

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 **14th DAY of APRIL, 2025 at 9:00 A.M. AT THE AQUARIUM EDUCATION CENTER LOCATED AT 706 NAVIGATION CIRCLE, 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. Discuss, approve or disapprove Proclamation #P-04-2025 - Recognition and Support for Survivors of Sexual Assault , Domestic Violence, and Human Trafficking – Judge Garza

2. Discuss, approve or disapprove Proclamation #P-05-2025, Animal Care and Control Appreciation Week – April 13th – 19th – Judge Garza
3. Discuss, approve or disapprove Proclamation #P-06-2025, National County Government Month - 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.

4. Discuss, approve or disapprove the Minutes from the March 24, 2025 Regular Meeting – Misty Kimbrough/Judge Garza
5. Acknowledge receipt of and record in the minutes of Commissioners Court the County Investment Academy Continuing Education, the County Treasurer's Association of Texas Continuing Education and the Public Funds Investment Act Continuing Education demonstrating that Alma Cartwright has completed all of her continuing education requirements for 2024 – Alma Cartwright/Judge Garza
6. Acknowledge receipt of and record in the minutes of Commissioners Court a Certificate of Completion for Commissioner Pat Rousseau for successful completion of Purchasing 101 for Everyone, a course in Government Procurement Services – Commissioner Pat Rousseau
7. Acknowledge and accept a donation from the Les and Mary Puckett Children's Foundation in the amount of \$2,000 to the Aransas County Public Library – Iris Sanchez/Judge Garza
8. Acknowledge and accept a donation from the Aransas County Retired Teachers Association in the amount of \$193.76 to the Aransas County Public Library – Iris Sanchez/Judge Garza

VIII. COUNTY REPORTS, ORDERS, AND RESOLUTIONS

9. Discuss, approve or disapprove Order #O-03-2025, an Order Prohibiting Outdoor Burning for a period of up to Sixty (60) days – Judge Garza
10. Discuss, approve, or disapprove accepting the 2024 Annual Aransas County Library Report for the Texas State Library and authorizing the County Judge to sign – Iris Sanchez/Judge Garza

IX. COUNTY ROADS AND FLOODPLAIN

11. Discuss, approve or disapprove accepting a permanent 20 foot-wide drainage easement from Charles Roark as depicted on the attached Exhibit; authorize the County Judge to execute necessary documents and direct that the conveyance documents be recorded in the office of the Aransas County Clerk – Darrell Seibert/Judge Garza

12. Discuss, approve or disapprove accepting a permanent 30 foot-wide drainage easement from Charles Roark as depicted on the attached Exhibit; authorize the County Judge to execute necessary documents and direct that the conveyance documents be recorded in the office of the Aransas County Clerk – Darrell Seibert/Judge Garza
13. Discuss, approve or disapprove accepting a permanent easement from Michael Deyo as depicted on the attached Exhibit; authorize the County Judge to execute necessary documents; and direct that conveyance documents be recorded in the office of the Aransas County Clerk – Darrell Seibert/Judge Garza

X. CONTRACTS AND GRANTS

14. Discuss, approve or disapprove authorizing Environmental-Health/Transfer Station to award the bid for the 2025 Brush Grinding Contract to Austin Wood Recycling, Inc. and approve the Hiring Resolution #R-08-2025, a Resolution selecting and awarding the contract for the Brush Grinding Services for the Aransas County Environmental Health Department; authorizing the County Judge to execute necessary documents; providing for severance of invalid provisions and confirming compliance with the Open Meetings Act – Anthony Van Meter/Judge Garza
15. Discuss, approve or disapprove allowing the Aransas County Public Library to apply for an H-E-B grant in the amount of \$400.00 – Iris Sanchez/Judge Garza
16. Discuss, approve or disapprove permission for Aransas County Animal Care Services to seek and apply for Grants that support Aransas County Animal Care – Caitlan Frasier/Judge Garza
17. Discuss, approve or disapprove allowing the Airport Manager to publish a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for airport engineering and design services for Capital Projects – Mike Geer/Judge Garza
18. Discuss, approve or disapprove accepting and approving As-Built drawings for the Aransas County Airport Field Lighting Generator, Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM), Hazard Mitigation Grant Project DR-4332-0197 for Aransas County, Texas and authorize the County Judge to sign a letter of As-Built approval – Elle Moralez/Judge Garza
19. Discuss, approve or disapprove accepting the Aransas County Airport Field Lighting Generator, Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM), Hazard Mitigation Grant Project DR-43232-0197 for Aransas County, Texas as complete and authorize the County Judge to sign a Certificate of Construction Completion (CoCC) and accept Customer's guarantee – Elle Moralez/Judge Garza
20. Discuss, approve or disapprove accepting and approving As-Built drawings for the Aransas County Road & Bridge Office Generator, Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM), Hazard Mitigation Grant Project DR-4332-0202 for Aransas County, Texas and authorize the County Judge to sign a letter of As-Built approval – Elle Moralez/Judge Garza

21. Discuss, approve or disapprove accepting the Aransas County Road & Bridge Office Generator, Texas Division of Emergency Management, Hazard Mitigation Grant Project DR-4332-0202 for Aransas County, Texas as complete and authorize the County Judge to sign a Certificate of Construction Completion (CoCC) and accept Contractor's Guarantee – Elle Morales/Judge Garza
22. Discuss, approve or disapprove accepting Change Order #01 for the Aransas County Transfer Station Generator Road & Bridge Office Generator, Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM), Hazard Mitigation Grant Project DR-4332-0202 for Aransas County, Texas as complete and authorize the County Judge to sign a Certification of Construction Completion (CoCC) and accept Contractor's Guarantee – Elle Morales/Judge Garza
23. Discuss, approve or disapprove accepting and approving As-Built drawings for the Aransas County Transfer Station Generator, Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM), Hazard Mitigation Grant Project DR-4332-0203 for Aransas County, Texas and authorize the County Judge to sign a letter of As-Built approval – Elle Morales/Judge Garza
24. Discuss, approve or disapprove accepting the Aransas County Transfer Station Generator, Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM), Hazard Mitigation Grant Project DR-4332-0203 for Aransas County, Texas as complete and authorize the County Judge to sign a Certificate of Construction Completion (CoCC) and accept Contractor's Guarantee – Elle Morales/Judge Garza
25. Discuss, approve or disapprove a period of performance time extension request for the Aransas County Fulton Elementary Generator, Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM), Hazard Mitigation Grant Project DR-4332-0200 from July 28, 2005 to May 22, 2026 and authorize the County Judge to sign and execute all necessary documents – Elle Morales/Judge Garza
26. Discuss, approve or disapprove a period of performance time extension request for the Aransas County Emergency Operations Public Safety (EOPS) Generator, Texas Department of Emergency Management (TDEM), Hazard Mitigation Grant Project DR-4332-0196 from May 22, 2023 to May 22, 2026 and authorize the County Judge to sign and execute all necessary documents – Elle Morales/Jacky Cockerham/Judge Garza
27. Discuss, approve or disapprove a request to withdraw the Aransas County Environmental Health Generator, Texas Division of Emergency Management, Hazard Mitigation Grant Project DR-4332-0199 and request that the funds be allocated to remaining DR-4332 Hurricane Harvey Grant Projects; authorize County Judge to sign and execute all necessary documents – Elle Morales/Jacky Cockerham/Judge Garza
28. Discuss, approve or disapprove a request to withdraw the Aransas County Environmental Health Generator, Texas Department of Emergency Management (TDEM), Hazard Mitigation Grant Project DR-4332-0199 and request that the funds be reallocated to remaining DR-4332 Hurricane Harvey grant projects; authorize County Judge to sign and execute all necessary documents – Elle Morales/Jacky Cockerham/Judge Garza

29. Discuss, approve or disapprove a request to withdraw Little Bay Drainage Improvements, which was applied for on behalf of the Aransas County Navigation District, Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM), Hazard Mitigation Grant Project DR-4332-0069 and request that the funds be reallocated to remaining DR-4332 Hurricane Harvey projects; authorize the County Judge to sign and execute all necessary documents – Elle Moralez/Jacky Cockerham/Judge Garza
30. Discuss, approve or disapprove awarding the Grant Administrator for Future Grants to GrantWorks and authorizing the County Judge to sign all necessary documents, including the Notice of Award to GrantWorks – Jacky Cockerham/Judge Garza
31. Discuss, approve or disapprove accepting responsive engineering firms for Engineering Services for future Capital Projects and create a pre-approved pool of engineers with an initial term through December 31, 2025, with four (4) one-year optional renewals with the approval of the Aransas County Commissioners Court – Darrell Seibert/Judge Garza
32. Discuss, approve or disapprove entering into an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with the City of Rockport and the Aransas County Navigation District for a Stormwater Management drainage solution in and around the Rockport Harbor area, authorizing the County Judge to execute the necessary documents, and authorizing the County Attorney's Office to collaborate with the attorney's representing the City and the Navigation District for any amendments thereto – Adela Martinez/Darrell Seibert/Judge Garza
33. Discuss, approve or disapprove rescinding the approved Change Order No. 3 and Change Order No. 4 and approve the Revised Change Order No. 3 and Revised Change Order No. 4 for the construction contract for Southwest Aransas County Drainage Improvement in the County's General Land Office Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Relief (CDBG-DR) Contract #20-065-098-C270. LCR Total Transport, LLC., on the Revised Change Order No. 3, requests a decrease in the contract amount by \$3,454.19 and an increase in the contract time by an additional twenty (24) days. LCR Transport, LLC., on the Revised Change Order No. 4, requests an increase in the contract time by an additional thirty (30) days – Darrell Seibert/Judge Garza
34. Discuss, approve or disapprove Change Order #5 for the construction contract for Southwest Aransas County Drainage Improvements in the County's General Land Office (GLO) Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Relief (CDBG-DR) Contract #20-065-098-C270. LCR Transport, LLC. requests an increase in the contract amount by \$764,399.70 and an increase in the contract time by an additional ninety-two (92) days – Darrell Seibert/Judge Garza
35. Discuss, approve or disapprove invoking the procurement exemption for Emergency Medical Services (EMS) – Adela C. Martinez/Jacky Cockerham/Judge Garza
36. Discuss, approve or disapprove issuing an order granting a procurement exemption for Emergency Medical Services (EMS) and authorizing the County Attorney's office and the County Auditor's office to begin contract negotiations with Allegiance EMS – Adela C. Martinez/Jacky Cockerham/Judge Garza

37. Discuss various topics regarding the Downtown Anchor Project and the status of the construction project of the new Aransas County Courthouse – Adela C Martinez/Judge Garza
38. Discuss, approve or disapprove taking action on any of the items identified and discussed for the Courthouse Construction project – Adela C. Martinez/Judge Garza

X. PLANNING AND BUDGET

39. Discuss, approve, or disapprove the Aransas County Indigent Health Care Report for March 2025 – Alma Cartwright/Judge Garza
40. Discuss, approve or disapprove and recognize Aransas County Worker’s Compensation Program for Zero Lost Time in 2024 – Jacky Cockerham/Judge Garza
41. Discuss, approve or disapprove the December 2024 Auditor’s Monthly Report – Jacky Cockerham/Judge Garza
42. Discuss, approve or disapprove the January through March 2025 Auditor’s Monthly Report – Jacky Cockerham/Judge Garza
43. Discuss, approve, or disapprove the Budget Line Items Jacky Cockerham/Judge Garza
44. Discuss, approve, or disapprove Accounts Payable and Payroll/Payroll Liabilities – Jacky Cockerham/Judge Garza
45. Discuss, approve or disapprove taking action on any of the items identified and discussed for the Courthouse Construction project – Adela C. Martinez/Judge Garza

XI. 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.

XII. 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 salutatory 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.

XIII. CLOSED SESSION

46. Convene into a Closed Session to consult with counsel and receive legal advice about pending or contemplated litigation, settlement offers, or other attorney-client privileged matters, including but not limited to, the items listed below:

i. *Aransas County Texas v. Endurance American Specialty Insurance Company, et al*, Aransas County District Court Cause No. 23-0021; and

ii. *Northstar Recovery Service, Inc. v. Aransas County Independent School District and Aransas County*, Aransas County, District Court Cause No. 23-0066 consolidated with *Northstar Recovery Services, Inc. v. HR&R, LLC, et al*, Aransas County District Court Cause No. 20-0159; and

iii. *Western Steel Company v T2J Partners, LLC DIE/A FPS Recovery, LLC and Aransas County, Texas; Cause No. 24-0072*, in the 36th District Court of Aransas County, Texas; and

iv. *Oldcastle Building Envelope, Inc. dba Graham Architectural Products v. Sharp Glass, LLC, et.al.*, Aransas County District Court Cause No. 24-0099; and

v. The County's permissible actions under its various contracts for the Downtown Anchor Project;

vi. *Wendt Services, Inc.* Public Information Act request.

pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Open Meetings Act, which authorizes closed sessions for a governmental body to consult with its attorney(s) regarding advice on legal matters pertaining to "Pending or Contemplated Litigation; or a Settlement Offer; or on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with" the Open Meetings Act –Amanda Oster/Adela C. Martinez/Judge Garza


XIV. OPEN SESSION

47. Reconvene into Open Session
48. Discuss, approve or disapprove taking action or issuing instructions to the County Attorney's Office to act on the County's behalf regarding any of the pending matters identified for Closed Session and authorizing County Attorney's Office to act accordingly – Amanda Oster/Adela Martinez/Judge Garza

XV. ADJOURNMENT

CERTIFICATION

It is hereby affirmed that this **NOTICE OF MEETING and AGENDA** was duly posted at the Aransas County Courthouse at least seventy-two (72) hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting on enclosed bulletin boards 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.



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FILED FOR RECORD

AT 4:04 P.M.

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MISTY KIMBROUGH
COUNTY CLERK, ARANSAS CO., TEXAS

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