THE STATE OF TEXAS \* COMMISSIONERS’ COURT

COUNTY OF KENEDY \* OF KENEDY COUNTY, TEXAS

 On the 27th day of July, 2021, at 1:30 o'clock p.m., a special meeting of the Commissioners’ Court of Kenedy County, Texas, was held in the Kenedy County Courthouse.

 **Commissioners present:**

 Charles E. Burns, County Judge

 Joe Recio, Commissioner, Precinct No. 1

 Israel Vela, Jr., Commissioner, Precinct No. 2

 Sarita Armstrong-Hixon, Commissioner, Precinct No. 3, by phone

 Gumecinda "Cindy" Gonzales, Commissioner, Precinct No. 4

 **Also present:**

 Leo Villarreal, Administrative Assistant, by phone

 Gracie Salinas, Administrative Secretary

 Allison Strauss, County Attorney

 Cynthia Salinas, County Treasurer, by phone

 Irma Longoria, County Tax Assessor/Collector

 Jennifer Cuellar, County Treasurer’s Office, by phone

 Ramon Salinas, III, County Sheriff, by phone

 Ruben Hernandez, Maintenance Supervisor

 JP Patti Fain

 JP Cecilia Schulz

 **Absent**:

 Veronica Vela, County & District Clerk

 Jose E. Mendietta, Fire Chief

 Daniel Almeida

 Gilbert San Miguel, Sheriff’s Dept.

 Thomas Denney, Chief Appraiser

 Andy Garza, Kenedy County GCD

 **CALL TO ORDER**

 Judge Charles E. Burns called the meeting to order.

1. **Pledge of Allegiance**.

Judge Charles E. Burns led the Commissioners Court in the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. **Receive Public Comments**.

No public comments were made.

1. **Consent Agenda:**
2. **Approve Travel Expenses for Allison Strauss to Attend the Annual Criminal & Civil Law Conference in Galveston, Tx on September 20th – 24th, 2021. ($1,643.86 within budget)**

 Judge Charles E. Burns informed the Commissioners Court of the need for Allison Strauss to attend the Annual Criminal and Civil Law Conference in Galveston, Texas on September 20-24, 2021 for the cost of $1,643.85.

 Commissioner Gumecinda “Cindy” Gonzales moved and Commissioner Joe Recio seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that the Consent Agenda be approved as presented.

1. **Discuss & Act on Payment of Bills**.

 Judge Charles E. Burns presented to the Commissioners Court the bills that needed to be paid.

 Commissioner Gumecinda “Cindy” Gonzales moved and Commissioner Joe Recio seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that the bills be paid as presented.

1. **Discuss & Act on Proposed Budget**.

 The Commissioners Court, Luke Womack and Denise Rodriguez continued to work on the proposed 2022 Budget and determined that the proposed 2022 Budget be $6,174,650.65 and the proposed 2021 Tax Rate be $0.67 per $100 valuation.

 Commissioner Gumecinda “Cindy” Gonzales moved and Commissioner Joe Recio seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that the proposed 2022 Budget be $6,174,650.65 and the proposed 2021 Tax Rate be $0.67 per $100/valuation.

1. **Adjournment**.

 There being no further business to come before the Commissioners’ Court, Commissioner Sarita Armstrong-Hixon moved and Commissioner Joe Recio seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that the Kenedy County Commissioners’ Court be adjourned at 3:30 o'clock p.m.

 /s/ Charles E. Burns

 Charles E. Burns, County Judge

/s/ Veronica Vela

Veronica Vela, County Clerk