

November 25, 2019

Regular Meeting

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on the 25th day of November, A.D., 2019 there was held a Regular Meeting of the Honorable Commissioners' Court of Willacy County, Texas at the County Judge's Office, 576 West Main, in the City of Raymondville, Texas for the purpose of transacting the following agenda:

1. Call to Order.
2. Roll Call / Establishment of Quorum.
3. Invocation / Pledge.
4. Public Comment (s).
5. Presentation on Angel Tree Ceremony to remember Victims of Violent Crimes to be held on Tuesday, December 3, 2019 at the 197th Judicial District Courtroom at 6:00 p.m. coordinated by the Willacy County District Attorney's Office.
6. Spread in the Minutes – Willacy County Jail has received the Certificate of Compliance by Texas Commission on Jail Standards.
7. Spread in the Minutes – Commissioner Eduardo Gonzales Pct. 4 has completed 13.00 hours of Educational Training during the 97th Annual County Judges Commissioners Association of Texas Conference October 7-10, 2019.
8. Spread in the Minutes – Victor H. Cruz Precinct 1 has successfully completed the Advanced Motor Grader Training and has earned 32.00 training hours and 3.200 CEUs with the University of Texas Arlington Public Works Institute.
9. Spread in the Minutes – Henry De La Paz Pct. 3 County Commissioner has successfully completed 16 hours of Educational Training during the 97th Annual County Judges & Commissioners Association of Texas Conference held on October 7-10, 2019 in Galveston, Texas. ACTION REQUIRED.
10. Spread in the Minutes – Oscar De Luna Pct. 2 County Commissioner has successfully completed 17 hours of Educational Training during the 97th annual County Judges & Commissioners Association of Texas Conference held on October 7-10, 2019 in Galveston, Texas. ACTION REQUIRED.
11. Presentation Invite by Extension Agent Matthew Rodriguez for the Texas A&M AgriLige Extension Interpretation.
12. Update on 2020-2022 Joint Cameron-Willacy Counties joint Coastal Resiliency Strategy.
13. Discussion, Action and Approval to apply for funding with NOAA/GLO/Texas Parks & Wildlife for Texas Floating Classroom. ACTION REQUIRED
14. Discussion and Action to approve amended and restated Tax Abatement Agreement for Las Majadas Wind Farm, LLC. ACTION REQUIRED.

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15. Discussion and Action to approve Preliminary Plat of El Milusos Subdivision, a 3.00-acre tract of land being a portion of Lot 7, Block 18, Missouri Texas Land and Irrigation Company Subdivision, Willacy County, Texas, as recorded in Volume 1, Page 29, Map Records, Hidalgo County, Texas, being a portion of that certain tract described in Gift Deed Recorded in Volume 629, Page 5210, Official Records, Willacy County, Texas. ACTION REQUIRED.
16. Discussion & Action to approve issuing longevity manual checks at employee appreciation dinner on Saturday December 14, 2019 instead of 1st pay period of December. ACTION REQUIRED
17. Discussion and Action to approve the Willacy County Attorney to submit a grant application on behalf of Willacy County for the County Jail Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT) Grant Program for FY2020 funded through the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division. ACTION REQUIRED.
18. Discussion and Action to approve the Willacy County Attorney to submit a grant application on behalf of Willacy County for the Community Mental Health Grant Program for FY2020 funded through the Texas Health and Human Services Commission. ACTION REQUIRED.
19. Discussion and Action to accept anonymous donation to Willacy County. ACTION REQUIRED.
20. Approval of Travel Request. ACTION REQUIRED.
21. Approval of Claims. ACTION REQUIRED
22. Adjourn.

THE COURT MET:

PRESENT:

Aurelio Guerra, Jr.,	County Judge,	
Eliberto Guerra,	Commissioner, Precinct 1,	
Oscar De Luna,	Commissioner, Precinct 2,	
Henry De La Paz,	Commissioner, Precinct 3,	ABSENT
Eduardo Gonzales,	Commissioner, Precinct 4,	ABSENT
Annette Hinojosa,	County Attorney,	
Maria Del Carmen Maldonado,	County Auditor's Assistant,	
Elizabeth Rios,	County Chief Deputy Clerk,	

WHEREUPON, the Court was opened to the following proceedings were had to wit:

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PERSONS VISITING THE COURT:

Matthew Rodriguez

Megan Guerrero

Rolando Zamora

Robert Salinas

1. Call to Order – Chairman Aurelio Guerra, Jr.
2. Roll Call / Establishment of Quorum – Commissioners Henry De La Paz and Eduardo Gonzales – **ABSENT**
3. Pledge / Invocation – Chairman Aurelio Guerra, Jr.
4. Public Comments – None

Agenda # 5

PRESENTATION ON ANGEL
TREE CEREMONY TO REMEMBER
VICTIMS OF VIOLENT CRIMES TO
BE HELD ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER
3, 2019 AT THE 197TH JUDICIAL
DISTRICT COURTROOM AT 6:00 P.M.
COORDINATED BY THE WILLACY
COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

Presentation by Annette Hinojosa, District Attorney on reference to Angel Tree Ceremony to remember Victims of Violent Crimes to be held on Tuesday, December 3, 2019 at the 197th Judicial District Courtroom at 6:00 p.m. coordinated by the Willacy County District Attorney's Office.

Agenda # 6

SPREAD IN THE MINUTES –
WILLACY COUNTY JAIL HAS
RECEIVED THE CERTIFICATE OF
COMPLIANCE BY TEXAS
COMMISSION ON JAIL STANDARDS

As per the Chairman, spread in the minutes – Willacy County Jail has received the Certificate of Compliance by Texas Commission on Jail Standards.

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SPREAD IN THE MINUTES –
COMMISSIONER EDUARDO
GONZALES PRECINCT 4 HAS
COMPLETED 13.00 HOURS OF
EDUCATIONAL TRAINING DURING
THE 97TH ANNUAL COUNTY
JUDGES COMMISSIONERS
ASSOCIATION OF TEXAS CONFERENCE
OCTOBER 7-10, 2019

As per the Chairman, spread in the minutes – Commissioner Eduardo Gonzales, Precinct 4 has completed 13.00 hours of Educational Training during the 97th Annual County Judges Commissioners Association of Texas Conference October 7-10, 2019.

Agenda # 8

SPREAD IN THE MINUTES –
VICTOR H. CRUZ PRECINCT 1
HAS SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED
THE ADVANCED MOTOR GRADER
TRAINING AND HAS EARNED 32.00
TRAINING HOURS AND 3.200 CEUs
WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS
ARLINGTON PUBLIC WORKS
INSTITUTE

As per the Chairman, spread in the minutes – Victor H. Cruz, Precinct 1 has successfully completed the Advanced Motor Grader Training and has earned 32.00 training hours and 3.220 CEUs with the University of Texas Arlington Public Works Institute.

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SPREAD IN THE MINUTES –
HENRY DE LA PAZ PRECINCT 3
COUNTY COMMISSIONER HAS
SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED 16
HOURS OF EDUCATIONAL TRAINING
DURING THE 97TH ANNUAL COUNTY
JUDGES AND COMMISSIONERS
ASSOCIATION OF TEXAS CONFERENCE
HELD ON OCTOBER 7-10, 2019 IN
GALVESTON, TEXAS

Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, seconded by Commissioner De Luna for approval to spread in the minutes – Henry De La Paz, Precinct 3 County Commissioner has successfully completed 16 hours of Educational Training during the 97th Annual County Judges and Commissioners Association of Texas Conference held on October 7-10, 2019 in Galveston, Texas. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Guerra and De Luna voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 10

SPREAD IN THE MINUTES –
OSCAR DE LUNA PRECINCT 2
COUNTY COMMISSIONER HAS
SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED 17
HOURS OF EDUCATIONAL TRAINING
DURING THE 97TH ANNUAL COUNTY
JUDGES AND COMMISSIONERS
ASSOCIATION OF TEXAS CONFERENCE
HELD ON OCTOBER 7-10, 2019 IN
GALVESTON, TEXAS

Motion was made by Commissioner De Luna, seconded by Commissioner Guerra for approval to spread in the minutes – Oscar De Luna, Precinct 2 County Commissioner has successfully completed 17 hours of Educational Training during the 97th Annual County Judges and Commissioners Association of Texas Conference held on October 7-10, 2019 in Galveston, Texas. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Guerra and De Luna voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

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Agenda # 11
PRESENTATION INVITE BY
EXTENSION AGENT MATTHEW
RODRIGUEZ FOR THE TEXAS
A&M AGRILIFE EXTENSION
INTERPRETATION

Presentation invite by Extension Agent, Matthew Rodriguez for the Texas A&M Agrilife Extension Interpretation.

Agenda # 12
UPDATE ON 2020-2022 JOINT
CAMERON-WILLACY COUNTIES
JOINT COASTAL RESILIENCY
STRATEGY

Jessica Gracida, Community Development Specialist with an update on 2020-2022 Joint Cameron – Willacy Counties joint Coastal Resiliency Strategy.

Agenda # 13
DISCUSSION, ACTION AND
APPROVAL TO APPLY FOR
FUNDING WITH NOAA/GLO/TEXAS
PARKS AND WILDLIFE FOR TEXAS
FLOATING CLASSROOM

Motion was made by Commissioner De Luna, seconded by Commissioner Guerra to take no action on this item. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Guerra and De Luna voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

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Agenda # 14

DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO
APPROVE AMENDED AND
RESTATED TAX ABATEMENT
AGREEMENT FOR LAS MAJADAS
WIND FARM, LLC

Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, seconded by Commissioner De Luna for approval of amended and restated Tax Abatement Agreement for Las Majadas Wind Farm, LLC. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Guerra and De Luna voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 15

DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO
APPROVE PRELIMINARY PLAT
OF EL MILUSOS SUBDIVISION,
A 3.00-ACRE TRACT OF LAND
BEING A PORTION OF LOT 7,
BLOCK 18, MISSOURI TEXAS
LAND AND IRRIGATION COMPANY
SUBDIVISION, WILLACY COUNTY,
TEXAS, AS RECORDED IN VOLUME
1, PAGE 29, MAP RECORDS,
HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS, BEING
A PORTION OF THAT CERTAIN
TRACT DESCRIBED IN GIFT DEED
RECORDED IN VOLUME 629,
PAGE 5210, OFFICIAL RECORDS,
WILLACY COUNTY, TEXAS

Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, seconded by Commissioner De Luna for approval of Preliminary Plat of El Milusos Subdivision, a 3.00-acre tract of land being a portion of Lot 7, Block 18, Missouri Texas Land and Irrigation Company Subdivision, Willacy County, Texas as recorded in Volume 1, Page 29 Map Records, Hidalgo County, Texas, being a portion of that certain tract described in Gift Deed Recorded in Volume 629, Page 5210, Official Records, Willacy, County, Texas. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Guerra and De Luna voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

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Agenda # 16

DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO
APPROVE ISSUING LONGEVITY
MANUAL CHECKS AT EMPLOYEE
APPRECIATION DINNER ON
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2019
INSTEAD OF 1ST PAY PERIOD OF
DECEMBER

Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, seconded by Commissioner De Luna for approval of issuing longevity manual checks at Employee Appreciation Dinner on Saturday, December 14, 2019 instead of 1st pay period of December. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Guerra and De Luna voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 17

DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO
APPROVE THE WILLACY COUNTY
ATTORNEY TO SUBMIT A GRANT
APPLICATION ON BEHALF OF
WILLACY COUNTY FOR THE COUNTY
JAIL MEDICATION-ASSISTED
TREATMENT (MAT) GRANT PROGRAM
FOR FY2020 FUNDED THROUGH
THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR,
CRIMINAL JUSTICE DIVISION

Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, seconded by Commissioner De Luna for approval for the Willacy County Attorney to submit a grant application on behalf of Willacy County for the County Jail Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT) Grant Program for FY2020 funded through the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Guerra and De Luna voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

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Agenda # 18

DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO
APPROVE THE WILLACY COUNTY
ATTORNEY TO SUBMIT A GRANT
APPLICATION ON BEHALF OF
WILLACY COUNTY FOR THE
COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH
GRANT PROGRAM FOR FY2020
FUNDED THROUGH THE TEXAS
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
COMMISSION

Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, seconded by Commissioner De Luna for approval for the Willacy County Attorney to submit a grant application on behalf of Willacy County for the Community Mental Health Grant Program for FY2020 funded through the Texas Health and Human Services Commission. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Guerra and De Luna voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 19

DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO
ACCEPT ANONYMOUS DONATION
TO WILLACY COUNTY

Motion was made by Chairman Guerra, seconded by Commissioner De Luna for approval to apply the donation to One County – One Community and if for whatever reason is not due able as a secondary to apply it to Fund 103 – Donation-Public Relation for the amount of \$500.00. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Guerra and De Luna voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

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Agenda # 20
IN REGARDS TO APPROVAL
OF TRAVEL REQUEST

Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, seconded by Commissioner De Luna that the following travel requests be approved:

1. Jail Department, Chief Jail Admin. Rene Ramirez to Huntsville, Texas on December 8-13, 2019.

Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Guerra and De Luna voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 21
IN REGARDS TO APPROVAL
OF CLAIMS

Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, seconded by Commissioner De Luna for approval of Claims, as presented. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Guerra and De Luna voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner De Luna, seconded by Commissioner Guerra that Court Adjourned. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Guerra and De Luna voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

There being no further action,

Court Adjourned.