

MINUTES

BE IT REMEMBERED that on the 25th day of April, 2022, the Honorable Commissioners Court of Uvalde County, Texas convened in regular session in the Commissioners Courtroom of the Uvalde County Courthouse. The following members were in attendance:

William R. Mitchell, County Judge
John Yeackle, Commissioner Pct. #1
Mariano Pargas, Commissioner Pct. #2
Jerry W. Bates, Commissioner Pct. #3
Ronnie Garza, Commissioner Pct. #4
Valerie Del Toro Romero, County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Commissioner 's Court

Also present were *County Treasurer* Joni Deorsam, *Tax Assessor-Collector* Rita Verstuyft, *Sheriff* Ruben Nolasco, *County Auditor* Alice Chapman, *Fairplex Director* Wendy Speer, *Road Administrator* Dee Kirkpatrick and *County Consultant* Carl Esser via zoom.

Absent: County Attorney John Dodson

1. Consider and act upon call to order, invocation and pledge of allegiance:

The Honorable William R. Mitchell Uvalde County Judge called the meeting of April 25, 2022 to order at 10:00 AM followed with the invocation, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States flag and Texas Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Consider and act upon approval of minutes:

Motion by Commissioner Pargas to approve the minutes of April 11, 2022. Seconded by Commissioner Bates. Motion carried (4-0).

3. Consider and act upon certifying Texas Hill Country River Region budget:

Texas Hill Country River Region Board of Directors President Jamie Holmes provided an overview of the Texas Hill Country River Region Hotel/Motel Occupancy Tax (HOT) 2021 Annual Report, 2021 Budget and an actual 2022 Proposed Budget for the Court including river cleanup, tourism, advertising promotions, events, expenses, assets, liabilities and equity. A public participation form was submitted by Helen Burgin to speak on this agenda item. Motion by Commissioner Bates to certify the Texas Hill Country River Region budget as presented to the Court.

Seconded by Commissioner Yeackle.

Motion carried (4-0).

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4. Consider and act upon presentation of Helen Burgin to place temporary hold on Hotel/Motel tax:

The Court considered a presentation from Concan resident and lodging operator Helen Burgin proposing a temporary hold and suspension of the county's hotel/motel occupancy tax (HOT) for a period of one year due to COVID, current level of inflation and to fill the executive director position and any expired board member terms up for re-election on April 26, 2022 of the board of directors for the Texas Hill Country River Region. A public participation form was submitted by Jake Guerrero to speak on this agenda item. No action taken.

5. Consider and act upon adding PVT Road 2910 to 9-1-1 addressing map:

Middle Rio Grande Development Council Regional Planning Services Erik Diaz requested consideration from the Court to add Private Road 2910 to the subdivision known as Coyote Creek Ranch Subdivision off of County Road 416 located northwest of Uvalde County to provide 911 mapping addresses to area residents for emergency response purposes only. Motion by Commissioner Bates to approve adding private road 2910 to the subdivision known as Coyote Creek Ranch Subdivision for emergency response purposes only. Seconded by Commissioner Garza.

Motion carried (4-0).

6. Consider and act upon order authorizing sale of fireworks during Memorial Day period:

The Court considered an order authorizing the sale of fireworks during the Memorial Day period beginning May 25, 2022 through midnight May 30, 2022. Texas Occupations Code §2154.202(h) requires action from the Court before May 15, 2022.

Motion by Commissioner Bates not to approve an order authorizing the sale of fireworks during the 2022 Memorial Day period.

Seconded by Commissioner Garza.

Motion carried (4-0).

7. Consider and act upon interlocal agreement with Zavala County to house jail inmates:

The Court considered a Resolution authorizing the execution of an Interlocal Agreement by and between the County of Zavala and the County of Uvalde for the purpose of housing Uvalde County inmates at the Zavala County Jail at a rate of \$55.00 per inmate per day. Motion by Commissioner Garza to approve resolution authorizing the execution of Interlocal Agreement with Zavala County for the purpose of housing Uvalde County inmates. Seconded by Commissioner Yeackle. Motion carried (4-0).

8. Consider and act upon designating Uvalde County Auditor to calculate the NO-NEW-TAX REVENUE and VOTER APPROVAL TAX RATE according to Texas Tax Code 26.17 and 26.04:

Pursuant to Texas Tax Code §26.17 and §26.04 the Court considered the appointment of County Auditor Alice Chapman as the designee to calculate the NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE formerly referred to as the effective tax rate and the VOTER APPROVAL TAX RATE formerly referred to as the rollback tax rate as a result of Senate Bill 2, Texas Property Tax Reform and Transparency Act of 2019 changes in terms and formulas as applied to the 2022-2023 Uvalde County Budget.

Motion by Commissioner Pargas to appoint the County Auditor Alice Chapman as the designee to calculate the NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE and the VOTER APPROVAL TAX RATE.

Seconded by Commissioner Yeackle Motion carried (4-0).

9. Consider and act upon resolution in support of Colonia Fund Construction Administration Services:

The Court considered a Resolution authorizing the award of a professional service provider contract for the 2022 TXCDBG Colonia Fund Construction to the sole bidder of Esser and Company related to grant writing and grant administration services in accordance with TXCDBG procurement requirements. Copies of all bids/proposals may be obtained from the office of the Uvalde County Judge William R. Mitchell.

Motion by Commissioner Pargas to approve award of contract for construction administration services to Esser and Company.

Seconded by Commissioner Yeackle. Motion carried (4-0).

10. Consider and act upon resolution in support of Colonia Fund Construction Engineering Services:

County Consultant Carl Esser requested approval of a Resolution authorizing the award of a professional service provider contract for the 2022 TXCDBG Colonia Fund Construction for professional engineering services in accordance with TXCDBG procurement requirements. The Court received two bids/proposals for consideration; one from Garcia & Wright Engineers and one from TRC Engineers. Copies of all bids/proposals may be obtained from the office of the Uvalde County Judge William R. Mitchell.

Motion by Commissioner Garza to approve the award of contract for professional engineering services to TRC Engineers.

Seconded by Commissioner Bates. Motion carried (4-0).

11. Consider and act upon buy board contract for Sheriff Office radar units:

County Consultant Carl Esser provided a recommendation to the Court on Buy-Board contract quote #834953362018SC for the purchase of twelve (12) Raptor RP-1 compact mounted radar units from Kustom Signals, Inc. in the amount of \$18,420.00 to be paid from Operation Lone Star grant funding.

Motion by Commissioner Pargas to approve Buy-Board contract quote #834953362018SC for the purchase of twelve (12) radar units for the Uvalde County Sheriff's Office.

Seconded by Commissioner Bates.

Motion carried (4-0).

12. Consider and act upon buy board contract for Sheriff Office vehicles:

County Consultant Carl Esser provided a recommendation to the Court on Buy-Board contract for the purchase of twelve (12) vehicles for the Sheriff's Office in the amount of \$490,122.00 from Lake Country Chevrolet to include; two (2) 2022 Ford F Series Regular Cab 4X4 pickup in the amount of \$84,784.00, six (6) 2023 Chevrolet PPV 2WD Tahoe's in the amount of \$236,619.00 and four (4) 2023 Chevrolet PPV 4X4 Tahoe's in the amount of \$168,719.00 to be paid from Operation Lone Star grant funding.

Motion by Commissioner Bates to approve Buy-Board contract for the purchase of twelve (12) vehicles for the Uvalde County Sheriff's Office.

Seconded by Commissioner Yeackle.

Motion carried (4-0).

13. Consider and act upon resolution in support of FY21 Stonegarden grant:

County Consultant Carl Esser requested approval of Uvalde County Resolution 2022 in support of the continuation of Homeland Security Grant Program (HSPG) for the Uvalde County Operation Stonegarden Solicitation FY-21 with the Office of the Governor for the purpose of border security and operations in the amount of \$238,826.97 with a start date of March 1, 2022.

Motion by Commissioner Bates to approve Uvalde County Resolution 2022 in support of Uvalde County Operation Stonegarden Solicitation FY-21.

Seconded by Commissioner Garza.

Motion carried (4-0).

14. Consider and act upon Road Administrators Report:

Road Administrator Dee Kirkpatrick informed the Court that the Road Department bladed and patched roads and replaced missing road signs throughout the county, cut brush from right of ways, provided support for fire crews at Four Canyons Ranch fire, installed guard rails on bridge at Palin Creek on County Road 350 and assisted with the cleanup in Utopia. No action taken.

15. Consider and act upon line-item budget amendments:

County Auditor Alice Chapman outlined the line item budget amendments presented to the Court for consideration and approval.

Motion by Commissioner Bates to approve line item budget amendments as presented to the Court.

Seconded by Commissioner Pargas.

Motion carried (4-0). Exhibit A

16. Consider and act upon payment of bills:

Motion by Commissioner Bates to approve payment of bills and payroll. Seconded by Commissioner Pargas. Motion carried (4-0).

17. Consider and act upon monthly reports:

Monthly reports on file for review in the office of the Uvalde County Clerk were presented to the Court for consideration and approval. Motion by Commissioner Bates to approve monthly reports. Seconded by Commissioner Yeackle. Motion carried (4-0).

18. Consider and act upon resolutions/proclamations:

The Court approved resolutions in honor of the memory of the following individuals:

Savino R. Alvarez † Russell Everett † Manuel Maldonado Longoria † Billy H. Wagner †

With no further business, the meeting of April 25, 2022 was adjourned. Exhibits identified under a specific agenda item are included as supporting documentation of the action taken by the Uvalde County Commissioners Court and are placed after the minutes and before the last page titled Commissioners Court Order.

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DONATION		\$ 18,222.40	\$ 18,222.40	0	HEB DONATION	REVENUE	010-365-398
Grant Revenue Receivable		\$ 70,000.00	\$ 70,000.00	•	UCSO EDWARD BYRNE GRANT	REVENUE	010-320-164
VEHICLE	Revenue Offset	\$ 70,000.00	\$ 70,000.00		UCSO EDWARD BYRNE GRANT	EXPENSE	010-560-593
BODY CAMERA	010-420-446	\$ 30.00	\$ \$30.00	\$ 500.00	CONSTABLE PCT 6	EXPENSE	010-556-335
BODY CAMERA	010-420-446	\$ 30.00	\$ 530.00	\$ \$00.00	CONSTABLE PCT 4	EXPENSE	010-554-335
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SPECTRUM	010-492-777	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 600.00	ELECTION DEPARTMENT	EXPENSE	010-492-890
PART TIME ELECTION WORKER	010-492-956	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00		ELECTION DEPARTMENT	EXPENSE	010-492-327
Splitting expense	010-420-446	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	s I	OLS COURT INTERPRETERS	EXPENSE	010-474-147
Splitting expense	010-420-446	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	•	OLS VEHICLE FUEL & MAINTENANCE	EXPENSE	010-474-395
Social Security	Revenue Offset	\$ 4,555.58	\$ 4,555.58	S	BPU ALTERNATE FUND 87	EXPENSE	087-870-835
Salary - Investigator	Revenue Offset	\$ 59,550.00	\$ 59,550.00		BPU ALTERNATE FUND 87	EXPENSE	087-870-799
Retirement	Revenue Offset	\$ 6,985.22	\$ 6,985.22	•	BPU ALTERNATE FUND 87	EXPENSE	087-870-782
Health & Life Insurance	Revenue Offset	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00		BPU ALTERNATE FUND 87	EXPENSE	087-870-450
Fire Extinguishers/Emergency Kits	024-500-777	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00		CONSTABLE EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT	EXPENSE	024-500-551
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EXHIBIT			[5]	COUNTY OF UVALDE	0		

This 25 day of April An 2022 at 9:51 o'clock AM VALERIE DEL TORO ROMERO County Clerk, Uvalde County, Texas By: Valuar Del Tono Planana Uvalde County Clerk

COMMISSIONERS COURT ORDER

On this the <u>9th</u> day of <u>May</u>, <u>2022</u>, came to be heard the Uvalde County Commissioners Court Minutes of <u>April 25, 2022</u> as prepared by the Clerk of the Court.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED the foregoing be recorded and entered for record in the UVALDE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES, as required by law. (ORDER 03-12-12)

APPROVED BY:

William R. Mitchell, County Judge

John Yeackle, Commissioner Pct. #1

Mariano Pargas, Jr., Commissioner Pct. #2

Jerry W. Bates, Commissioner Pct. #3

Ronnie Garza, Commissioner Pct. #4

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ATTEST:

Valerie Del Toro Romero, County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Commissioners Court of Uvalde County, Texas