



MINUTES

BE IT REMEMBERED that on the 8th day of August, 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*
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, *County Auditor* Alice Chapman, *Fairplex Director* Wendy Speer, *Sheriff* Ruben Nolasco, *Road Administrator* Dee Kirkpatrick and *County Consultant* Carl Esser.

Absent: Jerry W. Bates, *Commissioner Pct. #3* and *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 August 8, 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 Yeackle to approve the minutes of July 25, 2022.
Seconded by Commissioner Garza.
Motion carried (3-0).

3. Consider and act upon presentation of final draft of 2022-2023 Uvalde County budget:

The Court considered the presentation of the final budget draft of the 2022-2023 Uvalde County Budget pursuant to the 2022-2023 revised tax planning calendar. One public participation form was submitted by Diana Olvedo-Karau who commented on this agenda item.
No action taken.

4. Consider and act upon presentation of 2022-2023 No New Revenue Tax Rate:

This agenda item was not discussed and is to be presented and considered at next regular meeting of the Court on August 22, 2022.
No action taken.

5. Consider and act upon presentation of 2022-2023 Voter Approval Tax Rate:

This agenda item was not discussed and is to be presented and considered at the next regular meeting of the Court on August 22, 2022.

No action taken.

6. Consider and act upon quitclaim of Lots 1, 2, 12 of Nueces Leisure Estates to Nueces Leisure Estates, Inc.:

The Court considered a Quitclaim for lots 1, 2 and 12 to Nueces Leisure Estates, Inc. that were originally given to the County of Uvalde back in the 1960's. However, the County did not formally receive and accept these lots and Nueces Leisure Estates, Inc. is requesting that these lots be deeded back to the subdivision to be sold.

Motion by Commissioner Garza to approve the Quitclaim to Nueces Leisure Estates, Inc.

Seconded by Commissioner Pargas.

Motion carried (3-0).

7. Consider and act upon contract renewal with HTS Voice Data Systems:

County Auditor Alice Chapman outlined the addendum renewal contract by and between HTS Voice & Data Systems and Uvalde County for the purpose of extending the existing Uvalde County IT Manages Services Agreement for the annual period beginning October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023 at the continuing cost of \$18,537.60 per month or \$222,451.20 per year.

Motion by Commissioner Pargas to approve addendum renewal contract with HTS Voice & Data Systems.

Seconded by Commissioner Yeackle.

Motion carried (3-0).

8. Consider and act upon architectural services agreement for renovation of Uvalde Resiliency Center:

The Court considered a review of the proposed scope of work and architectural fee for the First State Bank remodel project also known as the Uvalde Resiliency Center submitted by DPA-David Powell Architect. The estimated construction cost for this project is \$300,000.00 and the proposed architectural fee is 7.0% of the estimated contract for construction cost for a total amount of \$21,000.00 plus any required additional fees. This fee is to be paid from the grant award and does not require a financial match from the county.

Motion by Commissioner Pargas to approve the architectural services agreement with DPA-David Powell Architect for the renovation of the Uvalde Resiliency Center.

Seconded by Commissioner Yeackle.

Motion carried (3-0).

9. Consider and act upon award of construction contract for Mid-Town Complex:

The Court considered a revised bid for the construction of the courthouse annex also known as the Mid-Town Complex submitted by Frontera Construction in the amount of \$1,748,000.00. DPA- David Powell Architect negotiated the construction cost with revisions to insulation, landscaping, roof, windows and parking lot to allow the construction of this project to remain within budget.

Motion by Commissioner Garza to approve the award of the construction contract to Frontera Construction with revisions for the Mid-Town Complex.

Seconded by Commissioner Pargas.

Motion carried (3-0).

10. Consider and act upon bid award for tactical shields:

The Court considered the award of Bid Opening #2022-08 Tactical Shields for the Uvalde County Sheriff's office. Four (4) bids were received from the following bidders; Botach, Inc., Galls, H.L. Dails, Inc. and Dana Safety Supply. The Court took action to award the bid to the most compliant bidder, Galls, in the amount of \$54,984.41 for eight (8) tactical shields. Copies of all bids/proposals may be obtained from the office of the Uvalde County Judge William R. Mitchell. One public participation form was submitted by Diana Olvedo-Karau who commented on this agenda item.

Motion by Commissioner Yeackle to approve the award for tactical shields to Galls.

Seconded by Commissioner Pargas.

Motion carried (3-0).

11. Consider and act upon extension of emergency declarations:

The Court considered the extension of the emergency declaration of local disaster for the Concan Water Supply, Inc., Knippa Water Supply and the Utopia Water Supply for a period of an additional thirty (30) days due to extremely severe water shortages and widespread heat and dry weather conditions.

Motion by Commissioner Pargas to approve the thirty day extension of the emergency declaration of local disaster.

Seconded by Commissioner Garza.

Motion carried (3-0).

12. Consider and act upon acceptance of Walmart Community grant:

The County of Uvalde received an additional check from Walmart #3518 in Laredo participating in the Walmart Community Grant. Check #1451660 in the amount of \$500.00 for the benefit of the Uvalde County Fairplex. The Commissioners Court must authorize the acceptance of these funds.

Motion by Commissioner Pargas to accept the Walmart Community Grant funds.

Seconded by Commissioner Yeackle.

Motion carried (3-0).

13. Consider and act upon Road Administrators Report:

Road Administrator Dee Kirkpatrick informed the Court that the Road Department cut brush along the right of ways, patched and bladed roads throughout the county, set light poles, installed solar lights on poles and built speed bumps in Uvalde Estates, installed new road signs and replaced missing road signs and fixed a water leak at Cooksey Park.

No action taken.

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

No amendments were presented to the court for consideration at this time.

No action taken.

15. Consider and act upon payment of bills:

Motion by Commissioner Garza to approve payment of bills and payroll.

Seconded by Commissioner Pargas.

Motion carried (3-0).

16. Consider and act upon payroll approval:

Motion by Commissioner Garza to approve payroll.

Seconded by Commissioner Pargas.

Motion carried (3-0).

17. Consider and act upon approval of 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 Yeackle to approve monthly reports.

Seconded by Commissioner Garza.

Motion carried (3-0).

18. Consider and act upon resolutions/proclamations:

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

Ronald Ray Bingham †
Mark Contreras †
Laura Jane Elder †
Guadalupe R. Hernandez †
James W. Simmons, Jr. †

With no further business, the meeting of August 8, 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.

COMMISSIONERS COURT ORDER

On this the 22nd day of August, 2022, came to be heard the Uvalde County Commissioners Court Minutes of August 8, 2022 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

(SEAL)

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