### 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 500 East San Antonio Room 303 El Paso, Texas 79901 Website address: http://www.epcounty.com View live video webcast: http://epcounty.com/video

### COMMISSIONERS COURT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2023

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

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

#### MEETING CONVENED

Commissioners Court of El Paso County, Texas was called to order by the Deputy Clerk at 9:40 A.M.

#### 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Rodolfo Arzaga led the Commissioners Court in the Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge.

#### 3. INVOCATION

Receive an invocation from Phyllis Peterson from Join Us for Justice, the El Paso Chapter of Americans United for Separation of Church and State.

#### 4. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the regular meeting of September 18, 2023. County Administration Department (915) 546-2215
- B. Pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Section 111.062, appoint the Chief Administrator as the County Budget Officer to prepare a county budget for each fiscal year.

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

  Barbara Parker, County Auditor, County Auditor's Office (915) 273-3262
- D. Pursuant to the Texas Government Code, Title 10, § 2256.025, approve the following list of dealers as authorized to engage in investment transactions with the County. These dealers have met the criteria established in the County's investment policy. Additional dealers will be submitted to Commissioners Court if they meet the County's requirements as specified in the investment policy. Barbara Parker, County Auditor, County Auditor's Office (915) 273-3262
- E. Approve amendment No. 42 to the County of El Paso's 2022-2023 operating budget. This budgetary amendment will increase Grants by \$6,387,036.39, thus increasing the overall budget of \$735,926,186.03 to \$742,313,222.42.

  Jessica C. Garza, Interim Director, Budget and Fiscal Policy Department (915) 546-2262
- F. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Memorandum of Understanding renewal between the County of El Paso and Community Partners of El Paso Inc., for services to El Paso children who are urgently removed from a home setting and placed in foster care. Funding available in GF-CHILDWBRD-OPS EXP-GEN. (Contract No. 2023-0736)

  Irene G. Valenzuela, Executive Director, Community Services Department (915) 775-2708
- G. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Second Amendment to the El Paso United Family Resiliency Center Subrecipient Agreement with United Way of El Paso County amending the Exhibit C Second Amendment Budget to shift funds within budget line item categories to enhance services to victims and survivors of the August 3rd mass shooting event under the Office of the Governor's Antiterrorism and Emergency Assistance Program (AEAP) grant. (Contract No. 2023-0747) Irene G. Valenzuela, Executive Director, Community Services Department (915) 775-2708
- H. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the renewal agreement between the County of El Paso and Bibliotheca LLC, to purchase services for the County Digital Library for remote access to a collection of over 219,000 shared digital eBooks, eAudiobooks, and unlimited simultaneous use to thousands of magazines and graphic novels in the amount of \$180,000 from October 1, 2023, through September 30, 2024. Funds are available in GF-DIGITALLIB-BOOKS&SUBSCRIP. (Contract No. 2023-0748) Irene G. Valenzuela, Executive Director, Community Services Department (915) 775-2708
- I. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Renewal Agreement with #1 A LifeSafer of Texas Interlock, Inc. for the Offender/Defendant paid mobile alcohol monitoring devices and motor vehicle photo ignition interlock devices through October 1, 2024. There is no cost to the County as it is offender/defendant paid. (Contract 2023-0749)

  Catherine Jones, Director, Criminal Justice Coordination Department (915) 273-3353
- J. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the First Contract Renewal Participating Entity Services Agreement for the Statewide Automated Victim Notification Service (SAVNS) with Appriss Insights, LLC (Vendor Contract No. 20222344900-5-01), for the 24-hour automated information and notification to victims of crime in El Paso County for FY2024 in the amount of \$30,285.26 from September 1, 2023, through August 31, 2024. This is paid by the Office of the Attorney General and represents no impact to the County Budget. (Contract No. 2023-0741)

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

- K. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Interlocal Agreement by and between the County of El Paso and the El Paso County Hospital District D/B/A University Medical Center of El Paso (UMCEP) for Onsite Employee Health Clinic Services. Funding in the amount of \$787,098 is available in GF-GADM-OPS CONTINGENCIES, and if approved will be transferred out. (Contract No. 2022-1035)

  Minnie Holguin, Chief Human Resources Officer, Human Resources Department (915) 546-2218
- L. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the First Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement between El Paso County and the El Paso County Hospital District d/b/a University Medical Center of El Paso, for Flu Vaccinations from October 1, 2023, through September 30, 2025. Funds are available in account IS-HEALTH-HEALTH/DENTAL CLAIMS. (Contract No. 2023-0698)

  Minnie Holguin, Chief Human Resources Officer, Human Resources Department (915) 546-2218
- M. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the agreement between the County of El Paso and GovernmentJobs.com dba NEOGOV. Funding is available in GF-ITD-MAINT/REP-SOFTWARE for the grand total amount of \$367,782.66 for the next three years. (Contract No. 2023-0581)

  Art Nevarez, Interim Chief Information Officer, Information Technology Department (915) 255-0748
- N. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Change Order Form between the County of El Paso and Tyler Technologies, Inc. to modify Contract No. 2022-0188, and increase hours for each development item to the Enterprise Justice Supervision application at no additional cost to El Paso County. There is no fiscal impact. (Contract No. 2023-0668)

  Art Nevarez, Interim Chief Information Officer, Information Technology Department (915) 255-0748
- O. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Master Services Agreement for As-Needed County Wide Adobe Licenses between the County of El Paso and SoftwareOne, Inc. Funding is available through various County accounts on an as-needed basis. (Contract No. 2023-0683)

  Art Nevarez, Interim Chief Information Officer, Information Technology Department (915) 255-0748
- P. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the agreement between the County of El Paso and SoftwareOne. Funding for this item will be available in GF-ITD-MAINT/REP-SOFTWARE for the total amount of \$316,550 for the next three years. (Contract No. 2023-0703)

  Art Nevarez, Interim Chief Information Officer, Information Technology Department (915) 255-0748
- Q. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the agreement between the County of El Paso and Vertosoft, LLC. for Workiva Software for Auditor's Office. Funding is available in GF-ITD-MAINT/REP-SOFTWARE for the total amount of \$51,450.00. (Contract No. 2023-0706)

  Art Nevarez, Interim Chief Information Officer, Information Technology Department (915) 255-0748
- R. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Statement of Work which was not included in the original document under Contract No. 2023-0596 between the County of El Paso and Pivot Technology Services Corp dba Computacenter. There is no fiscal impact. (Contract No. 2023-0708)

  Art Nevarez, Interim Chief Information Officer, Information Technology Department (915) 255-0748
- S. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Master Services Agreement for the next five years for countywide as-needed structured cabling services and equipment between the County of El Paso and Innovative PBX Services, Inc. (aka NEW IPS). Funding is available through various County accounts on an as-needed basis. (Contract No. 2023-0729)

  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 Innovation Network Technologies Corp. for the A10 Gold Support. Funding is available in GF-ITD-MAINT/REP-HARDWARE for the total amount of \$29,777.68. (Contract No. 2023-0732)

  Art Nevarez, Interim Chief Information Officer, Information Technology Department (915) 255-0748
- U. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Master Services Agreement for the next five years for countywide as-needed structured cabling services and equipment between the County of El Paso and GarCom, Inc. Funding is available through various County accounts on an as-needed basis. (Contract No. 2023-0753) Art Nevarez, Interim Chief Information Officer, Information Technology Department (915) 255-0748

- V. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Contract between the El Paso County Juvenile Probation Department and Pinnacle Social Services LLC for High Performance Neurofeedback (HPN) services to youth ages 14 to 17 years of age adjudicated of delinquent conduct who based on their assessments are in need of substance abuse and/or mental health treatment services and where HPN may be beneficial in enhancing treatment outcomes as an additional treatment modality to help regulate the brain to lower cravings, impulsivity and improve overall functioning, in the amount of \$13,200. This Agreement will be effective July 1, 2023, through August 31, 2026. Funding is available in account GJUVDRCT23-600000. (Contract No. 2023-0613) Rosie Medina, Chief Juvenile Probation Officer, Juvenile Probation Department (915) 849-2500
- W. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the technology purchase agreement with Insight Public Sector Inc. (IPS) cooperative, for a cloud hosting solution to implement the Geographic Information Systems Enterprise software in the amount of \$64,866.33. Funding is available in GF-PWADMIN-CONTR SEV-GENERAL. (Contract No. 2023-0712)

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

- X. 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
- Y. Approve and ratify the signature of the County Judge on a letter of support for Dr. Ivonne Santiago, Associate Professor at UTEP, to support her efforts in securing that colonias have access to safe drinking water using point of use systems. This does not require any financial assistance from the County. (2514-OP)

  Norma Palacios, Public Works Director, Public Works Department (915) 273-3330
- Z. Approve the Purchase and Installation of 125-amp MLO 12 Circuit Panel Board 120/208 Volts for the County of El Paso Sheriff's Jail Annex (12308795) using Region 19 Job Order Contract (JOC) 21-7411 awarded to Keystone Contractors and Engineers (Keystone GC, LLC.) of El Paso, Texas in the amount of \$268,669.77. Purchasing approved September 13, 2023. Funding available in CP-TN23B-JAILAN-RENOV-ELECTRIC. Karen L. Davidson, Purchasing Agent, Purchasing Department (915) 546-2048
- AA. Approve the Purchase and Installation of Rock Wall and Sidewalk for the County of El Paso Ascarate Park All Abilities Playground (12311047) using Buyboard Job Order Contract (JOC) 581-19 awarded to Basic IDIQ, Inc. of Austin, Texas in the amount of \$172,800. Purchasing approved September 13, 2023. Funding available in SG-PARKS19-CAP OUTLAYS.

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

AB. Approve the Purchase and Installation for the County of El Paso Ascarate Park All Abilities Playground Fencing (12311116) using Region 19 Contract 22-7434 awarded to Westside Welding, Inc. of Canutillo, Texas for a total amount of \$165,746.72. Purchasing approved on September 13, 2023. Funding is available in PARKS19-CAP OUTLAYS.

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

AC. Approve the Purchase of COVID Supplies for the County of El Paso Sheriff's Department (12309192) using Region 19 Contract 21-7392 awarded to Brady Industries of Texas LLC (Brady Companies LLC) of El Paso, Texas for a grand total of \$107,527.60. Purchasing approved September 13, 2023. Funding available in SG-GCOVDMCF23-OPERATING EX.

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

- AD. **PULLED FOR DISCUSSION BY COMMISSIONER HOLGUIN -** Approve the Purchase and Installation of 6'6" Tarkett Standard Plus Sheet Vinyl Flooring for the County of El Paso Animal Welfare Department (12310188) using Buyboard Contract 642-21 awarded to LVR Commercial Flooring of Lubbock, Texas for a total of \$73,096.39. Purchasing approved on September 13, 2023. Funding is available in GF-ANIMLCLINIC-CONSTRUCTION. Karen L. Davidson, Purchasing Agent, Purchasing Department (915) 546-2048
- AE. Approve and authorize the Sole Source Purchase of Website and Mobile Application Updates for the County of El Paso Elections Department from Impulse Development LLC dba Hello Amigo of El Paso, TX in the total of \$62,000 with annual hosting fees of \$6,000. Funds are available in GF-ELECTIONS-CAP-IT SFTWRE-CTY and GF-ELECTIONS-MAINT/REP-SOFTWAR. Pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Section 262.024 (a)(7)(A), as a sole source item, it is exempt from the provisions of the County Purchasing Act. Sole Source will be reevaluated at time of new contract to ensure compliance with statute.

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

- AF. Approve award recommendation of Bid 23-029 De Alva Drive Stormwater Project for the County of El Paso to Karlsruher, Inc. dba CSA Constructors of El Paso, TX for a lump sum of \$548,000.00. Purchasing approved on September 13, 2023. Funding is available in GF-RBFLOODCNT-STRMWTR IMPRO. Karen L. Davidson, Purchasing Agent, Purchasing Department (915) 546-2048.
- AG. Approve the purchase of As-Needed Cabling Services and Equipment for the County of El Paso using Region 19 Contract 23-7469 awarded to Comco Inc. El Paso, TX; EP Techworks, LLC El Paso, TX; GarCom, Inc. El Paso, TX; New IPS, Inc. El Paso, TX; Phi-Tech, LLC El Paso, TX; Plan B Networks, Inc. El Paso, TX; RedGear LLC, El Paso, TX; Santech, LLC, El Paso, TX. Discount and pricing as indicated in contract. Funding is available through various County accounts on an as-needed basis.

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

- AH. Pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Section 262.024(a)(4), approve and authorize the use of Professional Service Exemption to purchasing procedures to select a qualified veterinarian for the Animal Welfare Department and approve their recommendation and authorize local veterinarian local Dr. Jacqueline Hernandez-Diaz to commence services. Funding is available in GF-ANIMALWELF-CONTR SVC-GEN. Karen L. Davidson, Purchasing Agent, Purchasing Department (915) 546-2048
- AI. Approve award recommendation of Bid 23-025 Alcohol, Drug Testing Supplies and Laboratory Services for the County of El Paso Juvenile Probation Department to Redwood Toxicology Laboratory, Inc of Santa Rosa, California. Rates as indicated in tabulation. Purchasing approved on September 13, 2023. Funding is available in SR-JPDSUP-PHARMACEUTICAL; SG-JUVDRCT23-OPERATING EXP; GF-JPD-PROF SVC-MED JAIL and SG-JUVDRCT23-OPERATING EXP.

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

AJ. Approve and authorize the Purchasing Agent to reject all responses and close out solicitation RFP 23-031 Secure and/or Staff-Secure Residential Treatment Services for Post Adjudicated Youth for the Juvenile Probation Department due to low vendor response; with permission to resolicit at the discretion of the Juvenile Probation Department.

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

- AK. 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
- AL. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign a letter of support to the Environmental Protection Agency regarding the submission of an application to the Solar for All grant opportunity being submitted by the City of El Paso. #2466-OP

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

AM. Pursuant to section 118.131 of the Texas Local Government Code, approve and authorize the County Judge to sign an order setting reasonable fees for the Sheriff and Constable services to be effective on January 1, 2024. (OP#1662)

Sheriff Richard D. Wiles, El Paso County Sheriff's Office (915) 538-2265

AN. Approve and authorize the use of County general funds to temporarily pay for grant-funded personnel and operating expenses from September 1, 2023, through November 30, 2023, or until pending State grant awards are received and accepted, in the amount of \$231,078.70. Funding is available in GF-GADM-XFER OUT-GRANT MATCH.

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

- AO. GRANT SUPPLEMENTAL AWARD Approve and authorize the County Judge to accept the Office of the Governor Criminal Justice Division, FY23-FY24 El Paso Coordinated Response Capital Murder Trial (#3926902) grant supplemental award from May 1, 2023, through April 30, 2025, in the amount of \$52,852.71, amending the total amount from \$2,033,499.00 to \$2,086,351.71. (Contract No. 2023-0773) Bill D. Hicks, District Attorney, District Attorney's Office (915) 546-2059 x4077
- AP. GRANT AWARD Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the FY2024 Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) Federal 5311 Formula Rural Areas Public Transportation Project Grant Agreement (PGA) from September 1, 2023, through August 31, 2024, in the amount of \$2,814,669. Match funding in the amount of \$926,612 is required and will be budgeted for FY2025. (Contract No. 2023-0720) Michael McElroy, Director, Planning & Development Department (915) 273-3330

AQ. GRANT AWARD - Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the FY24 Texas Indigent Defense Commission (TIDC) 48-Hour Bond Hearing Project in the amount of \$45,925, from October 1, 2023, to March 31, 2024. Further, authorize the County Judge to sign the Resolution and Internet Submission Form. A grant match is required in the amount of \$183,700, for this fourth year of grant funding. Funding is available in GF-PUBDEF-XFEROUT-48HR GRT MAT. (Contract No. 2023-0757)

Kelli Childress, Chief Public Defender, Public Defender's Office (915) 546-8185

AR. GRANT AWARD - Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the FY24 Texas Indigent Defense Commission (TIDC) grant award for the Public Defender's Office Padilla Immigration Counseling and Advice Program, in the amount of \$122,829, from October 1, 2023, through September 30, 2024. A County match in the amount of \$122,829 is needed and is available in GF-GADM-XFER OUT-GRANT MATCH. (Contract No. 2023-0758)

Kelli Childress, Chief Public Defender, Public Defender's Office (915) 546-8185

AS. GRANT AWARD - Approve and authorize the County Judge to accept the Bureau of Justice Assistance FY22 State Criminal Alien Assistance Program (SCAAP) grant award in the amount of \$20,396, on behalf of the El Paso County Sheriff's Office for the period of July 1, 2020, through June, 30, 2021. No County match is required. (Contract No. 2023-0751)

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

AT. Approve and authorize the award of RFP 23-023 Supervised Visits and Exchange Services for Families of Domestic Violence for the County of El Paso to the highest scoring firm Project Amistad of El Paso, TX. Purchasing approved on September 13, 2023. Funds are available in GF-DRO-CONTR SVC-GEN. Karen Davidson, Purchasing Agent, Purchasing Department (915) 546-2048

AU. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Contract for Court Ordered Supervised Visitation and Exchange Services Agreement with Project Amistad for supervised visitation and exchange services in an amount up to \$36,000. Funding is available in GF-DRO-CONTR SVC-GEN. (Contract No. 2023-0761) Brian Stanley, Executive Director, Domestic Relations Office (915) 834-8200

#### MOTION: APPROVE

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

#### 5. RESOLUTIONS

A. Approve and adopt a resolution recognizing September 15 - October 15, 2023, as "Hispanic Heritage Month" in El Paso County, Texas.

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

#### MOTION: APPROVE

Motion by Commissioner Holguin Mer Seconded by County Judge Samaniego

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

B. Approve and adopt a resolution recognizing the month of October 2023 as "Breast Cancer Awareness Month" in El Paso County, Texas.

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

#### MOTION: APPROVE

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

C. Approve and adopt a resolution recognizing the month of September 2023 as Childhood Cancer Awareness 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 Stout Members Voting Aye: Judge Samaniego, Leon, Stout, Holguin, Coronado Members Voting Nay: None D. Approve and adopt a resolution recognizing House Bill 3474 that makes County Criminal at Law #2 a Statutory DWI Intervention and Treatment Program 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 Nav: None

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

Elizabeth Crawford, concerned Citizen, addressed the Commissioners Court regarding her stance against abortion.

Annette Gutierrez, Executive Director of the Rio Grande Council of Governments, addressed the Commissioners Court to acknowledge Commissioner Iliana Holquin who was honored at their annual meeting as the Elected Official of the Year.

#### 7. PRESENTATION

Receive a presentation regarding the El Paso County EPIC Shining Stars award, naming the four Shining Stars for the first quarter of FY24.

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

#### PRESENTATION RECEIVED

#### **BOARD APPOINTMENTS**

Approve the appointment of Commissioner Sergio Coronado's nominee, Enrique Castanos, to the El Paso County Risk Pool Board for the unexpired term ending May 17, 2024. Betsy C. Keller, CM, Chief Administrator, County Administration Department (915) 546-2215

#### MOTION: APPROVE

Motion by Commissioner Coronado Seconded by Commissioner Holguin

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

#### COMMISSIONERS COURT

Receive a presentation on Border Network for Human Rights 25th Anniversary Gala. Further, discuss and take appropriate action regarding a proposed County sponsorship request for the Border Network for Human Rights 25th Anniversary Gala.

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

MOTION: APPROVE THE PROPOSED COUNTY SPONSORSHIP REQUEST FOR THE BORDER NETWORK FOR HUMAN RIGHTS 25TH ANNIVERSARY GALA IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,250, FOR THE PROMOTION OF THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF THE COMMUNITY.

Motion by Commissioner Stout

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

#### **PURCHASING**

11. Rescind the Commissioners Court Order of June 26, 2023, Item No. 17 on the Regular Agenda to approve the purchase of Fire Alarm Upgrade for the County of El Paso Detention Facility using Region 19 Contract 21-7419 awarded to Sound and Signal Systems of Texas Inc. of El Paso, Texas for a project grand total in the amount of \$1,795,792.71. Purchasing approved June 13, 2023. Funding is available in CP-TN23B-JAIL-RENO-FIREALARM. Further, approve and authorize the purchase of Fire Alarm Upgrade for the County of El Paso Jail Annex using Region 19 Contract 21-7419 awarded to Sound and Signal Systems of Texas Inc. of El Paso, Texas for a project grand total \$1,795,792.71. Purchasing approved June 13, 2023. Funding available in CP-TN23B-JAIL-RENO-FIREALARM.

Karen L. Davidson, Purchasing Agent, Purchasing Department (915) 273-3349

#### MOTION: APPROVE

Motion by Commissioner Leon Seconded by Commissioner Coronado

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

12. Approve the purchase of Fire Alarm Upgrade for the County of El Paso Detention Facility using Region 19 Contract 21-7419 awarded to Sound and Signal Systems of Texas Inc. of El Paso. Texas for project grand total \$1,720,092.15. Purchasing approved September 13, 2023. Funding available in CP-TN23B-DDF-RENOV-FIREALARM.

Karen Davidson, Purchasing Agent, Purchasing Department (915) 546-2109

MOTION: APPROVE

Motion by Commissioner Leon

Members Voting Ave: Leon, Stout, Holquin, Coronado Seconded by Commissioner Holquin Members Absent: Judge Samaniego Members Voting Nav: None

13. Approve and authorize the Sole Source Purchase of Maintenance and Support of Odyssey (Enterprise Justice) Modules in the total of \$573,438.60 and SaaS Migration of Odyssey (Enterprise Justice) Software in the total of \$3,316,320 with annual client services of \$85,000 for the County of El Paso from Tyler Technologies, Inc. of Plano. TX. Funds are available in GF-ITD-MAINT/REP-SOFTWARE. Pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Section 262.024 (a)(7)(A), as a sole source item, it is exempt from the provisions of the County Purchasing Act. Sole Source will be re-evaluated at time of new contract to ensure compliance with statute. Karen L. Davidson, Purchasing Agent, Purchasing Department (915) 546-2048

MOTION: APPROVE

Motion by Commissioner Holquin Seconded by Commissioner Leon

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

#### ITEMS PULLED FOR DISCUSSION FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

4AD.PULLED FOR DISCUSSION BY COMMISSIONER HOLGUIN - Approve the Purchase and Installation of 6'6" Tarkett Standard Plus Sheet Vinyl Flooring for the County of El Paso Animal Welfare Department (12310188) using Buyboard Contract 642-21 awarded to LVR Commercial Flooring of Lubbock, Texas for a total of \$73,096.39. Purchasing approved on September 13, 2023. Funding is available in GF-ANIMLCLINIC-CONSTRUCTION. Karen L. Davidson, Purchasing Agent, Purchasing Department (915) 546-2048

MOTION: APPROVE

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

#### 5. RESOLUTIONS

Approve and adopt a resolution recognizing Judge Alma Trejo for her 32 years of service and dedication to the El Paso County community. Ricardo A. Samaniego, County Judge, co-sponsoring with Commissioner Sergio Coronado (915) 546-2098

MOTION: APPROVE

Motion by Commissioner Coronado Seconded by County Judge Samaniego

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

MEETING RECESSED AT 12:03 P.M.

MEETING RECONVENED AT 1:11 P.M.

#### REGULAR SESSION

19. Discuss and take appropriate action pertaining to recent fires at a business located in the Montana Vista area of El Paso County.

Erica Rosales Nigaglioni, Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office (915) 546-2050

#### 18. INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 2:08 P.M.

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

Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071, receive legal advice and consultation regarding recent fires at a business located in the Montana Vista area of El Paso County. Erica Rosales Nigaglioni, Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office (915) 546-2050

#### REGULAR SESSION RECONVENED AT 2:59 P.M.

19. Discuss and take appropriate action pertaining to recent fires at a business located in the Montana Vista area of El Paso County.

Erica Rosales Nigaglioni, Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office (915) 546-2050

MOTION: APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE TO PURSUE ANY AND ALL ADMINISTRATIVE REMEDIES, CIVIL REMEDIES, AND ADVOCACY WITH LOCAL, STATE, AND FEDERAL AGENCIES, IN CONNECTION WITH THE RECENT FIRE AND FIRE HAZARD IN MONTANA VISTA AND SUPPORT ANY CRIMINAL PROSECUTION. FURTHER, APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY JUDGE TO SIGN ANY CORRESPONDENCE TO OUTSIDE AGENCIES ON BEHALF OF THE COURT RELATED TO THIS MATTER. FURTHER, APPROVE THE FORMATION OF A COUNTY TASK FORCE TO COORDINATE AND SUPPORT THESE EFFORTS.

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

#### **COUNTY ADMINISTRATION**

10. Discuss and take appropriate action per Local Government Code 81.005, Terms of Court, Meetings (a). "At the last regular term of each fiscal year of the County, the Commissioners Court, by order, shall designate a day of the week on which the court shall convene in a regular term each month during the next fiscal year."

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

## MOTION: APPROVE MONDAYS AS THE REGULARY SCHEDULED DAY FOR COMMISSIONERS COURT MEETINGS IN FY 2023-2024.

Motion by Commissioner Stout

Members Voting Aye: Stout, Holguin, Coronado Seconded by Commissioner Holguin

Members Absent: Judge Samaniego, Leon

Members Voting Nay: None

#### **AUDITOR**

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

Barbara Parker, County Auditor, County Auditor's Office (915) 273-3262

#### MOTION: ACCEPT

Motion by County Judge Samaniego Seconded by Commissioner Coronado

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

#### LITIGATION, JUSTICE, AND LAW ENFORCEMENT

15. GRANT AWARD - Approve and authorize the County Judge to accept the Bureau of Justice Assistance FY 23 Swift, Certain, and Fair (SCF) Supervision Program: Applying the Principles Behind Project HOPE, in the amount of \$800,000 from October 1, 2023, through September 30, 2027. No County match is required. (Contract No. 2023-0752)

Catherine Jones, Director, Criminal Justice Coordination Department (915) 273-3353

#### MOTION: APPROVE

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

#### **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

16. GRANT AWARD - Approve and authorize the County Judge to accept the federal Small Business Administration award in the amount of \$500,000 from October 1, 2023, to September 30, 2025 to launch a business retention and expansion effort for businesses along El Paso County's historic Mission Trail, which stretches from the eastern edge of the City of El Paso, includes the City of Socorro, the San Elizario Historic District and the Town of Tornillo. No county match is required. (Contract No. 2023-0772)

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

MOTION: APPROVE

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

#### INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

17. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Contract for Software as a Service Agreement with Tyler Technologies, Inc. for the Enterprise Justice Software as a Service for a three-year term for a total amount of \$3,316,320. Funding is available in GF-ITD-MAINT/REP-SOFTWARE. (Contract No. 2023-0767) Art Nevarez, Interim Chief Information Officer, Information Technology Department (915) 255-0748

MOTION: APPROVE

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

#### 18. INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 3:43 P.M.

- Discuss findings regarding persons necessary in Executive Session.
   County Attorney's Office (915) 546-2050
- B. Discuss potential real property acquisition in Downtown El Paso pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.072.

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

- C. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.072, discuss an acquisition by Planning and Development for Right of Way acquisition located in far east El Paso.

  Michael McElroy, Director, Planning & Development Department (915) 273-3330
- 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
- F. Pursuant to Texas Government Code section 551.087, discuss financial information and economic development negotiations received regarding a Chapter 381 Agreement with Project Seafox, a private business prospect.

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

G. Pursuant to Texas Government Code section 551.087, discuss financial information and economic development negotiations received regarding a Chapter 381 Agreement with Project Green Beryl, a private business prospect.

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

MEETING RECONVENED AT 5:39 P.M.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 5:40 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, SEPTEMBER 25, 2023

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 5:40 P.M.

ATTEST:

DELIA BRIONES, COUNTY CLERK EL PASO COUNTY, TEXAS

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

EXAMINED AND APPROVED BY ME THIS

DAY OF

\_, 2023

COUNTY JUDGE RICARDO A. SAMANIEGO, PRESIDING

# EL PASO COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

2023 SEP 22 AM 9:25

DELIA BRIONES
COUNTY CLERK
EL PASO COUNTY, TEXAS

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

This meeting may include one or more Commissioners that will participate by videoconference, and El Paso County employees that will participate by videoconference, which is allowed pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.127. A quorum of the Commissioners Court will be physically present at the El Paso County Courthouse, Commissioners Court Chambers, 500 East San Antonio Room 303 El Paso, Texas 79901. A member of the Commissioners Court who is presiding over the meeting will also be physically present at the location listed above. The meeting is open to the public during the open portions of the meeting, and the Commissioner participating by video conference shall be visible and audible to the public for as long as the Commissioner is able to participate.

Members of the public will be entitled to participate and address the governmental body during any telephonic or videoconference meeting.

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#### **AGENDA**

Regular Meeting, September 25, 2023 - 9:30 AM

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 September 18, 2023. County Administration Department (915) 546-2215
- B. Pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Section 111.062, appoint the Chief Administrator as the County Budget Officer to prepare a county budget for each fiscal year.
  - Betsy C. Keller, CM, Chief Administrator, County Administration Department (915) 546-2215
- C. 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.
  - Barbara Parker, County Auditor, County Auditor's Office (915) 273-3262
- D. Pursuant to the Texas Government Code, Title 10, § 2256.025, approve the following list of dealers as authorized to engage in investment transactions with the County. These dealers have met the criteria established in the County's investment policy. Additional dealers will be submitted to Commissioners Court if they meet the County's requirements as specified in the investment policy.
  - Barbara Parker, County Auditor, County Auditor's Office (915) 273-3262
- E. Approve amendment No. 42 to the County of El Paso's 2022-2023 operating budget. This budgetary amendment will increase Grants by \$6,387,036.39, thus increasing the overall budget of \$735,926,186.03

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

F. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Memorandum of Understanding renewal between the County of El Paso and Community Partners of El Paso Inc., for services to El Paso children who are urgently removed from a home setting and placed in foster care. Funding available in GF-CHILDWBRD-OPS EXP-GEN. (Contract No. 2023-0736)

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

G. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Second Amendment to the El Paso United Family Resiliency Center Subrecipient Agreement with United Way of El Paso County amending the Exhibit C – Second Amendment Budget to shift funds within budget line item categories to enhance services to victims and survivors of the August 3rd mass shooting event under the Office of the Governor's Antiterrorism and Emergency Assistance Program (AEAP) grant. (Contract No. 2023-0747)

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

H. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the renewal agreement between the County of El Paso and Bibliotheca LLC, to purchase services for the County Digital Library for remote access to a collection of over 219,000 shared digital eBooks, eAudiobooks, and unlimited simultaneous use to thousands of magazines and graphic novels in the amount of \$180,000 from October 1, 2023, through September 30, 2024. Funds are available in GF-DIGITALLIB-BOOKS&SUBSCRIP. (Contract No. 2023-0748)

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

I. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Renewal Agreement with #1 A LifeSafer of Texas Interlock, Inc. for the Offender/Defendant paid mobile alcohol monitoring devices and motor vehicle photo ignition interlock devices through October 1, 2024. There is no cost to the County as it is offender/defendant paid. (Contract 2023-0749)

Catherine Jones, Director, Criminal Justice Coordination Department (915) 273-3353

J. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the First Contract Renewal Participating Entity Services Agreement for the Statewide Automated Victim Notification Service (SAVNS) with Appriss Insights, LLC (Vendor Contract No. 20222344900-5-01), for the 24-hour automated information and notification to victims of crime in El Paso County for FY2024 in the amount of \$30,285.26 from September 1, 2023, through August 31, 2024. This is paid by the Office of the Attorney General and represents no impact to the County Budget. (Contract No. 2023-0741)

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

K. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Interlocal Agreement by and between the County of El Paso and the El Paso County Hospital District D/B/A University Medical Center of El Paso (UMCEP) for Onsite Employee Health Clinic Services. Funding in the

amount of \$787,098 is available in GF-GADM-OPS CONTINGENCIES, and if approved will be transferred out. (Contract No. 2022-1035)

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

L. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the First Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement between EI Paso County and the EI Paso County Hospital District d/b/a University Medical Center of EI Paso, for Flu Vaccinations from October 1, 2023, through September 30, 2025. Funds are available in account IS-HEALTH-HEALTH/DENTAL CLAIMS. (Contract No. 2023-0698)

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

M. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the agreement between the County of El Paso and GovernmentJobs.com dba NEOGOV. Funding is available in GF-ITD-MAINT/REP-SOFTWARE for the grand total amount of \$367,782.66 for the next three years. (Contract No. 2023-0581)

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

N. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Change Order Form between the County of El Paso and Tyler Technologies, Inc. to modify Contract No. 2022-0188, and increase hours for each development item to the Enterprise Justice Supervision application at no additional cost to El Paso County. There is no fiscal impact. (Contract No. 2023-0668)

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

O. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Master Services Agreement for As-Needed County Wide Adobe Licenses between the County of El Paso and SoftwareOne, Inc. Funding is available through various County accounts on an as-needed basis. (Contract No. 2023-0683)

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

- P. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the agreement between the County of El Paso and SoftwareOne. Funding for this item will be available in GF-ITD-MAINT/REP-SOFTWARE for the total amount of \$316,550 for the next three years. (Contract No. 2023-0703)

  Art Nevarez, Interim Chief Information Officer, Information Technology Department (915) 255-0748
- Q. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the agreement between the County of El Paso and Vertosoft, LLC. for Workiva Software for Auditor's Office. Funding is available in GF-ITD-MAINT/REP-SOFTWARE for the total amount of \$51,450.00. (Contract No. 2023-0706)

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

R. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Statement of Work which was not included in the original document under Contract No.

- 2023-0596 between the County of El Paso and Pivot Technology Services Corp dba Computacenter. There is no fiscal impact. (Contract No. 2023-0708) Chief Information Officer, Information Technology Department (915) 255-0748
- S. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Master Services Agreement for the next five years for countywide as-needed structured cabling services and equipment between the County of El Paso and Innovative PBX Services, Inc. (aka NEW IPS). Funding is available through various County accounts on an as-needed basis. (Contract No. 2023-0729)

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 Innovation Network Technologies Corp. for the A10 Gold Support. Funding is available in GF-ITD-MAINT/REP-HARDWARE for the total amount of \$29,777.68. (Contract No. 2023-0732)

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

U. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Master Services Agreement for the next five years for countywide as-needed structured cabling services and equipment between the County of El Paso and GarCom, Inc. Funding is available through various County accounts on an as-needed basis. (Contract No. 2023-0753)

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

V. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Contract between the El Paso County Juvenile Probation Department and Pinnacle Social Services LLC for High Performance Neurofeedback (HPN) services to youth ages 14 to 17 years of age adjudicated of delinquent conduct who based on their assessments are in need of substance abuse and/or mental health treatment services and where HPN may be beneficial in enhancing treatment outcomes as an additional treatment modality to help regulate the brain to lower cravings, impulsivity and improve overall functioning, in the amount of \$13,200. This Agreement will be effective July 1, 2023, through August 31, 2026. Funding is available in account GJUVDRCT23-600000. (Contract No. 2023-0613)

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

W. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the technology purchase agreement with Insight Public Sector Inc. (IPS) cooperative, for a cloud hosting solution to implement the Geographic Information Systems Enterprise software in the amount of \$64,866.33. Funding is available in GF-PWADMIN-CONTR SEV-GENERAL. (Contract No. 2023-0712)

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

X. 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
- Y. Approve and ratify the signature of the County Judge on a letter of support for Dr. Ivonne Santiago, Associate Professor at UTEP, to support her efforts in securing that colonias have access to safe drinking water using point of use systems. This does not require any financial assistance from the County. (2514-OP)

Norma Palacios, Public Works Director, Public Works Department (915) 273-3330

Z. Approve the Purchase and Installation of 125-amp MLO 12 Circuit Panel Board 120/208 Volts for the County of El Paso Sheriff's Jail Annex (12308795) using Region 19 Job Order Contract (JOC) 21-7411 awarded to Keystone Contractors and Engineers (Keystone GC, LLC.) of El Paso, Texas in the amount of \$268,669.77. Purchasing approved September 13, 2023. Funding available in CP-TN23B-JAILAN-RENOV-ELECTRIC.

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

AAApprove the Purchase and Installation of Rock Wall and Sidewalk for the County of El Paso Ascarate Park All Abilities Playground (12311047) using Buyboard Job Order Contract (JOC) 581-19 awarded to Basic IDIQ, Inc. of Austin, Texas in the amount of \$172,800. Purchasing approved September 13, 2023. Funding available in SG-PARKS19-CAP OUTLAYS.

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

ABApprove the Purchase and Installation for the County of El Paso Ascarate Park All Abilities Playground Fencing (12311116) using Region 19 Contract 22-7434 awarded to Westside Welding, Inc. of Canutillo, Texas for a total amount of \$165,746.72. Purchasing approved on September 13, 2023. Funding is available in PARKS19-CAP OUTLAYS.

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

ACApprove the Purchase of COVID Supplies for the County of El Paso Sheriff's Department (12309192) using Region 19 Contract 21-7392 awarded to Brady Industries of Texas LLC (Brady Companies LLC) of El Paso, Texas for a grand total of \$107,527.60. Purchasing approved September 13, 2023. Funding available in SG-GCOVDMCF23-OPERATING EX.

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

ADApprove the Purchase and Installation of 6'6" Tarkett Standard Plus Sheet Vinyl Flooring for the County of El Paso Animal Welfare Department (12310188) using Buyboard Contract 642-21 awarded to LVR Commercial Flooring of Lubbock, Texas for a total of \$73,096.39. Purchasing approved on September 13, 2023. Funding is available in GF-ANIMLCLINIC-CONSTRUCTION.

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

AEApprove and authorize the Sole Source Purchase of Website and Mobile Application Updates for the County of El Paso Elections Department from Impulse Development LLC dba Hello Amigo of El Paso, TX in the total of \$62,000 with annual hosting fees of \$6,000. Funds are available in GF-ELECTIONS-CAP-IT SFTWRE-CTY and

GF-ELECTIONS-MAINT/REP-SOFTWAR. Pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Section 262.024 (a)(7)(A), as a sole source item, it is exempt from the provisions of the County Purchasing Act. Sole Source will be re-evaluated at time of new contract to ensure compliance with statute.

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

AFApprove award recommendation of Bid 23-029 De Alva Drive Stormwater Project for the County of El Paso to Karlsruher, Inc. dba CSA Constructors of El Paso, TX for a lump sum of \$548,000.00. Purchasing approved on September 13, 2023. Funding is available in GF-RBFLOODCNT-STRMWTR IMPRO.

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

AGApprove the purchase of As-Needed Cabling Services and Equipment for the County of El Paso using Region 19 Contract 23-7469 awarded to Comco Inc. El Paso, TX; EP Techworks, LLC El Paso, TX; GarCom, Inc. El Paso, TX; New IPS, Inc. El Paso, TX; Phi-Tech, LLC El Paso, TX; Plan B Networks, Inc. El Paso, TX; RedGear LLC, El Paso, TX; Santech, LLC, El Paso, TX. Discount and pricing as indicated in contract. Funding is available through various County accounts on an as-needed basis.

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

AHPursuant to Texas Local Government Code Section 262.024(a)(4), approve and authorize the use of Professional Service Exemption to purchasing procedures to select a qualified veterinarian for the Animal Welfare Department and approve their recommendation and authorize local veterinarian local Dr. Jacqueline Hernandez-Diaz to commence services. Funding is available in GF-ANIMALWELF-CONTR SVC-GEN.

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

Al.Approve award recommendation of Bid 23-025 Alcohol, Drug Testing Supplies and Laboratory Services for the County of El Paso Juvenile Probation Department to Redwood Toxicology Laboratory, Inc of Santa Rosa, California. Rates as indicated in tabulation. Purchasing approved on September 13, 2023. Funding is available in SR-JPDSUP-PHARMACEUTICAL; SG-JUVDRCT23-OPERATING EXP; GF-JPD-PROF SVC-MED JAIL and SG-JUVDRCT23-OPERATING EXP.

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

AJApprove and authorize the Purchasing Agent to reject all responses and close out solicitation RFP 23-031 Secure and/or Staff-Secure Residential Treatment Services for Post Adjudicated Youth for the Juvenile Probation Department due to low vendor response; with permission to resolicit at the discretion of the Juvenile Probation Department.

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

AKApprove 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). ALApprove and authorize the County Judge to sign a letter of support to the Environmental Protection Agency regarding the submission of an application to the Solar for All grant opportunity being submitted by the City of El Paso. #2466-OP

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

AMPursuant to section 118.131 of the Texas Local Government Code, approve and authorize the County Judge to sign an order setting reasonable fees for the Sheriff and Constable services to be effective on January 1, 2024. (OP#1662)

Sheriff Richard D. Wiles, El Paso County Sheriff's Office (915) 538-2265

ANApprove and authorize the use of County general funds to temporarily pay for grant-funded personnel and operating expenses from September 1, 2023, through November 30, 2023, or until pending State grant awards are received and accepted, in the amount of \$231,078.70. Funding is available in GF-GADM-XFER OUT-GRANT MATCH.

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

AOGRANT SUPPLEMENTAL AWARD - Approve and authorize the County Judge to accept the Office of the Governor – Criminal Justice Division, FY23-FY24 El Paso Coordinated Response - Capital Murder Trial (#3926902) grant supplemental award from May 1, 2023, through April 30, 2025, in the amount of \$52,852.71, amending the total amount from \$2,033,499.00 to \$2,086,351.71. (Contract No. 2023-0773)

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

APGRANT AWARD - Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the FY2024 Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) Federal 5311 Formula Rural Areas Public Transportation Project Grant Agreement (PGA) from September 1, 2023, through August 31, 2024, in the amount of \$2,814,669. Match funding in the amount of \$926,612 is required and will be budgeted for FY2025. (Contract No. 2023-0720)

Michael McElroy, Director, Planning & Development Department (915) 273-3330

AQGRANT AWARD - Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the FY24 Texas Indigent Defense Commission (TIDC) 48-Hour Bond Hearing Project in the amount of \$45,925, from October 1, 2023, to March 31, 2024. Further, authorize the County Judge to sign the Resolution and Internet Submission Form. A grant match is required in the amount of \$183,700, for this fourth year of grant funding. Funding is available in GF-PUBDEF-XFEROUT-48HR GRT MAT. (Contract No. 2023-0757)

Kelli Childress, Chief Public Defender, Public Defender's Office (915) 546-8185

ARGRANT AWARD - Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the FY24 Texas Indigent Defense Commission (TIDC) grant award for the Public Defender's Office Padilla Immigration Counseling and Advice Program, in the amount of \$122,829, from October 1, 2023, through September 30, 2024. A County match in the amount of \$122,829 is needed and is available in GF-GADM-XFER OUT-GRANT MATCH. (Contract No. 2023-0758)

ASGRANT AWARD - Approve and authorize the County Judge to accept the Bureau of Justice Assistance FY22 State Criminal Alien Assistance Program (SCAAP) grant award in the amount of \$20,396, on behalf of the El Paso County Sheriff's Office for the period of July 1, 2020, through June, 30, 2021. No County match is required. (Contract No. 2023-0751)

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

AT.Approve and authorize the award of RFP 23-023 Supervised Visits and Exchange Services for Families of Domestic Violence for the County of El Paso to the highest scoring firm Project Amistad of El Paso, TX. Purchasing approved on September 13, 2023. Funds are available in GF-DRO-CONTR SVC-GEN.

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

AUApprove and authorize the County Judge to sign the Contract for Court Ordered Supervised Visitation and Exchange Services Agreement with Project Amistad for supervised visitation and exchange services in an amount up to \$36,000. Funding is available in GF-DRO-CONTR SVC-GEN. (Contract No. 2023-0761)

Brian Stanley, Executive Director, Domestic Relations Office (915) 834-8200

#### 5. RESOLUTIONS

A. Approve and adopt a resolution recognizing September 15 - October 15, 2023, as "Hispanic Heritage Month" in El Paso County, Texas.

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

B. Approve and adopt a resolution recognizing the month of October 2023 as "Breast Cancer Awareness Month" in El Paso County, Texas.

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

C. Approve and adopt a resolution recognizing the month of September 2023 as Childhood Cancer Awareness Month in El Paso County, Texas.

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

D. Approve and adopt a resolution recognizing House Bill 3474 that makes County Criminal at Law #2 a Statutory DWI Intervention and Treatment Program in El Paso County, Texas.

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

E. Approve and adopt a resolution recognizing Judge Alma Trejo for her 32 years of service and dedication to the El Paso County community.

Ricardo A. Samaniego, County Judge, co-sponsoring with Commissioner Sergio Coronado (915) 546-2098

#### 6. PUBLIC COMMENT

#### 7. PRESENTATION

A. Receive a presentation regarding the El Paso County EPIC Shining Stars award, naming the four Shining Stars for the first quarter of FY24.

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

#### **BOARD APPOINTMENTS**

8. Approve the appointment of Commissioner Sergio Coronado's nominee, Enrique Castanos, to the El Paso County Risk Pool Board for the unexpired term ending May 17, 2024.

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

#### **COMMISSIONERS COURT**

9. Receive a presentation on Border Network for Human Rights 25th Anniversary Gala. Further, discuss and take appropriate action regarding a proposed County sponsorship request for the Border Network for Human Rights 25th Anniversary Gala.

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

#### **COUNTY ADMINISTRATION**

10.Discuss and take appropriate action per Local Government Code 81.005, Terms of Court, Meetings (a). "At the last regular term of each fiscal year of the County, the Commissioners Court, by order, shall designate a day of the week on which the court shall convene in a regular term each month during the next fiscal year."

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

#### **PURCHASING**

11.Rescind the Commissioners Court Order of June 26, 2023, Item No. 17 on the Regular Agenda to approve the purchase of Fire Alarm Upgrade for the County of El Paso Detention Facility using Region 19 Contract 21-7419 awarded to Sound and Signal Systems of Texas Inc. of El Paso, Texas for a project grand total in the amount of \$1,795,792.71. Purchasing approved June 13, 2023. Funding is available in CP-TN23B-JAIL-RENO-FIREALARM. Further, approve and authorize the purchase of Fire Alarm Upgrade for the County of El Paso Jail Annex using Region 19 Contract 21-7419 awarded to Sound and Signal Systems of Texas Inc. of El Paso, Texas for a project grand total \$1,795,792.71. Purchasing approved June 13, 2023. Funding available in CP-TN23B-JAIL-RENO-FIREALARM.

Karen L. Davidson, Purchasing Agent, Purchasing Department (915) 273-3349

- 12.Approve the purchase of Fire Alarm Upgrade for the County of El Paso Detention Facility using Region 19 Contract 21-7419 awarded to Sound and Signal Systems of Texas Inc. of El Paso, Texas for project grand total \$1,720,092.15. Purchasing approved September 13, 2023. Funding available in CP-TN23B-DDF-RENOV-FIREALARM.
  - Karen Davidson, Purchasing Agent, Purchasing Department (915) 546-2109
- 13.Approve and authorize the Sole Source Purchase of Maintenance and Support of Odyssey (Enterprise Justice) Modules in the total of \$573,438.60 and SaaS Migration of Odyssey (Enterprise Justice) Software in the total of \$3,316,320 with annual client services of \$85,000 for the County of El Paso from Tyler Technologies, Inc. of Plano, TX. Funds are available in GF-ITD-MAINT/REP-SOFTWARE. Pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Section

262.024 (a)(7)(A), as a sole source item, it is exempt from the provisions of the County Purchasing Act. Sole Source will be reevaluated at time of new contract to ensure compliance with statute.

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

#### **AUDITOR**

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

Barbara Parker, County Auditor, County Auditor's Office (915) 273-3262

#### LITIGATION, JUSTICE, AND LAW ENFORCEMENT

15.GRANT AWARD - Approve and authorize the County Judge to accept the Bureau of Justice Assistance FY 23 Swift, Certain, and Fair (SCF) Supervision Program: Applying the Principles Behind Project HOPE, in the amount of \$800,000 from October 1, 2023, through September 30, 2027. No County match is required. (Contract No. 2023-0752)

Catherine Jones, Director, Criminal Justice Coordination Department (915) 273-3353

#### **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

16.GRANT AWARD - Approve and authorize the County Judge to accept the federal Small Business Administration award in the amount of \$500,000 from October 1, 2023, to September 30, 2025 to launch a business retention and expansion effort for businesses along El Paso County's historic Mission Trail, which stretches from the eastern edge of the City of El Paso, includes the City of Socorro, the San Elizario Historic District and the Town of Tornillo. No county match is required. (Contract No. 2023-0772)

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

#### INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

17.Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Contract for Software as a Service Agreement with Tyler Technologies, Inc. for the Enterprise Justice Software as a Service for a three-year term for a total amount of \$3,316,320. Funding is available in GF-ITD-MAINT/REP-SOFTWARE. (Contract No. 2023-0767)

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

#### 18. 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. Discuss potential real property acquisition in Downtown El Paso pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.072.
  - Betsy C. Keller, CM, Chief Administrator, County Administration Department (915) 546-2215
- C. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.072, discuss an acquisition by Planning and Development for Right of Way acquisition located in far east El Paso.
  - Michael McElroy, Director, Planning & Development Department (915) 273-3330
- 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, receive legal advice and consultation regarding recent fires at a business located in the Montana Vista area of El Paso County.
  - Erica Rosales Nigaglioni, Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office (915) 546-2050
- F. Pursuant to Texas Government Code section 551.087, discuss financial information and economic development negotiations received regarding a Chapter 381 Agreement with Project Seafox, a private business prospect.
  - Roberto Ransom, Director, Economic Development Department (915) 546-2177
- G. Pursuant to Texas Government Code section 551.087, discuss financial information and economic development negotiations received regarding a Chapter 381 Agreement with Project Green Beryl, a private business prospect.
  - Roberto Ransom, Director, Economic Development Department (915) 546-2177

#### **REGULAR SESSION**

19. Discuss and take appropriate action pertaining to recent fires at a business located in the Montana Vista area of El Paso County.

Erica Rosales Nigaglioni, Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office (915) 546-2050