

CITY OF LAREDO

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

A-2009-R-23

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

1110 HOUSTON STREET

LAREDO, TEXAS 78040

DECEMBER 21, 2009

5:30 P.M.



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I. CALL TO ORDER

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ROLL CALL

IV. MINUTES

Approval of the minutes of December 7, 2009

V. COMMUNICATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS

Recognitions

- a. Recognizing Chelsea Morgensen for being crowned Miss Texas Teen USA.
- b. Recognition of Ruiz Homes of Laredo, Texas for being honored with the 2009 AVID Diamond Award—Best Customer Experience in United States.
- c. Recognition of the H.E.B. employees and volunteers who participated in the 21st Annual H.E.B. Feast of Sharing.
- d. Recognizing J.W. Arndt Elementary School Cardinals Soccer team for being undefeated in the 2009 Season and winning the championship game on November 23, 2009.

Communiqués

- a. Presentation regarding the 2009 City of Laredo 5th Annual HEB Holiday Bowl.

Citizen comments

Citizens are required to fill out a witness card and identify themselves at the microphone. Comments should be relevant to City business and delivered in a professional manner. No derogatory remarks will be permitted. There is a time limit of three minutes per speaker.

VI. APPOINTMENTS TO COMMISSIONS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

- a. Appointments by City Council to the Drug and Alcohol Commission.

VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. **Public hearing and introductory ordinance** adopting the 2009 Edition of the International Fire Code by amending Section 12-02 of Chapter 12 (Fire Protection and Prevention) of the Code of Ordinances, regulating and governing the safeguarding of life and property from fire and explosion arising from storage, handling and use of hazardous substance, materials and devices, and from conditions hazardous to life or property in the occupancy of buildings and premises in the City of Laredo; providing for the issuance of permits and collection of fees therefore; repealing ordinance No. 2006-O-232 of the City of Laredo and all other ordinance and parts of the ordinance in conflict therewith; providing a saving clause; providing a severability clause; providing for publication; and providing for an effective date. **(Approved by Operations Committee)**
2. **Public hearing and introductory ordinance** amending Article VI [Investment Policy] of Chapter 2 [Administration] of the Code of Ordinances in order to:
 1. Replace the word "Securities" with the word "Investment" throughout the document;
 2. Grammatically modify various sections throughout the document;
 3. And provide for effective date.
3. **Public hearing and introductory ordinance** amending the City of Laredo's 2010 General Fund Budget by appropriating revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$1,180,351.00 from the Homeland Security Grant Program, Texas Division of Emergency Management. The use of these funds will be divided in the following manner: \$801,327.00 for an upgrade to the ASTRO 25 System Master Switch (800 MHz Trunked System) from its current System Release 7.2 to 7.7, including Integrated Voice & Data with programming Over the Air and Global Positioning System capability by the Information Services & Telecommunications Department

and \$379,024.00 for the purchase of minor and capital equipment for the Police Department's Bomb Squad Unit. There are no matching funds required. **(Approved by Operations & Finance Committees)**

4. **Public hearing and introductory ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by authorizing a Conditional Use Permit for an amusement redemption machine establishment on Lot 1, Block 2, Cuatro Vientos Norte Subdivision, Phase 1, located at 3302 Chacota Street, Units 21 and 22.

Staff supports the proposed Conditional Use Permit and the Planning and Zoning Commission has recommended approval of the Conditional Use Permit with the revision of condition nine to read, "Hours of operation shall be 11:00 a.m.-2:00 a.m." and the revision of condition twelve to read, "The C.U.P. shall be issued for two (2) years from the date the certificate of occupancy is issued." District I

5. **Public hearing and introductory ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lot 6, Block 1693, Eastern Division, located at 2806 Clark Boulevard, from R-3 (Mixed Residential District) to B-1 (Limited Commercial District).

Staff supports the rezone and the Planning and Zoning Commission has recommended approval of the zone change. District II

6. **Public hearing and introductory ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lots 1-7, Block 3; Lots 1-29, Block 2; Lots 12-23, Block 1; Lots 1-13, Block 4; Lots 1-13, Block 5; Lots 1-29, Block 6; and Lots 9-16, Block 8 of La Joya Subdivision, Phase 2, located north and south of Obsidian Boulevard and east and west of Pearl Stone Road, from R-1A (Single Family Reduced Area District) to R-1MH (Single Family Manufactured Housing District).

Staff supports the rezone and the Planning and Zoning Commission has recommended approval of the zone change. District III

7. **Public hearing and introductory ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lots 1-10, Block 488, Western Division, located at 2220 Moctezuma Street, from R-2 (Multi-Family Residential District) to M-1 (Light Manufacturing District).

Staff supports the rezone and the Planning and Zoning Commission has recommended approval of the zone change. District VIII

8. **Public hearing and introductory ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by authorizing a Special Use Permit

for the storage of flammable and explosive products on Lot 2, Block 2002, South Laredo Industrial Park, located at 321 Wildcat Drive.

Staff supports the Special Use Permit and the Planning and Zoning Commission has recommended denial of the Special Use Permit. District II

(Recess)
(Press Availability)

VIII. FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

9.

2009-O-221 Designating the city limits and Extra Territorial Jurisdiction (ETJ) five miles outside city limits as tax abatement reinvestment zone for commercial/industrial tax abatement; establishing the boundaries thereof and other matters relating thereto; declaring findings of fact; providing for severability; and providing for an effective date.

2009-O-222 Amending the City of Laredo 2009-2010 Utilities Budget by appropriating revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$7,500,000.00. The Texas Water Development Board awarded a grant to the City of Laredo in the amount of \$7,500,000.00 to purchase water rights.

2009-O-223 Amending the City of Laredo Health Department FY 2009-2010 annual budget by authorizing the City Manager to accept, execute, and appropriate revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$60,000.00 from the Texas Department of State Health Services for continuation of the Health Department Title V Family Planning Services for the term of November 1, 2009 through August 31, 2010.

2009-O-224 Amending Chapter 24, Article VI, of the Laredo Land Development Code, Section 24.63.2: permitted land uses, in order to permit fire stations in the B-1 (Limited Commercial), B-1R (Limited Office/Residential), CBD (Central Business District), and B-3 (Community Business) Districts; providing for publication and effective date.

2009-O-225 Amending the Laredo Land Development Code of the City of Laredo by: Establishing a 500' distance requirement for Halfway Houses from any Residential District by amending Section 24.65.14 B-4 Highway Commercial District, Section 24.65.15 M-1 Light Manufacturing District, Section 24.65.16 Heavy Manufacturing District, Section 24.65.17 MXD Mixed Use Development District, and amending Appendix A by establishing a definition for Halfway Houses; and providing for publication and effective date.

2009-O-226 Authorizing the issuance of approximately \$4,075,000.00 in aggregate principal amount of City of Laredo, Texas Combination Tax and

Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2010A, for paying all or a portion of the City's contractual obligations incurred for the purpose of

(1) Constructing, improving and repairing the City's municipal airport streets and sidewalks, together with drainage, traffic and street signalization and lighting improvements;

(2) Acquiring and constructing of improvements and extensions to the municipal airport's waterworks and sewer system;

(3) Constructing municipal airport infrastructure improvements, including extension of runways, reconstructing or relocating taxiways, relocation of instrument landing system and reconstruction of general aviation apron; and

(4) Improving, repairing and renovating existing municipal airport buildings and for the payment of legal, fiscal, and engineering fees in connection with such projects; authorizing the execution of an investment letter, making provisions for the security thereof; authorizing amendment to the City's budget to appropriate such proceeds for purposes authorized herein; and ordaining other matters relating to the subject.

2009-O-227 Authorizing the issuance of City of Laredo, Texas Combination Tax and Airport Revenue Refunding bonds, Series 2010, in the principal amount of \$2,060,000.00 for the purpose of refunding the airport indenture obligation for release of land from indenture, and ordaining other matters relating thereto.

2009-O-228 Authorizing the issuance of City of Laredo, Texas Public Property Finance Contractual Obligations, Series 2010, in the approximate principal amount of \$5,060,000.00 for the purchase of personal property; authorizing the execution of an investment letter, making provisions for the security thereof; authorizing amendment to the City's budget to appropriate such proceeds for purposes authorized herein; and ordaining other matters relating to the subject.

2009-O-229 Re-adopting guidelines and criteria governing tax abatements by the City of Laredo; providing for severability; providing for an effective date and publication.

2009-O-230 Authorizing the City Manager to execute a lease assignment from Josefa Lago de Sarabia, as Lessee, of that lease agreement approved by Ordinance No. 91-O-266 and as amended by Ordinance No. 2000-O-210 and Ordinance No. 2005-O-138 for Hangar No. 162 consisting of approximately 13,114 square feet and situated on an approximate 42,038 square foot tract located at the Laredo International Airport to Altair Aviation,

LLC., as assignee. The current monthly rental is \$4,407.14 and annually adjusted by changes in CPI, providing for effective date.

2009-O-231 Authorizing the City Manager to convey easements and right of way to AEP Texas Central Company located at, and to serve, the Jefferson Water Treatment Plant, namely, one (1) conveyance over a 0.8627 acre parcel as described in easement conveyance attached as Exhibit 1; and the second conveyance over two (2) parcels, one (1) of 0.0202 acre and the other of 0.0935 acre, as described in easement conveyance that is attached as Exhibit 2; and providing for an effective date.

2009-O-232 Authorizing the City Manager to terminate lease dated May 18, 2004 authorized by Ordinance No. 2004-O-039 as amended by Ordinance No. 2005-O-116 transferring the lease to El Portal Center, L.L.C.; for parking for patrons of the El Portal Center, formerly River Drive Mall to be effective January 4, 2010.

2009-O-233 Authorizing the City Manager to execute an option to lease, through December 31, 2014, six (6) tracts of land (cumulatively known as the El Portal Parking Lot and F/K/A River Drive Mall Parking Lot) with El Portal Center L.L.C. which lease provides for an initial five (5) year term with four (4), five (5) year options, montly rental being five thousand one hundred nine (\$5,109.00) dollars adjustable annual by the consumer price index; and authorizing the City Manager to enter into a lease agreement (being consideration for the five (5) year option to lease six (6) tracts of land to terminate pon the exercise of the option) with El Portal Center L.L.C. for Lots 1, 2, 3, 7, 8, 9, and 10, Block 23, western division of the City of Laredo, for public parking purposes, for a five (5) year period, with city to retain all revenue generated from the parking operation and at no cost to the city. **(AS AMENDED)**

IX. RESOLUTIONS

10. **2009-R-140** Amending Resolution 2009-R-052 by revising the property descriptions of four (4) parcels of land for the Calton Road Grade Separation Project, and declaring the public necessity to acquire the "surface only" of said properties further described herein;

Tract 5. A tract of land containing 0.08 acres (3,688.29 Sq. Ft.) more or less, being out of a 2.6924 acre tract of land shown in Central Power & Light Company Subdivision Plat recorded in Volume 17, Pages 32, Webb County Map Records, Texas, situated in Survey 1238, E. Garza Original Grantee Abstract 425, City of Laredo, Webb County, Texas.(Revised)

Tract 6. A tract of land containing 0.003 acres (135.11 Sq. Ft) more or less, being out a 0.057 acre tract conveyed to AEP Texas Central Company recorded in Volume 2833, Pages 571-578, Official Public Records, Webb

County, Texas, situated in Survey 1238, E. Garza Original Grantee, Abstract 425 and Survey 1026, J.L. Fuentes Original Grantee, Abstract 317, City of Laredo, Webb County, Texas. (Revised)

Tract 7. A tract of land containing 0.44 acres (19,281.58 Sq. Ft.) more or less, being 0.41 acres out of that certain 9.4675 acre tract of land conveyed to Central Power & Light Co., recorded in Volume 396, Pgs 77-86, Webb County Deed Records and 0.03 acres out of that certain 1.3118 acre tract of land conveyed to Central Power and Light Co., recorded in Volume 400, Pages 228-231, Webb County Deed Records, Texas, situated in Survey 1238, E Garza Original Grantee, Abstract 425 and Survey 1026, J. F. Fuentes Original Grantee Abstract 317, City of Laredo, Webb County, Texas. (Revised)

Tract 8. A tract of land containing 0.01 acres (168.24 Sq. Ft.) more or less, being out of a 7.813 Acre tract conveyed to Wal-Mart Stores, Inc., recorded in Volume 28, Pages 11-14, Webb County Deed Records, Texas, situated in Survey 1238, E. Garza Original Grantee, Abstract 425 and Survey 1026, J.F. Fuentes Original Grantee, Abstract 317, City of Laredo, Webb County, Texas. (Revised)

Each of said four tracts is further described by metes and bounds in Exhibits 1 to 4, inclusive, attached to this resolution; and authorizing staff to negotiate with the owners for the acquisition of said parcels by purchase at their market values established by a State Certified Real Estate Appraiser; and authorizing the City Attorney to initiate condemnation proceedings to acquire one or more of said parcels if staff is unable to acquire one or more due to inability to agree to a purchase price, conflict of ownership, owner refusal to sell, and/or inability to locate a listed owner. Tracts 1 through 4 as described in Resolution 2009-R-052 will remain unchanged.

11. **2009-R-141** Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract with the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio for the continuation of the Health Department's South Texas Family Aids Network Grant in the amount of \$25,000.00 for the term period beginning August 1, 2009 through July 31, 2010. **(Approved by Operations Committee)**
12. **2009-R-142** Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract with the Texas Department of State Health Services for continuation of the Health Department's Tuberculosis Program in the amount of \$171,081.00 for the term period beginning January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010. **(Approved by Operations Committee & Finance Committees)**
13. **2009-R-144** Approving a Memorandum of Understanding between the Multimodal Hub of the Americas, Panama and the City of Laredo and approving a Cooperation and Coordination Agreement between the

Association of Panama Exporters (APEX) and the City of Laredo and authorizing the City Manager and Mayor to execute said documents.

14. **2009-R-145** Authorizing the City Manager to execute Memorandum of Understandings between the City of Laredo and Central American countries for the fostering of a spirit of cooperation between the City of Laredo and the countries of Central America and to promote the Port of Laredo as a premier destination port for Latin American commerce.

X. MOTIONS

15. Consideration to approve of change order #3 in the amount of \$25,280.00 to install for (4) additional air release valves; electrical updates to the lift stations to SLC Construction, L.P., Conroe, Texas, to add construction time for the NADB-02 Mines Road Sanitary Sewer Collection System at Peñitas. The new contract amount is \$2,900,933.39. The new contract time including this change order is four hundred twenty five (425) calendar days. Funding is available in the Sewer System 1998 Bond and the Colonias Fund. **(Approved by Operations Committee)**
16. Consideration to approve change order #2 in the amount of \$5,750.00 to CG Construction, Inc. DBA CC Construction Laredo, Texas for the Nadbank-2, Phase "B", Peñitas Wastewater Treatment Plant. The contractor for this project will provide additional land clearing and grading. The revised contract amount is \$1,387,119.98. The new construction time including this change order will be 344 calendar days. This project is funded by the North American Development Bank (NADB) and is subject to their approval. Funds are available in the 1998 Sewer Bond. **(Approved by Operations Committee)**
17. Award of a construction contract to the lowest bidder Price Construction, Ltd., Laredo, Texas, in the amount of \$50,000.00 for the TxDOT Wastewater Relocation Bore under LP 20. The improvements consist of an 8" PVC SDR26 wastewater line with an 18" steel casing under Loop 20. The construction time is forty (40) calendar days. Funding is available in the 2008 Utility Bond. **(Approved Operations & Finance Committees)**
18. Authorizing the City Manager to provide a payment in the amount of \$132,184.15 to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for a newly formulated Public Health Service Fee effective on July 30, 2009 for required support of all TCEQ state funding for essential water related activities. Funds are to be made available under the Waterworks Construction Fund. **(Approved by Operations & Finance Committees)**
19. Consideration to award Amendment #2 to Lockwood, Andrews & Newnam (LAN), Inc., Houston, Texas, in association with Crane Engineering, for the City of Laredo, in the amount of \$54,088.00, to provide additional consulting

services for the Flores Street Drainage Improvement and Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Project for the City of Laredo. The amendment will extend the storm drain line from Lincoln to Hidalgo Streets and the water line replacement from Zaragoza St. to Hidalgo St. on Flores Avenue, and includes construction field services. The total contract with this amendment will be \$394,088.00. Funding is available in the 2008 CO. **(Approved by Operations & Finance Committees)**

20. Consideration for approval of the Park Shade Structures at Nine (9) Designated Park Sites (Lamar Bruni Vergara Shades) as complete and ratification of change order no. 1 an increase of \$55,311.13 for the balance of quantities actually constructed in place, and approval of final payment in the amount of \$55,311.13 to Kraftsman, L.P., dba Kraftsman Commercial Playground and Water Park Equipment, Spring, Texas. Final construction contract amount is \$204,186.11. Funding is available in the Capital Improvement Fund. **(Approved by Operations & Finance Committees)**
21. Consideration to award contract number FY10-018, to the low bidder, Interboro Packaging, Inc., Montgomery, NY, in the amount of \$55,280.00, for the purchase of one million (1,000,000.00) plastic bags for use in the City's Recycling Program. The bid pricing is 0.86% lower than the previous purchase amount. Funding is available in the Solid Waste Services budget. **(Approved by Operations & Finance Committees)**
22. Consideration to award contract number FY09-098 to Enterprise Rent A Car, Laredo, Texas, estimated annual amount of \$75,000.00 for providing rental vehicles for the Laredo Police Department. Approximately fifteen (15) to twenty five (25) vehicles are secured for use by the various task forces working with the Police Department. The term of this contract is for a twenty four (24) month period and is contingent upon continued funding in future fiscal years. Funding is currently available in the Police Department's budget. **(Approved by Operations & Finance Committees)**
23. Consideration to award contract FY10-015 to the low bidder, Sam Pack's Five Star Ford, Carrollton, Texas, in the amount of \$957,888.00 for the purchase of thirty six (36) police vehicles. These vehicles will be equipped with sirens, light bars, speakers, and prisoner cages. Funding for this project is available in the 2009 PPFCA Bond Proceeds. **(Approved by Operations & Finance Committees)**
24. Consideration to award contract FY10-017 for the purchase of passenger cars and trucks for the Police Department to the following bidders:
 1. Planet Ford, Spring, Texas, in the amount of \$87,448.00, for the purchase of four (4) full size sedans, and;

2. Caldwell Country Chevrolet, Spring, Texas, in the amount of \$141,984.00, for the purchase of five (5) mid size sedans and one (1) crew cab truck.

Funding for this purchase is available in the 2009 PFFCO Bond Proceeds.
(Approved by Operations & Finance Committees)

25. Consideration to authorize the purchase of a Digital Information Management System (DIMS) from Linear Systems Law Enforcement Division in the amount of \$76,466.80. Funding is available through a grant from the Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs and the Laredo Police Department's General Fund. The Digital Information Management System will be installed at the Laredo Department's ID Division. **(Approved by Operations & Finance Committees)**
26. Consideration to exercise the renewal option for an additional twelve (12) months period for contract number FY09-004 for the purchase of safety footwear to the low bidders:
 1. J.C. Twiss, Laredo, Texas, in the estimated amount of \$70,000.00;
 2. Gateway Uniforms, Laredo, Texas, in the estimated amount of \$3,000.00;
 3. Mike's Western Wear, Laredo, Texas, in the estimated amount of \$8,000.00.

Contract pricing has been secured for boot styles approved for use by the City's maintenance personnel. Each department will have the option to choose the type of boot best suited for the work environment and budget allocation. All safety footwear is purchased on an as needed basis from the respective departmental budgets. Funding is available in the respective department budgets. **(Approved by Operations & Finance Committees)**

27. Authorizing the City Manager to grant a public fireworks display permit at the Laredo Entertainment Center for January 1, 2010 at 12:00 a.m. The technicians for the display will be Pyrotecnico of Louisiana, LLC.
28. Approving monthly adjustments to the tax roll. The amounts to be adjusted for the month of November 2009, represent a decrease of \$91,862.22. These adjustments are determined by the Webb County Appraisal District and court orders.
29. Refund of property tax in the amount of \$598.32 payable to Lilia Graciela Treviño due to an overpayment. Account #439-00760-040.
30. Consideration to the ratify of change order no. 2 an increase of \$9,299.00 for the balance of quantities actually constructed in place, approving and

accepting the City of Laredo Health Department West Side Parking Lot Expansion as complete, approval of release of retainage and approval of final payment in the amount of \$29,091.90 to Juan Ramirez Investments, Laredo, Texas. Final construction contract amount is \$167,043.00. Funding is available in the West Side Parking Lot Expansion – Improvements Other Than Buildings. **(Approved by Operations Committee)**

31. Motion to select a date and time in January 2010, for a Council Workshop on the proposed Ethics Ordinance.

XI. GENERAL COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

32.

A. Request by Mayor Raul G. Salinas

1. **2009-R-143** Supporting the efforts of the “Laredo Reads Committee” to approach bookstore corporations to open a bookstore in Laredo by encouraging the community to demonstrate their love for reading. **(Co-Sponsored by Council Member Hector “Tito” Garcia & Council Member Cynthia Liendo Espinoza)**
2. Presentation by “Laredo Reads Committee”.
3. Presentation by Tim Schmidt, Laredo Medical Center CEO, regarding Laredo Medical Center’s Major Expansion Project.

B. Request by Council Member Hector “Tito” Garcia

1. Discussion with possible action regarding the purchasing of the Paul Young Car Center located at Bob Bullock Loop for the One Stop Shop, Fleet, and Parks and Leisure Departments.

C. Request by Council Member Juan Narvaez

1. Discussion with possible action to consider funding for the Latin American International Sports Hall of Fame. **(Co-sponsored by Council Member Hector “Tito” Garcia)**
2. Presentation on “Christmas in the Barrio” in District IV.

D. Request by Council Member Gene Belmares

1. Discussion with possible action on pursuing the 5th bridge application.
2. Discussion with possible action on authorizing the City Manager to determine how the sports venue tax may be used for economic development.

E. **Request by Council Member Cynthia Liendo Espinoza**

1. Discussion with possible action on the temporary traffic modifications along San Agustin Plaza.

XII. STAFF REPORTS

33. Presentation of the draft Zacate Creek Flood Protection Plan with possible action. The report provides a comprehensive evaluation of the entire Zacate creek with all the recent improvements (Upper Zacate creek Detention Pond and Channel improvements, Alexander detention pond, proposed channel improvements around the Canal Street) and focuses on more frequent storm analysis rather than 100 year storm for FEMA and providing recommendations for the future needed improvements.
34. Report on all grants received by the City of Laredo to include non-profit organizations, foundations, local, state, federal grants, including American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA), and any other grants received during this calendar year.
35. Report by the Laredo Delegation (Mayor Raul G. Salinas and City Manager Carlos R. Villarreal) regarding the recent trip to Central America, with possible action.

XIII. 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.

XIV. RECESS AS THE LAREDO CITY COUNCIL AND CONVENE AS THE LAREDO MASS TRANSIT BOARD

36. Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a lease agreement by and between the Laredo Transit Management, Inc., (El Metro) and Bringing Everyone Special Together (B.E.S.T.) Time Bank, a Texas non-profit corporation, for the lease of building space at the Laredo Transit Center located at 1301 Farragut Street, for a monthly sum of two hundred sixty-five dollars (\$265.00) for a term of one (1) year commencing on January 1, 2010 to December 31, 2010 and thereafter on a month to month basis depending on B.E.S.T.'s funding availability and or Transit building lease space availability. **(Approved by Operations Committee)**
37. Consideration for approval of the Transit Terminal Renovation Project as complete and approval of change order no. 1 an increase of \$7,783.72 for

the balance of quantities actually constructed in place and to add twenty-nine (29) calendar days to the construction contract time, release of retainage and approval of final payment in the amount of \$41,517.02 to Amberland Development, Ltd., Laredo, Texas. Final construction contract amount is \$345,116.72. Funding is available in the Transit FTA Capital Grant X-04-0040. **(Approved by Operations Committee)**

XV. ADJOURN AS THE LAREDO MASS TRANSIT BOARD AND RECONVENE AS THE LAREDO CITY COUNCIL AND ADJOURN

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 Wednesday, December 16, 2009 at 6:15 p.m.

Gustavo Guevara, Jr.
City Secretary