speed Hump Installation Policy, adopted by City ordinance, utilizing District IV funding.

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

1. Discussion with possible action to request a report by the Internal Auditor of the current contractor's insurance, bond, lapses and tax delinquencies with the City. **(Co-Sponsored by Council Member George Altgelt)**

**F. Request by Council Member Charlie San Miguel**

1. Discussion with possible action regarding the Public's Health and Safety specific to the issuing and enforcement of permits applying to building, electrical, mechanical HVAC, irrigation, right-of-way, swimming pool, manufactured home installation, sign contractors; and any other matters incident thereto.

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

1. Discussion with possible action to request a report by Internal Auditor of the current franchise agreements including but not limited to timely and complete quarterly and annual report filings, timely payment of franchise or other fees to the City, insurance requirements, lapses and tax delinquencies with the City. **(Co-Sponsored by Council Member Charlie San Miguel and Council Member Nelly Vielma)**
2. Discussion with possible action to allow amusement redemption machine establishments in the Central Business District (CBD) and the Arts and Entertainment District (A&E) by right. **(Co-Sponsored by Council Member Roberto Balli and Council Member Nelly Vielma)**

#### **H. Request by Council Member Roberto Balli**

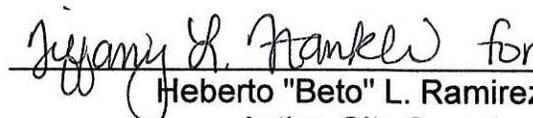
1. Discussion with possible action regarding a downtown street musician and street performance ordinance tailored to the Downtown Arts & Entertainment District.
2. Discussion with possible action regarding proposals on the Boulevard of the Americas Project.

#### **VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The City Council hereby reserves the right to go into executive session at any time during this public meeting, if such is requested by the City Attorney or other legal counsel for the City, pursuant to his or her duty under Section 551.071(2) of the Government Code, to consult privately with his or her client on an item on the agenda, or on a matter arising out of such item.

#### **IX. ADJOURNMENT**

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 Friday, April 7, 2017 at 5:00 p.m.

 for:  
Heberto "Beto" L. Ramirez  
Acting City Secretary