

April 28, 2022  
Regular Meeting

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of April, A.D., 2022 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. Spread in the Minutes – Precinct 1 Project, Report of Title – “Lots One (1), Six (6) and Seven (7) of E.B. Raymond Subdivision, Willacy County, Texas, according to map recorded in Volume 2, Page 68, Map Records, Willacy County, Texas; Save and Except a 0.606-acre tract out of Lot 1 conveyed in Deed dated June 19, 1961 from Carlton E. Wertz and wife, Edith Wertz to the State of Texas, recorded in Volume 73, Page 51 Deed Records, Willacy County, Texas and Save and except that portion of Lot Seven (7) conveyed in Deed dated June 27, 1994 from Carlton E. Wertz, Jr. et al to Development Corporation of Raymondville, Inc., recorded in Volume 103m Page 270, Official Real Property Records, Willacy County, Texas.
6. Discussion and Action to abandon East Lupe Espinosa Road East from Fitch Road. ACTION REQUIRED.
7. Discussion and Action on Renewal of ARTS annual subscription. ACTION REQUIRED.
8. Discussion and Action to approve permission to tie into a 4-inch waterline on CR 330 (Iris Road). Location is approximately 1580-feet south from FM 498 on CR 330 (Iris Road) on the west side, Service one (1) 3/4inch meter. Precinct 3. ACTION REQUIRED.
9. Discussion and Action to approve Amending Rumaldo Aguirre Family Partition, originally approved November 23, 2020. ACTION REQUIRED.
10. Discuss, consider and adopt a resolution to designate authorized signatories for the 2021 Texas CDBG Program, grant agreement number CFC21-0274. ACTION REQUIRED.
11. Discussion and Action to Proclaim April as Fair Housing Month. ACTION REQUIRED.
12. Discuss, consider, and approve a resolution adopting required CDBG Civil Rights policies. ACTION REQUIRED.
13. Discussion and Action to approve adopting the Willacy County Comprehensive Plan 2022-2042. Study and Plan was prepared by Texas A&M and Texas Target Communities. ACTION REQUIRED.

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14. Discussion and Action to approve advertising for temporary positions funded by ARPA relative to Covid-19 pandemic for various County department needs as previously submitted to the County Judge. ACTION REQUIRED.
15. Discussion and Approval for Willacy County to apply for and, if awarded, accept a Texas Indigent Defense Commission grant for FY 22-23 for pandemic-related backlogs, including, approving a Resolution for the TIDC Grant. ACTION REQUIRED
16. Discussion and Action to approve advertising for Request for Proposals (RFP) and Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to apply for the Coastal Management Program Cycle 28 with the Texas General Land Office. ACTION REQUIRED.
17. Discussion and Approval for a letter of support from Willacy County for the South Texas Juvenile Diabetes Association (STJDA) for an inclusive camp facility to be located in the mid-Valley. ACTION REQUIRED.
18. Approval of Travel Request. ACTION REQUIRED.
19. Approval of Claims. ACTION REQUIRED
20. EXECUTIVE SESSION:
  - (A.) Deliberation regarding possible contract negotiations with the Willacy County Regional Detention Facility, pursuant to V.T.C.A. Government Code, Section 551.072.
  - (B.) Confer with Commissioners Court legal counsel regarding pending or contemplated litigation and/or negotiations involving the county, its employees, or its interests, pursuant to V.T.C.A. Government Code, Section 551.071
21. ACTION RELATIVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:
  - (A.) Possible Action.
  - (B.) Possible Action.
22. Adjourn.

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THE COURT MET:  
PRESENT:

Aurelio Guerra, Jr.,  
Eliberto Guerra,  
Oscar De Luna,  
Henry De La Paz,  
Eduardo Gonzales,  
Annette Hinojosa,  
Ida Martinez,  
Elizabeth Rios,

County Judge,  
Commissioner, Precinct 1,  
Commissioner, Precinct 2,  
Commissioner, Precinct 3,  
Commissioner, Precinct 4,  
County Attorney,  
County Auditor,  
County Chief Deputy Clerk,

**Absent**

**Deceased**

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

PERSONS VISITING THE COURT:

Javier Zambrano  
Ernie Garcia  
Mario Tijerina

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

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Agenda # 5  
SPREAD IN THE MINUTES –  
PRECINCT 1 PROJECT, REPORT OF  
TITLE – “LOTS ONE (1), SIX (6) AND  
SEVEN (7) OF E.B. RAYMOND  
SUBDIVISION, WILLACY COUNTY,  
TEXAS, ACCORDING TO MAP RECORDED  
IN VOLUME 2, PAGE 68, MAP RECORDS,  
WILLACY COUNTY, TEXAS; SAVE AND  
EXCEPT A 0.606-ACRE TRACT OUT OF  
LOT 1 CONVEYED IN DEED DATED JUNE  
19, 1961 FROM CARLTON E. WERTZ AND  
WIFE, EDITH WERTZ TO THE STATE OF  
TEXAS, RECORDED IN VOLUME 73, PAGE  
51 DEED RECORDS, WILLACY COUNTY, TEXAS  
AND SAVE AND EXCEPT THAT PORTION OF  
LOT SEVEN (7) CONVEYED IN DEED DATED  
JUNE 27, 1994 FROM CARLTON E. WERTZ, JR.  
ET AL TO DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION OF  
RAYMONDVILLE, INC., RECORDED IN VOLUME  
103M PAGE 270, OFFICIAL REAL PROPERTY  
RECORDS, WILLACY COUNTY, TEXAS

As per Presiding Chairman Gonzales, spread in the minutes – Precinct 1 Project, Report of Title – “Lots One (1), Six (6) and Seven (7) of E.B. Raymond Subdivision, Willacy County, Texas, according to map recorded in Volume 2, Page 68, Map Records, Willacy County, Texas; Save and Except a 0.606-acre tract out of Lot 1 conveyed in Deed dated June 19, 1961 from Carlton E. Wertz and wife, Edith Wertz to the State of Texas, recorded in Volume 73, Page 51 Deed Records, Willacy County, Texas and Save and except that portion of Lot Seven (7) conveyed in Deed dated June 27, 1994 from Carlton E. Wertz, Jr. et al to Development Corporation of Raymondville, Inc., recorded in Volume 103m Page 270, Official Real Property Records, Willacy County, Texas.

Agenda # 6  
DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO  
ABANDON EAST LUPE ESPINOSA  
ROAD EAST FROM FITCH ROAD

Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, seconded by Commissioner De La Paz to table this item. Motion was put before the Court by the Presiding Chairman. Presiding Chairman Gonzales, Commissioners Guerra and De La Paz voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

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Agenda # 7  
DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON  
RENEWAL OF ARTS ANNUAL  
SUBSCRIPTION

Motion was made by Commissioner De La Paz, seconded by Commissioner Guerra for approval of Renewal of ARTS Annual Subscription. Motion was put before the Court by the Presiding Chairman. Presiding Chairman Gonzales, Commissioners Guerra and De La Paz voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 8  
DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO  
APPROVE PERMISSION TO TIE INTO  
A 4-INCH WATERLINE ON CR 330 (IRIS  
ROAD). LOCATION IS APPROXIMATELY  
1580-FEET SOUTH FROM FM 498 ON  
CR 330 (IRIS ROAD) ON THE WEST SIDE,  
SERVICE ONE (1) 3/4-INCH METER.  
PRECINCT 3

Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, seconded by Commissioner Gonzales for approval for permission to tie into a 4-inch waterline on CR 330 (Iris Road). Location is approximately 1580-feet south from FM 498 on CR 330 (Iris Road) on the west side, Service one (1) 3/4-inch meter. Precinct 3. Motion was put before the Court by the Presiding Chairman. Presiding Chairman Gonzales, Commissioners Guerra and De La Paz voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 9  
DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO  
APPROVE AMENDING RUMALDO  
AGUIRRE FAMILY PARTITION,  
ORIGINALLY APPROVED NOVEMBER  
23, 2020

Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, seconded by Commissioner De La Paz for approval of Amending Rumaldo Aguirre Family Partition, originally approved November 23, 2020. Motion was put before the Court by the Presiding Chairman. Presiding Chairman Gonzales, Commissioners Guerra and De La Paz voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

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Agenda # 10  
DISCUSS, CONSIDER AND ADOPT  
A RESOLUTION TO DESIGNATE  
AUTHORIZED SIGNATORIES FOR THE  
2021 TEXAS CDBG PROGRAM, GRANT  
AGREEMENT NUMBER CFC21-0274

Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, seconded by Commissioner De La Paz for approval to Adopt a Resolution to designate authorized signatories for the 2021 Texas CDBG Program, grant agreement number CFC21-0274. Motion was put before the Court by the Presiding Chairman. Presiding Chairman Gonzales, Commissioners Guerra and De La Paz voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 11  
DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO  
PROCLAIM APRIL AS FAIR HOUSING  
MONTH

Motion was made by Commissioner De La Paz, seconded by Commissioner Guerra for approval to Proclaim April as Fair Housing Month. Motion was put before the Court by the Presiding Chairman. Presiding Chairman Gonzales, Commissioners Guerra and De La Paz voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 12  
DISCUSS, CONSIDER AND APPROVE  
A RESOLUTION ADOPTING REQUIRED  
CDBG CIVIL RIGHTS POLICIES

Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, seconded by Commissioner De La Paz for approval of a Resolution Adopting required CDBG Civil Rights Policies. Motion was put before the Court by the Presiding Chairman. Presiding Chairman Gonzales, Commissioners Guerra and De La Paz voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

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Agenda # 13  
DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO  
APPROVE ADOPTING THE WILLACY  
COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN  
2022-2042. STUDY AND PLAN WAS  
PREPARED BY TEXAS A&M AND TEXAS  
TARGET COMMUNITIES

Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, seconded by Commissioner De La Paz for approval of Adopting the Willacy County Comprehensive Plan 2022-2042. Study and Plan was prepared by Texas A&M and Texas Target Communities. Motion was put before the Court by the Presiding Chairman. Presiding Chairman Gonzales, Commissioners Guerra and De La Paz voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 14  
DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO  
APPROVE ADVERTISING FOR  
TEMPORARY POSITIONS FUNDED  
BY ARPA RELATIVE TO COVID-19  
PANDEMIC FOR VARIOUS COUNTY  
DEPARTMENT NEEDS AS PREVIOUSLY  
SUBMITTED TO THE COUNTY JUDGE

Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, seconded by Commissioner De La Paz for approval of advertising for Temporary Employment (1-position for Administration, 1-position for Auditor's Office and 3-positions for District Attorney's Office) to be funded by the American Rescue Plan Act related to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

**Commissioner Guerra and Commissioner De La Paz Rescind their Motion. Motion Dies.**

Motion was made by Commissioner De La Paz, seconded by Commissioner Guerra for approval of advertising for the temporary positions funded by ARPA, since ARPA relative to COVID-19 Pandemic for the various County Department needs as previously stated and also will amend to approve the hire. Motion was put before the Court by the Presiding Chairman. Presiding Chairman Gonzales, Commissioners Guerra and De La Paz voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

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Agenda # 15  
DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL FOR  
WILLACY COUNTY TO APPLY FOR  
AND, IF AWARDED, ACCEPT A TEXAS  
INDIGENT DEFENSE COMMISSION  
GRANT FOR FY 22-23 FOR PANDEMIC-  
RELATED BACKLOGS, INCLUDING,  
APPROVING A RESOLUTION FOR THE  
TIDC GRANT

Motion was made by Commissioner De La Paz, seconded by Commissioner Guerra for approval for Willacy County to apply for and, if awarded, accept a Texas Indigent Defense Commission Grant for FY 22-23 for pandemic-related backlogs, including, approving a Resolution for the TIDC Grant. Motion was put before the Court by the Presiding Chairman. Presiding Chairman Gonzales, Commissioners Guerra and De La Paz voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

**Commissioner Eliberto Guerra, steps out of the meeting at 10:40 a.m.**

**No Quorum Established.**

**Commissioner Eliberto Guerra, returns back to the meeting at 10:41 a.m.**

**Quorum Is Established.**

Agenda # 16  
DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO  
APPROVE ADVERTISING FOR  
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP)  
AND REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS  
(RFQ) TO APPLY FOR THE COASTAL  
MANAGEMENT PROGRAM CYCLE 28  
WITH THE TEXAS GENERAL LAND OFFICE

Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, seconded by Commissioner De La Paz for approval of advertising for Request for Proposals (RFP) and Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to apply for the Coastal Management Program Cycle 28 with the Texas General Land Office. Motion was put before the Court by the Presiding Chairman. Presiding Chairman Gonzales, Commissioners Guerra and De La Paz voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

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Agenda # 17  
DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL FOR  
A LETTER OF SUPPORT FROM WILLACY  
COUNTY FOR THE SOUTH TEXAS  
JUVENILE DIABETES ASSOCIATION  
(STJDA) FOR AN INCLUSIVE CAMP  
FACILITY TO BE LOCATED IN THE  
MID-VALLEY

Motion was made by Commissioner De La Paz, seconded by Commissioner Guerra for approval for a letter of support from Willacy County for the South Texas Juvenile Diabetes Association (STJDA) for an inclusive camp facility to be located in the Mid-Valley. Motion was put before the Court by the Presiding Chairman. Presiding Chairman Gonzales, Commissioners Guerra and De La Paz voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 18  
IN REGARDS TO APPROVAL  
OF TRAVEL REQUEST

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

1. Extension Agent, Georgina Macias to South Padre Island, Texas on May 17-19, 2022.
2. Juvenile Probation Office, Letty Esparza and Raul Garza to Horseshoe Bay, Texas on May 23-25, 2022.

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

Agenda # 19  
IN REGARDS TO APPROVAL  
OF CLAIMS

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

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Agenda # 20

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- (A) DELIBERATION REGARDING  
POSSIBLE CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS  
WITH THE WILLACY COUNTY REGIONAL  
DETENTION FACILITY, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A.  
GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072
  
- (B) CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS COURT  
LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING PENDING OR  
CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION AND/OR  
NEGOTIATIONS INVOLVING THE COUNTY,  
ITS EMPLOYEES, OR ITS INTERESTS, PURSUANT  
TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION  
551.071

Agenda # 21

ACTION RELATIVE TO EXECUTIVE  
SESSION:

- (A.) POSSIBLE ACTION.
- (B.) POSSIBLE ACTION.

Motion was made by Commissioner De La Paz, seconded by Commissioner Guerra to table items 20 and 21. Motion was put before the Court by the Presiding Chairman. Presiding Chairman Gonzales, Commissioners Guerra and De La Paz voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

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

There being no further action,

Court Adjourned.