

**CITY OF LAREDO
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
A-2008-SC-15
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1110 HOUSTON STREET
LAREDO, TEXAS 78040
DECEMBER 8, 2008
12:15 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,	Council Member, District V
Gene Belmares,	Council Member, District VI
Jose Valdez, Jr.	Mayor Pro Tempore, District VII
Cynthia Liendo-Espinoza,	Council Member, District VIII
Carlos Villarreal,	City Manager
Gustavo Guevara,	City Secretary
Cynthia Collazo,	Deputy City Manager
Horacio De Leon,	Assistant City Manager
Jesus Olivares,	Assistant City Manager
Raul Casso,	City Attorney

IV. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. **Public hearing and introductory ordinance** altering and extending the boundary limits of the City of Laredo, annexing additional territory of 183.26 acres, more or less, located adjacent to El Portal Industrial Park Units 6 and 7 to the west and IH-35 to the east, specifically the El Portal Industrial Tract, providing for the effective date of the ordinance, authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract adopting a service plan for the annexed territory, and establishing the initial zoning of M-1 (Light Manufacturing District).

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved: Cm. Garza

Second: Cm. Narvaez

For: 8

Against:

Abstain:

There was no public input.

Motion to close the public hearing and introduce.

Moved: Mayor Pro Tem Valdez

Second: Cm. Garza

For: 8

Against:

Abstain:

Ordinance Introduction: Mayor Pro Tem Valdez

- 2. Public hearing and introductory ordinance** altering and extending the boundary limits of the City of Laredo, annexing additional territory of 0.03 acres, more or less, located adjacent to the southwest corner of Las Ventanas Subdivision, Phase 1, specifically the Las Ventanas Tract, providing for the effective date of the ordinance, authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract adopting a service plan for the annexed territory, and establishing the initial zoning of R-1A (Single Family Reduced District).

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved: Cm. Garza

Second: Cm. Liendo Espinoza

For: 8

Against:

Abstain:

There was no public input.

Motion to close the public hearing and introduce.

Moved: Cm. Garza

Second: Cm. Liendo Espinoza

For: 8

Against:

Abstain:

Ordinance Introduction: Cm. Garza

- 3. Public hearing and introductory ordinance** altering and extending the boundary limits of the City of Laredo, annexing additional territory of 80.00 acres, more or less, located west of IH-35, west of the Unitec Industrial Park, specifically the N. D. Hachar Tract, providing for the effective date of the ordinance, authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract adopting a service plan for the annexed territory, and establishing the initial zoning of M-1 (Light Manufacturing District).

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved: Cm. Garcia

Second: Cm. Garza

For: 8

Against:

Abstain:

There was no public input.

Motion to close the public hearing and introduce.

Moved: Mayor Pro Tem Valdez

Second: Cm. Rendon

For: 8

Against:

Abstain:

Ordinance Introduction: Mayor Pro Tem Valdez

4. **Public hearing and introductory ordinance** altering and extending the boundary limits of the City of Laredo, annexing additional territory of 101.06 acres, more or less, located east of Bob Bullock Loop 20 and north of Casa Verde Road (extension of Del Mar Boulevard), specifically the Killam Quiote Tract, providing for the effective date of the ordinance, authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract adopting a service plan for the annexed territory, and establishing the initial zoning of R-1A (Single Family Reduced Area District).

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved: Cm. Garcia

Second: Cm. Narvaez

For: 8

Against:

Abstain:

There was no public input.

Motion to close the public hearing and introduce.

Moved: Cm. Belmares

Second: Mayor Pro Tem Valdez

For: 8

Against:

Abstain:

Ordinance Introduction: Cm. Belmares

V. STAFF REPORT

5. Staff presentation on the 2005-2035 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP)

Keith Selman, Planning Director, reported that he had placed the presentation document in their Friday package. This was the 30-year plan, produced every five years by the MPO. He explained that they would be introduced to what the MTP is and why they do it, including the federal mandates. It included an analysis of the existing transportation system and demographics and travel demand modeling. Those on the MPO had seen a new model that was superior to this one. He said there were only a couple of instances where significance was lost, and the model was now available in their office. He added that they would find also the criteria by which the projects are selected and the financial plan and funding mechanisms. Finally, he mentioned that they would find transportation improvements at the end of the plan.

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn.

Moved: Cm. Belmares

Second: Cm. Rendon

For: 8

Against:

Abstain: