

May 28, 2026
Regular Meeting

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on the 28th day of May, A.D., 2026 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. CASA Coalition (BHSST) is requesting permission to use the Courthouse grounds on July 14-16, 2026 for their upcoming event "Dig into Mental Health Kid Fest". ACTION REQUIRED.
7. Discussion and Action to approve Willacy County Resolution for the TIDC Indigent Defense Improvement Grant Program Fiscal Year 2027. ACTION REQUIRED.
8. Discussion on the status of the phone system at the Sheriff's Office, VTX1 update on the requirements established at the April 15, 2026 Public Workshop. POSSIBLE ACTION REQUIRED.
9. Discussion and Action to accept bids for a new phone system (phone only) for all county offices and to include Texas Animal Health Commission. ACTION REQUIRED.
10. Authorization to update previous grant resolution for the Operation Lone Star Grant Program FY2027 out of the Office of the Governor, as per Public Safety Office, previously approved on January 8, 2026, Line item No. 11 Grant No. 5768501, Resolution No. 2793. ACTION REQUIRED.
11. Discussion and Approval of Workforce Solutions Work Experience / Subsidized Employment Agreement between the Workforce Solutions and the Willacy County Auditor's Office. ACTION REQUIRED.
12. Discussion and Action to approve Change Order #8 from NM Contracting, LLC., for the total cost of \$20,973.00 with grant funds CDBG-CV TDHCA CRP Project Number 70800001014 for material, labor, and equipment to install a building disconnect to exterior as required by AEP and seal wall penetrations. ACTION REQUIRED.
13. Approval of Family Partition of The Lands of Juan Hernandez Luna. A 3.00 acre tract of land being a portion of Outlot "A", Raymondville Tract No. One Subdivision. As recorder in Volume 1, Page 1A, Map Records, Willacy County, Texas, also being the tract describe in general warranted deed recorded in document 20240001172, deed records (Precinct 1). ACTION REQUIRED.

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14. Approval of Travel Requests. ACTION REQUIRED.
 - (A) Travel for Extension Agent Georgina Macias to attend the Texas 4H Round Up in College Station, Texas on June 3-5, 2026.
 - (B) Travel for Willacy County Sheriff Jose Salazar and Chief Administrator Oscar Rivera to attend the Public Information Officer Course in Conroe Texas on June 29 – July 1, 2026.
 - (C) Travel for Elections Administrator Christina Rodriguez and Elections Clerk Yesenia Vasquez to attend the 44th Annual Law Seminar for County Election Officials in Round Rock Texas on August 9-12, 2026.
 - (D) Travel of Sheriff Jose Salazar, Chief Deputy Marcelino Flores and Corporal Timothy Gutierrez from the Willacy County Sheriffs Office to attend the 148th Annual Sheriffs Association of Texas Conference in Fort Worth Texas on July 18-21, 2026.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS:

15. 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).
16. 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).
17. Confer with Commissioners Court legal counsel regarding legal issues with real estate acquisition, pursuant to V.T.C.A., Government Code, Section 551.071.

OPEN SESSION – ACTION RELATIVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:

18. Possible Action on any agenda items discussed in Executive Session
19. Adjourn.

THE COURT MET:

PRESENT:

Aurelio Guerra, Jr.,
Micaela “Kelly” Zamorano-Alaniz,
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,

ABSENT

ARRIVES AT 10:07 A.M.

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

PERSONS VISITING THE COURT:

Delma Rodriguez
Ashley Tello

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

Move to item number 6.

Agenda # 6
IN REGARDS TO CASA
COALITION (BHSST) IS
REQUESTING PERMISSION
TO USE THE COURTHOUSE
GROUNDS ON JULY 14-16, 2026
FOR THEIR UPCOMING EVENT
“DIG INTO MENTAL HEALTH KID
FEST”

Motion was made by Commissioner De La Paz, seconded by Commissioner Tijerina for approval of CASA Coalition (BHSST) is requesting permission to use the Courthouse Grounds on July 14-16, 2026 for their upcoming event “Dig into Mental Health Kid Fest”. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Zamorano-Alaniz, Tijerina and De La Paz voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

County Auditor, Maria Del Carmen Maldonado arrives at the meeting at 10:07 a.m.

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Return back to item number 5.

Agenda # 5
IN REGARDS TO APPROVAL
OF CLAIMS

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

Continue with item number 7.

Agenda # 7
DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO
APPROVE WILLACY COUNTY
RESOLUTION FOR THE TIDC
INDIGENT DEFENSE IMPROVEMENT
GRANT PROGRAM FISCAL YEAR
2027

Motion was made by Commissioner Tijerina, seconded by Commissioner Zamorano-Alaniz for approval of Willacy County Resolution for the TIDC Indigent Defense Improvement Grant Program Fiscal Year 2027. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Zamorano-Alaniz, Tijerina and De La Paz voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

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Agenda # 8
DISCUSSION ON THE STATUS
OF THE PHONE SYSTEM AT
THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE, VTX1
UPDATE ON THE REQUIREMENTS
ESTABLISHED AT THE APRIL 15, 2026
PUBLIC WORKSHOP

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

Agenda # 9
DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO
ACCEPT BIDS FOR A NEW
PHONE SYSTEM (PHONE ONLY)
FOR ALL COUNTY OFFICES AND
TO INCLUDE TEXAS ANIMAL
HEALTH COMMISSION

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

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Agenda # 10
IN REGARDS OF AUTHORIZATION
TO UPDATE PREVIOUS GRANT
RESOLUTION FOR THE OPERATION
LONE STAR GRANT PROGRAM FY 2027
OUT OF THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR,
AS PER PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICE, PREVIOUSLY
APPROVED ON JANUARY 8, 2026, LINE
ITEM NUMBER 11 GRANT NUMBER
5768501, RESOLUTION NUMBER 2793

Motion was made by Commissioner De La Paz, seconded by Commissioner Zamorano-Alaniz for approval as stated, for authorization to update previous Grant Resolution for the Operation Lone Star Grant Program FY 2027 out of the Office of the Governor, as per Public Safety Office, previously approved on January 8, 2026, line item number 11 Grant Number 5768501, Resolution Number 2793. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Zamorano-Alaniz, Tijerina and De La Paz voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 11
DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL
OF WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS
WORK EXPERIENCE / SUBSIDIZED
EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE WORKFORCE
SOLUTIONS AND THE WILLACY
COUNTY AUDITOR'S OFFICE

Motion was made by Commissioner Tijerina, seconded by Commissioner Zamorano-Alaniz for approval of Workforce Solutions Work Experience / Subsidized Employment Agreement between the Workforce Solutions and the Willacy County Auditor's Office. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Zamorano-Alaniz, Tijerina and De La Paz voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

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Agenda # 12
DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO
APPROVE CHANGE ORDER
NUMBER 8 FROM NM CONTRACTING,
LLC., FOR THE TOTAL COST OF
\$20,973.00 WITH GRANT FUNDS FROM
CDBG-CV TDHCA CRP PROJECT NUMBER
70800001014 FOR MATERIAL, LABOR
AND EQUIPMENT TO INSTALL A
BUILDING DISCONNECT TO EXTERIOR
AS REQUIRED BY AEP AND SEAL WALL
PENETRATIONS

Motion was made by Commissioner De La Paz, seconded by Commissioner Tijerina for approval of Change Order Number 8 from NM Contracting, LLC., for the total cost of \$20,973.00 with grant funds from CDBG-CV TDHCA CRP Project Number 70800001014 for material, labor and equipment to install a building disconnect to exterior as required by AEP and seal wall penetrations. Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Zamorano-Alaniz, Tijerina and De La Paz voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

Agenda # 13
IN REGARDS OF APPROVAL
OF FAMILY PARTITION OF THE
LANDS OF JUAN HERNANDEZ
LUNA. A 3.00 ACRE TRACT OF
LAND BEING A PORTION OF
OUTLOT "A", RAYMONDVILLE
TRACT NUMBER ONE SUBDIVISION.
AS RECORDED IN VOLUME 1, PAGE
1A, MAP RECORDS, WILLACY COUNTY,
TEXAS, ALSO BEING THE TRACT
DESCRIBE IN GENERAL WARRANTED
DEED RECORDED IN DOCUMENT
20240001172, DEED RECORDS.
(PRECINCT 1)

Motion was made by Commissioner Tijerina, seconded by Commissioner Zamorano-Alaniz for approval of Family Partition of the Lands of Juan Hernandez Luna. A 3.00 acre tract of land being a port of Outlot "A", Raymondville Tract Number One Subdivision. As recorded in Volume 1, Page 1A, Map Records, Willacy County, Texas, also being the tract describe in general warranted deed recorded in document 20240001172, deed records. (Precinct 1). Motion was put before the Court by the Chairman. Chairman Guerra, Commissioners Zamorano-Alaniz, Tijerina and De La Paz voting AYE. NAYS NONE. Motion was declared carried.

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Agenda # 14
IN REGARDS TO APPROVAL
OF TRAVEL REQUEST

Motion was made by Commissioner De La Paz, seconded by Commissioner Tijerina that the following travel requests be approved A through D:

- (A) Extension Agent, Georgina Macias to College Station, Texas on June 3-5, 2026.
- (B) Sheriff's Department, Sheriff Jose Salazar and Chief Administrator, Oscar Rivera to Conroe, Texas on June 29 – July 1, 2026.
- (C) Election's Department, Election's Administrator, Christina Rodriguez and Election's Clerk, Yesenia Vasquez to Round Rock, Texas on August 9-12, 2026.
- (D) Sheriff's Department, Sheriff Jose Salazar, Chief Deputy, Marcelino Flores and Corporal Timothy Gutierrez to Fort Worth, Texas on July 18-21, 2026.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS:

Agenda # 15
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)

Agenda # 16
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)

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Agenda # 17
CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS COURT
LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING LEGAL
ISSUES WITH REAL ESTATE ACQUISITION,
PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A., GOVERNMENT
CODE, SECTION 551.071

OPEN SESSION – ACTION RELATIVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Agenda # 18
POSSIBLE ACTION ON ANY
AGENDA ITEMS DISCUSSED IN
EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

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

There being no further action,

Court Adjourned.