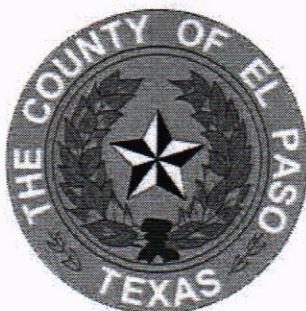


**EL PASO COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS COURT**

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, NOVEMBER 6, 2023**

HON. RICARDO A. SAMANIEGO	COUNTY JUDGE	ABSENT
CARLOS LEON	COMM., PCT #1, PRESIDING	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**

1. MEETING CONVENED

Commissioners Court of El Paso County, Texas was called to order by the Deputy Clerk at 9:32 A.M.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. INVOCATION

Receive an invocation from Joe Nevarez, 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 October 30, 2023, and the special meeting of October 30, 2023.

County Administration Department (915) 546-2215

B. Accept the quarterly report from the County Administration Department.

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

C. (ARP Project No. 4060) Approve and authorize the one-time payment in the amount of \$250, as provided in the attached listing, for participation in the El Paso County Gun Buyback Program. Funding is available in GARPAGUNBB.

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

D. Approve the appointment of Roberto Ransom to the West Texas Spaceport Development Corporation, Local Government Corporation Board of Directors, effective immediately, to fill the unexpired term for the County staff representative.

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

E. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Supplemental Contract between Owner and Contractor with LVR Commercial Flooring, Inc. for removal and installation of flooring at the El Paso County Pet Clinic in the amount of \$73,096.39. Funds are available in GF-ANIMLCLINIC-CONSTRUCTION. (Contract No. 2023-0902)

Lauralei Combs, Executive Director, Animal Welfare Department (915) 330-9752

F. 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

G. Approve and authorize the renewal of the County of El Paso's Burn Ban Order for an additional 90 days effective November 16, 2023. (#2736-OP)

Melissa M. Carrillo, PHR, Executive Director, County Operations Department (915) 546-2000

H. Approve amendment No. 47 to the County of El Paso's 2022-2023 operating budget. This budgetary amendment will increase Grants by \$3,000,531.24, thus increasing the overall budget of \$774,364,428.99 to \$777,364,960.23.

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

I. Approve amendment No. 4 to the County of El Paso's 2023-2024 operating budget. This budgetary amendment will increase Grants by \$58,250, thus increasing the overall budget of \$608,740,443.90 to \$608,798,693.90.

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

J. Approve and authorize the additional funding needed for the Juvenile Probation Department for the JPD Security System project. Further, approve the re-allocation of funding in the amount of \$137,913.09 from the CP-TAXNOT23A-CAP OUT-MISC to CP-TN23A-JPD-RENOV-SECURITYSYS.

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

K. Approve and authorize the use of County Special Revenue Funds to fund two (2) temporary positions for the Community Services Department Senior Nutrition Meal Program in the amount of \$37,567. Funding is available in SG-NUTRITM24-PERSONNEL EXP.

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

L. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Supplemental Contract between the El Paso County, Texas on behalf of the El Paso County Juvenile Probation Department and Beltran Electrical Contractor, Inc. for the Detention Alternate Power Generation System Upgrade in the amount of \$150,200. This agreement will be effective September 11, 2023, through December 31, 2024. Funding is available in CIP23-JPD-DETEN-RENOVATIONS. (Contract No. 2023-0728)

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

M. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Interlocal Agreement Project Development Agreement for the Fabens Airport Solar Feasibility Study with the Camino Real Regional Mobility Authority (CRRMA) for Engineering and Administration services for the design and construction of a new solar farm at the Fabens Airport. Funding in the amount of \$200,000 is available in SG-ARPLAN21-CAP OUTLAYS. (Contract No. 2023-0860)
Michael McElroy, Director, Planning and Development Department (915) 273-3330

N. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign Amendment No. 1 to County Contract #2020-1036 Commuter Vanpool Program Services with EAN Holdings, LLC a.k.a. Commute with Enterprise, to operate the El Paso County Commuter Vanpool Program from January 1, 2024, through January 1, 2025. Funding is available in GRURALF22. (Contract No. 2023-0861)
Michael McElroy, Director, Planning & Development Department (915) 546-2015

O. **CORRECTION PER PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT** Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the necessary documents, **PENDING LEGAL REVIEW AND APPROVAL FROM THE COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE**, pertaining to donation of Real Property as follows: 82 Sunland Estates #23, lot 8 on Mount Holyoke St. (#1958-OP)
Michael McElroy, Director, Planning & Development Department (915) 273-3330

P. Pursuant to Texas Local Government Code §232.023, approve and authorize the acceptance, filing and recording of the Bill Burnett Unit Two Subdivision plat.
Michael McElroy, Director, Planning & Development Department (915) 273-3330

Q. 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) 273-3330

R. **PULLED FOR DISCUSSION BY COMMISSIONER LEON** - Rescind the Commissioners Court Order of September 11, 2023, Item No. 15 on the Regular Agenda, to approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Supplemental Contract between Owner and Contractor with Sound and Signal Systems of Texas for the Fire Alarm Modernization of the Jail Annex in amount of \$1,795,792.71. Funding is available in CP-TN23B-JAIL-RENO-FIREALARM. (Contract No. 2023-0619) Further, approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the corrected Supplemental Contract between Owner and Contractor with Sound and Signal Systems of Texas for the Fire Alarm Modernization of the Jail Annex, which revises the days of completion from 65 days to 365 due to manufacturer delays, in the amount of \$1,795,792.71. Funding is available in CP-TN23B-JAILAN-RENO-FIREALARM. (Contract No. 2023-0823)
Robin Sully, Facilities Director, Facilities Maintenance Department (915) 546-2009

S. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Supplemental Contract between Owner and Contractor with Gruber Power Services for the purchase and replacement of the Uninterrupted Power Supply (UPS) system for the Downtown Detention Facility in the amount of \$99,137. Funding is available in CIP23-FAC-SODETENMAINT-ITEQUIP. (Contract No. 2023-0825)
Robin Sully, Facilities Director, Facilities Maintenance Department (915) 546-2009

T. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Supplemental Contract between Owner and Contractor with Control & Equipment Company of El Paso, Inc. (the "Contractor") for the Purchase and Replacement of 76 Belimo Fire/Smoke Actuators for the Enrique Moreno County Courthouse in the amount of \$78,560.78. Funding is available in CIP23-FACILITIES-RENOVATIONS. (Contract No. 2023-0830)
Robin Sully, Facilities Director, Facilities Maintenance Department (915) 546-2009

U. **DELETE PER COUNTY ADMINISTRATION** - 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 firm to provide investigative services legal analysis, and training as requested by the Human Resources Department on behalf of the County of El Paso and authorize Scott Hulse P.C., to commence services. Funding is available in GF-HR-CONTR SVC-GEN.
Karen L. Davidson, Purchasing Agent, Purchasing Department (915) 273-3349

V. 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) 273-3349

W. PULLED FOR DISCUSSION BY COMMISSIONER LEON - CORRECTION PER COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Agreement Regarding Mutual Cooperation with the El Paso Community Foundation to assist in providing programs and other support for the El Paso Sheriff's **OFFICE** for a 3 year term, **WITH OPTIONS TO RENEW FOR ADDITIONAL 3-YEAR TERMS**. Further, authorize the El Paso County Sheriff's Office to accept monetary and in-kind donations from the El Paso Community Foundation during the term of the agreement for the funding of community programs, employee morale initiatives, and other support of the Sheriff's Office, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Section 81.032. (Contract No. 2023-0912)
Sheriff Richard D. Wiles, El Paso County Sheriff's Office (915) 538-2234

X. PULLED FOR DISCUSSION BY COMMISSIONER STOUT - GRANT AWARD - Approve and authorize the County Judge to accept the Department of Homeland Security FY22 Operation Stonegarden Grant Award in the amount of \$32,998 awarded to Constable Precinct 4; from March 1, 2023, through February 29, 2024. No County match required. (Contract No. 2023-0906)
Constable Luis Aguilar, Office of the Constable, Pct. 4 (915) 538-1622

Y. GRANT AMENDMENT - Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign Amendment 1 to the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) FY2024 (previously FY2021) Federal Section 5311 Rural Areas Public Transportation Project Grant Agreement (PGA) for a project budget revision. There is no change in the original award amount and there is no County match required. (Contract No. 2023-0910)
Michael McElroy, Director, Planning & Development Department (915) 546-2015

Z. GRANT APPLICATION - Approve and authorize the Public Defender's Office to apply for the 2024 Texas Indigent Defense Commission (TIDC) Formula Grant Program from October 1, 2023, to September 30, 2024. The grant dollar amount will be determined by TIDC in December 2023. No County match is required. Further, authorize the County Judge to sign accompanying documents. (Contract No. 2023-0909)
Kelli Childress, Chief Public Defender, Public Defender's Office (915) 546-8185

AA. GRANT AWARD - Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Overtime Agreement(s) for reimbursement in the amount of \$25,000 for one Lieutenant, one Sergeant and four Detectives through the Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force (OCDETF) Program from November 19, 2023, through September 30, 2024. No County match is required. (Contract No. 2023-0865)
Lieutenant Stephen Haack, EPCSO - HIDTA Task Force (571) 324-8028

AB. GRANT AWARD - Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Overtime Agreement(s) for reimbursement in the amount of \$25,000 for one Lieutenant, one Sergeant and four Detectives through the Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force (OCDETF) Program from November 19, 2023, through September 30, 2024. No County match is required. (Contract No. 2023-0866)
Lieutenant Stephen Haack, EPCSO - HIDTA Task Force (571) 324-8028

AC. GRANT AWARD - Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Overtime Agreement(s) for reimbursement in the amount of \$25,000 for one Lieutenant, one Sergeant and four Detectives through the Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force (OCDETF) Program from November 19, 2023, through September 30, 2024. No County match is required. (Contract No. 2023-0867)
Lieutenant Stephen Haack, EPCSO - HIDTA Task Force (571) 324-8028

AD. GRANT AWARD - Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Overtime Agreement(s) for reimbursement in the amount of \$25,000 for one Lieutenant, one Sergeant and four Detectives through the Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force (OCDETF) Program from November 19, 2023, through September 30, 2024. No County match is required. (Contract No. 2023-0868)
Lieutenant Stephen Haack, EPCSO - HIDTA Task Force (571) 324-8028

AE. GRANT MODIFICATION - Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign Grant Award Modification #3, for the West Texas HIDTA Multiple Initiatives Grant; G23SW0001A, on behalf of the El Paso County Sheriff's Office, which increases the Grant amount by \$60,930 for a total amount of \$4,011,690. This Grant Modification is at no cost to the County. (Contract No. 2023-0891)
Travis Kuykendall, Executive Director, West Texas HIDTA (915) 532-9550

AF. GRANT MODIFICATION - Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign Grant Award Modification #4, for the West Texas HIDTA Multiple Initiatives Grant; G23SW0001A, on behalf of the El Paso County Sheriff's Office, which decreases the Grant amount by \$4,736 for a total amount of \$4,006,954. This Grant Modification is at no cost to the County. (Contract No. 2023-0892)
Travis Kuykendall, Executive Director, West Texas HIDTA (915) 532-9550

AG. GRANT MODIFICATION - Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign Grant Award Modification #2, for the West Texas HIDTA Prosecution Initiative Grant, G23SW0003A, on behalf of the El Paso County 34th District Attorney, which increases the Grant amount by \$2,496 for a total amount of \$774,300. This Grant Modification is at no cost to the County. (Contract No. 2023-0901)

Travis Kuykendall, Executive Director, West Texas HIDTA (915) 532-9550

MOTION: APPROVE

Motion by Commissioner Leon
Seconded by Commissioner Holguin

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

5. RESOLUTIONS

A. Approve and adopt a resolution designating November 2023, as Crime Stoppers of El Paso, Inc. Month. Carlos Leon, Commissioner, Pct. 1 (915) 546-2014

MOTION: APPROVE

Motion by Commissioner Leon
Seconded by Commissioner Holguin

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

B. Approve and adopt a resolution recognizing and commending El Pasoans who have contributed to the Resilience and Contributions of Older Persons in a Changing World.' Further, approve and adopt the resolutions included within the back-up of this item to recognize Barbara Irene Dispenza Green, Felipe de Ortego y Gasca, Ruth "Rhea" Mojica Hammer, and William Franklin "Willie" Quinn.
David C. Stout, Commissioner, Pct. 2 (915) 546-2111

MOTION: APPROVE

Motion by Commissioner Stout
Seconded by Commissioner Leon

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

C. Approve and adopt a resolution proclaiming Saturday, November 11, 2023, as "Walk To End Alzheimer's Day" in El Paso County, Texas.
Iliana Holguin, Commissioner, Pct. 3 (915) 546-2144

MOTION: APPROVE

Motion by Commissioner Holguin
Seconded by Commissioner Leon

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

ITEMS PULLED FOR DISCUSSION FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

4R. PULLED FOR DISCUSSION BY COMMISSIONER LEON - Rescind the Commissioners Court Order of September 11, 2023, Item No. 15 on the Regular Agenda, to approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Supplemental Contract between Owner and Contractor with Sound and Signal Systems of Texas for the Fire Alarm Modernization of the Jail Annex in amount of \$1,795,792.71. Funding is available in CP-TN23B-JAIL-RENO-FIREALARM. (Contract No. 2023-0619) Further, approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the corrected Supplemental Contract between Owner and Contractor with Sound and Signal Systems of Texas for the Fire Alarm Modernization of the Jail Annex, which revises the days of completion from 65 days to 365 due to manufacturer delays, in the amount of \$1,795,792.71. Funding is available in CP-TN23B-JAILAN-RENO-FIREALARM. (Contract No. 2023-0823)

Robin Sully, Facilities Director, Facilities Maintenance Department (915) 546-2009

MOTION: APPROVE

Motion by Commissioner Leon
Seconded by Commissioner Coronado

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

4W. PULLED FOR DISCUSSION BY COMMISSIONER LEON - CORRECTION PER COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Agreement Regarding Mutual Cooperation with the El Paso Community Foundation to assist in providing programs and other support for the El Paso Sheriff's **OFFICE** for a 3 year term, **WITH OPTIONS TO RENEW FOR ADDITIONAL 3-YEAR TERMS**. Further, authorize the El Paso County Sheriff's Office to accept monetary and in-kind donations from the El Paso Community Foundation during the term of the agreement for the funding of community programs, employee morale initiatives, and other support of the Sheriff's Office, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Section 81.032. (Contract No. 2023-0912) Sheriff Richard D. Wiles, El Paso County Sheriff's Office (915) 538-2234

MOTION: APPROVE

Motion by Commissioner Leon
Seconded by Commissioner Coronado

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

4X. PULLED FOR DISCUSSION BY COMMISSIONER STOUT - GRANT AWARD - Approve and authorize the County Judge to accept the Department of Homeland Security FY22 Operation Stonegarden Grant Award in the amount of \$32,998 awarded to Constable Precinct 4; from March 1, 2023, through February 29, 2024. No County match required. (Contract No. 2023-0906)
Constable Luis Aguilar, Office of the Constable, Pct. 4 (915) 538-1622

MOTION: APPROVE

Motion by Commissioner Leon
Seconded by Commissioner Coronado

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

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

Alondra Miranda, concerned citizen, addressed the Commissioners Court regarding stray puppies she had rescued from the street and was refused assistance by County Animal Control and Animal Services.

Elizabeth Crawford addressed the Commissioners Court regarding the International day in November to honor and remember the persecuted church worldwide as a day of prayer and read scripture.

Betsy Keller County Administrator, and Lorena Rodriguez Chief Aide, highlighted Veterans Day Events that will be observed during the week in El Paso County.

Roberto Ransom, Economic Development Director introduced Mariana Barraza, the new County Binational Affairs Coordinator.

Commissioner Sergio Coronado announced the grand opening of the Downrange Brewery, a new business in the Downtown Canutillo area.

7. PRESENTATION

A. Receive a presentation and discuss the monthly report from the Council of Judges.
Michael Cuccaro, Executive Director, Council of Judges (915) 546-2143

PRESENTATION RECEIVED

REGULAR AGENDA

8. Receive a presentation from the El Paso Sports Commission regarding its quarterly status report.
Melissa M. Carrillo, PHR, Executive Director, County Operations Department (915) 546-2000

PRESENTATION RECEIVED

HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

19. Discuss and take appropriate action regarding the development and construction of El Paso County's Senior Meal Program - Community Kitchen to be located at the Ysleta Annex, 9521 Socorro Road, with funds from the FY23 Economic Development Initiative/Community Project Funding grant.

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

MOTION: APPROVE THE DEVELOPMENT AND CONSTRUCTION OF EL PASO COUNTY'S SENIOR MEAL PROGRAM - COMMUNITY KITCHEN TO BE LOCATED AT THE YSLETA ANNEX, 9521 SOCORRO ROAD.

Motion by Commissioner Holguin
Seconded by Commissioner Coronado

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

COMMISSIONERS COURT

9. Discuss and take appropriate action to direct staff to explore the creation of a County Accessibility Advisory Commission.

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

MOTION: DIRECT STAFF TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THE EXPLORATION OF THE CREATION OF A COUNTY ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMISSION.

Motion by Commissioner Stout
Seconded by Commissioner Holguin

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

23. INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 12:03 P.M.

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

D. (Postponed 10/30/23) Pursuant to Texas Government Code section 551.087, discuss financial information and economic development negotiations received regarding Chapter 312 and 381 Agreements with Project Seafox, a private business prospect.

Roberto Ransom, Director, Economic Development Department (915) 546-3182

MEETING RECONVENED AT 12:44 P.M.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

17. Pursuant to Texas Tax Code Section 312.002(c-1), hold a public hearing regarding the proposed amendment to the El Paso County Tax Abatement Guidelines & Criteria. (#2521-OP)

Jose M. Landeros, Director of Strategic Development, County Administration Department (915) 546-215

MOTION: OPEN A PUBLIC HEARING.

JOSE LANDEROS, DIRECTOR OF STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT SPOKE IN THE PUBLIC HEARING.

Motion by Commissioner Stout
Seconded by Commissioner Leon

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

MOTION: CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING.

Motion by Commissioner Stout
Seconded by Commissioner Holguin

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

18. Pursuant to Texas Tax Code Section 312.002, discuss and take appropriate action regarding the proposed amendments to the El Paso County Tax Abatement Guidelines & Criteria, effective October 30, 2023, through September 30, 2025. (#2521-OP).

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

MOTION: APPROVE THE POLICIES, AS PRESENTED, WITH THE NOTED AMENDMENTS AS MADE DURING THE PUBLIC HEARING BY STAFF.

Motion by Commissioner Leon
Seconded by Commissioner Holguin

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

MEETING RECESSED AT 12:52 P.M.

MEETING RECONVENED AT 2:01 P.M.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATION

10. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Service Agreement with Aliviane, Inc. for opioid treatment wraparound support services to address opioid use disorder for 24 months from the date of signature, in the amount of \$50,000. Funds are available in SR-OPIOIDSETTLE-CONTR SVC-GEN. (Contract No. 2023-0847)
Joel Bishop, Executive Director, Criminal Justice and Community Services (915) 546-2215

MOTION: APPROVE

Motion by Commissioner Leon
Seconded by Commissioner Holguin

Members Absent: Coronado

Members Voting Aye: Leon, Stout, Holguin
Members Voting Nay: None

11. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Service Agreements with Aliviane, Inc. in the amount of \$25,000 (Contract No. 2023-0846), and the El Paso Alliance in the amount of \$50,000 (Contract No. 2023-0848), to purchase and administer Narcan where needed in the community to address the opioid crisis for a 12 month period from the date of signature. Funds are available in SR-OPIOIDSETTLE-CONTR SVC-GEN.
Joel Bishop, Executive Director, Criminal Justice and Community Services (915) 546-2215

MOTION: APPROVE

Motion by Commissioner Stout
Seconded by Commissioner Holguin

Members Absent: Coronado

Members Voting Aye: Leon, Stout, Holguin
Members Voting Nay: None

12. 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: POSTPONE ONE WEEK.

Motion by Commissioner Leon
Seconded by Commissioner Stout

Members Absent: Coronado

Members Voting Aye: Leon, Stout, Holguin
Members Voting Nay: None

AUDITOR

13. Discuss and take appropriate action regarding overages and shortages for the period of April 1, 2023 – September 30, 2023.
Barbara Parker, County Auditor, County Auditor's Office (915) 273-3262

MOTION: MAKE A FINDING THAT THE AGGREGATE SHORTAGES OF \$160.05 ARE NOT DUE TO NEGLIGENCE OR CRIMINAL ACTIONS AND INDEMNIFY THE RESPECTIVE OFFICERS.

Motion by Commissioner Leon
Seconded by Commissioner Holguin

Members Absent: Coronado

Members Voting Aye: Leon, Stout, Holguin
Members Voting Nay: None

JUDICIARY AND CORRECTIONS

15. GRANT AWARD - Approve and authorize the County Judge to accept the FY24 Specialty Court grant on behalf of the Driving While Intoxicated (DWI) Program in the amount of \$249,230 from September 1, 2023, through August 31, 2024. No County match is required. (Contract No. 2023-0907)
Judge Robert Anchondo, County Criminal Court at Law No. 2 (915) 834-8232

MOTION: APPROVE

Motion by Commissioner Stout
Seconded by Commissioner Leon

Members Absent: Coronado

Members Voting Aye: Leon, Stout, Holguin
Members Voting Nay: None

14. GRANT AWARD - Approve and authorize the County Judge to accept the FY24 Specialty Court Program grant on behalf of the 243rd INSPIRE (Independence, Namaste, Safety, Purposeful, Insightful, Resilience, Empowerment) Treatment Court in the amount of \$200,000 from September 1, 2023, through August 31, 2024, pending legal review and approval from the County Attorney's Office. No County match is required. (Contract No. 2023-0903)
Judge Selena Solis, 243rd District Court (915) 546-2168

MOTION: APPROVE

Motion by Commissioner Stout
Seconded by Commissioner Holguin

Members Absent: Coronado

Members Voting Aye: Leon, Stout, Holguin
Members Voting Nay: None

LITIGATION, JUSTICE, AND LAW ENFORCEMENT

16. GRANT AWARD - Approve and authorize the County Judge to accept the Office of the Governor FY24 Justice Assistance Program grant application on behalf of the El Paso County Sheriff's Office for the Sustain Capabilities for CIT, CERT and CNT Teams project, in the amount of \$44,000, from October 1, 2023, to June 30, 2024. No County match is required. (Contract No. 2023-0905)
Sheriff Richard D. Wiles, El Paso County Sheriff's Office (915) 538-2234

MOTION: APPROVE

Motion by Commissioner Stout
Seconded by Commissioner Holguin

Members Absent: Coronado

Members Voting Aye: Leon, Stout, Holguin
Members Voting Nay: None

HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

20. (GRANT AGREEMENT) Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Grant Agreement between Emerson Collective and El Paso County to fund the position of Migrant Services Coordinator to improve communication and coordination with the interior receiving communities from November 1, 2023, through October 31, 2025 in the amount of \$252,000. No County match is required. (Contract No. 2023-0854)
Irene G. Valenzuela, Executive Director, Community Services Department (915)775-2708

MOTION: APPROVE

Motion by Commissioner Leon
Seconded by Commissioner Stout

Members Absent: Coronado

Members Voting Aye: Leon, Stout, Holguin
Members Voting Nay: None

PUBLIC WORKS

21. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Supplemental Contract between Owner and Contractor with Keystone, LLC dba Keystone Contractors and Engineers for the purchase and installation of a new Automatic Transfer Switch for the Downtown Detention Facility in the amount of \$1,282,561.33. Funding is available in CP-TN23B-DDF-RENOV-TRANFSWITCH. (Contract No. 2023-0826)
Robin Sully, Director, Facilities Management Department (915) 546-2009

MOTION: APPROVE

Motion by Commissioner Leon
Seconded by Commissioner Holguin

Members Absent: Coronado

Members Voting Aye: Leon, Stout, Holguin
Members Voting Nay: None

22. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Fixed Price Construction Contract between El Paso County, Texas and Sound and Signal Systems (the "Contractor") of El Paso, TX. to Modernize the Fire Alarm at the Downtown Jail Facilities (DDF). Funding in the amount of \$1,720,092.15 is available in CP-TN23B-DDF-RENOV-FIREALARM. (Contract No. 2023-0824)
Robin Sully, Director, Facilities Management Department (915) 546-2009

MOTION: APPROVE

Motion by Commissioner Leon
Seconded by Commissioner Holguin

Members Absent: Coronado

Members Voting Aye: Leon, Stout, Holguin
Members Voting Nay: None

23. INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 2:49 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 551.072, discuss potential real property acquisition in Northwest El Paso, Precinct 4.
Betsy C. Keller, CM, Chief Administrator, County Administration Department (915) 546-2215

C. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071, discuss legal rights and responsibilities regarding HB 4 and other immigration and border enforcement actions by the State.
Christina Sanchez, Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office (915) 273-3238

D. Pursuant to Texas Government Code section 551.087, discuss financial information and economic development negotiations received regarding Chapter 312 and 381 Agreements with Project Seafox, a private business prospect.
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REGULAR SESSION RECONVENED AT 3:09 P.M.

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NO ACTION

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 3:11 P.M.

ADDENDUM TO THE AGENDA

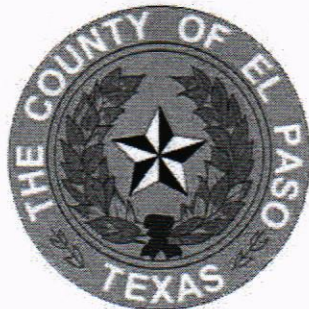
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**COMMISSIONERS COURT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2023**

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 3:11 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

13th DAY OF November, 2023



COUNTY JUDGE RICARDO A. SAMANIEGO, PRESIDING

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AGENDA

Regular Meeting, November 6, 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 October 30, 2023, and the special meeting of October 30, 2023.

County Administration Department (915) 546-2215

- B. (Postponed 10/30/23) Accept the quarterly report from the County Administration Department.

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

- C. (ARP Project No. 4060) Approve and authorize the one-time payment in the amount of \$250, as provided in the attached listing, for participation in the El Paso County Gun Buyback Program. Funding is available in GARPAGUNBB.

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

- D. Approve the appointment of Roberto Ransom to the West Texas Spaceport Development Corporation, Local Government Corporation Board of Directors, effective immediately, to fill the unexpired term for the County staff representative.

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

- E. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Supplemental Contract between Owner and Contractor with LVR Commercial Flooring, Inc. for removal and installation of flooring at the El Paso

County Pet Clinic in the amount of \$73,096.39. Funds are available in GF-ANIMLCLINIC-CONSTRUCTION. (Contract No. 2023-0902)

Lauralei Combs, Executive Director, Animal Welfare Department (915) 330-9752

- F. 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

- G. Approve and authorize the renewal of the County of El Paso's Burn Ban Order for an additional 90 days effective November 16, 2023. (#2736-OP)

Melissa M. Carrillo, PHR, Executive Director, County Operations Department (915) 546-2000

- H. Approve amendment No. 47 to the County of El Paso's 2022-2023 operating budget. This budgetary amendment will increase Grants by \$3,000,531.24, thus increasing the overall budget of \$774,364,428.99 to \$777,364,960.23.

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

- I. Approve amendment No. 4 to the County of El Paso's 2023-2024 operating budget. This budgetary amendment will increase Grants by \$58,250, thus increasing the overall budget of \$608,740,443.90 to \$608,798,693.90.

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

- J. Approve and authorize the additional funding needed for the Juvenile Probation Department for the JPD Security System project. Further, approve the re-allocation of funding in the amount of \$137,913.09 from the CP-TAXNOT23A-CAP OUT-MISC to CP-TN23A-JPD-RENOV-SECURITYSYS.

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

- K. Approve and authorize the use of County Special Revenue Funds to fund two (2) temporary positions for the Community Services Department Senior Nutrition Meal Program in the amount of \$37,567. Funding is available in SG-NUTRITM24-PERSONNEL EXP.

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

- L. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Supplemental Contract between the El Paso County, Texas on behalf of the El Paso County Juvenile Probation Department and Beltran Electrical Contractor, Inc. for the Detention Alternate Power Generation System Upgrade in the amount of \$150,200. This agreement will be effective September 11, 2023, through December 31, 2024. Funding is available in CIP23-JPD-DETEN-RENOVATIONS. (Contract No. 2023-0728)

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

- M. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Interlocal Agreement Project Development Agreement for the Fabens Airport Solar Feasibility Study with the Camino Real Regional Mobility Authority (CRRMA) for Engineering and Administration services for the design and construction of a new solar farm at the Fabens Airport. Funding in the amount of \$200,000 is available in SG-ARPLAN21-CAP OUTLAYS. (Contract No. 2023-0860)

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

- N. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign Amendment No. 1 to County Contract #2020-1036 Commuter Vanpool Program Services with EAN Holdings, LLC a.k.a. Commute with Enterprise, to operate the El Paso County Commuter Vanpool Program from January 1, 2024, through January 1, 2025. Funding is available in GRURALF22. (Contract No. 2023-0861)

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

- O. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the necessary documents pertaining to donation of Real Property as follows: 82 Sunland Estates #23, lot 8 on Mount Holyoke St. (#1958-OP)

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

- P. Pursuant to Texas Local Government Code §232.023, approve and authorize the acceptance, filing and recording of the Bill Burnett Unit Two Subdivision plat.

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

- Q. 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) 273-3330

- R. Rescind the Commissioners Court Order of September 11, 2023, Item No. 15 on the Regular Agenda, to approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Supplemental Contract between Owner and Contractor with Sound and Signal Systems of Texas for the Fire Alarm Modernization of the Jail Annex in amount of \$1,795,792.71. Funding is available in CP-TN23B-JAIL-RENO-FIREALARM. (Contract No. 2023-0619) Further, approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the corrected Supplemental Contract between Owner and Contractor with Sound and Signal Systems of Texas for the Fire Alarm Modernization of the Jail Annex, which revises the days of completion from 65 days to 365 due to manufacturer delays, in the amount of \$1,795,792.71. Funding is available in CP-TN23B-JAILAN-RENO-FIREALARM. (Contract No. 2023-0823)

Robin Sully, Facilities Director, Facilities Maintenance Department (915) 546-2009

- S. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Supplemental Contract between Owner and Contractor with Gruber Power Services for the purchase and replacement of the Uninterrupted Power Supply (UPS) system for the Downtown Detention Facility in the amount of \$99,137. Funding is available in CIP23-FAC-SODETENMAINT-ITEQUIP. (Contract No. 2023-0825)

Robin Sully, Facilities Director, Facilities Maintenance Department (915) 546-2009

- T. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Supplemental Contract between Owner and Contractor with Control & Equipment Company of El Paso, Inc. (the "Contractor") for the Purchase and Replacement of 76 Belimo Fire/Smoke Actuators for the Enrique Moreno County Courthouse in the amount of \$78,560.78. Funding is available in CIP23-FACILITIES-RENOVATIONS. (Contract No. 2023-0830)

Robin Sully, Facilities Director, Facilities Maintenance Department (915) 546-2009

- U. 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 firm to provide investigative services legal analysis, and training as requested by the Human Resources Department on behalf of the County of El Paso and authorize Scott Hulse P.C., to commence services. Funding is available in GF-HR-CONTR SVC-GEN.

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

- V. 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) 273-3349

- W. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Agreement Regarding Mutual Cooperation with the El Paso Community Foundation to assist in providing programs and other support for the El Paso Sheriff's Association Foundation for a 3 year term. Further, authorize the El Paso County Sheriff's Office to accept monetary and in-kind donations from the El Paso Community Foundation during the term of the agreement for the funding of community programs, employee morale initiatives, and other support of the Sheriff's Office, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Section 81.032. (Contract No. 2023-0912)

Sheriff Richard D. Wiles, El Paso County Sheriff's Office (915) 538-2234

- X. GRANT AWARD - Approve and authorize the County Judge to accept the Department of Homeland Security FY22 Operation Stonegarden Grant Award in the amount of \$32,998 awarded to Constable Precinct 4; from March 1, 2023, through February 29, 2024. No County match required. (Contract No. 2023-0906)

Constable Luis Aguilar, Office of the Constable, Pct. 4 (915) 538-1622

- Y. GRANT AMENDMENT - Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign Amendment 1 to the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) FY2024 (previously FY2021) Federal Section 5311 Rural Areas Public Transportation Project Grant Agreement (PGA) for a project budget revision. There is no change in the original award amount and there is no County match required. (Contract No. 2023-0910)

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

- Z. GRANT APPLICATION - Approve and authorize the Public Defender's Office to apply for the 2024 Texas Indigent Defense Commission (TIDC) Formula Grant Program from October 1, 2023, to September 30, 2024. The grant dollar amount will be determined by TIDC in December 2023. No County match is required. Further, authorize the County Judge to sign accompanying documents. (Contract No. 2023-0909)

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

- AAGRANT AWARD - Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Overtime Agreement(s) for reimbursement in the amount of \$25,000 for

one Lieutenant, one Sergeant and four Detectives through the Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force (OCDETF) Program from November 19, 2023, through September 30, 2024. No County match is required. (Contract No. 2023-0865)

Lieutenant Stephen Haack, EPCSO - HIDTA Task Force (571) 324-8028

ABGRANT AWARD - Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Overtime Agreement(s) for reimbursement in the amount of \$25,000 for one Lieutenant, one Sergeant and four Detectives through the Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force (OCDETF) Program from November 19, 2023, through September 30, 2024. No County match is required. (Contract No. 2023-0866)

Lieutenant Stephen Haack, EPCSO – HIDTA Task Force (571) 324-8028

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Lieutenant Stephen Haack, EPCSO – HIDTA Task Force (571) 324-8028

ADGRANT AWARD - Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Overtime Agreement(s) for reimbursement in the amount of \$25,000 for one Lieutenant, one Sergeant and four Detectives through the Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force (OCDETF) Program from November 19, 2023, through September 30, 2024. No County match is required. (Contract No. 2023-0868)

Lieutenant Stephen Haack, EPCSO – HIDTA Task Force (571) 324-8028

AEGRANT MODIFICATION - Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign Grant Award Modification #3, for the West Texas HIDTA Multiple Initiatives Grant; G23SW0001A, on behalf of the El Paso County Sheriff's Office, which increases the Grant amount by \$60,930 for a total amount of \$4,011,690. This Grant Modification is at no cost to the County. (Contract No. 2023-0891)

Travis Kuykendall, Executive Director, West Texas HIDTA (915) 532-9550

AFGRANT MODIFICATION - Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign Grant Award Modification #4, for the West Texas HIDTA Multiple Initiatives Grant; G23SW0001A, on behalf of the El Paso County Sheriff's Office, which decreases the Grant amount by \$4,736 for a total amount of \$4,006,954. This Grant Modification is at no cost to the County. (Contract No. 2023-0892)

Travis Kuykendall, Executive Director, West Texas HIDTA (915) 532-9550

AGGRANT MODIFICATION - Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign Grant Award Modification #2, for the West Texas HIDTA Prosecution Initiative Grant, G23SW0003A, on behalf of the El Paso County 34th District Attorney, which increases the Grant amount by \$2,496 for a total amount of \$774,300. This Grant Modification is at no cost to the County. (Contract No. 2023-0901)

Travis Kuykendall, Executive Director, West Texas HIDTA (915) 532-9550

5. RESOLUTIONS

- A. Approve and adopt a resolution designating November 2023, as Crime Stoppers of El Paso, Inc. Month.

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

- B. Approve and adopt a resolution recognizing and commending El Pasoans who have contributed to the 'Resilience and Contributions of Older Persons in a Changing World.' Further, approve and adopt the resolutions included within the back-up of this item to recognize Barbara Irene Dispenza Green, Felipe de Ortego y Gasca, Ruth "Rhea" Mojica Hammer, and William Franklin "Willie" Quinn.

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

- C. Approve and adopt a resolution proclaiming Saturday, November 11, 2023, as "Walk To End Alzheimer's Day" in El Paso County, Texas.

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

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

7. PRESENTATION

- A. Receive a presentation and discuss the monthly report from the Council of Judges.

Michael Cuccaro, Executive Director, Council of Judges (915) 546-2143

REGULAR AGENDA

8. Receive a presentation from the El Paso Sports Commission regarding its quarterly status report.

Melissa M. Carrillo, PHR, Executive Director, County Operations Department (915) 546-2000

COMMISSIONERS COURT

9. Discuss and take appropriate action to direct staff to explore the creation of a County Accessibility Advisory Commission.

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

COUNTY ADMINISTRATION

10. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Service Agreement with Aliviane, Inc. for opioid treatment wraparound support services to address opioid use disorder for 24 months from the date of signature, in the amount of \$50,000. Funds are available in SR-OPIOIDSETTLE-CONTR SVC-GEN. (Contract No. 2023-0847)

Joel Bishop, Executive Director, Criminal Justice and Community Services (915) 546-2215

11. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Service Agreements with Aliviane, Inc. in the amount of \$25,000 (Contract No. 2023-0846), and the El Paso Alliance in the amount of \$50,000 (Contract No. 2023-0848), to purchase and administer Narcan where needed in the community to address the opioid crisis for a 12 month period from the date of signature. Funds are available in SR-OPIOIDSETTLE-CONTR SVC-GEN.

Joel Bishop, Executive Director, Criminal Justice and Community Services (915) 546-2215

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

AUDITOR

13. Discuss and take appropriate action regarding overages and shortages for the period of April 1, 2023 – September 30, 2023.

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

JUDICIARY AND CORRECTIONS

14. GRANT AWARD - Approve and authorize the County Judge to accept the FY24 Specialty Court Program grant on behalf of the 243rd INSPIRE (Independence, Namaste, Safety, Purposeful, Insightful, Resilience, Empowerment) Treatment Court in the amount of \$200,000 from September 1, 2023, through August 31, 2024, pending legal review and approval from the County Attorney's Office. No County match is required. (Contract No. 2023-0903)

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

15. GRANT AWARD - Approve and authorize the County Judge to accept the FY24 Specialty Court grant on behalf of the Driving While Intoxicated (DWI) Program in the amount of \$249,230 from September 1, 2023, through August 31, 2024. No County match is required. (Contract No. 2023-0907)

Judge Robert Anchondo, County Criminal Court at Law No. 2 (915) 834-8232

LITIGATION, JUSTICE, AND LAW ENFORCEMENT

16. GRANT AWARD - Approve and authorize the County Judge to accept the Office of the Governor FY24 Justice Assistance Program grant application on behalf of the El Paso County Sheriff's Office for the Sustain Capabilities for CIT, CERT and CNT Teams project, in the amount of \$44,000, from October 1, 2023, to June 30, 2024. No County match is required. (Contract No. 2023-0905)

Sheriff Richard D. Wiles, El Paso County Sheriff's Office (915) 538-2234

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

17. (Postponed 10/30/23) Pursuant to Texas Tax Code Section 312.002(c-1), hold a public hearing regarding the proposed amendment to the El Paso County Tax Abatement Guidelines & Criteria. (#2521-OP)

Jose M. Landeros, Director of Strategic Development, County Administration Department (915) 546-215

18. (Postponed 10/30/23) Pursuant to Texas Tax Code Section 312.002, discuss and take appropriate action regarding the proposed amendments to the El Paso County Tax Abatement Guidelines & Criteria, effective October 30, 2023, through September 30, 2025. (#2521-OP).

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

HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

19. Discuss and take appropriate action regarding the development and construction of El Paso County's Senior Meal Program - Community

Kitchen to be located at the Ysleta Annex, 9521 Socorro Road, with funds from the FY23 Economic Development Initiative/Community Project Funding grant.

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

- 20.(GRANT AGREEMENT) Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Grant Agreement between Emerson Collective and El Paso County to fund the position of Migrant Services Coordinator to improve communication and coordination with the interior receiving communities from November 1, 2023, through October 31, 2025 in the amount of \$252,000. No County match is required. (Contract No. 2023-0854)

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

PUBLIC WORKS

- 21.Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Supplemental Contract between Owner and Contractor with Keystone, LLC dba Keystone Contractors and Engineers for the purchase and installation of a new Automatic Transfer Switch for the Downtown Detention Facility in the amount of \$1,282,561.33. Funding is available in CP-TN23B-DDF-RENOV-TRANFSWITCH. (Contract No. 2023-0826)

Robin Sully, Director, Facilities Management Department (915) 546-2009

- 22.Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Fixed Price Construction Contract between El Paso County, Texas and Sound and Signal Systems (the "Contractor") of El Paso, TX. to Modernize the Fire Alarm at the Downtown Jail Facilities (DDF). Funding in the amount of \$1,720,092.15 is available in CP-TN23B-DDF-RENOV-FIREALARM. (Contract No. 2023-0824)

Robin Sully, Director, Facilities Management Department (915) 546-2009

23. 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 551.072, discuss potential real property acquisition in Northwest El Paso, Precinct 4.

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

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Roberto Ransom, Director, Economic Development Department (915) 546-3182

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

Posted Friday, November 3, 2023, at 4:10 P.M.