CITY OF LAREDO

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
A-2014-R-11
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1110 HOUSTON STREET
LAREDO, TEXAS 78040
JULY 21, 2014
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 April 9, 2013, August 14, 2013, September 10, 2013, September 11, 2013 & June 16, 2014.

V. COMMUNICATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS

Communiqués

a. Presentation by the Laredo Medical Society on "Drug Abuse Destroys Our Brain."

Recognitions

a. Recognizing Laredo Main Street for receiving the following awards/recognitions:

1. Laredo Main Street Program 2014 Nationally Accredited Main Street Program
2. Laredo Main Street Program 2014 Texas Main Street Accreditation
3. Certified Farmers Market "El Centro de Laredo Farmers Market"
4. Certified "Go Texan Program", El Centro de Laredo Farmers Market

b. Recognizing Ms. Valerie Bragg, KGNS Pro-8 News Reporter, for winning the Texas Associated Press Broadcasters 2013-2014 Investigative Report, Division 4 Award.

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. Speakers may not pass their minutes to any other speaker.

VI. APPOINTMENTS TO COMMISSIONS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

a. Appointment by Council Member Mike Garza to the Planning & Zoning Commission.

b. Appointment by Council Member Mike Garza to the Historic District/Landmark Board.

c. City Council Member nominations with confirmation by the City Council to the Regional Mobility Authority (RMA) Board of Directors.

VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. **Public hearing** allowing interested persons to comment on the 2014 Consolidated One-Year Action Plan which identifies the projects proposed to be funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. The City anticipates receiving $3,553,204.00 in 40th Action Year Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds, $685,083 through the HOME Investment Partnership Program, and $292,883.00 through the Emergency Solutions Grant.

   An additional $8,751.00 is anticipated to be received through CDBG program income, $97,062.00 in Section 108 Loan Repayment, $48,000.00 in Housing

Rehabilitation Revolving Loan funds, and $82,296.00 in HOME program income. The following projects are proposed and subject to City Council approval.

40th AY Community Development Block Grant

Community Development Administration	$709,079
Housing Rehabilitation Administration	$207,831
Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program ($8,751 PI)	$458,751
Code Enforcement	$525,254
Graffiti Removal Program	$43,269
Hamilton Hotel - Section 108 Loan Repayment	$97,062
Transitional Housing Development	$200,000
Cigarroa Splash Park	$200,000
Slaughter Park Basketball Dome	$200,000
K Tarver Park Recreational Improvements	$200,000
Median Beautification Phase II	$200,000
District VII Sidewalks	$200,000
Seven Flags Park Improvement Phase II	$200,000
Street Sign Upgrades	$217,771
Total	**$3,659,017**
Revolving Loan Administration	$8,499
Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan	$39,501
Total	**$48,000**

HOME Investment Partnership Grant

Administration	$68,508
Downpayment Assistance Program ($82,296 PI)	$206,060
Tenant Based Rental Assistance	$390,048
CHDO set-aside	$102,763
Total	**$767,379**

Emergency Solutions Grant

Administration	$21,950
Homeless Prevention	$67,354
Homeless Shelter Program	$85,593
Essential Services - Shelter	$43,788

Rapid Re-Housing	$55,717
Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)	$6,564
Street Outreach	$11,917
Total	**$292,883**

(Approved by Operations & Finance Committees)

2. **Public hearing and introductory ordinance** amending the City of Laredo FY 2014 Airport Construction Budget to appropriate revenues from a grant received from the Federal Aviation Administration Airport Improvement Program being Grant Project No. 3-48-0136-76-14 in the amount $2,890,905.00 to install Security Fencing to include replacement of vehicular gates with sliding gates and access controls along with video cameras; installation of fiber optic cable along with airfield thermal cameras; hardware and software upgrades to accommodate system expansion and increase functionality of the badging and dispatch systems; The City's local match in the amount of $321,212.00 (10%) is available in the Airport Construction Fund Budget. **(Approved by Operations & Finance Committees)**

3. **Public hearing and introductory ordinance** authorizing the City Manager to enter into contract with the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) and amending the FY 2013-2014 City of Laredo Health Department (CLHD) budget by appropriating revenues and expenditures in the amount of $159,889.00 for the City of Laredo Health Department Healthcare and Hospital Preparedness Program (HPP) to continue to conduct readiness among healthcare providers to address mass treatment, care, casualties in response to an event for the period beginning July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015. **(Approved by Operations & Finance Committees)**

4. **Public hearing and introductory ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lot 2-C, Block 1, Ramirez Business Park Subdivision, located at 501 South Creek Drive, from B-4 (Highway Commercial District) to M-1 (Light Manufacturing District); providing for publication and effective date.

   Staff is in support of the application and the Planning and Zoning Commission recommends approval of the zone change. District II

5. **Public hearing and introductory ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by authorizing a Conditional Use Permit for apartments on Lot 1, Block 1557, Eastern Division, located at 2601 Corpus Christi Street; providing for publication and effective date.

Staff is in support of the application and the Planning and Zoning Commission recommends approval of the Conditional Use Permit. District III

6. **Public hearing and introductory ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by authorizing a Conditional Use Permit for a child daycare center on South 75.46' of Lot 5, and North 63.43' of Lot 5, Block 1654, Eastern Division, located at 2720 Clark Boulevard and 2304 North Arkansas Avenue; providing for publication and effective date.

   Staff supports the application and Planning and Zoning Commission recommends approval of the Conditional Use Permit. District IV

7. **Public hearing and introductory ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by authorizing a Special Use Permit for a restaurant selling alcohol on Lots 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9, Block 1, Alexander Commercial Subdivision Phase I, located at 1705 Del Mar Boulevard Unit A-27 (also known as 7619 Rocío Drive, Unit A-27); providing for publication and effective date.

   Staff supports the application and Planning and Zoning Commission recommends approval of the Special Use Permit. District V

8. **Public hearing and introductory ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by authorizing a Special Use Permit for townhouses on Lots 1 and 2, Block 2, Escondido Subdivision Unit 2, located at 4903 and 4917 Escondido Drive; providing for publication and effective date.

   Planning and Zoning Commission recommends approval of the Special Use Permit. District V

9. **Public hearing and introductory ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning 22.46 acres, as further described by metes and bounds in attached Exhibit "A", located at the west side of Bob Bullock Loop between Shiloh Drive and Eskimo Drive, from B-3 (Community Business District) to B-4 (Highway Commercial District); providing for publication and effective date.

   Staff is in support of the application and the Planning and Zoning Commission recommends approval of the zone change. District VI

10. **Public hearing and introductory ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning 8.54 acres, as further described by metes and bounds in attached Exhibit “A”, located at the northwest corner of Eskimo Drive and Bob Bullock Loop, from B-3 (Community Business District) to B-4 (Highway Commercial District); providing for publication and effective date.

    Staff is in support of the application and the Planning and Zoning Commission recommends approval of the zone change. District VI

11. **Public hearing and introductory ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning 26.75 acres, as further described by metes and bounds in attached Exhibit “A”, located at the southwest corner of Shiloh Drive and Bob Bullock Loop, from R-1 (Single-Family Residential District) and B-3 (Community Business District) to B-4 (Highway Commercial District); providing for publication and effective date.

    Staff is in support of the application and the Planning and Zoning Commission recommends approval of the zone change. District VI

12. **Public hearing and introductory ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by authorizing a Conditional Use Permit for a truck sales center on South one half of Lot 5, and Lots 5A and 7, Block 266, Western Division, located at 1512, 1514, and 1518 Santa Ursula Avenue; providing for publication and effective date.

    Staff supports the application and Planning and Zoning Commission recommends approval of the Conditional Use Permit. District VIII

13. **Public hearing and introductory ordinance** amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning 4 acres, as further described by metes and bounds in attached Exhibit “A”, located at 8404 Casa Verde Road, from R-1 (Single-Family Residential District) to B-1 (Limited Commercial District); providing for publication date.

    Staff does not support the application and the Planning and Zoning Commission recommends denial of the zone change. District V

(Recess)
(Press Availability)

VIII. INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCES

14. An Ordinance Amending Chapter 24, Section 24.78 of the City of Laredo Land Development Code, Entitled Off-Street Parking and Loading Requirements, Specifically Chapter 24, Section 24-78.3 Parking Space Formulas, by reducing required parking for offices from 1 per 200 sq. ft. to 1 per every 250 sq. ft.; reducing the required parking for sit down restaurants from 18 per 1,000 sq. ft. to 12 per 1,000 sq. ft.; reducing the requirement for queuing spaces at fast food drive-thru from 8 to 6 and removing redundant language from Bed and Breakfast formula; providing for publication and effective date.

Staff recommends approval of the Ordinance Amendment and the Planning & Zoning Commission recommends approval of the Ordinance Amendment. **(Approved by Operations Committee)**

15. Authorizing the City Manager to approve an amendment to the lease agreement with Sanchez Oil and Gas Corporation approved by Ordinance No. 94-O-175 for Building No. 374, Building No. 372 and a 73,299 square foot tract of unimproved land. The proposed amendment changes the lease term from ten (10) to five (5) years from October 1, 2014 to September 30, 2019, provides for a $1,000.00 per month rent abatement for improvements, deletes a tract of unimproved land, amends lease termination clause, and amends LESSEE'S rental obligation from $20,879.76 to $15,879.76 effective October 1, 2014. All other terms and conditions of the lease agreement remain in effect and unchanged. **(Approved by Operations & Finance Committees)**

IX. FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

16.

2014-O-080 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning the North 370 feet of Lot 1-A, Block 4, Towne East Subdivision Phase II, as further described by metes and bounds in attached Exhibit "A", located at 5101 US Highway 59, from B-3 (Community Business District) to B-4 (Highway Commercial District); providing for publication and effective date. **(AS AMENDED)**

2014-O-081 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning 2.97 acres, as further described by metes and bounds in attached Exhibit "A", and located at 1320 W. Mann Road, from B-3 (Community Business District) to B-4 (Highway Commercial District); providing for publication and effective date.

2014-O-082 Altering and extending the boundary limits of the City of Laredo, annexing additional territory of 3,500.07 acres, more or less, located northwest of the city, west of Travel Centers and Flying J Truck Stops and east of Millennium Park, along FM 1472 (Mines Road) as further described by metes and bounds in Attachment "A", specifically N.D. Hachar Tract, providing for the effective date of the ordinance, adopting a service plan for the annexed territory, and establishing the initial zoning of AG (Agricultural District).

X. RESOLUTIONS

17. **2014-R-53** Ordering and proclaiming a general City Election to be held on Tuesday, November 4, 2014; ordering and proclaiming a Special City Election to fill a vacancy for Council Member for District VIII to be held on Tuesday, November 4, 2014; designating polling places; providing for publication; and authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract with the Webb County Elections Administrator for the purpose of conducting a joint election with Webb County, United Independent School District (UISD), Laredo Independent School District (LISD) and Laredo Community College.

18. **2014-R-72** Accepting the conveyance of the following 0.24 drainage easement (30' x 350') by Alexander Residential Development for an extension of underground storm sewer lines to control drainage and prevent erosion and directing staff that the said easement be filed of record in official property records of Webb County, Texas. These drainage improvements will be located within the D & J Alexander Subdivision, Unit III. Conveyance document with corresponding survey and metes and bounds description is attached as Exhibit A and B. **(Approved by Operations Committee)**

19. **2014-R-75** Authorizing fee waivers and a Tax Abatement Agreement between the City of Laredo and HHR Lane, L.L.C., for a proposed commercial project located at 820 Laredo St., Lot 5, Block 93, Eastern Division that consists of rehabilitation of the existing structure into a day care center, in accordance with authorized guidelines and criteria established for the Neighborhood Empowerment Zone (NEZ). This agreement will be for a five (5) year period and will abate taxes on new improvements for the purpose of economic development. The project has an estimated capital investment total of $102,679.50, estimated annual tax abatement total of $654.07 and estimated total fee waivers of $1,134.50. Guidelines and criteria for the agreement are set forth in the attached agreement and information. **(Approved by Operations Committee)**

20. **2014-R-76** Authorizing the City Manager to enter into and execute a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Laredo and the United Independent School District for joint participation in the construction and operation of a Natatorium and Water Park.

XI. MOTIONS

21. Council Discussion and possible action to rename the Los Dos Laredos Park as Tres Laredos Park.

22. Consideration to authorize the City Manager to sell one (1) Fire Apparatus Pumper and two (2) Ambulances to our Sister City of Nuevo Laredo Tamaulipas, Mexico. The units consist of a 1988 Federal Motors Pumper, 2003 Freightliner Ambulance and 2006 Freightliner Ambulance. The value for each unit is $2,500.00. The total cost for the three (3) units is $7,500.00.

23. Consideration for approval of change order No. 1, an increase of one hundred twenty (120) calendars days to the construction contract time with Vision Construction Co., Inc., Laredo, Texas, for the Truck Scales Project at World Trade Bridge and Colombia Bridge for utilities, rain delays and flooding of scale pit trench. Current construction contract time with this change order No. 1 is two hundred forty-five (245) calendar days. Completion date for the project is scheduled for August 2014. Funding is available in the Bridge 2008 Bond. **(Approved by Operations Committee)**

24. Consideration to award supply contract number FY14-067 to the sole bidder, City Ready Mix, Inc., Laredo, Texas, in an amount up to $2,368,000.00, for the purchase of ready mix cement (job site delivered) for various City Departments. All materials are purchased on an as needed basis utilizing the Utilities, Parks and Leisure Services and Public Works Departments - construction projects budgets.

25. Approving monthly adjustments to the tax roll. The amounts to be adjusted for the month of June 2014, represent an increase of $8,118.07. These adjustments are determined by the Webb County Appraisal District and by court orders.

26. 1. Refund of property tax in the amount of $896.70 payable to Dovenmuehle Mortgage Inc., due to an erroneous payment.

2. Refund of property tax in the amount of $1,017.99 payable to Only Boutique due to an overpayment.

XII. CONSENT AGENDA

Resolutions and Motions previously brought before Operations and Finance Committees may be approved by City Council categorically *EN BLOC*. At Council's request, specific items may be withheld from the consent agenda for individual treatment.

XII (a) RESOLUTIONS

27. **2014-R-61** Authorizing the City Manager to enter into and execute a contract between the Commission on State Emergency Communications (CSEC) and the City of Laredo for the implementation of the FY2014 South Texas 9-1-1 Regional Administration Strategic Plan Budget in the amount of $1,828,511.00 as approved by CSEC on August 14, 2013 and amended on February 20, 2014 for administrative, equipment and program budgets for Jim Hogg, Starr, Webb and Zapata Counties for the period beginning September 1, 2014 and ending August 31, 2015.

28. **2014-R-68** Authorizing and approving a Tax Abatement Agreement and an Economic Development Agreement between the City of Laredo and Celadon Trucking, Inc., for five (5) years. Celadon will invest $14,000,000.00 in land and real property improvements, and $1,000,000.00 in tangible personal property, including ten (10) new full-time jobs within the first year with five (5) additional jobs each year for four (4) more years for a total of 30 new full-time jobs by the fifth year. The total five (5) year tax abatement is estimated to be $229,320.00 and one time permit and fees to be waived in the amount of $47,458.00. The proposed Celadon Trucking facility will be located at the Hachar Tract along IH35.

29. **2014-R-69** Authorizing City Manager to accept a grant in the amount of $52,499.00 from the Texas Department of Transportation for Enforcement of Commercial Motor Vehicle Selective Traffic Enforcement Program. The City of Laredo will be required to provide a match in the amount of $22,532.27 for a total amount of $75,031.27. This grant is for overtime salaries. The grant period will begin October 1, 2014 and runs through September 30, 2015.

30. **2014-R-70** Authorizing City Manager to accept a grant award in the amount of $94,000.00 from the Texas Department of Transportation for Enforcement of Comprehensive Selective Traffic Enforcement Program. The City of Laredo will be required to match $41,971.00 for the total grant amount of $135,971.00. The grant period will begin October 1, 2014 and runs through September 30, 2015. This grant is for overtime salaries.

31. **2014-R-71** Authorizing the City Manager to submit a grant application, if offered, to the Federal Aviation Administration in the approximate aggregate amount of $4,000,000.00 to Rehabilitate General Aviation Apron (Phase 9), and authorizing the City Manager to execute all necessary documents resulting from the award. The City's local match in the amount of $444,444.00 (10%) is available in the Airport Construction Fund Budget.

32. **2014-R-74** Authorizing the City Manager to submit a grant application, if offered, to the Federal Aviation Administration in the amount of $4,000,000.00 for the Noise Abatement Program at the Laredo International Airport and authorizing the City Manager to execute all necessary documents resulting from the award. The purpose of the grant is to provide funding for acquisition, soundproofing of residential structures and for the acquisition of aviation easements. The City's local match in the amount of $444,444.00 (10%) is available in the Airport Construction Fund Budget.

33. **2014-R-73** Authorizing the City Manager to accept the contract with the United States Health and Human Services (HHS) Food and Drug Administration (USFDA) in the amount of $100,000.00 for the City of Laredo Health Department (CLHD) Food Inspection Innovation Program to enhance the workforce capacity in food safety management to reduce foodborne public health threats associated with inappropriate food management, storage, illegal food entry and illegal food vending for the period beginning July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015.

XII (b) MOTIONS

34. Authorizing the purchase of a ten (10) foot tree extension with ornaments and lights, not to exceed $50,000.00, for the Christmas tree at the Laredo Energy Arena. Purchase will be from Downtown Decoration Inc., which was the original vendor for the current Christmas tree. Funding is available from the City's Arena Renewal and Replacement Account which is funded by the Sports and Community Venue Fund.

35. Authorizing the City Manager to contract with the providers for Group Medical Benefits / Services with the best services proposal.

1) Third Party Medical Claims, Stop Loss & COBRA Administration:
   Blue Cross Blue Shield of Texas; Agent Services: Laurel Insurance Agency & Associates, Inc.
2) Medical Network:
   Blue Cross Blue Shield of Texas; Agent Services: Laurel Insurance Agency & Associates, Inc.
3) Section 125 Administration:
   Connect Your Care through Blue Cross Blue Shield of Texas; Agent Services: Laurel Insurance Agency & Associates, Inc.
4) Pharmacy Benefit Management:
   Prime Therapeutics through Blue Cross Blue Shield of Texas; Agent Services: Laurel Insurance Agency & Associates, Inc.
5) Medicare Supplement Carrier (Effective 1/1/15):
   United American (Direct)

These contracts will be effective October 1, 2014, with the exception of item No. 5 that is effective January 1, 2015.

36. Authorizing the City Manager to purchase replacement Customer Premises Equipment (CPE) for each Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP), also known as 9-1-1 Call Centers, in the four county region of Jim Hogg, Starr, Webb, and Zapata through the Houston Galveston Area Council of Governments (HGAC) Contract No. EC07-14 in the total amount of $679,137.10 from CenturyLink. The existing equipment will be replaced at 8 PSAPs including Laredo PD, Jim Hogg County SO, Rio Grande City PD, Roma PD, Starr County SO, Webb County SO, Zapata County SO, and the Laredo Backup/Training Center. Funding is available in the 9-1-1 Regional Fund FY 2014.

37. Authorizing the City Manager to execute contract payments with five (5) vendors (Centurylink, Intrado, AT&T and Sprint/Nextel and Time Warner Cable) for providing existing 9-1-1 telephone network, database, wireless and equipment maintenance for the four county regional 9-1-1 system in the amount of $409,443.40. Payments are for the period September 1, 2014 through August 31, 2015. Funding is available in the 9-1-1 Regional Fund FY2015.

38. Authorizing the City Manager to purchase Public Safety Answering Points (PSAP) call takers consoles from Motorola through the Houston Galveston Area Council of Governments (HGAC) Cooperative Purchasing Contract No. RA05-12 in the total amount of $190,201.90. These fixtures will be installed at the Laredo Police Department, and Starr County Sheriff's Office. Funding is available in the 9-1-1 Regional Fund FY2014.

39. Consideration to award a construction contract to the lowest bidder, Davila Construction, Inc., San Antonio, Texas, in the base bid amount of $1,156,000.00 for the Chacon Creek Pedestrian Trail: Phase 2 CSJ – 0922-33-142 with a construction contract time of one hundred eighty (180) calendar days; and authorizing the City Manager to execute all related contract documents contingent upon receipt and approval of insurance and bond documents. Completion date for the project is scheduled for February 2015. We received a letter of approval from TxDot to proceed with the award of contract. Funding is available in the Parks Capital Grant.

40. Consideration for approval to award a professional services contract to Terracon Consultants, Inc., Laredo, Texas, for an amount of $21,140.00 to provide laboratory, sampling and testing services of materials for quality assurance for the Chacon Creek Pedestrian Trail Phase 2. Contract time is for the duration of the project. Completion date is scheduled for February 2015. We have received a letter of approval from TxDot to proceed with award of contract. Funding is available in the Parks Capital Grant.

41. Consideration to ratify the City Manager's authorization to award contract FY14-071 to Gomez Floor Covering, San Antonio, Texas in the amount of $182,846.15. This contract is for the removal and installation of carpet and vinyl tile (LVT) at the Laredo Main and Bruni Library. A committee composed of staff members evaluated all proposals and deemed Gomez Floor Covering to provide the best overall proposal for the City. The contract was executed the first week of July in order to allow for materials to be ordered. Funding is available in the General Fund - Main Library Operations Division and the Capital Improvement Fund.

42. Consideration to renew annual supply contract number FY13-056 to the following vendors:

1. Century Asphalt, Houston, Texas in an amount up to $9,455,900.00 for the purchase of the following paving, and construction materials:

a. Black base F.O.B., jobsite - $61.95/ton
b. Asphalt Type D hot mix, F.O.B jobsite - $61.95/ton
c. Asphalt Type D hot mix, 1% lime w/RAP F.O.B. vendors plant -

$52.00/ton

d. Asphalt Type D hot mix, 1% lime, F.O.B jobsite - $63.45/ton
e. Asphalt Type D hot mix, 1% lime, F.O.B. vendors plant - $56.45/ton
f. Asphalt Type D hot mix, 1% lime, w/RAP F.O.B jobsite - $59.00/ton;

2. Martin Marietta Materials, Raleigh, North Carolina in an amount up to $230,600.00 for the purchase of the following paving, and construction materials:

a. Asphalt cold laid material, F.O.B. jobsite - $57.65/ton;

3. S.C.C. Pure Materials, Laredo, Texas in amount up to $249,500.00 for the purchase of the following paving, and construction materials:

a. Flexible base Type D – crushed concrete, F.O.B. jobsite - $ 18.75/cyd

b. Flexible base Type D – crushed concrete, F.O.B. vendors plant - $ 15.50/cyd

This contract is for the purchase of materials required for all city paving and construction projects. All materials are purchased on an as needed basis utilizing the Public Works Department, Utilities Department, and construction project budgets.

43. Consideration to renew the existing annual contract FY13-055 to HD Supply Waterworks, Atlanta, Georgia, in an amount up to $276,156.30 for the purchase of fire hydrants and repair kits for the City of Laredo's Utilities Department. Funding is available in the Utilities Department Fund.

44. Consideration to renew annual supply contract number FY13-061 to the following bidders:

1. Sections I, II, V, and VIII to HD Supply Waterworks, Brownsville, Texas in an amount up to $594,169.71

2. Section III, IV, VI, and VII to Ferguson Waterworks, Newport News, Virginia in an amount up to $768,791.84

for the purchase of mechanical joint fittings, brass fittings, copper pipe, repair clamps, and valve boxes for the Utilities Department. These materials are purchased on an as needed basis by the Utilities Department- Water Operations for construction and repair projects. Funding is available in the Utilities Department Fund.

45. Authorizing the City Manager to approve Amendment No. 2 to the contract with Crane Engineering Corp., Laredo, Texas in the amount of $11,500.00 for a total amount of $208,630.00 to perform additional services for the design of the 24” Water Main at Lomas del Sur Extension, the 16” Water Main at Cielito Lindo Extension, the 12” Water Main at Backwoods Trail from Shiloh to the AEP easement and the 8” Water Extension along SH 359 at Fiesta Subdivision. This amendment proposes the design, surveying and preparation of construction plans and specifications and construction administration services for a 24" steel casing extension at Cielito Lindo crossing Cuatro Vientos. This bore is for future wastewater main. Consultant will need 30 days to provide the design, plans and specifications including TxDOT permit and field verified as built drawings. Funds are available in the 2012 Water Revenue Bond.

46. Authorizing the City Manager to award and execute a construction contract to LED Electric and Lighting Contractors, L.L.C., Laredo, Texas in the amount of $55,425.00 for the Procurement, Construction, and Installation of Canopy Lights and Electrical Equipment. The construction time is ninety (90) working days. Funds are available in the Waterworks Construction - Warehouse Improvements account.

47. Authorizing the City Manager to award and execute the construction contract to the sole bidder, SER Construction Partners, Houston, Texas in the amount of $396,000.00 for the construction of El Pico Water Treatment Plant 60-in Finish Water Steel Pipe Thrust Block project. Construction time is one hundred (100) working days for final completion. Funding is available in the Waterworks 2010 & 2012 Water Revenue Bonds.

48. Authorizing the City Manager to approve change order No. 1, for a net increase in the amount of $107,044.88 to the construction contract with Vision Construction Company, Inc., San Antonio, Texas, for Jefferson WTP Administration Building and Learning Center Project. This change order includes overhead costs to the contractor plus adds an additional one hundred twenty-six (126) working days to the contract. The new contract amount is $4,612,397.31 and total working days is three hundred seventy-six (376). Funding is available in the Waterworks 2010 Water Revenue Bond.

49. Authorizing the City Manager to execute Amendment No. 3, an increase of $113,100.00, to the professional engineering services contract with Sherfey Engineering Company, L.L.C., for the 1.75 MGD Wastewater Treatment Plant located at Sombreretillo Creek of Mines Road. The consultant will provide the Environmental Assessment thru Blanton & Associates, Inc.,

Platting of Plant Site, Texas Water Development Board Requirements compliance and Project Expenses. The total new contract amount is $1,949,900.00. Funding is available in the 2011 Sewer Revenue Bond.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

XIII. GENERAL COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

50.

A. **Request by Council Member Alejandro "Alex" Perez**

1. Discussion with possible action to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) for City of Laredo to install irrigation and landscaping on property owned by TxDOT bordered by U.S. Highway 83, Guadalupe Street and Milmo Street. TxDOT has installed post and cable and will provide one-cycle maintenance on the property. **(Approved by Operations & Finance Committees)**

2. Status report on the Tire Ordinance.

3. Status report on street cuts in District III.

B. **Request by Council Member Jorge A. Vera**

1. Status on the establishment and appointments to the Technical Review Board Ad Hoc Committee.

XIV. STAFF REPORTS

51. Discussion with possible action to consider a first request for an extension of Injury Leave With Pay in accordance with 143.073 (b) of the Texas Local Government Code for Police Officer Ernesto Cantu, Jr.

XV. 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.

52. Request for Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071(1)(a) to consult with attorney regarding potential litigation, reference Cause No. 2012CVF000602-D1; Laredo Housing Authority v. Metro Affordable Housing Corporation, and return to open session for possible action.

XVI. RECESS AS THE LAREDO CITY COUNCIL AND CONVENE AS THE LAREDO MUNICIPAL HOUSING CORPORATION

53. **2014-RMH-01** Dissolving the Laredo Municipal Housing Corporation (LMHC) and transferring all corporation assets to the City of Laredo, identified as the sole and only beneficiary in the LMHC's Articles of Incorporation; and further authorizing the LMHC President to execute all documents pertaining to such.

XVII. ADJOURN AS THE LAREDO MUNICIPAL HOUSING CORPORATION AND CONVENE AS THE LAREDO MASS TRANSIT BOARD

54. **2014-RT-02** Authorizing the City of Laredo to submit a grant application with the Department of Transportation, Federal Transit Administration, United States of America, in the amount of $351,397.00 for the Fiscal Year 2014 Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities authorized under the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (Map-21) and authorizing the City Manager to execute all related documents. **(Approved by Operations & Finance Committees)**

55. Consideration to authorize to contract the purchase of eight (8) 40 ft. low floor Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) buses in the amount of $3,627,488.00 from Gillig L.L.C., ("Gillig") Hayward, California, through a joint procurement with Corpus Christi Regional Transit Authority, Request for Proposal (RFP) No:2013-V-20. Funding for the eight (8) buses is available through the sale of 2013 bond proceeds and transit sales tax. **(Approved by Operations & Finance Committees)**

56. Consideration to award contract FY14-058 to Institute for Mind & Body Wellness, L.L.C., IMBW, Laredo, Texas to provide Occupational Medical Services for the El Metro bus operations. The term of the contract will be for a period of two (2) years, with one (1) one-year option. The contract amount is not to exceed $16,500.00 which includes 10% for contingency. Funding is available in the El Metro Operations Fund. **(Approved by Operations &**

Finance Committees)

XVIII. 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, July 16, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.

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Gustavo Guevara, Jr.
City Secretary