

**UnOfficial Minutes
City Of Lorenzo, TX
April 14, 2025**

**REGULAR MEETING
CITY COUNCIL ROOM - LORENZO, TX 7:00 P.M.**

Mayor Lori Landin called the Regular Meeting to Order at 7:00 p.m. with the following Council Members present: Aldermen, Earlene Rampy, Cheryl Birdwell (Mayor ProTem), Janet Peterson-Gonzales, Rhonda Cypert and Hilda Castillo. Also present were City Administrator Michael Chambers, City Secretary Lisa Hernandez, Public Works Director Chad Mobbs, City Utility/Court Clerk Isabel Salazar, Fire Chief Joe Caballero, Fire Dept. Assistant Chief Celeste Rackler, Crosby County Sheriff Corey Nunley, Chief Deputy Frank Lara, Deputy Monty Roberts and guests.

Lorenzo City Council Member Earlene Rampy gave the Invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Lori Landin.

Public Comment:

Mayor Lori Landin welcomes everyone. It's such a thrill and energy and is inspiring to see everyone to have a voice cause prior I know we; it was just quiet and for your energy and considerations of Lorenzo. Thank you yeah we might have some differences and what but thank you for coming together and with that I want to clarify on Agenda 2 on the wording in the content on that so it was to consider on the last end within city limits is in residential areas so with that said, it's with the large equipment is to be parked that are parked on the streets and all so we will go through that in a minute but I'm just letting you know to clarify it says city limits but it is residential areas of the city so we will go through that in a minute. Again, that so with that I wanted to say a paragraph here on public comment. City Mayor reads the public comment regulations and that each citizen has three minutes to speak. During this whole time of the city council meeting it is a small office small area anything if even a whisper we cannot hear it over flows with that if we can refrain from speaking amongst yourself please do so with that said we'll have the list of the public hearing lets go now to public comments and if you can you will just have to stand up where you are state your name and address. The first one I have here is Karin Furnish.

Karin Furnish states her name and address. Has lived here over 7 years I'm here to address agenda number 4 when the vet Rocking P sent a invoice to the city for the vouchers. These vouchers were brought up in a city meeting a few months ago some of our citizens voiced their opinions multiple times with the city that the city already has an arrangement with Garza County that comes to our town yearly that offers low-cost services to the residents of Lorenzo and we would be taking business away from them to give to someone else. This vet clinic has been coming here many years since I have lived here and probably longer than that. The way the vouchers were being presented sounded like the Rocking P Vet Clinic from Idalou was going to perform free services for spay and neutering for cats and dogs also that you could get low cost of rabies shots issued to. She thinks that was odd for a new vet clinic to offer a free service to people to go in and use their service. She went there and talked with them and they said no it wasn't free and that they were offering a discounted voucher to the City of Lorenzo but Lorenzo would be picking up the cost of those vouchers not the clinic giving them out for free. She feels the information was misleading and unprofessional and that the cost of that invoice should not go against the city managers and it needs to go to the funds of the mayor because the signs she put around town said paid for by mayor and not by the city.

The city mayor Lori Landin thanks Karin, the next one to speak is Dana Cunningham.

Dana Cunningham states her address and name and is here to speak on action regarding semis, tractors and rv's within the city limits and I understand you just changed the wording just now and that's unacceptable because it has already been published and this is a farming community and if you do this that includes the fire department trucks will not be allowed and neither will the dump trucks and neither will the food trucks, and the rv's and things like that, that includes all of that. And I don't think that is right because this is a farming community and if you don't allow semis than who's going to deliver the services to the family dollar, allsup's, the co-op, or the school. And our school is worthy of getting those services and the free meals and if you say they can't have semis than they don't get their meals because trucks can't come in and I think this is the wrong way to do things and you do not take away peoples lively hood and being able to do by doing this. Thank you.

City mayor Lori Landin calls on the next one to speak is Robert Glen Walker.

Glen Walker states his address and name ladies, madam mayor. You see what kind of crowd you got, it's great. There's nothing I can say trucking that, the guys in here know more than I do. I was in the business, but trucks pay an enormous tax on just to have a truck to go down the highway. Where does Lorenzo get off saying no you can't go down this street but you can go down there, okay well that's all there is about that and that is just wrong. Tractors in town oh wow tell the new john deere house they need to get out of town because they're in town. You said no it's just residential area well there's six tractors in Lorenzo I went around and counted them. Ornamental tractors are you going to take them

out of peoples front yard? That old antique tractor they are farm tractors. I've got a john deere riding mower that is not a farm tractor but a lot of these little old tractors are. You can't do that, this is Lorenzo. 378 is a farm to market road tractors can go down that whether they have y'all's permission or not, I mean that is a farm to market road we don't have jurisdiction over it. The fact of the matter is on the 4th of July we almost beg people to come to be in our parade to make a big deal out of Lorenzo. We want to tell those tractors to get out of town no, do we even ask permission to the state to be having that parade on their highway no we don't. Then we step over to the campers, the campers deal is ridiculous. They are not even parked on the highway, they are not even on the streets and they are not on the curb they are up in their yards under their sheds and everybody takes care of their campers differently and I think they do a fine job here in Lorenzo and I looked pretty close. I saw some that looked like maybe they were being lived in but if a person wants to nap in the camper than let them nap in the camper as long as he wasn't hurting anything I don't see where it should be any business of Lorenzo. We got one next to me that is cleaner around that camper than it is around my house for dang sure and that is what I saw. Campers, trailers, and things that were weed-eated around good nothing was stacked up on them, everything was in good order but we are talking about getting them out of town that is ridiculous and to think of this 2 agenda item it just won't work. Thank you.

City mayor Lori Landin calls on the next speaker Rebeca Mendoza.

Rebeca Mendoza chose to pass. Mayor Landin asks if she is going to pass and she says yes. The next speaker is Josh Schoepf if you could speak up and state your address, please.

Josh Schoepf states his name and address. My family farms on all four sides of this community and we have to get our equipment through here. I am not only representing myself I am representing Crosby County Farm Bureau and they have assisted me with making a statement its Texas Constitution, Article 1, Section 36, Protects my right to farm and ranch using standard agricultural practices, which depend heavily on tractors and semi-trucks to transport critical commodities like crops, livestock, and equipment to and from the properties that I farm. By barring these essential vehicles from moving through town, the city's ordinance not only disrupts my ability to sustain my farms but also violates the constitutional safeguards of Proposition 1, unfairly penalizing my livelihood and others like me. I urge city leadership to reconsider this restriction to align with the state's commitment to supporting agriculture. Thank you.

City mayor Lori Landin thanks Josh, next one to speak is Blanca Elizardo.

Blanca Elizardo states her name and address. So, my concern is mainly, I mean I respect farmers, I know that when I drive down the street, they always yield to respect each other down the street they respect. They get off the highway to let us pass and things like that. My concern is the semi in the residential area that's my concern right there. We had a semi that leaked oil or whatever it was all over the street that's our infrastructure whose going to clean that up you know. My concern also is my mom is 85 years old she still drives we have a lot of elderly that drive here in town, that's my concern and I know that semis, I am not a truck driver but I have seen where they need that extra room to make a turn a wide turn so that's my concern and you know there's all kinds of people living here it's just not farmers you know it's other people that live in this community, I respect the farmers, I respect what they do, my dad was a farmer for many years but you know there are places and I understand they need a place to go from one places to another but you know there's also the zoning committee who and the city council who can have zoning areas I don't know for semi-trucks maybe not the tractors, I've always known that the farmers to pass on this main street that is a school zone area as well and it's never been a problem I have never seen a tractors in a residential areas, so I don't have a concern about that. My concern is the semi-trucks only in the residential areas that maybe if the zoning committee can come up with a zoning for you know, that's why they are rezoning areas I guess to have zoning areas for semi-trucks to park or so. Thank you, appreciate it.

City mayor Lori Landin thanks Blanca. The next one to speak is Mark Schoepf.

Mark Schoepf states his name and address. I don't need three minutes I just want to say that you know as far as this whole banning agriculture equipment and stuff and all through town. We got to get through with our equipment, like John said we farm on four sides of this community and we are going to come through town I mean I am not leaving it on main street or anything like that but when I see this ban on agriculture equipment I thought you can't do this I mean this is, you take farming and trucking out of this community it's what built this town what got the side walks up if you take that away so I just can't see how any kind of restriction on agriculture equipment, harvesters, sprayers, tractors we got to. Sometimes I get on a side I farm right outside on first street and go through I can't help it, it's going to have to happen so it's really all I got is just I'd like for y'all to reconsider this order or this ban this proposition or whatever you want to call it because we have to have our equipment here. That's all there's to it. Thank you.

City mayor Lori Landin thanks Mark. I guess they are going to speak together Mark and Betty Smith you both together have three minutes.

Mark Smith begins speaking. I moved here about three years ago and love it here. Talking about the trucks and farm machines there wouldn't be Lorenzo without them period absolutely it wouldn't be Lorenzo or a town. I seen towns

in new Mexico where trucks dominated the town and the town survived and no trucks moved them away the town dies but that's about all I got to say.

City mayor Lori Landin asks: Mrs. Betty and she responds he said all I needed to say. Lori thanks them and next one to speak is Ester Rojas.

Ester Rojas states her name and address. In a way I am glad that we are having this meeting because that way we can have a better communication on this. Things were worded wrong and as far as the farming I get you my daddy was a farmer to; my husband is a truck driver and the only thing that I have to say is I agree with Mrs. Elizardo. The residential part, I think sometimes it is unsafe for the fact that sometimes the trucks are parked and a car could be coming and you can't see the other car coming and you know. I wish honestly, I wish that Allsup's would have been a truck driving parking place right there it would save a lot of places for all the truckers to park there. I mean I know my husband sometimes parks his truck there but it's really unsafe so as far as with the farming you know cotton season gets here I mean passing through there it's understandable I don't think to be quite meant it as far no truckers can come into town no farming could come into town I don't think it was really meant to be that way so in a way I am really glad that we are having this meeting to get a better communications with one another. Thanks that's all I got.

City mayor Lori Landin thanks Ester and next one is Dion Hernandez.

Dion Hernandez states his name and address. I am talking on number two. I have my father in law and family that drive trucks and I can understand the part in safety but if they aren't blocking the road or right next to a stop sign let them be. Now if they have issues with their equipment let them be responsible for their own equipment. Somebody said earlier about leaking oil all over the place that's their responsibility let them pay for that I get it, but if you have your own property and able to put their trucks and stuff on there why not let them? Now the campers and stuff like that I was thinking about buying one now all of a sudden I can't get one, Im going to it's on my land as long as it's kept up nobody should have anything to say. What's next boats? Come on. Now as far as safety goes I understand I get it but if theres room and not blocking any roads leave them alone. They built this town. I have been here eight years, I never had any issues with anybody with parking their stuff on the road and if there is an issue some of these guys that have tractors they come out and help when it rains like crazy yall can tell on the west side of town it gets flooded rivets and all that stuff they come out and help out and that's the community helping. You go down the alleys and you can see all these rivets you can't even drive through there. Now the city should do something about that instead of worrying about the trucks. Thank you.

City mayor Lori Landin says the next one to speak is Berle Robb.

Berle Robb states his name and address. I have lived in this community for a long time and basically, I have stuff written down that I don't know that I need to go through all of it but for the most part I'd like to see what the sudden biased against semi-trucks, campers, trailers, farm tractors all of it. I sold farm equipment for over twenty years. Do y'all even understand what farm tractor, the term farm tractor is? A lawn mower is actually a farm tractor it's only the equipment that we attach to it that we call it a mower. Cause you can get front end loaders, you can get plowers, you can get all kinds of equipment it's all used on the farm just as much as we do here or you see people using them little loaders in their flower bed, they got them all over town for everything. The city has farm tractors. The city is not going to quit using theirs why should anybody else? As far as campers, I've had a camper in my yard or drive way for over twenty-five years I've never had one complaint, one question anything, why would it start now? There's no reason to. As far as them being parked in the curb, leaking oil or whatever it is on the truck or any of that, we have vehicles that have been parked or they are being parked on there and have been there and have not been moved for months, years, or its in somebody's private property, or it's on the curb, or whatever else it's no difference, there is no difference to that. I think it's more of a personal agenda than it is a community agenda for what's asking of where we are going to but I don't think it's actually a public criticism in the same respect as far as vehicles parked in the way it doesn't matter where if there is anything from a food trailer that's on main street that when you try to see and to the cars that get stacked up around the corner of the same way there is in a residential areas, you have trucks, you have trailers, some are there a day or two some are there all the time you can't see by them it doesn't matter if it's a semi, your fire trucks are bigger than some semis that pull trailers that are less than twenty foot so it's not really a size or a term you're not actually defining anything and the people that you're trying to hurt by these are the people that make their living with a truck, with a tractor, they are paying your taxes for your city. Why would you want to penalize somebody and make them move out of town cost them more money. You want people to grow in this community if they hear that they are not coming to this community so I think it's time that we kinda get further into what really is issues or the houses that are dilapidated, that shingles are flying off in your yards, roads like he said over there that flood of the backside over here that traffic come in that I have pulled out I don't how many people out of the mud because they don't build the road up to be higher than the flood. I think that the things we should be more worried about because that is hazardous. Anyway thanks for listening.

City mayor Lori Landin thanks Berle and asks is that all of them Lisa and I reply yes. John Schoepf says no there should be one more I signed up to. I look back through names and ask did you skip him and mayor finds his name and apologizes to him, John says you're good. Speaker John Schoepf.

John Schoepf states his name and address. What I want to make point of with the whole agriculture thing is I kinda work for the city in a way in agriculture because I don't know how if y'all all know how the city works with the sewer system but the sewer system that we the city of Lorenzo uses goes in two ponds out there out north of the city and you use those ponds that we shipped that water up to the center pivot that I farm right there that we use the city water to drain the levels, we have to keep the water levels low so the sewer doesn't overflow practically right so I'm actually using my equipment and farm equipment coming from west Lorenzo up east northeast Lorenzo that I have to come through town most the time I could go way out of the way to do that but I'm just and I understand that this ordinance is probably not how it was supposed to be said, written out but if this was the case than you know I don't think the city would want to purchase their own farm equipment and tractors to set up there just so I don't have to drive through town. Something they are not going to be willing to do. That's something we need to realize and as far as the trucks go when I grow stuff up there, sometimes I have grain or something and I have to use local trucks and I use local truckers to come in right here in Lorenzo to haul my grains and stuff off and if we don't have that I'm going to have to source out from Lubbock or somewhere else and like Berle said you're hurting our economy by pushing the truckers out. The truckers need us and we need the truckers so with that being said I hope that everyone understands that this community is built on agriculture and it will continue to thrive on agriculture so thank y'all.

City mayor Lori Landin thanks John. Did I skip anyone else? Thank y'all for y'all's input it really helps. Now we are going to the regular agenda.

Consent Agenda:

All consent items are considered to be routine and each will be enacted by one motion and vote.

1. **Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes for March 10, 2025** - Council Member Rhonda Cypert motioned to approve the minutes of March 10, 2025 Regular Meeting. Council Member Cheryl Birdwell seconded. VOTE: Five (5) in favor, motion passed.
2. **Approval of Budget Workshop Minutes for March 11, 2025** - Council Member Cheryl Birdwell motioned to approve the minutes of Budget Workshop for March 11, 2025. Council Member Janet Peterson-Gonzales seconded. VOTE: Five (5) in favor, motion passed.
3. **Approval of Budget Workshop Minutes for March 18, 2025** - Council Member Rhonda Cypert motioned to approve the minutes of Budget Workshop Minutes for March 18, 2025. Council Member Hilda Castillo seconded. VOTE: Five (5) in favor, motion passed.
4. **Approval for Public Hearing/Special Meeting for March 24, 2025** - Council Member Janet Peterson-Gonzales motioned to approve the minutes of Public Hearing/Special Meeting on March 24, 2025. Council Member Cheryl Birdwell seconded. VOTE: Five (5) in favor, motion passed.
5. **Approval Financial Statements/Accounts Payable for March 2025.** - Council Member Rhonda Cypert motioned to approve the Financial Statements for March 2025. Council Member Hilda Castillo seconded. VOTE: Five (5) in favor, motion passed.

3. Staff Reports:

{Staff reports are for discussion only. No Motion.}

- a. **City Administrator Report:** _____ Michael Chambers
- b. **Crosby County Sheriff Report:** _____ Corey Nunley
- c. **Fire Department Report:** _____ Joe Caballero

Discuss and Take Action Regarding:

1. **Consider and take action on Tax Deed Parcel R11617 Lot Ten (10) and the South half of Lot Eleven (11), in Block Thrity (30), Original Town of Lorenzo, Crosby County, Texas-bid from Reymundo Briseno Lopez & Manuela R Lopez in the bid amount of \$2,100.** - Discussion was made of the value of the property, what the amount is to start at from TCG, TCG starting bid is at \$2,000, if this was half the amount of the value of the property, and that they own more than one property in town and they have received a citation on their property and they should set a stipulation that they need to clean their property first before this bid. - Council Member Birdwell motioned to tell Mr.Lopez that we will reconsider his bid after he complies with the citation on his current residence. Council Member Earlene Rampy seconded. VOTE: Five (5) in favor, motion passed.

2. **Consider/Take action regarding no semis, farming tractors, camper, within the city limits.** - City Mayor Lori Landin: this is where there has been semis parked on the street over months and that's where its coming from, the farming tractors, the big equipment with eight long arms they come right through fourth, first street and all through residential which is infrastructure also and it also is hazardous to the residential area. Trying to create, this is for discussion and consideration this is what you know trying to do and keep the community cleaner and safer and for the infrastructure so do you have any questions this as discussion. Council Member Cheryl Birdwell: What I am thinking is, if the parked vehicle is a danger, if its obstructing the of sight at a corner than have one of our deputies would they be the ones or a city employee address it individually to the home owner and say hey look people can't see turning here at this corner or how many feet do you have to be from a stop sign legally? Crosby County Sheriff Corey Nunley: If he remembers right it is twenty feet from a stop sign. Council Member Cheryl Birdwell: So I can see if they are too close to a stop sign any vehicle parked too close to a stop sign. We are farming community and a trucking community, people drive trucks for a living and I think it's wonderful that they are employed and have jobs. I know sometimes they have to work overnight and have to park their vehicle there for a awhile but as long as it's parked the right direction cause I know youre supposed to be parked the way the traffic is flowing and it's not blocking the street, that's my opinion, I think deal with any issues on just an individual basis and you know if the truck is blocking my driveway, well you know please move it and I don't know that we have to have an ordinance, just my opinion. Council Member Earlene Rumpy: I don't see that we have any issues and problems over the years with this. I guess with like other abandoned vehicles if they are not in working order than sure you don't want them to sit on the street or blocking traffic or anything, so that would fall under the vehicles that are not working and that kind of thing. And like Cheryl said near the stop sign of course people need to be aware of that. Council Member Rhonda Cypert: I agree with the junk vehicles but first of all I just want to say on the record that I wasn't aware of this was going to be on there until Friday night when I got my agenda and then got hit up with it downtown and a couple of places. So I want to apologize to the farmers and the truck drivers cause y'all are the value and what we need in this town, so I just want to say we did not do it because we would not be where we are without the agriculture and the truck drivers and that's my opinion on that. Council Member Janet Peterson-Gonzales and I agree with Rhonda and Cheryl, Earlene this city thrives on farmers and truck drivers, I think what happened this is my opinion I found out about it on Friday night as well when it was brought to my attention, if you go back and you look at Crosbyton, Ralls, Idalou, they all have ordinance pertaining to trucks they all have we are not the only city that would have an ordinance. I think we as the city council has to come together and try to figure out how we can make this work I have a restriction with not having trucks and semi-trucks and campers come through the city, I don't think that should happen, I disagree with that, I do disagree, I don't think we should eliminate having trucks and tractors coming through our city because that street is owned by the state and y'all have to come through our city and I think we as a council need to come together and kinda see what we need to do and work all together as a team. I think the wording was wrong on this agenda, it was not appropriate, it was horrible, it was out of context, I don't think it should have been put out there that way. I think the council and the city manager and the city mayor we all need to come together to have either another meeting to see what we need to do to rectify this what we have here because I don't think it should have gotten this big, it really shouldn't have because you all are the birth of this city and we need you all for the city so I think we all will come together and we will make this happen and make this work, we will make it work and so I thank you guys for coming I appreciate the outpouring support but I really think we can come together as a council as a city to make it work. Council Member Hilda Castillo: I agree with that, I agree and I do though I do want to say that this afternoon and I guess I say this because of rv's that are sometimes parked, I know a lot of people have rv's and want to get rv's but I think there is a right way to park them. This rv has been parked on that street for a long, long time and today I saw a tractor trying to get by with an implement behind it, trying to get by and it had to scoot way over and just go real slow so he wouldn't scrap that rv what do we do about that. Council Member Cheryl Birdwell: Rv's are supposed to be parked in driveways or in their yard right? Council Member Hilda Castillo: Yes and it has been parked there for three months, so that tractor coming through there, to not scrape that rv, the traffic coming has to stop and an illegal stop there's no stop sign right there so that the tractor could get by and they then they get by so what do we do about stuff like that? An rv is bigger than a vehicle, and I just feel it needs to be parked in a better or in their property not on the street because even cars have to pull over to let the other car go. I think they fit but not everybody is a driver that feel like they are going to hit that rv so I better let that car go through. City Mayor Lori Landin: And that's where the wording should have said parked for number of days parked on the street. Now it can be parked on the residents property it didn't say anything like that. Yes could have worded it better but the street there was a camper for months on the street, there are semis parked on the street on half of the street so the other is going to be just one has to stop and the other has to go. And those are things and if we ask the citizen hey park this way

and they might say well where is it in the city code of violation where am I violating. Yes we ask them politely but some will say well do you have an ordinance, do we have somewhere where we can fall back on and that's where we are just in discussion to see on the safety and the infrastructure of the streets because now this town is 100 years old and you get tractors coming through there every day, I mean semis every day, more semis than tractors. I get it I grew up here I was in the textiles, came back, yes love it here, want it to grow but also want it for safety and for caution and for infrastructure and that is a reason why we can put this in discussion and discuss again to see how we can be safe and also to have some rules or ordinance to not park there forever on the road or on the street, like they said there is oil on the street, flat tires, who knows at night they might not have reflectors and you might hit it, it's not if it's when it will happen and that's how I see it and again this is for discussion. I thank y'all so much, we are here with open door to talk about anything y'all want. Michael is here for y'all to talk about anything you want to talk about the city and so glad because at one point the city doesn't say anything we don't know what's going on, we don't know anything, and now we are trying to make more communication with the city and bring this and get your input and your opinion and how we can make it happen, how we can make this grow, so I really thank y'all so much for everything y'all have done. A lot of y'all I have known since I was little so thank y'all so much and we are here for y'all and again this is communication and being transparent and yeah, we don't always get it right on this wording. Council Member Janet Peterson-Gonzales: that was a mistake that should not have been worded that way. City Mayor Lori Landin: that is what I tried to clarify in the beginning (people starting talking out of turn City Mayor Lori Landin uses gavel) and this is where we are trying to and thank you again and yes we have some animosity but again this is something we can work through together and try to get some kind of discussion on maybe and again maybe to reroute some of the tractors come through seasonal or also especially the semis that park, we have over thirty or more here on the streets and those are infrastructure, safety and concerns about that so we can discuss this more or we can table it or take action on what we want to do on that, but we are here as an open door and as far as what did this say, you know have you ever had an agenda ever since y'all have been here being out there on social media no we wanted to make communication with the citizens, we wanted to let what your taxpayer money is going to, went want to do that and some things we may not like, and somethings we can change or might meet in the middle on things but this is what is great about it, this is how I feel it's a great we can talk about it so thank y'all so much. I will go around and ask what they would like to do. Council Member Cheryl Birdwell: I think we need to go to our ordinance on rv so we already have that ordinance and I don't see a problem with the semis being parked. To me it's when its obstructing traffic or you can't see around the corner and it's to close to a stop sign. If we do this who is going to enforce this. I don't know that I would vote to make an ordinance to me more rules, you have to have rules and laws but we have the ones we have to enforce and I can see if there is a problem and they are obstructing the line of sight and visibility on the street that can be enforced, you can do something about that but if it's just sitting there and people can get around it with no problem and it's parked there for three days cause they are off for three days than that's okay. We are welcome to discuss it again and table it and have some people that are concerned come in and talk and throw out ideas so we can make it where everyone is happy with it or less unhappy. Council Member Hilda Castillo: Can we not have something like truckers cause Joe is a trucker don't they need to put out like a hazard triangle cone when they are parked (citizens started talking out of order, Mayor Lori Landin had to use gavel) Council Member Janet Peterson-Gonzales: I think all of this should be tabled and I don't think we should discuss this anymore and talk about it because we don't have enough information as a council. Council Member Rhonda Cypert: I think we have information from the people and I don't think this should have been on there that's my opinion. (citizens started talking out of order, Mayor Lori Landin had to use gavel) Our farmers have to farm, our truck drivers have to drive and I do believe with the ones on our street on the corner of first that is in violation but as far as right here the farmers they have to do what they have to do and so do the truck drivers and that's my opinion on it. - No Motion was made, City Mayor Lori Landin tabled it for further discussion.

3. **Consider/Take action on demolishing & cleaning up property on 1210 6th St.** - Council Member Cheryl Birdwell motioned to accept the bid of \$5,500 to demolish and clean the property on 1210 6th St. Council Member Hilda Castillo seconded. VOTE: Five (5) in favor, motion passed.
4. **Consider/Take action on invoice from Rocking P Veterinary Services.** — City Mayor Lori Landin: We have various of emails from Rocking P Veterinary when we first started and never in there had said the City of Lorenzo was going to be invoiced the difference on there however the first quarter of the twenty five vouchers, seventeen were used for spayed and neutered, prior to this invoice they gave us some more vouchers and ten were given then prior to the invoice we received, but with that twenty five animals have been spayed and neutered to control the pet population so we can revisit this and stop the program until we find and put it in the budget for next year

but I can tell you that twenty five animals have been fixed. Council Member Earlene Rampy: are the pet owners not willing to pay the difference. City Mayor Lori Landin: they were not aware of it and they had told me that the owners that it is free to them, there was no, through my series of emails it never said free, it just said participation or sponsorship but they did tell me verbally that it was free so that is where I thought that we could do this but then an email came and a invoice and so that is where this is. Council Member Hilda Castillo: so, they meant free for maybe but not the city they didn't express that to you; City Mayor Lori Landin: free for the citizens, correct. Council Member Rhonda Cypert: so, you don't have any emails so that we can look at to see, I mean who was on this alliance that you have on there. Council Member Cheryl Birdwell: Who is the pet alliance? City Mayor Lori Landin: That is the title that I put as a program and I put paid by, the sign was paid by me, I didn't ask the city to pay for the signs, I didn't ask the city to pay for flyers, all of that like when you do a campaign, so I paid for the signs and the flyers for the program. Council Member Cheryl Birdwell: when you presented this to us, we said who is paying for this and at first you said donors, donations and then later you said sponsors at the chamber meeting cause Rhonda asked you who they were so we could talk to them about the fourth of July sponsors and you said no the vet is paying for it. City Mayor Lori Landin: Yes there were no sponsors, if I said sponsors, I think you asked a question if I was going to have sponsors but we didn't have sponsors because the vet was going to pay for it for free. Council Member Rhonda Cypert: what vet would pay for free they are there to make money. Council Member Cheryl Birdwell: why did they think the city was paying for it, did you tell them the city was going to pay? Mayor Lori Landin: No, no, the email was very vague so just wanted to let you know everything is transparent and that is why I am bringing it up to yall, to stop it for now. Council Member Cheryl Birdwell: Definitely stop it. I am all for pets, I love pets and I do believe in spay and neutering pets but I don't think our city money should be spent to pay for peoples spay and neutering their animals, they didn't pay for mine or yours. Mayor Lori Landin: do we want to make a motion? - Council Member Rhonda Cypert motioned that the city not have to pay for it, that wasn't a city deal. Council Member Cheryl Birdwell seconded. VOTE: Two (2) in favor not to pay the invoice, Three (3) oppose, motion was not pass.

5. **Consider/Take action for internet/phone services from Fiber Wave for a better customer experience. -** Council Member Cheryl Birdwell motioned to drop AW Broadband and go with Fiber Wave for our internet and phone service. Council Member Earlene Rampy seconded. VOTE: Five (5) in favor, motion passed.
6. **Consider/Take action by celebrating our 101 birthday in July. -** Council Member Janet Peterson-Gonzales motioned to coincide with the Chamber to celebrate the 101 year of Lorenzo. Council Member Rhonda Cypert seconded. VOTE: Five (5) in favor, motion passed.
7. **EXECUTIVE SESSION- An Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.074 to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee:**

A. Personnel Matters

TIME IN: 8:23 pm

TIME OUT: 9:26 pm

Reconvene into session and take action on items discussed in executive session – No Motion was made – Discussion Only-

8. **Adjournment –** Mayor Lori Landin Adjourns the meeting at 9:27 pm.

Lori Landin, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lisa Hernandez, City Secretary