

Ector County Commissioners' Court

August 19, 2025

10:00 AM

Commissioners' Courtroom, Ector County Administration Building Annex, 1010 E. 8th St., Odessa, Texas

CALL TO ORDER- Judge Dustin Fawcett **INVOCATION**- Commissioner Billy Hall

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE- United States and Texas

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS/REQUESTS/RESOLUTIONS

1. Public Participation/Comments, Shelby Rigtrup- Public Information Officer:

To receive public comments on non-agenda related items.

2. Recognition, Mike Griffis- Sheriff:

To consider, discuss, and take any necessary action to recognize Marina Lujan for her decisive response to a life-threatening situation that resulted in saving a life on November 2nd, 2024. She was awarded the Director's Award by the Texas Department of Public Safety for her immediate response in assisting State Troopers.

3. Donation, Howard Marks- Library Director:

To consider, discuss, and take any necessary action to *approve* a \$125.00 gift card donation from Market Street to the Ector County Library.

4. Library Card Sign-Up Month, Howard Marks- Library Director:

To consider, discuss, and take any necessary action regarding the Ector County Library holding the month of September as the official *Library Card Sign-Up Month*, which the American Library Association (ALA) has been holding since 1987, to ensure every child in Ector County has their own library card.

5. 2025-2026 Proposed Tax Rate, Shelby Rigtrup- Public Information Officer:

To consider, discuss, and take any necessary action regarding the 2025-2026 Proposed Tax Rate, and authorize the County Judge, and any other necessary party, to sign all documents associated with this agenda item.

6. Public Hearing Scheduling: 2025-2026 Tax Rate, Shelby Rigtrup- Public Information Officer:

To consider, discuss, and take any necessary action to schedule the *public hearing* for the 2025-2026 Tax Rate at the regularly scheduled Commissioners' Court meeting on September 9th, 2025, at 10:00AM, and authorize the County Judge, and any other necessary party, to sign all documents associated with this agenda item.

7. Public Hearing Scheduling: 2025-2026 Budget, Shelby Rigtrup- Public Information Officer:

To consider, discuss, and take any necessary action to schedule the *public hearing* for the 2025-2026 Budget at the regularly scheduled Commissioners' Court meeting on September 9th, 2025, at 10:00AM, and authorize the County Judge, and any other necessary party, to sign all documents associated with this agenda item.

8. Courthouse Design Discussion, Dustin Fawcett- Ector County Judge:

To consider, discuss, and take any necessary action regarding the design of the *Ector County Courthouse* as it relates to multiple departments and Elected Officials.

CONTRACTS/AGREEMENTS/GRANTS

9. 2025 ILL Reimbursement Program, Howard Marks- Library Director:

To consider, discuss, and take any necessary action to *approve* the Ector County Library to receive funds through a *reimbursement award* with the *Texas State Library and Archives Commission Interlibrary Loan (ILL) Lending Reimbursement Program* for 2025 in the amount of \$2,088.00, and authorize the County Judge, and any other necessary party, to sign all documents associated with this agenda item.

10. Intergovernmental Agreement, Mike Griffis- Sheriff:

To consider, discuss, and take any necessary action to *approve* an *Intergovernmental Agreement* by and between Ector County, Texas, and Winkler County, Texas, to house inmates at \$80.00/day per inmate, and authorize the County Judge, and any other necessary party, to sign all documents associated with this agenda item.

11. Unimproved Property Contract, John Henderson- Commissioners' Court Attorney/Grant Writer:

To consider, discuss, and take any necessary action to *approve* an *Unimproved Property Contract* by and between Ector County, Texas, and Claude Everett Jr., regarding the corner of 16th Street and Tripp Avenue, and authorize the County Judge, and any other necessary party, to sign all documents associated with this agenda item.

12. Unimproved Property Contract, John Henderson- Commissioners' Court Attorney/Grant Writer:

To consider, discuss, and take any necessary action to approve an *Unimproved Property Contract* by and between Ector County, Texas, and Claude Everett Jr., regarding the western portion of 3rd Street and Tripp Avenue (intersection), and authorize the County Judge, and any other necessary party, to sign all documents associated with this agenda item.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

13. Legal Matters, Sam Brijalba- H.R. Safety/Risk Coordinator:

To consider, discuss, and take any necessary action regarding *legal matters* pursuant to Title 5, Chapter 551, Section 551.071, Texas Government Code, in relation to a *General Liability Claim* regarding an employee's personal auto- vehicle sustaining paint damage due to excrement which leaked from the covered parking ceiling at Ector County Courthouse on Friday, July 11th, 2025, and authorize the County Judge, and any other necessary party, to sign all documents associated with this agenda item; the employee has secured 3 estimates from local body shops.

14. Legal Matters, Julie Prentice- County Attorney:

To consider, discuss, and take any necessary action regarding *legal matters* pursuant to Title 5, Chapter 551, Section 551.071, Texas Government Code, in relation to *Opioid Litigation*, and authorize the County Judge, and any other necessary party, to sign all documents associated with this agenda item.

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Posted on August 14, 2025 At 04:28 PM

Marco Doninguez

Deputy Ector County Clerk

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Dustin Fawcett Ector County Judge

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