

**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

**AMENDED NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING AND AGENDA**

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Notice is hereby given that a **Regular Meeting** of the above named Commissioners Court will be held on the **25th DAY of MARCH, 2024 at 9:00 A.M. IN THE COMMISSIONERS COURTROOM IN THE ARANSAS COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 2840 HWY. 35 N., ROCKPORT, TEXAS, 78382.** 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. **To watch the meeting, visit:** here <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCTxprR-CFvaZfapOVcLeDWQ/live>. The following subjects will be discussed at this meeting:

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- 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. Discuss, approve or disapprove Proclamation P-05-2024, recognizing the month of April as Fair Housing Month – Judge Garza

2. Discuss, approve or disapprove Proclamation P-06-2024, recognizing Jerry and Tana Neel and Another Chance RFT – Judge Garza

## VII. CONSENT AGENDA

*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.*

3. Discuss, approve or disapprove the Minutes from the February 26, 2024 Regular Meeting – Misty Kimbrough/Judge Garza
4. Discuss, approve and disapprove allowing the Aransas County Public Library to apply for an HEB Grant of \$400 – Iris Sanchez/Judge Garza
5. Acknowledge receipt of and record in the minutes of Commissioners Court the County Judges and Commissioners Association of Texas - Commissioner's Education Transcript for Commissioner Leslie Casterline certifying that he has successfully completed the continuing education provisions of Article 81.0025 of the Texas Local Government Code – Commissioner Casterline
6. Acknowledge receipt of and record in the minutes of Commissioners Court the County Judges and Commissioners Association of Texas - Commissioner's Education Transcript for Commissioner Bob Dupnik certifying that he has successfully completed the continuing education provisions of Article 81.0025 of the Texas Local Government Code – Commissioner Dupnik
7. Acknowledge receipt of and record in the minutes of Commissioners Court the County Judges and Commissioners Association of Texas - Commissioner's Education Transcript for Commissioner Jack Chaney certifying that he has successfully completed the continuing education provisions of Article 81.0025 of the Texas Local Government Code – Commissioner Chaney
8. Request from Wings Over Rockport to Host Fundraiser Pancake Breakfast Event on March 30, 2024 at the Airport in coordination with the Airport Manager – Mike Geer/Judge Garza

## Donations

9. Discuss, approve, disapprove accepting a donation from Paul Norwood, Austin resident and Aransas County Airport user, of a 2005 Chevrolet Suburban valued at \$3000 for airport use as a crew car – Mike Geer/Judge Garza
10. Acknowledge and Accept Donations:
  - a) Anonymous donation of animal supplies in the estimated amount of \$200
  - b) Anonymous cash donation in the amount of \$109
  - c) Carmen Canto in the amount of \$100Caitlan Frazier/Judge Garza

## VIII. COUNTY REPORTS AND RESOLUTIONS

11. Review and discuss final report received from Dr. Zhanfei Lui of University of Texas Marine Science Institute (UTMSI) and Adrien Hilmy of Coastal Bend Bays and Estuaries Program (CBBEP) detailing available data collected and analyzed since the second interim report submitted in November 2023. This report will provide an update on continuing project activities relative to evaluating the chemical levels of soil and groundwater at several sites near the Port Bay/Sherwin Alumina tailings' ponds in Aransas County and their recommended proposal for future monitoring of the area – Commissioner Pat Rousseau

## IX. COUNTY ROADS AND FLOODPLAIN - None

## X. CONTRACTS AND GRANTS

12. Discuss, approve or disapprove to authorize the County Judge to sign a contract with Charlie Marshall for the transportation of bodies to autopsies and cremations and the transportation of paupers – Judge Garza
13. Discuss, approve or disapprove the Copano Cove Ranch Acquisition project for funding Contract No. 24-099-001-E379 through the Coastal Management Program Cycle 29 Gulf of Mexico Energy Security Act (GOMESA) and authorize the County Judge to execute the necessary documents – Katherine Comeaux/Judge Garza
14. Discuss, approve or disapprove accepting the bid and awarding the Brush Grinding Services contract for Environment Health and the Transfer Station to Greenbelt Turf Management LLC and authorizing County Judge to sign necessary documents – Anthony Van Meter/Judge Garza
15. Discuss, approve or disapprove a rental contract with UniFirst for uniforms through the BuyBoard purchasing C0-Op agreement and authorizing the County Judge to sign all necessary documents – David Reid/Anthony Van Meter/Judge Garza
16. Discuss, approve or disapprove to authorize the County Judge to sign the professional engineering services proposal with Waterscape Consultants, Inc. for the infrastructure design of the Community Center Celebration Plaza bronze sculpture – Elle Moralez/Judge Garza
17. Discuss, approve or disapprove the renewal of the Interlocal Cooperation Contract (ICC) for the Failure to Appear (FTA) Program – Misty Kimbrough/Judge Garza
18. Discuss, approve or disapprove Lone Star Strategy Group, LLC to apply for the Defense Community Infrastructure Program (DCIP) Grant – Mike Geer/Judge Garza
19. Discuss, approve or disapprove Resolution R-09-2024, a Resolution to support the Defense Community Infrastructure Program (DCIP) Grant – Mike Geer/Judge Garza
20. Discuss, approve or disapprove publishing a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for design-build services for Airport improvements – Mike Geer/Judge Garza

21. Discuss, approve or disapprove authorizing the County Judge to sign a one (1) year contract with four (4) automatic renewals with Campbell Oil for wholesale aviation fuel supply at the airport – Mike Geer/Judge Garza
22. Discuss, approve or disapprove a contract renewal with Ceres Environmental Services, Inc. for Disaster Emergency Response. Aransas County and Ceres Environmental Services, Inc. entered into an agreement in July 11, 2022 for a term of one year with four (4) one year renewal options and last year Aransas County chose to extend this Contract for the first of the four (4) consecutive twelve (12) month renewal periods, based on the terms and conditions in the contract. We are requesting approval to exercise the second, one year renewal option to begin July 01, 2024 through June 30, 2025, unless renewed – Mike Geer/Judge Garza
23. Discuss, approve or disapprove a contract renewal with Garner Environmental Services, Inc. for Disaster Emergency Response. Aransas County and Garner Environmental Services, Inc. entered into an agreement in July 2022 for a term of one year with four (4) one year renewal options and last year Aransas County chose to extend this Contract for the first of the four (4) consecutive twelve (12) month renewal periods, based on the terms and conditions in the contract. We are requesting approval to exercise the second, one year renewal option to begin July 01, 2024 through June 30, 2025, unless renewed – Mike Geer/Judge Garza
24. Discuss, approve or disapprove allowing the airport manager to seek Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for engineering and design services for the airport pavement project which will be funded through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) Grant – Mike Geer/Judge Garza
25. Discuss, approve or disapprove a contact renewal with Thompson Consulting Services, Inc. for Monitoring Services Related to Debris Removal and Disposal. Aransas County and Thompson Consulting Services, Inc. entered into an agreement on June 13, 2022 for a term of one year with four (4) one-year renewal options and last year Aransas County chose to extend this Contact for the first of the four (4) consecutive twelve (12) month renewal periods, based on the terms and conditions in the contract. We are requesting approval to exercise the second, one year renewal option to begin June 13, 2024 through June 12, 2025, unless renewed – Mike Geer/Judge Garza
26. Discuss, approve or disapprove a contract renewal with Crowder Gulf, LLC for Disaster Debris Management, Debris Removal, and Debris Disposal Services. Aransas County and Crowder Gulf, LLC entered into an agreement on June 13, 2022 for a term of one year with four (4) one year renewal options and last year Aransas County chose to extend the Contract for the first of the four (4) consecutive twelve (12) month renewal periods, based on the terms and conditions in the contract. We are requesting approval to exercise the second, one year renewal option to begin June 13, 2024 through June 12, 2025, unless renewed – Mike Geer/Judge Garza

27. Discuss, approve or disapprove Change Order #17 from Teal Construction for the following change: **CRP 82.2 – Install Spray Foam Insulation in Attic** - furnish and install Carlisle spray foam insulation in the attic cavity above Courthouse second floor concrete deck; insulation will be applied to achieve R-38 insulation value; the concrete deck will be prepped by insulation contractor – ADD \$87,318.00 and Nine (9) Days – Elle Morales/Judge Garza

#### **XI. PLANNING AND BUDGET**

28. Discuss, approve or disapprove the December 2023 Treasurer’s Report – Alma Cartwright/Judge Garza
29. Discuss, approve or disapprove the January 2024 Treasurer’s Report – Alma Cartwright/Judge Garza
30. Discuss, approve or disapprove the February 2024 Treasurer’s Report – Alma Cartwright/Judge Garza
31. Discuss, approve or disapprove the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Aransas County Treasurer’s Investment Report – Alma Cartwright/Judge Garza
32. Discuss, approve or disapprove the December 2023 Auditor’s Monthly Report – Jacky Cockerham/Judge Garza
33. Discuss, approve or disapprove the January 2024 Auditor’s Monthly Report – Jacky Cockerham/Judge Garza
34. Discuss, approve or disapprove the Budget Line Item – Jacky Cockerham/Judge Garza
35. Discuss, approve or disapprove Accounts Payable and Payroll/Payroll Liabilities – Jacky Cockerham/Judge Garza

#### **XII. 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.*

#### **XIII. 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.

**XIV. CLOSED SESSION**

36. 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

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/Judge Garza

**XV. OPEN SESSION**


37. Reconvene into Open Session

38. Discuss and take action on matters discussed in closed session – Amanda Oster/Judge Garza

**XVI. 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  
Tel: 361-790-0100

**FILED FOR RECORD**  
AT 4:58 P.M.

**MAR 21 2024**

**MISTY KIMBROUGH**  
COUNTY CLERK, ARANSAS CO., TEXAS  
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