

WEBB COUNTY, TEXAS COMMISSIONERS COURT

PUBLIC NOTICE COMMISSIONERS COURT MEETING

WEBB COUNTY COURTHOUSE 1000 HOUSTON STREET, 2ND FLOOR LAREDO, TEXAS 78040 MAY 9, 2022 9:00 a.m.



CALL TO ORDER BY THE HONORABLE TANO E. TIJERINA, WEBB COUNTY JUDGE

- 1. Roll Call by Honorable Margie Ramirez-Ibarra, Webb County Clerk
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance/Invocation
- 3. Discussion and possible action for Approval of Bills, Payroll, and Monthly Reports (Auditor, Treasurer, Business Office, Emergency Management, Human Resources, Risk Management, Tax Assessor-Collector; and any other Department reports); and any other matters incident thereto.
- 4. 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, individually or in a group, 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:

CONSENT AGENDA: At most meetings, the Commissioners Court establishes a Consent Agenda. It consists of those Agenda Items which are routine or non-controversial, and which neither a member of the Commissioners court has asked to be pulled for discussion. Once the Commissioners Court has established the Consent Agenda, Agenda Items included on it will be voted upon in one vote, and will not be discussed separately unless requested by the County Judge or Commissioners.

The consent agenda has been created in order to give constituents the opportunity to view any and all pertinent backup information with reference to any item in the agenda. The objective of the consent agenda is for all Webb County constituents to be familiar with everyday county business and to demonstrate the transparency and fairness of this Commissioners Court.

The following Agenda Items are of a routine nature, and the Commissioners Court has received supporting materials for consideration. All of these Agenda Items will be passed with one vote without being discussed separately, unless a member of the Commissioners Court or the public requests that a particular Agenda Item be discussed. If so, that Agenda Item will be pulled from the Consent Agenda and discussed as part of the regular Agenda at the appropriate time. One vote will approve the remaining items on the Consent Agenda.

CONSENT ITEMS

5. Auditor

a. Discussion and possible action to approve, by order, a budget amendment of \$15,000 to the District Attorney Federal Forfeiture Fund from new proceeds received from the U.S. Department of Justice Equitable Share Program. [Requested by Isidro "Chilo" Alaniz, District Attorney; Fund #2162 (Department of Justice - Federal Forfeiture)]

	Account Number	Account Name	Amount
From:	2162-259700	Fund Balance	\$15,000
То:	2162-2260-001-456205	Training & Education	\$10,000
-	2162-2260-001-456305	Uniforms	\$5,000
			\$15,000

Issue: New equitable shared funds have been awarded to the District Attorney's Office and may be spent after a budget for the expenditure of the proceeds has been submitted to the Governing Body. The budget must be detailed and clearly define the categories of expenditures.

Solution: Submit a budget to the Governing Body that clearly defines the categories of expenditures to be incurred with the new proceeds.

Result: The District Attorney's Office will add the new proceeds to its current expenditure budget to be utilized for law enforcement purposes in accordance with the Department of Justice Equitable Sharing Guidelines.

b. Discussion and possible action to approve the following budget amendment (line item transfers) within Forfeiture funds. [Requested by Harold DeVally, Constable Pct. 4]

	Acct. Number	Acct. Name	Request	Current	End Bal.
From:	2201-259700	Fund Balance	\$758.98	\$38,457.44	\$37,698.46
To:	2201-3170-001-422000	FICA	\$233.46	\$-0-	\$233.46
	2201-3170-001-423000	Retirement	\$416.26	\$-0-	\$416.26
	2201-3170-001-426000	Workers Comp	\$91.56	\$-0-	\$91.56
	2201-3170-001-425000	Unemployment	\$17.70	\$-0-	\$17.70
			\$758.98		

Issue: Funds will be used to cover fringe benefits for Click It or Ticket Campaign.

Solution: Submit a budget to the Governing Body that clearly list and defines the categories of expenditures.

Result: The department can utilize the proceeds for the official use of this office.

6. <u>Civil Legal Division</u>

a. Discussion and possible action to enter into a construction contract with Romo Contractors LLC in the amount of Three Hundred Forty-One Thousand Nine Hundred Dollars (\$341,900.00) for improvements to the Casa Blanca Golf Course Clubhouse Patio and any matters incident thereto; authorizing the County Judge to sign all relevant documents. [Account #7100-7230-001-470000 (Casa Blanca Golf Course Construction in Progress-Capital Outlay)]

7. Honorable Jesse Gonzalez, Webb County Commissioner Pct. 1

a. Discussion and possible action to approve, by Order, the following budget amendment (line item transfers) within the General fund:

	Acct. Number	Acct, Name	Adopted	Request	Current	End Bal.
From:	1001-1130-001-431007-010	Operational Reserve		\$7,500		
	1001-6330-001-412000	Carlos Aguilar Activity Center- Part-time	\$7,500	\$5,315	\$5,315	-0-
				\$12,815		
To;	1001-1030-001-412000	Commissioner Pct. 1- Part-time	\$12,050	\$1,655	\$-1,655	-0-
	1001-6160-001-412000	E.J. Salinas Community Center Part-time	\$6,525	\$1,020	\$-1,020	-0-
	1001-6320-001-412000	Rio Bravo Activity Center Part-Time	\$7,500	\$10,140	\$-537.50	\$9,602.50
				\$12,815		

Issue: Requesting Line Item Transfer to cover part-time deficits three departments as the 2nd fitness center has now opened and after pandemic both are now fully operational which led to a deficit in our Part-Time Budget.

Solution: To approve Line Item Transfer requested.

Result: Will maintain both fitness centers fully operational and open to our constituents.

8. <u>Community Action Agency</u>

a. Discussion and possible action to approve the posting and filling of the following Slot, subject to the availability of payroll funds and any applicable Civil Service guidelines, effective May 9, 2022. This position is grant funded, therefore there is no impact to the general fund.

Slot # Title Hourly Rate

1116 Senior Transit Assistant \$17.60

Issue: Slot #1116 is currently vacant.

Solution: Request is being made to fill vacant slot.

Result: The filling of slot #1116 will allow our department to continue to function efficiently and effectively providing transportation services to the rural areas of Webb County.

b. Discussion and possible action to accept an award and enter into an agreement in the amount of \$15,000.00 from Emergency Food and Shelter Program (EFSP) 2022 Phase - American Rescue Plan Act Regular (ARPA-R) and authorizing the County Judge to sign all relevant documents. Webb County will utilize funds for Emergency Food Services. There is no impact on the County's General Fund. [Requested by James Flores, CAA and Economic Development Program Director]

Issue: There is a greater demand for food assistance in the area of Webb County than there is funding.

Solution: By applying to the Emergency Food Grant provided by Emergency Food and Shelter Program, Webb County Community Action Agency seeks to address the hunger needs of the community using partnership method with the local food banks.

Result: If awarded the grant, Webb County Community Action Agency will be able to assist eligible households with emergency food items.

c. Discussion and possible action to accept an award and enter into an agreement in the amount of \$5,000.00 from Emergency Food and Shelter Program (EFSP) 2022 Phase 39 and authorizing the County Judge to sign all relevant documents. Webb County will utilize funds for Emergency Food Services. There is no impact on the County's General Fund. [Requested by James Flores, CAA and Economic Development Program Director]

Issue: There is a greater demand for food assistance in the area of Webb County than there is funding.

Solution: By applying to the Emergency Food Grant provided by Emergency Food and Shelter Program, Webb County Community Action agency seeks to address the hunger needs of the community using partnership method with the local food banks.

Result: If awarded the grant, Webb County Community Action Agency will be able to assist 500 eligible households.

d. Discussion and possible action to accept an award and enter into an agreement to Contract #61910003722 for the FY 2021 Community Services Block Grant Program State Discretionary Funds from Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA), in the amount of TWENTY THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED THIRTY THREE DOLLARS (\$20,833.00) and authorizing the County Judge to sign all relevant documents. This Contract shall commence on February 01, 2022 and, unless earlier terminated, shall end on July 31, 2022. All required documents were sent for review through the Economic Development Department and the solicitation is compliant with the Webb County Single Point of Contact (SPOC) procedures. This action will not have an impact to the General Fund. [Requested by James Flores, Director of Economic Development Department and Community Action Agency]

Issue: Approve grant award for the Community Services Block Grant Program (CSBG) from TDHCA for the Fiscal Year 2021 in the amount of \$20.833.00.

Solution: The Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) provides support services to eligible elderly, disabled and low income residents of Webb County.

Result: The support services are intended to assist eligible Webb County residents to transition out of poverty.

e. Discussion and possible action to accept award and enter into agreement to Contract #619910003744 for the FY 2021 Community Services Block Grant Program State Discretionary Funds from Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA), in the amount of EIGHT THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED NINETY SIX DOLLARS (\$8,696.00) and authorizing the County Judge to sign all relevant documents. This Contract shall commence on February 01, 2022 and, unless earlier terminated, shall end on July 31, 2022. All required documents were sent for review through the Economic Development Department and the solicitation is compliant with the Webb County Single Point of Contact (SPOC) procedures. This action will not have an impact to the General Fund. [Requested by James Flores, Director of Economic Development Department and Community Action Agency]

Issue: Approve grant award for the Community Services Block Grant Program (CSBG) from TDHCA for the Fiscal Year 2021 in the amount of \$8,696.00.

Solution: The Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) provides suppport services to eligible elderly, disabled and low income residents of Webb County.

Result: The support services are intended to assist eligible Webb County residents to transition out of poverty.

f. Discussion and possible action to approve Amendment Number 3 to Contract #61200003358 for the FY 2020 Community Services Block Grant Program and Cares Act from Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) and authorizing the County Judge to sign all relevant documents. This Contract shall commence on March 27, 2020 and, unless earlier terminated, shall end on June 30, 2022.

Issue: Approve Amendment # 3 for the Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) from Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) for the FY-2020.

Solution: The Community Services Block Grant Program (CSBG) provides support services to eligible elderly, disabled and low income residents of Webb County.

Result: The support services are intended to assist eligible Webb County residents to transition out of poverty.

9. <u>Economic Development</u>

a. Discussion and possible action to accept a training grant from the Texas Forest Service: HB 2604 in the amount of \$6,650.00. Grant will be utilized for firefighting personnel to attend training at the annual Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service (TEEX) Municipal Fire School at Texas A&M in College Station, and authorizing the County Judge to act as the County's Executive Officer and Authorized Representative in all matters pertaining to the County's request for Texas Forest Service Fire Department Assistance Funding. [Requested by Fire Suppression & EMS Services]

Issue: To provide firefighting personnel with reputable and cost-effective fire training.

Solution: Accept Texas Forest Service (HB 2604) funding for training of firefighting personnel.

Result: Firefighting personnel will be provided with online and hands-on skills training. This will also assist Webb County Fire to motivate and retain firefighting personnel.

b. Discussion and possible action to authorize the acceptance of a "Click It or Ticket" Grant from the Texas Department of Transportation in the amount of \$3,810.78 for overtime during the "Click It or Ticket" Campaign, the County will need to match 20% of said grant (Approximately \$868.74 for fringe benefits). The grant would be designating Webb County Judge as the authorized official in all matters related to this grant, and any other matters incident thereto. All required documents will be sent for review through the Economic Development Department and the solicitation will be compliant with the Webb County Single Point of Contact (SPOC) procedure. [Requested by Harold DeVally, Constable Pct. 4; Fund #2201-3170-352100 (Forfeiture funds)]

Issue: Approval from Commissioners Court is necessary to accept grant.

Solution: Approval by Commissioners Court.

Result: Webb County Constable Precinct 4 will be enforcing seat belt law for the public safety.

10. Head Start

Disclaimer: All Head Start monies are 100% Federal funds

a. Discussion and possible action to approve the posting and filling of the following Slots:

Slot#	<u>Title</u>	Hourly Rate	<u>Pay Periods</u>
959	Family Service Worker	\$16.91 - \$18.70	26
1007	Teacher	\$17.33 - \$17.59	20

b. Discussion and possible action to approve title and salary changes for Slots #2968 and #2964 and approve the filling of the vacant Slots, subject upon the availability of payroll funds and any Head Start Performance Standards guidelines:

	Slot#	<u>Title</u>	Hourly Rate
From:	2968	Teacher Assistant Floater / BA	\$13.36
To:	2968	Family Service Worker	\$16.91 - \$18.70
To Fill:	2968	Family Service Worker	\$16.91 - \$18.70
From:	2964	Office Clerk	\$10.88
То:	2964	Office Clerk	\$16.12

To Fill: 2964 Office Clerk \$16.12

11. Human Resources

a. Discussion and possible action to approve the Texas County & District Retirement System (TCDRS) Plan Agreement for Plan Year 2023 with a retirement plan rate of 13.00% effective January 1, 2023, and any other matters incident thereto.

Issue: The current retirement plan for the County is 13.64%, TCDRS recommended rate for 2023 is 13.00% and employee contribution is 6.00%. The revisions must be made before December 15, 2022.

Solution: Approval of the recommended revisions at this time will help the County ascertain the impact on the 2023-2024 budget.

Result: Approval of these revisions will be within the TCDRS timeline and is in line with TCDRS employer's recommended contribution rate.

12. <u>Medical Examiner</u>

a. Discussion and possible action to approve the posting and filling of the following Slot, subject to the availability of payroll funds and any applicable Civil Service guidelines, effective May 9, 2022:

Slot # Title Hourly Rate

2779 Medical Death Investigator \$20.38 - \$22.23 18/A-H

Issue: Request to fill Slot # 2779 which became vacant.

Solution: Approval from Commissioners Court will allow department to post and fill vacant lot.

Result: Filling the vacant slot will allow the department to continue to function efficiently and effectively.

13. Pre-Trial Services

a. Discussion and possible action to approve the posting and filling of the following Slot as well as any remaining vacant slot created by promoting from within, subject to the availability of payroll funds and any applicable Civil Service guidelines, as well as any and all wage plan policies, effective May 9, 2022:

Slot # Title Hourly Rate

2888 Judicial Bond Officer \$15.15 - \$15.93 12A/E

Issue: Slot #2888, became vacant on April 29, 2022. The employee has accepted a position with another county department.

Solution: Slot #2888, will potentially be filled from within this department after interviewing any of the following slot #'s: 2936, 2695 or 2095. Request is being made to post and fill anyone of these slot #'s that become vacant.

Result: This action will allow our department to mote from within and fill the remaining vacant slots and will allow us to continue to function efficiently and effectively.

14. <u>Purchasing</u>

a. Discussion and possible action to authorize the Purchasing Agent to process surplus and/or salvage property in accordance with the Texas Local Government Code, Section 263.152 (Disposition) and to publish notice to public as per Local Government Code Section 263.153 (Notice) for surplus and/or salvage property being auctioned.

Issue: Excess county property that is either by definition salvage or surplus property because of time, accident, or any other cause such as, wear and deterioration, damaged, or obsolete that has no value and/or usefulness for the intended purpose and is no longer needed by the department.

Solution: Authorize the Purchasing Agent to attempt to sell the County surplus or salvage property through public auction, dispose or destroy property that cannot be sold through public auction because it has deemed worthless or dispose through a recycling program under which property is collected, separated, or processed and returned to use in the form of raw materials of new products and/or donate as permitted by state law.

Result: Generate auction revenue from sale of county property, reduce county expenditures by transferring surplus property to other departments and make room for future assets replacing salvage or surplus items no longer needed.

b. Discussion and possible action to approve the purchase of four (4) 2022 Polaris Sportsmen ATVs from Family Power Sports San Angelo low bidder for a total amount not to exceed \$49,0000.00 for the Webb County Sheriff's Office and any other matters incident thereto. [Account #2475-3010-001-470000 (Capital Outlay – Operation Loan Star Grant #4376701)]

Issue: Homeland security/border security matters require force multiplier technologies.

Solution: Authorize the purchase utilizing Operation Lone Star Grant funds. Equipment was preapproved by Grantor.

Result: Order the grant funded vehicles for the Webb County Sheriff's Office for law enforcement purposes.

15. Risk Management

a. Discussion and possible action to accept funding from Safety National in the amount of \$19,690.00 to Casco Industries for the purchase of 55 face pieces for the Webb County Volunteer Fire Department, per NFPA 1500 Standard on Fire Department Occupational Safety, Health, and Wellness Program which requires each individual possess their own properly fitted mask (Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus, SCBA). No expense will be conducted by Webb County.

Issue: Webb County Volunteer Fire Department lacks sufficient face shields required by NFPA 1500. Currently, masks are rotated, shared, and utilized by personnel on shift.

Solution: Purchasing this safety equipment will be beneficial for fire personnel to have their face 3piece and not share their breathing masks and thus follow NFPA Standard. Not only would this reduce their exposure to COVID-19, but also to other airborne contagious diseases, and provide the safest seal while entering fire scenes.

Result: Healthier and enhanced protection for our firefighters.

16. Honorable Martin Cuellar, Sheriff

a. Discussion and possible action to authorize the Purchasing Agent to order additional equipment for the mobile command center ordered from Global Enterprise, Inc. (GSA Contract No. GS-30F-040BA) in an amount not to exceed \$5,543.80 for a Winegard SK-1000 Traveler DirectTV Antenna and a Perimeter Camera System in accordance with the Texas Local Government Code; Sections 271.101, 271.102, Sub-Chapter F. Cooperative Purchasing Programs and any other matters incident thereto. [Account #2475-3010-001-470000 Capital Outlay – Operation Lone Star Grant #4376701]

Issue: Homeland security/border security matters require force multiplier technologies. Grant funds are available and permissible for additional equipment being requested by the Webb County Sheriff's Office.

Solution: Utilize the GSA Cooperative Contract to purchase the additional equipment with Operation Lone Star Grant funds.

Result: Proceed with Change Order to Purchase Order No. 2022-00002700 for the total amount authorized by Commissioners Court.

17. Water Utilities

a. Discussion and possible action to approve the posting and filling of the following Slot, subject to the availability of payroll funds and any applicable Civil Service guidelines, effective May 9, 2022:

Slot # Title Hourly Rate

2301 Operator I \$15.15 - \$15.93 12/A-E

Issue: Position became vacant April 28, 2022.

Solution: Fill vacant position.

Result: The filling of this position will alleviate work overload created by vacancy and allow for efficiency, effectiveness and production of work within the department and to better serve the needs of the county.

18. <u>Line Item Transfers</u>

 a. Discussion and possible action to approve, by Order, the following budget amendment (line item transfers) within the General and fund. [Requested by Chief Rick Rangel, Fire Suppression & EMS Services]

	Acct. Number	Acct. Name	Adopted	Request	Current	End Bal.
From:	1001-3140-001-431009	Stipends	\$50,000	\$25,050	\$42,407.66	\$17,357.66
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To:	1001-3140-001-462605	Fuel & Lubricants	\$35,000	\$13,000	\$4,891.93	\$17,891.93
	1001-3140-001-443000-075	Repairs & Maint. Vehicles	\$25,000	\$10,000	\$2,400.28	\$12,400.28
	1001-3140-001-456205	Training & Education	\$315	\$2,050	\$615.00	\$2,665.00
				\$25,050		

From:	2929-3140-001-458000	Administrative Travel	\$1,500	\$1,000	\$1,500	\$500
To:	2929-3140-001-456205	Training & Education	\$1,500	\$1,000	\$0.00	\$1,000

Issue: Transfer of funds is required to cover estimated forecasted expenditures in the fuel line item due to rising fuel prices; as well as, unforeseen repair expenses for department units, and lodging expenses for personnel attending Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service (TEEX) Municipal Fire School at College Station, July 2022.

Solution: Approval of line item transfer to cover forecasted/unforeseen expenses.

Result: Line items will have sufficient funds and fire department operations will continue uninterrupted.

b. Discussion and possible action to approve, by Order, the following budget amendment (line item transfers) within the Water Utilities fund. [Requested by Tomas Sanchez, Water Utilities Director]

	Acct. Number	Acct. Name	Adopted	Request	Current	End Bal.
From:	7200-7065-001-460032	Chemicals	\$9,350	\$3,000	\$9,350	\$6,350
	7200-7050-001-443000-035	Repair & Main. Equip.	\$199,000	\$10,000	\$64,303	\$54,303
				\$13,000		-
То:	7200-7060-001-432001-085	Professional Service Lab	\$3,550	\$3,000	\$5	\$3,005
	7200-7050-001-443000-105	Repair & Maint. Waterlines	\$48,000	\$10,000	\$2,426	\$12,426
				\$13,000		

Issue: Additional funds needed to cover account expenses.

Solution: Approve ine item transfer request.

Result: Funds available for end of budget year.

c. Discussion and possible action to ratify, by Order, the following budget amendment (line item transfers) within the General Fund. [Requested by Sheriff Martin Cuellar]

	Acct. Number	Acct. Name	Adopted	Request	Current	End Bal.
From:	1001-4070-001-43000-035	Repair Maint, Equip.	\$33,000	\$5,000	\$12,334.80	\$7,334.80
	1001-4070-001-444500	Equipment Rental	\$50,000	\$5,000	\$12,297.96	\$7,297.96
				\$10,000		
To:	1001-4070-001-443000-020	Repair Maint. Bldg.	\$80,000	\$10,000	\$1,576.29	\$11,576.29

Issue: Low on funds to purchase New A/C motor for the jail 3rd floor, and future purchases.

Solution: Transfer funds to buy needed motor.

Result: Funds will be in place to purchase motor.

REGULAR AGENDA

Economic Development

19. Discussion and possible action to approve the 2022-2023 Third Party Funding Application, set submission dates and deadlines for Third Party funding; and any other matters incident thereto.

Issue: Third Party Applications must be submitted with ample time in order to review and approve/deny funding and prepare for the next fiscal year's budget.

Solution: Set date (s) to solicit Third Party Funding Applications in order to have enough time to review and approve/deny funding and prepare for next fiscal year's budget. Economic Development is proposing to set July 8, 2022 as the deadline for applications.

Result: Webb County shall provide Third Party Funding eligible organizations that provide a purpose in the community.

Fire Suppression & EMS Services

20. Discussion and possible action on entering into a Fleet Financing Plan with Siddons Martin Emergency Group, LLC through Pierce Financing Solutions for the Webb County Fire Department's Emergency Response Vehicles. Front Line Fire Department Emergency Response Apparatus (nine-9) & Ambulance (one-1) will be on a seven (7) year replacement cycle in an effort to keep units response ready and maintenance costs low; and any other matters incident thereto.

Issue: The current fleet of the fire department has almost reached its end of life. Maintenance costs have been increasing steady and specialized technicians are needed for major repairs. Webb County lacks certified fire apparatus technicians.

Solution: To approve a Fleet Financing Plan replacing emergency response units with vehicle maintenance included.

Result: Recommend approval for the lease program which includes maintenance for emergency response units.

Auditor

21. Discussion and possible action to approve, by Order, the following budget amendment (line item transfers) from payroll savings for the TxDOT CTIF matching funds and for leased vehicle rentals. [Fund 2007 - Road & Bridge Fund]

	Acct. Number	Acct. Name	Adopted	Request	Current	End Bal.
From:	2007-7150-001-410000	Payroll Cost	\$1,682,500	\$132,000	\$1,027,464	\$895,464
To:	2007-7150-001-463901-005	Comm. Court TxDOT CTIF	\$300,000	\$45,000	(\$27,945)	\$17,055
	2007-7140-001-469001-005	Operating Leases Principal	\$94,000	\$87,000	\$1,219	\$88,219
-				\$132,000		

Issue: TxDOT CTIF 2020 grant award requires matching funds budgeted under Road and Bridge; and vehicle lease account is short of funs for reminder of year.

Solution: Budget line item transfer to cover the cost of CTIF-2020 match and lease payments.

Result: Grant matching funds will comply with TxDOT requirement and leases payments will be made timely.

Civil Legal Division

OPEN PUBLIC HEARING

22. Public hearing on the creation of the Legacy Water Control and Improvement District on the terms and provisions of Article 16, Section 59, Constitution of Texas for the purposes enumerated thereunder requested by petition pursuant to Chapter 51 of the Texas Water Code on approximately 11,306.376 acres of land located north and south of SH 255 at its intersection with IH35 and southeast of the intersection of SH 255 and IH 35.

CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING

- 23. Discussion and possible action to adopt an Order creating and establishing the Legacy Water Control and Improvement District, on the terms and provisions of Article 16, Section 59, Constitution of Texas for the purposes enumerated thereunder, on approximately 11,306.376 acres of land located north and south of SH 255 at its intersection with IH35 and southeast of the intersection of SH 255 and IH 35and any matters incident thereto.
- 24. Discussion and possible action to enter into a tax abatement agreement, pursuant to the County's Guidelines and Criteria under the Property Redevelopment and Tax Abatement Act, Chapter 312 of the Texas Tax Code, with Wolf Tank Storage, LLC for approximately \$70,000,000 in improvements related to the storage of electricity utilizing batteries for a ten year period and being a 100% tax abatement of ad valorem taxes (maintenance and operation only), with Payments in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT payments) to be made annually to Webb County and any matters incident thereto; authorizing the County Judge to sign all relevant documents.
- Discussion and possible action to enter into a construction contract with Gil Mar Construction LTD for the construction of a multi-box culvert with headwalls, aprons and channel grading on Welch Road in the amount of Five Hundred Twenty-Eight Thousand Nine Hundred Dollars (\$528,900.00) and any matters incident thereto; authorizing the County Judge to sign all relevant documents. [ARPA Revenue Replacement Fund #2703-5205-006-470000]
- 26. Discussion and possible action to release an Irrevocable Letter of Credit (\$350,000.00) in favor of Webb County from Bay Wa R.E. Development LLC as all required County Planning Department permits and FEMA Letter of Map Revisions have been completed as required by the Development Agreement approved by the Court on May 26, 2020 between Webb County and Bay Wa Development LLC; authorizing the County Judge to sign all relevant documents. [Requested by Planning Department]
- 27. Discussion and possible action to enter into a Contribution-In-Aid-Of-Construction Agreement for electric distribution service with AEP in an amount not to exceed Seventy-Eight Thousand Two Hundred Thirty-Three Dollars Twenty-Eight Cents (\$78,233.28) for street lighting on the Wormser Road Realignment Project and any matters incident thereto; authorizing the County Judge to sign all relevant documents. [Funding is CTIF 2020]

Information Technology

28. Discussion and possible action to approve, by Order, the following budget amendment (line item transfer) within the General Fund:

	Acct. Number	Acct. Name	Adopted	Request	Current	End Bal.
From:	1001-1130-001-431007-101	Operational Reserve		\$80,000		
To:	1001-1130-001-460105	Minor Tools & Apparatus	\$0.00	\$80,000	\$2,613.57	\$82,613.57

Issue: Courtrooms are not equipped to have Hybrid (Zoom/In person) sessions.

Solution: Allocate funds to install equipment that will allow Hybrid sessions.

Result: Courtrooms will be able to have remote attendees throug video conferencing services.

<u>Purchasing</u>

29. Discussion and possible action to accept the rankings and award Request for Proposal (RFP) 2022-003"Webb County Sheriff Office-Inmate Phone System" to the highest ranking proposer, Smart Communications Holding, Inc., in accordance with Texas Local Government Code, Sec. 262.030. Alternative Competitive Proposal Procedure for Certain Goods and Services and any other matters incident thereto.

Company Name	1	2	3	Total Score	Ranking
Consolidated Telecom Inc.	85	84	84	253	5
Inmate Calling Solutions LLC	84	86	87	257	3
Securus Technologies LLC	88	86	91	265	2
Smart Communications Holding Inc.	92	93	95	280	1
ViaPath Technologies	84	83	88	255	4

Issue: The Webb County Jail requires a phone system to provide means of communication for the incarcerated. The agreement currently in place will expire at the end of July 2022.

Solution: Consider awarding to highest-ranking proposer.

Result: Continue providing telephone and related services to Webb County Jail - inmates.

30. Discussion and possible action to authorize the Purchasing Agent and Budget Officer to secure a public property finance contract to fund the following capital equipment with a projected cost of \$1,772,580.00 and to further return to Commissioners Court with a proposed financing plan for consideration and any other matters incident thereto.

Projected Cost for Police Equipment for 31 Units			
Police Lighting for Marked & Unmarked Units	Qty. 31	Sub-Total	\$545,000
Watch Guard in Car Video System / Body Cam	Qty. 18	Sub-Total	\$86,000
APX 6500 Mobile Radios	Qty. 31	Sub-Total	\$186,000
Police Lights / Equipment Transfers / Decals	Qty. 10	Sub-Total	\$36,000
Total Projected Cost for Police Equipment:			\$853,000

Projected Cost for Purchase / Install of Three (3) Emergency Generators for Fire Stations				
Los Botines Fire Station	·	Qty. 1	Sub-Total	\$52,000
Equipment:	\$37,000			
Installation:	\$15,000			
Main Fire Station	·	Qty. 1	Sub-Total	\$36,000
Equipment:	\$5,000			
Installation:	\$31,000			
Quad City Fire Station		Qty.1	Sub-Total	\$52,000
Equipment:	\$31,000			
Installation	\$21,000			
Total Projected Cost for Generators:			\$140,000	

Projected Cost for Two (2) 6500 Gal. Water Trucks for Water Utilities			
Tractor Trailer	Qty. 2	Sub-Total	\$545,000
6500 Gallon Water Tanker	Qty. 2	Sub-Total	\$140,000
Total Projected Cost for Water Trucks;			\$372,940

Projected Cost for Three (3) Pneumatic Rollers for Road and Bridge					
Hamm	HP180i	Pneumatic Roller	Qty. 1	Sub-Total	\$144,928
Hamm	HD 80iVVHF	High Req DD Roller	Qty. 1	Sub-Total	\$144,801
Hamm	H7i P	66" Pad Drum	Qty. 1	Sub-Total	\$116,911
Total Projected Cost for Rollers:			\$406,640		
Total Financing Proposed:			\$1,772,580		

Discussion and possible action to authorize the Purchasing Agent to secure competitive proposals from cooperative vendors for the furnishing of the Webb County Sheriff's Building located at 1002 Farragut Street (Former HEB Building) pursuant to the Texas Local Government Code; Sections 271.101, 271.102, Sub-Chapter F. Co-operative Purchasing Programs and any other matters incident thereto.

Issue: Renovations for this location are currently in progress and substantial completion is earmarked for November 2022,

Solution: Secure competitive proposals from cooperative vendors for the Courts consideration.

Results: Establish a budget based on proposals and consider selecting best value proposal.

Discussion and possible action to authorize the purchase of eight (8) NewCon TVS 11M 640x480 Thermal Monoculars from B&H Foto and Electronics DBA B&H (Contract #R201202- Region 4 ESC/OMNIA Partners, Public Sector) in an amount not to exceed \$82,392.00 pursuant to the Texas Local Government Code; Sections 271.101, 271.102, Sub-Chapter F. Co-operative Purchasing Programs and any other matters incident thereto. [Lone Start Grant Account #2475-3010-001-470000 Capital Outlay]

Issue: Thermal Monocular technology equipment was approved by Lone Star Grant for law enforcement use.

Solutions: Authorize the purchase utilizing grant funds and cooperative pricing.

Result: Order equipment for law enforcement use.

33. Discussion and possible action to authorize the Purchasing Agent to solicit formal Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funded projects for Consulting and Project Management Services pursuant to the Texas Government Code; Chapter 2254 (Professional and Consulting Services) and any other matters incident thereto. [Account #1001-1130-001-432001 (General Fund-General Operating Exp - Administration-Professional Services)]

Issue: As part of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, Webb County was awarded approximately \$53 million in federal funds to address the local needs generated by the COVID 19 pandemic. Webb County recognizes the need for Consulting Services that are needed to provide expertise in the management of ARPA funds not limited to planning, assessment, and compliance in the expenditure of Federal funds related to this Act.

Solution: Authorize the Purchasing Agent to solicit formal RFQ to secure proposals from Consulting firms.

Result: Selection of a Consulting firm based on its demonstrated competence, knowledge, and qualifications.

Honorable Adrian Cortez, Constable Pct. 3

34. Discussion and possible action to allow the acceptance of a grant from the Texas Department of Transportation in the amount of \$15,000.00 for the 2022 click it or ticket Campaign, effective May 23, 2022 and designate the Webb County Judge as the authorized official in all matters related to this grant, and any other matters incident thereto. This grant requires a 20% match totaling \$3,908.64 for fringe benefits All required documents will be sent for review to Economic Development Department and the solicitation is compliant with the Webb County Single Point of Contact (SPOC) procedures.

Issue: Texas Law requires drivers and passengers regardless of where they are seated in a vehicle to be secured by a safety belt or a safety seat for children under the age of 8, unless they are 4 feet 9 inches tall. However many drivers and passengers off all ages continue to ride in a motor vehicle without a safety belt or safety seat.

Solution: Constable Pct. 3 has been awarded a state grant so that for the first time it can join forces with other State and Local Law Enforcement Agencies to aggressively enforce the seat belt laws in Webb County.

Result: To increase occupant restraint use in all passenger vehicles and trucks by conducting an intense occupant protection enforcement and public information and education effort during the enforcement period.

Honorable Patricia Barrera, Tax-Assessor- Collector

35. Discussion and possible action to approve the modification of Job Description and Title Change for the following slot position. No Salary changes or pay grade will change. Subject to Civil Service guidelines, effective May 9, 2022:

	Slot#	<u>Title</u>	Hourly Rate/Salary
From	120	Motor Vehicle Investigation Supervisor	\$23.65 - \$49,192.00 19/1
To	120	Motor Vehicle Compliance Supervisor	\$23.65 - \$49,192.00 19/1

Issue: The title does not conform to the duties listed under that title.

Solution: Revised title and job duties in order for the title to conform to the actual job duties.

Result: The modifications will allow our department to continue to provide the customer service on motor vehicle in connection with motor complaint.

Honorable Jesse Gonzalez, Webb County Commissioner Pct. 1

36. Discussion and possible action to authorize an exception and waive the fee for Keller Williams in regards to the rental of the Webb County Fairgrounds Pavilion on Saturday, May 14, 2022 for their First R.E.D. Day Family Fair from 11 am - 4:00 pm; and any other matters incident thereto.
[Co-Sponsored by Tano E. Tijerina, County Judge]

Honorable Tano E. Tijerina, Webb County Judge

- 37. Discussion with possible action to authorize an exception and waive the rental fee for The Laredo Police Department in regards to the rental of the Webb County Fairgrounds Pavilion on Thursday (setup) and Friday (event), June 3, 2022 for their 2022 N.N.D.D.A. Nationals K-9 Competition; and any other matters incident thereto.
- 38. Discussion and possible action to direct the Purchasing agent to issue a Request for Qualifications (RFQs) for a consultant for County road and bridge projects pursuant to the Texas Government Code; Chapter 2254 (Professional and Consulting Services) and any other matters incident thereto. [Account #1001-1130-001-432001 (General Fund-General Operating Exp-Administration-Professional Services)]

Closed Session/Executive Session

- 39. Status report by outside counsel with discussion and possible action regarding Herrera et al v. Webb County, Texas et al; Cause No. 5:17-cv-00237 in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas, Laredo Division. [Closed Session/Executive Session may be requested pursuant to Texas Government Code §551.071, Consultation with Attorney, pending or contemplated litigation]
- 40. Status report from the Engineering Department and county staff regarding the Becerra Creek Bridge structure project and latest cost proposals submitted; with discussion and possible action to request direction from Commissioners Court regarding the potential bridge replacement costs, estimates, fees, legal liabilities and court approvals that need to be addressed for the project; and any other matters incident thereto. [Executive Session may be requested pursuant to Texas Government Code, Title 5, Subchapter D, Section 551.071-Consultation with attorney regarding pending or contemplated litigation]

Presentations

41. Recognition and presentation of plaque to Gilbert H. Garcia on becoming the 2022 TFAA (Texas Field Archery Association) Indoor State Champion at Cinnamon Creek Ranch in Roanoke, Texas.

[Requested by John C. Galo, Commissioner Precinct 3]

- Presentation by Melissa R. Cigarroa, Board President of the Rio Grande International Study Center (RGISC), regarding the Binational River Park; with discussion and possible action; and any other matters incident thereto. [Sponsored by Rosaura "Wawi" Tijerina, Commissioner Pct. 2]
 [Co-Sponsored by Webb County Judge Tano Tijerina]
- 43. Recognition of Oscar Armando Lopez III for representing the City of Laredo, Webb County Texas and The University of Texas at Austin in Washington, D.C., as a University of Texas System Archer Fellow. [Requested by Rosaura "Wawi" Tijerina, Commissioner Precinct 2]
- 44. Recognition and presentation of plaques to Cigarroa High School's Relay Team who placed 1st District Champs on their District's Track Meet & 2nd place at the area track meet and qualified to the regional finals making them one of the top 8 teams in the region. [Requested by Jesse Gonzalez, Commissioner Pct. 1]
- 45. <u>Communications</u>
- 46. 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.

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DISABILITY ACCESS STATEMENT



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DATED THIS JAY OF MAY, 2022

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Court Administrator

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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 day day of May, 2022 and said notice remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting.

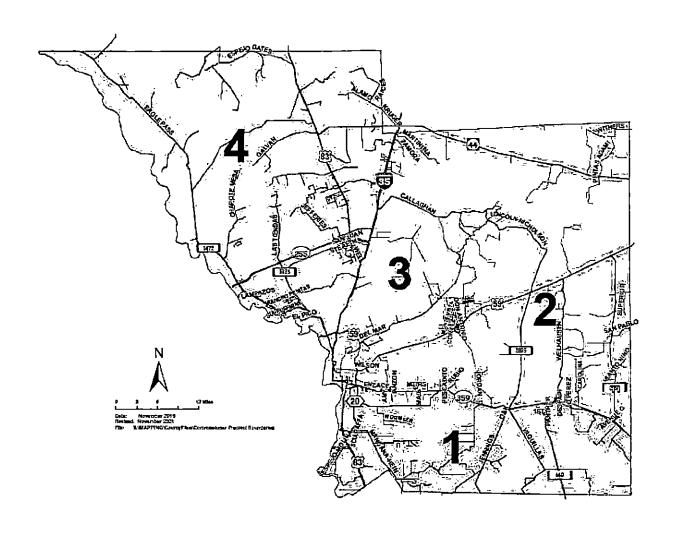
DATED THIS by DAY OF MAY, 2022

MARGIE RAMIREZ IBARRA, COUNTY CLERK, WEBB COUNTY, TEXAS

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By: Ashley Manriquez Deputy Clerk

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	Commissioner Cindy Liendo	Precinct 4

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