



## MINUTES

BE IT REMEMBERED that on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of September, 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*  
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: *County Treasurer* Joni Deorsam, *County Auditor* Alice Chapman, *Tax Assessor-Collector* Rita C. Verstuyft and *Road Administrator* Dee Kirkpatrick.

Absent: Mariano Pargas Jr., *Commissioner #2*

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

The Honorable William R. Mitchell called the meeting of September 9, 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 26, 2019.  
Seconded by Commissioner Garza.  
Motion carried (3-0).

**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 10:02 AM on the proposed 2019-2020 Uvalde County tax rate. Local resident Diana Olvedo Karau addressed the court during public comments regarding the proposed tax rate. With no further comments or questions, the Court closed the public hearing and scheduled the adoption of the Uvalde County budget for September 23, 2019.

No action taken

**4. Consider and act upon presentation by Uvalde Memorial Hospital Administrator Tom Nordwick:**

Uvalde Memorial Hospital Administrator Tom Nordwick provided a power point presentation of the mission, vision and values of Uvalde Memorial Hospital along with an update of the hospital building project and construction.

No action taken.

**5. Consider and act upon approval of Uvalde Memorial Hospital Subdivision plat:**

Uvalde Memorial Hospital Administrator Tom Nordwick requested approval of the Uvalde Memorial Hospital Subdivision plat with one lot partially located within the City of Uvalde and the County of Uvalde.

Motion by Commissioner Scheide to approve Uvalde Memorial Hospital Subdivision plat.

Seconded by Commissioner Bates.

Motion carried (3-0).

**6. Consider and act upon award of bids:**

**a. Fire Truck**

Uvalde Fire Department requested the Court to reject all bids and re advertise to allow the department the opportunity to provide accurate bid specifications and requirements.

Motion by Commissioner Garza to reject all bids and re advertise.

Seconded by Commissioner Bates.

Motion carried (3-0).

**7. Consider and act upon Interlocal agreement with Lubbock County regarding Regional Public Defender Capital cases:**

The Court reviewed and considered a two year renewal Interlocal Agreement with the Lubbock County Regional Public Defender for Capital Cases to provide court appointed counsel for individuals charged with capital murder. This is funded proportionately by the Texas Indigent Defense Commission Multi Year Discretionary Grant Program Funds.

Motion by Commissioner Garza to approve Interlocal agreement.

Seconded by Commissioner Bates.

Motion carried (3-0).

**8. Consider and act upon Resolution with Agreement authorizing submission of 2019-2020 TXCDBG Colonia Construction Fund Grant application:**

County Consultant Assistant Debbie Esser requested approval from the court to authorize submission of a 2019-2020 TXCDBG Colonia Construction Fund Grant application with the Texas Department of Agriculture to provide first time water services for residents outside the city limits of the City of Sabinal on Texas Highway 127 South. Uvalde County is committing

to a \$50,000 match as a contribution towards the contract administration activities of this First Time Water Service project.

Motion by Commissioner Bates to approve grant submission application.

Seconded by Commissioner Garza.

Motion carried (3-0)

Also considered was a Resolution between the County of Uvalde and the City of Sabinal to outline the requirements of the City of Sabinal as water providers and the responsibility of all repairs and maintenance to this First Time Water Service project.

Motion by Commissioner Garza to approve Resolution.

Seconded by Commissioner Bates.

Motion carried (3-0).

A signed request by Diana Olvedo Karau to speak on this agenda item was withdrawn.

**9. Consider and act upon resolution authorizing submission of Home Delivered Meal Grant application:**

County Consultant Assistant Debbie Esser requested approval of a resolution authorizing submission of an application of Texans Feeding Texans: Home Delivered Meal Grant Program with the Texas Department of Agriculture to provide home delivered meals to the elderly and disabled. The County of Uvalde must certify that it has made a grant to the Uvalde County Nutrition Program in the amount of \$18,500.00 to be used October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020.

Motion by Commissioner Garza to approve submission grant application.

Seconded by Commissioner Bates.

Motion carried (3-0)

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

Road Administrator Dee Kirkpatrick informed the Court that the Road Department patched roads in the Uvalde Estates, Deer Valley and Rancho Encino area and repaving had begun on CR 101.

No action taken

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

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

No action taken.

**12. Consider and act upon 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 (3-0).

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

Motion by Commissioner Bates to approve payment of bills.

Seconded by Commissioner Garza.

Motion carried (3-0).

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

Motion by Commissioner Bates to approve payroll.

Seconded by Commissioner Garza.

Motion carried (3-0).

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

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

Guillermo “Willie” Garcia †

Elizabeth Ann Olivarez †

With no further business, the meeting of September 9, 2019 was adjourned.

**COMMISSIONERS COURT ORDER**

On this the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of September, 2019, came to be heard the Uvalde County Commissioners Court Minutes of September 9, 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:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Valerie Del Toro Romero, County Clerk and  
Ex-Officio Clerk of the Commissioners Court  
of Uvalde County, Texas