

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 **28th DAY of OCTOBER, 2024 at 9:00 A.M. IN THE COUNTY COURT AT LAW COURTROOM IN THE ARANSAS COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 2718 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:

- 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. Recognize the Rockport-Fulton High School ROTC's contribution to helping demo the County Courthouse located at 2840 Hwy 35 N – Elle Morales/Judge Garza

2. Discuss and approve Proclamation P-22-2024, recognizing October 28th as Aaron Guererro Day in Aransas County – Emily Guerrero/Judge Garza
3. Discuss and approve Proclamation P-23-2024, recognizing the week of November 1-8, 2024 as Aransas County Arbor Week – Debbie Griffith/Judge Garza
4. Discuss and approve Proclamation P-24-2024, recognizing November 11, 2024 as Sergeant Cesar Peralta Day – 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.

5. Discuss, approve or disapprove the Minutes from the October 14, 2024 Regular Meeting – Misty Kimbrough/Judge Garza

VIII. COUNTY REPORTS AND RESOLUTIONS

6. Discuss, approve, or disapprove the 2024 3rd Quarter Report for the Texas Maritime Museum – Ashley Pieprzyca/Judge Garza
7. Acknowledge and accept the 2024 3rd Quarter Report for the Friends of the History Center – Pam Stranahan/Judge Garza
8. Discuss, approve or disapprove Resolution R-25-2024, changing the authorized representative for the Logic Investment Pool – Alma Cartwright/Judge Garza
9. Discuss, approve or disapprove Resolution R-26-2024, changing the authorized representative for the TexPool Prime Investment Pool – Alma Cartwright/Judge Garza

IX. COUNTY ROADS AND FLOODPLAIN

10. Discuss, approve or disapprove a request for variance on the minimum elevation required at 113 & 115 Dockside Drive – Katherine Comeaux/Judge Garza

X. CONTRACTS AND GRANTS

11. Discuss, approve or disapprove authorizing Environmental Health to seek bids for 2025 Mosquito Control Chemicals – Anthony Van Meter/Judge Garza
12. Discuss, approve, or disapprove authorizing Environmental Health to seek bids for 2025 Brush Grinding Contract – Anthony Van Meter/Judge Garza

13. Discuss, approve or disapprove authorizing County Judge to execute a Contract Amendment with Tyler Technologies to amend the Tyler Technology's Enterprise Jury Management Software Contract originally executed on January 10, 2024 in order to increase our Enterprise Jury Text Message service limit from 10,000 messages to 25,000 messages per year, and increase the cost of this portion of the service from \$1,200.00 to \$2,500.00 – Pam Heard/Collin Jackson/Judge Garza
14. Discuss, approve or disapprove the purchase of a 2025 Chevrolet 2500HD for the amount of \$52,599, and authorize County Judge to execute necessary documents – Blake Brown/David Reid/Judge Garza
15. Discuss, approve or disapprove selecting H2O Partners to update the Aransas County Hazard Mitigation Plan with Local Hazard Mitigation Planning Program funds and authorizing the County Judge to execute the necessary documents – Kat Comeaux/Judge Garza

XI. PLANNING AND BUDGET

16. Discuss, approve, or disapprove the September 2024 Treasurer's Report – Alma Cartwright/Judge Garza
17. Discuss, approve or disapprove the 3rd Quarter Aransas County Treasurer's Investment Report – Alma Cartwright/Judge Garza
18. Discuss, approve or disapprove the Revised Procurement Policy – Jacky Cockerham/Judge Garza
19. Discuss, approve, or disapprove the Budget Line Items - Jacky Cockerham/Judge Garza
20. 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

21. Convene into a Closed Session to consult with counsel and receive legal advice about pending or contemplated litigation or other attorney-client privileged matters, including insurance matters related to Aransas County's projects and insurance claims from Hurricane Harvey, various contract disputes, and the Wendt Services, Inc. Public Information Act Request:

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

iv. *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

v. Report on the status of the formal alternative dispute resolution occurring between the County and Teal Construction Company for the Downtown Anchor Project, regarding the various pending matters as noticed for the September 23, 2024, Regular Meeting Closed Session, including but not limited to, contemplated litigation, alternative dispute resolution, termination of the contract, changes to the scope of work, and various requested and proposed contract amendments to the Contract Sum and Contract Time; and

vi. Proposed contract negotiations between County and VG Architects regarding the Aquarium project, including possible alternative dispute resolution, termination of the contract for convenience or cause, and/or extensions of Contract Time or renegotiation of the Contract Sum; and

vii. 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

XV. OPEN SESSION

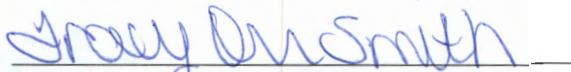
22. Reconvene into Open Session

- a. Discuss, approve or disapprove authorizing the County Attorney's Office to take formal legal action on the contract with VG Architects, including termination of the contract for convenience or cause, alternative dispute resolution, and/or adjustments to the Contract Time of the Contract Sum – Amanda Oster/Adela Martinez
- b. Discuss, approve or disapprove taking action or issuing instructions to the County Attorney's Office to act on the County's behalf regarding the pending matters between the County and Teal Construction Company for the Downtown Anchor Project and authorizing County Attorney's Office to act accordingly – Amanda Oster/Adela Martinez
- c. Discuss, approve or disapprove taking action, issuing orders, if any, or issuing instructions to the County Attorney's Office to act on the County's behalf regarding the Wendt Services, Inc. Public Information Act request and authorizing the County Attorney's Office to act accordingly – Amanda Oster/Adela Martinez

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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