

**EL PASO COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS COURT**

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Commissioner, Pct. 1

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Commissioner, Pct. 3



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RICARDO A. SAMANIEGO
County Judge

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**COMMISSIONERS COURT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, MARCH 11, 2024**

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

1. 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

Camila Guerrero, Intern with the Office of Commissioner Pct. 3 Iliana Holguin, led the Commissioners Court in the Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge.

3. INVOCATION

Receive an invocation from Pastor Anthony Bedoya from Calvary Chapel Sun City.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval of the Minutes of the regular meeting of March 4, 2024.
County Administration Department (915) 546-2215

B. 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

C. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Frost Bank Trading Resolution to update personnel authorized to buy, sell, assign and endorse for transfer, certificates representing stocks, bonds or other securities consistent with the approved investment policy. (Contract No. 2024-0227)
Barbara Parker, County Auditor, County Auditor's Office (915) 273-3262

D. Approve amendment No.18 to the County of El Paso's 2023-2024 operating budget. This budgetary amendment will decrease Grants by \$3,168,295.37, thus decreasing the overall budget of \$617,625,041.45 to \$614,456,746.08.
Jessica C. Garza, Interim Director, Budget & Finance Department (915) 546-2262

E. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Second Amendment to the Subrecipient Agreement between the County of El Paso and World Victory Center increasing their funding to allow them to seek reimbursement for some repairs, increased capacity, and administrative costs for the provision of sheltering support to individuals that have been encountered by the Department of Homeland Security from January 1, 2024, through April 30, 2024. Funding is available in SG-GHUMANIT23-OPERATING EXP. (Contract No. 2024-0209)
Irene Gutierrez, Executive Director, Community Services Department (915) 775-2708

F. Rescind the Commissioners Court Order of December 18, 2023, Item # 4M on the Consent Agenda to approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the DWI Intervention and Treatment/Merit Program Interlocal Agreement between El Paso County, Texas and the El Paso County Community Supervision and Corrections Department to provide probation services to the Specialty Court from September 1, 2023, through August 31, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$55,675, subject final review and approval from the County Attorney's Office. Funds are available in SG-DWIRISE24. (2931-OP)
Judge Robert Anchondo, County Criminal Court at Law No. 2 (915) 834-8232

G. Accept the Criminal Justice Coordination Department's calendar year 2023 annual report.
Catherine Jones, Director, Criminal Justice Coordination Department (915) 273-3353

H. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Office of the Attorney General Statewide Automated Victim Notification Services (SAVNS) Fiscal Year 2024 Q2 Invoice in the amount of \$7,571.32, the Invoice Certification required by Texas Grant Management Standards, and the Quarterly Verification of Continuing Production record form for automated victim information and notification in El Paso County. There is no fiscal impact to the County general fund budget.
Bill D. Hicks, District Attorney, District Attorney's Office (915) 546-2059

I. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the sole source renewal First Amendment to the Master Software License and Services Agreement with Knowink/Hart InterCivic for annual maintenance and software support for the Elections Department from January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2024, in the amount of \$52,620. Funding is available in GF-ELECTIONS-MAINT/REP-GENERAL. (Contract No. 2024-0026)
Lisa Wise, Elections Administrator, Elections Department (915) 546-2154

J. Rescind the Commissioners Court Order of January 22, 2024, Item #4M on the Consent Agenda to approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the agreement between El Paso County and USAT, LLC. for the Infrastructure Assessment and Maintenance and Support package. (Contract No. 2023-0763). Further, approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the revised agreement with USAT, LLC to purchase the Infrastructure Assessment and Maintenance and Support package. Funding is available in GF-ITD-CONTR SVC-GEN for the total amount of \$20,840. (Contract No. 2023-0763)
Art Nevarez, Director, Information Technology Department (915) 255-0748

K. Rescind the Commissioners Court Order of January 22, 2024, Item #4N on the Consent Agenda to approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the agreement between El Paso County and USAT, LLC. for the System Audit Services for In-Motion/Network Infrastructure Assessment. (Contract No. 2023-0813) Further, approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the revised agreement between El Paso County and USAT, LLC to purchase the Infrastructure Assessment and Maintenance and Support package. Funding is available in GF-ITD-CONTR SVC-GEN for the total amount of \$16,700. (Contract No. 2023-0813)

Art Nevarez, Director, Information Technology Department (915) 255-0748

L. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the addendum between El Paso County and Designs That Compute, Inc. dba Visionality. Funding is available in GF-ITD-MAINT/REP-HARDWARE for the total amount of \$6,451.90. (Contract No. 2024-0128)

Art Nevarez, Director, Information Technology Department (915) 255-0748

M. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Special Privilege License between the City and the County of El Paso to allow for the construction, installation, maintenance, use and repair of five (5) manholes, and 3" conduit for fiber optic cable that will run 190 linear feet along Campbell Street and 350 linear feet along First Avenue for a total 540 linear feet of all necessary, desirable subsurface wires, cables, underground conduit, manholes within a portion of City Right-of-way underneath Campbell Street and First Avenue. There is no fiscal impact. (Contract No. 2024-0129)

Art Nevarez, Director, Information Technology Department (915) 255-0748

N. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the agreement between El Paso County and AppNet Global, Inc. Funding is available in GF-ITD-MAINT/REP-SOFTWARE for the total amount of \$11,076. (Contract No. 2024-0201)

Art Nevarez, Director, Information Technology Department (915) 255-0748

O. **DELETE PER PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT** - Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Interlocal Agreement Project Development Agreement for the County Master Thoroughfare Plan – 2024 Update Phase 2 and accompanying documents for design and consultant services with the Camino Real Regional Mobility Authority. Funds in the amount of \$270,000 are available in GF-EPCMP-PROF SVC-GEN. (Contract No. 2024-0180) (Precinct 3)

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

P. **CORRECTION PER PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT** - Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the property conveyance and warranty deed from Joe Lujan and Lillian Lujan (Lujan Family) for final approval in the amount of \$23,831. Funds are available in **GF-PWADMIN-CONTR SVC-GEN**. (Contract No. 2024-0112)

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

Q. Rescind the Commissioners Court Order of September 18, 2023, Item No. 4B on the Consent Agenda to approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the grant match award interlocal agreement with the El Paso Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Safe Streets For All Comprehensive Safety Action Plan upon final review and approval from the County Attorney's Office. Funding in the amount of \$50,000 is available in GF-EPCMP-PROF SVC-GEN and will be budgeted in FY24 and FY25. (Contract No. 2023-0740) Further, direct County staff to draft an interlocal agreement with the Camino Real Regional Mobility Authority to provide the grant match for the MPO SS4A Action Plan in an amount not to exceed \$150,000.

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

R. **PULLED FOR DISCUSSION BY COMMISSIONER HOLGUIN** - Approve and authorize the variance request from the El Paso County Subdivision Order for Carefree Estates Subdivision.

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

S. **PULLED FOR DISCUSSION BY COMMISSIONER HOLGUIN** - Approve and authorize the variance request from the El Paso County Subdivision Order for Skyview Estates Unit Six Subdivision.

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

T. 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

U. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the First Exercise of Option to Extend the County Courthouse Food and Beverage Services Cafeteria Agreement with the El Paso Sports Commission, Inc. to continue to provide month to month services through June 30, 2024. (Contract No. 2024-0193)
Robin Sully, Facilities Director, Facilities Maintenance Department (915) 546-2009

V. Approve and authorize the purchase of As-Needed Fleet Vehicles Global Positioning Satellite (GPS) Tracking Service and Supplies for El Paso County, Texas using Region 19 Contracts 24-7477 awarded to Alamo Auto Supply (Alamo Industries, Inc.) of El Paso, Texas. Pricing and discounts as identified in catalog, pricelist, and website. Purchasing approved on February 12, 2024. Funding is available through various County accounts.
Karen L. Davidson, Purchasing Agent, Purchasing Department (915) 273-3349

W. Approve and authorize As-Needed Purchases of Grounds Maintenance Equipment, Parts, Supplies and Related Services for the County of El Paso using Omnia Partners Contract 2023261 awarded to The Toro Company/Simpson Norton Corporation of Goodyear, AZ. Pricing and discounts (between 0-40%) as identified through cooperative contract. Purchasing approved on 03/04/2024. Funding available through various County accounts.
Karen L. Davidson, Purchasing Agent, Purchasing Department (915) 273-3349

X. Approve the purchase of Access Control Security and Surveillance System Installation for El Paso County, Texas Judge's Parking Garage (12404063) using Region 19 Contracts 21-7404 awarded to PyroCom System Inc., (PyroCom Systems Inc.) of El Paso, Texas in the amount of \$73,294.10. Funding is available CP-TN23B-RENOV-GARAGE SECURITY.
Karen L. Davidson, Purchasing Agent, Purchasing Department (915) 273-3349

Y. 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

Z. GRANT APPLICATION - Approve and authorize the Community Services Department, General Assistance Division, to submit a grant application to the United Way of El Paso Emergency Food and Shelter Program Phase 41 in the amount of \$151,200, to provide mortgage assistance to eligible households. Further, authorize the County Judge to sign the electronic grant application. No County match is required. (Contract No. 2024-0225)
Irene Gutierrez, Executive Director, Community Services Department (915) 775-2708

AA. GRANT APPLICATION - Approve and authorize the Criminal Justice Coordination Department to apply for the Homeless Veteran's Reintegration Program (HVRP) grant from July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2027, in the amount of \$432,215.00. No County match is required. (Contract No. 2024-0226)
Catherine Jones, Director, Criminal Justice Coordination Department (915) 546-2093

AB. GRANT APPLICATION - Approve and authorize the El Paso District Attorney's Office to apply for the Office of the Governor, State Crisis Intervention Grant Program FY2025, in the amount of \$581,610.00, from October 1, 2024, through September 30, 2025. No County match is required. Further, authorize the County Judge to sign the accompanying Resolution. (Contract No. 2024-0187)
Bill D. Hicks, District Attorney, District Attorney's Office (915) 546-2059 x4077

AC. GRANT APPLICATION - Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the FY 2024 Grant Application for the West Texas HIDTA Prosecution Initiative, Grant G24SW0003A, on behalf of the El Paso County 34th District Attorney in the amount of \$727,946 from January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2025. No County match is required. (Contract No. 2024-0178)
Travis Kuykendall, Executive Director, West Texas HIDTA (915) 533-9550

MOTION: APPROVE

Motion by County Judge Samaniego
Seconded by Commissioner Holguin

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

5. RESOLUTIONS

A. Approve and adopt a resolution honoring the works of Nancy Green, a storyteller, musician, and mentor to so many in El Paso.

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

MOTION: APPROVE

Motion by Commissioner Stout

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

Seconded by County Judge Samaniego

Members Voting Nay: None

B. Approve and adopt a resolution honoring Wallace "Wally" Hardgrove for his outstanding contributions, leadership, and commitment to the betterment of El Paso County, and dedicating the Wally Hardgrove Memorial Fishing Pier at Ascarate Park.

Carlos Leon, Commissioner, Pct. 1, and David C. Stout, Commissioner, Pct. 2

MOTION: APPROVE

Motion by Commissioner Leon

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

Seconded by Commissioner Stout

Members Voting Nay: None

C. 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: DELETE

Motion by County Judge Samaniego

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

Seconded by Commissioner Stout

Members Voting Nay: None

D. Approve and adopt a resolution recognizing the County's first "Borderplex Veteran and Family Caregiver Expo", in collaboration with Borderplex and the Elizabeth Dole Foundation, 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 Stout

Members Voting Nay: None

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

Elizabeth Crawford, concerned citizen, regarding the Free Palestine protests in El Paso and her thoughts on the factors that are causes for the dispute in the Israel/Hamas War and read Scripture.

Pedro Sera, concerned citizen, gave the Commissioners Court an update on his case pending with Emergence Health Network and noted there was a 30-day appeal in process for the return of his services and asked for assistance to review the documentation for the suspension of his services. He also related how he's not welcomed to sit at their board meetings and feels harassed.

7. PRESENTATION

A. Receive a presentation from Emergence Health Network (EHN) regarding their 2023 Annual Report.

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

PRESENTATION RECEIVED

BOARD APPOINTMENTS

8. Approve the appointment of Henry Ocegueda, Commissioner Carlos Leon's appointee, to the El Paso County Bond Advisory Committee who shall serve a single term, ending no later than July 31, 2024.

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

MOTION: APPROVE

Motion by Commissioner Leon

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

Seconded by Commissioner Holguin

Members Voting Nay: None

9. Approve the appointment of the nominee from the RGCOG Dispute Resolution Center, Nancy Nino, to the Ethics Commission for the unexpired term ending January 31, 2026.
Betsy C. Keller, CM, Chief Administrator, County Administration Department (915) 546-2215

MOTION: APPROVE

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

COMMISSIONERS COURT

10. Discuss and take appropriate action to implement SB 1145, which took effect January 1, 2024, and allows Counties to exempt certain child care facilities from local property taxes.
David C. Stout, Commissioner, Pct. 2 (915) 546-2111

MOTION: DIRECT STAFF TO BRING BACK THE RESEARCH FOR THE COURT IN ORDER TO IMPLEMENT SB 1145, WHICH ALLOWS COUNTIES TO EXEMPT CERTAIN CHILD CARE FACILITIES FROM LOCAL PROPERTY TAXES

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

COUNTY ADMINISTRATION

11. Approve and adopt the Veteran Parades Funding Policy and Procedures. (#3414-OP)
Betsy C. Keller, CM, Chief Administrator, County Administration Department (915) 546-2215

MOTION: APPROVE AS AMENDED.

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

12. Discuss and take appropriate action regarding the County's submissions to the Federal Fiscal Year 2025 Community Project Funding requests for Texas Congressional Districts 16 and 23.
Jose M. Landeros, Director of Strategic Development, County Administration Department (915) 546-2159

MOTION: DIRECT STAFF TO DEVELOP THE TOP FIVE (5) APPLICATIONS FOR SUBMISSION TO THE FY2025 COMMUNITY PROJECT FUNDING PROCESS TO EACH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (16 AND 23), AND FURTHER APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY JUDGE TO SIGN LETTERS OF SUPPORT AND REQUEST LETTERS OF SUPPORT IN CONNECTION WITH THIS FUNDING OPPORTUNITY.

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

PUBLIC WORKS

13. 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 THE DISCUSSION OF ITEM #13 IMMEDIATELY INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION, PURSUANT TO TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.071.

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

INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 11:58 A.M.

13. Receive an update from the Camino Real Regional Mobility Authority regarding the Pellicano Widening Project, **PURSUANT TO TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.071.** (TxDOT CSJ 0924-06-534)
Norma Rivera-Palacios, Executive Director, Public Works Department (915) 546-2015

MEETING RECONVENED AT 12:24 P.M.

MEETING RECESSED AT 12:26 P.M.

MEETING RECONVENED AT 1:38 P.M.

18. INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 1:39 P.M.

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

B. **CORRECTION PER COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE** - (Postponed 2/26/24) Pursuant to Texas Government Code **SECTION 551.0745**, discuss and interview candidates for the Bond Advisory Committee's Chair position.
Betsy C. Keller, CM, Chief Administrator, County Administration Department (915) 546-2215

C. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.0745, discuss the candidates for the Emergence Health Network Board.
Betsy C. Keller, CM, Chief Administrator, County Administration Department (915) 546-2215

MEETING RECONVENED AT 2:34 P.M.

ITEMS PULLED FOR DISCUSSION FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

4R. **PULLED FOR DISCUSSION BY COMMISSIONER HOLGUIN** - Approve and authorize the variance request from the El Paso County Subdivision Order for Carefree Estates Subdivision.
Michael McElroy, Director, Planning & Development Department (915) 273-3330

4S. **PULLED FOR DISCUSSION BY COMMISSIONER HOLGUIN** - Approve and authorize the variance request from the El Paso County Subdivision Order for Skyview Estates Unit Six Subdivision.
Michael McElroy, Director, Planning & Development Department (915) 273-3330

MOTION: APPROVE BOTH ITEMS #4R AND #4S.

Motion by Commissioner Holguin

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

Seconded by County Judge Samaniego

Members Voting Nay: None

GRANT APPLICATIONS

Approve the submission of County grant applications as listed and described. If awarded, all grant award agreements will be brought back to the Commissioners Court for final acceptance and approval.

14. **GRANT APPLICATION** - Approve and authorize the County Judge to apply for the Office of the Governor, State and Local Cybersecurity Assessment and Evaluation Grant FY2025, on behalf of the Information Technology Department, from September 1, 2024, to August 31, 2025, in the amount of \$142,000. A County match in the amount of \$15,800 is needed to fully fund the project and is available in GF-GADM-XFER OUT-GRANT MATCH, pending County Attorney review and approval. Further, authorize the County Judge to sign the accompanying resolution. (Contract No. 2024-0215)

Art Nevarez, Director, Information Technology Department (915) 255-0748

15. **GRANT APPLICATION** - Approve and authorize the County Judge to apply for the Office of the Governor, State and Local Cybersecurity Governance and Planning Grant FY2025, on behalf of the Information Technology Department, from September 1, 2024, to August 31, 2025, in the amount of \$45,000. A County match in the amount of \$5,000 is needed to fully fund the project and is available in GF-GADM-XFER OUT-GRANT MATCH. Further, authorize the County Judge to sign the accompanying resolution. (Contract No. 2024-0216)

Art Nevarez, Director, Information Technology Department (915) 255-0748

16. **GRANT APPLICATION** - Approve and authorize the County Judge to apply for the Office of the Governor, State and Local Cybersecurity Mitigation Grant FY2025, on behalf of the Information Technology Department, from September 1, 2024, to August 31, 2025, in the amount of \$590,400. A County match in the amount of \$66,600 is needed to fully fund the project and is available in GF-GADM-XFER OUT-GRANT MATCH. Further, authorize the County Judge to sign the accompanying resolution. (Contract No. 2024-0217)

Art Nevarez, Director, Information Technology Department (915) 255-0748

MOTION: APPROVE ITEMS #14, #15, AND #16.

Motion by County Judge Samaniego

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

Seconded by Commissioner Holguin

Members Voting Nay: None

17. GRANT APPLICATION - Approve and authorize the El Paso County Sheriff's Office to apply for the FY24-25 Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) grant funded by the Office of the Governor, State CI-Byrne State Crisis Intervention Team Program. The program period is from October 1, 2024, through September 30, 2025, in the amount of \$763,280.49. No County match is required. Further, authorize the County Judge to sign the accompanying resolution. (Contract No. 2024-0224)
Sheriff Richard D. Wiles, El Paso County Sheriff's Office (915) 538-2234

MOTION: APPROVE

Motion by Commissioner Stout

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

Seconded by County Judge Samaniego

Members Voting Nay: None

18. INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 2:52 P.M.

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

D. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071, discuss legal rights and responsibilities regarding University of Texas System property, a portion of which is the Simeon Hart Survey No. 2.
Erica Rosales Nigaglioni, Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office (915) 273-3238

E. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071, discuss legal rights and responsibilities regarding potential ethics complaints.
Erica Rosales Nigaglioni, Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office (915) 273-3238

F. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071, discuss and receive legal advice concerning the County's rights and responsibilities with respect to security within the County Jail.
Eddie Sosa, First Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office (915) 546-2050

G. Discuss litigation styled Miriam Rivas and Edward Rivas v. El Paso County, Texas, et al.; Cause No. 2022DCV3342; County Attorney case number: 0136-22-LD, pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071.
Ian R. Kaplan, Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office (915) 273-3247

H. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071, discuss and receive legal advice concerning the Pellicano Widening Project. (TxDOT CSJ 0924-06-534)
Erich Morales, Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office (915) 273-3238

I. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.087, discuss financial information and economic development negotiations received regarding a Chapter 381 Agreement with Project 1962, a private business prospect.
Roberto Ransom, Director, Economic Development Department (915) 546-2177

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

REGULAR SESSION RECONVENED AT 5:04 P.M.

19. Discuss and take appropriate action to hire outside legal counsel or outside services to handle potential ethics complaints on behalf of El Paso County.
Erica Rosales Nigaglioni, Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office (915) 273-3238

NO ACTION

20. Discuss and take appropriate action regarding litigation styled Miriam Rivas and Edward Rivas v. El Paso County, Texas, et al.; Cause No. 2022DCV3342; County Attorney case number: 0136-22-LD.
Ian R. Kaplan, Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office (915) 273-3247

NO ACTION

PUBLIC WORKS

13. 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

NO ACTION

18F. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071, discuss and receive legal advice concerning the County's rights and responsibilities with respect to security within the County Jail.
Eddie Sosa, First Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office (915) 546-2050

MOTION: POSTPONE ONE WEEK.

Motion by County Judge Samaniego
Seconded by Commissioner Holguin

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

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 5:09 P.M.

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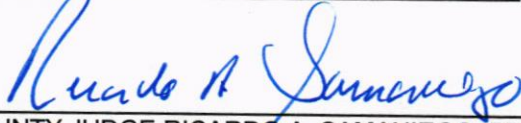
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EL PASO COUNTY, TEXAS



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

EXAMINED AND APPROVED BY ME THIS

18th DAY OF March, 2024



COUNTY JUDGE RICARDO A. SAMANIEGO, PRESIDING

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DELIA BRIONES
COUNTY CLERK
EL PASO COUNTY, TEXAS

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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.

To watch the meeting, please visit: <https://www.epcounty.com/video/or>
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC-2RxYOS6Y6VkDlp5eM0OLA>

To participate in public comment, please call: 888-835-7276 or 888-8 EL PASO.

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AGENDA

Regular Meeting, March 11, 2024 - 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 March 4, 2024.

County Administration Department (915) 546-2215

B. 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

C. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Frost Bank Trading Resolution to update personnel authorized to buy, sell, assign and endorse for transfer, certificates representing stocks, bonds or other securities consistent with the approved investment policy. (Contract No. 2024-0227)

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

D. Approve amendment No.18 to the County of El Paso's 2023-2024 operating budget. This budgetary amendment will decrease Grants by \$3,168,295.37, thus decreasing the overall budget of \$617,625,041.45 to \$614,456,746.08.

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

E. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Second Amendment to the Subrecipient Agreement between the County of El Paso and World Victory Center increasing their funding to allow them to

seek reimbursement for some repairs, increased capacity, and administrative costs for the provision of sheltering support to individuals that have been encountered by the Department of Homeland Security from January 1, 2024, through April 30, 2024. Funding is available in SG-GHUMANIT23-OPERATING EXP. (Contract No. 2024-0209)

Irene Gutierrez, Executive Director, Community Services Department (915) 775-2708

- F. Rescind the Commissioners Court Order of December 18, 2023, Item # 4M on the Consent Agenda to approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the DWI Intervention and Treatment/Merit Program Interlocal Agreement between El Paso County, Texas and the El Paso County Community Supervision and Corrections Department to provide probation services to the Specialty Court from September 1, 2023, through August 31, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$55,675, subject final review and approval from the County Attorney's Office. Funds are available in SG-DWIRISE24. (2931-OP)

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

- G. Accept the Criminal Justice Coordination Department's calendar year 2023 annual report.

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

- H. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Office of the Attorney General Statewide Automated Victim Notification Services (SAVNS) Fiscal Year 2024 Q2 Invoice in the amount of \$7,571.32, the Invoice Certification required by Texas Grant Management Standards, and the Quarterly Verification of Continuing Production record form for automated victim information and notification in El Paso County. There is no fiscal impact to the County general fund budget.

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

- I. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the sole source renewal First Amendment to the Master Software License and Services Agreement with Knowink/Hart InterCivic for annual maintenance and software support for the Elections Department from January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2024, in the amount of \$52,620. Funding is available in GF-ELECTIONS-MAINT/REP-GENERAL. (Contract No. 2024-0026)

Lisa Wise, Elections Administrator, Elections Department (915) 546-2154

- J. Rescind the Commissioners Court Order of January 22, 2024, Item #4M on the Consent Agenda to approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the agreement between El Paso County and USAT, LLC. for the Infrastructure Assessment and Maintenance and Support package. (Contract No. 2023-0763). Further, approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the revised agreement with USAT, LLC to purchase the Infrastructure Assessment and Maintenance and Support package. Funding is available in GF-ITD-CONTR SVC-GEN for the total amount of \$20,840. (Contract No. 2023-0763)

Art Nevarez, Director, Information Technology Department (915) 255-0748

- K. Rescind the Commissioners Court Order of January 22, 2024, Item #4N on the Consent Agenda to approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the agreement between El Paso County and USAT, LLC.

for the System Audit Services for In-Motion/Network Infrastructure Assessment. (Contract No. 2023-0813) Further, approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the revised agreement between El Paso County and USAT, LLC to purchase the Infrastructure Assessment and Maintenance and Support package. Funding is available in GF-ITD-CONTR SVC-GEN for the total amount of \$16,700. (Contract No. 2023-0813)

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- L. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the addendum between El Paso County and Designs That Compute, Inc. dba Visionality. Funding is available in GF-ITD-MAINT/REP-HARDWARE for the total amount of \$6,451.90. (Contract No. 2024-0128)

Art Nevarez, Director, Information Technology Department (915) 255-0748

- M. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Special Privilege License between the City and the County of El Paso to allow for the construction, installation, maintenance, use and repair of five (5) manholes, and 3" conduit for fiber optic cable that will run 190 linear feet along Campbell Street and 350 linear feet along First Avenue for a total 540 linear feet of all necessary, desirable subsurface wires, cables, underground conduit, manholes within a portion of City Right-of-way underneath Campbell Street and First Avenue. There is no fiscal impact. (Contract No. 2024-0129)

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- N. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the agreement between El Paso County and AppNet Global, Inc. Funding is available in GF-ITD-MAINT/REP-SOFTWARE for the total amount of \$11,076. (Contract No. 2024-0201)

Art Nevarez, Director, Information Technology Department (915) 255-0748

- O. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Interlocal Agreement Project Development Agreement for the County Master Thoroughfare Plan – 2024 Update Phase 2 and accompanying documents for design and consultant services with the Camino Real Regional Mobility Authority. Funds in the amount of \$270,000 are available in GF-EPCMP-PROF SVC-GEN. (Contract No. 2024-0180) (Precinct 3)

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

- P. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the property conveyance and warranty deed from Joe Lujan and Lillian Lujan (Lujan Family) for final approval in the amount of \$23,831. Funds are available in GF-EPCMP-CAP PROJ-LAND. (Contract No. 2024-0112)

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

- Q. Rescind the Commissioners Court Order of September 18, 2023, Item No. 4B on the Consent Agenda to approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the grant match award interlocal agreement with the El Paso Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Safe Streets For All Comprehensive Safety Action Plan upon final review and approval from the County Attorney's Office. Funding in the amount of \$50,000 is available in GF-EPCMP-PROF SVC-GEN and will be

budgeted in FY24 and FY25. (Contract No. 2023-0740) Further, direct County staff to draft an interlocal agreement with the Camino Real Regional Mobility Authority to provide the grant match for the MPO SS4A Action Plan in an amount not to exceed \$150,000.

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

- R. Approve and authorize the variance request from the El Paso County Subdivision Order for Carefree Estates Subdivision.

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- S. Approve and authorize the variance request from the El Paso County Subdivision Order for Skyview Estates Unit Six Subdivision.

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

- T. 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

- U. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the First Exercise of Option to Extend the County Courthouse Food and Beverage Services Cafeteria Agreement with the El Paso Sports Commission, Inc. to continue to provide month to month services through June 30, 2024. (Contract No. 2024-0193)

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

- V. Approve and authorize the purchase of As-Needed Fleet Vehicles Global Positioning Satellite (GPS) Tracking Service and Supplies for El Paso County, Texas using Region 19 Contracts 24-7477 awarded to Alamo Auto Supply (Alamo Industries, Inc.) of El Paso, Texas. Pricing and discounts as identified in catalog, pricelist, and website. Purchasing approved on February 12, 2024. Funding is available through various County accounts.

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

- W. Approve and authorize As-Needed Purchases of Grounds Maintenance Equipment, Parts, Supplies and Related Services for the County of El Paso using Omnia Partners Contract 2023261 awarded to The Toro Company/Simpson Norton Corporation of Goodyear, AZ. Pricing and discounts (between 0-40%) as identified through cooperative contract. Purchasing approved on 03/04/2024. Funding available through various County accounts.

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

- X. Approve the purchase of Access Control Security and Surveillance System Installation for El Paso County, Texas Judge's Parking Garage (12404063) using Region 19 Contracts 21-7404 awarded to PyroCom System Inc., (PyroCom Systems Inc.) of El Paso, Texas in the amount of \$73,294.10. Funding is available CP-TN23B-RENOV-GARAGE SECURITY.

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

- Y. 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

- Z. GRANT APPLICATION - Approve and authorize the Community Services Department, General Assistance Division, to submit a grant application to the United Way of El Paso Emergency Food and Shelter Program Phase 41 in the amount of \$151,200, to provide mortgage assistance to eligible households. Further, authorize the County Judge to sign the electronic grant application. No County match is required. (Contract No. 2024-0225)

Irene Gutierrez, Executive Director, Community Services Department (915) 775-2708

- AAGRANT APPLICATION - Approve and authorize the Criminal Justice Coordination Department to apply for the Homeless Veteran's Reintegration Program (HVRP) grant from July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2027, in the amount of \$432,215.00. No County match is required. (Contract No. 2024-0226)

Catherine Jones, Director, Criminal Justice Coordination Department (915) 546-2093

- ABGRANT APPLICATION - Approve and authorize the El Paso District Attorney's Office to apply for the Office of the Governor, State Crisis Intervention Grant Program FY2025, in the amount of \$581,610.00, from October 1, 2024, through September 30, 2025. No County match is required. Further, authorize the County Judge to sign the accompanying Resolution. (Contract No. 2024-0187)

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

- ACGRANT APPLICATION - Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the FY 2024 Grant Application for the West Texas HIDTA Prosecution Initiative, Grant G24SW0003A, on behalf of the El Paso County 34th District Attorney in the amount of \$727,946 from January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2025. No County match is required. (Contract No. 2024-0178)

Travis Kuykendall, Executive Director, West Texas HIDTA (915) 533-9550

5. RESOLUTIONS

- A. Approve and adopt a resolution honoring the works of Nancy Green, a storyteller, musician, and mentor to so many in El Paso.

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

- B. Approve and adopt a resolution honoring Wallace "Wally" Hardgrove for his outstanding contributions, leadership, and commitment to the betterment of El Paso County, and dedicating the Wally Hardgrove Memorial Fishing Pier at Ascarate Park.

Carlos Leon, Commissioner, Pct. 1, and David C. Stout, Commissioner, Pct. 2

- C. (Postponed 2/26/24 and 3/4/24) 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

- D. Approve and adopt a resolution recognizing the County's first "Borderplex Veteran and Family Caregiver Expo", in collaboration with Borderplex and the Elizabeth Dole Foundation, in El Paso County, Texas.

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

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

7. PRESENTATION

- A. Receive a presentation from Emergence Health Network (EHN) regarding their 2023 Annual Report.

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

BOARD APPOINTMENTS

8. Approve the appointment of Henry Ocegueda, Commissioner Carlos Leon's appointee, to the El Paso County Bond Advisory Committee who shall serve a single term, ending no later than July 31, 2024.

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

9. Approve the appointment of the nominee from the RGCOG Dispute Resolution Center, Nancy Nino, to the Ethics Commission for the unexpired term ending January 31, 2026.

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

COMMISSIONERS COURT

10. Discuss and take appropriate action to implement SB 1145, which took effect January 1, 2024, and allows Counties to exempt certain child care facilities from local property taxes.

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

COUNTY ADMINISTRATION

11. Approve and adopt the Veteran Parades Funding Policy and Procedures. (#3414-OP)

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

12. Discuss and take appropriate action regarding the County's submissions to the Federal Fiscal Year 2025 Community Project Funding requests for Texas Congressional Districts 16 and 23.

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

PUBLIC WORKS

13. 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

GRANT APPLICATIONS

Approve the submission of County grant applications as listed and described. If awarded, all grant award agreements will be brought back to the Commissioners Court for final acceptance and approval.

14. GRANT APPLICATION - Approve and authorize the County Judge to apply for the Office of the Governor, State and Local Cybersecurity Assessment and Evaluation Grant FY2025, on behalf of the Information Technology Department, from September 1, 2024, to August 31, 2025,

in the amount of \$142,000. A County match in the amount of \$15,800 is needed to fully fund the project and is available in GF-GADM-XFER OUT-GRANT MATCH, pending County Attorney review and approval. Further, authorize the County Judge to sign the accompanying resolution. (Contract No. 2024-0215)

Art Nevarez, Director, Information Technology Department (915) 255-0748

15. GRANT APPLICATION - Approve and authorize the County Judge to apply for the Office of the Governor, State and Local Cybersecurity Governance and Planning Grant FY2025, on behalf of the Information Technology Department, from September 1, 2024, to August 31, 2025, in the amount of \$45,000. A County match in the amount of \$5,000 is needed to fully fund the project and is available in GF-GADM-XFER OUT-GRANT MATCH. Further, authorize the County Judge to sign the accompanying resolution. (Contract No. 2024-0216)

Art Nevarez, Director, Information Technology Department (915) 255-0748

16. GRANT APPLICATION - Approve and authorize the County Judge to apply for the Office of the Governor, State and Local Cybersecurity Mitigation Grant FY2025, on behalf of the Information Technology Department, from September 1, 2024, to August 31, 2025, in the amount of \$590,400. A County match in the amount of \$66,600 is needed to fully fund the project and is available in GF-GADM-XFER OUT-GRANT MATCH. Further, authorize the County Judge to sign the accompanying resolution. (Contract No. 2024-0217)

Art Nevarez, Director, Information Technology Department (915) 255-0748

17. GRANT APPLICATION - Approve and authorize the El Paso County Sheriff's Office to apply for the FY24-25 Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) grant funded by the Office of the Governor, State CI-Byrne State Crisis Intervention Team Program. The program period is from October 1, 2024, through September 30, 2025, in the amount of \$763,280.49. No County match is required. Further, authorize the County Judge to sign the accompanying resolution. (Contract No. 2024-0224)

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

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. (Postponed 2/26/24) Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.074, discuss and interview candidates for the Bond Advisory

Committee's Chair position.

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

- C. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.0745, discuss the candidates for the Emergence Health Network Board.

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

- D. (Postponed 2/26/24) Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071, discuss legal rights and responsibilities regarding University of Texas System property, a portion of which is the Simeon Hart Survey No. 2.

Erica Rosales Nigaglioni, Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office (915) 273-3238

- E. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071, discuss legal rights and responsibilities regarding potential ethics complaints.

Erica Rosales Nigaglioni, Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office (915) 273-3238

- F. (Postponed 2/26/24) Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071, discuss and receive legal advice concerning the County's rights and responsibilities with respect to security within the County Jail.

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

- G. Discuss litigation styled Miriam Rivas and Edward Rivas v. El Paso County, Texas, et al.; Cause No. 2022DCV3342; County Attorney case number: 0136-22-LD, pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071.

Ian R. Kaplan, Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office (915) 273-3247

- H. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071, discuss and receive legal advice concerning the Pellicano Widening Project. (TxDOT CSJ 0924-06-534)

Erich Morales, Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office (915) 273-3238

- I. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.087, discuss financial information and economic development negotiations received regarding a Chapter 381 Agreement with Project 1962, a private business prospect.

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

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

REGULAR SESSION

19. Discuss and take appropriate action to hire outside legal counsel or outside services to handle potential ethics complaints on behalf of El Paso County.

Erica Rosales Nigaglioni, Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office (915) 273-3238

20. Discuss and take appropriate action regarding litigation styled Miriam Rivas and Edward Rivas v. El Paso County, Texas, et al.; Cause No. 2022DCV3342; County Attorney case number: 0136-22-LD.

Ian R. Kaplan, Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office (915) 273-3247