

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

AMENDED 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 **13th DAY of MAY, 2024 at 9:00 A.M. IN THE COMMISSIONERS COURTROOM IN THE ARANSAS COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 2840 HWY. 35 N., 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 and approve Proclamation P-13-2024, Recognizing May 10 – 16, 2024 as National Police Week, and honoring the service and sacrifice of those law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty – 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 April 4, 2024 Special Meeting – Misty Kimbrough/Judge Garza
3. Discuss, approve or disapprove the Minutes from the April 8, 2024 Regular Meeting – Misty Kimbrough/Judge Garza
4. Discuss, approve or disapprove the Minutes from the April 22, 2024 Regular Meeting – Misty Kimbrough/Judge Garza
5. Discuss, approve or disapprove the Minutes from the April 30, 2024 Special Meeting – Misty Kimbrough/Judge Garza

Donations

6. Acknowledge and accept donations from the following:
 - a) Wendy Laubach for kitten food and pet carrier – estimated amount - \$70
 - b) Michelle Smith for wrap-a-pill, milk replacer and kitten formula - estimated amount - \$50
 - c) Daniel Randal in the amount of \$10
 - d) Adoption event on 4/20/2024 in the amount of \$85
 - e) Jerry Redd in the amount of \$34
 - f) Adoption Event on 4/27/2024 in the amount of \$236Caitlan Frazier/Judge Garza

VIII. COUNTY REPORTS AND RESOLUTIONS

7. Discuss, approve or disapprove the 1st Quarter 2024 Report for the Friends of the Fulton Mansion – Jane Hill/Barbara Judkins/Judge Garza
8. Discuss, approve or disapprove the 1st Quarter Report for the Texas Maritime Museum – Ashley Pieprzyca/Judge Garza
9. Discuss, approve or disapprove the 1st Quarter Report for the Friends of the History Center – Pam Stranahan/Judge Garza

IX. COUNTY ROADS AND FLOODPLAIN

10. Discuss, approve, or disapprove a request for variance on County requirement that all newly subdivided lots front a paved roadway for replat of 850 Alcalá Road – Katherine Comeaux/Judge Garza

X. CONTRACTS AND GRANTS

11. Discuss, approve or disapprove Change Order No. 6 for construction contract for Rattlesnake Point Road in the County's General Land Office Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Relief (CDBG-DR) Contract #20-065-098-C270, to New Stout Excavating Group Texas, LLC to increase the contract cost by \$23,768.59 to \$5,413,586.07; this change order reduces ditch cleaning by 500 LF (linear feet), increases the rehabilitation of detour road reconstruction, and adds 22 days to the contract time – David Reid/Judge Garza
12. Discuss, approve or disapprove Change Order No. 1 of the construction contract for Southeast Aransas County Drainage Improvements in the County's General Land Office Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Relief (CDBG-DR) Contract #20-065-098-C270; Brizo Construction LLC requests an increase in the contract amount by an additional \$61,843.50 and an increase in contract time of 60 days; this change order will increase the contract amount from \$5,542,866.32 to \$5,604,709.82; the change order is for additional work needed to install 810 LF (linear feet) of HDPE Storm Drain Pipe – David Reid/Judge Garza
13. Discuss, approve or disapprove Change Order No. 2 of construction contract for Southeast Aransas County Drainage Office Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Relief (CDBG-DR) Contract #20-065-098-C270; Brizo Construction, LLC requests an increase in the contract amount by an additional \$441,708.85 for necessary drain pipe and paving materials; this change order will increase the contract amount from \$5,604,709.82 to \$6,046,418.67 - David Reid/Judge Garza
14. Discuss, approve or disapprove soliciting a Request for Proposals for Sheriff's Office Radio Tower Equipment and Installation RFP #2024-701 CDBG-MIT-MOD Funded Project – Sheriff Mills/Judge Garza
15. Discuss, approve or disapprove a Contract Amendment No. 1, an extension of time with T. Baker Smith, LLC, for the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), Aransas County Water Tank Project to provide time necessary to complete the project and authorize County Judge to execute necessary documents - Sheriff Mills/Rene Butler
16. Discuss, approve, or disapprove DLF Texas' Change Order No. 04 for the parking lot which is a portion of the Aransas County Community Building/Plaza/Parking Lot, General Land Office Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) contract #20-065-098-C270 – adding \$44,160.00 and 15 days; the new project substantial completion date will be 29 July 2024; the contractor will replace old 156' LF (linear feet) unlevelled sidewalk, curb and gutter, redesign additional gutters to improve drainage, relocate the light pole and install an ADA ramp [*Tabled 4/08/2024*]- Elle Moralez/Judge Garza
17. Discuss, approve or disapprove authorizing the County Judge to execute the Grant Agreement awarding a \$120,000 grant from the Ed Rachal Foundation for the purchase of aquarium equipment for the Aquarium at Rockport Harbor – Elle Moralez/Judge Garza

18. Discuss, approve or disapprove awarding and authorizing County Judge to execute all necessary documents for the three (3) Standby Generator Installation Projects for Aransas County, Texas consisting of the Airport Field Lighting DR-4332-0197, Road and Bridge Office DR-4332-0202, and Transfer Station Dr-4332-0203 Hazard Mitigation Grant Project (HMGP); the generators are FEMA disaster recovery-approved projects with funding and sub-award agreements through the Texas Department of Emergency Management (TDEM); G&W Engineers, Inc. has recommended BLS Construction, Inc. to be awarded the projects – Elle Morales/Judge Garza
 19. Discuss, approve or disapprove Amendment No. 3 of the Work Plan for the RESTORE ACT Sub-recipient Reimbursement Contract No. 582-21-22184 with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for the Bay Shore Erosion Mitigation project to revise deliverable dates and recognize Alfredo Reza, Mott MacDonald as the physical engineer and Elle Morales, Aransas County, as the project manager – Elle Morales/Judge Garza
 20. Discuss, approve or disapprove authorizing the County Judge to sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Homeland Preparedness Project to provide assistance with the recruitment, training, managing and deployment of local volunteers at the direction of the Emergency Management Coordinator as part of a comprehensive disaster preparedness and response plan – Mike Geer/Judge Garza
 21. Discuss, approve or disapprove declaring a 2014 Red Chevrolet Cruze in the Juvenile Case Manager’s Department, as surplus and used as a trade-in for the purchase of a replacement vehicle, and authorize County Judge to sign necessary documents – Judge McGinnis
 22. Discuss, approve or disapprove authorizing County Judge to sign the Texas Association of Counties 2024 Cybersecurity Course Enrollment Form to enroll Aransas County personnel in a mandatory cybersecurity training course to satisfy the requirements of Texas Government Code §2054.5191 at a cost of \$1,210.00 dollars, which is in our budget – Collin Jackson/Judge Garza
- XI. PLANNING AND BUDGET**
23. Discuss, approve, or disapprove the Aransas County Indigent Health Care Report for April 2024 – Alma Cartwright/Judge Garza
 24. Discuss, approve or disapprove authorizing the County Judge to sign the County Request for Capital Credits, and submit to the Texas Comptroller, Unclaimed Property Division, and further authorize the County Treasurer to disburse any said funds received from the Texas Comptroller as follows: 100% to the Children’s Coalition of Aransas County – Alma Cartwright/Judge Garza
 25. Discuss, approve or disapprove authorizing the Aransas County Treasurer to sign a Promissory Note and Disbursement Request and Authorization between Aransas County and Prosperity Bank for the automatic extension of the expiration date for one year, on the Irrevocable Standby Letter of Credit #1973 from Prosperity Bank to Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ), said extension going through June 1, 2025; the Letter of

Credit covers financial assurance of the Aransas County Transfer Station in the amount of \$10,200 - Alma Cartwright/Judge Garza

26. Discuss, approve or disapprove job description for an Assistant Emergency Management Coordinator – Desiree Upton/Judge Garza
27. Discuss, approve or disapprove new job description for an Animal Welfare Program Coordinator – Caitlan Frazier/Desiree Upton/Judge Garza
28. Discuss, approve or disapprove the April 2024 Auditor’s Monthly Report – Jacky Cockerham/Judge Garza
29. Discuss, approve, or disapprove the Budget Line Item - Transfers for the 2023 Budget – Jacky Cockerham/Judge Garza
30. 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 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.

XIV. CLOSED SESSION

31. Convene into a Closed Session to:
 - i. Discuss a personnel matter 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) 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.

(b) Subsection (a) does not apply if the office or employee who is the subject of the deliberation or hearing requests a public meeting – Amanda Oster/Judge Garza

XV. OPEN SESSION

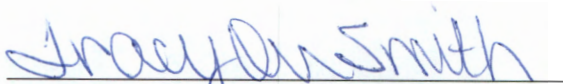
32. Reconvene into Open Session

33. Discuss and take action on matters discussed in closed session – Amanda Oster/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 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 11:39 A.M.

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MISTY KIMBROUGH
COUNTY CLERK, ARANSAS CO., TEXAS

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