<u>Issue:</u> To recommend to the Commissioner's Court that Webb County Community Action Agency Self-Help Center Program allow Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) use of vacant office space at the Colonia Self-Help Center at 8116 Highway 359.

<u>Solution</u>: The office would be occupied by Laredo Border Field Officer, Francisco Salazar, Jr. from the Office of Colonia Initiatives Division (OCI).

**Result:** The office will be open an average of two weeks per month.



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The Honorable Tano E. Tijerina Webb County Judge 1000 Houston Street Laredo, Texas 78040

RE: Request for Office Space

Dear Judge Tijerina:

The Office of Colonia Initiatives Division (OCI) of the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) has recently learned that the Tex-Mex Building at 1200 Washington is scheduled for demolition within three to six months. The OCI has occupied space in the Tex Mex building for approximately ten years and would like to continue its partnership with Webb County. Therefore, TDHCA and the OCI respectfully request permission to use a vacant office at the Colonia Self Help Center at 8116 Highway 359. The office would be occupied by our Laredo Border Field Officer, Francisco Salazar, Jr., and would open an average of two weeks per month. If granted use of the office space, TDHCA would be responsible for its own move and internet service.

Thank you for your consideration. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any concerns or comments at homero.cabello@tdhca.state.tx.us or (512) 475-2118. You may also contact Francisco at francisco.salazar@tdhca.state.tx.us or (512) 475-2261.

Respectfully,

Homero V. Cabello/

Director, Office of Colonia Initiatives

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cc: Juan Vargas, Economic Development Director, Webb County

