



WEBB COUNTY, TEXAS

COMMISSIONERS COURT

PUBLIC NOTICE
COMMISSIONERS COURT MEETING
WEBB COUNTY COURTHOUSE
1000 HOUSTON STREET, 2ND FLOOR
LAREDO, TEXAS 78040
July 11, 2011
9:00 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER BY THE HONORABLE DANNY VALDEZ, WEBB COUNTY JUDGE

1. Roll Call by Honorable Margie Ramirez-Ibarra, Webb County Clerk
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Approval of Minutes for June 27, 2011
4. Approval of Bills, Payroll, and Monthly Report
5. Communications
6. Public Comment - This section provides the public the opportunity to address the Commissioners Court on any items on the Agenda. Members of the public wishing to participate must complete a Witness Card specifying which agenda item they wish to comment on. Each public member will be allowed a total of Three (3) minutes within which to make any/all public comments.

COURT TO DISCUSS AND ACT ON THE FOLLOWING:

Honorable Danny Valdez, Webb County Judge

7. Status report by Texas Department of Transportation (TxDot) officials on proposed improvements off Hwy 59 for the development of school bus drop off/pick up points for school children, with discussion and possible action. **[Co-Sponsored by Rosaura “Wawi” Tijerina, Commissioner Pct. 2]**
8. Status report by Road and Bridge department regarding household garbage pickup for colonia residents off Hwy 59 South; with discussion and possible action to approve a plan to assist with trash collection; and any other matters incident thereto. **[Co-Sponsored by Rosaura “Wawi” Tijerina, Commissioner Pct. 2]**

Honorable Rosaura “Wawi” Tijerina, Webb County Commissioner Pct. 2

9. Recognition and presentation of Certificates of Achievement to members and their coaches of Laredo’s Lady Spurs basketball team for their successful participation in several tournaments throughout Texas.

Honorable Jerry Garza, Webb County Commissioner Pct. 3

10. Discussion and possible action to approve the purchase of furniture for the building located at 1620 Santa Ursula, (Former Webb County Title Building) from Executive Office Supply in the amount of \$21,683.00. (Funding is available). **[Requested by Indigent Health Care Department; Capital Outlay Account #638-8108-8801]**

MEDIA BREAK

Honorable Anna L. Cavazos Ramirez, County Attorney

- 11.** Discussion and possible action to enter into an Engagement Agreement between Lewis & Ellis Inc. and Webb County for Professional Services for the Annual Retiree Actuarial Services mandated by GASB 45, for the County Auditor's annual Financial report and authorizing the County Judge to execute all relevant documents; and any other matters incident thereto. **[Requested by Cynthia Mares, Webb County Administrative Services Director; Account #816-0105-6022]**

- 12.** Discussion and possible action to enter into an Agreement between L&E Actuaries Consultants and Webb County for a Workers Compensation self-funded program for a period of One (1) year from September 2011 through September 2012 for a total fee of FOUR THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$4,800.00) and authorizing the County Judge to execute all relevant documents; and any other matters incident thereto. **[Requested by Cynthia Mares, Webb County Administrative Services Director; Account #817-0105-6022]**

- 13.** Discussion and possible action to enter into a Vehicle Capital Replacement Grant Agreement No. 51122F7170 with the State of Texas, acting through the Texas Department of Transportation, for the purchase of Four (4) vehicles, wherein Webb County accepts an amendment and authorizing the County Judge to execute all relevant documents; and any other matters incident thereto. **[Requested by Juan Vargas, Webb County Community Action Agency; Account #980-8001-8801]**

- 14.** Discussion and possible action to enter into a Vehicle Capital Replacement Grant Agreement No. 51122F7170 with the State of Texas, acting through the Texas Department of Transportation, for the purchase of Four (4) vehicles, wherein Webb County accepts Amendment #2 in which the ALI code for the non-accessible vehicle has been included and authorizing the County Judge to execute all relevant documents; and any other matters incident thereto. **[Requested by Juan Vargas, Webb County Community Action Agency; Account #980-8001-8801]**

- 15.** Discussion and possible action to enter into an Agreement for Interconnection and Parallel Operation of Distributed Generation between Medina Electric Cooperative Inc. and Webb County for generating facility of One (1) megawatt (MW) or less of electric distribution system for "A combined Solar & Wind Power Collection System" and authorizing the County Judge to execute all relevant documents; and any other matters incident thereto. **[Requested by Juan Vargas, Economic Development Director]**

16. Discussion and possible action to enter into Contract Amendment Number Two (2) to the Rural Transportation fund Grant Agreement No. RPT 1008 (22) 33 with the State of Texas, acting through the Texas Department of Transportation, wherein Webb County accepts an extension from May 13, 2010 through May 31, 2012 and authorizing the County Judge to execute all relevant documents; and any other matters incident thereto. **[Requested by Juan Vargas, Economic Development Director; Fund 980]**
17. Discussion and possible action to enter into a Twelve (12) month (July 11, 2011 through July 10, 2012) Authorized Provider Agreement between Webb County Head Start and the American Red Cross for training courses for employees, members and/or clients at a fee set forth in APPENDIX A of said agreement and authorizing the County Judge to execute all relevant documents; and any other matters incident thereto. **[Requested by Aliza Oliveros, Webb County Head Start Director]**
18. Discussion and possible action to enter into a Twenty-Four (24) month lease (September 1, 2011 through August 31, 2013) with First Christian Church at a monthly fee of FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00) for a total cost of TWELVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$12,000.00) over the term of the agreement which is approximately 35,760 square feet of unimproved real property situated at 2409 Guerrero Street, Laredo, Webb County, Texas for use as a Head Start Program Center and authorizing the County Judge to execute all relevant document; and any other matters incident thereto. **[Requested by Aliza Oliveros, Webb County Head Start Director; Account #903-4207-6012]**
19. Discussion and possible action to enter into an “Annual Application Software Support Service Agreement” with Hamer Enterprises and the Webb County Tax Office for a period of Twelve (12) months (September 9, 2011 through September 8, 2012) for an Annual fee of TWELVE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED NINETY-TWO DOLLARS (\$12,292.00) and authorizing the County Judge to execute all relevant documents; and any other matters incident thereto. **[Requested by Patricia Barrera, Webb County Tax Assessor-Collector; Account #001-0500-6402]**
20. Discussion and possible action to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to authorize the City of El Cenizo and City of Rio Bravo to use Webb County’s VHF P-25 Trunking Voice Radio System and Interoperability User Access of the South Tower site for trunked communications to talkgroups in the forthcoming trunked communication environment and authorizing the County Judge to execute all relevant documents; and any other matters incident thereto. **[Requested by Anna Laura Cavazos Ramirez, Webb County Attorney]**

21. Discussion and possible action to approve the following line item transfer in order to provide funds for expected expenditures through the end of the current fiscal year:

From:	001-1101-6014	Equipment Rental	\$700
To:	001-1101-6005	Postage and Courier Service	\$700

Honorable Margie Ibarra, County Clerk

22. Discussion and possible action to approve the following line item transfer:

From:	001-1120-6402	Repairs & Maint. of Equipment	\$7,000
To:	001-1120-6205	Materials & Supplies	\$7,000

[Co-Sponsored by Frank Sciaraffa, Commissioner Pct. 1]

Honorable Alfredo Garcia, Jr., Justice of the Peace Pct. 3

23. Discussion and possible action to approve the following line item transfer:

From:	001-1043-6403	Repairs & Maint. Vehicles	\$700
To:	001-1043-6204	Fuel & Lubricants	\$700

Honorable Ricardo Rodriguez, Constable Pct. 2

24. Discussion and possible action to approve the following line item transfer:

From:	001-2503-6202	Uniforms	\$1,334
	001-2503-6205	Materials & Supplies	\$1,350
	001-2503-6224	Minor Tools & App.	<u>\$ 22</u>
			\$2,706
To:	001-2503-6204	Fuel & Lubricants	\$2,706

25. Discussion and possible action to approve the following line item transfers:

From:	173-2503-6224	Minor Tools & App.	\$604
	001-2503-6007	Dues & Membership	\$ 25
	001-2503-6202	Uniforms	<u>\$ 35</u>
			\$664
To:	173-2503-6004-2	Cell Phone Cost	\$664

Honorable Martin Cuellar, Sheriff

26. Discussion and possible action to approve the following line item transfers:

From:	001-2060-6202	Uniforms	\$18,816
	001-2060-5005	Part Time	\$55,267
	001-2060-6022	Professional Services	<u>\$ 1,162</u>
			\$75,245
To:	001-2001-6201	Utilities	\$10,000
	001-2060-6204	Fuel	\$ 1,050
	001-2001-6204	Fuel	\$63,033
	001-2061-5003	Overtime	<u>\$ 1,162</u>
			\$75,245

Honorable Patricia A. Barrera, Tax Assessor- Collector

27. Discussion and possible action to approve exception to the current County Wide hiring freeze and to authorize the filling of the following Slots, effective immediately.

<u>Slots #</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Hourly Rate</u>
2272	Deputy Tax Collector	\$14.51
2389	Clerk	\$12.04

Honorable Delia Perales, Treasurer

- 28.** Discussion and possible action to approve an exemption to the current Webb County wide hiring freeze and to authorize the transfer of employee within the following Slots, subject to civil service decision becoming final.

<u>Slot #</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Hourly Rate</u>
From: 0081	Accounts Payable Clerk	\$14.97
To: 0077	Accounts Payable Supervisor	\$21.48

- 29.** Discussion and possible action to approve an exemption to the current Webb County Wide hiring freeze and to authorize the filling of the following Slot, subject to civil service decision becoming final.

<u>Slot #</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Hourly Rate</u>
0081	Accounts Payable Clerk	\$14.97

- 30.** Discussion and possible action to approve the following line item transfers:

From: 001-0300-6205	Materials & Supplies	\$ 310
001-0300-5001	Payroll	\$1,200
To: 001-0300-6402	Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 310
001-0300-5005	Part Timer	\$1,200

Administrative Services

- 31.** Discussion and possible action to approve the following line item transfer:

From: 001-2100-30	Flexible Spending Plan	\$3,000
To: 001-0114-6701	Health Education Program	\$3,000

- 32.** Discussion and possible action to authorize Administrative Services Department to obtain and bind insurance coverage for the Old Juvenile Detention Center, located at 4104 Juarez Street, for a Two (2) month period at a cost of \$2,203.11 (Two Thousand Two Hundred and Three Dollars and Eleven Cents). This insurance is namely “vacant building” insurance coverage, to be placed with Aspen Insurance Limited and for the County Judge to sign all relevant documents. **[001-0114-6032 (Property Casualty Premium)]**
- 33.** Discussion and possible action to approve an exemption to the current County Wide hiring freeze and approve the filling of the following Slot, effective July 12, 2011. This Slot is part of the current general order of positions for FY 2010-2011.

<u>Slot #</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Hourly Rate</u>
2426	Human Resources/Civil Service Coordinator	\$20.50

Community Action Agency

- 34.** Discussion and possible action to approve the filling of the following Slot:

<u>Slot #</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Hourly Rate</u>
1129	Full-time Driver (with benefits)	\$9.36

- 35.** Discussion and possible action to accept \$5,000.00 from Reliant Energy Retail Services, LLC. The Webb County Community Action Agency will utilize these funds to assist qualified Reliant Energy Retail Service, LLC clients. **[Account #902-4202-7004]**

- 36.** Discussion and possible action to authorize the release of the 10% retainage payment (\$2,001.00) to AA Builders for the housing rehabilitation of Mr. Mauro Landa home located at 289 Welch Rd., San Enrique, HWY 359, Laredo, Texas.

Authorize the release of the 10% retainage payment (\$2,224.50) to AA Builders for the housing rehabilitation of Mr. Rafael Aguirre home located at 230 Barrera Rd., San Enrique, HWY 359, Laredo, Texas.

Authorize the release of the 10% retainage payment (\$2,277.60) to Ventura Street Inc. for the housing rehabilitation of Mrs. Maria De Los Angeles Matta home located at 230 Barrera Rd., San Enrique, HWY 359, Laredo, Texas.

Authorize the release of the 10% retainage payment of (\$1,947.10) to Ventura Street Inc. for the housing rehabilitation of Mr. Mario Landa home located at 289 Welch Rd., San Enrique, HWY 359, Laredo, Texas.

All retainers are under the Self-Help Center Housing Rehabilitation Program. To be paid from grant funds. **[Account #507-6500-7037-3]**

Economic Development

- 37.** Discussion and possible action to approve Change Order #1 for Ventura Street Inc. in the amount of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars for electrical work, removing existing metal pipe conduit and install new pipe 2" 10' high at 275 Nagodoches, Laredo, Texas 78046; and to authorize a Thirty (30) day extension to present contract to complete electrical work; and authorize the County Judge to sign all relevant documentation.

- 38.** Discussion and possible action to approve the following line item transfer:

From:	001-0104-6402	Repairs & Maint. Equipment	\$200
	001-0104-5602	Local Mileage	\$100
To:	001-0104-6204	Fuel & Lubricants	\$300

El Cenizo Community Center

39. Discussion and possible action to approve the following line item transfers:

From:	001-6101-60004-2	Cell Phone	\$1,100
	001-6101-6219-2	Goods for Public Events	\$ 612
	001-6101-6402	Repair Maint. Equip	<u>\$ 100</u>
			\$1,812
To:	001-6101-6401	Repair & Maint. Building	\$1,112
	001-6101-6205	Fuel & Lube	<u>\$ 700</u>
			\$1,812

Fire Suppression & EMS Services

40. Discussion and possible action to approve the following line item transfers:

From:	001-2203-5601	Administrative Travel	\$ 4,000
	001-2203-5602	Local Mileage	\$ 2,500
	001-2203-6005	Postage	\$ 500
	001-2203-6007	Dues & Memberships	\$ 500
	001-2203-6014	Equipment Rental	\$ 3,500
	001-2203-6022	Professional Services	\$ 2,000
	001-2203-6035	Workers Comp.	\$ 3,500
	001-2203-6202	Uniforms	\$ 3,000
	001-2203-6401	Building Maintenance	\$ 2,000
	001-2203-6004-5	Internet	<u>\$ 435</u>
			\$21,935
To:	001-2203-6721	Stipends	\$13,000
	001-2203-6204	Fuel & Lube	\$ 4,500
	001-2203-6403	Vehicle Maintenance	\$ 4,000
	001-2203-6011	Training & Education	<u>\$ 435</u>
			\$21,935

- 41.** Discussion and possible action to approve a grant match contribution in the amount of FIFTEEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED (\$15,500) DOLLARS to the City of El Cenizo, Texas as authorized by the current Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between the County and the City of El Cenizo, in consideration for fire protection and rescue services for the unincorporated areas of Southern Webb County; and to authorize the County Auditor to identify funds for this expense; and any other matters incident thereto. The funds will specifically be used as a grant match to the Texas Forest Service for the acquisition of a fire brush truck for the El Cenizo Fire Department.

Head Start

- 42.** Discussion and possible action to approve the filling of the following Slots for the 2010 – 2011 Program Year:

<u>Slot #</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Hourly Salary</u>	<u>Pay Periods</u>
2557	EHS Home Visitor	\$ 9.74	26
2554	EHS Primary Caregiver	\$10.27	26
2188	Head Start AA Teacher	\$13.27	26

[Accounts #908-4200-5001 and #903-4200-5001]

Juvenile Probation Department

- 43.** Discussion and possible action to approve a Resolution in recognition of Probation Officers Week.

- 44.** Discussion and possible action to approve the following line item transfer:

From:	001-1301-6023	Contract Services	\$55,267
To:	001-2060-5005	Part-Time Staff	\$55,267

Planning

- 45.** Discussion and possible action to issue “Certification Regarding Compliance with Plat Requirements and the Connection of Utilities” to authorize an electrical connection pursuant to Section 232.029(c)(2), Local Government Code to an unplatted tract of land containing 2.006 acres, more or less, as further described in Vol. 906, Pgs. 648-650, of the Webb County Deed Records (electricity – one dwelling only).

Public Defender

46. Discussion and possible action to approve the following line item transfers:

From:	022-1102-8405	Computerization Cost	\$8,000
	022-1102-6011	Training & Education	\$5,000
To:	022-1102-6012	Space Rental	\$8,000
	022-1102-6014	Equipment Rental	\$5,000

[Indigent Equalization Grant]

Purchasing

47. Discussion and possible action to authorize the Purchasing Agent to solicit Proposals for Tax Collection Attorney and approve the specifications, Request for Proposal #2011-08, Collection of Delinquent Tax Services. **[Requested by Cecilia May Moreno, Webb County Purchasing Agent]**

48. Discussion and possible action to approve an exemption to the current Webb County hiring freeze and authorize the filling of the following slot, effective July 26, 2011:

<u>Slot #</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Hourly Rate</u>
0116	Procurement Assistant 1	\$11.32

[Requested by Cecilia May Moreno, Webb County Purchasing Agent]

49. Discussion and possible action to authorize payment in the amount of \$5,751.53 to RDO Equipment Co. for the engine overhaul unit #10-77. **[Requested by Jose Luis Ramos, Webb County Road & Bridge Superintendent; Account #010-7002-6402 (Road & Bridge Funds)]**

50. Discussion and possible action to award Bid 2012-71 Annual Contract for Water & Wastewater House to line Connections to Chavarria's Plumbing, on an as needed basis. **[Requested by Cecilia May Moreno, Webb County Purchasing Agent]**

51. Discussion and possible action to award Bid 2012-06 Annual Contract for Motor Vehicle Batteries to Gonzalez Auto Parts (Primary vendor) and Fleet Pride, Inc. (Secondary vendor), on an as needed basis. **[Requested by Cecilia May Moreno, Webb County Purchasing Agent]**
52. Discussion and possible action to award Bid 2012-76 Annual Contract for Electrical Service for Buses to A&S Electric (Primary vendor) and J.R. Martinez (Secondary vendor), on an as needed basis. **[Requested by Cecilia May Moreno, Webb County Purchasing Agent]**
53. Discussion and possible action to award Bid 2012-25 Annual Contract for Automobile/Heavy Equipment Glass Replacement to J.R. Martinez Auto South, on an as needed basis. **[Requested by Cecilia May Moreno, Webb County Purchasing Agent]**
54. Discussion and possible action to award Bid 2012-18 Annual Contract for Pest Control to the following vendors: Asash Termite Pest Control (\$10,800.00) and Orkin Pest Control (\$17,538.00) for a total of \$28,338.00. **[Requested by Cecilia May Moreno, Webb County Purchasing Agent]**
55. Discussion and possible action regarding the results of requested quotes and other options available for the cleaning of a 90' wide by 8000' long County property located North of the City of Rio Bravo City Limits; and to request the county auditor identify a funding source to pay for the work; and any other matters incident thereto. **[Requested by Cecilia May Moreno, Webb County Purchasing Agent]**
56. Discussion and possible action to purchase Ten (10) Rifles for Rudy Rodriguez, Constable Pct. 1 from GT Distributors, Inc. in the amount of \$10,530.00. **[Requested by Rudy Rodriguez, Constable Pct. 1; Accounts #722-8108-8801, #733-8108-8801 (Capital Outlay) and #165-2500-6228 (Forfeiture Funds)]**
57. Discussion and possible action to purchase Fifteen (15) GSA Office Pro Plus 2010 Software for Planning Department, pursuant to Sections 271.101 and 271.102, Subchapter F., Cooperative Purchasing Program Contract No. GSA -35FP-03324, Texas Local Government Code, in an amount of \$5,247.52. **[Requested by Rhonda Tiffin, Webb County Planning Director; Account #722-8108-8801 (Capital Outlay Funds)]**

- 58. Discussion and possible action to purchase Three (3) field Computers and accessories for Planning Department from Western Data Systems in the amount of \$14,038.00. **[Requested by Rhonda Tiffin, Webb County Planning Director; Account #722-8108-8801 (Capital Outlay)]**
- 59. Discussion and possible action to approve the purchase of Nine (9) Creative Curriculum Kits for Preschool Head Start Program from Teaching Strategies in the amount \$23,534.19. **[Requested by Aliza Oliveros, Webb County Head Start Director; Account #905-4208-6069 (ARRA Funds)]**
- 60. Discussion and possible action to approve the Construction Material Testing for the Fernando Salinas Community Center site from Terracon in the amount of \$5,735.00. **[Requested by Fitzgerald Sanchez, Webb County Engineer; Account #658-8103-8710-3 (Park Development Fund)]**
- 61. Discussion and possible action to approve the repairs of unit #10-77 1995 Caterpillar for the Road & Bridge Department, pursuant to Subchapter C. Competitive bidding in Section 262.024 (D) Discretionary Exemptions, captive replacement parts or components for equipment from RDO Equipment Co. in the amount of \$9,510.49. **[Requested by Jose Luis Ramos, Webb County Road & Bridge Superintendent; Account #010-7002-6402 (Road & Bridge Funds)]**

Road and Bridge

- 62. Discussion and possible action to approve the following line item transfer:

From:	010-7002-6205	Materials & Supplies	\$40,000
To:	010-7002-6403	Repair & Maint. of Vehicles	\$20,000
	010-7002-6404	Repair & Maint. of Bridges	\$20,000

Closed Session/Executive Session

- 63. Status report on Killam Ranch Properties, Ltd. v. County of Webb; Case No. 04-10-00324-CV, in the 4th Court of Appeals; with discussion and possible action. **[Executive Session is requested pursuant to Texas Government Code, Title 5, Subchapter D, Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney)]**

64. Status report on Good Government League v. Webb County; Cause No. 2010-CVQ-000296 D3 in the 341st Judicial District Court of Webb County, Texas; with discussion and possible action. **[Executive Session is requested pursuant to Texas Government Code, Title 5, Subchapter D, Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney)]**
65. Status report on civil service commission grievances filed by county employees San Juana Lira, Yvonne Gribble and Andrea Morales vs. Webb County Commissioner's Court; with discussion and possible action. **[Executive Session is requested pursuant to Texas Government Code, Title 5, Subchapter D, Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney) and 551.074 (Personnel Matters)]**
66. Status report on civil service commission grievance filed by former county employee Juanita Puente vs. Javier Cavazos, Director, Fred & Anita Bruni Community Center, with discussion and possible action. **[Executive Session is requested pursuant to Texas Government Code, Title 5, Subchapter D, Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney) and 551.074 (Personnel Matters)]**
67. Adjourn

The Webb County Commissioners Court hereby reserves the right to go into closed session at any time during this public meeting, if such is requested by the County Attorney or other legal counsel for the County, pursuant to his or her duty under Section 551.071(2) of the Government Code, to consult privately with his or her client on an item on the agenda, or on a matter arising out of such item.

 **DISABILITY ACCESS STATEMENT** 

Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who may need auxiliary aid of service such as interpreters for persons who are deaf or hearing impaired, readers, or need large print are requested to contact the court administrator at (956) 523-4622.

DATED THIS 8th DAY OF JULY, 2011

By: _____
Melinda Mata
Court Administrator

CERTIFICATION OF NOTICE AND POSTING

I, the undersigned, County Clerk, do hereby certify that the above notice of meeting of the Webb County Commissioners Court, is a true and correct copy of said notice, and that I posted a true and correct copy of said notice on the bulletin board at the Courthouse door of Webb County, Texas, at a place readily accessible to the general public at all times on the 8th day of July, 2011 and said notice remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting.

DATED THIS 8th DAY OF JULY, 2011

MARGIE RAMIREZ IBARRA, COUNTY CLERK, WEBB COUNTY, TEXAS

BY: _____
Margie Ramirez-Ibarra, County Clerk