

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

M-92-R-16

M I N U T E S

JUNE 1, 1992

I. CALL TO ORDER

With a quorum present Mayor Saul N. Ramirez, Jr. called the meeting to order.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Saul N. Ramirez, Jr. led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. ROLL CALL

IN ATTENDANCE:

SAUL N. RAMIREZ, JR., MAYOR
JOSE R. PEREZ, COUNCILMEMBER, DISTRICT I
JACINTO P. JUAREZ, " , DISTRICT II
ARLENE RASH ALDRIDGE, " , DISTRICT III
CECILIA MAY MORENO, " , DISTRICT IV
BLAS CASTANEDA, " , DISTRICT V
EDUARDO PERALES, " , DISTRICT VI
HECTOR J. LIENDO, " , DISTRICT VII
FELIPE CARDENAS, " , DISTRICT VIII
GUSTAVO GUEVARA, JR., CITY SECRETARY
PETER H. VARGAS, CITY MANAGER
JERRY BRUCE CAIN, ASSISTANT CITY ATTORNEY

ABSENCES:

Cw. Aldridge was absent. No motion was made to excuse her from the meeting.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes for the City Council Meeting held on May 26, 1992, will be submitted for approval at the next Council Meeting.

V. INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCES

2. Introduction of an ordinance regarding the proposed annexation of a 104.1918 acre tract, known as, the de Llano Tract.

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

3. Introduction of an ordinance regarding the proposed

annexation of a 0.6805 acre tract, known as, Pan American Business Park, Phase 3 Addition.

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

VI. FINAL READINGS

Motion to waive the final reading of Ordinances #92-O-113, #92-O-114, #92-O-115, #92-O-116, #92-O-117, #92-O-118, #92-O-119, #92-O-120, #92-O-121, #92-O-122, #92-O-123, #92-O-124, #92-O-125, #92-O-126, #92-O-127, #92-O-128 and #92-O-129.

Moved : Cm. Juarez

Second: Cm. Liendo

For: 6

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Cm. Castaneda came in at this time 5:35 p.m.

4. 92-O-113 Second reading of an ordinance authorizing the City of Laredo, Texas, and Southwestern Bell Telephone Company to enter into a franchise agreement.
(City Council)

Motion to approve second reading of ordinance authorizing the City of Laredo, Texas, and Southwestern Bell Telephone Company to enter into a franchise agreement.

Moved : Cm. Juarez

Second: Cm. Liendo

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

5. 92-O-114 Approving a new lease with Border Sporting Goods, Inc., for the approximate 30,000 square foot tract of land, and the approximate 5,260 square feet known as Building #190, located at 5207 Maher Avenue, at the Airport.
(City Council)

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Juarez

Second: Cm. Liendo

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

6. 92-O-115 Approving a new lease with Victor M. Guevara for the approximate 6,000 square feet, constituting Building #2098, and the approximate 1,000 square feet, constituting an adjoining storage building, located at 920 Maher Avenue, at the Airport.
(City Council)

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Juarez
Second: Cm. Liendo
For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

7. 92-O-116 Amending Chapter 13 - Food and Food Products, of the Code of Ordinances, and adding Article IV - Permitting of Food Service Operators. (City Council)

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Juarez
Second: Cm. Liendo
For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

8. 92-O-117 Authorizing the City Manager to execute an amendment to the lease between the City and Carlos Mejia, d/b/a Mejia Engineering, for space A-33, in the Mercado Square. (City Council)

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Juarez
Second: Cm. Liendo
For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

9. 92-O-118 Authorizing the City Manager to execute an easement to the International Boundary & Water Commission, of 144 square feet at the Laredo/Colombia Solidarity Bridge, for a gauge station. (City Council)

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Juarez
Second: Cm. Liendo
For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

10. 92-O-119 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by Rezoning Block 7, Lots 10 & 11, Moreno Addition, from R-1 (Single Family Residential District) to R-3 (Mixed Residential District); providing for publication and effective date. (City Council)

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Juarez
Second: Cm. Liendo
For: Against: 0 Abstain: 0

11. 92-O-120 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning an 8.7 acre tract, described by

metes and bounds, from R-1 (Single Family Residential District) to R-1A (Single Family Reduced Area District); providing for publication and effective date. (City Council)

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Juarez
Second: Cm. Liendo
For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

12. 92-O-121 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Block 2097, Lot 8, Eastern Division, from M-1 (Light Manufacturing District) to R-3 (Mixed Residential District); providing for publication and effective date. (Councilmember Perez)

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Juarez
Second: Cm. Liendo
For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

13. 92-O-122 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Block 664, the East 46.3' Lot 8A, Eastern Division, from R-3 (Mixed Residential District) to B-3 (Community Business District); providing for publication and effective date. (Councilmember Castaneda)

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Juarez
Second: Cm. Liendo
For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

14. 92-O-123 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning a 1.0365 acre tract from B-3 (Community Business District) to M-1 (Light Manufacturing District), and on a 3.8439 acre tract from B-3 (Community Business District) to B-4 (Highway Commercial District); providing for publication and effective date. (Councilmember Juarez)

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Juarez
Second: Cm. Liendo
For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

15. 92-O-124 Amending the 1991-1992 Airport Fund Budget to appropriate \$50,558.00 for the removal of various

underground fuel storage tanks at the Laredo International Airport, and to appropriate estimated revenues in the amount of \$45,558.00, from the Texas Water Commission. (City Council)

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Juarez
Second: Cm. Liendo
For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

16. 92-0-125 Amending the 1991-1992 Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Fund Budget to appropriate \$237,742.00 for the various Airport Capital Improvement Projects, and to amend the 1991-1992 Airport Fund Budget to transfer monies to the FAA Fund. (City Council)

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Juarez
Second: Cm. Liendo
For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

17. 92-0-126 Amending the 1991-1992 Narcotic Drug Trafficking Task Force Budget to appropriate \$747,317.00 for the operation of the multi-agency Narcotic Drug Trafficking Task Force Program effective June 1, 1992. (City Council)

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Juarez
Second: Cm. Liendo
For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

18. 92-0-127 Amending the 1991-1992 Narcotic Drug Trafficking Task Force Budget to appropriate \$223,106.00 for the operation of the multi-agency Narcotic Drug Trafficking Task Force Program, and to submit this budget amendment to the Governor's Office, Criminal Justice Division, for their approval. (City Council)

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Juarez
Second: Cm. Liendo
For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

19. 92-0-128 Council approval of a grant award from the Public Health Service, Office of International Health, through the Pan American Health Organization, in the amount of \$27,000 for a binational health

promotion project, and amending the budget of the Health Department as a result of the grant award. (City Council)

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Juarez

Second: Cm. Liendo

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

20. 92-O-129 Authorizing the creation of a Phlebotomist/Laboratory Assistant position in the Health Department in order to continue laboratory services to patients, and to transfer existing funds within the Health Department budget to fund this position. (City Council)

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Juarez

Second: Cm. Liendo

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

VII. RESOLUTIONS

21. 92-R-058 Canvassing the returns of the Runoff Election held on May 30, 1992, for the office of Councilmember, District VII.

Motion to approve.

Moved : Cm. Juarez.

Second: Cm. Liendo

For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

At this time the transition in power for District VII took place.

City Secretary, Gustavo Guevara, Jr. stated the official votes as follows:

	TOTAL
Jose Gerardo (Jerry) Perez	341
Javier De Anda	287

Majority of votes went to Jerry Perez.

Oath of Office was given to Jerry Perez and at which time, he took office; Cm. Hector J. Liendo exited at this time.

22. 92-R-060 Declaring the public necessity to acquire three

Moved : Cm. Juarez
Second: Cm. Perez
For: 7

Against: 0 Abstain: 0

26. Award of contract in the amount of \$159,332.00, to the Low Bidder, Industrial Disposal Supply, San Antonio, Texas, for the purchase of two regenerative air street sweepers.

Motion was made to waive the rules and amend item #26 to include in the motion that this will be subject to final determination from the Attorney General's Office.

Moved : Cm. Castaneda
Second: Cm. Perez
For: 7

Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion to award contract in the amount of \$159,332.00 to the low bidder, Industrial Disposal Supply subject to final determination by the Attorney General's Office.

Moved : Cm. Juarez
Second: Cm. Perez
For: 7

Against: 0 Abstain: 0

27. Award of engineering contract to PSA Engineering, Dallas, Texas, for an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00, for the Runway End Identifier Lights (REIL) at Runway 35L, and Distance Remaining Signs on Runway 17R-35L, at the Laredo International Airport.

Motion to award engineering contract.

Moved : Cm. Juarez
Second: Cm. Perez
For: 7

Against: 0 Abstain: 0

28. Award of construction contract to the Low Bidder, Landmark Structures, Inc., Keller, Texas, in the amount of \$1,103,612.00, for the Northwest Laredo Elevated Water Storage Tank and Water Improvements Project (E.D.A. Project No. 08-01-02788), contingent upon EDA approval.

Motion to award of construction contract to the low bidder, Landmark Structures, Inc.

Moved : Cm. Juarez
Second: Cm. Perez
For: 7

Against: 0 Abstain: 0

29. Approval of amendment no. 1 to the construction inspection services contract with Mejia Engineering Company, Laredo, Texas, for project representative for the Northwest Laredo Elevated Water Storage Tank and Water Improvements Project

(E.D.A. Project No. 08-01-02788), for an amount not to exceed \$30,000.00.

Motion to approve amendment no. 1 to the construction inspection services contract with Mejia Engineering Company.

Moved : Cm. Juarez

Second: Cm. Perez

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

30. Award of engineering contract to Day & Zimmerman, Inc., Sarasota, Florida, for an amount not to exceed \$34,576.00, for plans and specifications to FAA requirements, for Joint Resealing of Runway 14/32 and Rehabilitation of Taxiway Echo, at the Laredo International Airport.

Motion to award of engineering contract to Day & Zimmerman, Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$34,576.00.

Moved : Cm. Juarez

Second: Cm. Perez

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

31. Award of engineering contract to Day & Zimmerman, Inc., Sarasota, Florida, for an amount not to exceed \$159,742.00, for the FAR Part 150 Noise Compatibility Study, for the Laredo International Airport.

Motion to award engineering contract to Day & Zimmerman, Inc. for the FAR Part 150 Noise Compatibility Study, for the Laredo International Airport.

Moved : Cm. Juarez

Second: Cm. Perez

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

IX. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

32. Authorizing approval of a 15% additional penalty on all 1991 taxes becoming delinquent on July 1, 1992.

Alfredo Castillo, Tax Collector, stated that an ordinance was not necessary since this had been taken care off at the beginning of the fiscal year.

Eustorgio Perez of Perez and De Anda law firm clarified that Section 33.07 of State Property Tax Code provides that when private attorneys are hired to collect the City's delinquent taxes, the direct cost of collection can be passed to the delinquent taxpayer.

Motion to authorize approval of a 15% additional penalty on all 1991 taxes becoming delinquent on July 1, 1992.

Moved : Cm. Juarez
 Second: Cm. Perez
 For: 6

Against: 0

Abstain: 1
 Cm. Perales

33. Ratification of the inter-local agreement between the City of Laredo and the City of Rio Bravo for public health services, to include environmental health and animal control services, for FY 1991-1992.

Motion to approve ratification of the inter-local agreement between the City of Laredo and the City of Rio Bravo for public health services, to include environmental health and animal control services, for FY 1991-92.

Moved : Cm. Juarez
 Second: Cm. Perez
 For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

34. Informing the City Council that the Airport Manager and the City Manager have declared the necessity, and have proceeded with, the necessary work to remove one 250 gallon underground fuel storage tank and site remediation at the Airport.

Motion to proceed with the necessary work to remove one 250 gallon underground fuel storage tank and site remediation at the Airport.

Moved : Cm. Perez
 Second: Cm. Juarez
 For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

35. Authorizing the City Manager to solicit bids to lease the West one-third of Hangar #1309, located at 4207 North Jarvis Avenue, at the Laredo International Airport.

Motion authorizing the City Manager to solicit bids to lease the West one-third of Hanger #1309, located at 4207 North Jarvis Avenue, at the Laredo International Airport.

Moved : Cm. Juarez
 Second: Cm. Castaneda
 For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Cm. Castaneda asked from the City Manager for a copy of the requests that the existing lease holders have at the airport that have made request for additional space at the airport.

36. Authorizing the acquisition of 2,893.50 square feet out of Block 80, Calton Gardens Subdivision #1, Northern Addition, to be used for additional right-of-way for the proposed paving of Sycamore between Gallagher and Diana Avenue, Paving Project 31.

Motion authorizing the acquisition of 2,893.50 square feet out of Block 80, Calton Gardens Subdivision #1, Northern Addition to be used for additional right-of-way for the proposed paving of Sycamore between Gallagher and Diana Avenue Paving Project 31.

Moved : Cm. Perales
Second: Cm. Castaneda
For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

X. COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. Frank Leach, Director of Laredo Development Foundation announced that FORTUNE 500, Lockheed Corporation will be providing mail service barcoding for the U.S. Postal Service which will be operating in Laredo for the San Antonio mail.

XI. CITY COUNCIL DISCUSSION AND PRESENTATIONS:

37. Requests from the Mayor and Councilmembers for discussion and presentation.

A. Request from Councilmember Eduardo Perales:

1. Discussion and possible action, regarding medians on Del Mar Boulevard.

Cm. Perales clarified that this item was regarding the median on the grassy area of which he had asked a report on the extension of a water line all the way to the end of Del Mar and continue that water line up to the north area and possibly pave the median because of the amount of traffic that is generated.

Peter Vargas, City Manager, stated that the report handed to them was to go back and look at the possibility of extending that line to Shiloh as was requested. He added that their recommendation, after studying the issue, was that for purposes of water pressure and equal distribution of the water, that we need to put the water in Del Mar. He continued saying that they feel they can place that water line in the north side or the side of the street opposed to what was previously proposed. He added if this is done, then it does clear the way for the treatment of the medians to either remove them or put them into turning lanes or leave them as they are. Mr. Vargas added that by doing this the water lines will not be obstacle to that issue.

Motion to put this project in the Capital

1. Request by Aldo Tatangelo to address the City Council regarding:
 - a. The role of the Community Development Department in terms of the economic development of the City of Laredo.
 - b. The paving process for City streets.

XII. PUBLIC HEARINGS

Motion to open the Public Hearing(s):

Moved : Cm. Juarez

Second: Cm. Perez

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

38. Public hearing regarding approval of the South Meadow Project (Chacon Creek Bridge to Pine Street), and the amending of the 1991-1992 Budget, utilizing unencumbered funding realized from Project No. 33.

INTRODUCTION OF AN ORDINANCE

To approve the South Meadow Project (Chacon Creek Bridge to Pine Street), and amend the 1991-1992 Budget by appropriating \$105,000 for water and \$26,200 for sewer improvements to this project from unencumbered funds of Project No. 33; Water Line Item 557-4160-538-5743 and Sewer Line Item 559-4250-538-5927.

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved : Cm. Juarez

Second: Cm. Perez

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

There was no public input.

Motion to close the public hearing and introduce

Moved : Cm. Perez

Second: Cm. Juarez

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Ordinance Introduction: Cm. Perez

39. Public hearing regarding authorization of the conversion of a Nurse Practitioner position into Clerk I and Pharmacy Technician positions in the Health Department, in order to meet the staffing needs of the State funded Maternal and Child Health Program.

INTRODUCTION OF AN ORDINANCE

Amending that part of the 1991-1992 Budget pertaining to the Health Department's Maternal and Child Health Program by converting one Nurse Practitioner position to the positions of Clerk I and Pharmacy Technician.

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved : Cm. G. Perez

Second: Cm. Cardenas

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion to close the public hearing and introduce.

Moved : Cm. Perales

Second: Cm. Cardenas

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Ordinance Introduction: Cm. Perales

XIII. MOTION TO RECESS AND TO CONVENE AS MASS TRANSIT BOARD

Motion to recess as City Council and convene as Mass Transit Board.

Moved : Cm. Juarez

Second: Cm. Perez

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

40. 92-OT-130 Final reading of an ordinance to amend the 1991-1992 Laredo Municipal Transit System Fund Budget to appropriate \$4,000,000.00, the local share, of the construction and related costs of a Downtown Intermodal Transit Transfer Facility (Transit Center).
(City Council)

Motion to approve final reading.

Moved : Cm. Juarez

Second: Cm. Perez

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

41. Award of a professional engineering and architectural contract to Wilbur Smith Associates, Houston, Texas, for an amount not to exceed \$765,000.00, for the design, preparation of plans and specifications, and construction inspection services, for the El Metro Phase "B" Downtown Intermodal Transit Transfer Facility (Transit Center).

Motion to award professional engineering and architectural

contract to Wilbur Smith Associates.

Moved : Cm. Perales
Second: Cm. Cardenas
For: 7

Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion to adjourn as Laredo Mass Transit and reconvene as City Council.

Moved : Cm. Juarez
Second: Cm. Perez
For: 7

Against: 0 Abstain: 0

XIV. MOTION TO RECESS AND TO CONVENE AS LAREDO MUNICIPAL HOUSING CORPORATION

Motion to recess as City Council and convene as Laredo Municipal Housing Corporation.

Moved : Cm. Juarez
Second: Cm. Perez
For: 7

Against: 0 Abstain: 0

42. Public hearing regarding the amendment of the 1991-1992 Laredo Municipal Housing Corporation's budget by increasing the estimated revenues by \$24,462.53, from \$1,442,750 to \$1,467,212.53, due to an insurance reimbursement for property damage; and to increase capital outlay line item for building reconstruction.

INTRODUCTION OF AN ORDINANCE

Amending the 1991-1992 Laredo Municipal Housing Corporation's budget by increasing the estimated revenues by \$24,462.53, from \$1,442,750 to \$1,467,212.53, due to an insurance reimbursement for property damage; and to increase capital outlay line item for building reconstruction.

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved : Cm. Juarez
Second: Cm. Perez
For: 7

Against: 0 Abstain: 0

There was no public input.

Motion to close the public hearing and approve.

Moved : Cm. Juarez
Second: Cm. Castaneda
For: 7

Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Ordinance Introduction: Cm. Juarez

Motion to adjourn as Laredo Municipal Housing Corporation and reconvene as City Council.

Moved : Cm. Juarez

Second: Cm. Perez

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA
M-92-R-16

M I N U T E S

JUNE 1, 1992

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

1. Request for executive session pursuant to Article 6252-17 Section 2 (g), regarding consideration for selection of a Planning Director.

Motion to go into executive session pursuant to Article 6252-17, Section 2(g), regarding consideration for selection of a Planning Director.

Moved : Cw. Moreno

Second: Cm. Perales

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

After executive session the Mayor announced that no formal action was taken.

Mr. Peter H. Vargas, City Manager, stated that he was nominating Marina M. Sukup of Sugar Land, Texas as Planning Director.

Motion was made to accept Marina M. Sukup as Planning Director.

Moved : Cm. Juarez

Second: Cm. Perez

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion to adjourn.

Moved : Cm. Juarez

Second: Cm. Perez


For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Adjournment time was 7:55 P.M.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT ABOVE MINUTES CONTAINED IN PAGES 01 TO 17 ARE A TRUE, COMPLETE AND CORRECT PROCEEDINGS OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THE 1ST OF JUNE, 1992. A CERTIFIED COPY IS ON FILE AT THE CITY SECRETARY'S OFFICE.


GUSTAVO GUEVARA, JR.
CITY SECRETARY

MINUTES PREPARED BY: Delia Rodriguez, Deputy City Secretary II

APPROVED BY CITY COUNCIL ON: JUN 15 1992

CORRECTIONS: