

July 3, 2024
Regular Meeting

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on the 3rd day of July, A.D., 2024 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. Approval of Claims. ACTION REQUIRED
6. Discussion and Action to accept the (TVC) Texas Veterans Commission 2024-2025 VSCO-General Assistance Grant Award in the amount of \$150,000.00 ACTION REQUIRED.
7. Discussion and Action to approve payment for Exothermic Invoice #206210 for the total amount of \$2,298.50 for repairs/maintenance at the Willacy County Sheriff's Department, to be paid out of Capital Funds account 02-460-200. ACTION REQUIRED.
8. Discussion and Action to enter into an agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation for the placement of Vigilant Learn Mobile License Plate Readers on state highway right-of-ways in Willacy County, Texas. Resolution and Multiple Use Agreement attached. ACTION REQUIRED.
9. Discussion to approve a request from the Willacy County Sheriff for a Community Event being held on July 6th, 2024 at the Sebastian Community Center. ACTION REQUIRED.
10. Consider and Approve authorization to issue requests for proposal for administrative services (RFP) for grant pre-application (Phase I), application (Phase II), and implementation services for Texas Community Development Grant Program for 2025/2026 Community Development Fund as administered by the Texas Department of Agriculture. ACTION REQUIRED.
11. Consider and Approve authorization to issue requests for proposal for qualifications of engineering services (RFQ) for grant pre-application (Phase I), application (Phase II), and implementation services for Texas Community Development Grant Program for 2025/2026 Community Development Fund as administered by the Texas Department of Agriculture. ACTION REQUIRED.
12. Consider and approve Hanson Professional Services Inc. Professional Engineering Services Agreement Amendment LEGL0200-CDBG-CV (CRP) Contract 70800001014 Amendment No. 01. ACTION REQUIRED.
13. Request approval for final plat of Vicente Martinez Subdivision a two lot subdivision located at the SW corner of FM 1762 and Rodriguez Road (Precinct 2). ACTION REQUIRED.

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14. Approval of Travel. ACTION REQUIRED.

15. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- (a) Confer with Commissioners Court legal counsel regarding pending or contemplated litigation and/or negotiations involving the county, its employees, or its interest, pursuant to VTCA Government Code, Section 551.071 (a) and (2).
- (b) Deliberation 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 (a) and (2).

16. ACTION RELATIVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- (a) Possible Action.
- (b) Possible Action.

17. Adjourn.

THE COURT MET:

PRESENT:

Aurelio Guerra, Jr.,
Eliberto Guerra,
Mario Tijerina,
Henry De La Paz,
Ernesto Garcia,
Annette Hinojosa,
Maria Del Carmen Maldonado,
Elizabeth Rios,

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

arrives at 10:04 a.m.
arrives at 10:02 a.m.

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

PERSONS VISITING THE COURT:

Cindy Perez
Frances L. Najera
Paul Anders

Anthony Covacevich
Cher Montalvo
Georgina Macias

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

County Auditor, Maria Del Carmen Maldonado arrives at the meeting at 10:02 a.m.

Agenda # 5

IN REGARDS TO APPROVAL

OF CLAIMS

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

County Attorney, Annette Hinojosa arrives at the meeting at 10:04 a.m.

Agenda # 6

DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO
ACCEPT THE (TVC) TEXAS VETERANS
COMMISSION 2024-2025 VSCO-
GENERAL ASSISTANCE GRANT
AWARD IN THE AMOUNT OF
\$150,000.00

Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, seconded by Commissioner Tijerina for approval to accept the (TVC) Texas Veterans Commission 2024-2025 VSCO-General Assistance Grant Award in the amount of \$150,000.00. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Guerra, Tijerina De La Paz and Garcia voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

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Agenda # 7
DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO
APPROVE PAYMENT FOR
EXOTHERMIC INVOICE NUMBER
206210 FOR THE TOTAL AMOUNT
OF \$2,298.50 FOR REPAIRS/
MAINTENANCE AT THE WILLACY
COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT,
TO BE PAID OUT OF CAPITAL
FUNDS ACCOUNT 02-460-200

Motion was made by Commissioner Tijerina, seconded by Commissioner Garcia for approval of payment for Exothermic Invoice Number 206210 for the total amount of \$2,298.50 for repairs/maintenance at the Willacy County Sheriff's Department, to be paid out of Capital Funds 02 Account 02-460-200. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Guerra, Tijerina, De La Paz and Garcia voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 8
DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO
ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT
WITH THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT
OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE
PLACEMENT OF VIGILANT LEARN
MOBILE LICENSE PLATE READERS
ON STATE HIGHWAY RIGHT-OF-
WAYS IN WILLACY COUNTY,
TEXAS. RESOLUTION AND
MULTIPLE USE AGREEMENT
ATTACHED

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

Commissioner Ernesto Garcia steps out of the meeting at 11:59 a.m., does not vote on following motion.

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

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Commissioner Ernesto Garcia returns back to the meeting at 12:02 p.m.

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Commissioner Mario Tijerina steps out of the meeting at 10:18 a.m. and returns back at 10:21 a.m.

Agenda # 9
DISCUSSION TO APPROVE A
REQUEST FROM THE WILLACY
COUNTY SHERIFF FOR A
COMMUNITY EVENT BEING
HELD ON JULY 6TH, 2024 AT
THE SEBASTIAN COMMUNITY
CENTER

Motion was made by Commissioner Garcia, seconded by Commissioner Guerra for approval to go ahead approve the event since it has been advertised brought up however, given this inclement weather situation the County Judge has the authority to cancel the event for the safety of the public. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Guerra, Tijerina, De La Paz and Garcia voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

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Agenda # 10
CONSIDER AND APPROVE
AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE
REQUESTS FOR PROPOSAL
FOR ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES
(RFP) FOR GRANT PRE-APPLICATION
(PHASE I), APPLICATION (PHASE II),
AND IMPLEMENTATION SERVICES
FOR TEXAS COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT GRANT PROGRAM
FOR 2025/2026 COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT FUND AS
ADMINISTERED BY THE TEXAS
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Motion was made by Commissioner De La Paz, seconded by Commissioner Tijerina for approval of authorization to issue Requests for Proposal for Administrative Services (RFP) for grant pre-application (Phase I), application (Phase II), and implementation services for Texas Community Development Grant Program for 2025/2026 Community Development Fund as administered by the Texas Department of Agriculture. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Guerra, Tijerina, De La Paz and Garcia voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

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Agenda # 11
CONSIDER AND APPROVE
AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE
REQUESTS FOR PROPOSAL
FOR QUALIFICATIONS OF
ENGINEERING SERVICES (RFQ)
FOR GRANT PRE-APPLICATION
(PHASE I), APPLICATION (PHASE II),
AND IMPLEMENTATION SERVICES
FOR TEXAS COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT GRANT PROGRAM
FOR 2025/2026 COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT FUND AS
ADMINISTERED BY THE TEXAS
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, seconded by Commissioner Garcia for approval of authorization to issue Requests for Proposal for Qualifications of Engineering Services (RFQ) for grant pre-application (Phase I), application (Phase II), and implementation services for Texas Community Development Grant Program for 2025/2026 Community Development Fund as administered by the Texas Department of Agriculture. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Guerra, Tijerina, De La Paz and Garcia voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Commissioner Mario Tijerina steps out of the meeting at 10:46 a.m. and returns back at 10:49 a.m.

Agenda # 12
CONSIDER AND APPROVE
HANSON PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
INC. PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING
SERVICES AGREEMENT AMENDMENT
LEGL0200-CDBG-CV (CRP) CONTRACT
70800001014 AMENDMENT NO. 1

Motion was made by Commissioner Guerra, seconded by Commissioner De La Paz for approval of Hanson Professional Services, Inc. Professional Engineering Services Agreement Amendment LEGLO200-CDBG-CV (CRP) Contract 70800001014 Amendment No. 01. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Guerra, Tijerina, De La Paz and Garcia voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

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Agenda # 13
IN REGARDS TO REQUEST
APPROVAL FOR FINAL PLAT
OF VICENTE MARTINEZ
SUBDIVISION A TWO LOT
SUBDIVISION LOCATED AT THE
SW CORNER OF FM 1762 AND
RODRIGUEZ ROAD (PRECINCT 2)

Motion was made by Commissioner Tijerina, seconded by Commissioner Garcia for approval of Final Plat of Vicente Martinez Subdivision a two lot subdivision located at the SW Corner of FM 1762 and Rodriguez Road (Precinct 2). Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Guerra, Tijerina, De La Paz and Garcia voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 14
IN REGARDS TO APPROVAL
OF TRAVEL REQUEST

Motion was made by Commissioner Garcia, seconded by Commissioner Tijerina that the following travel requests be approved:

1. Juvenile Department, Raul Garza to South Padre Island, Texas on July 15-17, 2024 and July 24-26, 2024. (Texas Juvenile Justice Department funding will be used to pay for these travel expenses).
2. Raymondville Volunteer Fire Fighter, Randall Salinas to College Station, Texas on July 7-12, 2024.
3. Sheriff's Department, Investigator David Santana to Pharr, Texas on July 29 – August 2, 2024. (Non-Overnight).
4. Extension Agent, Georgina Macias to Dallas, Texas on July 13-17, 2024.
5. Sheriff's Department, Chief Deputy David Robles and Chief Administrator Oscar Rivera, Jr. to Galveston, Texas on September 9-13, 2024.

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

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Return back to item number 8.

Motion was made by Commissioner Garcia, seconded by Commissioner Tijerina for approval to refer back to item number 8 for discussion. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Guerra, Tijerina, De La Paz and Garcia voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 15

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- (A) CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS
COURT LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING
PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED
LITIGATION AND/OR NEGOTIATIONS
INVOLVING THE COUNTY, ITS
EMPLOYEES, OR ITS INTEREST, PURSUANT
TO VTCA GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION
551.071 (A) AND (2)

- (B) DELIBERATION 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 (A) AND (2)

Agenda # 16

ACTION RELATIVE TO EXECUTIVE
SESSION:

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

Motion was made by Commissioner Garcia, seconded by Commissioner Tijerina to table item numbers A and B. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Guerra, Tijerina and Garcia voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

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

There being no further action,

Court Adjourned.