

REGULAR MEETING - JUNE 9, 2021

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this the 9th day of June, A.D., 2021, there was begun and held a REGULAR MEETING of the Honorable Commissioners Court of Nueces County, Texas, wherein the following members thereof were present, to-wit:

BARBARA CANALES	COUNTY JUDGE
ROBERTO G. HERNANDEZ	COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 1
JOE A. GONZALEZ	COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 2
JOHN MAREZ	COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 3
BRENT CHESNEY	COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 4

and KARA SANDS, COUNTY CLERK of Nueces County, Texas, wherein the following proceedings were had, to-wit:

1. CALL TO ORDER

- A.** Joe De La Paz of Duke it Out Boxing Club led the Invocation.
- B.** The Court led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America and Texas Flags.
- C.** County Judge Canales called the Regular Meeting to order at 9:13 a.m. and certified that a quorum was present. The meeting was held in the Commissioners Courtroom located at 901 Leopard Street on the 3rd floor of the Nueces County Courthouse.
- D.** Safety Briefing was given by Rebecca Ramirez, Emergency and Risk Management Specialist.
- E.** **PUBLIC COMMENT:** Was given by Ram Chavez, Becky Moeller, Elaine Jones, Heriberto "Herbie" Garza, Anna Garcia, Lynn Allison, Emily Delgado, Scott Cross, Chris Hoover, Maria Bedia, Larry Elizondo and County Judge Barbara Canales.
- F.** Adopt the following Resolution(s), Proclamation(s), and/or Order(s):
 - 1.** The Court adopted a resolution in recognition of Joe Gazin's outstanding career in South Texas.

Motion by: Commissioner Chesney, Second by: Commissioner Gonzalez
Vote: 5 - 0 Approved
 - 2.** The Court adopted a resolution in recognition of Troivonie Garcia from Duke It Out Boxing Club being ranked #5 in the Nation.

Motion by: County Judge Canales, Second by: Commissioner Gonzalez
Vote: 5 - 0 Approved

3. The Court adopted a resolution in recognition of the Calallen High School Ladycats soccer team for their successful season.

Motion by: Commissioner Chesney, Second by: Commissioner Hernandez

Vote: 5 - 0 Approved

4. The Court adopted a resolution in recognition of the month of June 2021 as Elder Abuse Awareness Month.

Motion by: Commissioner Chesney, Second by: Commissioner Gonzalez

Vote: 5 - 0 Approved

5. The Court adopted a resolution in honor of fallen Veterans-Memorial Day 2021.

Motion by: County Judge Canales, Second by: Commissioner Gonzalez

Vote: 5 - 0 Approved

6. The Court adopted a resolution in recognition of the 2021 Juneteenth for the Crest Festival.

Motion by: County Judge Canales, Second by: Commissioner Hernandez

Vote: 5 - 0 Approved

G. GENERAL INFORMATION REPORTS:

1. County Judge Canales gave an update on COVID-19 response, plans for COVID-19 testing, vaccinations, and alternative care sites.
2. County Judge Canales gave an update on Hurricane and Tropical Storm recovery, including items related to Bob Hall Pier, parking lots, roads, drainage, debris removal, other infrastructure.
3. County Judge Canales gave an update on Severe Winter Storm Weather Recovery, Disaster Declarations, Utility, Electricity, and Water Supply.
4. County Judge Canales gave an update on May 2021 Flooding and Rain Events recovery. Comments made by LJ Francis, Chairman of the Nueces Regional Flood Planning Group.

H. Accept the following Minutes:

1. The Court accepted the minutes from May 19, 2021, May 21, 2021, and May 25, 2021.

Motion by: Commissioner Chesney, Second by: Commissioner Hernandez

Vote: 5 - 0 Approved

I. BOARD APPOINTMENTS:

1. The Court tabled the appointment to the South Texas Water Authority Board until June 23, 2021.

Motion by: Commissioner Chesney, Second by: County Judge Canales

2. The Court tabled the appointment to the Coastal Bend Workforce Development Board until June 23, 2021.

Motion by: County Judge Canales, Second by: Commissioner Marez

2. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

Motion by: Commissioner Chesney, Second by: Commissioner Gonzalez

Motion: Approve Consent Agenda Items A-B, D-H, J-P and R-U.

Vote: 5 - 0 Approved

- A. The Court authorized payment of bills - regular bill summaries dated May 14, 2021, May 21, 2021, and May 28, 2021.

- B. The Court authorized payment of bills - manual check registers dated May 11, 2021, to May 31, 2021.

- C. The Court authorized payment of bills - special motions list dated June 09, 2021.

Motion by: Commissioner Chesney, Second by: Commissioner Gonzalez

Motion: Pass the amended list.

Vote: 5 - 0 Approved

- D. The Court authorized payment of bills - group health insurance claims and fees by Boon Chapman for the month of May 2021.

- E. The Court accepted FY 2019-2020 Outside Agency Report from Corpus Christi Fraternal Order of Police-Lodge #27.

- F. The Court approved the following "Outside Agency" Contracts for FY 2020-2021:

1. Brooks Chapel A.M.E. Worship Center - Commissioner Pct. 1 - \$800
2. Corpus Christi Fraternal Order of Police-Lodge #27 - Total - \$2,200
Commissioner Pct. 1 - \$700; Commissioner Pct. 2 - \$1,500

- G. The Court ratified Amendment No. 2 - Extension to Communications Site License Agreement with Texas Parks and Wildlife Department allowing placement of communications equipment at the Nueces County Courthouse; rescinded Interlocal Cooperation License Agreement with Texas Parks and Wildlife Department related to the placement of communications equipment at the Nueces County Courthouse as approved on May 19, 2021; and approved updated Interlocal Cooperation License Agreement with Texas Parks and Wildlife Department related to the placement of communications equipment at the Nueces County Courthouse.

H. The Court authorized execution of agreement with Inmate Calling Solutions, LLC dba ICSolutions for RFP No. 3147-20 Inmate Telephone and Public Coin Telephone Services.

I. The Court ratified emergency purchase with Kocurek Land Improvement, Inc. for water deliveries to local hospitals in response to Winter Storm Uri event.

Motion by: Commissioner Chesney, Second by: Commissioner Gonzalez

Vote: 5 - 0 Approved

J. The Court approved method of procurement (request for proposals) for Grant Application Development, Grant Administration, and Project Management for Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Competitive Grants; authorized the Purchasing Agent to publish a notice; and adopted an order delegating evaluation authority to a selection committee.

K. The Court authorized execution of agreement with L & H Farms, LLC for RFP No. 3157-21 Richard M. Borchard Regional Fairgrounds Farm Lease.

L. The Court authorized execution of agreement with Sec-Ops, Inc. for RFP No. 3158-21 Security Services for Courthouse, Juvenile Justice Center and Keach Library.

M. The Court authorized a BuyBoard Contract No. 603-20 purchase from PROFORCE Law Enforcement of firearms for two (2) pistols and accessories for Fire Marshal's office.

N. The Court authorized a BuyBoard Contract No. 603-20 purchase with GT Distributors, Inc. for two (2) new rifles and accessories for Fire Marshal's office.

O. The Court authorized a BuyBoard State Contract No. 629-20 purchase from Thin Line Upfitters, LLC for standard emergency equipment for FY2020-2021 law enforcement fleet vehicles.

P. The Court authorized Texas DIR-TSO-3763 State Contract purchase from Dell Marketing LP for law enforcement in-car computers, routers, mounting equipment and accessories for FY2020-21 fleet vehicles.

Q. The Court ratified emergency purchase with SpawGlass for generator rental and water deliveries in response to Winter Storm Uri event.

Motion by: Commissioner Chesney, Second by: Commissioner Gonzalez

Vote: 5 - 0 Approved

R. The Court authorized execution of agreement with Jacobs Engineering, LLC for RFQ No. 3161-21 Engineering Services for Bob Hall Pier Marine Debris Removal and Demolition.

S. The Court authorized execution of agreement with Lockwood, Andrews and Newnam, Inc. for RFQ No. 3156-21 Engineering Services for Bob Hall Pier Parking Lot Reconstruction.

- T. The Court approved execution of purchase via Goodbuy EZIQC Contract No. 20-231 7GCJOC2 with Barcom Construction, Inc. for ADA Improvements at the Robstown Community Center.
- U. The Court ratified agreement with Ron Hoover RV & Marine Center of Corpus Christi for loan of travel trailer to Coastal Parks for housing Peregrine Foundation scientists working on the Aplomado Falcon project.

3. REGULAR AGENDA:

A. AGENDA ITEMS

- 1. The Court received an update from Tyner Little, Commissioners Court Manager, on Texas Supreme Court Orders related to COVID-19.
- 2. The Court tabled the update from Coastal Parks on the progress of the I.B. Magee Multipurpose Building and associated known cost overruns and those yet to be determined until June 23, 2021.

Motion by: Commissioner Chesney, Second by: Commissioner Gonzalez

- 3. The Court selected Terracon Consultants for specialized testing for the I.B. Magee Multipurpose Building and approved a professional services contract.

Motion by: Commissioner Chesney, Second by: Commissioner Gonzalez

Vote: 5 - 0 Approved

- 4. The Court approved Change Order No. 2 from Geofill Construction for the Horace Caldwell Pier Observation Deck.

Motion by: Commissioner Chesney, Second by: County Judge Canales

Vote: 5 - 0 Approved

- 5. The Court received a presentation from Eddie Martinez, RTA Chairman, and Jorge Cruz, CEO of the Corpus Christi Regional Transportation Authority (CCRTA) on the "Year in Review" and upcoming projects.

- 6. The Court approved an Office Lease Agreement between Nueces County and the Corpus Christi Regional Transportation Authority for continued housing of the County Human Services Office and the County Veterans Service Office in the RTA Staples Street Service Center, and related matters.

Motion by: Commissioner Chesney, Second by: Commissioner Gonzalez

Motion: Agree to a 2-year lease with 3, one year extensions.

Vote: 5 - 0 Approved

7. The Court approved a funding source for Supplemental Agreement between Global Spectrum, L.P., d/b/a Spectra Venue Management regarding management of Nueces County Regional Fairgrounds relating to Innovate Readiness Training mission operations.

Motion by: Commissioner Hernandez, Second by: Commissioner Marez

Vote: 5 - 0 Approved

8. The Court tabled the presentation on the Hazel Bazemore Dog Park until June 23, 2021.

Motion by: Commissioner Hernandez, Second by: Commissioner Marez

9. The Court authorized GSA Contract No. GS-35F-275AA purchase with KOFILE Technologies, Inc. for the conversion of jacketed microfilm of Child Support Payment History to digital images and the archival digitization for Sealed Adoptions for the Nueces County District Clerk's Office.

Motion by: Commissioner Chesney, Second by: County Judge Canales

Vote: 5 - 0 Approved

10. The Court initiated real property search for alternate county records warehouse site; selected Timothy Everest and Darrell Earwood as county representatives to perform search.

Motion by: County Judge Canales, Second by: Commissioner Gonzalez

Vote: 5 - 0 Approved

11. The Court received an update from Peter Collins, CIO for the City of Corpus Christi, on the purchase of additional electronic data storage for the District Attorney's office.

12. The Court approved the changes to the Nueces County Investment Policy.

Motion by: County Judge Canales, Second by: Commissioner Hernandez

Vote: 5 - 0 Approved

13. The Court approved a Supplemental Agreement with Pruitt Consulting, Inc. for continuation of services as Independent Licensed Architect (ILA), in accordance with the U.S. Department of Justice ADA Settlement Agreement for Project Civic Access.

Motion by: Commissioner Gonzalez, Second by: County Judge Canales

Vote: 5 - 0 Approved

14. The Court approved a procurement method (request for qualifications) for legal counsel to assist with redistricting process in Nueces County; authorized the County Purchasing Agent to publish a notice; and adopted an order delegating evaluation authority to a selection committee.

Motion by: Commissioner Chesney, Second by: Commissioner Gonzalez

Vote: 5 - 0 Approved

15. The Court approved an agreement between Nueces County and Coastal Bend Air Quality Partnership for services related to protection of the coastal bend air quality and related matters.

Motion by: Commissioner Chesney, Second by: Commissioner Gonzalez

Vote: 5 - 0 Approved

16. The Court tabled the approval of Facilities Sales Agreement with AEP Texas related to County Courthouse Generator Project; and the Facilities Sales Agreement with AEP Texas related to County Jail Annex generator project until June 23, 2021.

Motion by: Commissioner Marez, Second by: Commissioner Hernandez

17. The Court approved overtime pursuant to County policy for essential exempt employees during declared disasters as it relates to COVID-19, and storm preparedness and response; severe weather preparedness and response; in addition, authorized payment of overtime to essential exempt City County Health District Employees. Commissioner Chesney abstained.

Motion by: Commissioner Marez, Second by: Commissioner Hernandez

Vote: 4 - 0 Approved

B. GRANTS

1. The Court received an update from Susan Roth on the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) Flood Infrastructure Fund (FIF) Regional Drainage Master Plan Study project and authorized the execution of related grant award documents once they are received.

Motion by: County Judge Canales, Second by: Commissioner Marez

Vote: 5 - 0 Approved

2. The Court approved an application to the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs for the Nueces County Family Drug Court program.

Motion by: Commissioner Gonzalez, Second by: Commissioner Chesney

Vote: 5 - 0 Approved

3. The Court authorized staff to work with City of Corpus Christi regarding administration of Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP) funds.

Motion by: Commissioner Chesney, Second by: County Judge Canales

Vote: 5 - 0 Approved

C. PUBLIC WORKS

1. The Court approved Change Order No. 1 for the Nueces County Roadway Rehabilitation Projects County Road 22 and County Road 49.

Motion by: Commissioner Chesney, Second by: County Judge Canales

Vote: 5 - 0 Approved

2. The Court approved Change Order No. 1 for the ABM Energy Savings Performance Agreement.

Motion by: Commissioner Marez, Second by: Commissioner Gonzalez

Vote: 5 - 0 Approved

D. PURCHASING

1. The Court authorized the lease of fifty-five (55) fleet vehicles from Enterprise Fleet Management, Inc.

Motion by: Commissioner Chesney, Second by: County Judge Canales

Vote: 5 - 0 Approved

E. AUDITOR

1. The Court approved the Monthly Financial Report for the month of February 2021.

Motion by: Commissioner Marez, Second by: County Judge Canales

Vote: 5 - 0 Approved

2. The Court approved Budget Change Order No. 14 for Fiscal Year 2020-2021.

Motion by: Commissioner Gonzalez, Second by: Commissioner Hernandez

Vote: 5 - 0 Approved

3. The Court approved Capital Project Budget Change Order No. 97.

Motion by: Commissioner Marez, Second by: Commissioner Chesney

Vote: 5 - 0 Approved

F. HUMAN RESOURCES

1. The Court tabled creating a new position, Public Information Officer (PIO), Pay Group 28, in Department #1121, Commissioners Court Management Support until June 23, 2021.


Motion by: Commissioner Chesney, Second by: Commissioner Gonzalez

4. **EXECUTIVE SESSION:** The Court convened into Executive Session at 4:33 p.m. and reconvened into Regular Session at 5:54 p.m.
 - A. The Court consulted with the County Attorney regarding legal matters concerning program management of Hilltop Community Center capital improvement project.
 - B. The Court consulted with the County Attorney regarding legal matters related to the Lockwood, Andrews and Newnam, Inc. Program Management Services agreement.
 - C. The Court consulted with the County Attorney regarding legal matters concerning billing related to Hilltop Community Center and Hazel Bazemore Dog Park.

The Court was adjourned at 6:01 p.m. in memory of Barbara Behrens, Natalia Vasquez, Elwin Martin, Allie Johnson, Dick McCracken and Cris Lee Hall.

There being no further business to come before the Court, it is ordered that this meeting does now stand adjourned, this the 9th day of June, 2021.

I, Kara Sands, County Clerk of Nueces County and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Commissioners Court, do certify that the following Regular Meeting Minutes for June 9, 2021 are a true and correct record of the proceedings.



Kara Sands, County Clerk
and Ex-Officio Clerk of the
Commissioners Court of Nueces County, Texas

