CITY OF LAREDO SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

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CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1110 HOUSTON STREET
LAREDO, TEXAS 78040
July 12, 2016
1:00 P.M.



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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.

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.

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- III. ROLL CALL

VI. STAFF REPORT

1. Presentation of the Plan of Finance by Noe Hinojosa of Estrada-Hinojosa & Company, Inc., as it relates to the possible issuance of new bond issues and the refunding of existing bonds.

V. RESOLUTION

- 2. <u>2016-R-95</u> Resolution directing publication of notice of intention to issue City of Laredo, Texas Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation, in one or more series, in the maximum principal amount of \$31,250,000.00, for the purpose of:
 - (1) planning, constructing, improving and repairing city streets and sidewalks, together with right-of-ways acquisition, and drainage, traffic and street signalization, railroad crossing and lighting improvements;
 - (2) renovating and improving city-owned buildings and parking lots,
 - (3) acquiring equipment and vehicles for the public safety department;
 - (4) acquiring, constructing and improving municipal parks and recreational facilities;
 - (5) constructing city-wide drainage improvements,
 - (6) purchasing one or more parcels of land located in the city's downtown area for municipal parking and municipal buildings, including a city-owned convention center, and
 - (7) paying legal, fiscal, and engineering fees in connection with such projects.

VI. MOTION

- 3. Authorizing the City Manager to amend the 2016-2017 One Year Action Plan to be submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) by including \$400,000.00 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds to undertake the Canseco Neighborhood Center to replace the proposed Canseco Park project.
- 4. Consideration to approve a five-year contract with Estrada-Hinojosa & Company Inc., of Dallas, Texas, for Financial Advisory Services for the City of Laredo and approval of the new regulatory requirements as attached in addendum A of contract. Financial advisory services are based on the size of the debt issuance sold and are paid from said proceeds. Funding for these services will be available form proceeds of the debt issuance. Contract period is from May 1, 2016 to April 30, 2021.

VII. 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.

VIII. 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, July 8, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.

Heberto "Beto" L. Ramirez
Acting City Secretary