

Housing Authority of the City of Laredo  
Regular Board of Commissioners Meeting  
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LHA Board Room  
2000 San Francisco Ave.  
Laredo, Texas 78040  
Monday, August 18, 2025  
10:00 A.M.

### **Board of Commissioners**

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

Leo Flores, Commissioner  
Myrna P. Flores, Resident Commissioner

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

<b><u>A-25-R-4</u></b>	<b><u>Minutes</u></b>	<b><u>August 18, 2025</u></b>
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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**Ms. Cynthia Mares, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.**

**2. INVOCATION PRAYER**

**Ms. Cynthia Mares, Board Chair, led the Invocation Prayer.**

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**Mr. Joe E. Aranda, Commissioner, stated the Pledge of Allegiance.**

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

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

**Commissioners Present**

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

**Mr. Joe E. Aranda, moved to excuse Mr. Leo Flores, Commissioner and Ms. Myrna P. Flores, Resident Commissioner, from the meeting for extenuating circumstances. Sylvia Madrid, Vice Chair, seconded the motion; motion carried.**

**Staff Present**

Jennifer Barrientos, Executive Director

Gustavo Rojo-Buendia, Assistant Executive Director  
Robert Peña, Director of IT  
Alejandro Jimenez, Assistant Director of IT  
Christina Ramos, Human Resources Manager  
Ana Martinez, Administrative Assistant

## **5. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Texas Government Code Section 551.071 and 551.072

Deliberations with legal counsel with respect to entering into a Commercial Contract providing for the purchase of real property owned by Japage Partnership and consisting of all of blocks 34 and 35 of the Laredo Airport Subdivision as recorded in Volume 5, page 1 (sheet 5 of 8) of the Webb County, City of Laredo Plat Records.

**Executive Session—Pursuant to Chapter 551, Subchapter D Texas Government Code at any time during the meeting of the Board of Commissioners for the Housing Authority of the City of Laredo, the Board may meet in executive session for consultation concerning attorney-client matters (real estate, litigation, contracts, personnel, and security) pursuant to Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code:**

- A. Section 551.071. Consultation with Attorney—Consultation with, and advice from legal counsel concerning pending/contemplated litigation, settlement offers and negotiations, ongoing disputes and potential disputes, and other legal issues.**
- B. Section 551.072. Deliberation Regarding Real Property—Discussion of real property purchase, exchange, lease, license, gift, donation, and/or negotiated settlement, including property to be acquired for right-of-way.**

**Mr. Joe E. Aranda, Commissioner, moved to go into Executive Session as posted in the agenda. Mrs. Sylvia Madrid, Vice Chair, seconded the motion; motion carried.**

**Board of Commissioners entered Executive Session at 10:04 a.m.**

## **6. OPEN SESSION**

**Board of Commissioners returned from Executive Session at 10:37 a.m., where no action was taken.**

Discussion and possible action to adopt a resolution providing for the approval of Commercial Contract with Japage Partnership providing for the purchase of a certain unimproved tract of land described by survey as "Block 34 and Block 35 of the Subdivision Plat of Laredo Airport as recorded in volume 5, page 1 (sheet 5 of 8) of the Webb County Plat records, City of Laredo, Texas" and authorizing the Executive Director to execute the commercial contract for such purchase and all other documents necessary to consummate the purchase of the Property, subject to the terms and conditions provided in the Commercial Contract.



Mr. Joe E. Aranda, Commissioner, moved to adopt the resolution as amended in the Executive Session to 1. Authorize for the purchase of the property as stated in the agenda, for the price of \$925,000.00 subject to completion of due diligence of investigations to the satisfaction of the Board of Commissioners, including, but not limited, to the Physical Inspections, Environmental Assessments, Title Review & Financial Feasibility Studies and 2. Authorize the Executive Director to execute the commercial contract for the purchase of set property and all documents, including, but not limited, to the Escrow Instructions, Deeds, the Closing Statements, and everything that is necessary to effectuate the final completion of purchase of this property and 3. The Executive Director be authorized to take all other actions and all other documents that are necessary or convenient to effectuate the intent of this resolution.

Mrs. Sylvia Madrid, Vice Chair, seconded the motion; motion carried.

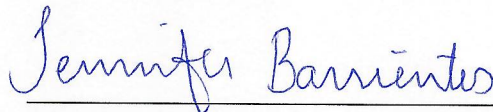
## 7. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Joe E. Aranda, Commissioner, moved to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Sylvia Madrid, Vice Chair, seconded the motion; motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m.



Cynthia Mares, Board Chair



Jennifer Barrientos, Executive Director