

Laredo Housing Authority  
Regular Board of Commissioners Meeting

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LHA Board Room

2000 San Francisco Ave.

Laredo, Texas 78040

Wednesday, July 19, 2023

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**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)***

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Agenda

July 19, 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. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Approval of Minutes for Board of Commissioners meeting on May 22, 2023.

**8. 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 May 2023.

**9. 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 ratify Contract ID 2946224 between the Laredo Housing Opportunities Corporation and AT&T Corp. for the AT&T Office @Hand (v2.0) Service effective May 31, 2023.
- B. Consideration to authorize the Executive Director to enter into a collaborative, non-financial Memorandum of Understanding with Texas Homeless Network for the Stability Voucher Program.
- C. Consideration to approve a renewal with Texas Municipal League Intergovernmental Risk Pool for Workers' Compensation coverage in an estimated amount of \$47,397 effective October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024.
- D. Consideration to authorize a travel request of staff and/or board for the 2023 Texas Homeless Network Conference on Ending Homelessness in Austin, Texas on September 27-29, 2023.

**10. ACTION ITEM**

- A. Discussion and possible action on the Memorandum of Understanding between the Laredo Housing Opportunity Corporation and Brownstone Affordable Housing, Ltd. for the development of Hillside Crossing. This item may be discussed in Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.071, consultation with attorney.
- B. Discussion and possible action to approve a change to the Procurement Policy Section (17.0) Board Approval of Procurement Actions (17.2) Authority increasing the Board approval requirement from \$15,000 to \$50,000.
- C. Discussion and possible action to award the Insurance Claim for Roof Replacement at South Laredo I (AMP 5) and authorize the Executive Director to finalize negotiations and contract with the selected firm.

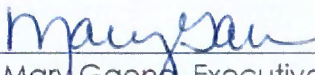
- D. Discussion and possible action to award RFP No. 2023-0620-1 Roof Replacement at South Laredo I (AMP 5) and authorize the Executive Director to finalize negotiations and contract with selected firm.
- E. Discussion and possible action to award the parking lot resurfacing at Colonia Guadalupe (AMP 1) and authorize the Executive Director to finalize negotiations and contract with the selected firm.
- F. Discussion and possible action to approve a 1-year extension to RFQ#19-0401-1 Professional Services for Annual Audit Services contract with Garza/Gonzalez & Associates in the amount of \$90,880 for FYE 03/31/23. Contract LHA 1904011 has an allowable five-year audit term of 3/31/19 to 3/31/23. This would represent the fifth and final allowable audit year extension.

**11. 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).

**12. ACTION ON ANY EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEM**

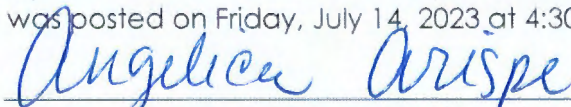
**13. ADJOURNMENT**

  
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Mary Gaona, Executive Director

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**CERTIFICATION**

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 Friday, July 14, 2023 at 4:30 p.m.

  
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Jose A. Valdez Jr., City Secretary