

# HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF LAREDO

Regular Board of Commissioners Meeting

2000 San Francisco Avenue

Administration Building Conference Room 1<sup>st</sup> Floor

Laredo, Texas 78040

Thursday, January 8, 2015

12:00 Noon

A-15-R-1

MINUTES

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1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bruni at 12:00 noon.
2. **ROLL CALL AND DECLARATION OF QUORUM:** Roll call and declaration of quorum by Laura Llanes, Executive Director and Secretary.

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT**

Raymond A. Bruni, Chairman  
Hector J. Noyola, Vice-Chairman

Martha Castro, Commissioner  
Robert Simpson, Commissioner

**COMMISSIONERS ABSENT**

Joe Aranda, Commissioner

**Staff Present**

Laura Llanes, Executive Director  
Luis Calderon, Interim Assistant Director  
Bulmaro Cruz, Director of Public Housing  
Mary De La Rosa, Executive Secretary  
Melissa Ortiz, Director of Finance  
Christy Ramos, Administration Clerk

3. **CITIZENS COMMENTS:**

This is the opportunity for visitors and guest to address the Board of Commissioners on any issue. The Board may not discuss any presented issue, nor may any action be taken on any issues at this time. (Texas Attorney General Opinion-JC-0169) There were no citizens comments presented.

4. **ACTION ITEMS:**

- A. Discussion and possible action to approve minutes for November 20, 2014.**

Commissioner Simpson made a motion to approve the minutes for 11/20/2014.

Commissioner Castro seconded the motion.

Motion was approved.

- B. Discussion and possible action to adopt the 2015-2019 PHA 5-Year Plan to become effective April 1, 2015 and adopt Resolution No. 15-R-1.**

Laura Llanes, Executive Director and Bulmaro Cruz, Director of Public Housing informed the agency conducts a yearly public hearing to listen and consider all public comments, from the residents regarding the intended work objective for each of the housing project for the next year. The meetings are conducted by Jose Collazo, Resident Services Coordinator, Bulmaro Cruz, Public Housing Director and Alfonso Treviño, Capital Fund

Modernization Coordinator and Resident Council Advisory Board and at their prospective housing project. The General Public Notice meeting is held at the Senior Citizen's Center at 5:30 p.m. for anyone interested to attend.

Commissioner Simpson made a motion to approve the agenda item.

Vice-Chairman Noyola seconded the motion.

The motion was approved.

**C. Discussion and possible action to authorize the transfer of \$400,000 from the Laredo Housing Authority's Central Office Cost Center to the Laredo Housing Opportunities Corporation a public facility and instrumentality of the Housing Authority of the City of Laredo.**

Melissa Ortiz, Director of Finance informed this transfer is to move the access cash on hand from the COCC into the Laredo Housing Opportunities.

Vice-Chairman Noyola made a motion to approve the agenda item.

Commissioner Simpson seconded the motion.

The motion was passed.

**5. EXECUTIVE SESSION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE**

- A. Discussion of real estate acquisition and disposition for affordable housing all current and prospective assets may be discussed. As authorized by the Texas Government Code Sections 551.072 (deliberations about real property).
- B. The Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Laredo reserves the right to adjourn into Executive Session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters listed on the posted agenda, above, as authorized by the Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (consultation with attorneys), 551.072 (deliberations about real property), 551.073 (deliberations about gifts and donations,) 551.074 (personnel matters), 551.076 (deliberations about security devices), and 551.086 (economic development).

**6. ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST:**

(Note: These items may include expressions of thanks, congratulations, or condolence; information regarding holiday schedules; honorary recognitions of city officials, employees, or other citizens; reminders about upcoming events sponsored by the city or other entity that is scheduled to be attended by a city official or city employee; and announcements involving imminent threats to the public health and safety of the city. No specific items will be listed under this section, and no discussion or action will take place.)

No community interest information was announced.

**7. ADJOURNMENT:** Vice-Chairman Noyola made a motion to adjourn.

Commissioner Simpson seconded the motion.

The motion was approved.

Meeting adjourned at 12:26 p.m.



**RAYMOND A. BRUNI**  
BOARD CHAIRMAN



**LAURA LLANES**  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR