# Housing Authority of the City of Laredo Regular Board of Commissioners Meeting

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Call in Number: 1-346-248-7799
Meeting ID: 852 8771 9011
LHA Board Room
2000 San Francisco Avenue
Laredo, Texas 78040
Thursday, October 16, 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.

A-25-R-6 Agenda October 16, 2025

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 3. INVOCATION PRAYER
- 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. PRESENTATIONS BY RESIDENT ADVISORY BOARD
- 7. PUBLIC HEARING: To receive public comments and input, and close the public hearing period as it relates to the proposed Annual PHA Plan and Five-Year Action Plan for fiscal years 2026-2030.
- 8. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
  - A. Approval of Minutes for the Board of Commissioners meeting on September 23, 2025.
- STANDING REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS (No Action to be taken on these items)
   Executive Director's Report to include the status of grant programs and ongoing construction projects.
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Programs	Construction Projects	Grants
Public Housing Program	Carlos Richter BiblioTech	City of Laredo HOME-ARP Grant (Permanent Supportive Housing)
Casa Verde & Riverbank Apartments	Colonia Guadalupe Community Center (Building B)	Rapid Rehousing Grant
Housing Choice Voucher Program		
Emergency Housing Vouchers Program		
Stability Vouchers Program		

#### 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 writing-off of non-collectible accounts for vacated units in Public Housing, Russell Terrace, Meadow Elderly, Aldo Tatangelo, and Los Balcones Apartments from April 1, 2025 through September 30, 2025, as recommended by staff.
- **B.** Consideration to approve the 2026 Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Program Payment Standard amounts effective January 1, 2026, using Fair Market Rents and adopt Resolution No. 25-R-11.
- C. Consideration to authorize the Executive Director to extend the contract with Roger's Cabello Towing & Storage Co. for an additional year, as allowable by Contract No. 2024-1101-1, Towing Services, effective November 1, 2025 through October 31, 2026. This would represent the second year of the contract maximum of five years.
- **D.** Consideration to authorize the Executive Director to extend the contract with Praetorian Security & Investigations, LLC. for an additional year, as allowable by Contract No. 2023-1027-1, Unarmed Security Services, effective October 28, 2025 through October 27, 2026. This would represent the third year of the contract maximum of five years.
- **E.** Consideration to approve the updated Housing Authority of the City of Laredo Procurement Policy and adopt Resolution No. 25-R-12 effective January 1, 2026, as recommended by staff.
- **F.** Consideration to approve the updated Housing Authority of the City of Laredo Admissions and Continued Occupancy Policy (ACOP) and adopt Resolution No. 25-R-13 effective January 1, 2026, as recommended by staff.
- **G.** Consideration to approve the updated Housing Authority of the City of Laredo Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act Policy (VAWA) and adopt Resolution No. 25-R-14 effective January 1, 2026; as recommended by staff.

- H. Consideration to approve the updated Housing Authority of the City of Laredo Emergency Transfer Plan for Survivors of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, or Stalking (VAWA) and adopt Resolution No. 25-R-15 effective January 1, 2026, as recommended by staff.
- I. Consideration to approve the updated Housing Authority of the City of Laredo Assistance and Service Animal Policy and adopt Resolution No. 25-R-16 effective January 1, 2026, as recommended by staff.
- **J.** Consideration to approve the updated Housing Authority of the City of Laredo Pest Eradication Policy and adopt Resolution No. 25-R-17 effective January 1, 2026, as recommended by staff.
- **K.** Consideration to approve the updated Housing Authority of the City of Laredo Maintenance Plan and adopt Resolution No. 25-R-18 effective January 1, 2026, as recommended by staff.
- L. Consideration to approve the updated Housing Authority of the City of Laredo Pet Ownership Policy and adopt Resolution No. 25-R-19 effective January 1, 2026, as recommended by staff.
- M. Consideration to approve the updated Housing Choice Voucher Program Administrative Plan and adopt Resolution No. 25-R-20 effective January 1, 2026, as recommended by staff.

### 11. ACTION ITEMS

- A. Discussion and possible action to finalize and adopt the Housing Authority of the City of Laredo Agency Annual PHA Plan, the 2026-2030 PHA Five Year Action Plan and Resolution No. 25-R-21, as presented by staff and in consideration of all public input, to become effective April 1, 2026.
- **B.** Discussion and possible action to approve the Capital Fund Program Amendment to the Consolidated Annual Contributions Contract for Calendar Year 2025.
- C. Discussion and possible action to implement a hiring freeze of all management and supervisory positions until the annual performance evaluation of the Executive Director is completed in accordance with her work contract with the Housing Authority of the City of Laredo.

# Executive Session-Pursuant to Chapter 551, Subchapter D Texas Government Code, if any.

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.
- C. Section 551.074. Personnel Matters Deliberation concerning the appointment, employment, reassignment, evaluation, duties, discipline, and/or dismissal of personnel.

## 12. ADJOURNMENT

Jennifer Barrientos, Executive Director

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### CERTIFICATION

This notice was posted at the Municipal Government Offices, 1110 Houston Street, Laredo, Texas, 78040 at a place convenient and readily ADA/accessible to the public at all times. Said notice was posted on Wednesday, October 8, 2025, at 5:00 pm.

Mario Maldonado Jr., City Secretary

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