

**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**

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Notice is hereby given that a **Regular Meeting** of the above named Commissioners Court will be held on the **5th DAY of AUGUST, 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.*

## **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.*

1. Discuss, approve or disapprove the Minutes from the July 22, 2024 Regular Meeting – Misty Kimbrough/Judge Garza
2. Discuss, approve or disapprove the Minutes from the July 31, 2024 Special Meeting – Misty Kimbrough/Judge Garza
3. Discuss, approve or disapprove the Proposed Aransas County Official Holiday Schedule for 2025 – Judge Garza
4. Discuss, approve or disapprove the Proposed Aransas County Transfer Station Official Holiday Schedule for 2025 – Judge Garza
5. Acknowledge receipt of and record in the minutes of Commissioners Court the V.G. Young Institute of County Government Certificate of Completion for Commissioner Pat Rousseau certifying that she has successfully completed 13 hours of Educational Training during the South Texas County Judges and Commissioners Annual Conference according to the continuing education provisions of Article 81.0025 of the Texas Local Government Code – Commissioner Pat Rousseau
6. Acknowledge receipt of and record in the minutes of Commissioners Court the V.G. Young Institute of County Government Certificate of Completion for Commissioner Bob Dupnik certifying that he has successfully completed 13 hours of Educational Training during the South Texas County Judges and Commissioners Annual Conference according to the continuing education provisions of Article 81.0025 of the Texas Local Government Code – Commissioner Bob Dupnik

## **VIII. COUNTY REPORTS AND RESOLUTIONS**

7. Discuss, approve or disapprove Order #O-16-2024, an Order of Election for November 2024 – Kevin Stroud/Judge Garza
8. Discuss, approve or disapprove Order #O-17-2024, an Order of Appointment of Judges and Alternates, for a one-year term to begin September 1, 2024 – Kevin Stroud/Judge Garza
9. Discuss, approve or disapprove the Texas Maritime Museum Report for 2nd Quarter 2024 – Ashley Pieprzyca
10. Discuss, approve or disapprove the Rockport Cultural Arts District 2nd Quarter Report for 2024 – Jennifer Day/Judge Garza

## **IX. COUNTY ROADS AND FLOODPLAIN – NONE**

## X. CONTRACTS AND GRANTS

11. Discuss, approve or disapprove Animal Care Service's request to seek and apply for grants – Caitlan Frazier/Judge Garza
12. Discuss, approve or disapprove entering into a Contract with Kofile for Digital Imaging and Preservation of Records in the amount of \$409,411.95 – Pam Heard/Judge Garza
13. Discuss, approve or disapprove to surplus seven large Official Public Records Book shelves and sale for scrap metal – Misty Kimbrough/Judge Garza
14. Discuss, approve or disapprove authorizing the County Judge to sign the necessary documents to commence monitoring of the fire alarm system at the new community center; monitoring services will be provided by Everon (formerly ADT Commercial) in order to comply with relevant building codes; the estimated monthly fee for this service is \$94 – Elle Moralez/Collin Jackson/Judge Garza
15. Discuss, approve or disapprove authorizing Judge Garza to enter into negotiations for leases for the relocation of various County Offices to various locations at the Harbor Oaks Shopping Center and the Live Oak Plaza Shopping Center – Adela Martinez/Judge Garza
16. Discuss, approve or disapprove administrative changes made to the Bayshore Drive TCEQ (Texas Commission on Environmental Quality) RESTORE ACT grant contract #582-21-22184, and authorize the County Judge to sign Workplan Amendment #04; this amendment realigns the budget categories of grant management, architect and engineering and construction sequences listed in the financial management's estimated budget section of the project Workplan; this amendment does not make any changes to the total project awarded grant funding – Jacky Cockerham/Judge Garza
17. Discuss, approve or disapprove Amendment No. 1 of the Copano Cove Ranch Acquisition Project, General Land Office (GLO) Contract No. 24-099-005-E379, correcting 4.10 of the contract from "is not authorized" to "is authorized" to reflect that this project is eligible for the procurement of real property under the Project of Special Merit program - Judge Garza
18. Discuss, approve or disapprove accepting and approving as-built drawings for the Aransas County Transfer Station's Mechanic Shop Project funded by Aransas County and authorize the County Judge to sign a letter of as-built approval – Elle Moralez/Jacky Cockerham/Judge Garza
19. Discuss, approve or disapprove accepting the Aransas County Transfer Station's Mechanic Shop Project funded by Aransas County as complete and authorize the County Judge to sign a Certificate of Construction Completion (CoCC) – Elle Moralez/Jacky Cockerham/Judge Garza
20. Discuss, approve or disapprove accepting and approving as-built drawings for Aransas County ARPA Standby Diesel Generator Installation Project funds by the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) and authorize County Judge to sign a letter of as-built approval – Elle Moralez/Jacky Cockerham/Judge Garza

21. Discuss, approve or disapprove accepting the Aransas County ARPA Standby Diesel Generator Installation Project funded by the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) as complete and authorize the County Judge to sign a Certification of Construction Completion (CoCC)– Elle Moralez/Jacky Cockerham/Judge Garza

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

22. Discuss, approve or disapprove the Aransas County Indigent Health Care Report for July 2024 – Alma Cartwright/Judge Garza
23. Discuss, approve or disapprove the June 2024 Treasurer’s Report – Alma Cartwright/Judge Garza
24. Discuss, approve or disapprove the 2nd Quarter Aransas County Treasurer’s Investment Report – Alma Cartwright/Judge Garza
25. Discuss, approve or disapprove the selection of Option A – No Change on the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles (TxDMV) Imposition of Optional Fees form, a fee imposed under Transportation code, *Section 502.403*, on local vehicle registrations that is used for the provision of child safety measures in Aransas County, where Aransas County will change the same fee, \$1.50 Child Safety Fee and a \$10 Road and Bridge Fee, for calendar year 2025 – Anna Marshall/Judge Garza
26. Discuss, approve or disapprove the Budget Line Items – Jacky Cockerham/Judge Garza
27. 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**

28. Convene into a Closed Session to consult with counsel and receive legal advice about proposed leases for the relocation of the Temporary Aransas County Courthouse, Teal

Construction Company's formal request for mediation, and 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 36<sup>th</sup> District Court of Aransas County, Texas;*

pursuant to Section 551.072 of the Texas Open Meetings Act, which authorizes closed sessions for a governmental body to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property, and Section 551.071 of the Texas Open Meeting 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 C. Martinez/Judge Garza

**XV. OPEN SESSION**

- 29. Reconvene into Open Session
- 30. Discuss and take action on matters discussed in closed session – Amanda Oster/Adela C. Martinez/Judge Garza

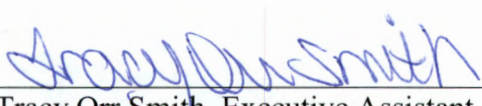
**XVI. ADJOURNMENT**

**FILED FOR RECORD**  
AT 8:36 A.M.

AUG 02 2024  
Posted 8:46 AM  
MISTY KIMBROUGH  
COUNTY CLERK, ARANSAS CO., TEXAS

**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.

  
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