

Laredo Housing Authority
Regular Board of Commissioners Meeting
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LHA Board Room
2000 San Francisco Ave.
Laredo, Texas 78040
Friday, January 28, 2022
12:00 P.M.

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Board of Commissioners

Jose L. Ceballos, Board Chairman
Dr. Sergio D. Garza, Vice Chairman
Anita L. Guerra, Commissioner

Dr. Marisela Rodríguez Tijerina, Commissioner
Gloria Ann Freeman, Resident Commissioner

"The Board of Commissioners will convene for a Board meeting for discussion on the following matters (NOTE: A quorum of the Board will be physically present at this location, but up to two other Commissioners may attend by videoconferencing, as permitted by Tex. Gov't Code Section 551.127)"

A-22-R-1

Agenda

January 28, 2022

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. INVOCATION PRAYER**
- 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- 4. ROLL CALL AND DECLARATION OF QUORUM**
- 5. CITIZENS COMMENTS**

This is the opportunity for visitors and guests 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 the time. There will be a 3-minute limitation per speaker. (Texas Attorney General Opinion-JC-0169)

- 6. DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST FOR BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND STAFF**
- 7. PRESENTATION BY CENTRAL RESIDENT COUNCIL**

8. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Approval of Minutes for Board of Commissioners meeting on December 15, 2021.

9. STANDING REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS (No Action to be taken on these items)

- A. Executive Director's Report to include status of Rapid Rehousing Grant Program and ongoing construction projects.

10. CONSENT AGENDA

All of the following items may be acted upon by one motion. No separate discussion or action on any of the items is necessary unless desired by a commissioner.

- A. Consideration to authorize travel of staff and/or Board for the 2022 NAHRO Conference in Washington, D.C. on March 26 - 30, 2022.
- B. Consideration to authorize the Executive Director to proceed with discussions on a possible contract with the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs Department in regard to a partnership involving the management of an additional 85 Emergency Housing Vouchers within the Section 8 Housing Program.
- C. Discussion and possible action to adopt Resolution No. 22-R-01 and approve the Utility Allowance Schedules for the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) and Project Based Voucher (PBV) Program effective March 1, 2022, as recommended by staff.
- D. Discussion and possible action to adopt Resolution No. 22-R-02 and approve the Utility Allowance Schedules for the Public Housing Program effective March 1, 2022, as recommended by staff.

11. ACTION ITEM

- A. Discussion and possible action authorizing the Executive Director to: conclude the value engineering and negotiation of RFP2021-0811-1-COVID19 Public Health & Safety Project-Section 8 & Colonia Guadalupe Administration after not arriving at the budgeted amount; reduce and amend the scope of work; and proceed with a construction management delivery system to achieve the work.
- B. Discussion and possible action to authorize the eligible purchase of a 2021 Ford Escape in the amount of \$23,460.00 for the Rapid Rehousing Program.

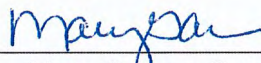
- C. Discussion and possible action to authorize the purchase of one new compact car or small pick-up truck for each public housing property and HCV program to serve management needs, as may be financially feasible under the current fiscal year while maintaining a positive operating balance.
- D. Discussion and possible action to approve the Employee On-Call Policy with any Board amendments, effective February 6, 2022.
- E. Discussion and possible action related to the development and implementation of a Workforce Recruitment and Retention Plan.
- F. Discussion and possible action to authorize the Executive Director to close an aged Laredo Housing Employee Organization bank account and to transfer any funds to the public housing resident services program fund for utilization in referenced permissible uses.
- G. Discussion and possible action related to the current COVID-19 health concerns and any update to the COVID-19 policies implemented in response to the health concern. This item may be discussed in executive session pursuant to Section 551.071 (consultation with attorneys) and 551.074 (personnel matters).
- H. Discussion and possible action to conduct the Executive Director's scheduled annual evaluation, as stipulated in contract agreement. This item may be discussed in Executive Session, pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.074 (personnel matters).

12. EXECUTIVE SESSION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE

The Board of Commissioners for the Housing Authority of the City of Laredo reserve 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, including 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).

13. ACTION ON ANY EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEM

14. ADJOURNMENT

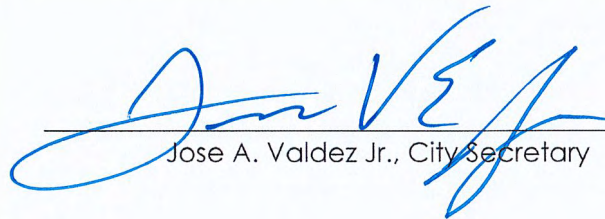


Mary Gaona, Executive Director

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CERTIFICATON

This notice was posted at the Municipal Government Offices, 1110 Houston Street, Laredo, Texas, at a place convenient and readily ADA/accessible to the public at all times. Said notice was posted on Tuesday, January 25, 2022 at 12:00 p.m.



Jose A. Valdez Jr., City Secretary