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SARA MONTEMAYOR
County Clerk Maverick County, Texas
By _____ Deputy

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC MEETING

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the County Commissioners of the County of Maverick County will be held on March, 14th, 2025 at 10:00 AM. at the Court House, Maverick County, Texas 78852 for the purpose of considering and taking action on all matters on the agenda for the meeting, including approval of an agreement with the law firm of Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson, LLP as special counsel to perform all legal services necessary to collect unpaid fines, fees and court costs as provided in Tx Code of Criminal Procedure Art. 103.0031 and authorizing the execution of such agreement.

The agreement to be considered is necessary for the unpaid fines, fees and court costs owed to Maverick County to be collected in the most effective manner. The County desires that such unpaid fines, fees and court costs be collected as provided in the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure.

The Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson, LLP firm is fully qualified to provide this representation, being the largest law firm specializing in the collection of governmental receivables in the State of Texas, as well as the United States, and having been engaged in this specialized legal service for more than 40 years. In addition, the Linebarger Goggan Blair and Sampson, LLP firm possesses infrastructure and technology, such as call center technology, that the County does not currently possess.

Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson, LLP ha represented the County in the past in the collection of unpaid fines, fees and court costs. Linebarger Goggan Blair and Sampson, LLP represented the County for the three years with competence and professionalism, in the collection of unpaid fines, fees and court costs, beginning on October 11, 2011. In addition, Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson, LLP has represented numerous governmental entities over the past 40 years, including several in close proximity to the County, and they have demonstrated years of competent representation with professionalism in the collection of unpaid fines, fees and court costs in the representation of those entities.

The specialized legal services required by this agreement cannot be adequately performed by the attorneys and supporting personnel of the County due to the high cost of implementing the appropriate infrastructure and technology and employing sufficient in- house attorneys and staff with the level of experience and competence necessary to perform these activities.

Linebarger will be compensated on a contingent fee basis as provided in Tx Code of Criminal Procedure Art. 103.0031. This Article specifically provides for an additional collection fee in the amount of 30 percent in certain cases to compensate collection attorneys. A contract to pay inside or outside attorneys on an hourly basis would represent an additional cost to the County.

Entering into the proposed agreement is in the best interests of the residents of the County because the unpaid fines, fees and court costs will be professionally and competently collected without the additional costs to the County of implementing infrastructure and technology, and employing in-house personnel or paying outside counsel on an hourly fee basis, which would otherwise be required.

AGENDA

MAVERICK COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT
SPECIAL MEETING
FRIDAY, MARCH 14, 2025, AT 10:00 A.M. CST
COMMISSIONER'S COURT, MAVERICK COUNTY COURTHOUSE
500 QUARRY ST. EAGLE PASS, MAVERICK COUNTY, TEXAS

ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

CITIZENS COMMUNICATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS

CONSENT ITEMS

1. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to allow Consulado de México to host an "Autism Walk" outside the Historical Courthouse on April 2, 2025. - County Judge**

2. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to approve the surplus property list of outdated computers from Maverick County, CSCD. - County Judge**

3. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to approve the surplus property list from the Maverick County Judge's Office. - County Judge**

4. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to allow the C.C. Winn softball booster to host a "5k and 1K fun run" at the Maverick County Lake March 29, 2025. - County Judge**

5. **Discission and Appropriate Action to allow Ray H. Darr to use the Maverick County Lake on May 03, 2025 at 8:30 a.m. for a 5k run event. - County Judge**

6. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to extend media/marketing support to the City of Eagle Pass and the International Good Neighbor Council with the abrazo ceremony and corresponding friendship events. – County Judge**

7. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to allow Jose Villegas to use Maverick County Lake Table one and Gril one at no cost due to his wife Alexandra Villegas having surgery to pay for medical expenses. – County Judge**

8. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to allow Kaitlin Galvan to host a "pitching clinic" at the Maverick County Lake baseball fields on March 8, 2025. - County Judge**

9. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to Approve the use of the Maverick County Amphitheatre for a Texans Healthy Event hosted by the Camino Real Community Services on March 6, 2025. - County Judge**

10. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to recognize revenue in the amount of $9,928.00. Juror Reimbursement 4th Quarter 2024. - County Judge**

11. **Discussion and Appropriate Action for approval to extend vacation time to Maria Sarmiento from the Auditor's Office due to workload. - County Judge**

12. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to recognize revenue in the amount of $20,424.17. Nutrition HDM 2025 State Funding. - County Judge**

13. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to allow Maverick County Hospital District to host a "Medical Service Screening" at the Nick Carr Community Center on February 25, 2025, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. - Commissioner Rios**

14. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to accept donations for the Nick Carr Community Center Spring Break Youth Program. - Commissioner Rios**

15. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to allow Kids are First Head Start to distribute educational information on "What to Expect When Expecting" at the Nick Carr Community Center on February 20, 2025, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. - Commissioner Rios**

16. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to allow Chicanos Por La Causa Migrant Seasonal Head Start to distribute educational information on intervention programs at the Nick Carr Community Center on February 20, 2025, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. - Commissioner Rios**

17. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to assist resident at 492 Memo Robinson regarding the removal of a pile of rubbish on his property by the Road and Bridge Department and declaring it a predominantly public purpose. – Commissioner Rios**

18. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to approve surplus property list from the Airport Department. - Commissioner Ramos**

19. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to appoint one non-paid deputy constable in Precinct 3-1 Michael Torralba has met all prerequisites of law to become a licensed Texas Peace Officer. - Commissioner Ramos**

20. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to allow Eagle Pass Public Health Coalition to host a "Thrive with Us Class" at the Seco Mines Community Center. Step Functional led by Instructor Eliza. - Commissioner Ramos**

21. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to appoint one non-paid deputy constable on Precinct 3-1 Yajaira Estrada Montalvo has met all prerequisites of law to become a licensed Texas Peace Officer. - Commissioner Ramos**

22. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to Install one (1) LED streetlight at 45 Windmill Dr. – Commissioner Ramos**

23. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to Install one (1) speed hump on 312 Wild Oak Dr. – Commissioner Ramos**

24. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to approve and authorize the demolition and removal of debris from property located at 2986 Del Rio Blvd., which has been deemed hazardous and inhabitable. The property owner, Gerardo De La Rosa, has been unable to address the unsafe conditions of the structure, and the property poses a significant public health and safety risk to the surrounding community. - Commissioner Ramos**

25. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to assist resident at 20399 US Hwy 277 where a semi-trailer burned in Quemado, TX, and caused damages to her driveway and declaring it a predominantly public purpose. - Commissioner Ramos**

26. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to allow Seco Mines Community Center to accept computer donations from Community Council of South-Central Texas Inc. and to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding. - Commissioner Ramos**

27. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to allow Quemado Library to accept Computer donation from Community Council of South-Central Texas Inc. and to enter into Memorandum of Understanding. – Commissioner Ramos**

28. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to Recognize Revenue in the amount of $400.00 Mother's Day Event on 05/08/2025 at Pct. 4. - Commissioner Ruiz**

29. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to approve SWTX Community College Awareness 5K Walk/Run, Scheduled for April 5th, 2025 at the Maverick County Lake. – Commissioner Morales**

30. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to approve Iron Eagles MC distribute Easter baskets and gifts at the Maverick County Lake on April 12, 2025, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. - Commissioner Morales**

31. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to approve the Lions Club to use Lopetegui Park in the Las Quintas Subdivision for their Second Annual Easter Egg Hunt Sunday, April 13, 2025. - Commissioner Morales**

32. **Presentation of County Departments monthly reports. – County Judge**
    a. **Nutrition Center – Marlett Rivera**
    b. **Food Pantry – Gerardo Perez**
    c. **Maverick County Housing Finance Corporation - Guillermina Romero**
    d. **Planning – Gabriel Villasenor**
    e. **Road & Bridge – Ernesto Guevara**
    f. **Elections – Isamari Villarreal**
    g. **Grants – Isaak Ruiz**

h. **Treasurer – Rito Valdez**
i. **Agriculture - Oscar Galindo**
j. **Human Resources – Jesus Sanchez**
k. **Veterans Services – Miguel Chavez**
l. **Auditor- Karla Mazuka**

REGULAR ITEMS

33. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to authorize the Road and Bridge Department to provide personnel and equipment for asphalt installation at VFW Post 8562 Parking Lot at the request of the VFW with donated Asphalt obtained by an outside donor. - County Judge**

34. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to pay pending invoices for Operation Lone Star Court Reporting Services for Ms. Marry O Berry. – County Judge**

35. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to approve the contract for Linda A. Hernandez for court reporter services and approval of pending invoices for services rendered as a Court reporter for operation lone star. - County Judge**

36. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to assign the Assistant District Attorney Amanda Riojas as Grant Writer for the Border Prosecution Unit Grant # 2991608. – County Judge**

37. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to Approve the Transfer of Annette Casillas from the 293rd Judicial District Judge's Office to serve as the Indigent Defense Court Coordinator with a starting pay rate of $50,000. Effective March 5, 2025. - County Judge**

38. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to Approve a Memorandum of Understanding between Middle Rio Grande Development Council and Maverick County and authorizing county judge to execute documents alongside correspond law enforcement officials for Law Enforcement Radio Equipment. - County Judge**

39. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to approve a resolution authorizing the submission of an Other Victims Assistance Grant (OVAG) application to the Office of the Attorney General, with no matching funds required from Maverick County. – County Judge**

40. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to approve a resolution authorizing the submission of a Victims Coordinator and Liaison Grant (VCLG) application to the Office of the Attorney General, with no matching funds required from Maverick County. – County Judge**

41. **Discussion and appropriate action to approve a resolution authorizing the submission of a Border Prosecution Unit (BPU) grant application Maverick County Attorney's Office BPU Project; no match is required. - County Judge**

42. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to exempt the professional services of Valiant Energy Sources, LLC regarding Maverick County's Electrical Usage and Provider Services.**

43. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to approve a Non-Exclusive Consulting agreement between Maverick County and Valiant Energy Sources, LLC regarding Maverick County's Electrical Usage and Provider Services.**

44. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to Transfer the Offices of Justice of the Peace Tere Hernandez from 206 Converse St. to 1152 Ferry St. Suite G. - County Judge**

45. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to approve the agreement from Spectrum for phone service for the Nutrition Center. - County Judge**

46. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to modify the hourly rate for the HIDTA position at an hourly rate of $20.69. - County Judge**

47. **Discussion and Appropriate Action on the request to approve the revision of policies Policy on Holidays 3.04, Pay Period and Time Sheets 5.01, and Work Schedule and Workweek 5.04 to satisfy grant requirements. - County Judge**

48. **Discussion and Appropriate Action on the notification of the hiring of a full-time temporary non-exempt employee for 3 months for the 293rd Judicial District Court at an hourly rate of $15.00/hr. - County Judge**

49. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to Approve contract for ADCOMP System New in Blue Services. - County Judge**

50. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to Approve a resolution forming a County Judge's Community Health Council to work on Health initiatives and practices for Maverick County in collaboration with Health Corporations, Councils and organizations and working with the private sector to address improving the quality of healthcare services. - County Judge**

51. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to advertise for construction bids for the Maverick County TXCDBG CFC23-0422 (Quemado Projects). – County Judge**

52. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to approve public comment publication for ERA in Local Newspaper for the Maverick County TXCDBG CFC23-0422 (Quemado Project) - County Judge**

53. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to approve the environmental review assessment (ERA) for the Maverick County TXCDBG CFC23-0422 (Quemado Project). - County Judge**

54. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to accept and approve specs and plans for the Maverick County TXCDBG CFC23-0422 (Quemado Project). - County Judge**

55. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to authorize the county judge to sign the environmental assessment and request for release of funds and certification form for colonia Self- Help Center contract No. CSH24-0166. - County Judge**

56. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to approve invoices for Mr. Rekey Locksmith— Invoice Number: 51030 and Number: 53615. - County Judge**

57. **Discussion and Appropriate Action on approving an affiliation agreement for an internship at the Maverick County Road & Bridge Department by the Southwest Texas College Diesel Technology Program. - County Judge**

58. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to approve a cost allocation plan in accordance with Texas Grant Management Standards (TxGMS) and federal regulations that will serve as guidelines for Maverick County. - County Judge**

59. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to consider and approve an increase of $2,900 to the existing budget allocation for the National Fitness Campaign Fitness Court project to address an unforeseen increase in the equipment invoice. - County Judge**

60. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to accept and open a dedicated bank account for the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department grant award of $51,381.00, earmarked for a Maverick County Explorers Summer Camp Project with no cost to Maverick County taxpayers. - County Judge**

61. **Discussion and Appropriate Action on the notification of a temporary adjustment in compensation for Stephany Ontiveros from $15/hour to $21.70 an hour, effective March 5th, 2025, as she assumes the duties of Court Coordinator during Monica Moreno's maternity leave. The role was previously occupied by Annette Casillas. - County Judge**

62. **Discussion and Appropriate Action on the notification of the adjustment in compensation for temporary employee Yolanda Gomez from $15/hour to $20.00 an hour, effective March 5th, 2025, as she assumes the duties of Assistant Coordinator during Monica Moreno's maternity leave, whose role is currently being performed by Stephany Ontiveros. - County Judge**

63. **Discussion and Appropriate Action on notice by the 293rd District Attorney's Office that Maverick County approve the Resolution that the Border Prosecution Unit be operated for the 2025-2027 Fiscal Grant Years (September 1, 2025–August 31, 2027) out of Maverick County. - County Judge**

64. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to promote Abelardo Reyes, full-time detention officer, to full-time sergeant detention officer, replacing Emilio De Luna, with a salary of $17.70/hr. with a 0.12/hr. supplement from SB22 totaling 17.82/hr. for the Maverick County Sheriff's Office Tom Bowles Detention Center. - County Judge**

65. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to allow St. John Vianney Catholic Church and Mission Border Hope Resources Center to provide repairs to a residence located at 1708 Valeria Drive. - Commissioner Ramos**

66. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to report of contract negotiations between STAT Medical Facility and Maverick County. - Commissioner Ruiz**

67. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to Request Status Report on Installation and Cost of Lighting at Nick Carr Complex in Pct. 4. - Commissioner Ruiz**

68. **Discussion and Appropriate Action in requesting a status report on in the installation of Sheriff Substation. Pct 4. - Commissioner Ruiz**

69. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to change commissioners court regular meetings to the second Tuesday of every month at 5:00 p.m. instead of the Second Monday of every month - Commissioner Ruiz**

70. **Discussion, Presentation and Appropriate Action to exempt the professional services of Linebarger, Goggan, Blair & Sampson, LLP for the purpose of Court Fines & Fees Collection services. - Commissioner Ruiz**

71. **Discussion and Appropriate Action on action required under Texas Government Code 2254 for Maverick County to provide a written Statement and finding of the need for specialized contingent fee legal services. - Commissioner Ruiz**

72. **Discussion and Appropriate Action on approval of a Court Order authorizing Maverick County to enter into a collection contract for fines, fees, restitution, other debts, and cost providing split fees on partial collections by authorizing a collection fee in the amount of 30% to defray cost of collecting delinquent fines, fees, court costs, and other debts over 60 days past due pursuant to article 103.0031 of the Texas code of criminal procedure. - Commissioner Ruiz**

73. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to enter into an agreement with Linebarger, Goggan, Blair & Sampson, LLP for the purpose of Court Fines & Fees Collection services- Commissioner Ruiz**

74. **Discussion and Appropriate Action on a request for Commissioner Roberto Ruiz together with County Judge and Commissioners Court to explore the concept of installing a toll road system from Eagle Pass, Texas, to Laredo, Texas. FM Road, 1021 Old Mines Rd. - Commissioner Ruiz**

75. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to purchase two fire hydrants for Chula Vista Heights subdivision. Hydrants to be installed by a Water Works-approved contractor. - Commissioner Morales**

76. **Discussion and Appropriate Action to approve budget amendments for FY 2025. -County Judge**

77. **<u>EXECUTIVE SESSION:</u>**
CLOSED SESSION:

    1. **Executive Session on matters pursuant to 551.071: Discussion with Attorney: Discussion and Appropriate Action on the acceptance of the Notice/Letter of Non-**

Renewal for General Counsel Legal services submitted to County Judge by Iracheta Law, LLC as indicated by contract. - County Judge

2. **Executive Session on matters pursuant to 551.071: Discussion with Attorney: Discussion and Appropriate Action to exempt the professional services of Denton, Navarro, Rodriguez, Bernal, Santee & Zech, P.C. for County General Counsel Legal Services. - County Judge**

3. **Executive Session on matters pursuant to 551.071: Discussion with Attorney: Discussion and Appropriate Action to Authorize the County Judge to Negotiate, Execute and enter into an agreement with Denton, Navarro, Rodriguez, Bernal, Santee & Zech, P.C. for County General Counsel Legal Services based on terms provided by Commissioners Court. - County Judge**

4. **Executive Session on matters pursuant to 551.071: Discussion with Attorney: Discussion and Appropriate Action regarding the Eagle Pass Fire and EMS Services Extension Agreement. - County Judge**

5. **Executive Session on matters pursuant to 551.071: Discussion with Attorney: Discussion and Appropriate Action regarding the Eagle Pass Fire and EMS Services Agreement. - County Judge**

6. **Executive Session on matters pursuant to 551.071: Discussion with Attorney: Discussion and Appropriate Action to hold payroll deductions related to BPU Longevity Pay. – County Judge**

7. **Executive Session on matters pursuant to 551.071: Discussion with Attorney: Discussion and Appropriate Action to Discuss the Maverick County Water Works Hauling Water and Water Rates. - Commissioner Ramos**

8. **Executive Session on matters pursuant to 551.071: Discussion with Attorney: Discussion and Appropriate Action to recommend Maverick County Landfill to adjust trash rates accordingly to the rates increased by the City of Eagle Pass. - Commissioner Ruiz**

9. **Executive Session on matters pursuant to 551.071: Discussion with Attorney: Discussion and Appropriate Action to ratify the payment of legal fees related to litigation involving the county attorney in his official capacity, as processed through the county's general counsel agreement and previously approved contractual procedures. - County Judge**

10. **Executive Session on matters pursuant to 551.071: Discussion with Attorney: Discussion and Appropriate Action to accept terms of set out to fulfill payment to Garza, Bomberger & Associates, PLLC.**

11. **Executive Session on matters pursuant to 551.071: Discussion with Attorney: Discussion and Appropriate Action to Discuss the Maverick County Water Works Hauling Water Rates and Water Rates. - Commissioner Ramos**

12. **Executive Session on matters pursuant to 551.071: Discussion with Attorney: Discussion and Appropriate Action regarding clarification in reference to legal fees paid by the county. - Commissioner Morales**

13. **Executive Session on matters pursuant to 551.071: Discussion with Attorney: Discussion and possible action regarding the contract for Iracheta Law PLLC. - Commissioner Morales**

14. **Executive Session on matters pursuant to 551.071: Discussion with Attorney: Discussion and Appropriate Action regarding agreement for Emergency Services with City of Eagle Pass. - Commissioner Morales**

78. **Accounts Payable**

79. **Warrants Pending**

80. **Adjournment**

Dated the 11th day of March 2025

Ramsey English Cantu
County Judge

CERTIFICATE

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that the above NOTICE OF MEETING of the above named Commissioners' Court is a true and correct copy of notice and that a true and correct copy of said Notice is posted on the bulletin board outside the Courthouse of Maverick County, Texas at a place readily accessible to the general public at all times on the 11th day of March, 2025, and said notice remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours proceeding the scheduled time of said meeting.

Posted: March 11th , 2025

9:55 **A.M./P.M.**

Ramsey English Cantu
County Judge

"The Maverick County Court Commissioners reserves the right to adjourn into closed session at any time during the course of the meeting to discuss any matters listed above should such action be necessary as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.0725 (Deliberation Regarding Contract Being Negotiated) or 551.087 (Economic Development) and any other provision under Texas Law that permits this governmental body to discuss a matter in a closed session. Action, if any, will be taken in open session."

MAVERICK COUNTY COURTHOUSE ACCESSIBILITY STATEMENT

This meeting site is accessible to disabled persons. There are two (2) disabled persons vehicle parking spaces reserved at the courthouse parking lot. Entrance to the courthouse is accessible.

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