COMMISSIONERS COURT Aransas County, Texas

Ray A. Garza, County Judge

Jack Chaney Commissioner, Pct 1-1A

Leslie Casterline Commissioner, Pct 2



Pat Rousseau Commissioner, Pct 3

Robert Dupnik Commissioner, Pct 4-4A

NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING AND AGENDA

Notice is hereby given that a **Regular Meeting** of the above named Commissioners Court will be held on the <u>13th DAY of JANUARY</u>, <u>2025 at 9:00 A.M. AT THE AQUARIUM EDUCATION</u> <u>CENTER LOCATED AT 706 NAVIGATION CIRCLE</u>, <u>ROCKPORT</u>, <u>TEXAS</u>, <u>78382</u>. Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who may need assistance should contact the County Judge's office at (361) 790-0100 two working days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made. <u>To watch the meeting</u>, <u>visit</u>: here https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCTxprR-CFvaZfapOVcLeDWQ/live. The following subjects will be discussed at this meeting:

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. INVOCATION
- III. PLEDGES
- IV. ROLL CALL AND CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM
- V. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

At this time, comments will be taken from the audience on any subject matter that is not on the Agenda. To address the Commissioners, please sign the Public Participation Form located at https://actxgov.seamlessdocs.com/w/ccpublicparticipation or sign the Public Participation Form located on the table outside of the County Courtroom and deliver to the County Clerk before the meeting begins. Citizens who wish to speak on a matter included in this Agenda will be invited to speak when that particular matter is being deliberated by the Commissioners Court. Each member of the public who appears before the Commissioners Court shall be limited to a maximum of five (5) minutes to make his/her remarks. Please note, in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Commissioners may not discuss or take action on any item that is not on the agenda.

VI. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

Presentations are scheduled in advance of the meeting and limited to fifteen (15) minutes unless other arrangements have been made with the Court.

1. Smithsonian Museum on Main Street Crossroads Exhibit Presentation – Jennifer Day

VII. CONSENT AGENDA

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All Consent Agenda items listed are considered to be routine by the Commissioners Court and will be enacted by one motion and no separate discussion of these items will occur unless a Commissioner or the County Judge so requests, in which case the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the Agenda.

- 2. Discuss, approve or disapprove the Minutes from the December 18, 2024 Special Meeting Misty Kimbrough/Judge Garza
- 3. Discuss, approve or disapprove the Minutes from the December 23, 2024 Regular Meeting Misty Kimbrough/Judge Garza
- 4. Acknowledge and accept the <u>2025 Historical Commissioners for Aransas County</u> for the Texas Historical Commission Doreen Bronner/Judge Garza
- 5. Acknowledge and accept the following donations for Aransas County Animal Care:
 Anonymous donation of animal supplies estimated total of \$196
 Kenneth Raymond donation in the amount of \$50
 John Sullivan donation in the amount of \$750
 Caitlan Frazier/Judge Garza

VIII. COUNTY REPORTS, ORDERS, AND RESOLUTIONS

- 6. Discuss, approve, or disapprove <u>reappointments to the Aransas Pathways Steering</u>
 <u>Committee</u> of Richard Connell and Alyssa Massengill for a three-year term per Resolution
 R-30-2023A Commissioner Rousseau
- 7. Discuss, approve or disapprove the reappointment to the Aransas County Tree Committee of Shelly Steckler and the appointment of Robert Ruf (to replace Ed Hegen), for two-year terms Judge Garza
- 8. Discuss, approve or disapprove <u>allowing ACTS Aviation to host a Fly-In event at the airport on November 14-16, 2025</u>, and to allow the airport manager to close the airport or sections of it as needed during the event Mike Geer/Judge Garza
- 9. Discuss, approve or disapprove <u>correcting Jeff Hutt's appointment to the Appraisal District Board of Directors</u> to complete a two-year term bringing his appointment into compliance with State law Judge Garza
- 10. Discuss, approve or disapprove Resolution #R-01-2025 designating County Judge, Ray Garza, as the Authorized Official for Aransas County's existing FY 2024 Homeland Security Operation Stonegarden Grant Program, Grant Number 3171810, effective March 1, 2025 Jacky Cockerham/Judge Garza
- 11. Discuss, approve or disapprove <u>Resolution #R-02-2025</u> Designating Authorized Signatories for Contractual Documents and Documents for Requesting Funds Pertaining to the CDBG-MIT Grant for Local Hazard Mitigation Planning Program Jacky Cockerham/Judge Garza

12. Discuss, approve or disapprove Order #O-01-2025, an Order of the County of Aransas, Texas, Prohibiting Outdoor Burning for a Period of up to Sixty (60) Days – Judge Garza

IX. COUNTY ROADS AND FLOODPLAIN - None

X. CONTRACTS AND GRANTS

- 13. Discuss, approve or disapprove <u>authorizing solicitation of Invitation for Bids (IFB) for road materials for the County of Aransas</u> and authorize the County Judge to sign all necessary documents Darrell Seibert/Judge Garza
- 14. Discuss, approve or disapprove <u>Change Order No. 5 of construction contract for the Holiday Beach Road Improvements Project in the County's General Land Office (GLO) Community Development Block Grant Disaster Relief (CDBG-DR) Contract #20-065-098-C270. LCR Total Transport, LLC requests a decrease in the contract amount by \$117,949.45 Darrell Seibert/Judge Garza</u>
- 15. Discuss, approve, or disapprove <u>FEMA disaster recovery project No. DR-4332-0069-TX Hurricane Harvey Phase II, Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) Sub-Grant Award for a Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP), for the Aransas County <u>Little Bay Drainage Improvements Phase II</u> authorizing the County Judge to sign and execute all necessary documents Elle Moralez/Darrell Seibert/Judge Garza</u>
- 16. Discuss, approve or disapprove DLF Two, Inc.'s Change Order No. 010 for the Aransas County Community Building/Plaza/Parking Lot, General Land Office (GLO) Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Contract #20-065-098-C270 Adding 2 Days. Change Order No. 08 extended the contract time by 19 days to January 19, 2025. This Change Order No. 010 extends the contract time by two (2) days to January 21, 2025. Therefore, the Community Center building and interior parking lot substantial completion date will be January 21, 2025 Elle Moralez/Judge Garza
- 17. Discuss, approve or disapprove DLF Two, Inc.'s <u>Change Order No. 011 for the Aransas County Community Building/Plaza/Parking Lot</u> General Land Office (GLO) Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Contract #20-065-098-C270 Adding \$128,668.38 to the contract for a total contract price with all approved change orders of \$4,773,828.00. The projects substantial completion date will be March 2, 2025 Elle Moralez/Judge Garza

X. PLANNING AND BUDGET

- 18. Discuss, approve, or disapprove the <u>Aransas County Indigent Health Care Report for December 2024</u> Alma Cartwright/Judge Garza
- 19. Discuss, approve or disapprove the listing of available organizations and/or programs, to present to attending Jurors, for possible Juror Donations as allowed by Government Code, Chapter 61.003, which includes the addition of The Well Rockport, allowing any said donations to supplement that program's normal budget. This organization qualifies per Texas Government Code, Chapter 61 (3) Alma Cartwright/Judge Garza

- 20. Discuss, approve or disapprove <u>appointing Darrell Siebert as the Aransas County Engineer</u>
 Commissioner Casterline
- 21. Discuss, approve or disapprove the appointment of Katherine Comeaux as the Aransas County Floodplain Administrator Darrell Seibert/Judge Garza
- 22. Discuss, approve, or disapprove the <u>Budget Line Items</u> Jacky Cockerham/Judge Garza
- 23. Discuss, approve, or disapprove <u>Accounts Payable and Payroll/Payroll Liabilities</u> Jacky Cockerham/Judge Garza

XI. REPORTS FROM COMMISSIONERS, ELECTED OFFICIALS, AND DEPARTMENT HEADS – NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN

At this time, Commissioners will provide reports or updates on committee assignments and Elected Officials and Department Heads may provide reports or updates related to advisory boards, fee reports, and more.

XII. REPORTS ABOUT ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST – NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN

At this time, Commissioners Court will receive reports and updates from Commissioners, County Judge, and County staff related to items of community interest such as: expressions of thanks, congratulations, or condolences; information regarding holiday schedules or closures; honorary or salutatory recognition of a public official, employee, or a citizen; reminders about upcoming events; reports on public events attended by Commissioners, County officials, and/or employees; and any announcement involving an emergency or imminent threat to public health and safety that arose after the posting of this Agenda.

XIII. CLOSED SESSION

- 24. Convene into a Closed Session to consult with counsel and receive legal advice about insurance matters related to Aransas County's projects and insurance claims from Hurricane Harvey, including the following pending litigation:
 - i. Aransas County Texas v. Endurance American Specialty Insurance Company, et al, Aransas County District Court Cause No. 23-0021; and
 - ii. Northstar Recovery Service, Inc. v. Aransas County Independent School District and Aransas County, Aransas County, District Court Cause No. 23-0066 consolidated with Northstar Recovery Services, Inc. v. HR&R, LLC, et al, Aransas County District Court Cause No. 20-0159; and
 - iii. Western Steel Company v T2J Partners, LLC DIE/A FPS Recovery, LLC and Aransas County, Texas; Cause No. 24-0072, in the 36th District Court of Aransas County, Texas; and

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- iv. Oldcastle Building Envelope, Inc. dba Graham Architectural Products v. Sharp Glass, LLC, et.al., Aransas County District Court Cause No. 24-0099; and
- v. *iWorQ Systems, Inc.*, a Utah Corporation v Aransas County, Texas Case No. 240100226, in the District Court of the First Judicial District County of Cache, Utah; and
- vi. Wendt Services, Inc. Public Information Act request.

pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Open Meetings Act, which authorizes closed sessions for a governmental body to consult with its attorney(s) regarding advice on legal matters pertaining to "Pending or Contemplated Litigation; or a Settlement Offer; or on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with" the Open Meetings Act –Amanda Oster/Adela Martinez/Judge Garza

XIV. OPEN SESSION

- 25. Reconvene into Open Session
- 26. Discuss, approve or disapprove taking action or issuing instructions to the County Attorney's Office to act on the County's behalf regarding any of the pending matters identified for Closed Session and authorizing County Attorney's Office to act accordingly Amanda Oster/Adela Martinez/Judge Garza

XV. ADJOURNMENT

CERTIFICATION

It is hereby affirmed that this **NOTICE OF MEETING and AGENDA** was duly posted at the Aransas County Courthouse at least seventy-two (72) hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting on enclosed bulletin boards outside of the Courthouse that are readily accessible to the general public twenty-four (24) hours each day and also on the Aransas County website, in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act and Texas Government Code §551.043.

Tracy Orr Smith, Executive Assistant

Aransas County Judge's Office

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AT 2:08 PM.

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