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