

Laredo Housing Opportunities Corporation  
Regular Board of Directors Meeting  
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Call in Number: 1-346-248-7799  
Webinar ID: 850 6856 5642  
LHA Board Room  
2000 San Francisco Avenue  
Laredo, Texas 78040  
Monday, March 24, 2025  
10:00 A.M.

**Board of Directors**

Cynthia Mares, President  
Silvia Madrid, Vice-President  
Joe E. Aranda, Director

Leo Flores, Director  
Myrna Flores, Director

***The Board of Commissioners will convene for a Board meeting to discuss the following matters.***

**A-25-R-2**

**Minutes**

**March 24, 2025**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Cynthia Mares, President, called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m.

**2. ROLL CALL AND DECLARATION OF QUORUM**

Jennifer Barrientos, Executive Director, proceeded with the roll call, and Ms. Cynthia Mares, Board Chair, declared a quorum.

**Directors Present**

Cynthia Mares, President  
Silvia Madrid, Vice President  
Joe E. Aranda, Director  
Leo Flores, Director  
Myrna P. Flores, Director

**3. ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Joe E. Aranda, Director, moved to affirm the continuation of the current Board Officers for the corporation including the varied standing committees for one year in accordance to our bylaws. Sylvia Madrid, Vice President, seconded the motion; motion carried.

**4. 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)

**No citizens comments**

**5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- A. Approval of Minutes for the Board of Directors meeting on January 29, 2025.

**Joe E. Aranda, Director, moved to approve minutes as presented. Leo Flores, Director, seconded the motion; motion carried.**

## **6. 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 the Executive Director to extend the contract with Airstream Professional Misting Systems for an additional year, as allowable by Contract No. 2023-0412-1 Landscaping & Ground Maintenance, effective April 12, 2025, through April 11, 2026. This represents the third year of the contract maximum of five years.

**Leo Flores, Director, moved to approve consent agenda item 6A. Myrna P. Flores, Director, seconded the motion; motion carried.**

## **7. ACTION ITEM**

- A. Discussion, consideration and possible action to accept into public record the Audit Report for Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2024, presented by Garza/Gonzalez & Associates.
- B. Discussion and possible action to award RFP No. LHA 2025-0207-1 General Depository Services Agreement and authorize the Executive Director to finalize negotiations and execute a contract with the selected banking institution.
- C. Discussion and possible action to adopt Resolution No. 25-R-04 approving the Operating Budget and updated Organizational Chart for Fiscal Year ending March 31, 2026, for the Housing Authority of the City of Laredo
- D. Discussion, consideration, and possible action to authorize the Executive Director to negotiate and execute a letter of intent regarding the acquisition of real estate property legally described as all of Blocks 34 and 35 of the Laredo Airport Subdivision Laredo, Webb County, Texas, from Japage Partnership, Houston, Texas, subject to legal review, for the purpose of a future housing development, and matters related thereto.
- E. Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding Change Order #15: OCO #15, in the amount of \$400,000.00, submitted by Brownstone Construction, Ltd, Prime Contractor, relating to Hillside Crossing Construction Project.

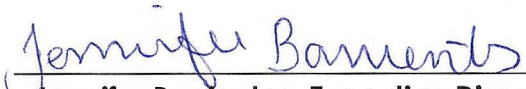
**Joe E. Aranda, Director, moved to approve action items 7A, 7B, 7C, 7D & 7E as discussed in Executive Session before with the Board and the Executive Director as presented. Leo Flores, Director, seconded the motion; motion carried.**

## **8. ADJOURNMENT**

**Joe E. Aranda, Director, moved to adjourn the meeting. Leo Flores, Director, seconded the motion; motion carried.**

**Meeting adjourned at 1:06 p.m.**

  
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**Cynthia Mares, President**

  
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**Jennifer Barrientos, Executive Director**