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# Zapata County Commissioners Court BY

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 May 12, 2025 9:00 A.M.

Zapata County Courthouse 200 E. 7<sup>th</sup> 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: Doctor 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 Treasurer's Report.

[Requested by: Romeo Salinas, County Treasurer]

8. Approval of Checks Issued.

[Requested by: Romeo Salinas, County Treasurer]

9. Tax Assessor/Collector's Departmental Report

[Requested by: Delia Mendoza, Tax Assessor/Collector]

#### REPORTS AND PRESENTATION

10. Presentation on Fiber2Go

[Requested by: David Moya, Commissioner, Pct. 1]

11. Presentation on the Mental Health First Aid Kit

[Requested by: Kristal D. Cantu, Border Region Behavioral Health Center]

#### **DELIBERATE AND CONSIDER ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:**

12. To approve a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Zapata County and SCAN Serving Children and Adults In Need, Inc.

[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]

13. To discuss and take action on Fiber2Go (MOU) and submit application for Broadband Equity, Access and Deployment program (BEAD) (Fiber Optic)

[Requested by: David Moya, Commissioner Pct. 1]

- 14. To pay overtime to Road & Bridge employees for the Los Ebanos Walking Trail project in Pct. 3

  [Requested by: David Moya, Commissioner Pct. 1]
- 15. To purchase a Wi-Fi router or Starlink for the Falcon Nutrition Center and San Ygnacio for the use of Time Keeping system.

[Requested by: David Moya, Commissioner Pct. 1]

- 16. To approve the use of the Zapata County Pavilion for the 8<sup>th</sup> grade Banquet on May 28, 2025. [Requested by: Pedro Morales, Commissioner Pct. 2]
- 17. Update on TxDOT safe roads for all grant application status

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

18. To adopt a Comprehensive Safety Action Plan.

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

19. To approve a six month agreement with Lone Star Strategy Group to assist with the administration of Sheriff's Office grants and other grant applications.

[Requested by: Sheriff Ramon Montes, County Sheriff]

20. Discussion, consideration, and possible action to authorize the Zapata County Judge's Office to solicit Requests for Proposals (RFPs) for grant development services.

[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]

21. Discussion, consideration, and possible action to authorize the Zapata County Judge to solicit Requests for Qualifications (RFQs) for engineering services.

[Requested by: Honorable Joseph Rathmell, County Judge]

- 22. To renew the Zapata County Airport Liability Insurance for 2025-2026
  [Requested by: Nellie Treviño, HR Director]
- 23. To accept the resignation of Manuel Martinez from slot 3 Custodian/Maintenance, Department

[Requested by: Dioni Hernandez, Maintenance Director]

24. To hire Ramiro Benavides for slot #2 at \$10.48/hour as Custodian/Maintenance for Department 516, effective May 12, 2025 with salary set at \$21,800.00

[Requested by: Dioni Hernandez, Maintenance Director]

25. Request to pay invoices for wastewater liftstation pumps and control panels from Odessa Pumps & Equipment, Sable Pumps, and Martinez Electrical Services in the amount of \$37,559.88 from the Certificate of Obligation.

[Requested by: Ralph Treviño, WaterPlant Director]

26. To request the use of the Zapata County Pavilion and outdoor Pavilion across the street on May 14, 2025 for Zapata County Youth Ag Day Event is hosted by Texas A& M Agrilife Extension and Zapata County 4-H

[Requested by: Jesse Rodriguez, Agrilife Extension]

27. To request the use of the Zapata County Community Center on May 14, 2025 for our annual Mental Health Awareness Month Event.

[Requested by: Sandra Maldonado, Border Region]

28. To request the use of the Fairgrounds Open Pavilion or the Falcon Lake Boat Ramp for the Exotic Racing Event.

[Requested by: Juan Angel Elicerio, Exotic Racing]

29. To consider payment of invoice #3 in the amount of \$7,500.00 to Carlos Colina-Vargas & Associates for work done on the Miraflores Park Project

[Requested by: Carlos Colina- Vargas, Consultant]

30. To review status and progress on Drainage Project.

[Requested by: Manuel Gonzalez, Jr., Premier Engineering]

31. To review status and progress on Booster Station

[Requested by: Manuel Gonzalez, Jr., Premier Engineering]

32. To review status and progress on Raw Water Intake

[Requested by: Manuel Gonzalez, Jr., Premier Engineering]

33. To review status and progress on Los Ebanos status

[Requested by: Manuel Gonzalez, Jr., Premier Engineering]

34. To review Roping Arena and award architectural services RFQ

[Requested by: Manuel Gonzalez, Jr., Premier Engineering]

35. To review status of the boat ramp project.

[Requested by: Manuel Gonzalez, Jr., Premier Engineering]

36. To discuss personnel concerns.

[Requested by: David Moya, Commissioner Pct. 1]

37. Update on resolution of David Moya V. Zapata County et al, Cause No. C. A. No.5:22-CV-00117; Southern District of Texas- Laredo Division.

[Requested by: Robert L. Drinkard Denton, Navarro, Rodriguez, Bernal, Santee & Zech, P.C.]

#### **CONSENT ITEMS:**

#### Line-item Transfers

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

	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	LINE ITEM	<u>FUND</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
FROM	Texas A&M Agrilife Ext.	10-665-42610	General Supplies	\$700.00
ТО	Texas A&M Agrilife Ext.	10-665-43580	Travel & Training	\$700.00

[Requested by: Jesus F. Rodriguez, Agrilife Ext.]

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

	DEPARTMENT	LINE ITEM	<u>FUND</u>	AMOUNT
FROM	Zapata Water Plant	080-600-43617	Chlorine & Chemicals	\$25,000.00
ТО	Zapata Water Plant	080-600-43430	Repairs & Maintenance	\$25,000.00
FROM	Zapata Water Plant	080-600-43440	Rentals	\$3,400.00
ТО	Zapata Water Plant	080-600-43530	Repairs & Maintenance	\$3,400.00

[Requested by: Ralph Treviño, WaterPlant Director]

## Honorable, David Moya Commissioner Pct. 1

- 40. To approve the following street light.
  - a. 1102 U.S HWY 83

#### Honorable, Jose A. Solis Commissioner Pct. 3

- 41. To approve the following street light.
  - a. 1109 Kennedy Street

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.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

42. To discuss personnel Concerns. [Executive Session is requested pursuant to Texas Government Code Title 5, Sub Chapter D, Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney).]

[Requested by: David Moya, Commissioner Pct. 1]

43. Update on resolution of David Moya V. Zapata County et al, Cause No. C. A. No.5:22-CV-00117; Southern District of Texas- Laredo Division. .[Executive Session is requested pursuant to Texas Government Code Title 5, Sub Chapter D, Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney).]

[Requested by: Robert L. Drinkard Denton, Navarro, Rodriguez, Bernal, Santee & Zech, P.C.]

#### **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 9th DAY OF May, 2025

HONORABLE JOSEPH RATHMELL, COUNTY JUDGE, ZAPATA COUNTY, TEXAS

**Monica Alanis** 

**Agenda Administrator** 

By: Monica Alamo

#### **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 <a href="9th">9th</a> day of <a href="May, 2025">May, 2025</a> and said notice remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting.

DATED THIS 9th DAY OF May, 2025.

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

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