CITY OF LAREDO
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
A-2015-R-02
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1110 HOUSTON STREET
LAREDO, TEXAS 78040
FEBRUARY 2, 2015
5:30 P.M.

DISABILITY ACCESS STATEMENT

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Out of consideration for all attendees of the City Council meetings, please turn off all cellular phones and pagers, or place on inaudible signal. Thank you for your consideration.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ROLL CALL

IV. MINUTES

Approval of the minutes of January 20, 2015.

V. COMMUNICATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS

Recognitions

a. Recognizing Coach Freddie Benavides as he enters the second season as a coach for the Cincinnati Reds Baseball Team.

Citizen comments

Citizens are required to fill out a witness card and identify themselves at the microphone. Comments are limited to three (3) minutes per speaker. No more than three (3) persons will be allowed to speak on any side of an issue. Should there be more than three (3) people who wish to speak on a particular issue, they need to select not more than three (3) representatives to speak for them and the presiding officer may limit the public comments further in the interest of an orderly meeting. Speakers may not pass their minutes to any other speaker. Comments should be relevant to City business and delivered in a professional manner. No derogatory remarks will be permitted.

VI. APPOINTMENTS TO COMMISSIONS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

a. Appointment by Mayor Pro-Tempore Esteban Rangel of Mario Peña to the Charter Review Commission.

b. Appointment by Council Member Alejandro "Alex" Perez to the Charter Review Commission.

c. Appointment by Council Member Roque Vela, Jr., of Nick Benavides to the Citizens Environmental Advisory Committee.

d. Appointment by Council Member Charlie San Miguel of Manuel Sanchez to the Ethics Commission.

VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. **Public hearing and introductory ordinance** amending the City of Laredo Recreation Fund FY 2015 Annual Budget by increasing revenues and expenditures in the amount of $125,000.00 to be used for the transition period of March through May of FY 2015 to cover operating losses associated with The Max Golf Course. Funding will be made available through a transfer in from General Fund.

2. **Public hearing and introductory ordinance** amending the City of Laredo FY 2015 Airport Construction Fund Budget to accept and appropriate revenues and expenditures from an Insurance Claim No. PR3516 received from the Texas Municipal League in the amount of $251,437.00 to repair the Engineered Material Arresting System “EMAS”, Hillside gate, and a portion of the fence on Saunders Avenue; and authorizing the City Manager to implement said budget amendment.

3. **Public hearing and introductory ordinance** authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement and accept reimbursement from the Webb County Sheriff's Office (WCSO) and to appropriate the City of Laredo Special Police FY 14-15 budget by increasing revenues and expenditures for an additional amount of $19,730.00 for a total grant amount of $1,019,730.00 from the 2014 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) Operation Stonegarden (OPSG). This funding will be used for the purchase of vehicles and related equipment, and for overtime and fringe benefit expenses used for Stonegarden operations. The term of this grant agreement is from September 1, 2014 to February 28, 2016.

(Recess)
(Press Availability)

VIII. INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCES

4. Authorizing the City Manager to execute a lease assignment from Miguel A. Rojas, as Lessee, of that lease agreement approved by Ordinance No. 2005-O-056 dated March 29, 2005 for approximately 16,291.44 square feet of land located at 1719 E. Hillside St. located at the Laredo International Airport to Adriana Martinez, as assignee and to exercise the option to extend the lease agreement for one (1) consecutive ten (10) year term, until August 31, 2025. The current monthly rental is $1,410.46 and shall be adjusted by changes in CPI, all other term and conditions remain the same and in effect; providing for effective date.

5. Authorizing the City Manager to accept the dedication of two (2) Utility and Public Access easements for the road and utility improvements planned for Mauro Sandoval Drive, formerly McDonald Street. The easements are being dedicated to the City of Laredo by Esther Santos Falk and Jorge Gonzalez and are further described in sequential order below:

   Parcel 1: a tract of land containing 122 square feet , more or less, situated in Porcion 31, Abstract 3116, Jose Trevino, Original Grantee, same being out of Lot 1, Block 1, Limon Subdivision as recorded in Vol 16, Page 19 Webb County Plat Records, (dedicated by Esther Santos Falk) and

   Parcel 2: a tract of land containing 310 square feet , more or less, situated in Porcion 31, Abstract 3116, Jose Trevino, Original Grantee, same being out of Lot 3, Block 1, Loop 20 - Highway 359 - Commercial Plaza, as recorded in Vol. 16 page 27, Webb County Map Records, (dedicated By Jorge Gonzalez); and providing for effective date.

IX. FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

6.

2015-O-003 Amending the City of Laredo Bridge System Refrigerated Facilities FY 2014-2015 Annual Budget by appropriating $63,750.00 from the Bridge System Refrigerated Facilities opening balance. Funds are to be used for capital improvements and repairs to the refrigeration system, plumbing system, lighting, electrical and security surveillance system of the refrigerated facilities.

2015-O-004 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning approximately 6.16 acres, as further described by metes and bounds in attached Exhibit "A", located west of Cuatro Vientos Road and south of Wormser Road, from R-1A (Single Family Reduced Area District) to B-3 (Community Business District); providing for publication and effective date.

2015-O-005 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lots 1A, 2A and 3A, Block 2, Las Blancas Subdivision Unit 2, located at 110, 114 and 118 Camino Nuevo Road, from B-4 (Highway Commercial District) to M-1 (Light Manufacturing District); providing for publication and effective date.

2015-O-006 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning 25 acres as further described by metes and bounds in attached Exhibit "A", located on State Highway 359 south of South Aviators and Wilcox Roads, from R-1 (Single-Family Residential District) and B-4 (Highway Commercial District) to M-1 (Light Manufacturing District); providing for publication and effective date.

2015-O-007 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning all of Block 1029, the 15,433.46 sq. ft. out of Thurman Street between Mendiola Ave. and Tapeyste St., the 15,433.46 sq. ft. out of Mendiola Ave. between Morton and Bayard St., the 15,433.46 sq. ft. out of Mendiola Ave. between Thurman and Morton St., and the 15,433.46 sq. ft. out of Mendiola Ave. between Palo Blanco and Thurman St., Eastern Division, located at 1701 Palo Blanco Street, from R-2 (Multi-Family Residential District) to B-3 (Community Business District); providing for publication and effective date.

2015-O-008 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning all of Blocks 1030, 1032, 1033, 1034, 1043, and Lots 2 thru 7, Block 1044, Eastern Division, located at 1701 Tinaja Street, 1601 Palo Blanco Street, 1601 Thurman Street, 1601 Norton Street, 1501 Norton Street, and 1501 Thurman Street, from R-2 (Multi-Family Residential District) to B-3 (Community Business District); providing for publication and effective date.

2015-O-009 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by authorizing a Special Use Permit for a restaurant selling alcohol on .5657 acres of commercial area of Chaparral Village Subdivision Unit II, located at 601 E. Calton Road; providing for publication and effective date. **(AS AMENDED)**

2015-O-010 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by authorizing a Special Use Permit for a Restaurant Serving Alcohol, on Lot 3B, Block 1, San Isidro – Loop 20 Commercial Plat, located at 2517 Bob Bullock Loop, Suite 104; providing for publication and effective date.

2015-O-011 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by authorizing a Conditional Use Permit for auto sales on Lot 4, Block 848, Eastern Division, located at 1519 San Pedro Street; providing for publication and effective date.

2015-O-012 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lots 6 & 7, Block 1, Encino Plaza Unit 2A, located at 7502 and 7510 McPherson Road, from B-3 (Community Business District) to B-4 (Highway Commercial District); providing for publication and effective date.

2015-O-013 Authorizing the City Manager to execute a lease with Mi Segunda Casa Adult Day Care, L.L.C., for approximately 5,500 square feet of building space located at 1605 E. Hillside at the Laredo International Airport, Block 24, Lot No.1. The initial monthly rent shall be $3,850.00 and will be adjusted annually according to changes in the Consumer Price Index (CPI). The term shall commence on February 2, 2015 and shall terminate on February 1, 2018, plus two one-year renewal options until February 2, 2019 and February 2, 2020 providing for an effective date.

2015-O-014 Amending Chapter 19, Motor Vehicles and Traffic, Article VIII, Stopping, Standing or Parking, Section 19-347 (A), by adding a subsection (L) thereby declaring it to be a civil offense to park on a traffic island or median strip; providing that this ordinance shall be cumulative of all ordinances; providing a severability clause; providing a penalty for violations;

providing a savings clause; providing for publication; and effective date.

2015-O-015 Amending Chapter 19, Motor Vehicle and Traffic, Article VIII, Stopping, Standing or Parking, of the Code of Ordinances, City of Laredo: specificallly adding Section 19-364 (13), which establishes the North side of State Highway 359, between Willow Oaks Street and Larga Vista Drive, as a No Parking Anytime/Tow Away Zone, Deleting Section 19-364 (4) and Section 19-364 (5) and renumbering of Sections 19-364 (6) through Section 19-364 (14) providing severability, effective date and publication.

X. RESOLUTIONS

7. **2015-R-15** Authorizing the City Manager to enter into and execute a Memorandum of Agreement between the Public Buildings Service (PBS) of the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) and U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security and Authorized Representatives and the City of Laredo, Texas and Authorized Representatives to accept the City of Laredo's offer of an unconditional gift to GSA of a constructed hazardous materials containment facility on federally owned property at the World Trade Bridge Land Port of entry (LPOE) in Laredo, Texas.

8. **2015-R-16** Accepting the conveyance of the following 12 foot Utility and Utility Access Easement, for the right to construct, reconstruct, repair and perpetually maintain line improvements for the construction of an 8" sanitary sewer line from:

   Robert McMahon - Utility easement as follows:

   A 12' wide Utility and Access easement containing 3,054.17 square feet out of Lot 1, Block 1 McMahon Plat more or less, out of 4.70 acres a copy of which conveyance is attached as Exhibit A:

   And directing that the said Easement be filed of record in official property records of Webb County, Texas.

9. **2015-R-17** Authorizing the City Manager to execute a license agreement between the City of Laredo and the United States General Services Administration (GSA) for the purpose of the construction, operation and maintenance of security enhancements and temporary structures (improvements) on a portion of City of Laredo right-of-way, abutting the Colombia Port of Entry (POE). The improvements are necessary to support the Department of Homeland Security, Customs and Border Protection's

(DHS-CBP) inspection of outbound vehicular traffic and to improve port security. The term of the agreement is effective for an initial five (5) year period with two (2) options to renew for an additional five (5) year period each.

XI. MOTIONS

10. Ratifying payment to Foresight Golf, L.L.C., in the amount of $286,889.75 for October, 2014 through January, 2015 golf course operating losses and approving advance of $64,606.59 for estimated losses for the month of February, 2015. Funding is available in the Recreation Fund.

11. Consideration to renew contract FY14-020 to Nick Benavides, Laredo, Texas to provide mowing and maintenance of the Chacon Creek Hike and Bike Trail. This contract is for an estimated amount of $161,988.00 and maintenance area is approximately 32 acres of land which includes all areas on or next to Chacon Creek Trail. This will be the first of two - one year extension options upon mutual agreement from both parties and there is no price increase. Funding is available in the Environmental Services Departmental Budget.

12. Consideration to award two (2) year contract FY15-014 to sole bidder, Dus-Tex Mops & Mats Rental, Laredo, Texas in the estimated annual amount of $69,160.00 to provide dust mops and mats rental services to various city departments. This contract is subject to future appropriations and items will be requested on an as needed basis. If the contract pricing remains the same as current pricing structure, this contract can be automatically renewed for an additional two (2) years period, upon mutual agreement. Funding is available in the various city departmental budgets.

XII. GENERAL COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

13.

A. **Request by Mayor Pro-Tempore Esteban Rangel**

1. Discussion with possible to give the Interim City Manager discretion to execute contracts for goods or services under $50,000.00 where time is of the essence; the contract is reasonably limited in scope; and, where preliminary steps for a contract, such as the performance of feasibility

studies, have already been performed, and in other special circumstances where immediate administrative action without going to Council is in order.

2. Discussion with possible action regarding the renovation and conversion of the former Santo Niño Library to a Community Center providing WIC services; identification of funding sources; and award of contract to Design Group International Architects for design and engineering services.

XIII. STAFF REPORTS

14. Staff report regarding the status of negotiations for a Memorandum of Understanding with the United Independent School District (UISD) for a City of Laredo/UISD Natatorium, with possible action.

15. Discussion with possible action to refund Foresight's capital and start up expenses furnished by Foresight at the commencement of its operation of the Max A. Mandel Municipal Golf Course as prorated pursuant to §5.5.2 of the Leasehold/Management Agreement between the City of Laredo and Foresight Laredo Golf, L.L.C. Funding is available in the Capital Improvement Fund.

16. Discussion with possible action to approve a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Foresight Golf for a transition period of one hundred twenty (120) days to wind down and go through an RFP process to hire a management operating company for an amount of $6,250.00 a month for their management fees of the Max A. Mandel Municipal Golf Course. Funding is available in the General Fund accounted for in the Recreation Fund.

17. Staff Report regarding FY2016 Third Party Funding application process with possible action.

XIV. 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.

XV. ADJOURNMENT

This notice was posted at the Municipal Government Offices, 1110 Houston Street, Laredo, Texas, at a place convenient and readily accessible to the public at all times. Said notice was posted on Wednesday, January 28, 2015 at 7:15 p.m.

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Gustavo Guevara, Jr.
City Secretary