

**EL PASO COUNTY  
COMMISSIONERS COURT**

**CARLOS LEON**  
Commissioner, Pct. 1

**ILIANA HOLGUIN**  
Commissioner, Pct. 3



**DAVID STOUT**  
Commissioner, Pct. 2

**SERGIO CORONADO**  
Commissioner, Pct. 4

**RICARDO A. SAMANIEGO**  
County Judge

Commissioners Court Chambers, El Paso County Courthouse  
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**COMMISSIONERS COURT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
MONDAY, AUGUST 28, 2023**

HON. RICARDO A. SAMANIEGO	COUNTY JUDGE, PRESIDING	PRESENT
CARLOS LEON	COMMISSIONER, PCT #1	VIDEOCONFERENCE
DAVID S. STOUT	COMMISSIONER, PCT #2	PRESENT
ILIANA HOLGUIN	COMMISSIONER, PCT #3	PRESENT
SERGIO CORONADO	COMMISSIONER, PCT #4	PRESENT

**MINUTES PREPARED BY CESAR O. NAVA, DEPTUY CLERK  
JESSICA DOMINGUEZ, DEPUTY CLERK**

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**1. MEETING CONVENED**

Commissioners Court of El Paso County, Texas was called to order by the Deputy Clerk at 9:36 A.M.

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**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mr. Joshua De Lao's 4th grade class from Carroll T. Welch Elementary from Clint ISD led the Commissioners Court in the Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge.

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**3. INVOCATION**

Receive an invocation from Pastor Roberto Garcia from Grace Christian Center.

#### 4. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the regular meeting of August 21, 2023 and the special meeting of August 21, 2023. County Administration Department (915) 546-2215
- B. **CORRECTION PER COUNTY ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT** - Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Interlocal Agreement Conducting Evaluation of After-Hours Childcare Needs in the El Paso Region with Workforce Solutions Borderplex in the amount of \$30,000, **UPON REVIEW AND APPROVAL FROM THE COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE**. Funding is available in SG-GICMAEMO23-OPERATING EXP. (Contract No. 2023-0591) Jose M. Landeros, Director of Strategic Development, County Administration Department (915) 546-2159
- C. (ARP Project No. 1371) Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the El Paso County American Rescue Plan Act Notice of Funding Opportunity Third Amendment to the Subrecipient Agreement between the County of El Paso and Candlelighters of the El Paso Area, Inc. beginning August 28, 2023. Funds are available in SG-ARPLAN21-OPERATING EX. (Contract No. 2023-0677) Jose M. Landeros, Director of Strategic Development, County Administration Department (915) 546-2215
- D. Approve and authorize the revision to El Paso County's Uniform Rules and Procedures for County Boards. (1794-OP) Betsy C. Keller, CM, Chief Administrator, County Administration Department (915) 546-2215
- E. Approve and authorize the County Operations Department to add a cell phone line for use by the Marketing Coordinator, utilizing the existing County Purchasing cooperative contract with Verizon Wireless. Melissa M Carrillo, PHR, Executive Director of Operations, County Administration (915) 546-2215
- F. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Investigation Services Agreement between the County of El Paso and Holly C. Lytle for employment investigation services, as referred by the County Attorney's Office and Human Resources Department. Funds are available in GF-HR-CONTR SVC-GEN. (Contract No. 2023-0692) Eddie Sosa, First Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office (915) 546-2050
- G. Pursuant to the Texas Local Government Code, Section 115.021, audit and settle all accounts against the County shown on the attached listing and direct the payment of those accounts. Edward A. Dion, County Auditor, County Auditor's Office (915) 546-2040
- H. Approve amendment No.39 to the County of El Paso's 2022-2023 operating budget. This budgetary amendment will increase Grants by \$22,816.69, thus increasing the overall budget of \$729,521,700.80 to \$729,544,517.49. Jessica C. Garza, Interim Director, Budget and Fiscal Policy Department (915) 546-2262
- I. Approve and authorize the quarterly reallocation of Capital Funds for FY23 quarter 3. Jessica C. Garza, Interim Director, Budget and Fiscal Policy Department (915) 546-2262
- J. Approve and authorize the Capital Improvement Interim Request for the additional funds needed for the Coffee Shop Project. Further, approve the re-allocation of funding in the amount of \$172,463 from the CIP23-INTERIMREQUESTS-MISC to CIP2023-COFFESHOP-RENOV for the Coffee Shop Project. Jessica C. Garza, Interim Director, Budget and Fiscal Policy Department (915) 546-2262
- K. Approve and authorize the County Judge to submit the Fiscal Year 2024 grant application and required attachments to the Rio Grande Council of Government – Area Aging on Aging (AAA) for the direct purchase of Congregate and Home Delivered Meal Services with a grant period beginning October 1, 2023, and ending September 30, 2024. (Contract No. 2023-0641) Irene G. Valenzuela, Executive Director, Community Services Department (915) 775-2708
- L. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Third Amendment to the Services Agreement for the Migrant Support Services Center with the Providencia Group, LLC, extending the contract agreement through February 29, 2024, and continue on a month to month basis through September 18, 2024. Funding is available in SG-GHUMANIT23-OPERATING EXP. (Contract No. 2023-0663) Irene G. Valenzuela, Executive Director, Community Services Department (915) 775-2708

M. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign Amendment No. 28 to the Master Agreement with the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) and the County of El Paso to increase the reimbursement rate for Home Delivered Meals to \$6.46 per meal with a term beginning on 09/01/2023 and ending on 09/30/2025. (Contract No. 2023-0666)

Irene G. Valenzuela, Executive Director, Community Services Department (915) 775-2708

N. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the 2nd Amendment to the Subrecipient Agreement between the County of El Paso and the Catholic Diocese of El Paso & Assignment of Payments to Sacred Heart Church, updating the organization's Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) number and other federal identifying information. (Contract No. 2023-0681)

Irene G. Valenzuela, Executive Director, Community Services Department (915) 775-2708

O. Approve and authorize the transfer of funds in the amount of \$4,525 from GF-COURTADMIN-OPS EQUIPMENT to GF-COURTADMIN-OFFICE EXPENSE for office chairs needed to replace old worn desk chairs. Amy Lechuga, County Court Administrator, County Court Administration (915) 546-2093

P. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Destination El Paso Hot Event and Marketing Grant Award Agreement to provide up to \$25,000 in reimbursement of qualified expenses related to the Texas Tribune Festival running from September 21-23, 2023. Funding is available in SR-TOURPROM-ADVERTISING. (Contract No. 2023-0644)

Roberto Ransom, Director, Economic Development Department (915) 546-2177

Q. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Insurance Policy and related documents with Travelers Insurance Company for the County's Crime Insurance Coverage for FY 2023. Funds are available in GF-GADM-INS-GEN/PROPERTY. (Contract No. 2023-0048)

Minnie Holguin, Chief Human Resources Officer, Human Resources Department (915) 546-2218

R. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the change order agreement between the County of El Paso and Optiv Security, Inc. No fiscal impact. (Contract No. 2023-0594)

Art Nevarez, Interim Chief Information Officer, Information Technology Department (915) 255-0748

S. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the agreement between the County of El Paso and Pivot Technology Services Corp dba Computacenter. Funding is available in GF-ITD-MAINT/REP-SOFTWARE for the total amount of \$144,626.90. (Contract No. 2023-0596)

Art Nevarez, Interim Chief Information Officer, Information Technology Department (915) 255-0748

T. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the agreement between the County of El Paso and Sequel Data Systems. Funding is available in GF-ITD-MAINT/REP-HARDWARE for the total amount of \$39,639.21. (Contract No. 2023-0669)

Art Nevarez, Interim Chief Information Officer, Information Technology Department (915) 255-0748

U. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Second Option to Renew Agreement and Amendment with Rite of Passage, Inc., d/b/a Lake Grandbury, d/b/a Canyon State Academy, and d/b/a Desert Lily Academy, for youth residential treatment services from October 1, 2023, through September 30, 2024. Funding is available in account TJJJ COMMITMENT DIVERSION GRANT 2024. (Contract No. 2023-0639)

Rosie Medina, Chief Juvenile Probation Officer, Juvenile Probation Department (915) 849-2500

V. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Second Option to Renew Agreement and Amendment with Pegasus Schools, Inc., for youth residential treatment services, on behalf of the El Paso County Juvenile Probation Department. This will extend the term of services from October 1, 2023, through September 30, 2024. Funding is available in TJJJ COMMITMENT DIVERSION 2024 GRANT. (Contract No. 2023-0640)

Rosie Medina, Chief Juvenile Probation Officer, Juvenile Probation Department (915) 849-2500

W. Rescind the Commissioner Court Order of March 6, 2023, Item #41 on the Consent Agenda to approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Contractor Services Agreement with National Medical Services (NMS) for toxicology services for the Medical Examiner's Office from March 1, 2023, through February 28, 2026, with a two-year option to renew, in the estimated amount of \$90,000. Funds are available in GF-MEDEXAM-CONTR SVC-GEN. (Contract No. 2023-0131) Further, authorize the County Judge to sign the modified Contractor Services Agreement with National Medical Services (NMS) for toxicology services for the Medical Examiner's Office from March 1, 2023, through February 28, 2026, with a two-year option to renew, in the estimated amount of \$90,000. Funds are available in GF-MEDEXAM-CONTR SVC-GEN. (Contract No. 2023-0131)

Mario A. Rascon, Chief Medical Examiner, Office of the Medical Examiner (915) 532-1447

X. Approve and authorize the PW/Parks and Recreation Department to accept monetary donations and/or donations of items needed to renovate, construct, maintain skateparks and offer a yearly safety skateboarding event in memory of Lizbeth Avila from now until the end of FY24, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Section 81.032.

Veronica Myers, Director, Parks and Recreation Department (915) 771-2380

Y. Approve and authorize the variance request from the El Paso County Subdivision Order for Carrollton Estates Unit I Subdivision.

Michael McElroy, Director, Planning & Development Department (915) 546-2015

Z. Pursuant to Texas Local Government Code §232.023, approve and authorize the acceptance, filing and recording of the Clint Commons Subdivision plat.

Michael McElroy, Director, Planning & Development Department (915) 546-2015

AA. Pursuant to Texas Local Government Sections 232.028 and 232.029, approve and authorize the issuance of certification regarding compliance with applicable plat requirements as provided on the attached listing.

Michael McElroy, Director, Planning & Development Department (915) 546-2015

AB. Approve the purchase of Removal and Installation of 29 HVAC Units for the County of El Paso Juvenile Justice Center (12308690) using Region 19 Contract 22-7434 awarded to GAP Air Conditioning and Heating (Gutierrez Moctezuma and Associates LLC) of El Paso, Texas for a grand total of \$741,773.86. Purchasing approved on July 31, 2023. Funding is available in CP-TN23A-JPD-RENOV-ROOF/HVAC.

Karen L. Davidson, Purchasing Agent, Purchasing Department (915) 546-2048

AC. (ARP-1300) Approve the purchase of Audio Equipment Upgrade for Seventeen (17) Courts using Region 19 Contract 21-7414 awarded to New IPS, Inc. of El Paso, Texas for a grand total of \$136,077.35. Funding is available in SG-ARPLAN21-CAP OUTLAYS.

Karen L. Davidson, Purchasing Agent, Purchasing Department (915) 546-2048

AD. Approve the purchase of GIS Managed Cloud Services for Public Works (12308799) using Omnia Partners 4400006644 awarded to Insight Public Sector of Chandler, AZ for a grand total of \$64,866.33. Funding is available in GF-PWADMIN-CONTR SVC-GENERAL.

Karen L. Davidson, Purchasing Agent, Purchasing Department (915) 546-2048

AE. Approve the purchase of As-Needed Adobe License Subscriptions and Supporting Components using The Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS) (Region 8 ESC) contract 210101 awarded to SoftwareOne, Inc. of Milwaukee, WI for a minimum discount of 2%. Funding is available through various County accounts on an as-needed basis.

Karen L. Davidson, Purchasing Agent, Purchasing Department (915) 546-2048

AF. Approve the award recommendation of RFQ 23-013 Licensed Psychologist or Psychological Firm to Provide Psychological Screenings for the County of El Paso to the highest scoring firm WellConnect Counseling Inc. d/b/a Integrity Employee Assistance of El Paso, Texas. Purchasing approved on August 18, 2023. Funds are available in GF-HR-PROF SVC-GEN.

Karen L. Davidson, Purchasing Agent, Purchasing Department (915) 546-2048

AG. Approve and authorize the transfer and removal of surplus assets from the respective departments to the Purchasing Department in compliance with Texas Local Government Code Section 262.011(j). See attachment.

Karen L. Davidson, Purchasing Agent, Purchasing Department (915) 546-2048

AH. GRANT AWARD - Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign and accept the grant terms and any other documents necessary to receive the FY 2023 FEMA Shelter Services Program (SSP) awarded on August 15, 2023 in the amount of \$2,447,252, to support regional humanitarian response efforts for the months of January 1, 2024, through February 28, 2024. (Contract No. 2023-0682)

Irene G. Valenzuela, Executive Director, Community Services Department (915) 775-2708

AI. GRANT AWARD - Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the FY2024 Rural State Public Transportation Project Grant Agreement (PGA) with the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) from September 1, 2023, through August 31, 2024, in the amount of \$537,235. No County match is required. (Contract No. 2023-0636)

Michael McElroy, Director, Planning & Development Department (915) 546-2015

AJ. GRANT APPLICATION - Approve and authorize the Planning & Development Department to apply to the FY2021 TxDOT Federal Section 5311 Grant Application, in the amount of \$1,753,210, for the procurement of transit buses and vans, needed for the El Paso County Transit Fleet. Transportation Development Credits (TDCs) have been awarded and no County match is required. (Contract No. 2023-0637)  
Michael McElroy, Director, Planning & Development Department (915) 546-2015

AK. GRANT APPLICATION - Approve and authorize the El Paso County Sheriff's Office to apply for the U.S. Department of Justice, FY23 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program – Local Solicitation as the lead applicant for funding in the amount of \$202,958 to be split evenly between the County and City of El Paso, from October 1, 2023, through September 30, 2025. No County match is required. Further, authorize the County Judge to sign all forms required. (Contract No. 2023-0685)  
Sheriff Richard D. Wiles, El Paso County Sheriff's Office (915) 546-2217

**MOTION: APPROVE**

Motion by County Judge Samaniego  
Seconded by Commissioner Holguin

Members Voting Aye: Judge Samaniego, Leon, Stout, Holguin, Coronado  
Members Voting Nay: None

**5. RESOLUTIONS**

A. Approve and adopt a resolution declaring September 2023 as Suicide Prevention Awareness Month in El Paso County, Texas.  
David C. Stout, Commissioner, Pct. 2 (915) 546-2111

**MOTION: APPROVE**

Motion by Commissioner Stout  
Seconded by County Judge Samaniego

Members Voting Aye: Judge Samaniego, Leon, Stout, Holguin, Coronado  
Members Voting Nay: None

B. Approve and adopt a resolution declaring September as "El Paso Children's Hospital: National Childhood Cancer Awareness Month," in El Paso County, Texas.  
David C. Stout, Commissioner, Pct. 2 (915) 546-2111

**MOTION: APPROVE**

Motion by Commissioner Stout  
Seconded by County Judge Samaniego

Members Voting Aye: Judge Samaniego, Leon, Stout, Holguin, Coronado  
Members Voting Nay: None

C. Approve and adopt a resolution declaring August 28 through September 1, 2023 as, "National Community Healthcare Workers Awareness Week" in El Paso County, Texas.  
Iliana Holguin, Commissioner, Pct. 3 (915) 546-2144

**MOTION: APPROVE**

Motion by Commissioner Holguin  
Seconded by County Judge Samaniego

Members Voting Aye: Judge Samaniego, Leon, Stout, Holguin, Coronado  
Members Voting Nay: None

D. Approve and adopt a resolution honoring our Veterans At Breakfast for their continued service and commitment to our Country and Community this August 28, 2023.  
Sergio Coronado, Commissioner, Pct. 4 (915) 546-2044

**MOTION: APPROVE**

Motion by Commissioner Coronado  
Seconded by Commissioner Stout

Members Voting Aye: Judge Samaniego, Leon, Stout, Holguin, Coronado  
Members Voting Nay: None

E. Approve and adopt a resolution recognizing the month of September 2023 as "Hunger Action Month" in El Paso County, Texas.  
Ricardo A. Samaniego, County Judge, Commissioners Court (915) 546-2098

**MOTION: APPROVE**

Motion by County Judge Samaniego  
Seconded by Commissioner Holguin

Members Voting Aye: Judge Samaniego, Leon, Stout, Holguin, Coronado  
Members Voting Nay: None

F. Approve and adopt a resolution recognizing Attorney Cesar Ornelas, for his contributions and dedication to serving the community, in El Paso County, Texas.

Ricardo A. Samaniego, County Judge, County Judges Office (915) 546-2098

**MOTION: APPROVE**

Motion by County Judge Samaniego      Members Voting Aye: Judge Samaniego, Leon, Stout, Holguin, Coronado  
Seconded by Commissioner Coronado      Members Voting Nay: None

**ADDENDUM TO THE AGENDA**

31. Approve and adopt a resolution declaring August 2023 as "Child Support Awareness Month," in El Paso County, Texas.

Carlos Leon, Commissioner, Pct. 1 (915) 546-2014

Posted Friday, August 25, 2023, at 11:00 A.M.

**MOTION: APPROVE**

Motion by Commissioner Leon      Members Voting Aye: Judge Samaniego, Leon, Stout, Holguin, Coronado  
Seconded by County Judge Samaniego      Members Voting Nay: None

5G. Approve and adopt a resolution recognizing El Paso County Auditor Edward A. Dion for his 40 years of commitment, dedication and service to El Paso County Auditors Office.

Ricardo A. Samaniego, County Judge, Commissioners Court (915) 546-2098

**MOTION: APPROVE**

Motion by County Judge Samaniego      Members Voting Aye: Judge Samaniego, Leon, Stout, Holguin, Coronado  
Seconded by Commissioner Stout      Members Voting Nay: None

**6. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Elizabeth Crawford, concerned citizen, read scripture to the Commissioners Court and commented on the illusion of freedom and how the migrant situation is proving to be difficult for those attempting to cross into the United States.

**REGULAR AGENDA**

7. Approve and authorize the County of El Paso 911 District FY2024 Proposed Budget.

Ricardo A. Samaniego, County Judge, Commissioners Court (915) 546-2098

**MOTION: APPROVE**

Motion by County Judge Samaniego      Members Voting Aye: Judge Samaniego, Leon, Stout, Holguin, Coronado  
Seconded by Commissioner Leon      Members Voting Nay: None

**LITIGATION, JUSTICE, AND LAW ENFORCEMENT**

17. **CORRECTION PER BUDGET & FISCAL POLICY** - Approve and authorize the use of County general funds to temporarily pay for **NEW GRANT FUNDED POSITIONS** in the District Attorney's Office in the amount of \$67,158 from August 28, 2023, through October 31, 2023, or until pending State grant budget adjustment is approved by the funding agency. Funding is available in GF-GADM-XFER OUT-GRANT MATCH.

Bill D. Hicks, District Attorney, District Attorney's Office (915) 546-2059 x4077

**MOTION: APPROVE**

Motion by County Judge Samaniego      Members Voting Aye: Judge Samaniego, Leon, Stout, Holguin, Coronado  
Seconded by Commissioner Holguin      Members Voting Nay: None

**PUBLIC WORKS**

20. Receive a presentation from the Planning and Development Department on an Infrastructure Assessment of the Colonias in El Paso County, Texas.

Michael McElroy, Director, Planning & Development Department (915) 546-2015

**MOTION: DELETE**

Motion by County Judge Samaniego      Members Voting Aye: Judge Samaniego, Leon, Stout, Holguin, Coronado  
Seconded by Commissioner Holguin      Members Voting Nay: None

## BUDGET AND FINANCE

23. BUDGET HEARING: Discuss and take appropriate action on the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 budget for El Paso County.

Jessica C. Garza, Interim Director, Budget and Fiscal Policy Department (915) 546-2262

### MOTION: POSTPONE TWO WEEKS.

Motion by Commissioner Leon

Members Voting Aye: Judge Samaniego, Leon, Stout, Holguin, Coronado

Seconded by County Judge Samaniego

Members Voting Nay: None

## COUNTY ADMINISTRATION

13. Discuss and take appropriate action regarding El Paso County's preparation and response for public health emergencies.

Betsy C. Keller, CM, Chief Administrator, County Administration Department (915) 546-2215

### MOTION: DELETE

Motion by County Judge Samaniego

Members Voting Aye: Judge Samaniego, Leon, Stout, Holguin, Coronado

Seconded by Commissioner Holguin

Members Voting Nay: None

## JUDICIARY AND CORRECTIONS

16. Approve and authorize the establishment of the 243rd Mental Health Specialty Court titled INSPIRE (Independence, Namaste, Safety, Purposeful, Insightful, Resilience, Empowerment) Treatment Court. Further, authorize the County Judge and Commissioners to sign the Resolution establishing the program as required by the Texas Office of Court Administration. (Contract No. 2023-0689)

Judge Selena Solis, 243rd District Court (915) 546-2168

### MOTION: APPROVE

Motion by County Judge Samaniego

Members Voting Aye: Judge Samaniego, Leon, Stout, Holguin, Coronado

Seconded by Commissioner Holguin

Members Voting Nay: None

**MEETING RECESSED AT 12:01 P.M.**

**MEETING RECONVENED AT 1:11 P.M.**

## AUDITOR

15. Pursuant to the Texas Local Government Code § 114.023, 114.024, 114.025 and 114.026, please accept the attached presentation and the interim financial report for the month ended July 31, 2023. The interim financial report is located on the intranet at: <http://www.epcounty.com/auditor/publications/monthlyreports.htm> .

Edward A. Dion, County Auditor, County Auditor's Office (915) 273-3262

### MOTION: ACCEPT

Motion by County Judge Samaniego

Members Voting Aye: Judge Samaniego, Leon, Stout, Holguin, Coronado

Seconded by Commissioner Holguin

Members Voting Nay: None

**BUDGET AND FINANCE**

24. Pursuant to the Property Tax Code, § 26.05(a), adopt a tax rate for El Paso County. Jessica C. Garza, Interim Director, Budget and Fiscal Policy Department (915) 546-2262

**MOTION: APPROVE THE NO-NEW REVENUE TAX RATE**

Motion by Commissioner Holguin

Seconded by

**MOTION DIES FOR LACK OF A SECOND**

**MOTION: THAT THE EL PASO COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ADOPT THE VOTER APPROVAL TAX RATE FOR THE 2023 TAX YEAR. THE VOTER APPROVAL TAX RATE FOR EL PASO COUNTY IS A PROPERTY TAX RATE OF \$0.458889 PER \$100 ASSESSED VALUE THAT CONSISTS OF A RATE OF \$0.406984 PER \$100 ASSESSED VALUE FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS OF EL PASO COUNTY FISCAL YEAR 2024, AND TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY JUDGE TO EXECUTE AN ORDER INDICATING THE SAME.**

**THIS TAX RATE WILL RAISE MORE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS THAN LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE. THE TAX RATE WILL EFFECTIVELY BE INCREASED BY 7.65% AND WILL RAISE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS ON A \$100,000 HOME BY APPROXIMATELY \$125.06 PER YEAR.**

**FURTHER, AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY JUDGE TO EXECUTE AN ORDER REFLECTING THE SAME.**

Motion by Commissioner Coronado

Members Voting Aye: Judge Samaniego, Leon, Stout, Coronado

Seconded by County Judge Samaniego

Members Voting Nay: Holguin

**MOTION: THAT THE EL PASO COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ADOPT THE VOTER APPROVAL TAX RATE FOR THE 2023 TAX YEAR. THE VOTER APPROVAL TAX RATE FOR EL PASO COUNTY IS A PROPERTY TAX RATE OF \$0.458889 PER \$100 ASSESSED VALUE THAT CONSISTS OF A RATE OF \$0.051905 PER \$100 ASSESSED VALUE FOR THE PAYMENT OF PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST OF THE DEBTS OF EL PASO COUNTY, AND TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY JUDGE TO EXECUTE AN ORDER INDICATING THE SAME. FURTHER, AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY JUDGE TO EXECUTE AN ORDER REFLECTING THE SAME.**

Motion by Commissioner Coronado

Members Voting Aye: Judge Samaniego, Leon, Stout, Coronado

Seconded by County Judge Samaniego

Members Voting Nay: Holguin





21. Discuss and take appropriate action to adopt the 2023 Property Tax Rate for the El Paso County Hospital District d/b/a University Medical Center of El Paso.

R. Jacob Cintron, President & CEO, University Medical Center/EPCHD (915) 521-7600

**MOTION: ON BEHALF OF THE EL PASO COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT THAT THE PROPERTY TAX RATE BE INCREASED BY THE ADOPTION OF A TAX RATE OF \$0.235650 PER \$100 ASSESSED VALUE WHICH IS EFFECTIVELY A 6.12 % INCREASE IN THE TAX RATE WHICH CONSISTS OF A RATE OF \$0.197663 PER \$100 ASSESSED VALUE FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS OF THE EL PASO COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024.**

**THIS TAX RATE WILL RAISE MORE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS THAN LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE. THE TAX RATE WILL EFFECTIVELY BE RAISED BY 7.997% AND WILL RAISE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS ON A \$100,000 HOME BY APPROXIMATLEY \$14.64 PER YEAR.**

**FURTHER, AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY JUDGE TO EXECUTE AN ORDER REFLECTING THE SAME.**

Motion by County Judge Samaniego  
Seconded by Commissioner Coronado

Members Voting Aye: Judge Samaniego, Leon, Stout, Coronado  
Members Voting Nay: Holguin

**MOTION: ON BEHALF OF THE EL PASO COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT THAT THE PROPERTY TAX RATE BE INCREASED BY THE ADOPTION OF A TAX RATE OF \$0.235650 PER \$100 ASSESSED VALUE WHICH IS EFFECTIVELY A 6.12 % INCREASE IN THE TAX RATE WHICH CONSISTS OF A RATE OF \$0.037987 PER \$100 ASSESSED VALUE FOR THE PAYMENT OF PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST OF THE DEBTS OF THE EL PASO COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT. FURTHER, AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY JUDGE TO EXECUTE AN ORDER REFLECTING THE SAME.**

Motion by County Judge Samaniego  
Seconded by Commissioner Coronado

Members Voting Aye: Judge Samaniego, Leon, Stout, Coronado  
Members Voting Nay: Holguin

22. Discuss and take appropriate action to approve the El Paso County Hospital District d/b/a University Medical Center of El Paso Fiscal Year 2024 Operating and Capital Budgets.

R. Jacob Cintron, President & CEO, University Medical Center/EPCHD (915) 521-7600

**MOTION: APPROVE THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGETS FOR THE EL PASO COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT.**

Motion by County Judge Samaniego  
Seconded by Commissioner Coronado

Members Voting Aye: Judge Samaniego, Leon, Stout, Coronado  
Members Voting Nay: Holguin

#### **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

18. Discuss and take appropriate action regarding the use of Hotel Occupancy Fund (HOT) and Economic Development General Fund revenues for special events, projects, or initiatives.

Roberto Ransom, Director, Economic Development Department (915) 546-2177

**MOTION: APPROVE FUNDING FOR THE EL PASO FILM RACE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$30,000.**

Motion by Commissioner Stout  
Seconded by County Judge Samaniego

Members Voting Aye: Judge Samaniego, Leon, Stout, Holguin, Coronado  
Members Voting Nay: None

## AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN

14. Discuss and take appropriate action regarding the implementation of the El Paso County American Rescue Plan Act Coronavirus State & Local Fiscal Recovery Funds Portfolio.

Jose M. Landeros, Director of Strategic Development, County Administration Department (915) 546-2159

### MOTION: APPROVE THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATIONS:

- APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM ARP-1530 UNALLOCATED UNAPPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE AS FOLLOWS:
  - \$1,00,000 TO 1220 ANNEX COURTROOM II BUILDOUT
  - \$100,000 TO 1300 VIRTUAL COURT TECHNOLOGY
  - \$500,000 TO ESTABLISH 4080 CORBIN SAMBRANO COMMUNITY CENTER
- APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM ARP-1371 NOFO PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SERVICES TO ESTABLISH 4070 COTTON VALLEY COMMUNITY SOLAR.
- RATIFY 4060 AS THE CORRECT PROJECT NUMBER FOR THE COUNTY GUN BUYBACK PROGRAM.
- APPROVE AND ADOPT THE COUNTY ART PROGRAM CONCEPT & STRUCTURE, WHILE PROVIDING DIRECTION TO STAFF TO PROVIDE FURTHER FINANCIAL DETAILS TO PROGRAM FUNDS WITHIN THE PORTFOLIO.
- PURSUANT TO TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE SEC. 381.004(B)(7), ESTABLISH THE EL PASO COUNTY PUBLIC ART PROGRAM TO PROMOTE ARTS WITHIN THE COMMUNITY AND DIRECT STAFF TO DEVELOP FUNDING STRUCTURES AND SPECIFIC PROJECTS UNDER THE PROGRAM.
- APPROVE THE AMENDED PROJECT OVERVIEW DESCRIPTION, AS PRESENTED BY STAFF, FOR PROJECT 1110: CLEANING SUPPLIES & EQUIPMENT.

Motion by Commissioner Coronado      Members Voting Aye: Judge Samaniego, Leon, Stout, Holguin, Coronado  
Seconded by Commissioner Stout      Members Voting Nay: None

## HUMAN RESOURCES

19. CORRECTION PER COUNTY ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT - Approve and authorize a new Accountant, Intermediate (PS07) full-time position FOR THE COUNTY AUDITOR'S OFFICE. Funding is available in GF-GADM-RES-SAL ADJUST. Further, approve the transfer of associated operating costs from GF-GADM-RES-SAL ADJUST to GF-ITD-NEW POS OPER/CAP ESTIMA and various GF-AUDITOR operating accounts.  
Minnie Holguin, Chief Human Resources Officer, Human Resources Department (915) 546-2218

### MOTION: APPROVE

Motion by County Judge Samaniego      Members Voting Aye: Judge Samaniego, Leon, Stout, Holguin, Coronado  
Seconded by Commissioner Coronado      Members Voting Nay: None

MEETING RECESSED AT 4:59 P.M.

MEETING RECONVENED AT 5:39 P.M.

## COUNTY ADMINISTRATION

8. CORRECTION PER COUNTY ADMINISTRATION - Discuss and take appropriate action regarding the Tierra Del Este III - PHASE VI Public Improvement District Development Agreement between the County of El Paso and Ranchos Real Land Holdings, LLC upon final approval from the County Attorney's Office and Bond Counsel. (Contract No. 2023-0625) (CC PCT#1)

Jose M. Landeros, Director of Strategic Development, County Administration Department (915) 546-2215

**MOTION: APPROVE THE TIERRA DEL ESTE III - PHASE VI PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF EL PASO AND RANCHOS REAL LAND HOLDINGS, LLC UPON FINAL APPROVAL FROM THE COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE AND BOND COUNSEL.**

Motion by County Judge Samaniego      Members Voting Aye: Judge Samaniego, Leon, Stout, Holguin, Coronado  
Seconded by Commissioner Coronado      Members Voting Nay: None

9. Pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Sec. 372.016(b), conduct a public hearing regarding the El Paso County Commissioners Court's intent to consider assessments against parcels of real property in the Tierra del Este III Phase VI Public Improvement District.

Jose M. Landeros, Director of Strategic Development, County Administration Department (915) 546-2215

**MOTION: OPEN A PUBLIC HEARING.**

**CRISTIAN MARTINEZ, SENIOR RESEARCH ANALYST; ROBERT READ, CAPITAL PLANNING PROJECT MANAGER AND BETSY KELLER, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR SPOKE IN THE PUBLIC HEARING.**

Motion by County Judge Samaniego      Members Voting Aye: Judge Samaniego, Leon, Stout, Holguin, Coronado  
Seconded by Commissioner Holguin      Members Voting Nay: None

**MOTION: CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING.**

Motion by County Judge Samaniego      Members Voting Aye: Judge Samaniego, Leon, Stout, Holguin, Coronado  
Seconded by Commissioner Holguin      Members Voting Nay: None

10. Discuss and consider adoption of an Order of the Commissioners Court of El Paso County, Texas regarding the Tierra del Este III – Phase VI Public Improvement District; levying assessments against property within Phase #1 of the District to pay the costs of the Phase #1 Improvements; providing for payment and prepayment of assessments; fixing a charge and lien against property within Phase #1 of the District and the owners thereof; providing for the manner and method of collecting assessments; providing penalties for delinquent assessments; making findings of special benefit to the property within Phase #1 of the District and the owners thereof; providing for savings, repealing and severability clauses; providing an effective date; adopting the Final Service & Assessment Plan; and providing for recordation upon final approval from the County Attorney's Office and Bond Counsel. (Contract No. 2023-0686) (CC PCT#1)

Jose M. Landeros, Director of Strategic Development, County Administration Department (915) 546-2215

**MOTION: APPROVE**

Motion by County Judge Samaniego      Members Voting Aye: Judge Samaniego, Leon, Stout, Holguin, Coronado  
Seconded by Commissioner Coronado      Members Voting Nay: None

11. Discuss and take appropriate action regarding the Tierra Del Este III - Phase VI Public Improvement District Reimbursement Agreement between the County of El Paso and Ranchos Real Land Holdings, LLC upon final approval from the County Attorney's Office and Bond Counsel. (Contract No. 2023-0664) (CC PCT#1)

Jose M. Landeros, Director of Strategic Development, County Administration Department (915) 546-2215

**MOTION: APPROVE THE TIERRA DEL ESTE III - PHASE VI PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF EL PASO AND RANCHOS REAL LAND HOLDINGS, LLC UPON FINAL APPROVAL FROM THE COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE AND BOND COUNSEL.**

Motion by County Judge Samaniego      Members Voting Aye: Judge Samaniego, Leon, Stout, Holguin, Coronado  
Seconded by Commissioner Coronado      Members Voting Nay: None

12. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign Work Order No. 002-C, On-Call Civil Engineering Contract with Consor Engineers, LLC for Program Management & Administration, Design Support Services, and Construction Engineering & Inspection Services for various 2023 Certificate of Obligation Projects. Funding in the aggregate amount of \$4,406,845.50 is available in CP-CO23A-PROADMIN-PROF SVCS and CP-TCO23B-PROGADMIN-PROF SVCS. (Contract No. 2023-0684)

Jose M. Landeros, Director of Strategic Development, County Administration Department (915) 546-2215

**MOTION: APPROVE**

Motion by Commissioner Stout      Members Voting Aye: Judge Samaniego, Leon, Stout, Holguin, Coronado  
Seconded by County Judge Samaniego      Members Voting Nay: None

## EXECUTIVE SESSION

25D. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 & 551.072, discuss legal rights and responsibilities regarding the County's response to the lifting of Title 42 and the corresponding deliberations about Real Property. Ana Schumacher, Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office (915) 546-2050

28. Discuss and take appropriate action regarding the County's ongoing response to the lifting of Title 42. Irene G. Valenzuela, Executive Director, Community Services Department (915) 775-2708

### **MOTION: DELETE EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEM 25D AND REGULAR SESSION ITEM 28.**

Motion by County Judge Samaniego      Members Voting Aye: Judge Samaniego, Leon, Stout, Holguin, Coronado  
Seconded by Commissioner Coronado      Members Voting Nay: None

25E. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071 and 551.0725, discuss and receive legal advice concerning collective bargaining negotiations between the County and the El Paso County Sheriff's Officers' Association.

Carlos Madrid, Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office (915) 546-2050

25F. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Sec. 551.0725, discuss the Hotel Occupancy Tax Event Contract with Brightside LLC Series 1.

Jose M. Landeros, Director of Strategic Development, County Administration Department (915) 546-2159

### **MOTION: (1.) COMMISSIONERS COURT VOTES UNANIMOUSLY THAT DELIBERATION IN AN OPEN MEETING WOULD HAVE A DETRIMENTAL EFFECT ON THE POSITION OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT IN NEGOTIATIONS WITH A THIRD PARTY; (2.) THE ATTORNEY ADVISING THE COMMISSIONERS COURT ISSUES A WRITTEN DETERMINATION THAT DELIBERATION IN AN OPEN MEETING WOULD HAVE A DETRIMENTAL EFFECT ON THE POSITION OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT IN NEGOTIATIONS WITH A THIRD PARTY; AND (3.) A RECORDING OF THE PROCEEDINGS IN CLOSED SESSION IS MADE REGARDING ITEMS # 25E TO DISCUSS AND RECEIVE LEGAL ADVICE CONCERNING COLLECTIVE BARGAINING NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND THE EL PASO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION, AND 25F TO DISCUSS THE HOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX EVENT CONTRACT WITH BRIGHTSIDE LLC SERIES 1.**

Motion by Commissioner Stout      Members Voting Aye: Judge Samaniego, Leon, Stout, Holguin, Coronado  
Seconded by Commissioner Coronado      Members Voting Nay: None

## 25. INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 6:06 P.M.

A. Discuss findings regarding persons necessary in Executive Session.  
County Attorney's Office (915) 546-2050

B. Pursuant to Texas Government Code §551.071 and §551.074, discuss legal rights and responsibilities and a personnel matter concerning the pending vacancy for a County Court at Law Judge in County Criminal Court #1 due to the pending retirement for Judge Alma Trejo.

JoAnne Bernal, County Attorney, County Attorney's Office (915) 546-2050

C. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.072, discuss a lease by the El Paso County Hospital District for warehouse space located in central El Paso.

R. Jacob Cintron, President & CEO, University Medical Center/EPCHD (915) 521-7600

E. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071 and 551.0725, discuss and receive legal advice concerning collective bargaining negotiations between the County and the El Paso County Sheriff's Officers' Association.

Carlos Madrid, Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office (915) 546-2050

F. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Sec. 551.0725, discuss the Hotel Occupancy Tax Event Contract with Brightside LLC Series 1.

Jose M. Landeros, Director of Strategic Development, County Administration Department (915) 546-2159

G. Discuss financial information and economic development negotiations based on the latest update received from a Chapter 381 Agreement with Project Sun, a private business prospect, pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.087.

Roberto Ransom, Director, Economic Development Department (915) 546-2177

**REGULAR SESSION RECONVENED AT 7:25 P.M.**

**COMMISSIONER CARLOS LEON WAS ABSENT FROM THIS POINT  
THROUGH THE REMAINDER OF THE MEETING**

26. Discuss and take appropriate action regarding a personnel matter concerning the pending vacancy for a County Court at Law Judge in County Criminal Court #1 due to the pending retirement for Judge Alma Trejo. Betsy C. Keller, CM, Chief Administrator, County Administration Department (915) 546-2215

**MOTION: APPROVE AND ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF COUNTY CRIMINAL COURT AT LAW #1  
JUDGE ALMA TREJO, EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 30, 2023.**

Motion by County Judge Samaniego                      Members Voting Aye: Judge Samaniego, Stout, Holguin, Coronado  
Seconded by Commissioner Coronado                      Members Voting Nay: None

**MOTION: APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO IMPLEMENT A PROCESS,  
AS DESCRIBED, TO FILL THE VACANCY CREATED IN COUNTY CRIMINAL COURT AT LAW #1.**

Motion by County Judge Samaniego                      Members Voting Aye: Judge Samaniego, Stout, Holguin, Coronado  
Seconded by Commissioner Coronado                      Members Voting Nay: None

27. Discuss and take appropriate action to authorize the El Paso County Hospital District to lease warehouse space located in central El Paso.

R. Jacob Cintron, President & CEO, University Medical Center/EPCHD (915) 521-7600

**MOTION: APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE EL PASO COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT TO ENTER INTO A  
LEASE FOR WAREHOUSING SPACE IN CENTRAL EL PASO.**

Motion by County Judge Samaniego                      Members Voting Aye: Judge Samaniego, Stout, Holguin, Coronado  
Seconded by Commissioner Coronado                      Members Voting Nay: None

29. Discuss and take appropriate action concerning the current collective bargaining negotiations between the County and the El Paso County Sheriff's Officers' Association, to include potential action to approve a new collective bargaining agreement to begin October 1, 2023. (Contract No. 2023-0688)

Melissa M. Carrillo, Executive Director Operations, County Administration Department (915) 546-2215

**MOTION: APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY JUDGE TO SIGN THE NEW COLLECTIVE  
BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH THE EL PASO SHERIFF'S OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION, EFFECTIVE  
OCTOBER 1, 2023, AS LAID OUT IN THE TENTATIVE AGREEMENTS REACHED BY THE COLLECTIVE  
BARGAINING NEGOTIATION TEAM.**

Motion by Commissioner Holguin                      Members Voting Aye: Judge Samaniego, Stout, Holguin, Coronado  
Seconded by Commissioner Coronado                      Members Voting Nay: None

30. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the First Amendment to the HOT Funds Event Services Agreement between Brightside LLC, Series 1 and the County, authorizing the County to provide an upfront amount of HOT funding in the amount of \$78,000 before the Brightside Music Festival takes place and the remaining funds (\$122,000) on a reimbursement basis according to the original agreement, upon final legal review and approval from the County Attorney's Office. Funding in the amount of \$200,000 is available in SR-TOURPROM-ADVERTISING. (Contract No. 2023-0691)

Roberto Ransom, Director, Economic Development Department (915) 546-2177

**MOTION: APPROVE**

Motion by County Judge Samaniego                      Members Voting Aye: Judge Samaniego, Stout, Holguin, Coronado  
Seconded by Commissioner Coronado                      Members Voting Nay: None

**MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:36 P.M.**

**EL PASO COUNTY  
COMMISSIONERS COURT**

**CARLOS LEON**  
Commissioner, Pct. 1

**ILIANA HOLGUIN**  
Commissioner, Pct. 3



**DAVID STOUT**  
Commissioner, Pct. 2

**SERGIO CORONADO**  
Commissioner, Pct. 4

**RICARDO A. SAMANIEGO**  
County Judge

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**COMMISSIONERS COURT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
MONDAY, AUGUST 28, 2023**

**MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:36 P.M.**

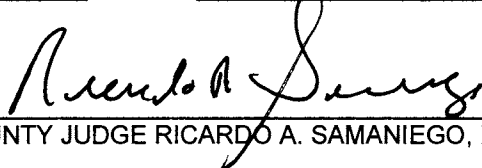
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EL PASO COUNTY, TEXAS

  
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JESSICA DOMINGUEZ, DEPUTY CLERK  
CESAR G. NAVA, DEPUTY CLERK

EXAMINED AND APPROVED BY ME THIS

11 DAY OF September, 2023

  
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COUNTY JUDGE RICARDO A. SAMANIEGO, PRESIDING

2023 AUG 25 AM 9:17

DELIA BRIONES  
COUNTY CLERK  
EL PASO COUNTY, TEXAS

## EL PASO COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

**CARLOS LEON**  
Commissioner, Pct.1

**ILIANA HOLGUIN**  
Commissioner, Pct.3



**DAVID STOUT**  
Commissioner, Pct.2

**SERGIO CORONADO**  
Commissioner, Pct.4

**RICARDO A. SAMANIEGO**  
County Judge

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# AGENDA

Regular Meeting, August 28, 2023 - 9:30 AM

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Strategic Plan  
Priority

1. OPEN MEETING
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. INVOCATION

A. Receive an invocation.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

#### NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

All matters listed under the Consent Agenda will be considered by the Commissioners Court to be routine and will be enacted by one motion in the form listed below. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless members of the Court or persons in the audience request that specific items be moved from the Consent Agenda to the Regular Agenda for discussion prior to the time the Commissioners Court votes on the motion to adopt the Consent Agenda.

All matters listed on the Consent Agenda and Regular Agenda may be discussed in Executive Session at the discretion of the El Paso County Commissioners Court and following verbal announcement, if an appropriate exception to the open meeting requirement of the Texas Open Meetings Act is applicable.

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the regular meeting of August 21, 2023 and the special meeting of August 21, 2023.

*County Administration Department (915) 546-2215*

- B. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Interlocal Agreement Conducting Evaluation of After-Hours Childcare Needs in the El Paso Region with Workforce Solutions Borderplex in the amount of \$30,000. Funding is available in SG-GICMAEMO23-OPERATING EXP. (Contract No. 2023-0591)

*Jose M. Landeros, Director of Strategic Development, County Administration Department (915) 546-2159*

- C. (ARP Project No. 1371) Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the El Paso County American Rescue Plan Act Notice of Funding Opportunity Third Amendment to the Subrecipient Agreement between the County of El Paso and Candlelighters of the El Paso Area, Inc. beginning August 28, 2023. Funds are available in SG-ARPLAN21-OPERATING EX. (Contract No. 2023-0677)

*Jose M. Landeros, Director of Strategic Development, County Administration Department (915) 546-2215*

- D. Approve and authorize the revision to El Paso County's Uniform Rules and Procedures for County Boards. (1794-OP)

*Betsy C. Keller, CM, Chief Administrator, County Administration Department (915) 546-2215*

- E. Approve and authorize the County Operations Department to add a cell phone line for use by the Marketing Coordinator, utilizing the existing County Purchasing cooperative contract with Verizon Wireless.

*Melissa M Carrillo, PHR, Executive Director of Operations, County Administration (915) 546-2215*

- F. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Investigation Services Agreement between the County of El Paso and Holly C. Lytle for employment investigation services, as referred by the County Attorney's Office and Human Resources Department. Funds are available in GF-HR-CONTR SVC-GEN. (Contract No. 2023-0692)

*Eddie Sosa, First Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office (915) 546-2050*

- G. Pursuant to the Texas Local Government Code, Section 115.021, audit and settle all accounts against the County shown on the attached listing and direct the payment of those accounts.

*Edward A. Dion, County Auditor, County Auditor's Office (915) 546-2040*

- H. Approve amendment No.39 to the County of El Paso's 2022-2023 operating budget. This budgetary amendment will increase Grants by \$22,816.69, thus increasing the overall budget of \$729,521,700.80 to \$729,544,517.49.

*Jessica C. Garza, Interim Director, Budget and Fiscal Policy Department (915) 546-2262*

- I. Approve and authorize the quarterly reallocation of Capital Funds for FY23 quarter 3.

*Jessica C. Garza, Interim Director, Budget and Fiscal Policy Department (915) 546-2262*

- J. Approve and authorize the Capital Improvement Interim Request for the additional funds needed for the Coffee Shop Project. Further, approve the re-allocation of funding in the amount of \$172,463 from the CIP23-INTERIMREQUESTS-MISC to CIP2023-COFFESHOP-RENOV for the Coffee Shop Project.

*Jessica C. Garza, Interim Director, Budget and Fiscal Policy Department (915) 546-2262*

- K. Approve and authorize the County Judge to submit the Fiscal Year 2024 grant application and required attachments to the Rio Grande Council of Government – Area Aging on Aging (AAA) for the direct purchase of Congregate and Home Delivered Meal Services with a grant period beginning October 1, 2023, and ending September 30, 2024. (Contract No. 2023-0641)

*Irene G. Valenzuela, Executive Director, Community Services Department (915) 775-2708*

- L. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Third Amendment to the Services Agreement for the Migrant Support Services Center with the Providencia Group, LLC, extending the contract agreement through February 29, 2024, and continue on a month to month basis through September 18, 2024. Funding is available in SG-GHUMANIT23-OPERATING EXP. (Contract No. 2023-0663)

*Irene G. Valenzuela, Executive Director, Community Services Department (915) 775-2708*

- M. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign Amendment No. 28 to the Master Agreement with the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) and the County of El Paso to increase the reimbursement rate for Home Delivered Meals to \$6.46 per meal with a term beginning on 09/01/2023 and ending on 09/30/2025. (Contract

No. 2023-0666)

*Irene G. Valenzuela, Executive Director, Community Services Department (915) 775-2708*

- N. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the 2nd Amendment to the Subrecipient Agreement between the County of El Paso and the Catholic Diocese of El Paso & Assignment of Payments to Sacred Heart Church, updating the organization's Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) number and other federal identifying information. (Contract No. 2023-0681)

*Irene G. Valenzuela, Executive Director, Community Services Department (915) 775-2708*

- O. Approve and authorize the transfer of funds in the amount of \$4,525 from GF-COURTADMIN-OPS EQUIPMENT to GF-COURTADMIN-OFFICE EXPENSE for office chairs needed to replace old worn desk chairs.

*Amy Lechuga, County Court Administrator, County Court Administration (915) 546-2093*

- P. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Destination El Paso Hot Event and Marketing Grant Award Agreement to provide up to \$25,000 in reimbursement of qualified expenses related to the Texas Tribune Festival running from September 21-23, 2023. Funding is available in SR-TOURPROM-ADVERTISING. (Contract No. 2023-0644)

*Roberto Ransom, Director, Economic Development Department (915) 546-2177*

- Q. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Insurance Policy and related documents with Travelers Insurance Company for the County's Crime Insurance Coverage for FY 2023. Funds are available in GF-GADM-INS-GEN/PROPERTY. (Contract No. 2023-0048)

*Minnie Holguin, Chief Human Resources Officer, Human Resources Department (915) 546-2218*

- R. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the change order agreement between the County of El Paso and Optiv Security, Inc. No fiscal impact. (Contract No. 2023-0594)

*Art Nevarez, Interim Chief Information Officer, Information Technology Department (915) 255-0748*

- S. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the agreement between the County of El Paso and Pivot Technology Services Corp dba Computacenter. Funding is available in GF-ITD-MAINT/REP-SOFTWARE for the total amount of \$144,626.90. (Contract No. 2023-0596)

*Art Nevarez, Interim Chief Information Officer, Information Technology Department (915) 255-0748*

- T. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the agreement between the County of El Paso and Sequel Data Systems. Funding is available in GF-ITD-MAINT/REP-HARDWARE for the total amount of \$39,639.21. (Contract No. 2023-0669)

*Art Nevarez, Interim Chief Information Officer, Information Technology Department (915) 255-0748*

- U. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Second Option to Renew Agreement and Amendment with Rite of Passage, Inc., d/b/a Lake Grandbury, d/b/a Canyon State Academy, and d/b/a Desert Lily Academy, for youth residential treatment services from October 1, 2023, through September 30, 2024. Funding is available in account

TJJD COMMITMENT DIVERSION GRANT 2024. (Contract No. 2023-0639)

*Rosie Medina, Chief Juvenile Probation Officer, Juvenile Probation Department (915) 849-2500*

- V. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Second Option to Renew Agreement and Amendment with Pegasus Schools, Inc., for youth residential treatment services, on behalf of the El Paso County Juvenile Probation Department. This will extend the term of services from October 1, 2023, through September 30, 2024. Funding is available in TJJD COMMITMENT DIVERSION 2024 GRANT. (Contract No. 2023-0640)

*Rosie Medina, Chief Juvenile Probation Officer, Juvenile Probation Department (915) 849-2500*

- W. Rescind the Commissioner Court Order of March 6, 2023, Item #41 on the Consent Agenda to approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Contractor Services Agreement with National Medical Services (NMS) for toxicology services for the Medical Examiner's Office from March 1, 2023, through February 28, 2026, with a two-year option to renew, in the estimated amount of \$90,000. Funds are available in GF-MEDEXAM-CONTR SVC-GEN. (Contract No. 2023-0131) Further, authorize the County Judge to sign the modified Contractor Services Agreement with National Medical Services (NMS) for toxicology services for the Medical Examiner's Office from March 1, 2023, through February 28, 2026, with a two-year option to renew, in the estimated amount of \$90,000. Funds are available in GF-MEDEXAM-CONTR SVC-GEN. (Contract No. 2023-0131)

*Mario A. Rascon, Chief Medical Examiner, Office of the Medical Examiner (915) 532-1447*

- X. Approve and authorize the PW/Parks and Recreation Department to accept monetary donations and/or donations of items needed to renovate, construct, maintain skateparks and offer a yearly safety skateboarding event in memory of Lizbeth Avila from now until the end of FY24, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Section 81.032.

*Veronica Myers, Director, Parks and Recreation Department (915) 771-2380*

- Y. Approve and authorize the variance request from the El Paso County Subdivision Order for Carrollton Estates Unit I Subdivision.

*Michael McElroy, Director, Planning & Development Department (915) 546-2015*

- Z. Pursuant to Texas Local Government Code §232.023, approve and authorize the acceptance, filing and recording of the Clint Commons Subdivision plat.

*Michael McElroy, Director, Planning & Development Department (915) 546-2015*

- AA Pursuant to Texas Local Government Sections 232.028 and 232.029, approve and authorize the issuance of certification regarding compliance with applicable plat requirements as provided on the attached listing.

*Michael McElroy, Director, Planning & Development Department (915) 546-2015*

- AB Approve the purchase of Removal and Installation of 29 HVAC Units for the County of El Paso Juvenile Justice Center (12308690) using Region 19 Contract 22-7434 awarded to GAP Air Conditioning and Heating (Gutierrez Moctezuma and Associates LLC) of El Paso, Texas for a grand total of \$741,773.86. Purchasing approved on July 31,

2023. Funding is available in CP-TN23A-JPD-RENOV-ROOF/HVAC.

*Karen L. Davidson, Purchasing Agent, Purchasing Department (915) 546-2048*

AC(ARP-1300) Approve the purchase of Audio Equipment Upgrade for Seventeen (17) Courts using Region 19 Contract 21-7414 awarded to New IPS, Inc. of El Paso, Texas for a grand total of \$136,077.35. Funding is available in SG-ARPLAN21-CAP OUTLAYS.

*Karen L. Davidson, Purchasing Agent, Purchasing Department (915) 546-2048*

ADApprove the purchase of GIS Managed Cloud Services for Public Works (12308799) using Omnia Partners 4400006644 awarded to Insight Public Sector of Chandler, AZ for a grand total of \$64,866.33. Funding is available in GF-PWADMIN-CONTR SVC-GENERAL.

*Karen L. Davidson, Purchasing Agent, Purchasing Department (915) 546-2048*

AEApprove the purchase of As-Needed Adobe License Subscriptions and Supporting Components using The Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS) (Region 8 ESC) contract 210101 awarded to SoftwareOne, Inc. of Milwaukee, WI for a minimum discount of 2%. Funding is available through various County accounts on an as-needed basis.

*Karen L. Davidson, Purchasing Agent, Purchasing Department (915) 546-2048*

AFApprove the award recommendation of RFQ 23-013 Licensed Psychologist or Psychological Firm to Provide Psychological Screenings for the County of El Paso to the highest scoring firm WellConnect Counseling Inc. d/b/a Integrity Employee Assistance of El Paso, Texas. Purchasing approved on August 18, 2023. Funds are available in GF-HR-PROF SVC-GEN.

*Karen L. Davidson, Purchasing Agent, Purchasing Department (915) 546-2048*

AGApprove and authorize the transfer and removal of surplus assets from the respective departments to the Purchasing Department in compliance with Texas Local Government Code Section 262.011(j). See attachment.

*Karen L. Davidson, Purchasing Agent, Purchasing Department (915) 546-2048*

AHGRANT AWARD - Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign and accept the grant terms and any other documents necessary to receive the FY 2023 FEMA Shelter Services Program (SSP) awarded on August 15, 2023 in the amount of \$2,447,252, to support regional humanitarian response efforts for the months of January 1, 2024, through February 28, 2024. (Contract No. 2023-0682)

*Irene G. Valenzuela, Executive Director, Community Services Department (915) 775-2708*

AI.GRANT AWARD - Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the FY2024 Rural State Public Transportation Project Grant Agreement (PGA) with the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) from September 1, 2023, through August 31, 2024, in the amount of \$537,235. No County match is required. (Contract No. 2023-0636)

*Michael McElroy, Director, Planning & Development Department (915) 546-2015*

AJ.GRANT APPLICATION - Approve and authorize the Planning & Development Department to apply to the FY2021 TxDOT Federal Section 5311 Grant Application, in the amount of \$1,753,210, for the procurement of transit buses and vans, needed for the El Paso County

Transit Fleet. Transportation Development Credits (TDCs) have been awarded and no County match is required. (Contract No. 2023-0637)  
*Michael McElroy, Director, Planning & Development Department (915) 546-2015*

AKGRANT APPLICATION - Approve and authorize the El Paso County Sheriff's Office to apply for the U.S. Department of Justice, FY23 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program – Local Solicitation as the lead applicant for funding in the amount of \$202,958 to be split evenly between the County and City of El Paso, from October 1, 2023, through September 30, 2025. No County match is required. Further, authorize the County Judge to sign all forms required. (Contract No. 2023-0685)

*Sheriff Richard D. Wiles, El Paso County Sheriff's Office (915) 546-2217*

## 5. RESOLUTIONS

A. Approve and adopt a resolution declaring September 2023 as Suicide Prevention Awareness Month in El Paso County, Texas.

*David C. Stout, Commissioner, Pct. 2 (915) 546-2111*

B. Approve and adopt a resolution declaring September as "El Paso Children's Hospital: National Childhood Cancer Awareness Month," in El Paso County, Texas.

*David C. Stout, Commissioner, Pct. 2 (915) 546-2111*

C. Approve and adopt a resolution declaring August 28 through September 1, 2023 as, "National Community Healthcare Workers Awareness Week" in El Paso County, Texas.

*Iliana Holguin, Commissioner, Pct. 3 (915) 546-2144*

D. Approve and adopt a resolution honoring our Veterans At Breakfast for their continued service and commitment to our Country and Community this August 28, 2023.

*Sergio Coronado, Commissioner, Pct. 4 (915) 546-2044*

E. Approve and adopt a resolution recognizing the month of September 2023 as "Hunger Action Month" in El Paso County, Texas.

*Ricardo A. Samaniego, County Judge, Commissioners Court (915) 546-2098*

F. Approve and adopt a resolution recognizing Attorney Cesar Ornelas, for his contributions and dedication to serving the community, in El Paso County, Texas.

*Ricardo A. Samaniego, County Judge, County Judges Office (915) 546-2098*

G. Approve and adopt a resolution recognizing El Paso County Auditor Edward A. Dion for his 40 years of commitment, dedication and service to El Paso County Auditors Office.

*Ricardo A. Samaniego, County Judge, Commissioners Court (915) 546-2098*

## 6. PUBLIC COMMENT

### REGULAR AGENDA

7. Approve and authorize the County of El Paso 911 District FY2024 Proposed Budget.

*Ricardo A. Samaniego, County Judge, Commissioners Court (915) 546-2098*

## COUNTY ADMINISTRATION

8. Discuss and take appropriate action regarding the Tierra Del Este III - Phase IV Public Improvement District Development Agreement between the County of El Paso and Ranchos Real Land Holdings, LLC upon final approval from the County Attorney's Office and Bond Counsel. (Contract No. 2023-0625) (CC PCT#1)

*Jose M. Landeros, Director of Strategic Development, County Administration Department (915) 546-2215*

9. Pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Sec. 372.016(b), conduct a public hearing regarding the El Paso County Commissioners Court's intent to consider assessments against parcels of real property in the Tierra del Este III Phase VI Public Improvement District.

*Jose M. Landeros, Director of Strategic Development, County Administration Department (915) 546-2215*

10. Discuss and consider adoption of an Order of the Commissioners Court of El Paso County, Texas regarding the Tierra del Este III – Phase VI Public Improvement District; levying assessments against property within Phase #1 of the District to pay the costs of the Phase #1 Improvements; providing for payment and prepayment of assessments; fixing a charge and lien against property within Phase #1 of the District and the owners thereof; providing for the manner and method of collecting assessments; providing penalties for delinquent assessments; making findings of special benefit to the property within Phase #1 of the District and the owners thereof; providing for savings, repealing and severability clauses; providing an effective date; adopting the Final Service & Assessment Plan; and providing for recordation upon final approval from the County Attorney's Office and Bond Counsel. (Contract No. 2023-0686) (CC PCT#1)

*Jose M. Landeros, Director of Strategic Development, County Administration Department (915) 546-2215*

11. Discuss and take appropriate action regarding the Tierra Del Este III - Phase VI Public Improvement District Reimbursement Agreement between the County of El Paso and Ranchos Real Land Holdings, LLC upon final approval from the County Attorney's Office and Bond Counsel. (Contract No. 2023-0664) (CC PCT#1)

*Jose M. Landeros, Director of Strategic Development, County Administration Department (915) 546-2215*

12. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign Work Order No. 002-C, On-Call Civil Engineering Contract with Consor Engineers, LLC for Program Management & Administration, Design Support Services, and Construction Engineering & Inspection Services for various 2023 Certificate of Obligation Projects. Funding in the aggregate amount of \$4,406,845.50 is available in CP-CO23A-PROADMIN-PROF SVCS and CP-TCO23B-PROGADMIN-PROF SVCS. (Contract No. 2023-0684)

*Jose M. Landeros, Director of Strategic Development, County Administration Department (915) 546-2215*

13. Discuss and take appropriate action regarding El Paso County's preparation and response for public health emergencies.

*Betsy C. Keller, CM, Chief Administrator, County Administration Department (915) 546-2215*

## **AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN**

14. Discuss and take appropriate action regarding the implementation of the El Paso County American Rescue Plan Act Coronavirus State & Local Fiscal Recovery Funds Portfolio.

*Jose M. Landeros, Director of Strategic Development, County Administration Department (915) 546-2159*

## **AUDITOR**

15. Pursuant to the Texas Local Government Code § 114.023, 114.024, 114.025 and 114.026, please accept the attached presentation and the interim financial report for the month ended July 31, 2023. The interim financial report is located on the intranet at: <http://www.epcounty.com/auditor/publications/monthlyreports.htm> .

*Edward A. Dion, County Auditor, County Auditor's Office (915) 273-3262*

## **JUDICIARY AND CORRECTIONS**

16. Approve and authorize the establishment of the 243rd Mental Health Specialty Court titled INSPIRE (Independence, Namaste, Safety, Purposeful, Insightful, Resilience, Empowerment) Treatment Court. Further, authorize the County Judge and Commissioners to sign the Resolution establishing the program as required by the Texas Office of Court Administration. (Contract No. 2023-0689)

*Judge Selena Solis, 243rd District Court (915) 546-2168*

## **LITIGATION, JUSTICE, AND LAW ENFORCEMENT**

17. Approve and authorize the use of County general funds to temporarily pay for grant-funded personnel in the District Attorney's Office in the amount of \$67,158 from August 28, 2023, through October 31, 2023, or until pending State grant budget adjustment is approved by the funding agency. Funding is available in GF-GADM-XFER OUT-GRANT MATCH.

*Bill D. Hicks, District Attorney, District Attorney's Office (915) 546-2059 x4077*

## **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

18. Discuss and take appropriate action regarding the use of Hotel Occupancy Fund (HOT) and Economic Development General Fund revenues for special events, projects, or initiatives.

*Roberto Ransom, Director, Economic Development Department (915) 546-2177*

## **HUMAN RESOURCES**

19. Approve and authorize a new Accountant, Intermediate (PS07) full-time position. Funding is available in GF-GADM-RES-SAL ADJUST. Further, approve the transfer of associated operating costs from GF-GADM-RES-SAL ADJUST to GF-ITD-NEW POS OPER/CAP ESTIMA and various GF-AUDITOR operating accounts.

*Minnie Holguin, Chief Human Resources Officer, Human Resources Department (915) 546-2218*

## **PUBLIC WORKS**



20. Receive a presentation from the Planning and Development Department on an Infrastructure Assessment of the Colonias in El Paso County, Texas.

*Michael McElroy, Director, Planning & Development Department (915) 546-2015*

## **BUDGET AND FINANCE**

21. Discuss and take appropriate action to adopt the 2023 Property Tax Rate for the El Paso County Hospital District d/b/a University Medical Center of El Paso.

*R. Jacob Cintron, President & CEO, University Medical Center/EPCHD (915) 521-7600*

22. Discuss and take appropriate action to approve the El Paso County Hospital District d/b/a University Medical Center of El Paso Fiscal Year 2024 Operating and Capital Budgets.

*R. Jacob Cintron, President & CEO, University Medical Center/EPCHD (915) 521-7600*

23. (Postponed 8/21/23) BUDGET HEARING: Discuss and take appropriate action on the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 budget for El Paso County.

*Jessica C. Garza, Interim Director, Budget and Fiscal Policy Department (915) 546-2262*

24. Pursuant to the Property Tax Code, § 26.05(a), adopt a tax rate for El Paso County.

*Jessica C. Garza, Interim Director, Budget and Fiscal Policy Department (915) 546-2262*

## **25. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Only the members of the Commissioners Court have a right to attend an executive session, except that legal counsel must be present if the executive session is held pursuant to Government Code section 551.071. In addition to legal counsel, Commissioners Court may include in executive session certain officers and employees if it finds that (1) their participation is necessary to the matter under consideration; (2) their interests are not adverse to the county, and (3) their presence will not waive the attorney client privilege. Generally, the Chief Administrator, Budget Executive Director, County Clerk's representatives, and County Auditor's Office representatives attend the closed session items based on the enumerated criteria, and certain other persons may attend based on the above-listed criteria or as otherwise provided by law.

- A. Discuss findings regarding persons necessary in Executive Session.

*County Attorney's Office (915) 546-2050*

- B. Pursuant to Texas Government Code §551.071 and §551.074, discuss legal rights and responsibilities and a personnel matter concerning the pending vacancy for a County Court at Law Judge in County Criminal Court #1 due to the pending retirement for Judge Alma Trejo.

*JoAnne Bernal, County Attorney, County Attorney's Office (915) 546-2050*

- C. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.072, discuss a lease by the El Paso County Hospital District for warehouse space located in central El Paso.

*R. Jacob Cintron, President & CEO, University Medical Center/EPCHD (915) 521-7600*

- D. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 & 551.072, discuss legal rights and responsibilities regarding the County's response to the lifting of Title 42 and the corresponding deliberations about Real Property.

*Ana Schumacher, Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office (915) 546-2050*

- E. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071 and 551.0725, discuss and receive legal advice concerning collective bargaining negotiations between the County and the El Paso County Sheriff's Officers' Association.

*Carlos Madrid, Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office (915) 546-2050*

- F. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Sec. 551.0725, discuss the Hotel Occupancy Tax Event Contract with Brightside LLC Series 1.

*Jose M. Landeros, Director of Strategic Development, County Administration Department (915) 546-2159*

- G. Discuss financial information and economic development negotiations based on the latest update received from a Chapter 381 Agreement with Project Sun, a private business prospect, pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.087.

*Roberto Ransom, Director, Economic Development Department (915) 546-2177*

## **REGULAR SESSION**

26. Discuss and take appropriate action regarding a personnel matter concerning the pending vacancy for a County Court at Law Judge in County Criminal Court #1 due to the pending retirement for Judge Alma Trejo.

*Betsy C. Keller, CM, Chief Administrator, County Administration Department (915) 546-2215*

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*Irene G. Valenzuela, Executive Director, Community Services Department (915) 775-2708*

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*Melissa M. Carrillo, Executive Director Operations, County Administration Department (915) 546-2215*

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*Roberto Ransom, Director, Economic Development Department (915) 546-2177*

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## **ADDENDUM TO THE AGENDA**

31. Approve and adopt a resolution declaring August 2023 as "Child

**Support Awareness Month," in El Paso County, Texas.**

*Carlos Leon, Commissioner, Pct. 1 (915) 546-2014*

*Posted Friday, August 25, 2023, at 11:00 A.M.*