

**CITY OF LAREDO
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
M2010-R-07
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1110 HOUSTON STREET
LAREDO, TEXAS 78040
APRIL 5, 2010
5:30 P.M.**

I. CALL TO ORDER

With a quorum present, Mayor Raul G. Salinas called the meeting to order.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Raul G. Salinas led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. ROLL CALL

In attendance:

Raul G. Salinas,
Mike Garza,
Hector Garcia,
Michael Landeck,
Juan Narvaez,
Johnny Rendon,
Gene Belmares,
Cynthia Liendo Espinoza,
Gustavo Guevara, Jr.,
Carlos Villarreal,
Cynthia Collazo,
Horacio De Leon,
Jesus Olivares,
Raul Casso,

Mayor
Mayor Pro Tempore, District I
Council Member, District II
Council Member, District III
Council Member, District IV
Council Member, District V
Council Member, District VI
Council Member, District VIII
City Secretary
City Manager
Deputy City Manager
Assistant City Manager,
Assistant City Manager,
City Attorney

Motion to excuse Cm. Jose A. Valdez, Jr.

Moved: Cm. Garcia
Second: Cm. Narvaez
For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

IV. MINUTES

Approval of the minutes of March 15, 2010

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Garcia
Second: Cm. Narvaez
For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

V. COMMUNICATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS

Recognitions

- a. Recognition of BMP Radio for their St. Jude Radio-a-thon raising \$272,000.00 dollars in two (2) days for the St. Jude's Children's Hospital.

Motion to table this item.

Moved: Cm. Belmares
Second: Cm. Garcia
For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Communiqués

- a. Introducing a new mascot for 9-1-1—Cell Phone Sally.

Andrew Miller, Program Director, acknowledged his directors and staff. He said that in times of community-wide disasters, the first point of contact for persons seeking relief was 9-1-1. He added that the South Texas Region would be celebrating National Public Safety Telecommunications Week during April 13th through 19th. He went on to say that the 9-1-1 South Texas Administration would be unveiling the new national 9-1-1 public education mascot during their annual telecommunicator appreciation lunch on April 15th. The mascot's name was Cell Phone Sally.

Citizen comments

Emilio Martinez stated that people who appeared before Council were not under any legal requirement to have due diligence. He added that he felt free to speak his opinions at a previous Council meeting. He went on to say that when the concern was raised about the winning bid involving the baseball teams, a lawsuit was mentioned and that it turned out to be frivolous. He stated that the job of the City Attorney was to check out those allegations. He also mentioned his concern as to the lack of written comparisons between the two groups. He felt that public ownership of the baseball team needed to be discussed.

VI. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Public hearing and introductory ordinance amending the City of Laredo Bridge System FY 2009-2010 Bridge annual budget by appropriating \$681,730.00 from the Bridge System Construction Fund opening balance to the improvements other than buildings, improvements to buildings, toll plaza improvements, and automotive account. Funding will be used for Bridge related projects. (Approved by Finance & Operations Committees)

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved: Cm. Garcia
Second: Cm. Rendon
For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

There was no public input.

Motion to close the public hearing and introduce.

Moved: Cm. Belmares
Second: Cm. Garcia
For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

2. Public hearing and introductory ordinance authorizing the City Manager to execute a lease renewal with Securitas Security Services USA, Inc., for approximately 120 square feet of office space and an exclusive office entry lane of approximately 540 square feet at Bridge II.
 1. Lease term is for one (1) year commencing April 1, 2010 and ending on March 31, 2011.
 2. Monthly rent will be \$2,810.00 for approximately 120 square feet of office space and an exclusive office entry lane of approximately 540 square feet at Bridge II.
 3. The lease may be terminated by either party with a thirty (30) day written notice.
(Approved by Operations Committee)

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved: Cm. Garcia
Second: Cm. Rendon
For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

There was no public input.

Motion to close the public hearing and introduce.

Moved: Cm. Belmares
Second: Cm. Rendon
For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

3. Public hearing and introductory ordinance amending the City of Laredo Health Department FY2009-2010 annual budget by authorizing the City Manager to accept, execute and appropriate revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$120,912.00 from the Texas Department of State Health Services—Office of Border Health for Public Health Emergency Response (PHER) to support activities in the development of capacity to prepare, monitor and respond to an influenza pandemic and the H1N1

influenza outbreak in the U.S.-Mexico Border Region through enhancement of surveillance, early detection and prevention locally and binationally for the term period March 1, 2010 through August 31, 2010; and amending the FY2009-2010 City of Laredo full-time equivalent positions by adding one (1) full-time position with benefits. (Approved by Finance & Operations Committees)

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved: Cm. Garcia

Second: Cm. Liendo Espinoza

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

There was no public input.

Motion to close the public hearing and introduce.

Moved: Cm. Belmares

Second: Cm. Rendon

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

4. Public hearing and introductory ordinance amending the City of Laredo FY 2010 Airport Construction Budget to recognize additional revenues from a grant received from the Federal Aviation Administration Airport Improvement Program Grant in the amount of \$2,803,152.00 to rehabilitate General Aviation Apron Construction Phase 5/Design Phase 6 and reimbursement for the ARFF vehicle acquisition cost at the Laredo International Airport and appropriating said grant revenue to the appropriate revenue and expenditure accounts and authorizing the City Manager to implement said budget amendment. The City's local match in the amount of \$147,535.00 (5%) is available in the Airport Construction Fund. (Approved by Finance & Operations Committees)

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved: Cm. Garcia

Second: Cm. Liendo Espinoza

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

There was no public input.

Motion to close the public hearing and introduce.

Moved: Cm. Rendon

Second: Cm. Belmares

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

5. Public hearing and introductory ordinance accepting a grant awarded by the Office of the

National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP) High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) in the amount of \$836,020.00 to fund the Laredo Financial Task Force and the Public Corruption Task Force at no cost to the City, and to amend the Financial Task Force FY 2009-2010 budget by \$45,469.00 to reflect actual grant amount. Funds will be used to pay personnel, travel, and operational expenses from January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010. (Approved by Finance & Operations Committees)

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved: Cm. Garcia

Second: Cm. Belmares

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

There was no public input.

Motion to close the public hearing and introduce.

Moved: Cm. Rendon

Second: Cm. Belmares

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

6. Public hearing and introductory ordinance amending Section 24.65.0 General Supplemental Provisions of the Laredo Land Development Code of the City of Laredo by changing the maximum allowable trailer length for trailers parked or stored in an R-1 (Single Family Residential District), R-1A (Single Family Reduced Area District), RS (Residential Suburban District), and R-1 MH (Single Family Manufactured Housing District) from twelve (12) feet to sixteen (16) feet, and deleting provisions for parking or storing trailers and trucks in public rights of way which provisions are otherwise provided for in the City of Laredo Code of Ordinances; providing for publication and effective date. (Approved by Operations Committee)

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved: Cm. Garcia

Second: Cm. Belmares

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Cm. Belmares mentioned two issues regarding the sizes. He mentioned that a twelve-footer would fit in most garages. However, a sixteen-footer could also fit in most garages. The question would be if the trailers were empty or loaded. He felt that neighborhood streets were not designed for heavy equipment. He added that some trailers were designed specifically for jet skis and boats and that there needed to be a distinguishing factor to find a compromise or balance on the issue. He thought that perhaps even the type of trailer needed to be specified.

David Cardwell stated that he opposed this issue and agreed with what the Council members were saying. He mentioned that not all sixteen-foot trailers were really sixteen feet because of bumper hitches and goosenecks. This meant that they were actually

nineteen feet and two inches long, and with a crew cab truck hitched on would be thirty-seven feet and eight inches long. He felt that a thirty-seven foot eight-inch combination should not be trying to park on residential streets because of the safety issue.

Motion to close the public hearing and table the item with instructions to Keith Selman, Planning Director to look at the current ordinance and look at imposing restrictions on the number of units and on what the trailers can contain.

Moved: Cm. Garcia

Second: Cm. Belmares

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

7. Public hearing allowing interested persons to comment on the proposed amendment to the City of Laredo's 2009 Consolidated One-Year Action Plan for the purpose of reprogramming Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds totaling \$271,170.00 to facilitate the rehabilitation of Casa de Misericordia and Mercy Ministries of Laredo Clinic, both operated by Mercy Ministries of Laredo. It is proposed that (1) \$100,000.00 of the funds allocated to the Heritage Park Improvements project funded through 35th AY CDBG, be re-allocated to this project; and (2) a total of \$171,170.00 of the funds derived from 27th, 29th, 30th, 31st, 32nd, and 33rd Action Year CDBG fund balances from completed projects also be allocated as noted below.

CDBG PROJECT FUND BALANCES

27th AY	
Graffiti Removal	\$ 1.00
Demolition of Sub. Std. Buildings	\$ 1.00
Santa Rita Park	\$ 1.00
Total 27th AY Fund Balances	\$ 3.00
29th AY	
Santa Fe Park	\$ 1.00
Total 29th AY Fund Balances	\$ 1.00
30th AY	
Plaza Theatre	\$ 4,300.00
Sidewalks	\$14,943.00
Slaughter Park	\$ 9,250.00
Total 30th AY Fund Balances	\$28,493.00
31st AY	
C D Administration	\$41,564.00
Total 31st AY Fund Balances	\$41,564.00
32nd AY	
Housing Rehabilitation Administration	\$ 65.00

Code Enforcement	\$ 60.00
Zacate Creek Pedestrian Bridge	\$ 4,591.00
Cruz Field Improvements	\$ 6,128.00
Total 32nd AY Fund Balances	\$ 10,844.00
33rd AY	
Community Development Administration	\$ 8,005.00
Housing Rehabilitation Administration	\$ 6,414.00
Code Enforcement	\$40,438.00
Chacon Guatemozin Acquisition & Relocation	\$35,407.00
Hamilton Hotel	\$ 1.00
Total 33rd AY Fund Balances	\$90,265.00
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	\$171,170.00

FUNDS TO BE RE-ALLOCATED

Heritage Park Improvements	\$100,000.00
TOTAL FUNDS TO BE REPROGRAMMED (Approved by Finance & Operations Committees)	\$271,170.00

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved: Cm. Garcia

Second: Cm. Garza

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

There was no public input.

Motion to close the public hearing.

Moved: Cm. Garcia

Second: Cm. Belmares

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

- Public hearing providing community residents an opportunity to comment on their housing and community needs and the projects that they wish to see funded through the 36th Action Year (AY) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), the 2010 HOME Investment Partnerships Grant (HOME), and the 2010 Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) in support of the preparation and submission of the 2010-2015 Five-Year Consolidated Plan and the 2010 One-Year Action Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

Motion to open the public hearing.

Moved: Cm. Garcia

Second: Cm. Narvaez

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Ronnie Acosta, Community Development Director, reported that at the time that they had prepared the item they had not yet received notice of their formal allocations for the following year. She added that for CDBG they expected to receive \$3,936,450. This would represent a \$302,111 increase over last year. She added that their Home Grant was expected to be \$1,381,796. Unfortunately, this was a small decrease of \$7,786 from last year. She went on to say that the Emergency Shelter Grant would be \$159,618 and this would be a decrease of \$220 from last year. She concluded that they had been having a series of public meetings and invited the public to attend and express their comments as to how they would like to see those funds utilized.

Barbara Kazen, president of the board of directors at Bethany House, stated that they were in the process of raising monies for their Center for Hope. They hoped to include nine larger additional transitional housing units. She continued that they already operated the only eight units in the City of Laredo. She added that at that time, they had seven families with twenty children. They had experienced a 45% increase in the number of applications as of late.

Community Development Director Ronnie Acosta reported that they anticipated to receive a little over \$1.3 million in the next year. Therefore, transitional housing was an eligible activity under this grant.

Cm. Garcia asked Community Development Director Ronnie Acosta if they could use his balance of \$110,000 to be moved to help this project.

Ronnie Acosta, Community Development Director clarified to the Council that the funds that were being mentioned were next year's funds. They would come back to Council in the middle of June to hold another public hearing on a draft plan and would have the monies available on October 1st pending environmental clearance.

Motion to close the public hearing.

Moved: Cm. Rendon

Second: Cm. Garza

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

VII. INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCES

9. Authorizing the City Manager to execute a lease assignment from Elite Aviation, Inc., as Lessee to AltAir Aviation, LLC, as successor/ assignee for an approximate 2,500 square foot tract of land located in Block 1 at the Laredo International Airport Fuel Farm. The lease with Elite Aviation, Inc. was approved on February 21, 2006 by Ordinance No. 2006-O-040. All other terms and conditions remain unchanged and in effect; providing for an effective date. (Operations Committee has recommended this item be sent to Council)

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

10. Authorizing the City Manager to execute a lease with AltAir Aviation, LLC, for approximately 117 square feet constituting Air Operations Area Office No. 2 located at 5210 Bob Bullock Loop at the Laredo International Airport Passenger Terminal. Lease

term is for one (1) year commencing on March 1, 2010 and ending on February 28, 2011 with two-one (1) year renewal options commencing March 1, 2011 and ending on February 29, 2012 and February 28, 2013 respectively. However, it is agreed by the parties that the lease may be terminated by either party on or not less than thirty (30) days' written notice from the party terminating to the other. Monthly rent shall be \$600.00 and will be adjusted annually according to changes in the Consumer Price Index; providing for an effective date. (Operations Committee has recommended this item be sent to Council)

Motion to table.

Moved: Cm. Garcia

Second: Cm. Landeck

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

11. Authorizing the City Manager to execute an assignment of Elite Aviation, Inc.'s Fixed Based Operator (FBO) License approved on February 21, 2006 by Ordinance No. 2006-O-039 to AltAir Aviation, LLC. Elite Aviation, Inc. as Licensee wishes to assign its Fixed Based Operator License to AltAir Aviation, LLC, as successor of Elite Aviation, Inc. All other terms and conditions remain unchanged and in effect; providing for an effective date. (Operations Committee has recommended this item be sent to Council)

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

12. Authorizing the City Manager to execute a lease assignment from ASA Group, Ltd., as assignor to L.A. Ventures Del., Inc., as successor/assignee for an approximate 3.135 acres (136,560.60 square feet) constituting Tract 6 of Block 1 and approximately 3.135 acres (136,560 square feet) constituting Tract 7 of Block 1 of the subdivision plat of the Laredo International Airport Terminal Subdivision at the Laredo International Airport. The lease agreement between the City of Laredo, as Lessor, and ASA Group, Ltd, as Lessee, was approved on November 26, 2001 by Ordinance No. 2001-O-278, as amended. All other terms and conditions remain unchanged and in effect; providing for an effective date. (Operations Committee has recommended this item be sent to Council)

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

13. Authorizing the City Manager to execute an assignment of lease agreement from Border Rent A Car, LLC. to The Hertz Corporation for that certain lease dated December 4, 2006 between the City of Laredo and Border Rent A Car, LLC., for approximately 171 square feet of office and counter space located in Car Rental Space No. 4 within the Airport Passenger Terminal and 17 parking spaces located within the ready return parking lot located at 5210 Bob Bullock Loop at the Laredo International Airport. All other terms and conditions remain unchanged and in effect; providing for an effective date. (Approved by Operations Committee)

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

14. Authorizing the City Manager to execute a Foreign Trade Zone Operator Agreement

with Ravisa Distribution Center, LC. as Zone Site Operator located at 13485 South Unitec Drive within the Unitec Industrial Park-Foreign Trade Zone Site No. 6, effective April,1 2010 and ending September 30, 2014. Providing for activation, administration, annual and transaction fees to be paid to the City. (Approved by Operations Committee)

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

15. Amending the City of Laredo full-time equivalent (FTE) positions by adding one (1) full-time temporary Administrative Assistant II (Grade 35) position with no benefits for the Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP). This position is for the implementation of the NSP Contract with the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) which is for a term of two (2) years. The contract term started September 1, 2009 and ends on August 31, 2011. Funding is available under the Community Development Budget—ARRA-Neighborhood Stabilization Program. (Approved by Finance & Operations Committees)

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

16. Amending the City of Laredo full-time equivalent (FTE) positions by adding three (3) full-time temporary positions with no benefits consisting of an Administrative Assistant II (Grade 35), Housing Technician (Grade 28) and a Housing and Rehabilitation Inspector (Grade 32) for the Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP). These positions are for the implementation of the WAP Contract with the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) which is for a term of two (2) years. The contract term started September 1, 2009 and ends on August 31, 2011. Funding is available in the Community Development Budget—A.R.R.A. Fund—Weatherization Grant. (Approved by Finance & Operations Committees)

Ordinance Introduction: City Council

VIII. FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

Motion to waive the final readings of Ordinances 2010-O-030, 2010-O-031, 2010-O-032, 2010-O-233, 2010-O-234, and 2010-O-235.

Moved: Cm. Belmares

Second: Cm. Rendon

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

17. 2010-O-030 Amending the City of Laredo's FY 2009-2010 annual budget by appropriating revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$24,000.00 in the Laredo Police Department Special Police Programs. Funding will be used to purchase supplies and equipment in support of the U.S. Marshals Service Gulf Coast Violent Offender & Fugitive Task Force. Equipment purchases are 100% reimbursable by the U.S. Department of Justice, U.S. Marshals Service. Reimbursement for equipment purchases will be in accordance with the MOU agreement between the City of Laredo and the U.S. Marshals Service, and funding will be available through May 28, 2010.

Motion to adopt Ordinance # 2010-O-030.

Moved: Cm. Belmares

Second: Cm. Garcia

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

2010-O-031 Amending the City of Laredo FY 2009-2010 annual budget by appropriating expenditures in the amount of \$4,154,528.00 and revenues in the amount of \$1,183,092.00 in the Laredo Police Department Trust Fund. Funding will be used to purchase operational materials, supplies, training and capital outlay equipment. Items include surveillance equipment, tactical equipment, patrol and officer safety equipment, and other needed items. Funding is available in the Police Trust Fund and \$2,971,436.00 will be coming from opening balance.

Motion to adopt Ordinance # 2010-O-031.

Moved: Cm. Belmares

Second: Cm. Garcia

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

2010-O-032 Amending the Subdivision Ordinance of the City of Laredo by revising Chapter II, Section 2-3.5, Expiration and Extension Period of all Plat Approvals, by creating subsection (g) revising the expiration of plat approval by extending the approval of any plat approved after January 1, 2006, whether preliminary or final to December 31, 2011, if applicable; providing for publication and effective date.

Motion to adopt Ordinance # 2010-O-032.

Moved: Cm. Belmares

Second: Cm. Garcia

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

2010-O-033 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lots 14-29, Block 4 and Lots 14-24, Block 5 of La Joya Subdivision, Phase 2, located south of Obsidian Boulevard and east and west of Palmito Drive, from R-1A (Single Family Reduced Area District) to R-1MH (Single Family Manufactured Housing District); providing for publication and effective date. Staff supports the application and the Planning and Zoning Commission has recommended approval of the Zone Change. District I

Motion to adopt Ordinance # 2010-O-033.

Moved: Cm. Belmares

Second: Cm. Garcia

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

2010-O-034 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by authorizing a Special Use Permit for the storage of flammable and explosive products (diesel fuel) on Lots 5 & 6, Block 1, Pan American

Business Park, located at 4305 Pan American Boulevard; providing for publication and effective date. Staff supports the application and the Planning and Zoning Commission has recommended approval of the Special Use Permit. District VII

Motion to adopt Ordinance # 2010-O-034.

Moved: Cm. Belmares

Second: Cm. Garcia

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

2010-O-035 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning the south 2/3 of Lot 2, Block 552, Western Division, located at 1716 Shea Street, from R-3 (Mixed Residential District) to B-1 (Limited Commercial District); providing for publication and effective date. Staff does not support the application and the Planning and Zoning Commission has recommended approval of the Zone Change. District VIII

Motion to adopt Ordinance # 2010-O-035.

Moved: Cm. Belmares

Second: Cm. Garcia

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

IX. RESOLUTIONS

18. 2010-R-023 Authorizing the agreement for purchasing, sale and donation between TAXCO Development Corporation LLC., and the City of Laredo for the purpose of extending Backwoods Road and providing for drainage improvements within North Laredo, a copy of which is attached including specifically;

1. Authorizing the purchase of a parcel of 1.35 acres as described in exhibit A2 of the agreement for \$120,000.00 and the closing costs related thereto;

2. Accepting the donation of two (2) parcels of 0.99 acres and 0.82 acres as described in exhibits A1 and A3 of the agreement; and

3. Accepting post-development flow from the remaining TAXCO tract of 5.50628 acres as specified in the agreement terms. (Approved by Finance & Operations Committees)

Motion to approve Resolution 2010-R-023.

Moved: Cm. Belmares

Second: Cm. Garcia

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

19. 2010-R-024 Authorizing the purchase of the surface only of 6.1608 acres of land from

Herminia Perez as described by metes and bounds in attached exhibit for the purposes of providing for drainage improvements in the Dellwood Subdivision area in the amount of \$140,000.00 plus applicable closing costs and providing for the lease of said area to the Perez family for the term of five (5) years for grazing purpose at a rate of \$10.00 per year. (Approved by Finance & Operations Committees)

Motion to approve Resolution 2010-R-024.

Moved: Cm. Belmares

Second: Cm. Garcia

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

20. 2010-R-025 Accepting the conveyance of a utility easement dated January 21, 2010, from Francisco I. Peña, MD over a parcel of 0.0682 acres (2,970 square feet), a copy of said conveyance being attached as exhibit A and also describing the temporary working easement, including its exhibit describing the 0.0682 acre parcel; and directing that the said easement be filed of record in official property records of Webb County, Texas.

Motion to approve Resolution 2010-R-025.

Moved: Cm. Belmares

Second: Cm. Garcia

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

X. MOTIONS

21. Consideration to authorize a contract with Kraftsman Playground & Park Equipment, Spring, Texas, in the total amount of \$151,442.96 for the purchase and installation of a rubber track surface system at the Santo Niño School walking track. Funding is available from the 2007 Certificates of Obligation Bond proceeds. (Approved by Finance & Operations Committees)

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Garcia

Second: Cm. Belmares

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

22. Consideration to award contract number FY10-040 to the low bidders BWI Company, Schulenburg, Texas, in the estimated amount of \$50,000.00 for providing Rye, Bermuda Seed, fertilizer and paper block for mulching for the Parks and Recreation Department. The term of this contract will be for a period of one (1) year and may be extended for an additional year upon mutual consent of both parties. All items will be purchased on an as needed basis. Funding is available in the Parks and Recreation Department budget and construction projects. (Approved by Finance & Operations Committees)

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Garcia
Second: Cm. Belmares
For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

23. Consideration to extend contract FY08-014 for one (1) year with Martinez Pharmacy, Laredo, Texas, in the estimated amount of \$75,000.00 to assure continuity of pharmaceutical services to patients and clients in the HIV/AIDS Programs of the City of Laredo Health Department for the period beginning April 1, 2010 through March 31, 2011. Funding is available in the State grants HIV/Ryan White and HIV/Health and Social Services. (Approved by Finance & Operations Committees)

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Garcia
Second: Cm. Belmares
For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

24. Consideration to award a contract to Motorola, c/o RZ Communication, through the Houston-Galveston Area Council of Governments (H-GAC) in the amount of \$50,703.30 for the purchase and installation of radio communication equipment. Funding is available utilizing grant proceeds from the Department of Homeland Security—Assistance to Firefighters (AFG) Grant. (Approved by Finance & Operations Committees)

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Garcia
Second: Cm. Belmares
For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

25. Consideration to award contract FY10-026 to the low bidder meeting specifications, Southern Tire Mart, Dallas, Texas, in the estimated amount of \$177,861.40 for the purchase of police pursuit tires and regular passenger tires. All tires will be purchased on an as needed basis. Funding is available in the Fleet Fund. (Approved by Finance & Operations Committees)

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Garcia
Second: Cm. Belmares
For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

26. Consideration to award a six (6) month supply contract for bid FY10-25 to the low bidder:

1. Arguindegui Oil Co., Laredo, Texas, in the estimated amount of \$54,148.00 and;
2. Hollon Oil Co., Weslaco, Texas, in the estimated amount of \$15,750.00, for the purchase of lubricants for the Fleet Maintenance Division. The bid pricing will be firm for a six (6) month period and all items will be purchased on an as

needed basis. Funding is available in the Fleet Maintenance Fund. (Approved by Finance & Operations Committees)

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Garcia

Second: Cm. Narvaez

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

27. Consideration to authorize the purchase of two (2) hydraulic excavators from B-C Equipment Sales Inc., Corpus Christi, Texas, in the total amount of \$489,386.00 through the Houston-Galveston Area Council of Governments (H-GAC) cooperative purchasing program's contract pricing. The excavators will be assigned to the Public Works and Utilities Departments. Funding is available from the Capital Improvement Fund and the 2008 Utility Bond. (Approved by Finance & Operations Committees)

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Garcia

Second: Cm. Narvaez

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

28. Consideration to award contract FY10-043 to the sole bidder, MO-VAC Environmental Inc., McAllen, Texas, in the estimated annual amount of \$50,000.00 for the transportation and disposal of leachate and contaminated water generated at the City of Laredo Landfill. Funding is available in the Solid Waste Department budget. (Approved by Finance & Operations Committees)

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Garcia

Second: Cm. Narvaez

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

29. Consideration for approval of amendment no. 2 an increase of \$12,450.00 to the professional services contract with Mactec Engineering and Consulting, Inc., Laredo, Texas, (field office) for the Ejido Avenue Extension (San Nicolas to Cielito Lindo) for additional design services and modifications and project plans at Cielito Lindo and at San Nicolas Intersections, utility plan revisions, and associated construction administrative costs. The new engineering contract total will be \$380,800.00. Funding is available in the Ejido Street Extension. (Approved by Operations Committee)

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Garcia

Second: Cm. Narvaez

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

30. Consideration for approval of Amendment No. 1 an increase of \$31,540.00 to the

professional services contract with URS Corporation, Dallas, Texas, for the Laredo International Airport Runway 17R/35L Extension Project to add to the scope of work an aerial survey of Runway 17L-35R. An obstruction survey for Runway 17L-35R to determine the feasibility of installing an Instrument Landing System (ILS) at the approach of Runway 35R. This approach aerial survey is needed for a possible second ILS at LRD. Current amount of the engineering contract is \$466,422 and the revised amount will be \$497,962.60. Funding is available in the Airport Construction Fund – Grant No. 57. (Approved by Operations Committee)

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Garcia

Second: Cm. Narvaez

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

31. Authorizing the City Manager to consent to a sub-lease between L.A. Ventures, Inc., as Lessee, and DHL Express (USA), Inc., as Sub-lessee, for the approximate 22,533 square feet which includes office and warehouse area located at 2822 E. Bustamante St. and within Lot 8, Block 1 of the Laredo International Airport Subdivision Plat. The lease between the City of Laredo, as Lessor and L.A.Ventures, Inc., as Lessee, was approved on February 20, 1996 by Ordinance No. 95-O-251. All other terms and conditions remain unchanged and in effect; providing for an effective date. (Approved by Operations Committee)

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Garcia

Second: Cm. Belmares

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

32. Authorizing the City Manager to consent to a sub-lease between ADEX Trading, Inc., as Lessee, and Gateway Electric, LLC, as Sub-lessee, for the approximate 7,790 square feet of the most southern portion of Building No. 1315 which includes office and warehouse area located at 2015 Pappas and within Block 1 of the Laredo International Airport Subdivision Plat. The lease between the City of Laredo, as Lessor, and ADEX Trading, Inc., as Lessee, was approved on October 5, 1992 by Ordinance No. 92-O-182. All other terms and conditions remain unchanged and in effect; providing for an effective date. (Approved by Operations Committee)

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Garcia

Second: Cm. Belmares

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

33. Authorizing the City Manager to consent to a sub-lease between ADEX Trading, Inc., as Lessee and RLG Logistics, as Sub-lessee for the approximate 8,000 square feet constituting the middle section of Building No. 1315 located at 2015 Pappas and within Block 1 of the Laredo International Airport Subdivision Plat. The lease between the City of Laredo, as Lessor and ADEX Trading, Inc., as Lessee, was approved by

Ordinance No. 92-O-182 on October 5, 1992. All other terms and conditions remain unchanged and in effect; providing for an effective date. (Approved by Operations Committee)

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Garcia

Second: Cm. Belmares

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

34. Authorizing the City Manager to consent to a sub-lease between Ronny Salamon D/B/A Avionic Services International, as Lessee and AltAir Aviation, LLC, as Sub-lessee for the approximate 5,888 square feet constituting Hangar No. 1307 located at 4015 N. Jarvis Ave. and within Block 1 of the Laredo International Airport Subdivision Plat. The lease between the City of Laredo, as Lessor and Ronny Salamon, as Lessee, was approved on August 2, 2004 by Ordinance No. 2004-O-184 (amended). All other terms and conditions remain unchanged and in effect; providing for an effective date. (Operations Committee has recommended item be send to Council)

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Garcia

Second: Cm. Belmares

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

35. Authorizing staff to advertise the sale of “the surface only” of a surplus tract of land containing 9,375 sq. ft. more or less, identified as Lot 8 in Block 10 of Belmont Plaza Subdivision Plat, Unit I, recorded in Page 195, Volume 2, in the map records of Webb County in the City of Laredo, Texas and located at 109 Sage Drive. The market value of this parcel was determined to be \$42,500.00 as determined by a state certified real estate appraiser.

Motion to table.

Moved: Cm. Rendon

Second: Mayor Pro Tempore Garza

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

36. Authorizing staff to advertise the sale of “the surface only” of a surplus tract of land containing 5,786 sq. ft. more or less, identified as the North 2/3 of Lot 4, Block 860, Western Division, recorded in Page 655, Volume 309, in the map records of Webb County in the City of Laredo, Texas and located at 3305 Convent Avenue. The market value of this parcel was determined to be \$29,500.00 as determined by a state certified real estate appraiser.

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Belmares

Second: Mayor Pro Tempore Garza

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

37. Consideration to award a contract to each of the identified bidders providing the best value of weatherization goods and services in support of the weatherization assistance program (WAP) funded by the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA). The selected bidders have been ranked in order as per bid specifications scoring criteria. The primary contract will be awarded to (1) Efficient Attic Systems DBA Weatherization Management Group LLC for an amount up to \$1,000,000.00. If and when the primary contractor is unable to take on additional work orders (2) Marion Services LLC, (3) Zertuche Construction LLC, (4) E3 solutions inc., and (5) Paragon Builders Inc will be contracted to provide services for overflow work at a contract price of up to approximately \$5,500 per unit. The term of the contract will be for approximately one (1) year and may be renewed for a second year at the option of the City and the Contractor(s). Authorizing the City Manager to take any action needed to expend these funds in order to avoid the loss of federal funding. (Approved by Finance & Operations Committees)

Motion to table.

Moved: Cm. Belmares

Second: Cm. Rendon

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

38. Consideration for the acceptance and release of retainage in the amount of \$5,629.20 to Price Construction, Laredo, Texas, for the 16” water line with a 30” casing under SH359 (Cuatro Vientos Project). Total cost of the project was \$56,292.00. Funds are available in the 2008 Utility Bond. (Approved by Finance & Operations Committees)

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Garcia

Second: Mayor Pro Tempore Garza

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

39. Consideration for approval of change order no. 1 to Price Construction, Laredo, Texas for an additional forty (40) calendar days for the TxDOT Wastewater Relocation Bore Loop 20(Cuatro Vientos Project) the original contract provided for forty (40) calendar days with a new total of eighty (80) calendar days. There is no change to the contract amount. (Approved by Operations Committee)

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Garcia

Second: Mayor Pro Tempore Garza

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

40. Authorizing the City Manager to approve change order no. 1 to SLC Construction, LLC, Laredo, Texas. This change order will add approx. 14,757 linear feet of 12” water line including any associated appurtenances at the Airport Area. The new contract amount, including this change order, will not increase in value; however, the construction time is amended from 95 working days (Substantial Completion) and 117 working days (final completion) to 160 working days (substantial completion) and 182

working days (final completion); pending approval by Texas Water Development Board. Funding is available in the Utility ARRA Grant. (Approved by Operations Committee)

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Garcia

Second: Mayor Pro Tempore Garza

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

41. Requesting authorization for the waiver of penalty and interest in accordance with Section 33.011(a) of the Property Tax Code. Taxpayer has submitted evidence showing that they attempted to pay the tax before the delinquency date. Request is being made by CBL & Associates on tax accounts 902-10001-020, 902-10001-021, 902-10001-022, 902-10001-050, 902-10001-060, 902-10002-012, 902-10001-040, 902-10002-013, 801-03025-113, and 902-10001-010. The penalty and interest amount is \$35,669.84.

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Garcia

Second: Mayor Pro Tempore Garza

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

42. Refund of property tax in the amount of \$4,998.00 payable to Findley Real Estate LP due to an overpayment, account #900-90301-010.

Motion to approve.

Moved: Cm. Garcia

Second: Mayor Pro Tempore Garza

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

XI. GENERAL COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

43. A. Request by Mayor Raul G. Salinas

1. Presentation on AIR EVAC LIFETEAM by Amy L. Lieck, RN, EMTP Base Manager on the implementation of a new air transport service for medical emergencies.

Ms. Amy Lieck reported that they were currently in the early stages of adding an additional resource for the local medical community. They were trying to place a helicopter in Laredo. She added that Air Evac was supported by over 800,000 members and were the largest independently owned and operated air medical service provider in the United States. They were hoping to put a base in Laredo because they currently serviced the area out of Carrizo Springs. She concluded that the membership fee was \$50 per person in a household, \$55 for husband and wife, \$60 for a family of three or more in a household.

2. Discussion with possible action to support the United States/Mexico Border

Congressional Delegation in creating a border designation for direct funding to adequately support prevention, security and emergency preparedness services which are fundamental responses to protect and safeguard our community, in particular along the Texas/Mexico Border.

Dr. Hector Gonzalez, Health Department Director, reported that this item was discussed in Washington because funding was based on formulas and standards, not on need. He added that there was support at the federal level to do a resolution to support this dedicated funding stream to the border.

Motion to craft a resolution in support of the Congressional Delegation's resolution.

Moved: Cm. Belmares

Second: Cm. Rendon

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

3. Discussion with possible action on the creation of a Fusion Center for the purpose of centralizing intelligence at the Laredo Police Department.

Mayor Raul Salinas stated that he brought this item to the forefront because he noticed that north Texas had two fusion centers, east Texas one, west Texas one, and in south Texas there were none. He felt that the Laredo Police Department had done an excellent job in partnering with other law enforcement agencies along the border.

Assistant Police Chief Gilberto Navarro reported that the issue of the fusion center arose out of two different observations. The first was that they had six intelligence centers in Laredo. They also subscribed to information from eleven different regional intelligence units. He felt that it was critical that information be gathered and disseminated at the point closest to the action. He continued that the second observation was that there were five fusion centers in Texas. Therefore, the proposal was to have a fusion center to tie in all the local intelligence centers in order to synthesize the information.

Motion to instruct staff to craft a Memorandum of Understanding or a letter of intent to begin negotiations for the collaboration and interoperability and bring a proposal back to Council.

Moved: Cm. Belmares

Second: Cm. Rendon

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

B. Request by Council Member Hector "Tito" Garcia

1. Discussion with possible action on the cost of living increase as discussed in Budget Workshop.

Motion to table to the first meeting in May.

Moved: Cm. Garcia

Second: Cm. Rendon

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

C. Request by Council Member Dr. Michael Landeck

1. Discussion with possible action regarding provision of Health insurance to all city employees including part time and time limited employments.

Cm. Landeck stated that they had had some significant changes to the principles of health and health insurance in the United States recently. He went on to say that they should wait to discuss this item and his next item later on at a workshop.

Motion to table.

Moved: Cm. Landeck

Second: Cm. Rendon

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

2. Discussion with possible action on a possible creation of a “sick leave pool” for city employees and reconsidering the maximum of payout days for non utilized sick days to retiring employees.

Motion to table.

Moved: Cm. Landeck

Second: Cm. Rendon

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

D. Request by Council Member Gene Belmares

1. Discussion with possible action on having the City of Laredo join TexasOne Program, which is part of the Texas Economic Corporation.

Roger Creery from the Laredo Development Foundation reported that TexasOne organization was a nonprofit, nonpartisan program that falls underneath the Texas Economic Development Corporation. It is a platform used to allow communities along with private sector entities to band together to promote the state and their own cities.

Motion to approve Tier 5 at \$1,000 and instruct the City Manager to fill out the application.

Moved: Cm. Belmares

Second: Cm. Garcia

For: 6

Against: 1

Abstain: 0

Cm. Landeck

2. Discussion with possible action on purchasing Polaris or similar four wheeler off road units for Laredo Police Department Park Police.

Cm. Belmares stated that he had visited with some of the officers during the Kite Festival, and they had to access the park with patrol vehicles. However, there were sections of the park that did not have hard surfaced roads.

Motion to instruct staff to purchase the units.

Moved: Mayor Pro Tem Garza

Second: Cm. Belmares

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

E. Request by Council Member Cynthia Liendo Espinoza

1. Presentation by Kassandra Sanchez, a 10th grader at Martin High School, requesting Council support and sponsorship after being selected as a member of the People to People Student Ambassador Program and representing Laredo in Europe.

Motion to table for next meeting.

Moved: Cm. Liendo Espinoza

Second: Cm. Garcia

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

2. Discussion with possible action on using discretionary funds for improvements for Border Area Nutrition Council (BANC) and Parks and Leisure Offices located in Piedra China.

Cm. Liendo Espinoza stated that she was a member STDC board and was contacted because of some issues with the areas where they fed the elderly. She saw that many repairs were urgently needed in the building.

Cm. Landeck stated that he was very concerned about this and had received an estimate and felt a little uncomfortable with the numbers that he had seen. Therefore, he was glad to help share the cost of the improvements.

Motion to make the improvements using District 8 discretionary funds and try to get the best deal possible whether it be in-house or contracted out with a maximum of \$30,000 as amended to include sharing the cost with District 3 discretionary funds.

Moved: Cm. Liendo Espinoza

Second: Cm. Belmares

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

XII. STAFF REPORTS

44. Presentation by Dan Migura, Human Resources Director, regarding the status of the City's prescription drug plan, with possible action.

Motion to table and bring back at a workshop.

Moved: Mayor Pro Tempore Garza

Second: Cm. Garcia

For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

45. Status report on the selection of an operator for the proposed municipal golf course with possible action.

Horacio De Leon, Assistant City Manager, made the following presentation:

Max A. Mandel Memorial

Municipal Golf Course at Las Islitas

Request for Proposals from
Golf Operators

Evaluating Committee

Francisco Meza, Purchasing Agent
Osbaldo Guzman, Parks Director
Martin Aleman, Budget Manager
Rogelio Rivera, City Engineer
Raul Casso, City Attorney
Gary Jacobs, Developer
Horacio De Leon, Asst. City Manager

Mayor and Council participants:

Mayor Raul Salinas
Councilmember Hector Garcia
Councilmember Jose A. Valdez

Evaluating Criteria

Golf Course Management Experience – 50 Points
PGA or LPGA Golf Professional Class A
Comparable golf course experience
Business and Professional Skills
Marketing Plan
Operational skills, Start-up experience, maintenance quality of courses currently operating
Experience with municipal courses
Turf management and agronomy (irrigation system)
History of effective green fees schedule and budget man.
Club house operations (food and beverage, pro-shop)

References – 25 Points

Financial – 20 Points

Soundness (Credit History, Start-up Capital, financials)

Management of New Golf Course Start-up – 5 Points

Eagle Golf	Foresight Golf	Kemper Sports	Touchstone	Kitson & Partners	Troon Golf
Dallas, TX	Boerne, TX	Northbrook, IL	Burnet, TX	Palm Beach, FL	Scottsdale, AZ
96	100	100	94	91	97
97	87	85	80	90	90
90	88	83	88	80	80
98	100	92	98	92	91
98	100	97	99	93	76
90	82	86	82	78	72
<u>569</u>	<u>557</u>	<u>543</u>	<u>541</u>	<u>524</u>	<u>506</u>
B. Casper	Meadowbrook	Southern	Western	Williams Charles	Balt Ramos
Vienna, VA	Champions Gate, FL	Bandera, TX	Lake Forrest, CA	Normangee, TX	Laredo, TX
88	95	94	68	71	64
84	90	72	75	78	59
80	78	77	69	70	59
89	87	92	91	91	69
<u>74</u>	<u>70</u>	<u>59</u>	<u>70</u>	<u>58</u>	<u>42</u>
504	495	491	455	440	362

Golf Course Operators Short List

Name of Proposer Marketing Plan Company's Financial Reporting

Kemper Sports

Golf tournaments, collegiate, professional, national amateur golf tournaments for over 40 years. Presidents Cup last year, US Amateur Open this year, and US Open in 2015. Goal is to acquire an industry standard for the Laredo course in its first year. Solid Financial Records and more than adequate working capital. Willing to do either type of agreement (management for services or lease agreement).

Meadow Brook Golf

Using the companies strategic structure as the industry's only vertically integrated golf resource company to offer a consolidated complete solution to the operations. Provided financial records that show good ownership with capabilities to support the golf course and finance operations in a lease type of agreement. A local general manager and golf pro currently on their staff that knows the Laredo market and proposes to come back to Laredo and represent the company with all the support from the Florida offices.

Foresight Golf

Strong regional focus within target market. Proven marketing strategies for South Texas area. Good financial records with proven record in South Texas.

Name of Proposer

Marketing Plan

Company's Financial Reporting

Touchstone Golf

Several Courses in Texas with possibly good strategies for buying incentives as a result of their Texas pool.

Good financial record with proven operations in Texas

Eagle Golf Excellent idea of theme golf.

Financial condition is in question as a result of their rapid growth in the number of courses owned, leased and operating over the past few years.

Kitson Partners

Good marketing plan and approach with former experience in Texas but none at this time.

Great financial support from parent company and good golf operations.

Eagle Golf

Foresight Golf

Kemper Sports

Touchstone Golf

Kitson & Partners

Meadowbrook Golf

Interviews were held with all 6 companies.

Financials were looked at closer and quotes were asked for both Lease terms and Management Agreements

Site Visits were conducted on the top 4.

Site Visits were conducted on the top 4 selected by evaluating committee.

Foresight Golf

Kemper Sports

Touchstone Golf

Meadowbrook Golf

	Lease Agreement	Management Agreement
Strengths	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Removes business risk from the City and on to a private operator • City can plan for steady stream of rent from lessee • Potential capital contribution from lessee • City involvement is potentially less as it relates to policy decisions (rates, quality levels, access) as the responsibility for such rests largely with lessee. <i>This could also be a weakness depending on City's perspective.</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City maintains control of their asset through shorter term agreement (3-5 years) • Nearly all of the financial upside goes to the city • Management company may be motivated to perform to earn incentive fees and primarily to gain contract renewal at end of term

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Operator will be incentivized by the opportunity to make a profit.</i> 	
Weaknesses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some control by the City is ceded to the lessee as it relates to maintenance, service levels and operating procedures and policies. Although maintenance and operating standards may be established in the lease agreement, a broad interpretation could be applied in practice. • City involvement is potentially less as it relates to policy decisions (rates, quality levels, access) as the responsibility for such rests largely with lessee. <i>This could also be a strength depending on City's perspective.</i> • Lessee gains financial upside • Tax exempt financing. (We have visited with bond counsel) • Typically a longer term agreement (10 years and over) provides for less flexibility. This is especially the case if the lessee makes a capital contribution 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The business risk rests with the City • Increase in the General Fund of \$1.4 million for operations • Management company may not perform to City standards • City has greater involvement with policy setting (rates, access, etc.) although most management companies will provide clear recommendations to City for approval

Lease Proposers
Kemper Sports
Meadowbrook Golf
Foresight Golf

Management Proposers
Touchstone Golf
Meadowbrooks Golf
Kemper Sports
Foresight Golf
Eagle Golf

Kitson Partners

Motion to instruct staff to go back ask for a best and final deal and come back with a recommendation in order to negotiate a Lease Proposal Agreement.

Moved: Cm. Garcia

Second: Cm. Belmares

For: 6

Against: 1

Abstain: 0

Mayor Pro Tem Garza

- 46. Discussion with possible action regarding the future of the City’s landfill, and any matters related thereto. (The Operation Committee requested that this item be sent to full Council for its consideration)

Mayor Pro Tem Garza reported that they had discussed this issue during the Operations Committee and he felt that in five to ten years there would be no more space for the landfill.

Steve Geiss, Solid Waste Director, reported the following:

Permitted maximum design height above mean sea level.....640.5 ft
 Original average base grade above mean sea level.....500 ft
 Range of original base grade above mean sea level.....470 to 530 ft
 Remaining design capacity in cubic yards as of 8/31/09 *.....6,592,132 yd3
 Remaining design capacity in tons as of 8/31/09.....4,264,973 Tons
 Effective compaction density**1,294 lbs/yd3
 Waste acceptance for 2009.....346,523 Tons
 Remaining design life at 2009 performance as of 8/31/09.....12.3 years
 New Cells 13 & 14 original design capacity.....3,201,260 yd3
 Capacity reduced due to raising base grades.....155,371 yd3
 Cells 13 & 14 capacity reduced due to raising100,285 Tons
 base grades in tons
 New Cells 13 & 14 adjusted capacity in cubic yards...3,046,289 yd3
 New Cells 13 & 14 adjusted capacity in tons.....1,970,949 Tons
 Cells 13 & 14 life reduced due to raising base grades....3.47 months
 At 2009 performance
 Cells 13 & 14 life at 2009 performance.....5.5 years
 Cost Saving for Remaining Airspace
 Re-package remaining airspace to fill abandoned gas line easement between Phase I and IV and eliminating Phase III, reducing total waste footprint. This results in no capacity or life gain but reduces development costs by eliminating liner costs for Phase III. Phase II remains as designed.

Revenue Potential

Landfill Gas to energy

Need to determine best case scenario for the City

Third party finances, installs, and operates a LFG to energy system and pays City for methane but owns all electricity produced

City finances, installs, and operates LFG to energy system and owns the electricity produced

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

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

Moved: Cm. Garza
Second Cm. Garcia
For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

48. 2010-RT-001 Authorizing the City of Laredo to file an application with the Department of Transportation, Federal Transit Administration, United States of America, in the amount of \$1,672,969.00 for fiscal year 2009-2010, for the continuation of federal transit programs annual operations grant, and authorizing the City Manager to execute all related documents (Approved by Finance & Operations Committees)

Motion to approve 2010-RT-001.

Moved: Cm. Garza
Second: Cm. Liendo Espinoza
For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

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

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

Moved: Cm. Garza
Second: Cm. Liendo Espinoza
For: 7

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

I, Gustavo Guevara, Jr., City Secretary, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes contained in pages 01 to 29 and they are true, complete, and correct proceedings of the City Council meeting held on April 5, 2010.

Gustavo Guevara, Jr.
City Secretary