

CITY OF LAREDO
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1110 HOUSTON STREET
LAREDO, TEXAS 78040
5:30 P.M.

M99-R-23

M I N U T E S

AUGUST 16, 1999

I. CALL TO ORDER

With a quorum present Mayor Elizabeth G. Flores called the meeting to order.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Elizabeth G. Flores led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. ROLL CALL

IN ATTENDANCE:

Elizabeth G. Flores,	Mayor
Alfredo Agredano,	Councilmember, District I
Louis Bruni,	Councilmember, District II
John C. Galo,	Councilmember, District III
Cecilia May Moreno,	Councilmember, District IV
Eliseo Valdez, Jr.,	Councilmember, District V
Joe A. Guerra,	Councilmember, District VI
Mario G. Alvarado,	Councilmember, District VII
Consuelo "Chelo" Montalvo,	Councilmember, District VIII
Gustavo Guevara, Jr.,	City Secretary
Florencio Pena, III,	City Manager
Jaime L. Flores,	City Attorney

IV. INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCE

1. Authorizing the City Manager to execute a lease amendment with **Webb County Juvenile Board** for a tract of land consisting of approximately 100,357 square feet located on Block No. 23 at the Laredo International Airport.

1. Lease term is extended for three (3) months commencing on October 1, 1999 and ending December 31, 1999.

2. Monthly rent starting October 1, 1999 shall be **\$1,734.00**.

Motion to amend for 8 months through May 31, 2000.

Moved : Cm. Bruni

Second: Cm. Guerra

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

2. Authorizing the City Manager to execute a lease agreement from **Laredo Independent School District** for approximately 1,250 square feet constituting Building No. 1432 located at 1803 Pappas Street at the Laredo International Airport.

- 1. Lease term is for one (1) year commencing on July 1, 1999 and ending on June 30, 2000, and may be extended for one (1) term of one year ending on June 30, 2002.
- 2. Monthly rent shall be **\$225.00** and will be adjusted annually during the extension term of this lease according to the changes in the Consumer Price Index.

However, it is agreed by the parties that the lease may be terminated by either party on not less than thirty (30) days written notice from the party terminating to the other.

Ordinance Introduction: 7

Abstain: 1
Cw. Moreno

V. FINAL READING

Internet Available: <http://www.cityoflaredo.com>

Motion to waive the final reading #99-O-229, 99-O-232, #99-O-233, #99-O-234, #99-O-335, #99-O-236, #99-O-237, #99-O-238 and #99-O-239.

Moved : Cm. Bruni
Second: Cw. Moreno
For: 8

Against: 0 Abstain: 0

- 3. 99-O-229** Ordinance authorizing the City Manager to execute a lease with **Omniamerica Development Corporation** for a ground lease at the Laredo Civic Center to construct on such premises rooftop antennas and outdoor equipment and related equipment for use in connection with its communication business.

- 1. Term of the lease is ten (10) years commencing on August xx, 1999 and ending August xx, 2009, with an option for three (3) successive renewal terms of five (5) years.
- 2. The annual base rent shall be **\$7,700.00** each year during the term of the lease and will be adjusted on each anniversary of the commencement price index, providing for effective date.

Motion to approve Ordinance #99-O-229.

Moved : Cm. Bruni
Second: Cw. Moreno
For: 8

Against: 0 Abstain: 0

- 99-O-232** Ordinance approving a budget revision in the amount of **\$189,000** allocating **WIC Program** surplus funds to the capital outlay line item for the purpose of purchasing three (3) double-wide modular buildings for the WIC Program of the City of Laredo Health Department for the period beginning October 1, 1998, through September 30, 1999.

10. Consideration to award a contract to the **LOWEST BIDDER, Bruce Zimmerman and Associates** in the amount of **\$249,995** to provide consulting services for the complete installation of the toll system upgrade and electronic toll collection in all four (4) international bridges as specified in "Toll Collection System Upgrade" Request For Proposals. Funding is available in the Bridge System Fund.

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Galo
Second: Cw. Moreno
For: 8

Against: 0 Abstain: 0

11. Consideration to award a demolition contract to the **SOLE BIDDER, IIIPG Enterprises, Inc., d/b/a Demolitions Unlimited, of Laredo, Texas** in the amount of **\$21,950.00** for the demolition of the structures acquired for the Lafayette Street Widening Project. The demolition contract consists of the demolition of structures located at the following addresses: 1702, 1901, 1907, 1909, 1911, 1919, 2002, 2004, 2101, 2102 Lafayette and 3502 Vidaurri. Funding is available under the Community Development Block Grant Fund (CDBG).

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Galo
Second: Cw. Moreno
For: 8

Against: 0 Abstain: 0

12. Consideration to award a construction contract to the **SOLE BIDDER, Ramos Industries, Inc., Laredo, Texas**, and approval of change order no. 1 in the amount (**decrease**) of **\$25,850.00**, for a net construction contract award of **\$417,291.00** for the Tinaja/Chacon Pilot Channel Improvements from Louisiana Avenue to U.S. Hwy 83. Funding is available in the Community Development CDBG and 1998 Certificate of Obligation Issue.

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Alvarado
Second: Cw. Montalvo
For: 8

Against: 0 Abstain: 0

13. Consideration to award a contract to the **LOWEST BIDDER, Ramos Industries, Inc., Laredo, Texas**, in the amount of **\$497,013.40** to construct the channel improvements in Zacate Creek from the Hillside Road Bridge to the McPherson Road Bridge for the Zacate Creek Erosion Control Project. These channel improvements will control erosion and increase aesthetics along 3,660 linear feet of Zacate Creek. Funding is available from the 1998 Certificate of Obligation Issue.

Mayor Flores and Cm. Bruni requested to add references on past jobs performances in council communications.

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Valdez
Second: Cm. Guerra
For: 8

Against: 0 Abstain: 0

14. Consideration to award a construction contract to the **LOWEST BIDDER, Ramos Industries, Inc.**, Laredo, Texas, in the bid amount of **\$216,205.90** for the Frost Street at McPherson Avenue and Plum Street at East San Francisco Avenue Drainage Improvements. Funding is available in the 1998 Certificate of Obligation Issue.

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Valdez
Second: Cm. Guerra
For: 8

Against: 0 Abstain: 0

15. Consideration to award contract FY99-113, to the **LOWEST PROPOSER, A&E Testing**, Bryan, Texas, in the estimated amount of **\$54,699.66**, for providing laboratory analytical services for the Utilities Department. The testing laboratory will be responsible for sample handling, analysis, and reporting for a wide range of environmental parameters in soil, water, and sludge samples for both water and wastewater applications. These testing services are needed to comply with all TNRCC and EPA requirements.

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Bruni
Second: Cm. Agredano
For: 8

Against: 0 Abstain: 0

16. Consideration to approve award of an engineering contract to **Sherfey Engineering Company, L.L.C.**, Laredo, Texas for an amount not to exceed **\$247,500.00** for surveys, design and preparation of plans and specifications with cost estimates for the Chacon Creek Wastewater Interceptor Extension (Loop 20 Lift Station to the East Corridor Industrial Park). Funding is available in the Sewer System 1997 Bond Chacon Creek Interceptor.

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Bruni
Second: Cm. Agredano
For: 8

Against: 0 Abstain: 0

17. Consideration to approve change order no. 1 to the Santa Maria Avenue Reconstruction Project with **Pete Gallegos Paving, Inc.**, a net increase of **\$88,585.20** for additional concrete paving at the Calton Road intersection and additional utility work, and to add 25 working days of contract time. Funding is available in the 1998 Certificate of Obligation Issue Santa Maria Avenue

Reconstruction.

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Bruni

Second: Cm. Agredano

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

- 18. Consideration to approve change order no. 5, a net increase of **\$232,148.20** to the construction contract with **MW Builders, Inc.**, Temple, Texas, for utility adjustments for current conditions and for additional work requested by federal agencies (U.S.D.A. and G.S.A.), for the Border Station Facilities for the Laredo Northwest International Bridge (Fourth Bridge). Funding is available in the Bridge #4 Tax Exempt Bond, Taxable Bond and State Infrastructure Bank Loan Proceeds.

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Bruni

Second: Cm. Agredano

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

- 19. Consideration to authorize the City Manager to enter into a Professional Services Contract with **W.D. Schock Company, Inc.**, in the amount of **\$353,174.00**, for the provision of residential sound reduction services, as part of the City of Laredo International Airport Noise Compatibility Program. The program is funded through a \$5,000,000.00 grant awarded to the City by the Federal Aviation Administration, and a \$1,250,000.00 local agency match.

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Bruni

Second: Cm. Agredano

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

- 20. Consideration to authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with **VENDOR Outdoor Systems Mexico S.A. de C.V.** in an amount not to exceed **\$107,000** for outdoor (billboard) advertising in Mexico. Funding is available under the Mexico billboard line item of the Laredo Convention and Visitors Bureau Budget.

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Galo

Second: Cw. Moreno

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Don Raulie, Conventions & Visitors Bureau Director, stated that legal council has reviewed the agreement and feels that it's in the best interest of the City that they revise the contract. He added that some changes will be made to the contract before

it is signed by the City Manager.

- 21. Consideration to call for a public hearing to consider the proposed **2000-2004 Capital Improvement Program** on September 7, 1999 and notifying the public of said hearing by advertising ten consecutive days in the newspaper and informing the public that three copies of the proposed capital program are available at the City Secretary's office and the City Library in accordance with Article VI, Section 6.07 of the Charter of the City of Laredo.

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Galo
 Second: Cw. Moreno
 For: 8

Against: 0 Abstain: 0

- 22. Consideration to approve the **1999 Appraisal Roll** from the **Webb County Appraisal District** for the development of our tax roll, and to accept the calculations of the effective tax rate for Fiscal Year 1999-2000.

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Galo
 Second: Cw. Moreno
 For: 8

Against: 0 Abstain: 0

- 23. Consideration of a notice of public hearing on a proposed tax rate of **\$0.569218/\$100** value. Each Council Member's vote must be recorded. The public hearing will be held on September 7, 1999 at 5:30 p.m. at City of Laredo City Hall, City Council Chambers, 1110 Houston, Laredo, Texas.

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Galo
 Second: Cm. Agredano
 For: 8

Against: 0 Abstain: 0

- 24. Consideration to refund property tax to the following taxpayer and company:

- a. **Cayetano Perez and wife Noemi G. Perez** in the amount of **\$622.12** due to a double payment on behalf of Mr. and Mrs. Perez and Source One Mortgage Company. Source One Mortgage is responsible for the taxes.

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Galo
 Second: Cm. Valdez
 For: 8

Against: 0 Abstain: 0

- b. **Countrywide Home Loans, Inc.** in the amount of **\$679.60** due to a clerical error 25.25 (c). Personal property did not exist for Years 1996 through 1998.

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Galo
Second: Cm. Valdez
For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

VIII. STAFF REPORTS

25. Presentation of City of Laredo Unaudited Financial Statements for the period ending June 30, 1999.

Jose Castillo, Financial Services Acting Director, stated that this is to formalize the presentation of the Financial Statements that were submitted to Council members 10 days ago. City Charter requires that they present to City Council unaudited financial statements on a quarterly basis. Unaudited statements of Revenues and Expenditures are prepared on a monthly basis and presented to City Council and staff for their information.

IX. COMMUNICATIONS

- a. Cm. Bruni submitted weekly rain enhancement reports from Southwest Texas Rain Enhancement Association as follows:

WEEKLY REPORT 8/2/99 - 8/8/99

<u>DATE</u>	<u>WEATHER</u>
8/2/99	Partly cloudy skies throughout the day and into the night.
	<u>ACTIVITIES SUMMARY</u> No seedable conditions developed.
8/3/99	Partly cloudy.
	<u>ACTIVITIES SUMMARY</u> No seedable conditions developed.
8/4/99	Mostly sunny skies and clear into the night.
	<u>ACTIVITIES SUMMARY</u> No seedable conditions developed.
8/5/99	Mostly clear and sunny skies.
	<u>ACTIVITIES SUMMARY</u> No seedable conditions developed.
8/6/99	Mostly clear and sunny skies.
	<u>ACTIVITIES SUMMARY</u> No seedable conditions developed.
8/7/99	Clear and sunny skies.

ACTIVITIES SUMMARY

No seedable conditions developed.

8/8/99 Sunny skies remaining clear into the night.

ACTIVITIES SUMMARY

No seedable conditions developed.

There have been no reports of rainfall for this reporting period.

(End of Report)

Cm. Bruni also announced, for the record, that there were no seedable conditions throughout 8/2/99 - 8/8/99 and also no seedable conditions for the following week. Both aircraft had been grounded in Laredo International Airport and in Cotulla.

- b. Cm. Guerra announced that District VI had their National Night Out event on August 3, 1999 and it was a success.
- c. Mayor Flores read a letter addressed to Mr. John Peter Montalvo, chairperson of the City of Laredo Housing Authority, from U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Letter quotes:

"This is to inform you that the Laredo Housing Authority has achieved a total weighted Public Housing Management Assessment Program (PHMAP) score of 99.50 for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1999. Based on the information submitted with your certification, the Authority earned a designation of high performer. The high performer designation is reserved for authorities that achieve a score of 90 or more."

Mayor Flores congratulated the Laredo Housing Authority and the members of the board for this great score.

- d. Mayor Flores recognized the Gateway Girls Softball Team as the State Champions.

X. CITY COUNCIL PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION**26. Requests by Mayor and City Council members for presentation and discussion.****A. Request by Mayor Elizabeth G. Flores**

- 1. Presentation by the Electrical Examining Board.

Mayor Flores announced that no report will be given due to the absence of Mr. Ricardo Guerra, Electrical

Examining Board.

2. Discussion on the Millennium Celebration and the naming of the Millennium Committee.

Mayor Flores announced the following names to the Millennium Committee:

Cm. Bruni: Aileen Newman
Eddie Vela

Cw. Moreno: Sandra S. Morales
Joseph Gage

Mayor Flores: Steve La Mantia
Brenda Garcia
Oralia Garcia
Cristy Swisher
Raul Davila
Bill Green
Angel Rivera

Cw. Montalvo: Gerardo Elizondo
Raul Perales

Cm. Alvarado Belinda Guerra

Mayor Flores will provide the final list for approval at the next meeting.

B. Request by Council member Louis H. Bruni

1. Status report on the Airport Marketing position, with possible action.

Jose Flores announced that they are prepared to make the offer and hire an individual.

2. Discussion and possible action on the privatization of the Laredo International Airport.

Cm. Bruni stated that he has done some investigative work on some companies that have expertise in privatization. He contacted a company named **British Air**, who is the managing company that manages Pittsburgh and Indianapolis, they have invested \$60 million of their own money into the these particular airports. He wants to see if Council would allow staff to investigate the possibility of privatization. There is also a company named **Zchrictero** from the Netherlands, that manages La Guardia Kennedy International Terminal, that's a \$1 billion terminal that they have been managing for quite some time. Other companies are **Aeropuertos de Montreol** and **Aeropuertos de Vienna**. They both have offices in the United States. There is also a smaller company named **Hawthorne Aviation**. All these companies have expertise

in managing airports and terminals. He would like to have staff contact these 5 companies and ask for meetings and input from them.

Motion to authorize staff to contact these 5 companies and investigate the possibility of privatization of the Laredo International Airport. Also, that staff find the necessary funding for a consultant and come back to Council on the next meeting with the cost estimate to hire a consultant.

Moved : Cm. Bruni

Second: Cm. Galo

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 1

Cw. Montalvo

C. Request by Council member Joe A. Guerra

- 1. Discussion and possible action on a request by Jesus Longoria, for the waiving of landfill fees for the clean-up of a dump site at the end of Shiloh St.

Cm. Guerra stated that Mr. Longoria has purchased a parcel of property, which before it was used as an illegal dump site by various people. Since he is interested in developing that parcel, he is asking to see if the fees at the landfill be waived or modified.

Mr. Flores, City Attorney, stated that the City Ordinance requires payment of fees and it cannot be waived. Unless, Council suggest to develop a contract for which the City gets value in return.

Motion to set up an agreement with this individual and come back to Council for final approval.

Moved : Cm. Guerra

Second: Cm. Bruni

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

XI. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 27. Public hearing establishing and adopting a commercial aircraft landing fees and landing fee rate for the Laredo International Airport and authorizing the City Manager to implement said Ordinance. The Landing Fee rate will increase from .25 cents per thousand pounds landed weight to .40 cents, effective sixty (60) days from the date of the public hearing at which this ordinance is approved, and increase to sixty (60) cents effective 12:01 a.m. CST on January 1, 2001.

INTRODUCTION OF AN ORDINANCE

Ordinance establishing and adopting a commercial aircraft landing fees and landing fee rate for the Laredo International Airport and authorizing the City Manager to implement said Ordinance. The Landing Fee rate will increase from .25 cents

INTRODUCTION OF AN ORDINANCE

Ordinance adopting Water Conservation and Drought Contingency Plan; establishing criteria for the initiation and termination of drought response stages, establishing restrictions on certain water uses, establishing penalties for the violation of and provisions for enforcement of these restrictions; establishing procedures for granting variances; and providing severability and an effective date.

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved : Cm. Bruni
 Second: Cm. Valdez
 For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Mr. Fernando Roman gave a brief presentation on the Drought Contingency Plan as follows:

STAGE I - CONSERVATION ALERT
 (VOLUNTARY)

- * Reservoir level 51% - 36%
- * Plant capacity at 90%, 5 days
- * Water rights availability
- * Common Sense

STAGE II - CONSERVATION WARNING
 (VOLUNTARY)

- * Reservoir level 35% - 26%
- * Plant capacity at 90%, 5 days
- * Water rights availability
- * Preparation for Stage III

STAGE III - SHORTAGE ADVISORY
 (MANDATORY)

- * Reservoir level 25% - 18%
- * Plant capacity at 95%, 5 days
- * Water rights availability
- * Designated irrigation days (3/week)
- * Restrictions on some uses
- * Exemptions in some cases

STAGE IV - SHORTAGE ALERT
 (MANDATORY)

- * Reservoir level 17% - 12%
- * Plant capacity at 95%, 5 days
- * Water rights availability
- * \$10 surcharge for consumption over 30,000 GAL
- * Irrigation days (2/week)
- * Heavy restrictions

STAGE V - SHORTAGE WARNING

(MANDATORY)

- * Reservoir level 12% - 10%
- * Plant capacity at 100%, 3 days
- * Water rights availability
- * \$15 surcharge for consumption over 20,000 GAL
- * Irrigation day (1/week)
- * Severe restrictions

STAGE VI - SHORTAGE EMERGENCY
(MANDATORY)

- * Reservoir level 9% or less
- * Plant capacity at 100%, 3 days
- * Water rights availability
- * No new accounts allowed
- * Cut nonessential Ind/Comm
- * May impose emergency rate
- * Irrigation by hand held hose only (1/week)
- * \$20 surcharge over 15,000 GAL

(End of report)

There was no public input.

Motion to close the public hearing and introduce.

Moved : Cm. Galo

Second: Cm. Bruni

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

30. Public hearing amending Chapter 19, Motor Vehicles and Traffic, Article XI, Truck Traffic, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Laredo, by specifically amending the following sections therein. Section 19-415, Section 19-430, Section 19-431, Section 19-433, Section 19-434, Section 19-435, Section 19-436, Section 19-437, Section 19-439, Section 19-451, Section 19-453, Section 19-454, Section 19-455, Section 19-457, Section 19-458, Section 19-461, Section 19-463, Section 19-472, and creating Section 19-401, Section 19-477, Section 19-477.1, Section 19-477.2, Section 19-477.3, Section 477.4, Section 19-477.5, Section 19-477.6, Section 19-477.7, Section 19-478, Section 19-479, Section 19-480, and Section 19-480.1.

INTRODUCTION OF AN ORDINANCE

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477.2, Section 19-477.3, Section 477.4, Section 19-477.5, Section 19-477.6, Section 19-477.7, Section 19-478, Section 19-479, Section 19-480, and Section 19-480.1.

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved : Cm. Bruni
Second: Cm. Agredano
For: 8

Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Mr. Jesus Ponce spoke on the truck congestion and the need to eliminate it.

Motion to close the public hearing and introduce.

Moved : Cm. Galo
Second: Cm. Valdez
For: 8

Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

- 31. Public Hearing amending Laredo Code of Ordinances Chapter 20, Municipal Court, Section 20-37, "Costs to be Taxed"; by adding and clarifying Section 1, Jury Fees; adding Section 2, Municipal Court Building Security Fund Fees, adding a \$3.00 fee; and Section 3, Municipal Court Technology Fund Fees, adding a \$4.00 fee; providing for severability and providing for effective date and publication.

INTRODUCTION OF AN ORDINANCE

Ordinance amending Laredo Code of Ordinances Chapter 20, Municipal Court, Section 20-37, "Costs to be Taxed"; by adding and clarifying Section 1, Jury Fees; adding Section 2, Municipal Court Building Security Fund Fees, adding a \$3.00 fee; and Section 3, Municipal Court Technology Fund Fees, adding a \$4.00 fee; providing for severability and providing for effective date and publication.

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved : Cm. Galo
Second: Cm. Alvarado
For: 8

Against: 0 Abstain: 0

There was no public input.

Motion to close the public hearing and introduce.

Moved : Cw. Montalvo
Second: Cm. Agredano
For: 8

Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

- 32. Public hearing amending the City of Laredo FY 1998-1999 Airport Budget to recognize additional revenues from two grants received

from the Federal Aviation Administration being Grant **Project No. 3-48-0136-24** in the amount of **\$752,986.00** for the implementation of Laredo's FAR Part 150 Airport Noise Compatibility Program and Grant **Project No. 3-48-0136-25** in the amount of **\$4,186,446.00** for the reconstruction of a portion of Taxiway "A", rehabilitation of a portion of Runway 17R, and implementation of Laredo's FAR Part 150 Airport Noise Compatibility Program and appropriating said grant revenues and local match to the appropriate expenditure accounts and authorizing the City Manager to implement said budget amendment.

INTRODUCTION OF AN ORDINANCE

Ordinance amending the City of Laredo FY 1998-1999 Airport Budget to recognize additional revenues from two grants received from the Federal Aviation Administration being Grant Project No. 3-48-0136-24 in the amount of **\$752,986.00** for the implementation of Laredo's FAR Part 150 Airport Noise Compatibility Program and Grant **Project No. 3-48-0136-25** in the amount of **\$4,186,446.00** for the reconstruction of a portion of Taxiway "A", rehabilitation of a portion of Runway 17R, and implementation of Laredo's FAR Part 150 Airport Noise Compatibility Program and appropriating said grant revenues and local match to the appropriate expenditure accounts and authorizing the City Manager to implement said budget amendment.

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved : Cm. Galo
Second: Cm. Valdez
For: 8

Against: 0 Abstain: 0

There was no public input.

Motion to close the public hearing and introduce.

Moved : Cm. Galo
Second: Cm. Valdez
For: 8

Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

33. Public hearing amending Chapter 12 of the City of Laredo Code of Ordinances entitled, Fire Protection and Prevention, specifically, Section 12-1; Section 12-4 by providing for Municipal Court Fines to increase to a minimum of \$200.00 and a maximum of **\$2,000.00**; Section 12-16; Section 12-17; Section 12-19 through Section 12-21; Section 12-37 through Section 12-41; Section 12-56 through Section 12-59, and creating Section 12-5 and Section 12-61; providing for severability and providing for effective date and publication.

INTRODUCTION OF AN ORDINANCE

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maximum of \$2,000.00; Section 12-16; Section 12-17; Section 12-19 through Section 12-21; Section 12-37 through Section 12-41; Section 12-56 through Section 12-59, and creating Section 12-5 and Section 12-61; providing for severability and providing for effective date and publication.

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved : Cm. Galo
Second: Cm. Alvarado
For: 8

Against: 0 Abstain: 0

There was no public input.

Motion to close the public hearing and introduce.

Moved : Cm. Galo
Second: Cm. Alvarado
For: 8

Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

- 34. Public hearing approving an amendment to the contract with the Texas Department of Health and budget in the amount of \$447,388 for the Comprehensive Public Health Service Program of the City of Laredo Health Department for the period beginning September 1, 1999, through August 31, 2000.

INTRODUCTION OF AN ORDINANCE

Ordinance approving an amendment tot he contract with the Texas Department of Health and budget in the amount of \$447,388 for the Comprehensive Public Health Service Program of the City of Laredo Health Department for the period beginning September 1, 1999, through August 31, 2000.

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved : Cm. Galo
Second: Cm. Alvarado
For: 8

Against: 0 Abstain: 0

There was no public input.

Motion to close the public hearing and introduce.

Moved : Cw. Montalvo
Second: Cm. Agredano
For: 8

Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

- 35. Public hearing amending the contract with the Texas Department of Health and budget in the amount of \$161,560 for the Neural Tube Defects Project of the City of Laredo Health Department for the period beginning September 1, 1999, through August 31, 2000.

INTRODUCTION OF AN ORDINANCE

Ordinance amending the contract with the Texas Department of Health and budget in the amount of **\$161,560** for the Neural Tube Defects Project of the City of Laredo Health Department for the period beginning September 1, 1999, through August 31, 2000.

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved : Cm. Alvarado
Second: Cm. Agredano
For: 8

Against: 0 Abstain: 0

There was no public input.

Motion to close the public hearing and introduce.

Moved : Cm. Agredano
Second: Cm. Valdez
For: 8

Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

- 36. Public hearing amending the contract with the Texas Department of Health and budget in the amount of **\$250,000** for the Children's Health Insurance Pilot Project of the City of Laredo Health Department for the period beginning September 1, 1999, through August 31, 2000.

INTRODUCTION OF AN ORDINANCE

Ordinance amending the contract with the Texas Department of Health and budget in the amount of **\$250,000** for the Children's Health Insurance Pilot Project of the City of Laredo Health Department for the period beginning September 1, 1999, through August 31, 2000.

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved : Cm. Galo
Second: Cm. Agredano
For: 8

Against: 0 Abstain: 0

There was no public input.

Motion to close the public hearing and introduce.

Moved : Cm. Alvarado
Second: Cm. Agredano
For: 8

Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA

IX. STAFF REPORTS

Request for Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.072 in regards to deliberating the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property, for future City office space because deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the governmental body in negotiations with a third person; and return to Open Session for possible action.

Motion to go into Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.072 in regards to deliberating the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property, for future City office space because deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the governmental body in negotiations with a third person; and return to Open Session for possible action.

Moved : Cm. Galo
Second: Cm. Alvarado
For: 8

Against: 0 Abstain: 0

After Executive Session Mayor Flores announce that no formal action was taken.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

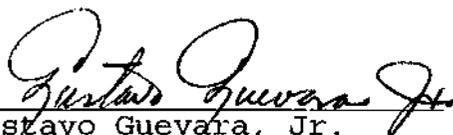
Motion to adjourn.

Adjournment time: 7:47 p.m.

Moved : Cm. Bruni
Second: Cm. Alvarado
For: 8

Against: 0 Abstain: 0

I hereby certify that the above minutes contained in pages 01 to 21 are true, complete, and correct proceedings of the City Council Meeting held on August 16, 1999. A certified copy is on file at the City Secretary's Office.


Gustavo Guevara, Jr.
City Secretary

Minutes approved September 20, 1999