

MINUTES
MATAGORDA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETING
MATAGORDA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, ROOM 300
1700 SEVENTH STREET, BAY CITY, TEXAS 77414
9:30 A.M., MONDAY, AUGUST 19, 2024

Call to Order

This **Regular Session** of the Matagorda County Commissioners' Court was called to order at 9:30 A.M., Monday, August 19, 2024, in the Matagorda County Commissioner's Courtroom, located on the Third Floor, 1700 Seventh Street, Room 300, Bay City, Texas, with County Judge Seiferman presiding.

Others present were as follows: Karla Smith, Jennifer Chau, Loretta Griffin, Treassa Leadford, Meagan Ramirez, Skipper Osborne, Lisa Krobot, Doug Schoppe, Mike Reddell, Ashley Brooking, Amanda Campos, Crystal Morones, Craig Weiland, EJ Thormaehlen, Jeri Thormaehlen, Mike Ferdinand, Jessica Russell, Mike Spillers, Alexandria Longoria and Stephanie Wurtz.

1. Certification of quorum

County Judge Seiferman certified a quorum with Commissioner Cook, Commissioner Estlinbaum and Commissioner Frick. Commissioner Shimek was absent.

2. Pledge of Allegiance – Commissioner Estlinbaum

3. Texas Pledge – Commissioner Estlinbaum

4. Prayer – Commissioner Cook

5. Public Comments

This being the next item for business, no action required.

6. Consideration and possible action regarding approving Commissioner's Court Minutes for August 12, 2024

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Estlinbaum, with all others concurring, to approve Commissioner's Court Minutes for August 12, 2024. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

7. Consideration and possible action regarding contracts for the use of the Matagorda County Fairgrounds facilities

This being the next item for business, no action required.

8. Consideration and possible action to approve the Order of Election for the November 5, 2024 General Election and allow the County Judge to sign

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Cook and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to approve the Order of Election for the November 5, 2024 General Election and allow the County Judge to sign. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

9. Consideration and possible action to approve the 2025 prescription drug plan with Express Scripts effective January 1, 2025, and not approve the Bay Bridge Administrators 2025 Retiree Health Plan with Humana Group Medicare Advantage

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Estlinbaum and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to approve the 2025 prescription drug plan with Express Scripts effective January 1, 2025, and not approve the Bay Bridge Administrators 2025 Retiree Health Plan with Humana Group Medicare Advantage. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

10. Consideration and possible action to ratify a Contract Amendment with DRC Emergency Services

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Judge Seiferman and seconded by Commissioner Estlinbaum, with all others concurring, to ratify a Contract Amendment with DRC Emergency Services. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

11. Consideration and possible action to accept a contribution in the amount of \$2,000.00 from Celanese, CNA Holdings LLC for expenses toward the Matagorda County Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event to be held on October 12, 2024 and allow the County Judge to sign

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Cook, with all others concurring, to accept a contribution in the amount of \$2,000.00 from Celanese, CNA Holdings LLC for expenses toward the Matagorda County Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event to be held on October 12, 2024 and allow the County Judge to sign. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

12. Consideration and possible action to approve the Household Hazardous Waste Day Agreement between Matagorda County and Clean Harbors event to be held on October 12, 2024 and allow the County Judge to sign

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Estlinbaum and seconded by Commissioner Cook, with all others concurring, to approve the Household Hazardous Waste Day Agreement between Matagorda County and Clean Harbors event to be held on October 12, 2024 and allow the County Judge to sign. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

13. Public Hearing at 9:45 a.m. regarding the approval of the Designation of a Reinvestment Zone – Project Midfield

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Estlinbaum and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to enter into a Public Hearing at 9:46 a.m. regarding the approval of the Designation of a Reinvestment Zone – Project Midfield. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

At 9:53 a.m., motion was duly made by Commissioner Cook and seconded by Commissioner Estlinbaum, with all others concurring, to enter back into regular session of Commissioners Court. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

14. Consideration and possible action to adopt the Designation of the Project Midfield Reinvestment Zone

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Estlinbaum and seconded by Judge Seiferman, with all others concurring, to adopt the Designation of the Project Midfield Reinvestment Zone. Motion carried. Vote 2 ayes 2 nays

15. Consideration and possible action to set a Public Hearing on October 21, 2024 regarding the possible approval of a Tax Abatement Agreement with Midfield Solar and Storage, LLC and allow publication of such

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Estlinbaum and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to set a Public Hearing on October 21, 2024 regarding the possible approval of a Tax Abatement Agreement with Midfield Solar and Storage, LLC and allow publication of such. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

16. Consideration and possible action to authorize publication of an Invitation for Bid (IFB) pertaining to the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Project – Precinct #1 Constable PPV

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Judge Seiferman and seconded by Commissioner Estlinbaum, with all others concurring, to authorize publication of an Invitation for Bid (IFB) pertaining to the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Project – Precinct #1 Constable PPV. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

17. Consideration and possible action to authorize publication of an Invitation for Bid (IFB) pertaining to the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Project – Precinct #1 Equipment Purchase

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Cook and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to authorize publication of an Invitation for Bid (IFB) pertaining to the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Project – Precinct #1 Equipment Purchase. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

18. Consideration and possible action to approve a Contract Amendment No. 1 between Matagorda County and Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) related to CDBG-CV CRP Contract No. 70800001010, Food Pantry Project

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Cook and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to approve a Contract Amendment No. 1 between Matagorda County and Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) related to CDBG-CV CRP Contract No. 70800001010, Food Pantry Project. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

19. Consideration and possible action to approve Amendment #2 related to the Matagorda County Requisition and Purchase Order Policy and Procedures Manual and authorize the County Judge to sign

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Estlinbaum and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to approve Amendment #2 related to the Matagorda County Requisition and Purchase Order Policy and Procedures Manual and authorize the County Judge to sign. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

20. Consideration and possible action to approve a Contract Amendment No. 1 between Matagorda County and Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) related to CDBG-CV CRP Contract No. 7080001010, Food Pantry Project and authorize the County Judge to DocuSign

This being the next item for business, no action required.

21. Consideration and possible action to approve Invoices from the following Departments: County Judge's Office and Precinct #4

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Estlinbaum, with all others concurring, to approve Invoices from the following Departments: County Judge's Office and Precinct #4. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

22. Consideration and possible action to approve Matagorda County Treasurer's Office Monthly Report for July 2024

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Cook and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to approve Matagorda County Treasurer's Office Monthly Report for July 2024. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

23. Consideration and possible action to approve Matagorda County Treasurer's Office Monthly Investment Report for July 2024

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Cook and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to approve Matagorda County Treasurer's Office Monthly Investment Report for July 2024. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

24. Consideration and possible action to approve Payment of Bills

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Estlinbaum and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to approve Payment of Bills. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

25. Consideration and possible action to approve Line Item Transfers

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Cook, with all others concurring, to approve Line Item Transfers. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

26. Consideration and possible action to approve Emergency Amendments

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Cook and seconded by Commissioner Estlinbaum, with all others concurring, to approve Emergency Amendments. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

27. Meet in Executive Session:

Under Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code to consult with attorney(s) representing the County in an executive session concerning Real Property

Under Section 551.087 of the Texas Government Code to discuss or deliberate regarding commercial or financial information that the governmental body has received from a business prospect that the governmental body seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the territory of the governmental body and with which the governmental body is conducting economic development negotiations

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made at 10:07 a.m. by Commissioner Cook and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to meet in Executive Session:

Under Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code to consult with attorney(s) representing the County in an executive session concerning Real Property

Under Section 551.087 of the Texas Government Code to discuss or deliberate regarding commercial or financial information that the governmental body has received from a business prospect that the governmental body seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the territory of the governmental body and with which the governmental body is conducting economic development negotiations

Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

28. **Reconvene open session and consider taking action on the matters discussed in Executive Session:**

Under Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code to consult with attorney(s) representing the County in an executive session concerning Real Property

Under Section 551.087 of the Texas Government Code to discuss or deliberate regarding commercial or financial information that the governmental body has received from a business prospect that the governmental body seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the territory of the governmental body and with which the governmental body is conducting economic development negotiations

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made at 10:55 a.m. by Commissioner Cook and seconded by Commissioner Estlinbaum, with all others concurring, to Reconvene open session:

Under Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code to consult with attorney(s) representing the County in an executive session concerning Real Property

Under Section 551.087 of the Texas Government Code to discuss or deliberate regarding commercial or financial information that the governmental body has received from a business prospect that the governmental body seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the territory of the governmental body and with which the governmental body is conducting economic development negotiations

Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

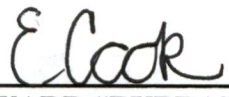
29. **Adjournment**

At approximately 10:56 a.m. Judge Seiferman adjourned the meeting.


Approved in Open Court, the 26th day of August, 2024.



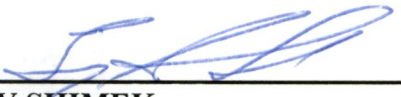
BOBBY SEIFERMAN
County Judge



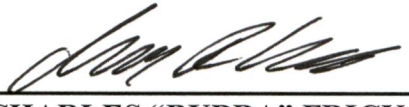
EDWARD "BUBBA" COOK
Commissioner Precinct No. One



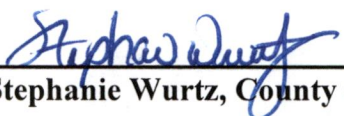
MIKE ESTLINBAUM
Commissioner Precinct No. Two



TROY SHIMEK
Commissioner Precinct No. Three



CHARLES "BUBBA" FRICK
Commissioner Precinct No. Four

ATTEST: 

Stephanie Wurtz, County Clerk

