

State of Texas X
County of Webb X
City of Laredo X

On this the 1st day of July, 1980, the City Council of Laredo, Texas, convened in regular meeting at Conference Rooms 1 and 2 of the Laredo Civic Center at 7:30 o'clock P.M., with the following members thereof present, to-wit:

CARLOS A. ZUNIGA	:	MAYOR PRO TEM
ROBERTO FLORES	:	ALDERMEN
VIDAL CANTU, JR.	:	
GUILLERMO BENAVIDES	:	
ENRIQUE TREVINO	:	
JOE A. GUERRA	:	
FELIPE SANCHEZ, JR.	:	
GUSTAVO GUEVARA, JR.	:	CITY SECRETARY

ABSENT: Mayor Aldo Tatangelo, Alderman Andres Ramos, Jr. and City Attorney Eustorgio Perez.

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With a quorum present, the Mayor Pro tem called the meeting to order and the following proceedings were carried out:

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The minutes of the Special City Council Meeting of June 24, 1980 were presented for approval. Alderman Trevino made a motion to approve the minutes as read. Alderman Cantu seconded the motion and all were in favor.

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A letter from Eustorgio Perez, City Attorney to Ricardo De Anda, Assistant City Attorney, requesting that he postpone his resignation until July 31, 1980, was read by the Mayor Pro tem.

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A letter from J.R. Esparza, Tax Collector, was read. In this letter Mr. Esparza outlined eight (8) different consequences that would possibly derive from the personnel budget cut in his office.

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Mr. George Salazar, City Deputy Comptroller, made his presentation to the City Council. The following Appropriation Ordinance was presented for approval to the City Council.

The Mayor Pro tem introduced an Appropriation Ordinance and Alderman Sanchez made a motion to adopt the ordinance. Whereupon said ordinance was read in full; the motion, carrying with it the passage of the ordinance, was seconded by Alderman Flores and prevailed by the following vote:

YEAS: Aldermen Sanchez, Flores, Guerra and Trevino.

NAYS: Alderman Cantu

ABSTAIN: Alderman Benavides.

AN ORDINANCE

AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE PAYMENT OF CERTAIN DEBTS OWED BY THE CITY OF LAREDO TO CERTAIN PAYEES, OUT OF THE FUNDS OF THE CITY OF LAREDO, TEXAS FOR MATERIALS, EQUIPMENT, WORK AND/OR SERVICES PREVIOUSLY RENDERED.

<u>Payee/Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Fund</u>
Jose Vela, Jr. (Attorney)	\$10,250.00	General Fund

The Mayor Pro tem declared in open meeting that the ordinance had passed.

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The following was a request by the residents of blocks #889 and #860, W.D. of the City of Laredo, and other residents of the Ward 4 Storm Drainage Project to appear before the City Council to appeal for the rescinding of said project.

Mr. Gonzalez from Laredo Legal Aid Society passed to the Council a copy of the signatures of the residents in the project area who were opposed.

Mr. Casimiro Guajardo stated that if the storm drainage project was rejected for the Mother Cabrini area, that maybe consideration could be given to the Farias area.

Alderman Cantu made a motion to adopt a resolution directing the funds from the Ward 4 Storm Drainage Project to other projects in other wards within the City of Laredo due to the petitions in opposition, but to take the petitions under consideration. Alderman Flores seconded the motion and it was prevailed by the following vote:

YEAS: Aldermen Flores, Cantu, Trevino and Sanchez.

NAYS: Alderman Guerra.

ABSTAIN: Alderman Benavides.

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Tomas Vasquez, Filemon Flores and Liborio Herrera requested to appear before the City Council to request taxicab permits and Bernardo De La Garza requested reinstatement of two (2) taxicab permits.

Mr. Raul Vasquez, Attorney representing A-B Taxi, made the presentation before the City Council to petition re-instatement of two (2) permits to Bernardo De La Garza.

Next was an ordinance prohibiting the placing of signs, poster panels, bulletins or other printed or painted announcements within the Zacate Creek Beautification Project, and prohibiting the placing of any signs, poster panels, bulletins, or other printed or painted announcements within the Zacate Creek Beautification Project boundaries. Mr. Julio Garcia, representing Rollins Advertising Agency, spoke before the City Council to petition against the passage or adoption of this ordinance due to economic losses. He requested that this matter be discussed before a committee. Alderman Trevino made a motion to table this matter and refer it to a committee.

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J. R. Esparza, City Tax Collector, requested City Council action on delinquent tax payers for the year 1979 and others. Alderman Cantu made a motion to file suit against the delinquent tax payers named on the list presented to the City Council and also to have the Mayor decide who would file the suits. Alderman Sanchez seconded the motion and all were in favor.

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Webb County Judge, C. Y. Benavides, requested City Council approval for the removal of parking meters on the 1000 block of Victoria for the use by the general public while visiting the courthouse and by Law Enforcement Agencies while bringing juveniles to the center. This item was tabled.

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Mr. Eduardo Leyendecker spoke before the City Council on behalf of Mr. Edgardo Gonzalez to request financial relief on the cost of an underground storm drainage. Mr. Mejia agreed to accept a letter from Oscar Laurel stating that they would commit \$5,000 in escrow. Mr. Mejia said he was promised this letter but that he had not seen it. He believed that the letter was at the City Attorney's office. Alderman Sanchez made a motion to refer this matter to legal counsel. Alderman Trevino seconded the motion and all were in favor.

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Edgardo Gonzalez and Carlos Mejia requested City Council action regarding cost sharing of a proposed underground storm drainage system at Calton Road and San Dario.

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Alderman Trevino made a motion to table and refer this item to the Transportation Committee. Alderman Sanchez seconded the motion and all were in favor.

The committee members would be Alderman Cantu, Trevino, Flores and Sanchez and also a representative from C.D.A. and the City Attorney. Alderman Cantu seconded the motion and all were in favor. *(The C.D.A. representative will be John Orfila)

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Next was City Council discussion and possible Council action on C.D.A. Paving Phase IX Project.

Mr. Carlos Mejia, City Engineer, requested that this item be tabled. Alderman Sanchez made a motion to table this item. Alderman Flores seconded the motion and all were in favor.

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The following was an ordinance authorizing the Mayor to sign a contract with the University of Texas in San Antonio for archeological services in conjunction with the construction of the City Toll Plaza.

Alderman Sanchez made a motion to adopt the ordinance. Whereupon said ordinance was read in full; the motion, carrying with it the passage of the ordinance, was seconded by Alderman Flores and prevailed by the following vote:

YEAS: Aldermen Sanchez, Flores, Trevino and Guerra.

NAYS: Aldermen Cantu and Benavides.

AN ORDINANCE

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT SAN ANTONIO FOR PROVIDING ARCHEOLOGICAL SERVICES AS REQUIRED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE CITY OF LAREDO TOLL PLAZA.

The Mayor Pro tem declared in open meeting that the ordinance had passed.

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Next was an ordinance authorizing the Community Development Agency to contract with South Texas Development Council for STDC grants as available for personnel or equipment for the Homemaker/Chore Services Program.

Alderman Trevino made a motion to adopt the ordinance. Alderman Sanchez seconded the motion and all were in favor.

AN ORDINANCE

AUTHORIZING THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY TO CONTRACT WITH SOUTH TEXAS DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL (STDC) FOR STDC GRANTS AS AVAILABLE FOR PERSONNEL OR EQUIPMENT, FOR THE HOMEMAKER/CHORE SERVICES PROGRAM.

The Mayor Pro tem declared in open meeting that the ordinance had passed.

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The following item was City Council approval of a resolution to approve the formation of the Laredo Housing Finance Corporation.

Alderman Trevino made a motion to adopt the resolution. Alderman Sanchez seconded the motion and all were in favor.

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The next item of discussion was City Council action on a resolution to retain McCall, Parkhurst and Horton Bond Counsel to the Laredo Housing Finance Corporation; Peat, Marwick, Mitchell as consultants for the preparations of feasibility; Rausher, Pierce and Refnes as underwriters.

Alderman Cantu made a motion to retain McCall, Parkhurst and Horton Bond Counsel to the Laredo Housing Finance Corporation. Alderman Sanchez seconded the motion, but withdrew it. The motion died due to the lack of a second.

After further discussion, Alderman Cantu made a motion to adopt a resolution requesting Bond Counsels to submit bid proposals to the office of the Mayor. Alderman Sanchez seconded the motion and all were in favor.

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The last item was a request by the Garbage Collection Committee for City Council action on an amendment to the Garbage Collection Fee Ordinance to provide for a fee of 35¢ for stickers to be placed on commercial garbage containers.

Alderman Cantu made a motion to clarify that the fee of 35¢ refers to commercial garbage containers. Alderman Sanchez seconded the motion and all were in favor. The correction was acknowledged by the City Secretary.

Alderman Sanchez made a motion to adopt the ordinance. Whereupon said ordinance was read in full; the motion, carrying with it the passage of the ordinance, was seconded by Alderman Cantu and prevailed by the following vote:

YEAS: Aldermen Flores, Cantu, Guerra, Benavides and Sanchez.

NAYS: Alderman Trevino.

AN ORDINANCE

AMENDING SECTION 4 OF THE "GARBAGE ORDINANCE" ADOPTED MAY 20, 1980 ESTABLISHING FEES TO BE CHARGED BY THE CITY OF LAREDO FOR THE COLLECTION OF GARBAGE AND ADDING SECTION 6 TO RESTRICT DUMPING OF GARBAGE AT THE CITY DUMP SITE.

The Mayor Pro tem declared in open meeting that the ordinance had passed.

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With no further business to discuss Alderman Cantu made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Alderman Sanchez seconded the motion and all were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 P.M.

GUSTAVO GUEVARA, JR.
CITY SECRETARY