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Zapata County Commissioners Court *CM* DEPUTY

Joseph Rathmell
County Judge

David R. Moya
Commissioner, Pct. 1

Pedro Morales
Commissioner, Pct. 2

Jose A. Solis
Commissioner, Pct. 3

Roberto Garza
Commissioner, Pct. 4

Public Notice
Regular Commissioners Court Meeting
August 25, 2025
9:00 A.M.

Zapata County Courthouse
200 E. 7th Ave, Suite 108
Zapata, Texas 78076

CALL TO ORDER BY HONORABLE JOE RATHMELL, ZAPATA COUNTY JUDGE

1. Roll Call By: Honorable Mary Jayne Villarreal-Bonoan
2. Invocation: Pastor Roger Miller, Commissioners Court Chaplain
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Communications
5. **Public Comment – This section provides the public the opportunity to address the Commissioners Court on any items on the Agenda. Members of the public wishing to participate must complete a public participation form specifying which agenda item they wish to comment on.**
6. Approval of Invoices.
[Requested by: Triunfo Gonzalez, County Auditor]
7. Approval of Checks Issued.
[Requested by: Romeo Salinas, County Treasurer]

REPORTS AND PRESENTATION

8. Presentation to Zapata County Taxing Entities presented by Linebarger Goggan Blair Sampson LLP
[Requested by: Jaime E. Gonzalez, Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson, LLP]
9. Presentation on possible Health Service expansion
[Requested by: Dr. Elbert M. Belk, Dermatologist]

DELIBERATE AND CONSIDER ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

10. To approve an order for the 2025 Constitutional Amendment Special Election for November 4, 2025.
[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]
11. To review and consider a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Zapata County and the Zapata County Independent School District Regarding the use of the Los Ebanos Golf Course
Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]
12. To close CD 26870 Zapata Co. Oil and Gas Royalty Revenues and transfer funds to account 1205285 Zapata Co. Pooled cash account.
[Requested by: Triunfo Gonzalez, County Auditor]

13. To certify the order for annual compensation for County Auditor, Assistant Auditors, and Court Reporters.

[Requested by: Triunfo Gonzalez, County Auditor]

14. To approve provision of \$400,000.00 in IGT for Laredo Medical Center for the DY14 UC Advance IGT due on August 29, 2025.

[Requested by: Triunfo Gonzalez, County Auditor]

15. To approve the purchase of Vanguard Hart voting equipment from Hart InterCivic, training; and poll pads from Knowlnk; at an initial cost of approximately \$190,944.00 which includes \$ 5,100.00 (payable directly to Knowlnk for the Pool pads) plus an ongoing annual cost of approximately \$10,410 per year to cover the annual licensing and other support fees, pursuant to applicable purchasing statutes, Texas Election Code 61.012, and S.B. 598 (this complies with the auditable paper- trail requirements for 2026 elections).

[Requested by: Mary Jayne Villarreal Bonoan, County Clerk]

16. To present an update regarding the recent generator purchase for the Zapata County Sheriff's Office 911 Communications Center. The generator was successfully installed on June 11, 2025. Following the installation, the Sheriff's Office received a reimbursement check in the amount of \$ 25,000.00 from the City of Laredo/911 Administration. The check was turned in to the Treasurer's Office for processing.

[Requested by: Sheriff Ramon E. Montes, Sheriff's Office]

17. To approve payment of \$76,679.70 to South Texas Machine Shop, Inc. for a gear box transmission for the Sewer Plant oxidation ditch Carrousel. Funds to come from the Certificate of Obligation .

[Requested by: Ralph Treviño, Water Plant Director]

18. To approve quote of \$10,720.12 for fuel samples certification.

[Requested by: Domingo Castañeda, Airport Director]

19. To approve payment for \$16,600.00 to Quick Air for the replacement of a Condenser Unit at the Zapata Community Center.

[Requested by: Laura Garza, Community Center Manager]

20. Lone Star Strategy Group to provide Zapata County with a comprehensive update on ongoing grant development and administrative work.

[Requested by: Yvette Utley, Lone Star Strategy]

21. To approve program contract between Zapata Crime Stoppers and Zapata County Commissioners' Court with an amount not to exceed \$ 25,000 as stated in Section 351.901 of the Local Government Code.

[Requested by: Leslie V. Gutierrez, Board Member]

22. To review status of Zapata Drainage project.

[Requested by: Manuel Gonzalez, Premier Engineering]

CONSENT ITEMS:

Line-item Transfers

23. To approve the following line item transfer to meet departmental needs.

	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>LINE ITEM</u>	<u>FUND</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
FROM	Commissioner Pct. 3	015-423-42700	Road Construction	\$7,200.00
TO	Commissioner Pct. 3	015-423-42620	Fuel Lubricant	\$7,200.00
FROM	Commissioner Pct. 3	010-423-43580	Travel & Training	\$1,684.72
TO	Commissioner Pct. 3	010-423-42610	General Supplies	\$1,684.72

[Requested by: Jose A. Solis, Commissioner Pct. 3]

24. To approve the following line item transfer to meet departmental needs.

	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>LINE ITEM</u>	<u>FUND</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
FROM	Zapata Community Center	010-518-42610	General Supplies	\$200.00
TO	Zapata Community Center	010-518-41270	Clothing Allowance	\$200.00

[Requested by: Laura Garza, Community Center]

25. To approve the following line item transfer to meet departmental needs.

	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>LINE ITEM</u>	<u>FUND</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
FROM	Indigent Health Care	010-640-33540	Rentals(HIS software)	\$225.00
TO	Indigent Health Care	010-640-43580	Travel & Training	\$225.00

[Requested by: Patricia A. Gonzalez, Indigent Director]

26. To approve the following line item transfer to meet departmental needs.

	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>LINE ITEM</u>	<u>FUND</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
FROM	Adult Probation	010-572-42610	General Supplies	\$400.00
TO	Adult Probation	010-572-43430	Repairs & Maintance	\$400.00

[Requested by: Monica Benavidez, Adult Probation]

27. To approve the following line item transfer to meet departmental needs

	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>LINE ITEM</u>	<u>FUND</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
FROM	County Judge	010-400-43580	Travel & Training	\$1,000.00
TO	County Judge	010-400-42610	General Supplies	\$1,000.00
FROM	County Judge	010-400-42618	Postage/ Freight	\$1,000.00
TO	County Judge	010-400-42610	General Supplies	\$1,000.00

[Requested by: Roxana Elizondo, County Judge's Office]

RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS:

28. Proclamation on Attendance Matters

[Requested by: Irma Guerra, Zapata County Independent School District]

Note 1 Gov't Code Ann 551.071, Consultation with Attorney

Note 2 Gov't Code Ann 551.072, Real Property

Note 3 Gov't Code Ann 551.074, Personnel Matters

Note 4 Gov't Code Ann 551.076, Security

The Commissioners Court will consider the following items in Executive Session. The Commissioners Court may also consider any other matter posted on the agenda if there are issues that require consideration in Executive Session and the Commissioners Court announces that the item will be considered during Executive Session.

ADJOURN

Pursuant to the authority granted under Government Code, Chapter 551, the Commissioners Court may convene a closed session to discuss any of the above agenda items. Immediately before any closed session, the specific section or sections of Government Code, Chap. 551 that provide statutory authority will be announced.

DATED THIS 22nd DAY OF August, 2025

HONORABLE JOSEPH RATHMELL, COUNTY JUDGE, ZAPATA COUNTY, TEXAS

By: _____

Monica Alanis

Agenda Coordinator

CERTIFICATION OF NOTICE AND POSTING

I, the undersigned, County Clerk, do hereby certify that the above notice of meeting of the Zapata County Commissioners Court, is a true and correct copy of said notice, and that I posted a true and correct copy of said notice on the bulletin board at the Courthouse of Zapata County, Texas, at a place readily accessible to the general public at all times on the 22nd day of August, 2025 and said notice remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting.

DATED THIS 22nd DAY OF August, 2025.

MARY JAYNE VILLARREAL-BONOAN, COUNTY CLERK, ZAPATA COUNTY, TEXAS

BY: _____

Mary Jayne Villarreal-Bonoan, Deputy

