

## **MINUTES**

BE IT REMEMBERED that on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2022, the Honorable Commissioners Court of Uvalde County, Texas convened in regular session in the Commissioners Courtroom of the Uvalde County Courthouse. The following members were in attendance:

William R. Mitchell, County Judge
John Yeackle, Commissioner Pct. #1
Mariano Pargas, Commissioner Pct. #2
Jerry W. Bates, Commissioner Pct. #3
Ronnie Garza, Commissioner Pct. #4
John Dodson, County Attorney and
Valerie Del Toro Romero, County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk of
the Commissioner's Court

Also present were *County Treasurer* Joni Deorsam, *Tax-Assessor Collector* Rita Verstuyft, *County Auditor* Alice Chapman and *Road Administrator* Dee Kirkpatrick.

Absent: None

### 1. Consider and act upon call to order, invocation and pledge of allegiance:

The Honorable William R. Mitchell Uvalde County Judge called the meeting of December 12, 2022 to order at 10:00 AM followed with the invocation, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States flag and Texas Pledge of Allegiance.

#### 2. Consider and act upon approval of minutes:

Motion by Commissioner Bates to approve the minutes of November 16, 2022. Seconded by Commissioner Yeackle. Motion carried (4-0).

### 3. Executive Session (As permitted by Section 551.071 Texas Government Code):

### a. Consultation with attorney of review of Sheriff Office policy and procedures

The Court entered into Executive Session (As permitted by Section 551.074, Texas Government Code) at 10:03 AM.

### 4. Convene in regular session and take action, if any:

The Court reconvened into regular session at 11:48 AM after review of Sheriff Office policy and procedures as presented by Richard Carter. Public participation forms received from individuals who spoke on this agenda item include; Diana Olvedo Karau, Adam Martinez, Jesse Rizo, and Marina Lena Garcia.

Motion by Commissioner Bates to accept the report of the review of Sheriff Office policy and procedures as presented by Richard Carter.

Seconded by Commissioner Pargas.

Motion carried (4-0).

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### 5. Consider and act award of Hotel/Motel Operator contract:

The Court considered the one proposal submitted by Texas Hill Country River Region as the Hotel/Motel Operator Contractor for the County of Uvalde. All copies of bids/proposals may be obtained from the office of the Uvalde County Judge William R. Mitchell.

Motion by Commissioner Bates to award the Hotel/Motel Operator Contract to the Texas Hill Country River Region.

Seconded by Commissioner Yeackle.

Motion carried (4-0).

## 6. Consider and act upon board of Commissioners appointments for Emergency Service District #2:

The Court considered the approval and appointment of the members to serve on the Board of Commissioners for the Uvalde County Emergency Services District #2 which was recently approved by voters in the Concan area. The following individuals included; Wendi Hightower, Christina Taylor, James Jeffrey Santleben, Terry Carson, Leonard Mikeska and were sworn in following this meeting.

Motion by Commissioner Bates to approve the appointment of members to serve on the Board of Commissioners for the Uvalde County Emergency Services District #2.

Seconded by Commissioner Garza.

Motion carried (4-0).

### 7. Consider and act upon preliminary and final plat approval of Legend Hills Subdivision:

The Court considered the preliminary and final plat approval of the Legend Hills Subdivision Phase One requested by Fry Homes, Inc. Mark Fry for 102.05 acres located in Abstracts 289 and 290 North of Uvalde on County Road 400 and part of a 254 acre tract purchased by Fry Homes, LLC in Uvalde County, Texas.

Motion by Commissioner Bates to grant preliminary and final plat approval of the Legend Hills Subdivision Phase One.

Seconded by Commissioner Garza.

Motion carried (4-0).

# 8. Consider and act upon resolution of award of professional engineering service contract for 2023 CDBG Colonia Fund Construction:

County Consultant Carl Esser requested approval of a resolution authorizing award of professional service provider contract for the 2023 CDGB Colonia Fund Construction Program and recommended award of bid/proposal to TRC Engineers. All copies of bids/proposals may be obtained from the office of the Uvalde County Judge William R. Mitchell.

Motion by Commissioner Bates to approve resolution awarding the professional engineering services contract to TRC Engineers.

Seconded by Commissioner Pargas.

Motion carried (4-0).

## 9. Consider and act upon resolution of award of professional administration services contract for 2023 CDBG Colonia Fund Construction:

County Consultant Carl Esser requested approval of a resolution authorizing the award of professional service provider contract for the 2023 CDGB Colonia Fund Construction Program to include grant writing, grant administration and grant management services. All copies of bids/proposals may be obtained from the office of the Uvalde County Judge William R. Mitchell.

Motion by Commissioner Pargas to approve the resolution awarding the 2023 CDBG Colonia Fund Construction grant writing, grant administration and grant management services contract to Esser & Company Consulting, LLC.

Seconded by Commissioner Garza.

Motion carried (4-0).

# 10. Consider and act upon resolution of award of professional administration services contract for 2023-2024 Community Development Fund:

County Consultant Carl Esser requested approval of a resolution authorizing the award of professional service provider contract for the 2023-2024 CDGB Community Development Fund Program to include grant writing, grant administration and grant management services. All copies of bids/proposals may be obtained from the office of the Uvalde County Judge William R. Mitchell.

Motion by Commissioner Bates to approve the resolution awarding the 2023-2024 Community Development Fund professional grant writing, grant administration and grant management services contract to Esser & Company Consulting, LLC.

Seconded by Commissioner Pargas.

Motion carried (4-0).

# 11. Consider and act upon check presentation for \$1,000.000 TDA Colonia Fund Construction Award for Knippa Water Supply Corporation improvements:

County Consultant Carl Esser presented to the Court a check in the amount of \$1,000,000 grant award from the Texas Department of Agriculture Colonia Fund Construction for Knippa Water Supply Corporation Improvements to the water system in Knippa. No action taken.

# 12. Consider and act upon check presentation for \$97,500 for Uvalde County radio communications project:

County Consultant Carl Esser presented to the Court a check in the amount of \$97,500 grant award from the Texas Development Water Board for a Uvalde County Radio Communication Project for the construction of a radio communication tower.

No action taken.

### 13. Consider and act upon 2022-2023 Uvalde County Investment Policy:

County Treasurer Joni Deorsam requested consideration and approval of the 2022-2023 Uvalde County Investment Policy that establishes the objectives, goals and policies to invest public funds in a manner which will provide the highest investment return with maximum security while meeting the daily cash flow demands of the entity and conforming to all state and local statutes governing the investment of public funds.

Motion by Commissioner Bates to approve the 2022-2023 Uvalde County Investment Policy. Seconded by Commissioner Pargas.

Motion carried (4-0).

### 14. Consider and act upon Road Administrators Report:

Road Administrator Dee Kirkpatrick informed the Court that the Road Department bladed and patched roads throughout the county, milled and paved Windmill North, picked up trash from Vanessa Street and Rose Street and cut brush from corners of intersections to improve sight lines.

No action taken.

### 15. Consider and act upon line-item budget amendments:

County Auditor Alice Chapman outlined the line item budget amendments presented to the Court for consideration and approval.

Motion by Commissioner Bates to approve the line item budget amendments as presented to the Court.

Seconded by Commissioner Pargas.

Motion carried (4-0).

#### 16. Consider and act upon payment of bills:

Motion by Commissioner Bates to approve payment of bills and payroll.

Seconded by Commissioner Yeackle.

Motion carried (4-0).

### 17. Consider and act upon payroll approval:

Motion by Commissioner Bates to approve payroll.

Seconded by Commissioner Garza.

Motion carried (4-0).

#### 18. Consider and act upon approval of monthly reports:

Monthly reports on file for review in the office of the Uvalde County Clerk were presented to the Court for consideration and approval.

Motion by Commissioner Bates to approve monthly reports.

Seconded by Commissioner Pargas.

Motion carried (4-0).

### 19. Consider and act upon resolutions/proclamations:

The Court approved resolutions in honor of the memory of the following individuals:

Alan R. Carmichael, Sr. †
Alicia E. Coronado †
Adelmira DeLeon †
Doroteo Flores †
Maria Estella Gonzales †
Luis Gracia, Jr. †
Henry B. Hammer, III †
Petra Lugo †
Maybelle Paradeaux †
Refugia Talavera †
Belia Urias †

With no further business, the meeting of December 12, 2022 was adjourned. Exhibits identified under a specific agenda item are included as supporting documentation of the action taken by the Uvalde County Commissioners Court and are placed after the minutes and before the last page titled Commissioners Court Order.

### **COMMISSIONERS COURT ORDER**

On this the 9<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2023, came to be heard the Uvalde County Commissioners Court Minutes of December 12, 2022 as prepared by the Clerk of the Court.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED the foregoing be recorded and entered for record in the UVALDE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES, as required by law. (ORDER 03-12-12)

	APPROVED BY:	
		William R. Mitchell, County Judge
		John Yeackle, Commissioner Pct. #1
		Mariano Pargas, Jr., Commissioner Pct. #2
		Jerry W. Bates, Commissioner Pct. #3
		Ronnie Garza, Commissioner Pct. #4
(SEAL)		
ATTEST:		
		omero, County Clerk and the Commissioners Court Texas