

CITY OF LAREDO SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

**A-2019-SC-02
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1110 HOUSTON STREET
LAREDO, TEXAS 78040
February 7, 2019
5:15 P.M.**

DISABILITY ACCESS STATEMENT

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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.

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 5:30 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. MOTION

1. Consideration to award contract number FY19-031 to Consulting Firm to provide Federal Legislative and Lobbying Consulting Services for the City of Laredo. The contract amount shall be determined at the Special City Council Meeting and is subject to future appropriations. This contract may be renewed for additional yearly terms as approved by City Council and upon mutual agreement of the parties. All legislative and lobbying consulting services will be on a continuous basis. Funding is available through Utilities, Solid Waste and General Fund.

VI. 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.

VII. 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 Monday, February 4, 2019 at 5:15 p.m.

Jose A. Valdez, Jr.
City Secretary

City Council-Special

Meeting Date: 02/07/2019

Initiated By: Rosario Cabello

Staff Source: Rosario Cabello, Interim City Manger; Robert Eads, Interim City Manager; Kristina L. Hale, City Attorney; Miguel A. Pescador, Purchasing Agent

SUBJECT

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VENDOR INFORMATION FOR COMMITTEE AGENDA

None.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION

City Council instructed City Manager/City Staff to initiate request for RFP.

BACKGROUND

Formal RFP submittals were requested by the City of Laredo for providing professional federal legislative and lobbying consulting services for the City of Laredo through Cit-E-Bid, the city's electronic procurement system. The legislative and lobbying services include, but not limited to : scheduled, extended, or special legislative sessions and meetings; state administrative and agency hearings, meetings, or rule making proceedings; all in accordance with the terms, conditions, and scope of work identified in this request for proposal. RFP submittals were received on February 5th, 2019 and evaluations were done to these submittals on February 6th, 2019.

Contract FY19-031 shall be awarded to Consulting Firm (To Be Announced at Special Council Meeting) to provide Federal Legislative and Lobbying Consulting Services for the City of Laredo. The contract amount is for approximately \$__ (Amount To Be Announced at Special Council Meeting) annually and is subject to future appropriations. This contract may be renewed for an additional yearly terms as approved by City Council and upon mutual agreement of the parties.

Should the vendor desire to extend the contract for the term period, it must so notify the City in writing no later than sixty (60) days before the expiration of the prior term.

Such notification shall be effective upon actual receipt by the City. It is expressly understood by the parties that any such extension of this contract is entirely revocable at the City's discretion and is contingent upon the agreement and acceptance by the City Council.

Funding will be available through Utilities, Solid Waste and General Funds.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

None.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that this contract be approved.

	Fiscal Impact
Fiscal Year:	2019
Budgeted Y/N?:	Y
Source of Funds:	Utilities/Water
Account #:	557-4110-533.55-26
Change Order: Exceeds 25% Y/N:	

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Utilities/Water
557-4110-533.55-26
\$21,000.00

Fiscal Year:	2019
Budgeted Y/N?:	Y
Source of Funds:	Utilities/Sewer
Account #:	559-4200-533.55-26
Change Order: Exceeds 25% Y/N:	

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Utilities/Sewer
559-4200-533.55-26
\$21,000.00

Fiscal Year:	2019
Budgeted Y/N?:	Y
Source of Funds:	Solid Waste
Account #:	556-2560-533.55-26
Change Order: Exceeds 25% Y/N:	

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Solid/Waste
556-2560-533.55-26
\$18,000.00

Fiscal Year: 2019
Budgeted Y/N?: Y
Source of Funds: General Funds
Account #: 101-1225-513.55-26
Change Order: Exceeds 25% Y/N:

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

General Fund
101-1225-513.55-26
\$18,000.00
