Be it remembered that on this 9th, day of September, 2024 there was a Regular Meeting of the Commissioner's Court at the County Courthouse, San Diego, Duval County, Texas. With the following members present:

Arnoldo Cantu

Co. Judge

Pete A. Guerra

Co. Commissioner Pct. #1

Adalberto M. Vera

Co. Commissioner Pct. #2

Marla M. Garza

Co. Commissioner Pct. #3

Martin M. Perez

Co. Commissioner Pct. #4

Araseli B. Lichtenberger

Co. Clerk

- 1. Roll Call
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Public comment- Ted Daniels- security improvements
- 4. On a motion made by Commissioner Vera and seconded by Commissioner Perez that we approve minutes of the Regular and Public Hearing Court Meeting of August 2024. Motion carried with all members voting "Aye" and "Against" none.
- 5. On a motion made by Commissioner Vera and seconded by Commissioner Guerra that we approve payment of bills. Motion carried with all members voting "Aye" and "Against" none.
- 6. On a motion made by Commissioner Guerra and seconded by Commissioner Garza that we approve line-item transfers for Freer Civic Center in the amount of \$8000.00 from Personnel to Equipment and for Precinct 4 \$20,000.00 from personnel, \$800.00 to expenses, and \$19,200.00 to equipment. Motion carried with all members voting "Aye" and "Against" none.
- 7. On a motion made by Commissioner Perez and seconded by Commissioner Guerra that we approve the department reports. Motion carried with all members voting "Aye" and "Against" none.

- 8. On a motion made by Commissioner Vera and seconded by Commissioner Garza that we table this item, implementing and enforcing drug testing for Duval County and the Treasurer's Office is the designated office to take in drug test results. Motion carried with 3 members voting "Aye" (Guerra, Garza & Vera) and 1 "Against". (Perez)
- 9. On a motion made by Commissioner Guerra and seconded by Commissioner Perez that we approve auction proceeds of \$6,871.50 to be allocated in Precinct 1-Sand, gravel and asphalt. Motion carried with all members voting "Aye" and "Against" none.
- 10. On a motion made by Commissioner Perez and seconded by Commissioner Guerra that we approve the Audit proposal submitted by Ernesto Garza, C.P.A. for FY 2024 and FY 2025. Motion carried with all members voting "Aye" and "Against" none.
- 11. On a motion made by Commissioner Garza and seconded by Commissioner Vera that we approve authorization to issue requests for proposal for Administrative Services (RFP) and requests for qualifications for Engineering Services (RFQ) for grant pre-application (Phase II) and implementation Services for Texas Community Development Grant Program for 2025/2026 Community Development Fund (and all eligible activities per the application guidance) as administered by the Texas Department of Agriculture. Motion carried with all members voting "Aye" and "Against" none.
- 12. On a motion made by Commissioner Vera and seconded by Commissioner Perez that we table Justice of the Peace Pct. 4 fees, (traffic fines) for fiscal year 2024-25. Motion carried with all members voting "Aye" and "Against" none.
- 13. On a motion made by Commissioner Perez and seconded by Commissioner Garza that we approve an amendment to the August 12, 2019 regular minutes. Agenda line item #21, line item #16 on minutes, to rescind Duval County Personnel Policy section 706 (Law Enforcement Pay-Overtime) to 40 hours a week instead of 43 hours a week. Effective September 22, 2019. Motion carried with all members voting "Aye" and "Against" none.
- 14. On a motion made by Commissioner Perez and Commissioner Vera that we approve the Order and Notice of Election giving the dates, times, and cutoff date for ABBM (absentee ballot by mail) for the election. Motion carried with all members voting "Aye" and "Against" none.
 - a. On a motion made by Commissioner Perez and seconded by Commissioner Vera that we table action on Vista Solutions Group with an extended invoice dated for October 1, 2024. Motion carried with all members voting "Aye" and "Against" none.

- 15. On a motion made by Commissioner Garza and seconded by Commissioner Vera that we approve the allocation of ARP funds as follows:
 - a. Transfer \$8,400.00 previously allocated to Courthouse Security to Operating Expenses/Supplies.
 - b. Auditors' stipend for FY 2024-2025 Stipend \$8,000.00
 - Allocate remaining ARP funds (\$3,772.19) to Operating Expenses and suppliers.
 Motion carried with all members voting "Aye" and "Against" none.
- 16. On a motion made by Commissioner Garza and Commissioner Vera that we approve ITC Corporation Microsoft Exchange online annual subscription for five mailboxes (emails) for Auditors' office in the amount \$240.00. Motion carried with all members voting "Aye" and "Against" none.
- 17. On a motion made by Commissioner Perez and seconded by Commissioner Vera that we approve IT Contract with Ted Daniels in the amount of \$3,500.00 monthly and approval of monthly payment of \$315.30 monthly for Cloud Server charges by Hostek. Motion carried with all members voting "Aye" and "Against" none.
- 18. On a motion made by Commissioner Garza and seconded by Commissioner Guerra that we approve Memorandum of Understanding Field Agreement between U.S. Department of Agriculture, Animals, and Plant Health Inspection Service. Wildlife Service and Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service- Wildlife Services of Texas Wildlife Damage Management Association Inc. and Duval County: primarily for the Protection of crops, livestock and wildlife and the control of predatory and problems with wildlife. (\$3,200.00 monthly service from October 2024 to until termination) Motion carried with all members voting "Aye" and "Against" none.
- 19. On a motion made by Commissioner Guerra and seconded by Commissioner Perez that we approve Adult Probation Supplement of \$50,000.00 from the 2023-2024 Budget for the 2024-2025 Budget. Motion carried with all members voting "Aye" and "Against" none.
- 20. On a motion made by Commissioner Perez and seconded by Commissioner Guerra that we approve a Resolution by the Commissioners Court of Duval County, Texas providing for the Defeasance and Calling for Redemption certain currently outstanding Obligation: Directing that the County Clerk, or designee, effectuate the redemption of these Obligations; And other matter in connection therewith. Motion carried with all members voting "Aye" and "Against" none.

21. On a motion made by Commissioner Perez and seconded by Commissioner Vera that we go into Executive Session. Motion carried with all members voting "Aye" and "Against" none.

On a motion made by Commissioner Vera and seconded by Commissioner Garza that we approve four (4) separate tax abatement Agreement with Dove Run Solar Project LLC, Sun Cactus Solar Project LLC, Dove Wing Energy Center LLC, Jumping Cactus Energy Center LLC (the "Agreement") along with approving any related Orders and/or authorizing County Judge to: (1) finalize and execute such Agreement (in their current form and substance or in substantially same form and substance) on behalf of Duval County and (2) taking such other and further actions to assure compliance with Chapter 312 of the Texas Tax Code. Motion carried with all members voting "Aye" and "Against" none.

- 22. On a motion made by Commissioner Perez and seconded by Commissioner Vera that we approve invoice for legal services provided for Barbara Canales (in support County's tax abatement policies and guidelines, Court's Reinvestment Zone #1, application process for tax abatement, possible tax abatement agreements and other matter relating to possible solar generation and energy storage projects to be developed by Dove Run Solar Project LLC, Sun Cactus Solar Project, Dove Wing Energy Center LLC and Dove Jumping Cactus Energy Center LLC) related expenses incurred (2024), and thereby authorize payment to Barbara Canales for such legal services rendered and related expenses incurred by Barbara Canales. (up to \$30,000.00 and Barbara Canales to waive fees in excess of that amount) Motion carried with all members voting "Aye" and "Against" none.
- 23. On a motion made by Commissioner Garza and seconded by Commissioner Vera that we approve Duval County employees identifying all & any expenses up to \$2000.00 for Dove County costs and expenses relating to Dove Run Project LLC, Sun Cactus Solar Project LLC, Dove Wing Energy Center LLC, Jumping Cactus Energy Center LLC projects (collectively, the "Project Entities") and (1) submitting same to the Project Entities for reimbursement from the Project Entities to reimburse Duval County for such legal services rendered by Barbar Canales to Duval County (to the extent contracted for with the Project Entities, if any) (2024)

Motion carried with all members voting "Aye" and "Against" none.

- 24. On a motion made by Commissioner Perez and seconded by Commissioner Vera that we approve/ratifying the scope of engagement with Law Office of Barbara Canales to include legal services on behalf of Duval County for all matters relating to Reinvestment Zone 201-002, completion of related documentation approving extension of tax abatement in favor of Raven Petroleum until December 31, 2024, and negotiating and drafting of all related documentation for possible new Duval County tax abatement agreement in favor of Raven Petroleum for the Duval County Commissioner Court's consideration and possible approval. Motion carried with all members voting "Aye" and "Against" none.
- 25. On a motion made by Commissioner Vera and seconded by Commissioner Garza that we table action approving ratifying the execution of the Amendment to Raven Petroleum Tax Abatement Agreement previously approved in substance by the Duval County Commissioner's Court on or about July 15, 2024 in a regular public meeting: and authorizing Duval County Judge to execute same on behalf of Duval County. Motion carried with all members voting "Aye" and "Against" none.
- 26. On a motion made by Commissioner Perez and seconded by Commissioner Guerra that we approve action regarding funds from Freedom Bank CD maturity including interest (\$52048.31) in excess of EOC project costs. Commissioners voted that the total interest would be utilized for Landfill countywide and the funds in excess of EOC project would be divided between the four (4) precincts. Motion carried with all members voting "Aye" and "Against" none.
- 27. On a motion made by Commissioner Guerra and seconded by Commissioner Garza that we adopt the monthly meeting schedule of the Commissioner's Court for FY 2024-2025. Motion carried with all members voting "Aye" and "Against" none.
- 28. On a motion made by Commissioner Guerra and seconded by Commissioner Garza that we approve the Duval County yearly (Holiday) Calendar for FY 2024-2025. Motino carried with all members voting "Aye" and "Against" none.
- 29. On a motion made by Commissioner Perez and seconded by Commissioner Vera that we approve action on a contract renewal with PTS Solutions Inc. for software maintenance on Law Enforcement software packages to include, CAD, mobile, incident, courts, jail, and other PTS Software. Contract price: \$33,857.00 and paid through Technology upgrade grand and abandoned vehicle fund. Motion carried with all members voting "Aye" and "Against" none.

- 30. On a motion made by Commissioner Perez and seconded by Commissioner Garza that we approve action on a contract renewal with Turn-Key Mobile Inc. for cloud server access and database storage for six (6) License Plate Readers, Contract Price: \$3,440.00 and paid through Operation Lone Star Grant. Motion carried with all members voting "Aye" and "Against" none.
- 31. On a motion made by Commissioner Garza and seconded by Commissioner Guerra that we approve action on a contract renewal with Motorola Solutions Inc. and Cloud Storage and access to video produced from ten (10) Bodycameras and six (6) In-car video systems. Contract price: \$ 11,557.50 and paid through Operation Lone Star Grant. Motion carried with all members voting "Aye" and "Against" none.
- 32. On a motion made by Commissioner Vera and seconded by Commissioner Guerra that we adjourn meeting. Motion carried with all members voting "Aye" and "Against" none.

ATTEST: Araseli B. Lichtenberger, Duval County Clerk

David Stansell, Deputy Clerk

10-15-24

Date

Arnoldo Cantu, County Judge

Duval County, Texas