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**PUBLIC NOTICE
COMMISSIONERS COURT MEETING**

WEBB COUNTY COURTHOUSE
1000 HOUSTON STREET, 2ND FLOOR
LAREDO, TEXAS 78040
JANUARY 9, 2023
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, Human Resources, Risk Management; 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, the following budget amendment (line item transfers) within Forfeiture funds. **[Requested by Martin Cuellar, Sheriff]**

	Acct. Number	Acct. Name	Request
From:	2150-259700	Fund Balance	\$14,700
To:	2150-3010-001-413000	Overtime	\$900
	2150-3010-001-422000	FICA County Share	\$4,300
	2150-3010-001-423000	Retirement	\$7,200
	2150-3010-001-425000	Unemployment	\$1,800
	2150-3010-001-426000	Workers Comp	\$500
			\$14,700

Issue: Budget increase to cover Fringe Benefits worked under USM, ICE, OCDETF, and LBSP.

Solution: Transfer of funds to mentioned accounts.

Result: Funds will be available to cover benefits.

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

	Acct. Number	Acct. Name	Adopted	Request	Current	End Bal.
From:	2202-3170-001-457006	Law Enforcement Other	\$10,000	\$2,911.44	\$7,193.64	\$4,282.20
To:	2202-3170-001-456305	Uniforms	\$0	\$2,911.44	\$0	\$2,911.44

Issue: Funds are needed to pay for uniforms needed by department.

Solution: By approving transfer of funds, department will have sufficient funds to pay such expenses.

Result: Department will be able to pay for expense.

- c. Discussion and possible action to ratify, by Order, the following budget amendment (line item transfer) within Forfeiture funds. **[Requested by Sheriff Martin Cuellar]**

	Acct. Number	Acct. Name	Request
From:	2150-3010-001-460105	Minor Tools	\$10,000
To:	2150-3010-001-455501	Drug Free Campaign	\$10,000

Issue: Funds needed to purchase Drug Free Promotional items.

Solution: Request ministerial to purchase items.

Result: Funds will be in place to proceed with requisition/purchase order.

- d. Discussion and possible action to approve, by Order, the following budget amendment (line item transfer) within Forfeiture funds. **[Requested by Sheriff, Martin Cuellar]**

	Acct. Number	Acct. Name	Request
From:	2151-259700	Fund Balance	\$4,500
To:	2151-3010-001-454000-030	Advertising Awareness and Activities	\$4,500

Issue: Funds are needed to cover a PSA (Safe Cities).

Solution: Transfer funds from the Fund Balance.

Result: Funds will be in place and proceed with PSA.

- e. Discussion and possible action to approve, by Order, the following budget amendment (line item transfer) within Grant funds. **[Requested by James Flores, Economic Development Director]**

	Acct. Number	Acct. Name	Amount
From:	2364-5360-521-463804-101	Utility Assistance P1 Restoration	\$9,749.79
To:	2364-5360-521-463804-102	Utility Assistance P2 Prevention	\$9,749.79

Issue: Funds are need to continue the water assistance program.

Solution: Approve line item transfer.

Result: Water Assistance Program may continue providing services.

- f. Discussion and possible action to approve, by order, a budget amendment to the District Attorney State forfeiture fund by increasing the expenditure budget by \$38,473; said amount is available from seized funds pursuant to Chapter 18 of the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure. **[Requested by Isidro "Chilo" Alaniz, District Attorney; Fund #2161-2260]**

	Account Name	Account Number	Amount
From:	Fund Balance	2161-259700	\$38,473
To:	Law Enforcement - Other	2161-2260-001-457006	\$25,000
	Sick Leave Buy Back	2161-2260-001-414060	\$5,973
	Overtime	2161-2260-001-413000	\$7,500
			\$38,473

Issue: New proceeds under Chapter 18 of the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure have been awarded and may be spent by the attorney representing the State after a budget for the expenditure of the proceeds has been submitted to the Governing Body.

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

Result: The attorney representing the State can utilize the new proceeds for the official use of his Office.

- g. Discussion and possible action to approve, by order, a budget amendment of \$22,450 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 Name	Account Number	Amount
From:	Fund Balance	2162-259700	\$22,450
To:	Law Enforcement - Other	2162-2260-001-457006	\$22,450

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.

- h. Discussion and possible action to approve, by Order, the following budget amendment (line item transfers) within Grant funds. **[Requested by Community Action Agency]**

	Acct. Number	Acct. Name	Adopted	Request	Current	End Bal.
From:	2362-5150-521-410000	Payroll Cost	\$93,116.00	\$62,289.41	\$74,036.67	\$11,747.26
	2362-5150-521-421000	Health Life Insurance	\$17,151.68	\$10,938.93	\$14,121.63	\$3,182.70
	2362-5150-521-422000	FICA County Share	\$6,958.00	\$4,800.34	\$5,540.81	\$740.47
	2362-5150-521-423000	Retirement County Share	\$9,725.07	\$6,129.18	\$7,284.30	\$1,155.12
	2362-5150-521-425000	Unemployment Tax	\$772.59	\$569.12	\$661.94	\$92.82
	2362-5150-521-426000	Worker Compensation	\$170.52	\$114.01	\$160.97	\$46.96

	2362-5150-521-431002	Administrative Travel	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$0.00
	2362-5360-521-423000	Payroll Cost	\$138,180.00	\$103,998.59	\$122,124.80	\$18,126.21
	2362-5360-521-421000	Health Life Insurance	\$19,680.16	\$13,053.93	\$16,366.26	\$3,312.33
	2362-5360-521-422000	FICA County Share	\$10,298.00	\$7,810.08	\$9,109.41	\$1,299.33
	2362-5360-521-423000	Retirement County Share	\$14,493.00	\$11,089.27	\$12,402.26	\$1,312.99
	2362-5360-521-425000	Unemployment Tax	\$523.87	\$318.49	\$430.71	\$112.22
	2362-5360-521-426000	Worker Compensation	\$297.04	\$201.90	\$289.02	\$87.12
	2362-5360-521-457900	Program Services Expenditures	\$34,248.11	\$17,904.04	\$25,329.85	\$7,425.81
	2362-5360-521-463802	Household Crisis	\$10,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$5,000.00
				\$246,717.29		
To:	2362-5360-521-463804	Utility Assistance	\$1,504,661.48	\$246,717.29	\$300,358.63	\$547,075.92

Issue: Approve the transfer of funds from CEAP Administration and Direct Services to Utility Assistance.

Solution: The Court approval will allow the Webb County Community Action Agency to continue providing utility assistance to eligible low-income residents of Webb County under the CEAP program.

Result: These funds are intended to assist qualifying clients with their home energy expenses.

- i. Discussion and possible action to approve, by Order, the following budget amendment (line item transfers). **[Fund 7100 (Casa Blanca Golf Course)]**

	Acct. Number	Acct. Name	Adopted	Request	Current	End Bal.
From:	7100-259700	Fund Balance	\$0	\$192,622.27	\$0	\$0
To:	7100-7230-001-470000	Capital Outlay	\$0	\$192,481.00	\$0	\$192,481.00
	7100-7230-001-474501-035	Construction	\$0	\$141.27	\$0	\$141.27
				\$192,622.27		

Issue: Commissioners Court approved capital expenditures for Golf Course fund. PO's carried over to fiscal year 2023 pending budget.

Solution: Approve budget amendment for fiscal year 2023. Funds are available in the Golf Course fund balance.

Result: Vendor invoices will be paid timely

- j. Discussion and possible action to approve, by Order, the following budget amendment (line item transfers) and transfer available funds to Debt Service Fund. **[Certificates of Obligation Series 2006]**

	Acct. Number	Acct. Name	Adopted	Request	Current	End Bal.
From:	3095-259700	Fund Balance	\$0	\$448.78	\$448.78	\$0
	3100-7170-001-432001	Professional Services	\$0	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0
				\$1,448.78		
To:	3095-9080-001-485005	Transfer Out	\$0	\$448.78	\$0	\$448.78
	3100-9080-001-485005	Transfer Out	\$0	\$1,000	\$0	\$1,000

				\$1,448.78		
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Issue: Projects have been completed. Funds have minimal remaining balances.

Solution: Transfer remaining funds to the Debt Service Fund to close capital project funds.

Result: CO Series 2006 Capital project funds will be closed.

- k. Discussion and possible action to approve, by Order, the following budget amendment (line item transfers) within the General Fund, effective date September 30, 2022:

	Acct. Number	Acct. Name	Adopted	Request	Current	End Bal.
From:	1001-1160-001-463902-005	Match-CAA Rural	\$45,100	\$35,228	\$45,100	\$9,872
To:	1001-1160-001-463902-020	Match-CAA MOW	\$35,100	\$32,636	\$0.00	\$32,636
	1001-1160-001-463902-035	Match-CAA Elderly	\$118,100	\$1,868	\$0.00	\$1,868
	1001-1160-001-463902-040	Match-CAA CSBG	\$40,600	\$724	\$0.00	\$724
				\$35,228		

Issue: Various CAA programs require additional County match funds to end fiscal year.

Solution: Transfer within the allocated cash match funds for CAA programs.

Result: Funds will close the fiscal year September 30, 2022.

- l. Discussion and possible action to approve, by Order, the following budget amendment (line item transfer) within Forfeiture funds. **[Requested by Guadalupe Gomez, Constable Pct. 1]**

	Acct. Number	Acct. Name	Adopted	Request	Current	End Bal.
From:	2180-259700	Fund Balance	\$214,493.14	\$40,000	\$214,493.14	\$174,493.14
To:	2180-3150-001-443000-075	Repairs & Maint. Vehicles	\$0.00	\$35,000	\$0.00	\$35,000.00
	2180-3150-001-455501	Drug Free Campaign	\$0.00	\$5,000	\$0.00	\$5,000.00
				\$40,000		

Issue: Funds are needed to support the purchase of the Patrol Vehicle Decals and items for the Drug Free Campaign.

Solution: Transfer funds from Line item requested to complete payments for items requested.

Result: Funds will be available to process payments for items.

6. **Budget Officer**

- a. Discussion and possible action to approve, by Order, the following budget amendment (line item transfer) from within the General Fund #1001; and any other matters incident thereto:

	Acct. Number	Acct. Name	Request
From:	1001-1130-001-431007-025	Operational Reserve-Encumbrances	\$439,956.25
To:	1001-1130-001-431007-010	Operational Reserve-Operations	\$439,956.25

Issue: All encumbrances for FY 2023 have been processed. The remaining balance needs to be transferred.

Solution: Transfer as about listed.

Result: Operational reserve will have additional funding.

7. **Building Maintenance**

- 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 January 9, 2023:

<u>Slot #</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Hourly Rate</u>
2279	Building Maintenance Worker	\$13.73 - \$14.43 10 A-E

Issue: Request to fill Slot 2279 that became vacant on November 30, 2022.

Solution: Approval to post and fill Slot 2279.

Result: This action will allow Building Maintenance Department to continue to function efficiently and effectively.

8. **Civil Legal Division**

- a. Discussion and possible action to enter into an agreement with Pitney Bowes and Webb County for the Webb County Sheriff's Office; pursuant to Sections 271.101 and 271.102, Subchapter F, Cooperative Purchasing Program (buy board Contract #656-21); said agreement is for 60 months to begin (January 9, 2023 through January 8, 2028) at an amount of \$156.26 monthly (billed at \$468.78 quarterly) which is subject to annual budget appropriations; and authorizing the county judge to execute any and all relevant documents; and any other matters incident thereto. **[Account #1001-3010-001-444500]**

Issue: The Webb County Sheriff's Office processes a large volume of mail that needs to be sent via U.S. mail carrier. The current device is obsolete and the next generation of equipment is available. The Vendor has agreed to terminate the current contract that ends June 14, 2023 without penalty since they can no longer service the machine.

Solution: The purchase of such services that utilizes the new equipment will provide Webb County Sheriff's Office deputies access to prepaid postage to perform county business in a more effective manner.

Result: Through the services of prepaid postage, there will be a digital accounting of outgoing mail

generated by the Webb County Jail and the Webb County Sheriff's Office. The service will also reduce employee time waiting to pay for mail at the U.S. post office.

- b. Discussion and possible action to enter into a Interlocal Cooperation Contract between Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA), Zapata County, and Webb County for the Colonia Fund: Planning & Needs Assessment (CFP) program. The term of the contract commences on the date of the last party executes the contract and ends on August 31, 2023. There is no financial impact on the general fund. **[Requested by Tano E. Tijerina, Webb County Judge]**

Issue: Approve an interlocal agreement for the 2022 TxCDBG Colonia Fund: Planning & Needs Assessment.

Solution: The program will provide U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) funds through the Texas Community Development Block Grant (TxCDBG) program to identify the specific needs of Colonia communities in Texas.

Result: Under the CFP grant, Webb County is entitled to receive planning and needs assessment services for Colonia communities location within its geographical boundaries. Services will be provided by third-party service provider with which County will contract for services.

9. Community Action Agency

- a. Discussion and possible action to accept the recommendation from the Webb County Housing Rehabilitation/Reconstruction Scoring Committee to approve the following two (2) applicants to receive assistance under the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs - Office of Colonia Initiatives (TDHCA-OCI) Self-Help Center program and authorize the Webb County Purchasing Agent to solicit bids and any other matters incident thereto. Housing rehabilitation/reconstruction costs to be covered by the Self-Help Center grant TCDP-7220013.

1.	312 Milagro	Pueblo Nuevo
2.	408 Pinzon Rd.	Ranchitos 359 East

Issue: Commissioner's Court approval is required in order to solicit bids for these homes.

Solution: Obtain Commissioner's Court authorization for the solicitation of bids by the Purchasing Agent.

Result: Successful completion of grant and the successful rehabilitation/reconstruction of these homes.

- b. Discussion and possible action to approve the posting and filling of the following Full-Time Slot with benefits, to be funded from the Comprehensive Energy Assistance Program Grant (CEAP) Account #2362-5150-33036000 and Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) Account #2368-5170-33033000. This position will be 100% grant funded and there will be no impact to the General Fund.

<u>Slot #</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Hourly Rate</u>
0099	Case Manager	\$15.45

Issue: Vacant Case Manager position.

Solution: Post and fill vacant slot.

Result: Filling the position will allow the department to effectively continue the flow of work.

- c. Discussion and possible action to approve contract extension on Amendment #2 to Contract #61220003661 for the Community Service Block Grant Program (CSBG) from Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) for the fiscal year 2022. Extending contract from Dec-31-2022 to March -31-2023. Authorizing the County Judge to sign all relevant documents. This Contract will not have an impact to the General Fund. Documentation has been reviewed by Webb County Economic Development Department and is compliant with SPOC policies and procedures. **[Grant Account #2368-5170-521]**

Issue: Approve submission of Grant Amendment #2 to Contract #61220003661 from Texas Department of Community Affairs (TDHCA) for the Program Year 2022 and approve contract amendment.

Solution: The Court approval will allow the Webb County Community Action Agency to provide direct services to eligible low-income residents of Webb County under the CSBG program.

Result: These funds are intended to assist qualifying clients with expenses.

- d. Discussion and possible action to approve conducting Category "B" Elections to fill current vacancy as per the Governing Regulations of the Advisory Board of the Webb County Community Action Agency. The Advisory Board Shall be composed of membership that Complies with the Community Services Block Grant-Texas Administrative Code Rule 5.215. The Election will be held for on Wednesday, January 14, 2023, for a Representative and Alternate for Area IX-Rio Bravo Community Center, 1600 Orquidia Ln. from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Issue: Hold an Election to fill current vacancies for Representative and Alternate for Area IX-Rio Bravo.

Solution: The Advisory Board shall be composed of membership that complies with the Community Services Block Grant - Texas, Administrative Code Rule 5.215.

Result: Once the election is held CAA will comply with the Texas Administrative Code Rule 5.215.

- e. Discussion and possible action to approve grant award contract #58230003850 ("Contract") for the Comprehensive Energy Assistance Program (CEAP) from the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) for FY-2023, in the amount of ONE MILLION SEVEN HUNDRED SEVENTY THREE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED SEVENTY ONE DOLLARS (\$1,773,871.00) and authorizing the County Judge to sign all relevant documents. Contract shall commence on January 01, 2023 and shall end on December 31, 2023. This action will not have an impact to the General Fund. Documentation has been reviewed by Webb County Economic Development Department and is compliant with SPOC policies and procedures.

Issue: The Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) has awarded Webb County Community Action Agency the amount of \$1,773,871.00 under the Comprehensive Energy Assistance Program (CEAP).

Solution: The Court approval will allow the Webb County CAA to provide direct services to eligible low-income residents of Webb County under the CEAP Program.

Result: These funds are intended to assist eligible Webb County residents with up to 12 months of

energy consumption.

- f. Discussion and possible action to approve grant award contract #61230003814 ("Contract") for the Community Service Block Grant Program (CSBG) from the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) for FY-2023, in the amount of ONE HUNDRED FIFTY THREE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED NINETY SIX DOLLARS (\$153,196.00) and authorizing the County Judge to sign all relevant documents. Contract shall commence on January 01, 2023 and shall end on December 31, 2023. This action will not have an impact to the General Fund. Documentation has been reviewed by Webb County Economic Development Department and is compliant with SPOC policies and procedures.

Issue: The Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) has awarded Webb County Community Action Agency the amount of \$153,196.00 under the Community Services Block Grant Program (CSBG).

Solution: The Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) provides support services to eligible elderly, and 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.

10. **Economic Development**

- a. Discussion and possible action to approve the submission of a Juvenile Justice Program grant application as developed, written, presented, and submitted by the Office of the Justice of the Peace, Pct. 4, Place 1 in collaboration with the Webb County Sheriff's Office Grant Writer and in the amount estimated at \$70,057 for the continued payment of salary/fringe benefits of a juvenile case manager as well as equipment, supplies, and training/travel in order to divert at-risk juveniles from entering the juvenile justice system in Laredo/Webb County; and authorizing the Webb County Judge to execute all relevant documents; and any other matters incident thereto. This grant does not require any cash match; and, thus, there will be no impact to the general fund. All required documents were sent to the Economic Development Department and were found in compliance with the Single Point of Contact (SPOC) policy. **[Requested by Jose R. Salinas, Justice of the Peace, Pct. 4, Place 1; Grant Fund #2734]**

Issue: Juvenile delinquency is a nationwide problem that negatively affects not only the delinquent youth and their families but also adversely impacts schools, neighborhoods, and the local community at large. In addition, youth at-risk for juvenile delinquency who enter into the juvenile justice system tend to face limited future career, educational, and other socio-economic prospects, especially in the South Texas area.

Solution: Grant Application for continued pay of salary for Juvenile Case Manager, in order to provide prevention, diversion, and intervention strategies through the court of the Justice of the Peace, Precinct 4 in Laredo/Webb County area.

- b. Discussion and possible action to authorize the submission of a grant application completed and submitted by the Webb County Sheriff's Office to the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) for a FY 2022 State Criminal Alien Assistance Program (SCAAP) grant for reimbursement of costs already incurred for the incarceration of undocumented criminal aliens at the Webb County jail; and authorizing the Webb County Judge to execute all relevant documents; and any other matters incident thereto. This grant does not require any cash match; and, in fact, is a reimbursement of costs already incurred. 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. **[Requested by Martin Cuellar, Webb County Sheriff]**

Issue: Although immigration matters, including illegal immigration, are constitutionally established as existing under the legal jurisdiction and regulation of the federal government, state prisons and local detention facilities, such as the Webb County jail, incurs significant costs incarcerating undocumented foreign aliens who commit crimes in the United States. This includes but is not limited to supervision, housing, feeding, clothing, any medical and transportation expenses, and other associated detention costs.

Solution: Grant application to obtain reimbursement of a small percentage of the incurred correctional officer salary costs associated with detaining undocumented criminal aliens who had at least one felony or two misdemeanor convictions for violations of state or local law and who were incarcerated at the Webb County jail for at least four (4) consecutive days during the reporting period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

Result: Webb County will be reimbursed by the federal government a limited percentage of the amount of its already incurred costs of detained foreign criminals incarcerated at the Webb County jail.

- c. Discussion and possible action to continue paying grant funded personnel under the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Task Force Agreement, DEA Narcotics Task Force, for Ninety (90) days, until notification about grant continuation award from the U.S. Department of Justice Drug Enforcement Administration [Fund #2592]. Available matching funds for this grant is \$118,998.00. **[Requested by Isidro "Chilo" Alaniz, District Attorney; Account #1001-1160-001-463903-025]**

Issue: Current grant funding expired on December 31, 2022. The District Attorney's Office has not received notice of award for new grant. Unless this item is approved, employees working under said grant will not be paid after December 31, 2022.

Solution: Grant a 90-day payroll extension for employees working under this grant.

Result: The DEA HIDTA Task Force will be able to continue to disrupt the illicit drug traffic in Laredo and surrounding areas.

- d. Discussion and possible action to adjust the pay rates for personnel under the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Task Force Agreement. The new pay rate will reflect a 5% cost of living adjustment with an effective date of January 1, 2023; and authorizing the Webb County Judge to execute all relevant documents; and any other matters incident thereto. There is no additional financial impact to the General Fund. **[Requested by Isidro "Chilo" Alaniz, District Attorney; Account #2592-2260-001]**

Issue: The current annual Inflation rate stands at 7.1%. This has created an adverse financial situation for personnel under this agreement.

Solution: Approve a 5% cost of living adjustment.

Result: The 5% cost of living adjustment will alleviate the financial burden caused by the ongoing inflation crisis.

- e. Discussion and possible action to authorize the submission of a grant application as developed, written, and submitted by and for the Webb County Sheriff's Office to the Office of the Governor Criminal Justice Division in the amount estimated at \$35,000 for overtime and applicable fringe benefits for members of the Mental Health Unit to provide mental health services, including commitments, executions of court orders, and transports to mental health facilities; and authorizing the Webb County Judge to execute all relevant documents; and any other matters incident thereto. This grant does not require any type of match; and, thus will have no impact to the general fund. 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.
[Requested by Martin Cuellar, Webb County Sheriff; Grant Fund #2738]

Issue: The local Laredo/Webb County community continues to constitute a medically and mental health underserved area, which requires mentally ill youth and adults to travel to out-of-town facilities in order to receive these needed mental health services.

Solution: Grant application to provide overtime and applicable fringe benefits for the Mental Health Unit to transport mental health patients to out-of-town mental health facilities so that they may receive the care that they require.

Result: Grant funding will allow officers of the Sheriff's Office to undertake complex and time consuming activities and requirements, including execution of court orders, mental health commitments, and the actual transports to out-of-town mental health facilities, so that the mentally ill patients, their families, and the overall community can be better served.

- f. Discussion and possible action to authorize the submission of a grant application as developed, written, and submitted by and for the Webb County Sheriff's Office to the Office of the Governor Criminal Justice Division in the amount estimated at \$30,000 for Body Worn Camera (BWCs) equipment, software, and supplies; and authorizing the Webb County Judge to execute all relevant documents; and any other matters incident thereto. This grant requires cash match of 25% or an estimated amount of \$10,000, which will be met utilizing the Sheriff's Office forfeiture funds (Fund #2152) for a total project cost estimated at \$40,000; and, thus will have no impact to the general fund. 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.
[Requested by Martin Cuellar, Webb County Sheriff; Grant Fund #2743]

Issue: The use of Body Worn Cameras have been shown in studies to be an effective strategy for law enforcement agencies, and their use has grown to be a standard and beneficial practice for sworn officers.

Solution: Grant application to expand and leverage grant resources so that the Webb County Sheriff's Office will be able increase transparency and accountability through the continued utilization of body-worn cameras for its sworn officer force.

Result: The Webb County Sheriff's Office will be able to achieve greater transparency and accountability in its service and protection of the Laredo/Webb County public and taxpayers.

- g. Discussion and possible action to approve the submission of a Violent Crimes Against Women Criminal Justice and Training (VAWA) grant application as developed, written, presented, and submitted by the Webb County Sheriff's Office to the Criminal Justice Division (CJD) Office of Governor (OOG) in the amount estimated at \$7,000 for training and supplies for investigators and patrol officers working at the Webb County Sheriff's Office serving victims of violent crimes against women and authorizing the County Judge to execute all relevant documents; and any other matters incident thereto. This grant requires a Thirty (30%) percent cash match, or a \$3,000 cash match, which will be met by the Webb County Sheriff's Office state forfeiture funds. Thus, this grant will have no impact to the general fund. All required documents were sent to the Economic Development Department and were found in compliance with the Single Point of Contact (SPOC) policy.
[Requested by Martin Cuellar, Sheriff; Grant Fund #2605; Cash Match Account #2151-9080-001-485005 (Transfer out from State Forfeiture Funds)]

Issue: Violence against women is among the most intractable and deadliest criminal justice problems in the United States, especially domestic violence and in the South Texas area. According to published statistics, the number of American women between 2001-2012 who were murdered by current or ex male partners in the United States was 11,766. That's almost double the amount of casualties lost during wars in Afghanistan and Iraq. Women who will be victims of severe violence by

an intimate partner in their lifetimes number 1 in 4. ("30 Shocking Domestic Violence Statistics That Remind Us It's An Epidemic" Vagianos 10/23/2014).

Solution: Grant application to enhance the tools, techniques, and training to those investigators who follow-up to calls for assistance, conduct interviews with these victims, file incident reports, provide these victims information/referrals to service providers, initiate arrests of perpetrators, refer cases for prosecution, and prepare testimony/evidence for trial in cases of domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence, and stalking.

Result: Enhanced law enforcement services, including investigative techniques, to deal with emergent criminal trends, such as cyber stalking, and improved efficacy of the law enforcement response to the needs of victims of violent crime.

- h. Discussion and possible action to authorize the submission of a grant application as developed, written, and submitted by and for the Webb County Sheriff's Office to the Office of the Governor Criminal Justice Division in the amount estimated at \$35,000 for a Crime Justice (CJ) Grant Program for equipment, minor tools, supplies, software, and training/travel and authorizing the Webb County Judge to execute all relevant documents; and any other matters incident thereto. This grant does not require any type of match; and, thus will have no impact to the general fund. 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. **[Requested by Martin Cuellar, Webb County Sheriff]**

Issue: Like other local law enforcement agencies across the United States, the Webb County Sheriff's Office utilizes limited financial, operational, and manpower resources to grapple with, deter, mitigate, and/or resolve various serious criminal justice matters that stem from a confluence of deeply rooted, difficult, and often highly complex societal problems.

Solution: Grant application to leverage other federal and state resources to be able to provide better and more enhanced law enforcement services with a positive financial impact to local taxpayers, who also pay state and federal taxes but do not always receive the same federal/state benefits/services as other communities.

Result: Grant funding will provide supplemental enhancements to the Webb County Sheriff's Office and its officers so that they may be better able to serve and protect the citizens of Webb County.

- i. Discussion and possible action to authorize the submission of a grant application as coordinated, developed, written, and submitted by the Webb County Sheriff's Office to the Criminal Justice Division (CJD) for a Fiscal Year 2024 Rifle-Resistant Body Armor grant in an amount roughly estimated at \$300,000 for the purchase of rifle-resistant hard body armor for the Webb County Sheriff's Office and other participating Webb County Offices with eligible peace officers as defined under Article 2.12, Texas Code of Criminal Procedure; and designating the Webb County Judge as the authorized official in all matters related to this grant; and any other matters incident thereto. This grant does not require any type of match. **[Requested by Martin Cuellar, Sheriff]**

Issue: In response to the notorious shooting incident of police officers on July 7th, 2016, the Texas governor and Texas legislature authorized legislation that would assist local agencies in the purchase of rifle-resistant hard body armor.

Solution: Submission of application by the Webb County Sheriff's Office will assist eligible peace officers working at Webb County Offices to obtain rifle-resistant hard body armor for their enhanced safety.

Result: Utilizing grant funds through this proposed grant application, the Webb County Sheriff's Office will be able to secure hard body armor for eligible peace officers for their increased safety and security.

- j. Discussion and possible action to approve the submission of an application developed, written, presented, and submitted by the Webb County Sheriff's Office to the Homeland Security Grants Division Office of the Governor for a Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Activities (LETPA) grant in the amount estimated at \$35,000 for law enforcement terrorism prevention equipment, minor supplies, and software; and designating the Webb County Judge in all matters related to this grant; and any other matters incident thereto. This grant requires no match; and, thus, will have no impact to the general fund. All required documents were sent to the Economic Development Department and were found in compliance with the Single Point of Contact (SPOC) policy. **[Requested by Martin Cuellar, Sheriff; Grant Fund #2746]**

Issue: Since the tragedy of 9/11, the urgent need for expanded and enhanced law enforcement efforts to prevent terrorism in the United States was understood to help save the lives of both first responders and the people they serve.

Solution: Grant application to fund enhanced capabilities for the Webb County Sheriff's Office.

Result: The Webb County Sheriff's Office will have increased capacities and enhanced capabilities.

11. Elections Administration

- a. Discussion and possible action to approve and ratify Elections Office continued lease of Four (4) storage units at Stor-More and the yearly payment in an amount not to exceed \$8,500 and authorizing the Webb County Judge to sign all relevant documents and any other matters incident thereto. **[Account #1001-1110-001-451201 (General Fund-Election Administration-Election Expense)]**

Issue: Elections Office had not allocated moneys from the budget for the rental spaces of four storage spaces @ stor-more in order to store Elections equipment and materials/supplies for Election process.

Solution: Elections Office will be able to ratify, continued lease of four storage units @ stor-more, and continue the usage of such to store Elections equipment.

Result: Elections Office will be able to continue the rental of the four storage for Elections Equipment for the remainder of the 2023 fiscal year.

12. Engineering

- a. Discussion and possible action to approve, by Order, the following budget amendment (line item transfer) for the Engineering Department. **[Requested by Medical Examiner]**

	Acct. Number	Acct. Name	Adopted	Request	Current	End Bal.
From:	3874-9080-001-485005	Interest Income Series 2019A	\$38,984.30	\$12,073.50	\$17,264.26	\$5,190.76
To:	3871-3100-001-474501	Construction in Progress	\$12,076.00	\$12,073.50	\$0	\$12,073.50

Issue: Approved Engineering Regular Agenda Item No. 17 for the November 28, 2022 Commissioner Court for Change Order (16-20) for the Medical Examiner's Remodeling Project, which totaled the amount of \$40,468.50, however, the whole amount was not transferred. The balance that was in the account was for another Change Order (12-15) which had been previously approved on Commissioner Court dated April 11, 2022.

Solution: Approve line item transfer.

Result: Funding will allow continuation of services for this project.

13. Fire Suppression & EMS Services

- a. Discussion and possible action to approve the posting and filling of the following Slot by promoting from within; subject to the availability of payroll funds and any applicable Civil Service guidelines, effective January 9, 2023:

<u>Slot #</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Hourly Rate</u>
2600	Assistant Fire Chief	\$27.41 - \$30.65 22/A-J

Issue: Slot #2600 became vacant on October 1, 2022, and will be filled from within.

Solution: Request is being made to post and fill the vacant slot.

Result: This action will allow our department to promote from within and fill the vacant slot, allowing our department to continue to function efficiently and effectively.

14. Planning & Physical Development

- a. Discussion and possible action to issue a "Certificate of No-Plat Required" pursuant to Section 232.0015(a), Texas Local Government Code and the provisions of the Webb County Subdivision Regulations Section XVI.1.A (1) to a 5.001 acre tract of land lying in the Porcion 32, Antonio Trevino Survey, Abstract 296, Webb County, Texas, same being a portion of a 5.0 acre tract of land as described and recorded in Volume 3602, Page 642, Official Public Records of Webb County, Texas, and more particularly described and depicted in as described in Volume 4813, Pages 0393 – 0399, Official Public Records of Webb County, Texas (ID 12411).

15. Purchasing

- 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 a modification after award to Annual Contract - Bid No. 2023-18 "Refuse Collection" awarded to Trashco, LTD., due to solid waste rate fee increases by the City of Laredo in accordance with the Texas Local Government Code; Section 262.030 (Modification after Award) and to further authorize the County Judge to sign all relevant documents and any other matters incident thereto.

Issue: After award of refuse collection bid, the City of Laredo increased the solid waste rate fees, which will be increased in increments during the next four (4) years, effective November 6, 2022.

Solution: Consider accepting the modification after award but before execution, as permitted by State procurement law.

Result: Finalize the execution of contract with the approved modification to bid pricing if approved by Commissioners Court. Pricing will be in place until September 30, 2023.

16. Risk Management

- a. Discussion and possible action for approve a One (1) year (December 1, 2022 through November 30, 2023) Preventative Maintenance & Service Agreement between Webb County and Southwest Solutions Group to provide for annual service and maintenance for Webb County Risk Management Lektriever Vertical Carousel at an annual cost of One Thousand Five Hundred Nine Dollars and Thirty-Three Cents (\$1,509.33) and authorizing the County Judge to execute all relevant documents, and any other matters incident thereto. **[Account #1001-1180-001-443000-035 (Repairs and Maintenance Equipment)]**

Issue: Yearly renewal for maintenance of Lektriever.

Solution: By approving contract we avoid any maintenance issues dealing with the office Lektriever.

Result: Approve yearly maintenance agreement.

17. Medical Examiner

- a. Discussion and possible action to ratify an emergency line item transfer, by Order, the following budget amendment (line item transfer) within the General fund:

	Acct. Number	Acct. Name	Adopted	Request	Current	End Bal.
From:	1001-1130-001-431007-010	Operational Reserve	\$11,000	\$11,000	\$11,000	\$0
To:	1001-3100-001-443000-035	Repairs & Maint. Equipment	\$3,500	\$11,000	\$881.00	\$11,881

Issue: Emergency repair funding needed to replace indoor coolers.

Solution: Request a ministerial. Transfer funds to mentioned accounts.

Result: Funds will be available to process payments.

REGULAR AGENDA

Honorable Martin Cuellar, Sheriff

18. Discussion and possible action to authorize the following change in job title and job description for slot #2778 and slot #557 subject to the availability of payroll funds and applicable Civil Service Commission guidelines, as follows. **[Sponsored by Commissioner Precinct 3- John C. Galo]**

	Slot #	Title	Salary
From:	2778	Inmate Transport Coordinator	
To:		Mental Health Transportation Manager	TBD

	Slot #	Title	Salary
From:	557	Medical Supervisor	
To:		Health Services Administrator	TBD

Issue: Update job descriptions and salaries for the Mental Health Unit and Medical department. The Sheriff's Office is in need of updating the job descriptions and titles for slots #2778 (1001-3010-202-410000) and #557 (1001-4040-204-410000).

Solution: Approval of changes.

Result: Job descriptions will match required work and result in efficient management of department.

19. Discussion and possible action to approve payroll and fringe benefit costs related to two (2) High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Investigator positions assigned to the Laredo Police Department Task Force in the amount of \$40,455, for FY23. **[Account #1001-3010-201-4100000]** **[Sponsored by Commissioner Precinct 3- John C. Galo]**

Issue: The HITDA grant (#2906) has allocated payroll costs associated with the two (2) HITDA officers at \$25.21/ hour per officer, an amount less than the base wage assigned by the Collective Bargaining Agreement (2021-2027).

Solution: Approval of the applicable payroll costs and fringe associated with the two (2) HITDA investigators assigned to the Laredo Police Department Task Force.

Result: The Webb County Sheriff's Office will continue to employ two (2) HIDTA funded investigators who will actively participate and help the task force fight against the continued flow of illicit drugs and related crime within the South Texas region.

20. Discussion and possible action to allow an exemption and approve current and new postings of Part-time Jailers hourly rate to \$22.00 per hour, a rate higher than the rate currently allowed by Webb County policy for part-time employees, to work at the Webb County Jail and any other matters incident thereto. **[Sponsored by Commissioner Precinct 3- John C. Galo]**

Issue: The Sheriff's Office is seeking a rate increase to be able to recruit jailers to work part-time at the Webb County Jail.

Solution: Webb County Commissioners Court approval to increase the hourly rate paid to part-time jailers.

Result: The Webb County Jail will be able to recruit part-time jailers.

Fire Marshal

21. Discussion and possible action authorizing the Purchasing Agent to add three (3) new cell phones including data services for the Webb County Fire Marshal's Office pursuant to Sections 271.101 and 271.102, Texas Local Government Code, Cooperative Purchasing program DIR Agreement TELE-CTSA-002 at a monthly rate of \$38.49 per phone (\$115.47 per month), plus surcharges and other related fees per line with the AT&T FirstNet Plan and subject to annual budgetary appropriation. **[Account #1001-3130-001-441010 (Cell Phone Cost)]**

Issue: Cell phones with FirstNet services are needed to better assist with any Webb County operations and emergencies.

Solution: Webb County issued cell phones will ensure better services and availability to the County and community.

Result: Staff will be able to respond to calls making department efficient and safe.

Civil Legal Division

PUBLIC HEARING

22. Public Hearing on establishing a reinvestment zone, to be known as The Gransolar Texas Two Reinvestment Zone on approximately 2,117 acres and located approximately 19 miles from Laredo in eastern Webb County just north of U.S. Highway 59.

CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING

23. Discussion and possible action to establish, by Order of the Webb County Commissioners Court, a reinvestment zone to be known as The Gransolar Texas Two Reinvestment Zone on approximately 2,117 acres and located approximately 19 miles from Laredo in eastern Webb County just north of U.S. Highway 59; directing Civil Legal Division to negotiate a proposed Tax Abatement agreement; authorizing the publication of all required notices as per statute and any other matters incident thereto.

PUBLIC HEARING

24. Public Hearing on establishing a reinvestment zone, to be known as the Gransolar Texas Three Reinvestment Zone on approximately 2,942 acres and located approximately 17 miles from Laredo in southern Webb County off of U.S. Highway 83.

CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING

25. Discussion and possible action to establish, by Order of the Webb County Commissioners Court, a reinvestment zone to be known as the Gransolar Texas Three Reinvestment Zone on approximately 2,942 acres and located approximately 17 miles from Laredo in southern Webb County off of U.S. Highway 83; directing Civil Legal Division to negotiate a proposed Tax Abatement agreement; authorizing the publication of all required notices as per statute and any other matters incident thereto.

PUBLIC HEARING

26. Public Hearing on establishing a reinvestment zone, to be known as the Dos Caminos Reinvestment Zone on approximately 640 acres and located approximately 26 miles from Laredo in northern Webb County east of Interstate 35.

CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING

27. Discussion and possible action to establish, by Order of the Webb County Commissioners Court, a reinvestment zone to be known as the Dos Caminos Reinvestment Zone on approximately 640 acres and located approximately 26 miles from Laredo in northern Webb County east of Interstate 35; directing Civil Legal Division to negotiate a proposed Tax Abatement agreement; authorizing the publication of all required notices as per statute and any other matters incident thereto.
28. Discussion and possible action to enter into a construction contract (120 calendar days) with Anderson Columbia Co., Inc., in the amount of Two Million Two Hundred Thirty-Five Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy Dollars (\$2,235,770.00) for the Mangana Hein Road Extension Project and any matters incident thereto; authorizing the County Judge to sign all relevant documents. **[Account #3716-7230-709-470000; County Transp Infras Fund - 2020 Construction in Progress - Mangana Hein (1) - Capital Outlay]**

Purchasing

29. Discussion and possible action to accept the rankings and award (RFQ) Request for Qualifications 2023-002 "ARPA Project No. 4 - Waterline Extension Project (Rio Bravo Waste Water Treatment Plant to Colonia La Presa)" to the highest-ranking respondent, Ardurra Group Inc. for engineering for the design of approximately 31,680 linear feet (approximately 6 miles) of a waterline extension from Rio Bravo Waste Water Treatment Plant to the Water Dispenser site located adjacent to the La Presa Community Center Park services in accordance with Texas Government Code- Professional Services Procurement Act and if applicable with the Code of Federal Regulations §200.318 - §200.327 (General Procurement Standards) and to further authorize General Counsel to negotiate the terms and conditions of the professional service agreement and any other matters incident thereto. **[ARPA Fund Organization #2703-5205-001]**

Supplier	Rank	Score	Experience w/ Waterline Extension Projects	Personnel Qualifications	References & Projects
		100	45.00	30.00	25.00
Ardurra Group Inc.	1	78.67	33.00	24.00	21.67
Binkley & Barfield, Inc.	2	73.67	33.00	24.00	16.67
Crane Engineering Corp	3	71.67	33.00	22.00	16.67
Howland Engineering & Surveying	4	68.00	33.00	20.00	15.00
Arredondo, Zepeda & Brunz, LLC	5	58.33	27.00	18.00	13.33
Aurora Technical Services, LLC	6	57.00	24.00	18.00	15.00

Issue: Engineering services are required to proceed for the design of approximately 31,680 linear feet (approximately 6 miles) of a waterline extension from Rio Bravo Waste Water Treatment Plant to the Water Dispenser site located adjacent to the La Presa Community Center Park.

Solution: Consideration to accept the rankings and award to the highest-ranking respondent.

Result: If approved, authorize General Counsel to negotiate the terms and conditions of the professional services agreement to include any federal contract provisions required.

30. Discussion and possible action to accept the rankings and award Request for Qualifications 2023-003 "ARPA Project No. 5 – Waterline Extension Project (Mangana Hein Road to the South Fire Station)" to the highest-ranking respondent, Ardurra Group, Inc., for engineering services for the design of approximately 500 linear feet (approximately 0.095 mile) of a waterline extension from the main water distribution line off Mangana Hein Road to the new upcoming Southern Fire Station in accordance with Texas Government Code – Professional Services Procurement Act and with the Code of Federal Regulations §200.318 - §200.327 (General Procurement Standards) and to further authorize General Counsel to negotiate the terms and conditions of the professional service agreement and any other matters incident thereto. **[ARPA Fund Organization 2703-5205-001]**

Supplier	Rank	Score	Experience w/Waterline Extension Projects	Personnel Qualifications	References and Projects
		100	45.00	30.00	25.00
Ardurra Group Inc.	1	81.67	36.00	24.00	21.67
Howland Engineering & Surveying	2	66.67	30.00	20.00	16.67
Arredondo, Zepeda & Brunz, LLC	3	60.00	27.00	18.00	15.00
Aurora Technical Services, LLC	4	53.33	24.00	16.00	13.33

Issue: Engineering services are required to proceed for the design of approximately 500 linear feet (approximately 0.095 mile) of a waterline extension from the main water distribution line off Mangana Hein Road to the new upcoming Southern Fire Station.

Solution: Consideration to accept the rankings and award to the highest-ranking respondent.

Result: If approved, authorize General Counsel to negotiate the terms and conditions of the professional services agreement to include any federal contract provisions required.

31. Discussion and possible action to accept the rankings and award Request for Qualifications 2023-004 "ARPA Project No. 9 – Waterline Extension Project (Mangana Hein Road to La Presa Community Center)" to the highest-ranking respondent, Ardurra Group, Inc. for engineering services for the design of approximately 500 linear feet (approximately 0.095 mile) of a waterline extension from the main water distribution line off Mangana Hein Road to connect to the Webb County La Presa Community Center and park that is located behind the Center in accordance with Texas Government Code – Professional Services Procurement Act and with the Code of Federal Regulations §200.318 -§200.327 (General Procurement Standards) and to further authorize General Counsel to negotiate the terms and conditions of the professional service agreement and any other matters incident thereto. **[ARPA Fund Organization #2703-5205-001]**

Supplier	Rank	Score	Experience w/ Waterline Extension Projects	Personnel Qualifications	References & Projects
		100	45.00	30.00	25.00
Ardurra Group, Inc.	1	91.33	42.00	26.00	23.33
Howland Engineering & Surveying	2	80.33	36.00	26.00	18.33
Arredondo, Zepeda & Brunz, LLC	3	73.33	33.00	22.00	18.33
Aurora Technical Services, LLC	4	65.33	27.00	20.00	18.33

Issue: Engineering services are required to proceed for the design of approximately 500 linear feet (approximately 0.095 mile) of a waterline extension from the main water distribution line off Mangana Hein Road to connect to the Webb County La Presa Community Center and park that is located behind the Center.

Solution: Consideration to accept the rankings and award to the highest-ranking respondent.

Result: If approved, authorize General Counsel to negotiate the terms and conditions of the professional services agreement to include any federal contract provisions required.

32. Discussion and possible action to accept the rankings and award Request for Qualifications 2023-005 "ARPA Project No. 10 – Waterline Extension Project (Mangana Hein Road & Cuatro Vientos Road Intersection to La Presa Community Center and park located at 1983 Mangana Hein Rd., and future site of Southern Fire Station)" to the highest-ranking respondent, Ardurra Group, Inc., for engineering services for the design of approximately 5,280 linear feet (approximately 1 mile) of a waterline extension from the main water distribution line off Mangana Hein Road and Cuatro Vientos Road intersection to connect to La Presa Community Center and Park located at 1983 Mangana Hein Road and future site of the Southern Fire Station in accordance with Texas Government Code – Professional Services Procurement Act and with the Code of Federal Regulations §200.318 -§200.327 (General Procurement Standards) and to further authorize General Counsel to negotiate the terms and conditions of the professional service agreement and any other matters incident thereto. **[ARPA Fund Organization #2703-5205-001]**

Supplier	Rank	Score	Experience w/ Waterline Extension Projects	Personnel Qualifications	References & Projects
		100	45.00	30.00	25.00
Ardurra Group, Inc.	1	80.67	33.00	26.00	21.67
Top Site Civil Group, LLC	2	76.67	36.00	24.00	16.67
Howland Engineering & Surveying	3	68.00	33.00	20.00	15.00
Aurora Technical Services, LLC	4	60.00	27.00	18.00	15.00
Arredondo, Zepeda & Brunz, LLC	5	58.33	27.00	18.00	13.33

Issue: Engineering services are required to proceed for the design of approximately 5,280 linear feet (approximately 1 mile) of a waterline extension from the main water distribution line off Mangana Hein Road and Cuatro Vientos Road intersection to connect to La Presa Community Center and Park located at 1983 Mangana Hein Road and future site of the Southern Fire Station.

Solution: Consideration to accept the rankings and award to the highest-ranking respondent.

Result: If approved, authorize General Counsel to negotiate the terms and conditions of the professional services agreement to include any federal contract provisions required.

33. Discussion and possible action to accept the rankings and award Request for Qualifications 2023-006 "ARPA Project No. 12 – Waterline Extension Project (Main Water Line on Mangana Hein Road to the Webb County Water Dispenser)" to the highest-ranking respondent, Ardurra Group, Inc., for engineering services for the design of approximately 500 linear feet (approximately 0.95 miles) of a waterline extension from the main water distribution line off Mangana Hein Road to the Webb County Water Dispenser site located adjacent to La Presa Community Center and Park in accordance with Texas Government Code – Professional Services Procurement Act and with the Code of Federal Regulations §200.318 - §200.327 (General Procurement Standards) and to further authorize General Counsel to negotiate the terms and conditions of the professional service agreement and any other

matters incident thereto. [ARPA Find Organization #2703-5205-001]

Supplier	Rank	Score	Experience w/ Waterline Extension Projects	Personnel Qualifications	References & Projects
Ardurra Group, Inc.	1	90.33	39.00	28.00	23.33
Top Site Civil Group, LLC	2	82.00	36.00	26.00	20.00
Howland Engineering & Surveying	3	81.33	39.00	24.00	18.33
Arredondo, Zepeda & Brunz, LLC	4	76.33	36.00	22.00	18.33
Aurora Technical Services, LLC	5	72.00	30.00	22.00	20.00

Issue: Engineering services are required to proceed for the design of approximately 500 linear feet (approximately 0.95 miles) of a waterline extension from the main water distribution line off Mangana Hein Road to the Webb County Water Dispenser site located adjacent to La Presa Community Center and Park.

Solution: Consideration to accept the rankings and award to the highest-ranking respondent.

Result: If approved, authorize General Counsel to negotiate the terms and conditions of the professional services agreement to include any federal contract provisions required.

34. Discussion and possible action to accept the rankings and award Request for Qualifications 2023-007 ARPA Project 13 Waterline Extension (Main Water Line on Mangana Hein Road to waterlines throughout La Presa Colonia) to the highest-ranking respondent, Ardurra Group, Inc., for engineering services for the design of approximately 21,120 linear feet (approximately 4 miles) of a waterline extension from the main water distribution line off Mangana Hein Road to waterlines throughout La Presa Colonia in accordance with Texas Government Code – Professional Services Procurement Act and with the Code of Federal Regulations §200.318 - §200.327 (General Procurement Standards) and to further authorize General Counsel to negotiate the terms and conditions of the professional service agreement and any other matters incident thereto. [ARPA Fund Organization #2703-5205-001]

Supplier	Rank	Score	Experience w/ Waterline Extension Projects	Personnel Qualifications	References and Projects
		100	45.00	30.00	25.00
Ardurra Group, Inc.	1	82.00	36.00	26.00	20.00
Top Site Civil Group, LLC	2	76.67	36.00	24.00	16.67
Crane Engineering Corp.	3	71.67	33.00	22.00	16.67
Howland Engineering & Surveying	4	68.00	33.00	20.00	15.00
Aurora Technical Services, LLC	5	60.00	27.00	18.00	15.00
Arredondo, Zepeda & Brunz, LLC	6	58.33	27.00	18.00	13.33

Issue: Engineering services are required to proceed for the design of approximately 21,120 linear feet of a waterline extension from the main water distribution line off Mangana Hein Road to waterlines throughout La Presa Colonia.

Solution: Consideration to accept the rankings and award to the highest-ranking respondent.

Result: If approved, authorize General Counsel to negotiate the terms and conditions of the professional services agreement to include any federal contract provisions required.

35. Discussion and possible action to purchase one (1) new 2022 John Deere 622G Motor Grader from John Deere Shared Services LLC, (Source-well Contract #032119-JDC) in an amount not to exceed \$338,567.80 for the Webb County Road and Bridge Department and in accordance with the Texas Local Government Code, Sub-Chapter F. Cooperative Purchasing Program; Section 271.102 (Cooperative Purchasing Program Participation) and any other matters incident thereto. **[Account #2007-7150-001-470000 (Road & Bridge Fund - Road Maintenance General - Administration-Capital Outlay)]**
- Issue:** Road and Bridge is requesting new heavy equipment for general road maintenance. Funding is currently available under Road and Bridge capital outlay account.
- Solution:** Use reputable vendor with cooperative contract for heavy equipment purchase. Utilizing cooperative contracts will meet the competitive bidding requirements of the State.
- Result:** The new equipment will help improve general road maintenance and improvements to County roads and will eliminate manual labor making the day-to-day operations more efficient.
36. Discussion and possible action to approve a resolution for the Interlocal Agreement between Webb County and Education Services Center – Region 19 Allied States Cooperative to authorize the Webb County Purchasing Agent to participate with vendors awarded cooperative contracts under Region 19 pursuant to Government Code Title 7, Chapter 791 Interlocal Cooperation Contracts, Subchapter B General Interlocal Contracting Authority and Subchapter C Specific Interlocal Contracting Authority and Local Government Code, Chapter 271, Subchapter F, Section 271.101 and Section 271.102 and any other matters incident thereto.
- Issue:** The ESC-Region 19 Purchasing (Allied States Cooperative) is a national governmental purchasing cooperative which competitively bids and awards contracts to local, regional, and national vendors in compliance with local, state, and federal procurement laws and regulations.
- Solution:** Approve a resolution to authorize the interlocal agreement with Region 19 Allied States Cooperative.
- Result:** This will allow Webb County to use vendors who are awarded contracts through Region 19 who have been evaluated and verified to provide a quality product or service at a competitively bid price in compliance with bidding requirements.
37. Discussion and possible action to authorize the purchase of one (1) Tek84 Intercept Whole Body Security Scanning System from Tek84 (Allied State Cooperative Contract #22-7429) for the Webb County Jail in an amount not to exceed \$139,000.00 pursuant to the Texas Local Government Code; Sections 271.101, 271.102, Sub-Chapter F. Cooperative Purchasing Programs and to further authorize the transfer of funds from the General Operating fund / Capital Outlay Account #1001-1130-001-470000 to the Sheriff's Jail Capital Outlay Account #1001-4070-001-470000 and any other matters incident thereto.**[Account #1001-4070-001-470000 (General Fund-Sheriff Jail-Administration-Capital Outlay)]**
- Issue:** During the budget process for FY 22-23, the Webb County Sheriff's Office requested the Jail Body Scanner to be funded under capital outlay. The Body scanner will provide enhanced security during the booking process to prevent the illegal smuggling of narcotics or other prohibited items. Scanner will detect anomalies not detectable to the human eye.
- Solution:** Consider the approval of this budgeted capital outlay request, under a cooperative pricing contract.
- Result:** The body scanner will provide Jail staff another preventive measure against the illegal smuggling of narcotics into the County Jail.

38. Discussion and possible action to purchase one (1) new 2022 John Deere 318G Skid Steer from John Deere Shared Services LLC, (Source-well Contract #032119-JDC) in an amount not to exceed \$62,447.83 for the Webb County Road and Bridge Department and in accordance with the Texas Local Government Code, Sub-Chapter F. Cooperative Purchasing Program; Section 271.102 (Cooperative Purchasing Program Participation) and any other matters incident thereto. **[Account #2007-7150-001-470000 (Road & Bridge Fund - Road Maintenance General - Administration - Capital Outlay)]**

Issue: Road and Bridge is requesting new heavy equipment for general road maintenance. Funding is currently available under Road and Bridge capital outlay account.

Solution: Use reputable vendor with cooperative contract for heavy equipment purchase. Utilizing cooperative contracts will meet the competitive bidding requirements of the State.

Result: The new equipment will help improve general road maintenance and improvements to County roads and will eliminate manual labor making the day-to-day operations more efficient.

Risk Management

39. Discussion and possible action to approve the following Renewal/New bond for the elected officials taking office January 01, 2023, according to Texas Local Government Code 262.001 (a) (c) for an approximate amount of \$11,700.75. **[Account #1001-1180-001-452001-010 (Insurance Other Bonds)]**

NAME	DEPARTMENT	AMOUNT
Villarreal, Victor	CC at Law II	\$3,106.25
Tijerina, Rosaura "Wawi"	Commissioner Pct 2	\$177.50
Ibarra, Margarita R.	County Clerk	\$4,224.50
Tijerina, Tano E.	County Judge	\$177.50
Reyes, Raul L.	County Treasurer	\$887.50
Degollado, Maria Esther	District Clerk	\$1,212.50
Linedo, Oscar	JP Precinct 1, PL 2	\$177.50
Quintana, Robert "Bobby"	JP Precinct 2, PL 1	\$177.50
Dominguez, Daniel III	JP Precinct 2, PL 2	\$177.50
Johnson, Salvador	JP Precinct 3	\$177.50
Salinas, Jose	JP Precinct 4	\$177.50
Barrera, Patricia A.	Tax/Assor/Col County	\$500.00
Barrera, Patricia A.	Tax/Assor/Col State	\$350.00
Jaime, Ricardo	Commissioner Pct 4	\$177.50

Issue: New and Renewal Bonds must be issued in order for elected officials to execute their duties for the new coming year.

Solution: Approval of New and Renewal Bonds.

Result: Webb County will be in compliance with State statute.

Water Utilities

- 40. Discussion and possible action to approve the execution of professional services contract with Howland Engineering and Surveying Co., in the amount not to exceed \$10,300.00, for a Geotechnical Test that has been requested by Garver LLC for the undergoing "Rio Bravo Wastewater Treatment Plant Rehabilitation Design Project", where a proposed Sludge Holding Tank and Headworks Structure will be constructed. This professional service is to be included in the department's approved Capital Improvement Plan. **[ARPA Fund organization #2703-5205-001]**

Issue: Although currently the Rio Bravo Wastewater Treatment Plant is operating and producing treated effluent that meets the compliance requirements of T.C.E.Q., Garver is undergoing a Rehabilitation Design Project which may require Construction of new Sludge Holding Tank and Headworks.

Solution: (4) 50' Geotechnical bore tests within each structure to determine the appropriate soil conditions.

Results: Information to be considered into the rehabilitation design for the construction improvements.

Commissioners Court Administrator

- 41. Recognition of the Honorable Tano E. Tijerina, Webb County Judge for his recent nomination and appointment by the Texas Supreme Court to the Office of State Commission on Judicial Conduct for a Six (6) year term.

Honorable Jesse Gonzalez, Webb County Commissioner Pct. 1

- 42. Discussion and possible action to dedicate and rename the Rio Bravo Community Center to the "Ricardo Molina, Sr. Community Center" in honor of Mr. Ricardo Molina, Sr. who was a dedicated public servant for the communities, families and students of Rio Bravo, El Cenizo and South Laredo; and any other matters incident thereto. **[Co-Sponsored by Tano E. Tijerina, Webb County Judge]**

Honorable Rosaura "Wawi" Tijerina, Webb County Commissioner Pct. 2

- 43. Discussion and possible action to approve the re-appointment of Commissioner Rosaura "Wawi" Tijerina and appointment of Geraldine Leven to the Border Region MHMR Community Center d/b/a Border Region Behavioral Health Center Board of Trustees for a Two (2) year term, effective January 9, 2023. **[Requested by Border Region Behavioral Health Center]**

Honorable Ricardo A. Jaime, Webb County Commissioner Pct. 4

- 44. Discussion and possible action to approve the appointment and filling of the following Slot subject to the availability of payroll funds and any applicable Civil Service guidelines, effective January 9, 2023:

<u>Slot #</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Salary</u>
2287	Community Center Director	\$41,891.42 - 16/M

Issue: Slot #2287 is vacant and the position is being appointed to an existing employee currently set at the same grade, which is set by county policy as a lateral transfer.

Solution: Request to appoint a director at the community center.

Result: The filling of slot #2287 will allow the center to continue to function efficiently and effectively.

45. Discussion and possible action to appoint Diana Palacios as new representative for Commissioner Ricardo A. Jaime Precinct 4 to the board of the Webb County-City of Laredo Regional Mobility Authority; effective January 9, 2023; and any other matters incident thereto.

Honorable Tano E. Tijerina, Webb County Judge

46. Discussion and possible action to approve the appointment of Commissioner Ricardo A. Jaime, Precinct 4 to the Bail Bond Board for a Two (2) year term, effective January 9, 2023 and any other matters incident thereto.

Closed Session/Executive Session

47. Discussion and possible action to accept a Full and Final Settlement from Diana Gabriela Garcia and GEICO Mutual Insurance Co. (Claim Number 06400992000003) for property damage to Sheriff's Unit #27-310 (2017 Chevrolet Tahoe; Vin #1GNLCDEC5HR156144) which resulted from a motor vehicle accident on or about October 22, 2021, and authorizing the Webb County Judge to sign all relevant documents and any other matters incident thereto. **[Executive Session is requested pursuant to Title 5, Subchapter D, Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code-Consultation with Attorney]**

Presentations

48. Presentation by D. Matthew Gibson, President of the Washington's Birthday Celebration Association (WBCA), regarding the upcoming WBCA events with presentation of the 125th Celebration's Commemorative Poster to the Webb County Judge and Commissioners Court. **[Requested by Tano E. Tijerina, County Judge]**

49. **Communications**

50. **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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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 5th DAY OF JANUARY, 2023

By: Melinda Mata
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Court Administrator

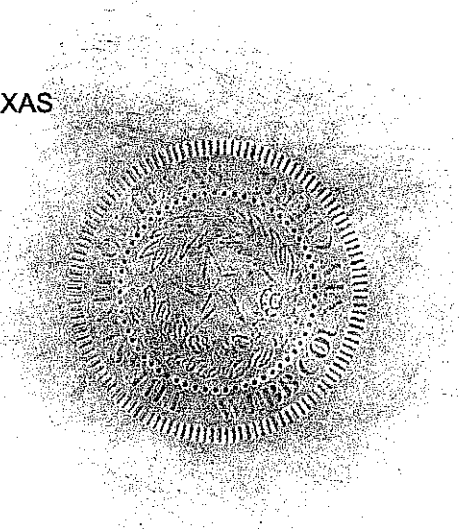
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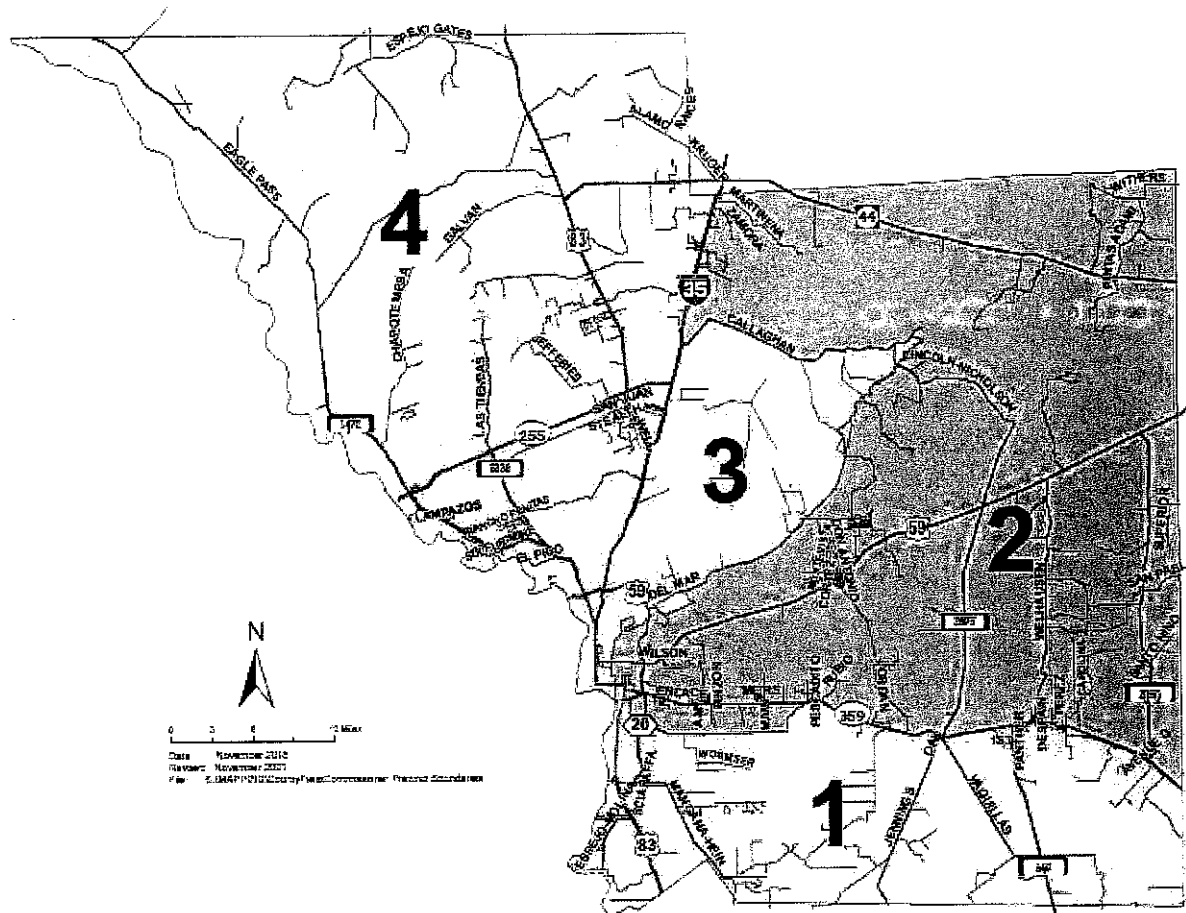
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DATED THIS 5th DAY OF JANUARY, 2023

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

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	Honorable Tano E. Tijerina	County Judge
	Commissioner Jesse Gonzalez	Precinct 1
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	Commissioner John C. Galo	Precinct 3
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