

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-O-184

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LAREDO, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE II, DIVISION 1, SECTION 2-16, "DEPARTMENTS OF THE CITY" OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES BY CONSOLIDATING ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES AND SOLID WASTE DEPARTMENTS, AND CREATING THE ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOLID WASTE SERVICES DEPARTMENT; CREATING AN ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOLID WASTE SERVICES DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR GRADE R45; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH; PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE CUMULATIVE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Section 3.05 of the City Charter anticipates the occasional need for the Council to reconsider the administration and delivery of City services by restructuring the departmental organization of the City government by establishing additional departments under the administrative control of the City Manager; and

WHEREAS, Council acknowledges that Section 4.01 (A) of the City Charter empowers the Council to delegate to the City Manager the authority to transfer obligations of certain departments between departments to provide for greater efficiency and effectiveness of the City's workforce; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager has recommended the consolidation of the Environmental Services Department and the Solid Waste Department to be named the Environmental and Solid Waste Services Department.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAREDO, TEXAS THAT:

Section 1. The City of Laredo Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2, Article 2, Division 1, Section 2-16 entitled "Departments of the City" is hereby amended as follows:

(a) [*City departments.*] The departments of the city are as follows:

- (1) Human resources;
- (2) Financial services;
- (3) Health;
- (4) Parks and leisure services;
- (5) Community development;
- (6) Engineering;
- (7) Public works;
- (8) Utilities;
- (9) Fire;

- (10) Planning and zoning;
- (11) Building development services;
- (12) Information services and telecommunications;
- (13) Tax;
- (14) Library;
- (15) Police;
- (16) City attorney;
- ~~{(17) Environmental services;}~~
- (17) Municipal court;
- (18) City secretary;
- (19) City manager;
- (20) Convention and visitor's bureau;
- (21) Airport;
- (22) Bridge;
- ~~{(24) Solid waste;}~~
- (23) Budget;
- (24) Fleet management;
- (25) Traffic;
- (26) Animal care services.
- (27) Economic development.

(28) Environmental and Solid Waste Services

* Transit (contracted services)

Section 2. Chapter 2 of the City Code of Laredo Texas, as Amended, will remain in full force and effect, save and except as amended by this Ordinance.

Section 3. City Manager appoints the current Environmental Services Department Director as Director of the Environmental and Solid Waste Services Department at a pay grade scale of R45 minimum.

Section 4. This ordinance shall be cumulative of all provisions of ordinances of the City of Laredo, Texas, except where the provisions of this ordinance are in direct conflict with the provisions of such ordinances, in which event the conflicting provisions of such ordinances are hereby repealed.

Section 5. It is hereby declared to be the intention of the City Council that the phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs and sections of this ordinance are severable, and if any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section of this ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs and sections of this ordinance, since the same would have been enacted by the City Council without the incorporation in this ordinance of any such unconstitutional phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section.

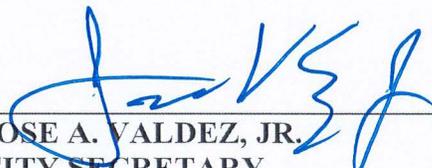
Section 6. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon passage.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AND APPROVED BY THE MAYOR ON THIS
20th DAY OF September 2021.

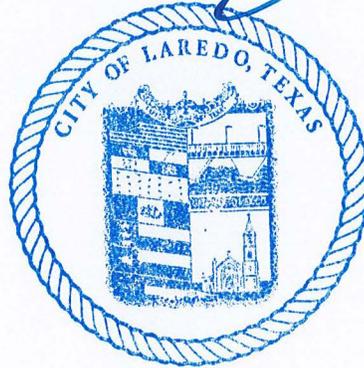


PETE SAENZ
MAYOR

ATTESTED:



JOSE A. VALDEZ, JR.
CITY SECRETARY



APPROVED AS TO FORM:

BY: 

ANA SOPHIA GARCIA
ASSISTANT CITY ATTORNEY

City Council

Meeting Date: 09/20/2021

Initiated By: Riazul Mia, Assistant City Manager

Staff Source: Robert A. Eads, City Manager

SUBJECT

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2021-O-184 An Ordinance of the City of Laredo, Texas, amending Chapter 2, Article II, Division 1, Section 2-16, “Departments of the City” of the Code of Ordinances by consolidating the Environmental Services and Solid Waste Departments, and creating the Environmental and Solid Waste Services Department; creating an Environmental and Solid Waste Services Department Director Grade R45; repealing all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict therewith; providing that this ordinance shall be cumulative; providing a severability clause; and declaring an effective date.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION

On February 20, 2018, Council adopted Ordinance 2018-O-039 restructuring the departments of the City of Laredo into its current structure. Council approved introductory ordinance on September 7, 2021.

BACKGROUND

Section 3.05 of the City Charter anticipates the occasional need for the Council to reconsider the administration and delivery of City services by restructuring the departmental organization of the City government by establishing additional departments under the administrative control of the City Manager. Section 4.01 (A) of the City Charter empowers the Council to delegate to the City Manager the authority to transfer obligations of certain departments between departments to provide for greater efficiency and effectiveness of the City’s workforce. Therefore, the City Manager has recommended the consolidation of the Environmental Services Department and the Solid Waste Department to be named the Environmental and Solid Waste Services Department.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

n/a

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recomends approval of this ordinance.

Attachments

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