# EL PASO COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

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### RICARDO A. SAMANIEGO County Judge

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# COMMISSIONERS COURT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES MONDAY, MARCH 4, 2024

HON. RICARDO A. SAMANIEGO CARLOS LEON DAVID S. STOUT ILIANA HOLGUIN SERGIO CORONADO COUNTY JUDGE, PRESIDING COMMISSIONER, PCT #1 COMMISSIONER, PCT #2 COMMISSIONER, PCT #3 COMMISSIONER, PCT #4 PRESENT PRESENT VIDEOCONFERENCE PRESENT 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 9:36 A.M.

#### 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Andrea Cabrera, intern with County Judge Samaniego, led the Commissioners Court in the Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge.

### 3. INVOCATION

Receive an invocation from Chaplain David Mayfield from the El Paso County Sheriff Office and El Paso Police Department.

#### CONSENT AGENDA 4

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

W. Approve and authorize the County Judge to waive parking fees and facility rental fees to Ascarate Park for the El Paso County Sheriff's Association 4th Annual Peter John Herrera Memorial Run to be held on March 24, 2024. Vanessa Tena, Public Affairs Director, El Paso County Sheriff's Office (915) 479-0797

# MOTION: APPROVE

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

# 5. RESOLUTIONS

A. Approve and adopt a resolution recognizing March 3-9, 2024, as "School Social Work Week" in El Paso County, Texas.

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

### MOTION: APPROVE

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

B. Approve and adopt a resolution recognizing Border Heritage Magazine for its dedication to the community of El Paso County, Texas.

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

### MOTION: POSTPONE ONE WEEK.

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

C. Approve and adopt a resolution honoring and celebrating women in law enforcement during the "El Paso International Woman's Day Law Enforcement Honoree Day" in El Paso County, Texas. Ricardo A. Samaniego, County Judge, Commissioners Court (915) 546-2098

### MOTION: APPROVE

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

D. Approve and adopt a resolution honoring General Edward Greer on his 100th birthday in El Paso County, Texas.

Ricardo A. Samaniego, County Judge & David Stout, Commissioner Pct. 2, Commissioners Court

#### **MOTION: APPROVE**

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

### MEETING RECESSED AT 10:27 A.M.

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#### 6. PUBLIC COMMENT

Rick Gammon, concerned citizen, addressed the Commissioners Court regarding our Country's problems with gun violence, mental health, and red flag laws, and explained how Texas has laws currently available that would allow for the removal of firearms from persons who may be a danger to self or others. He asked why law enforcement has not used these laws to prevent tragedies in Texas and asked for action from the County's law enforcement.

Elizabeth Crawford, concerned citizen, addressed the Commissioners Court regarding heroism and gave a personal example of what it means to laying one's life down for the sake of others, spoke against abortion and read Scripture.

Pedro Sera, concerned citizen, addressed the Commissioners Court regarding concerns with care at Emergence Health Network. He's been examined but can't get follow up results and asked members of the Court for continued assistance in getting his issue resolved. He also detailed how he's been treated aggressively at EHN meetings when he's been present to speak to the Board.

### 7. PRESENTATION

A. Receive a presentation regarding the El Paso County 2024 Cesar Chavez Day of Service Volunteer Project collecting and distributing socks and ballcaps to local farmworkers. Melissa M. Carrillo, PHR, Executive Director, County Operations Department (915) 546-2162

# PRESENTATION RECEIVED

### COMMISSIONERS COURT

Discuss and take appropriate action to approve up to \$5,000 to utilize for tours of the mission trail to host 50 8. people for the Borderplex Veteran and Family Caregiver Expo Welcome Reception and Tour on March 12, 2024. Funding is available in SR-TOURPROM-ADVERTISING and SR-TOURPROM-MISSION TRAILS. Ricardo A. Samaniego, County Judge, County Judge's Office (915) 546-2098

#### MOTION: APPROVE THE ALLOCATION OF UP TO \$5,000 FOR THE BORDERPLEX VETERAN AND FAMILY CAREGIVER EXPO WELCOME RECEPTION, SUBJECT TO A POSSIBLE CORRESPONDING AGREEMENT.

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

### PURCHASING

CORRECTION PER COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE Approve award recommendation of Bid 24-007 As-9. Needed Paving Emulsion for the County of El Paso (FY2024) to Quality Emulsions, LLC of Mesa, Arizona for an estimated total cost of \$1,848,000.00. Purchasing approved on February 16, 2024. Funding is available in SR-R&B-ROAD RESURFACING. (#3788-OP)

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

#### MOTION: APPROVE

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

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

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#### MOTION: DELETE

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

#### AUDITOR

10. Pursuant to the Texas Government Code, Title 10, § 2256.005, approve and adopt the investment policy as of March 4, 2024. This policy has been reviewed and includes all changes made to the County's investment policy or investment strategies. (#3686-OP)

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

#### **MOTION: APPROVE**

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

### **PUBLIC WORKS**

11. Receive an update from the Camino Real Regional Mobility Authority regarding the Pellicano Widening Project. (TxDOT CSJ 0924-06-534)

Norma Rivera-Palacios, Executive Director, Public Works Department (915) 546-2015

# MOTION: MOVE ITEM 11 INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.071.

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

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# MOTION: APPROVE BOTH ITEMS # 4I AND # 40.

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

4K. **PULLED FOR DISCUSSION BY COMMISSIONER STOUT** - Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the construction contract between Vertex Contractors, LLC and El Paso County for the construction of the FY23 Countywide Sidewalk Repair project located throughout the County. Funding in the amount of \$300,000.00 is available in CP-REPLACE23-SIDEWALKS-RENOV. (Contract No. 2023-0953) (All Precincts) Fernando Hernandez, Director, Infrastructure Services (915) 273-3330

### MOTION: APPROVE

Motion by Commissioner StoutMembers Voting Aye: Judge Samaniego, Leon, Stout, Holguin, CoronadoSeconded by Commissioner HolguinMembers Voting Nay: None

### 12. INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 11:43 A.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, discuss and receive legal advice concerning the County's rights and responsibilities regarding digital advertising and corresponding opportunities. Ana Schumacher, Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office (915) 273-3238

C. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071, discuss legal rights and responsibilities regarding SB 4 and other immigration and border enforcement actions by the State, County Attorney's File No. 0165-23-PL. Bernardo R. Cruz, Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office (915) 273-3247

Discuss the legal rights and responsibilities concerning Jaguars litigation, County Attorney's file No. 0250-18-PCNA, pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071.
Amy Monsivais, Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office, (915) 273-3238

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# **REGULAR SESSION RECONVENED AT 1:21 P.M.**

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# NO ACTION

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### NO ACTION

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ATTEST:

DELIA BRIONES, COUNTY CLERK EL PASO COUNTY, TEXAS

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

EXAMINED AND APPROVED BY ME THIS

11-th DAY OF March. 2024

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COUNTY JUDGE RICARDO A. SAMANIEGO, PRESIDING

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Strategic Plan Priority

1. OPEN MEETING

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# 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.

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

V. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign FY 2024 Grant Application for the West Texas HIDTA Multiple Initiatives Grant; G24SW0001A, on behalf of the EI Paso County Sheriff's Office for \$4,088,760.00. This grant application is at no cost to the County (Contract No. 2024-0173)

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

W. Approve and authorize the County Judge to waive parking fees and facility rental fees to Ascarate Park for the El Paso County Sheriff's Association 4th Annual Peter John Herrera Memorial Run to be held on March 24, 2024.

Vanessa Tena, Public Affairs Director, El Paso County Sheriff's Office (915) 479-0797

# 5. **RESOLUTIONS**

A. Approve and adopt a resolution recognizing March 3-9, 2024, as "School Social Work Week" in El Paso County, Texas.

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

B. (Postponed 2/26/24) Approve and adopt a resolution recognizing Border Heritage Magazine for its dedication to the community of El Paso County, Texas.

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

C. Approve and adopt a resolution honoring and celebrating women in law enforcement during the "El Paso International Woman's Day Law Enforcement Honoree Day" in El Paso County, Texas.

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

D. Approve and adopt a resolution honoring General Edward Greer on his 100th birthday in El Paso County, Texas.

Ricardo A. Samaniego, County Judge & David Stout, Commissioner Pct. 2, Commissioners Court

# 6. PUBLIC COMMENT

# 7. PRESENTATION

A. Receive a presentation regarding the El Paso County 2024 Cesar Chavez Day of Service Volunteer Project collecting and distributing socks and ballcaps to local farmworkers.

Melissa M. Carrillo, PHR, Executive Director, County Operations Department (915) 546-2162

# **COMMISSIONERS COURT**

8. Discuss and take appropriate action to approve up to \$5,000 to utilize for tours of the mission trail to host 50 people for the Borderplex Veteran and Family Caregiver Expo Welcome Reception and Tour on March 12, 2024. Funding is available in SR-TOURPROM-ADVERTISING and SR-TOURPROM-MISSION TRAILS.

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

# PURCHASING

 Approve award recommendation of Bid 24-007 As-Needed Paving Emulsion for the County of El Paso (FY2024) to Quality Emulsions, LLC of Mesa, Arizona for an estimated total cost of \$1,848,000.00.
Purchasing approved on February 16, 2024. Funding is available in SR-R&B-ROAD RESURFACING.

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

# AUDITOR

10.Pursuant to the Texas Government Code, Title 10, § 2256.005, approve and adopt the investment policy as of March 4, 2024. This policy has been reviewed and includes all changes made to the County's investment policy or investment strategies. (#3686-OP) *Barbara Parker, County Auditor, County Auditor's Office (915) 273-3262* 

# **PUBLIC WORKS**

11. Receive an update from the Camino Real Regional Mobility Authority regarding the Pellicano Widening Project. (TxDOT CSJ 0924-06-534) Norma Rivera-Palacios, Executive Director, Public Works Department (915) 546-2015

# 12. 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. (Postponed 2/26/24) Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071, discuss and receive legal advice concerning the County's rights and responsibilities regarding digital advertising and corresponding opportunities.

Ana Schumacher, Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office (915) 273-3238

C. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071, discuss legal rights and responsibilities regarding SB 4 and other immigration and border enforcement actions by the State, County Attorney's File No. 0165-23-PL.

Bernardo R. Cruz, Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office (915) 273-3247

D. Discuss the legal rights and responsibilities concerning Jaguars litigation, County Attorney's file No. 0250-18-PCNA, pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071.

Amy Monsivais, Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office, (915) 273-3238

# **REGULAR SESSION**

13.(Postponed 2/26/24) Discuss and take appropriate action regarding pursuit of the County's digital advertising opportunities. Ana Schumacher, Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office (915) 273-3238