

**EL PASO COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS COURT**

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**COMMISSIONERS COURT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2023**

HON. RICARDO A. SAMANIEGO	COUNTY JUDGE, PRESIDING	PRESENT
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**MINUTES PREPARED BY JESSICA DOMINGUEZ, DEPUTY CLERK
CESAR O. NAVA, DEPTUY CLERK**

1. MEETING CONVENED

Commissioners Court of El Paso County, Texas was called to order by the Deputy Clerk at 9:35 A.M.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Rodolfo Arzaga, with the County Judge's Office led the Commissioners Court in the Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge.

3. INVOCATION

Receive an invocation from Ouisa Davis, a representative of Join Us for Justice, the El Paso Chapter of Americans United for Separation of Church and State.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

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Sheriff Richard D. Wiles, El Paso County Sheriff's Office (915) 546-2262

X. GRANT AWARD - Approve and authorize the County Judge to accept the grant award from the Office of the Governor Criminal Justice Division (CJD) for the 65th Family Drug Court, from September 1, 2023, through August 31, 2024, in the amount of \$89,131. (Contract No. 2023-0833)

Judge Yahara Lisa Gutierrez, 65th Family District Court (915) 546-2102

Y. GRANT AWARD - Approve and authorize the County Judge to accept the Governor's Office FY24 Specialty Court Program grant award in the amount of \$145,105, from September 1, 2023, through August 31, 2024. No County match required. (Contract No. 2023-0832)

Francisco X. Dominguez, District Judge, District Court 205th (915) 546-2107

Z. GRANT APPLICATION - Approve and authorize the Community Services Department, to submit a grant application to the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) Texans Feeding Texans: Home-Delivered Meal Program from February 1, 2024, through January 31, 2025 in the amount of \$125,000. A County match is required in the amount of \$35,734.75. Further, authorize the County Judge to sign the Resolution, Grant Program Year 2024 form and other required forms. (Contract No. 2023-0803)

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

MOTION: APPROVE

Motion by County Judge Samaniego

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

Seconded by Commissioner Holguin

Members Voting Nay: None

5. RESOLUTIONS

A. Approve and adopt a resolution congratulating Miracle League of El Paso on all its accomplishments and declaring Saturday, October 21, 2023, "Miracle League Lords and Ladies Day" in El Paso County.

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

MOTION: APPROVE

Motion by Commissioner Stout

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

Seconded by Commissioner Holguin

Members Voting Nay: None

B. Approve and adopt a resolution recognizing Lights on Afterschool which is a national effort aiming to highlight the importance of afterschool programs in the community supporting the health and overall well-being of children and youth in El Paso County, Texas.

Ricardo A. Samaniego, County Judge, County Judge's Office (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

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

Elizabeth Crawford, addressed the Commissioners Court regarding Halloween and how it makes a joke of Satan, Hell and death, and current events, and read scripture from the Bible.

10. INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 10:09 A.M.

A. Discuss findings regarding persons necessary in Executive Session.

County Attorney's Office (915) 546-2050

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

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

REGULAR SESSION RECONVENED AT 10:19 A.M.

11. **CORRECTION PER COUNTY ADMINISTRATION** - Approve and authorize the **COUNTY CHIEF ADMINISTRATOR BETSY KELLER** to sign the term sheet between El Paso County and Grupo BAFAR, a private business prospect to be announced October 23, 2023. **(CONTRACT NO. 2023-0876)**
Roberto Ransom, Director, Economic Development Department (915) 546-2177

MOTION: APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY CHIEF ADMINISTRATOR BETSY KELLER TO SIGN THE TERM SHEET BETWEEN EL PASO COUNTY AND GRUPO BAFAR.

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

COUNTY ADMINISTRATION

7. Approve and adopt the El Paso County Veteran of the Year Policy. (#2675-OP)
Betsy C. Keller, CM, Chief Administrator, 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 Stout Members Voting Nay: None

8. Receive a presentation from the County's financial advisor regarding current market conditions, the County's long term debt portfolio and a municipal bond overview.
Jose M. Landeros, Director of Strategic Development, County Administration Department (915) 546-2159

PRESENTATION RECEIVED

LITIGATION, JUSTICE, AND LAW ENFORCEMENT

9. Discuss and receive a presentation regarding the 88th Legislature's 14 joint resolutions proposing amendments to the Texas Constitution.
Christina Sanchez, Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office (915) 273-3238

PRESENTATION RECEIVED

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MOTION: APPROVE

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

10. INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 12:12 P.M.

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

B. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071, receive legal advice and consultation regarding road and speed safety issues in El Paso County.
Christina R. Sanchez, Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office (915) 546-2050

C. Discuss litigation styled Janice Levario v. Jesus Elias, et al; Cause No. 3:23-CV-00307-DCG; County Attorney case number 0128-23-LD, pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071.
Jed Untereker, Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office (915) 273-3247

REGULAR SESSION RECONVENED AT 1:11 P.M.

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MOTION: APPROVE

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

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 1:18 P.M.

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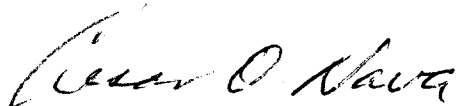
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ATTEST:

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EXAMINED AND APPROVED BY ME THIS

30th DAY OF October, 2023



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AGENDA

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Strategic Plan
Priority

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

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NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

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- W. Approve and authorize the El Paso County Sheriff's Office to accept monetary and in-kind donations from Academy Sports + Outdoors (\$20-\$100 gift cards) during fiscal year 2024 for use in improving employee morale in celebration of First Responders Day, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Section 81.032. (2692-OP)

Sheriff Richard D. Wiles, El Paso County Sheriff's Office (915) 546-2262

- X. GRANT AWARD - Approve and authorize the County Judge to accept the grant award from the Office of the Governor Criminal Justice Division (CJD) for the 65th Family Drug Court, from September 1, 2023, through August 31, 2024, in the amount of \$89,131. (Contract No. 2023-0833)

Judge Yahara Lisa Gutierrez, 65th Family District Court (915) 546-2102

- Y. GRANT AWARD - Approve and authorize the County Judge to accept the Governor's Office FY24 Specialty Court Program grant award in the amount of \$145,105, from September 1, 2023, through August 31, 2024. No County match required. (Contract No. 2023-0832)

Francisco X. Dominguez, District Judge, District Court 205th (915) 546-2107

- Z. GRANT APPLICATION - Approve and authorize the Community Services Department, to submit a grant application to the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) Texans Feeding Texans: Home-Delivered Meal Program from February 1, 2024, through January 31, 2025 in the amount of \$125,000. A County match is required in the amount of \$35,734.75. Further, authorize the County Judge to sign the Resolution, Grant Program Year 2024 form and other required forms. (Contract No. 2023-0803)

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

5. RESOLUTIONS

- A. Approve and adopt a resolution congratulating Miracle League of El Paso on all its accomplishments and declaring Saturday, October 21, 2023, "Miracle League Lords and Ladies Day" in El Paso County.

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

- B. Approve and adopt a resolution recognizing Lights on Afterschool which is a national effort aiming to highlight the importance of afterschool programs in the community supporting the health and overall well-being of children and youth in El Paso County, Texas.

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

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

COUNTY ADMINISTRATION

7. Approve and adopt the El Paso County Veteran of the Year Policy. (#2675-OP)

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

8. Receive a presentation from the County's financial advisor regarding current market conditions, the County's long term debt portfolio and a municipal bond overview.

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

LITIGATION, JUSTICE, AND LAW ENFORCEMENT

9. Discuss and receive a presentation regarding the 88th Legislature's 14 joint resolutions proposing amendments to the Texas Constitution.

Christina Sanchez, Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office (915) 273-3238

10. 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 Section 551.071, receive legal advice and consultation regarding road and speed safety issues in El Paso County.

Christina R. Sanchez, Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office (915) 546-2050

- C. Discuss litigation styled Janice Levario v. Jesus Elias, et al; Cause No. 3:23-CV-00307-DCG; County Attorney case number 0128-23-LD, pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071.

Jed Untereker, Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office (915) 273-3247

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

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

REGULAR SESSION

11. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the term sheet between El Paso County and Grupo BAFAR, a private business prospect to be announced October 23, 2023.

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