

January 27, 2022  
Regular Meeting

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of January, 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 – Certificate of Completion of Continuing Education Willacy County Clerk.
6. Discussion and Action to approve VTX Commercial Service Package for Willacy County Extension. ACTION REQUIRED.
7. Discussion and Action to approve Resignation letter from Willacy County Veterans Officer effective February 4, 2022. ACTION REQUIRED.
8. Request for permission to apply for, and if awarded, accept funds through the Office of the Governor, Local Border Security Program (LBSP) FY2023 (Operation Borderstar). ACTION REQUIRED.
9. Request for permission to apply for, and if awarded, accept funds through the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development Grant. ACTION REQUIRED.
10. Consider/discuss authorization to issue Requests for Proposals (RFPs) for administrative and plan writing services related to the CDBG-MIT Local Hazard Mitigation Plans Program. ACTION REQUIRED.
11. Discussion and Possible Action on Update of the submission of the IGA with U S Marshals for the Willacy County Regional Detention Facility. POSSIBLE ACTION REQUIRED.
12. Discussion and Possible action on IGA Update for the Willacy County Jail. POSSIBLE ACTION REQUIRED.
13. Discussion and Action to approve Memorandum of Understanding between the Health & Human Services Commission and Reber Memorial Library. ACTION REQUIRED.
14. Discussion and Action to add line item 423-110 for Office Supplies to the Pct. 4 Constable Budget. ACTION REQUIRED.
15. Discussion and Approval of Affiliation Agreement between UTRGV-School of Social Work and Willacy County through the Willacy County District Attorney's Office. ACTION REQUIRED.

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16. Discussion and Approval of Proclamation to recognize February as Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month. ACTION REQUIRED.
17. Discussion and Approval to designate the Willacy County Judge as the authorized official on a grant application through the Willacy County and District Attorney's Office for the BL 23 Border Security Program Grant in the District Attorney's Office for fiscal year 2022-2023 with no County match required. ACTION REQUIRED.
18. Discuss and Approve agreement with the City of Raymondville to designate the L.E. Franks Tourist Center as Willacy County Courtroom Annex No. 2 for District Court and County Court for the purpose of and business associated with that of the District Court and County Court needs, as allowed under the Texas Local Government Code Sec. 292.001(a) and (b). ACTION REQUIRED.
19. Discuss and Action to designate the L.E. Franks Tourist Center as Willacy County Courtroom Annex No. 2 for District Court and County Court for the purpose of and business associated with that of the district Court and County Court needs, as allowed under the Texas Local Government Code Sec. 292.001(a) and (b). ACTION REQUIRED.
20. Discussion and Approve agreement between the City of Raymondville and the Willacy County District Attorney's Office for the Raymondville Police Department to provide investigative and trial preparation services for the Willacy County District Attorney's Office on domestic violence/family violence cases, sexual assault cases, cases involving crimes against children, and other similar cases. ACTION REQUIRED.
21. Approval of Travel Request. ACTION REQUIRED.
22. Approval of Claims. ACTION REQUIRED
23. Adjourn.

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,

**Deceased**

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

PERSONS VISITING THE COURT:

Javier Zabran  
Daniel Gomez  
Frances Najera

Martha Greenwood  
Laura Montes  
David Robles

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

Agenda # 5

SPREAD IN THE MINUTES –  
CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION  
OF CONTINUING EDUCATION  
WILLACY COUNTY CLERK

As per the Chairman, spread in the minutes – Certification of Continuing Education Willacy County Clerk.

Agenda # 6

DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO  
APPROVE VTX COMMERCIAL  
SERVICE PACKAGE FOR WILLACY  
COUNTY EXTENSION

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

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Agenda # 7

DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO  
APPROVE RESIGNATION LETTER  
FROM WILLACY COUNTY VETERANS  
OFFICER EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY  
4, 2022

Motion was made by Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by Commissioner Guerra for approval of Resignation Letter from Willacy County Veteran's Officer, Daniel Gomez, effective February 4, 2022. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De La Paz and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 8

IN REGARDS TO REQUEST FOR  
PERMISSION TO APPLY FOR, AND  
IF AWARDED, ACCEPT FUNDS  
THROUGH THE OFFICE OF THE  
GOVERNOR, LOCAL BORDER SECURITY  
PROGRAM (LBSP) FY 2023 (OPERATION  
BORDERSTAR)

Motion was made by Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by Commissioner De La Paz for approval for permission for the Sheriff's Office to apply for, and if awarded, accept funds through the Office of the Governor, Local Border Security Program (LBSP) FY 2023 (Operation Borderstar). Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De La Paz and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

**Motion Amended:** Motion was made by Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by Commissioner De La Paz for approval if the Sheriff's Office get awarded to present to the Court with a plan how the money will be distributed. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De La Paz and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

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Agenda # 9  
IN REGARDS TO REQUEST FOR  
PERMISSION TO APPLY FOR, AND  
IF AWARDED, ACCEPT FUNDS  
THROUGH THE UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
RURAL DEVELOPMENT GRANT

Motion was made by Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by Commissioner Guerra for approval for permission to apply for, and if awarded, accept funds through the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development Grant for the Sheriff's Department. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De La Paz and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

**Move to item number 14.**

Agenda # 10  
CONSIDER/DISCUSS AUTHORIZATION  
TO ISSUE REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS  
(RFPS) FOR ADMINISTRATIVE AND  
PLAN WRITING SERVICES RELATED TO  
THE CDBG-MIT LOCAL HAZARD  
MITIGATION PLANS PROGRAM

Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, seconded by Commissioner Gonzales for approval of authorization to issue Requests for Proposals (RFPS) for administrative and plan writing services related to the CDBG-MIT Local Hazard Mitigation Plans Program. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De La Paz and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

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Agenda # 11  
DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE  
ACTION ON UPDATE OF THE  
SUBMISSION OF THE IGA WITH  
US MARSHALS FOR THE WILLACY  
COUNTY REGIONAL DETENTION  
FACILITY

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

**Commissioner Eliberto Guerra steps out of the meeting at 10:36 a.m., does not vote for items 12 and 13.**

Agenda # 12  
DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE  
ACTION ON IGA UPDATE FOR  
THE WILLACY COUNTY JAIL

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

Agenda # 13  
DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO  
APPROVE MEMORANDUM OF  
UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE  
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
COMMISSION AND REBER MEMORIAL  
LIBRARY

Motion was made by Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by Commissioner De La Paz for approval of Memorandum of Understanding between the Health and Human Services Commission and Reber Memorial Library. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners De La Paz and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

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

**Return back to item number 8.**

Agenda # 14  
DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO  
ADD LINE ITEM 423-110 FOR  
OFFICE SUPPLIES TO THE PRECINCT  
4 CONSTABLE BUDGET

Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, seconded by Commissioner Gonzales for approval to add line item 423-110 for Office Supplies to the Precinct 4 Constable Budget. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De La Paz and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 15  
DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF  
AFFILIATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN  
UTRGV-SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK  
AND WILLACY COUNTY THROUGH  
THE WILLACY COUNTY DISTRICT  
ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, seconded by Commissioner De La Paz for approval of Affiliation Agreement between UTRGV-School of Social Work and Willacy County through the Willacy County District Attorney's Office. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De La Paz and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

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Agenda # 16  
DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF  
PROCLAMATION TO RECOGNIZE  
FEBRUARY AS TEEN DATING  
VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, seconded by Commissioner Gonzales for approval of Proclamation to recognize February as Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De La Paz and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 17  
DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL TO  
DESIGNATE THE WILLACY COUNTY  
JUDGE AS THE AUTHORIZED OFFICIAL  
ON A GRANT APPLICATION THROUGH  
THE WILLACY COUNTY AND DISTRICT  
ATTORNEY'S OFFICE FOR THE BL 23  
BORDER SECURITY PROGRAM GRANT  
IN THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE  
FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023 WITH NO  
COUNTY MATCH REQUIRED

Motion was made by Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by Commissioner Guerra for approval to designate the Willacy County Judge as the authorized official on a grant application through the Willacy County and District Attorney's Office for the BL 23 Border Security Program Grant in the District Attorney's Office for fiscal year 2022-2023 with no County Match required. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Commissioners Guerra, De La Paz and Gonzales voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

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Agenda # 18  
DISCUSS AND APPROVE AGREEMENT  
WITH THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE  
TO DESIGNATE THE L.E. FRANKS  
TOURIST CENTER AS WILLACY COUNTY  
COURTROOM ANNEX NUMBER 2 FOR  
DISTRICT COURT AND COUNTY COURT  
FOR THE PURPOSE OF AND BUSINESS  
ASSOCIATED WITH THAT OF THE DISTRICT  
COURT AND COUNTY COURT NEEDS,  
AS ALLOWED UNDER THE TEXAS LOCAL  
GOVERNMENT CODE SEC. 292.001(A) AND  
(B)

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

Agenda # 19  
DISCUSS AND ACTION TO  
DESIGNATE THE L.E. FRANKS  
TOURIST CENTER AS WILLACY  
COUNTY COURTROOM ANNEX  
NUMBER 2 FOR DISTRICT COURT  
AND COUNTY COURT FOR THE  
PURPOSE OF AND BUSINESS  
ASSOCIATED WITH THAT OF THE  
DISTRICT COURT AND COUNTY  
COURT NEEDS, AS ALLOWED UNDER  
THE TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE  
SEC. 292.001(A) AND (B)

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

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Agenda # 20  
DISCUSSION AND APPROVE  
AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE  
CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE AND  
THE WILLACY COUNTY DISTRICT  
ATTORNEY'S OFFICE FOR THE  
RAYMONDVILLE POLICE  
DEPARTMENT TO PROVIDE  
INVESTIGATIVE AND TRIAL  
PREPARATION SERVICES FOR THE  
WILLACY COUNTY DISTRICT  
ATTORNEY'S OFFICE ON DOMESTIC  
VIOLENCE/FAMILY VIOLENCE CASES,  
SEXUAL ASSAULT CASES, CASES  
INVOLVING CRIMES AGAINST  
CHILDREN AND OTHER SIMILAR CASES

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

Agenda # 21  
IN REGARDS TO APPROVAL  
OF TRAVEL REQUEST

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

Agenda # 22  
IN REGARDS TO APPROVAL  
OF CLAIMS

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

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

There being no further action,

Court Adjourned.