

COMMISSIONERS COURT

Aransas County, Texas

Ray A. Garza, County Judge

Jack Chaney
Commissioner, Pct 1-1A

Leslie Casterline
Commissioner, Pct 2



Pat Rousseau
Commissioner, Pct 3

Robert Dupnik
Commissioner, Pct 4-4A

NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING AND AGENDA

Notice is hereby given that a **Regular Meeting** of the above named Commissioners Court will be held on the **12th DAY of JANUARY, 2026 at 9:00 A.M. IN THE COMMISSIONERS COURTROOM IN THE ARANSAS COUNTY COURTHOUSE LOCATED AT 308 N. LIVE OAK, ROCKPORT, TEXAS, 78382.**

Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who may need assistance should contact the County Judge's office at (361) 790-0100 two working days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made. **To watch the meeting, visit:** here <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCTxprR-CFvaZfapOVcLeDWQ/live>. The following subjects will be discussed at this meeting:

- I. CALL TO ORDER**
- II. INVOCATION**
- III. PLEDGES**
- IV. ROLL CALL AND CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM**
- V. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD**

At this time, comments will be taken from the audience on any subject matter that is not on the Agenda. To address the Commissioners, please sign the Public Participation Form located at <https://actxgov.seamlessdocs.com/w/ccpublicparticipation> or sign the Public Participation Form located on the table outside of the County Courtroom and deliver to the County Clerk before the meeting begins. Citizens who wish to speak on a matter included in this Agenda will be invited to speak when that particular matter is being deliberated by the Commissioners Court. Each member of the public who appears before the Commissioners Court shall be limited to a maximum of five (5) minutes to make his/her remarks. Please note, in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Commissioners may not discuss or take action on any item that is not on the agenda.

VI. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

Presentations are scheduled in advance of the meeting and limited to fifteen (15) minutes unless other arrangements have been made with the Court.

1. Approve Joint Proclamation #JP-01-2026, Recognizing the Year 2026 as a Semiquincentennial Celebration Year in Aransas County, the City of Rockport and the Town of Fulton – Judge Garza

VII. CONSENT AGENDA

All Consent Agenda items listed are considered to be routine by the Commissioners Court and will be enacted by one motion and no separate discussion of these items will occur unless a Commissioner or the County Judge so requests, in which case the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the Agenda.

2. Discuss, approve or disapprove the Minutes from the December 4, 2025 Special Meeting – Misty Kimbrough/Judge Garza
3. Discuss, approve or disapprove the Minutes from the December 8, 2025 Regular Meeting - Misty Kimbrough/Judge Garza
4. Discuss, approve or disapprove the Minutes from the December 8, 2025 Workshop Meeting – Misty Kimbrough/Judge Garza
5. Discuss, approve or disapprove the Minutes from the December 22, 2025 Regular Meeting – Misty Kimbrough/Judge Garza
6. Discuss and accept a memorial donation in the amount of \$100.00 to the Aransas County Public Library given by Marshall & Catherine Bryant & Grace Braziel – Iris Sanchez/Judge Garza

VIII. COUNTY REPORTS AND RESOLUTIONS

7. Report from the Courthouse, Community Center and Celebration Plaza Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on January 28, 2026 – Doreen Bronner/Judge Garza
8. County Report from Aransas County Animal Care – 2025 Animal Care Annual Report – Caitlan Frazier/Judge Garza
9. Discuss, approve or disapprove Order #O-01-2026, an Order of the County of Aransas, Texas, prohibiting Outdoor Burning for a period of up to sixty (60) days – Judge Garza

IX. COUNTY ROADS AND FLOODPLAIN

10. Discuss, approve, or disapprove a request for a variance on County minimum lot size requirements to replat 127 Copano Heights Blvd from four lots into two lots – Katherine Comeaux/Judge Garza
11. Discuss, approve or disapprove a request for a variance on County minimum lot size requirements to replat 1916 & 1920 Hardee St from two lots into one lot – Katherine Comeaux/Judge Garza

X. CONTRACTS AND GRANTS

12. Discuss, approve or disapprove authorizing the County Judge to sign Amendment 1 to the EKOS Agreement – Jacky Cockerham/Judge Garza
13. Discuss, approve, or disapprove a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the U.S. Marshals Service in which the Marshals Service agrees to reimburse Aransas County for up to \$5,000 in overtime expenses related to Aransas County Deputies serving warrants – Jack Cockerham/Judge Garza
14. Discuss, approve or disapprove authorizing the County Judge to sign an agreement with the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Center, a 501c(3) non-profit organization, to provide interpreting services to persons who are deaf, hard of hearing, low vision or deaf/blind on an “as needed” basis – Judge Garza

XI. PLANNING AND BUDGET

15. Discuss, approve or disapprove the Aransas County Indigent Health Care Report for December 2025 - Alma Cartwright/Judge Garza
16. Discuss, approve or disapprove the funding for emergency food distribution needs to Aransas County Council on Aging with Health Care Sales Tax funds, changing their annual budget from \$60,000 to \$100,000 – Alma Cartwright/Judge Garza
17. Discuss, approve, or disapprove Accounts Payable and Payroll/Payroll Liabilities – Jacky Cockerham/Judge Garza

XII. REPORTS FROM COMMISSIONERS, ELECTED OFFICIALS, AND DEPARTMENT HEADS – NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN

At this time, Commissioners will provide reports or updates on committee assignments and Elected Officials and Department Heads may provide reports or updates related to advisory boards, fee reports, and more.

XIII. REPORTS ABOUT ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST – NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN

At this time, Commissioners Court will receive reports and updates from Commissioners, County Judge, and County staff related to items of community interest such as: expressions of thanks, congratulations, or condolences; information regarding holiday schedules or closures; honorary or salutory recognition of a public official, employee, or a citizen; reminders about upcoming events; reports on public events attended by Commissioners, County officials, and/or employees; and any announcement involving an emergency or imminent threat to public health and safety that arose after the posting of this Agenda.

XIV. CLOSED SESSION

18. Convene into a Closed Session in accordance with Texas Government Code §551.071, 551.072 – 551.076, 551.086, 551.087, 551.089 to consult with counsel Marsha Perez of Chaves, Obregon & Perales, LLP, or other retained Counsel, on matters related to any items posted on this agenda, and receive legal advice about pending settlement offers, or other attorney-client privileged matters that may be discussed in an Executive Session, including, but not limited to, the items listed below:

- i. Consult with outside legal counsel, Allison, Bass & Magee, LLP regarding proposed contractual terms related to the Interlocal Agreement among Aransas County, the City of Rockport and the Aransas County Navigation District concerning the City of Rockport's Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone (TIRZ) No. 1; and
- ii. The Downtown Anchor Project, including the County's permissible actions under its various contracts and reports on proposed mediations, insurance claims, and /or formal review; and
- iii. Discuss personnel matters and update the Court on future plans involving this personnel matter, pursuant to Section 551.074 of the Texas Open Meetings Act, PERSONNEL MATTERS; CLOSED MEETING
 - a) Consult with Legal counsel regarding a written demand submitted by Tamara Wren to the Aransas County Sheriff's Office, including legal rights, obligations and available legal options

- b) This chapter does not require a governmental body to conduct an open meeting:
 - 1) To deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee, or
 - 2) To hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee
- c) Subsection a) does not apply if the officer or employee who is the subject of the deliberation or hearing, requests a public meeting.

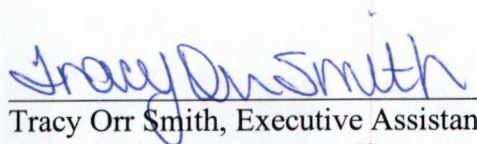
XV. OPEN SESSION

- 19. Reconvene into Open Session – Judge Garza
- 20. Discuss and take action, if any, on matters discussed in Closed Session, including approval, modification, or disapproval of the Interlocal Agreement related to the City of Rockport's TIRZ No. 1 and authorization for the County Judge to execute the agreement – Marsha Perez/Judge Garza
- 21. Discuss and take any action deemed appropriate following executive session regarding the demand of Tamara Wren, including direction to legal counsel – Marsha Perez/Judge Garza

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

CERTIFICATION

It is hereby affirmed that this **NOTICE OF MEETING and AGENDA** was duly posted at the Aransas County Courthouse at least three (3) business days preceding the scheduled time of said meeting on enclosed bulletin boards inside and outside of the Courthouse that are readily accessible to the general public twenty-four (24) hours each day and also on the Aransas County website, in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act and Texas Government Code §551.043.



Tracy Orr Smith, Executive Assistant
Aransas County Judge's Office
Tel: 361-790-0100

FILED FOR RECORD

AT 04:42 PM

Jan 06 2026

MISTY KIMBROUGH
COUNTY CLERK, ARANSAS CO., TEXAS