

Laredo Housing Authority
Regular Board of Commissioners Meeting

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LHA Board Room

2000 San Francisco Ave.

Laredo, Texas 78040

Monday, May 22, 2023

10:30 A.M.

Board of Commissioners

Cynthia Mares, Board Chair
Silvia Madrid, Vice Chair
Joe E. Aranda, Commissioner

Jose L. Ceballos, 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-23-R-3

Agenda

May 22, 2023

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. PRESENTATION BY RESIDENT ADVISORY BOARD
7. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

The Laredo Housing Authority will be closing the 45-day comment period on an amendment to the agencies Admissions and Continued Occupancy Policy (ACOP) incorporating the final ruling on the limitation on Public Housing tenancy

for over-income families under the Housing Opportunity through Modernization Act of 2016 (HOTMA).

8. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Approval of Minutes for Board of Commissioners meeting on April 5, 2023.

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

A. Executive Directors Report to include status of grant programs and ongoing construction projects.

B. Unaudited Financials for the month of March 2023.

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 approve the certification of the HCV Section 8 Management Assessment Program (SEMAP) for the Fiscal Year ending March 31, 2023, as recommended by staff, and authorize the Executive Director to submit the SEMAP Submission Certification to the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) and adopt Resolution No. 23-R-06.

B. Consideration to approve the purchase of a 2023 Ford F150 Regular Cab in the amount of \$32,565.00 from the 2022 Capital Fund Grant.

C. Consideration to approve the purchase of a 2023 Toyota Highlander in the amount of \$37,325.00 from the Emergency Housing Voucher Service Fee Allocation.

11. ACTION ITEM

A. Discussion and possible action approving the Memorandum of Understanding between the Laredo Housing Opportunity Corporation and Brownstone Affordable Housing, Ltd. for the development of Hillside Crossing an affordable housing development. This item may be discussed in Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.07 I, consultation with attorney.

B. Discussion and possible action to approve the Continued Occupancy Policy For Public Housing Over-Income Families effective June 1, 2023 and adopt Resolution No. 23-R-07.

C. Discussion and possible action to approve the 2023 Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Program Payment Standard Amounts effective July 1, 2023 using Fair Market Rents and adopt Resolution No. 23-R-08.

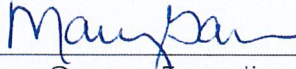
- D. Discussion and possible action on the proposed Jovita Idar mural at the Ana Maria Lozano BiblioTech.
- E. Discussion and possible action on the appointment of a Building Committee.
- F. Discussion and possible action on the appointment of a Finance Committee.
- G. Discussion and possible action on the appointment of a Program & Policy Committee.
- H. Discussion and possible action to award RFP No. 2023-0403-1 HQS Housing Inspection Services and authorize the Executive Director to finalize negotiations and contract(s) with selected firm(s).
- I. Discussion and possible action to authorize the Executive Director to extend the contract with Bronze Builders LLC for an additional year, as allowable by Contract No. 2022-0131-2, effective June 28, 2023 through June 27, 2024. This would represent the second year of the contract maximum of five years.
- J. Discussion and possible action to authorize the Executive Director to extend the contract with Trinity MEP Engineering LLC for an additional year, as allowable by Contract No. 2022-0613-1, effective June 13, 2023 through June 12, 2024. This represents the second year of the contract maximum of five years.
- K. Discussion and possible action to renew the Commercial Property Insurance for the Laredo Housing Facilities Corporation effective June 27, 2023 through June 26, 2024.
- L. Discussion and possible action related to the filling of management positions and any other matters incident thereto. This item may be discussed in Executive Session, pursuant to Section 551.071 (consultation with attorneys) and 551.074 (personnel matters).
- M. Discussion on a date for our next Board of Commissioners meeting.

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

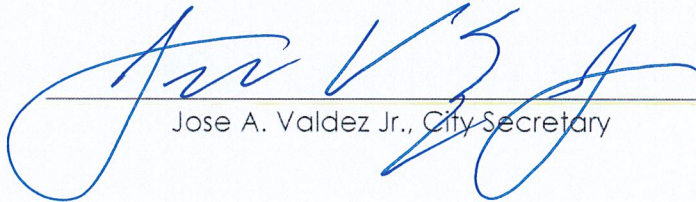


Mary Gaona, Executive Director

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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 Thursday, May 18, 2023 at 4:30 p.m.



Jose A. Valdez Jr., City Secretary