



## MINUTES

BE IT REMEMBERED that on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2019, the Honorable Commissioners Court of Uvalde County, Texas convened in the Commissioners Courtroom of the Uvalde County Courthouse. The following members were in attendance:

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

Also present were *Tax Assessor-Collector* Rita C. Verstuyft, *County Auditor* Alice Chapman and *Road Administrator* Dee Kirkpatrick.

Absent: *County Attorney* John Dodson and *County Treasurer* Joni Deorsam

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

The Honorable William R. Mitchell called the meeting of August 26, 2019 to order at 10 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 Bates to approve the minutes of August 12, 2019 with changes.  
Seconded by Commissioner Pargas.  
Motion carried (4-0).

**3. Consider and act upon public hearing on proposed 2019-2020 Uvalde County tax rate:**

Auditor Alice Chapman outlined the proposed 2019-2020 tax rates; General Fund M&O Tax Rate 0.5257, FM/Flood M&O Tax Rate 0.1350, I&S Debt Service Tax Rate 0.0901, Total Tax Rate 0.7508 with an increase of 0.0149, Total M&O Rate 0.6607, Total Effective Tax Rate 0.6976, Roll Back Rate 0.7732. The Court opened for a public hearing at 10:05 AM on the proposed 2019-2020 Uvalde County tax rate. With no public comments and no questions, the Court closed the public hearing and scheduled the next public hearing for September 9, 2019.

No Action Taken

**4. Consider and act upon approval of Esperanza Subdivision submitted by Fry Homes:**

Final approval of the Esperanza Subdivision was considered after review of the final check list provided by Mark Fry of Fry Homes, Inc.

Motion by Commissioner Garza to give final approval to the Esperanza Subdivision.

Seconded by Commissioner Pargas.

Motion carried (4-0).

**5. Consider and act upon appointment to UCAD board of directors:**

The Court agreed to nominate Johnny Guzman as a candidate for the unexpired Board of Directors position at the meeting of August 12, 2019. Pursuant to Texas Property Tax Code §6.03, Johnny Guzman is not eligible to serve because he is an employee of a taxing unit (Southwest Texas Junior College) that participates in the district. The Court nominated Bruce Kingsberry to serve as a director of the Uvalde County Appraisal District Board of Directors.

Motion by Commissioner Garza to approve nomination.

Seconded by Commissioner Pargas.

Motion carried (4-0).

**6. Consider and act upon Interlocal agreement with Texas Department of Motor Vehicles for equipment placed in the office of the Uvalde County Tax Assessor Collector:**

Tax Assessor Collector Rita Verstuyft requested consideration on an Interlocal agreement to conduct work utilizing equipment that belongs to Texas Department of Motor Vehicles. At no cost to the county, the maintenance and upkeep of equipment is the responsibility of the State. Chief Deputy Tax Assessor Collector Carmen Ybarra was named the custodian of record for the use of this equipment.

Motion by Commissioner Pargas to approve Interlocal agreement.

Seconded by Commissioner Bates.

Motion carried (4-0).

**7. Consider and act upon election equipment contract with Government Capital:**

Elections Administrator Melissa Jones Bradham requested approval of the financial contract between the County and Government Capital for the purpose of financing election equipment. The contract requires an initial down payment of \$127,794.00. This is a four year contract with a yearly payment of \$50,000.00 per year for a total payment of \$327,794.00.

Motion by Commissioner Garza to approve contract.

Seconded by Commissioner Bates.

Motion carried (4-0).

**8. Consider and act upon copy machine contracts:**

Assistant Auditor Frankie Aguilar outlined the proposed contract renewals for copy machines for the AgriLife Extension Office, Uvalde County Road Department and the District Attorney's Office. The three proposed contracts are in the amount of \$219.59 per month at a cost savings to the county.

Motion by Commissioner Bates to approve proposed copier contracts.

Seconded by Commissioner Pargas.

Motion carried (4-0).

**9. Consider and act upon Data Disaster Recovery End User Agreement:**

Auditor Alice Chapman requested consideration of a Data Systems Disaster Recovery End User Agreement with HTS Voice & Data Systems, a Texas Corporation for a period of one year. This is an annual renewal to store and encrypt Uvalde County data against ransomware viruses. The cost of this agreement for Cylance is; \$8,448 annually, \$4/Seat per month, 176 Seats and Data Recovery in the amount of \$57,446.00 annually for 5.5 Terabytes.

Motion by Commissioner Garza to approve agreement.

Seconded by Commissioner Pargas.

Motion carried (4-0).

**10. Consider and act upon Managed Services Agreement Renewal:**

Auditor Alice Chapman outlined a proposed addendum with HTS Voice & Data Systems, a Texas Corporation for the purpose of extending the existing Uvalde County Managed Services Agreement for the annual period beginning October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020 at the continuing cost of \$7,800.00 per month.

Motion by Commissioner Garza to approve agreement.

Seconded by Commissioner Pargas.

Motion carried (4-0).

**11. Consider and act upon advertising of bids and award of bids:**

The Court considered and authorized advertising for bids/proposals on current contracts that will expire on September 30, 2019 for County Morgue and US 83/CR 350 Land Lease. The court also authorized advertising for bids/proposals for County Hotel/Motel Occupancy Tax Operator with the current contract expiring on December 31, 2019.

Award of bid for a pumper fire truck was postponed until the next meeting.

Motion by Commissioner Bates to authorize advertising for bids/proposals.

Seconded by Commissioner Garza.

Motion carried (4-0).

**12. Consider and act upon line item budget amendments:**

Amendments were presented to the Court for consideration and approval.

Motion by Commissioner Bates to approve amendments.

Seconded by Commissioner Pargas.

The motion carried (4-0). (See Attached)

**13. Consider and act upon Road Administrators report:**

Road Administrator Dee Kirkpatrick informed the Court that the Road Department worked on paving the following streets in Sabinal; Sabinal Street, North Hondo Street, West Tyler Street and West Peters Street. CR 414 was paved. A dump trailer, a tire machine and tire balancer and two forty yard roll off containers were purchased for the department. Local resident Joe Martinez requested to address the Court regarding the paving of CR 414.  
No action taken

**14. Consider and act upon approval of monthly reports:**

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

**15. Consider and act upon payment of bills:**

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

**16. Consider and act upon payroll approval:**

Motion by Commissioner Bates to approve payroll.  
Seconded by Commissioner Garza.  
Motion carried (4-0).

**17. Consider and act upon resolutions and proclamations:**

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

Marcelino Arroyos, Sr. †  
Mike Aviles, Sr. †  
Ernestine Carson †  
Larry Carmichael †  
Alejandro Castillo †  
Matias Murillo †  
Romelia Rocha †  
Roger Gus Verstuyft †

With no further business, the meeting of August 26, 2019 was adjourned.

**COMMISSIONERS COURT ORDER**

On this the 9<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2019, came to be heard the Uvalde County Commissioners Court Minutes of August 26, 2019, 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:**

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William R. Mitchell, County Judge

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Randy Scheide, Commissioner #1

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Mariano Pargas, Jr., Commissioner #2

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Jerry W. Bates, Commissioner #3

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Ronnie Garza, Commissioner #4

(SEAL)

**ATTEST:**

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



COUNTY OF UVALDE

FYE 9/30/19

COMMISSIONERS COURT MEETING

August 26, 2019

TRANSFERS AND/OR AMENDMENTS

<u>LINE ITEM</u>	<u>TYPE OF ACCOUNT</u>	<u>NAME OF ACCOUNT</u>	<u>CURRENT BUDGET</u>	<u>AMENDED BUDGET</u>	<u>INCREASE DECREASE</u>	<u>TRANSFER FROM AMENDED</u>	<u>Comment</u>
010-365-300	REVENUE	OTHER FINANCING SOURCES-	\$	-	\$ 308,457.77	010-200-999	ELECTION EQUIPMENT
010-492-337	EXPENSE	CAPITAL OUTLAY	\$	-	\$(308,457.77)	010-200-999	ELECTION EQUIPMENT
010-700-102	EXPENSE	GOV CAP PRINCIPAL	\$	-	\$(127,794.00)	010-200-999	ELECTION EQUIPMENT