## 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>19th DAY of AUGUST, 2024</u> at <u>9:00 A.M.</u> <u>IN THE COMMISSIONERS</u> <u>COURTROOM IN THE ARANSAS COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 2840 HWY. 35 N.,</u> <u>ROCKPORT, TEXAS, 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. **To watch the meeting, visit:** here <u>https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCTxprR-CFvaZfapOVcLeDWQ/live</u>. 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. Presentation on the June 2024 Aransas Pathways Strategic Plan Update – Rich Connell/Judge Garza

#### VII. CONSENT AGENDA

Regular Meeting Agenda for August 19, 2024 Aransas County Commissioners Court

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 <u>Minutes</u> from the August 5, 2024 Budget Workshop Meeting Misty Kimbrough/Judge Garza
- 3. Discuss, approve or disapprove the <u>Minutes</u> from the August 6, 2024 Budget Workshop Meeting Misty Kimbrough/Judge Garza
- 4. Discuss, approve or disapprove the <u>Minutes</u> from the August 9, 2024 Special Meeting Misty Kimbrough/Judge Garza
- 5. Discuss, approve or disapprove the <u>Minutes</u> from the August 12, 2024 Regular Meeting Misty Kimbrough/Judge Garza

#### VIII. COUNTY REPORTS AND RESOLUTIONS

 Discuss, approve, or disapprove the <u>2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2024 Report for the Friends of the Fulton</u> <u>Mansion</u> – Jane Hill/Judge Garza

#### IX. COUNTY ROADS AND FLOODPLAIN - NONE

#### X. CONTRACTS AND GRANTS

- 7. Discuss, approve or disapprove <u>authorizing County Judge to sign various lease agreements</u> for the Live Oak Plaza Shopping Center for the relocation of the various elected and <u>appointed County Offices</u> – Adela Martinez/Judge Garza
- 8. Discuss, approve or disapprove <u>authorizing County Judge to sign a lease agreement for the Harbor Oaks Shopping Center for the relocation of the various elected and appointed County Offices</u> Adela Martinez/Judge Garza
- 9. Discuss, approve or disapprove <u>awarding a contract for the Compensation Study to</u> <u>Evergreen Solutions, LLC and authorize the County Judge to execute all necessary</u> <u>documents</u> – Desiree Upton/Judge Garza
- 10. Discuss, approve or disapprove <u>the Grant Management Plan for Aransas County's Local</u> <u>Hazard Mitigation Grant Plan Program application to the Texas General Land Office</u> – Katherine Comeaux/Judge Garza

#### XI. PLANNING AND BUDGET

11. Draw <u>names to select and announce members of the Salary Grievance Committee,</u> <u>including alternate members</u>, as required by Section 152.014 of the Local Government Code – Misty Kimbrough/Judge Garza

- Adopt <u>the list of Public Members Names and Alternates</u> for Salary Grievance Committee in accordance with 152.015 of Local Government Code Discuss – Misty Kimbrough/Judge Garza
- Discuss and <u>set the Public Hearing for the Salary Grievance</u> for Friday, August 23, 2024 at 9:00am in the Commissioners Courtroom – Misty Kimbrough/Judge Garza
- 14. Discuss, approve or disapprove <u>adding a Temporary Kennel Technician position</u> Caitlan Frazier/Desiree Upton/Judge Garza
- 15. Discuss, approve, or disapprove the <u>Budget Line Items</u> Jacky Cockerham/Judge Garza
- 16. Discuss, approve, or disapprove <u>Accounts Payable and Payroll/Payroll Liabilities</u> 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

17. 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 Regular Meeting Agenda for August 19, 2024 Aransas County Commissioners Court

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 551.071 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**

- 18. Reconvene into Open Session
- 19. 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.

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