

On this the 1st day of August, 2022, at 9:00 A.M. came on to be held a **PUBLIC/BUDGET** meeting of the Ector County Commissioners' Court in the Commissioners' Courtroom, Ector County Administration Building Annex, 1010 E. 8th St., Odessa, Texas with the following members present:

Debi Hays, County Judge
Mike Gardner, Commissioner Precinct #1
Greg Simmons, Commissioner Precinct #2
Don Stringer, Commissioner Precinct #3
Armando Rodriguez, Commissioner Precinct #4
Minutes taken by Jennifer Martin, County Clerk

when the following proceedings were had to-wit:

County Judge Debi Hays called the meeting to order at 12:07 A. M. with a quorum of the court present. The invocation was led by Commissioner Simmons. Commissioner Stringer led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag and the Texas Flag.

BUDGET MEETINGS:

1. To consider, discuss, review, and take any necessary action regarding the Proposed 2022-2023 Budget for all Ector County Elected Officials and County Departments including any adjustments incident thereto. The court will be available to consider tabled items, policy matters and long-range planning. The meeting will recess and reconvene as necessary in order to consider all matters incident to the budget.

Debi Hays – County Judge

JUVENILE PROBATION #440

After discussion it was determined that budget for Juvenile Probation would be considered after the Juvenile Board Meeting to set the salaries.

SENIOR CITIZEN CENTERS #630

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve as presented; a second was made by Commissioner Stringer. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

✓ Judge Hays
✓ Commissioner Gardner ✓ Commissioner Stringer
✓ Commissioner Simmons ✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

BUILDING MAINTENANCE #710

A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to increase the starting pay for the carpenter/painter position to \$18.82 making step 5 the new step 1; Commissioner Gardner seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

✓ Judge Hays
✓ Commissioner Gardner ✓ Commissioner Stringer
✓ Commissioner Simmons ✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve the proposed budget with the following changes:

- 5283 Software Maintenance Contracts to \$34,527
- 5286 Alarm Service Contract \$1,200
- 5510 Major Building Projects \$150,000
- 5352 Electricity \$625,000
- 5353 Natural Gas \$200,000
- 5354 Water, Sewer and Trash Expense \$250,000

A second was made by Commissioner Gardner. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

- ✓ Judge Hays
- ✓ Commissioner Gardner
- ✓ Commissioner Simmons
- ✓ Commissioner Stringer
- ✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

PARKS #660

A motion was made by Commissioner Gardner to approve as presented; Commissioner Simmons seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

- ✓ Judge Hays
- ✓ Commissioner Gardner
- ✓ Commissioner Simmons
- ✓ Commissioner Stringer
- ✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

AIRPORT #042-870

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve as presented with the following changes:

- 5171 Office Supplies \$0
- 5193 Postage \$0
- 5243 Electrical Materials and Supplies \$0
- 5309 Contract Services \$100,000
- 5509 Improvements and Construction \$305,000

A second was made by Commissioner Stringer. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

- ✓ Judge Hays
- ✓ Commissioner Gardner
- ✓ Commissioner Simmons
- ✓ Commissioner Stringer
- ✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

A motion was made by Commissioner Stringer with a second by Commissioner Rodriguez to take a ten minute break. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

- ✓ Judge Hays
- ✓ Commissioner Gardner
- ✓ Commissioner Simmons
- ✓ Commissioner Stringer
- ✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

COLISEUM #041-860 AND COLISEUM CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT #043-860

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve fund #041 as presented with the following changes and to approve fund #043 as presented:

- 5391 Equipment Rental \$10,000
- 5352 Electricity \$240,000
- 5353 Natural Gas \$60,000

A second was made by Commissioner Gardner. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

- ✓ Judge Hays
- ✓ Commissioner Gardner
- ✓ Commissioner Stringer

✓ Commissioner Simmons

✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

TAX ASSESSOR #280

A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to approve as presented; Commissioner Gardner seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

✓ Judge Hays

✓ Commissioner Gardner

✓ Commissioner Simmons

✓ Commissioner Stringer

✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

446TH DISTRICT COURT #100

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve with the following change:

5199 Departmental Furniture and Equipment \$2,500

A second was made by Commissioner Stringer. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

✓ Judge Hays

✓ Commissioner Gardner

✓ Commissioner Simmons

✓ Commissioner Stringer

✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

CEMETERY #720

A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to approve with the following changes:

5189 Botanical Supplies \$12,000

5248 Grounds Maintenance Supplies \$13,000

5505 Motor Vehicle Equipment \$0

Commissioner Stringer seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

✓ Judge Hays

✓ Commissioner Gardner

✓ Commissioner Simmons

✓ Commissioner Stringer

✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

Commissioner Stringer left the meeting at 4:29 P.M.

Commissioner Gardner made a motion to create a Planning and Development Department; a second was made by Commissioner Simmons. **MOTION PASSED. 4-0**

Voting for Motion:

✓ Judge Hays

✓ Commissioner Simmons

✓ Commissioner Gardner

✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

ROAD MAINTENANCE #002-810

A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to make the following reclassifications:

Heavy Equipment Operator I Step 1 pay to \$23.54

Heavy Equipment Operator II Step 1 pay to \$25.01

Heavy Equipment Operator III Step 1 pay to \$26.88

Commissioner Rodriguez seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED. 4-0**

Voting for Motion:

✓ Judge Hays

✓ Commissioner Simmons

✓ Commissioner Gardner

✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

Commissioner Simmons amended his motion for the reclassifications to be effective immediately; Commissioner Rodriguez amended his second. **MOTION PASSED. 4-0**

Voting for Motion:

<u>✓</u> Judge Hays	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez

A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to approve the proposed budget with the following changes:

5171 Uniform Supplies \$48,000

5353 Natural Gas \$0

Commissioner Gardner seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED. 4-0**

Voting for Motion:

<u>✓</u> Judge Hays	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez

ENGINEERING #002-820

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve with change to line item #5301 Engineer/Professional Service changed to \$500,000; a second was made by Commissioner Gardner. **MOTION PASSED. 4-0**

Voting for Motion:

<u>✓</u> Judge Hays	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez

TRAFFIC OPERATIONS #002-830

A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to approve as presented; Commissioner Gardner seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED. 4-0**

Voting for Motion:

<u>✓</u> Judge Hays	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez

ROAD MAINTENANCE #005-810

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve as presented; a second was made by Commissioner Gardner. **MOTION PASSED. 4-0**

Voting for Motion:

<u>✓</u> Judge Hays	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez

TRAFFIC OPERATIONS #005-830

A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to approve as presented; Commissioner Gardner seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED. 4-0**

Voting for Motion:

<u>✓</u> Judge Hays	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez

EQUIPMENT SERVICES #051-770

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve as presented with the change to line item #5309 Contract Services to \$1,375,000; a second was made by Commissioner Gardner.

MOTION PASSED. 4-0

Voting for Motion:

<u>✓</u> Judge Hays	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT #005-025

A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to approve as presented with the addition of line item #5507 Special Department Equipment with a budget of \$21,000 for the purchase of three (3) CAD machines; Commissioner Gardner seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED. 4-0**

Voting for Motion:

<u>✓</u> Judge Hays	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez

6:10 P.M. break/return at 6:14 P.M.

Commissioner Simmons amended his motion for the Building Maintenance painter/contractor reclassification to be effective immediately; Commissioner Gardner amended his second.

MOTION PASSED. 4-0

Voting for Motion:

<u>✓</u> Judge Hays	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez

COUNTY COURT #010

A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to approve as presented; Commissioner Gardner seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED. 4-0**

Voting for Motion:

<u>✓</u> Judge Hays	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez

COMMISSIONER COURT #020

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve as presented with the addition of a secretary position with pay starting up to a step 3; a second was made by Commissioner Gardner.

MOTION PASSED. 4-0

Voting for Motion:

<u>✓</u> Judge Hays	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez

COMMISSIONER PCT. 1# 021, PCT.2 #022, PCT. 3 #023, PCT.4 #024

A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to approve all four Commissioner Precincts as presented; Commissioner Gardner seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED. 4-0**

Voting for Motion:

<u>✓</u> Judge Hays	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez

6:32 P.M.

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to recess until August 2nd at 9:00 A.M.; a second was made by Commissioner Gardner. **MOTION PASSED. 4-0**

Voting for Motion:

<u>✓</u> Judge Hays	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez

A motion to reconvene was made by Commissioner Simmons at 9:00 A.M.; Commissioner Stringer seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

<u>✓</u> Judge Hays	
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Stringer
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez

SHERIFF #360

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve as presented with the change to line item #5250 Radio Repairs and Maintenance; a second was made by Commissioner Gardner.

MOTION PASSED. 5-0

Voting for Motion:

<u>✓</u> Judge Hays	
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Stringer
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez

JAIL #420

A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to approve as presented; Commissioner Gardner seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

<u>✓</u> Judge Hays	
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Stringer
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez

JAIL MEDICAL #421

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve as presented with line item #5309 Contract Services changed to \$220,000; a second was made by Commissioner Stringer.

MOTION PASSED. 5-0

Voting for Motion:

<u>✓</u> Judge Hays	
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Stringer
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez

SHERIFF'S OFFICE – SALES TAX DISTRICT #005-360

A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons with a new secretary position to be added with a starting pay at step 3; Commissioner Gardner seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

<u>✓</u> Judge Hays	
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Stringer
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez

ANIMAL CONTROL – SALES TAX DISTRICT #005-361

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve as presented; a second was made by Commissioner Stringer. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

<u>✓</u> Judge Hays	
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Stringer
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez

JAIL – SALES TAX DISTRICT #005-420

A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to approve as presented. Commissioner Gardner seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED. 4-0**

Voting for Motion:

✓ Commissioner Gardner ✓ Commissioner Stringer
✓ Commissioner Simmons ✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

Judge Hays was out of the room for the vote.

JAIL MEDICAL – SALES TAX DISTRICT #005-421

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve as presented; a second was made by Commissioner Stringer. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

✓ Judge Hays
✓ Commissioner Gardner ✓ Commissioner Stringer
✓ Commissioner Simmons ✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

COURTHOUSE SECURITY #017-220

A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to approve as presented; Commissioner Stringer seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

✓ Judge Hays
✓ Commissioner Gardner ✓ Commissioner Stringer
✓ Commissioner Simmons ✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

Break at 10:21 A.M. – return at 10:32 A.M.

COUNTY CLERK #160

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve as presented; a second was made by Commissioner Stringer. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

✓ Judge Hays
✓ Commissioner Gardner ✓ Commissioner Stringer
✓ Commissioner Simmons ✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

COUNTY CLERK RECORD MANAGEMENT & PRESERVATION #014-160

A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to approve as presented; Commissioner Stringer seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

✓ Judge Hays
✓ Commissioner Gardner ✓ Commissioner Stringer
✓ Commissioner Simmons ✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

COUNTY CLERK RECORD MANAGEMENT & PRESERVATION #015-160

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve as presented; a second was made by Commissioner Stringer. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

✓ Judge Hays
✓ Commissioner Gardner ✓ Commissioner Stringer
✓ Commissioner Simmons ✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

COUNTY CLERK RECORD ARCHIVE FUND #023-160

A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to approve as presented; Commissioner Stringer seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

✓ Judge Hays
✓ Commissioner Gardner ✓ Commissioner Stringer
✓ Commissioner Simmons ✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

DISTRICT CLERK #110

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve as presented; a second was made by Commissioner Gardner. **MOTION PASSED. 4-1**

Voting for Motion:

✓ Judge Hays ✓ Commissioner Gardner
✓ Commissioner Simmons ✓ Commissioner Stringer

Voting Against Motion:

✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

DISTRICT CLERK RECORD MANAGEMENT & PRESERVATION #014-110

A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to approve as presented; Commissioner Gardner seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

✓ Judge Hays
✓ Commissioner Gardner ✓ Commissioner Stringer
✓ Commissioner Simmons ✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

DISTRICT CLERK RECORD MANAGEMENT & PRESERVATION #022-110

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve \$40,000; a second was made by Commissioner Stringer. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

✓ Judge Hays
✓ Commissioner Gardner ✓ Commissioner Stringer
✓ Commissioner Simmons ✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

DISTRICT CLERK RECORD ARCHIVE FUND #024-110

A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to approve \$40,000; Commissioner Stringer seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

✓ Judge Hays
✓ Commissioner Gardner ✓ Commissioner Stringer
✓ Commissioner Simmons ✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

JURY #210

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve as presented with line item #5309 Contract Services changed to \$80,000; a second was made by Commissioner Gardner.

MOTION PASSED. 5-0

Voting for Motion:

✓ Judge Hays
✓ Commissioner Gardner ✓ Commissioner Stringer
✓ Commissioner Simmons ✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to break for lunch until 1:30 p.m. with a second by Commissioner Stringer. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

✓ Judge Hays
✓ Commissioner Gardner
✓ Commissioner Simmons

✓ Commissioner Stringer
✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

Commissioner Gardner made a motion to reconvene with a second by Commissioner Simmons.

MOTION PASSED. 4-0

Voting for Motion:

✓ Judge Hays
✓ Commissioner Simmons

✓ Commissioner Gardner
✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

Commissioner Stringer did not return.

DISTRICT CLERK #110

A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to have the subscriptions to the court portal run based on a calendar year rather than a fiscal year effective immediately; Commissioner Gardner seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED. 4-0**

Voting for Motion:

✓ Judge Hays
✓ Commissioner Simmons

✓ Commissioner Gardner
✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

70th DISTRICT COURT #060

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve as presented with line item #5161 Educational and Travel Expense changed to \$3,500; a second was made by Commissioner Gardner. **MOTION PASSED. 4-0**

Voting for Motion:

✓ Judge Hays
✓ Commissioner Simmons

✓ Commissioner Gardner
✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

161ST DISTRICT COURT #070

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve as presented with line item #5161 Educational and Travel Expense changed to \$3,500; a second was made by Commissioner Gardner. **MOTION PASSED. 4-0**

Voting for Motion:

✓ Judge Hays
✓ Commissioner Simmons

✓ Commissioner Gardner
✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

244th DISTRICT COURT #080

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve as presented with line item #5161 Educational and Travel Expense changed to \$3,500; a second was made by Commissioner Gardner. **MOTION PASSED. 4-0**

Voting for Motion:

✓ Judge Hays
✓ Commissioner Simmons

✓ Commissioner Gardner
✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

358TH DISTRICT COURT

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve as presented with line item #5161 Educational and Travel Expense changed to \$3,500; a second was made by Commissioner Gardner. **MOTION PASSED. 4-0**

Voting for Motion:

<u>✓</u> Judge Hays	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez

COUNTY COURT AT LAW #2 #150

A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to approve as presented with line item #5161 Educational and Travel Expense changed to \$2,000; Commissioner Gardner seconded the motion. Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve as presented with line item #5161 Educational and Travel Expense changed to \$3,500; a second was made by Commissioner Gardner. **MOTION PASSED. 4-0**

Voting for Motion:

<u>✓</u> Judge Hays	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez

TREASURER #270

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve as presented with line item #5161 Educational and Travel Expense changed to \$3,800, line item #5171 Office Supplies changed to \$3,000 and line item #5193 Postage changed to \$5,000; a second was made by Commissioner Gardner. Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve as presented with line item #5161 Educational and Travel Expense changed to \$3,500; a second was made by Commissioner Gardner. **MOTION PASSED. 4-0**

Voting for Motion:

<u>✓</u> Judge Hays	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez

NON-DEPARTMENTAL JUDICIAL #220

A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to approve as presented; Commissioner Gardner seconded the motion. Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve as presented with line item #5161 Educational and Travel Expense changed to \$3,500; a second was made by Commissioner Gardner. **MOTION PASSED. 4-0**

Voting for Motion:

<u>✓</u> Judge Hays	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez

AUDITOR #260

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to set step 1 for Internal Auditor at \$24.32 effective immediately; a second was made by Commissioner Gardner. Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve as presented with line item #5161 Educational and Travel Expense changed to \$3,500; a second was made by Commissioner Gardner. **MOTION PASSED. 4-0**

Voting for Motion:

<u>✓</u> Judge Hays	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez

A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to approve as presented; Commissioner Gardner seconded the motion. Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve as presented with line item #5161 Educational and Travel Expense changed to \$3,500; a second was made by Commissioner Gardner. **MOTION PASSED. 4-0**

Voting for Motion:

<u>✓</u> Judge Hays	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez

NON-DEPARTMENTAL FINANCIAL #320

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve as presented; a second was made by Commissioner Gardner. **MOTION PASSED. 4-0**

Voting for Motion:

<u>✓</u> Judge Hays	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT #330

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve as presented; a second was made by Commissioner Gardner. **MOTION PASSED. 4-0**

Voting for Motion:

<u>✓</u> Judge Hays	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez

CONSTABLES #390

A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to approve as presented excluding the COLA; Commissioner Gardner seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED. 4-0**

Voting for Motion:

<u>✓</u> Judge Hays	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez

COUNTY COURT AT LAW #140

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve as presented with the addition of the \$3,000 Juvenile Court stipend; a second was made by Commissioner Gardner. **MOTION PASSED. 4-0**

Voting for Motion:

<u>✓</u> Judge Hays	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez

HEALTH DEPARTMENT #470

A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to approve as presented with the auto allowances being reduced \$14,400 due to the purchase of two new vehicles and line item #5398 Grantee Contribution reduced to \$35,000; Judge Hays seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED. 4-0**

Voting for Motion:

<u>✓</u> Judge Hays	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez

At 3:03 P.M., Judge Hays made a motion for a 10 minute break with a second by Commissioner Gardner. **MOTION PASSED. 4-0**

Voting for Motion:

<u>✓</u> Judge Hays	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez

ENVIRONMENTAL ENFORCEMENT #005-471

Commissioner Gardner made a motion to approve as presented with Code Enforcement Officer being changed to Criminal Investigator at step 9; a second was made by Commissioner Rodriguez. **MOTION FAILED. 2-3**

Voting for Motion:

✓ Commissioner Gardner ✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

Voting Against Motion:

✓ Judge Hays ✓ Commissioner Simmons
✓ Commissioner Stringer

A motion was made by Commissioner to approve as presented; Commissioner Stringer seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED. 3-2**

Voting for Motion:

✓ Judge Hays ✓ Commissioner Stringer
✓ Commissioner Simmons

Voting Against Motion:

✓ Commissioner Gardner ✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT #890

Commissioner Stringer made a motion to approve as presented; a second was made by Commissioner Gardner. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

✓ Judge Hays
✓ Commissioner Gardner ✓ Commissioner Stringer
✓ Commissioner Simmons ✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

At 10:20 a.m. Commissioner Stringer made a motion to take a 10 minute break.

MEDICAL EXAMINER #215

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve as presented with the following changes:

Line item #5162 Transport Expense changed to \$140,000

Line item #5305 Autopsy Services changed to \$325,000

Line item #5308 Laboratory Services changed to \$14,000

Allowed to hire a new investigator at a step 6 and raise on non-certified investigator 2 steps instead of one. A second was made by Commissioner Stringer. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

✓ Judge Hays
✓ Commissioner Gardner ✓ Commissioner Stringer
✓ Commissioner Simmons ✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

HUMAN RESOURCES #030

A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to approve as presented; Commissioner Stringer seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

✓ Judge Hays
✓ Commissioner Gardner ✓ Commissioner Stringer
✓ Commissioner Simmons ✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to pay COLA on November 4th, 2022 and longevity the first pay day in December - Must be employed by September 30th in order to receive COLA; a second was made by Judge Hays. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

<u>✓</u> Judge Hays	
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Stringer
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez

HEALTH BENEFITS #052-960

A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to approve as presented with line item #5304 Independent Audit Services change to -0-; Commissioner Gardner seconded the motion.

MOTION PASSED. 5-0

Voting for Motion:

<u>✓</u> Judge Hays	
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Stringer
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez

HEALTH BENEFITS FUND WELLNESS CLINIC #052-961

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve as presented; a second was made by Commissioner Gardner. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

<u>✓</u> Judge Hays	
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Stringer
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez

SELF FUNDED LIABILITY #032-960

A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to approve as presented; Commissioner Stringer seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

<u>✓</u> Judge Hays	
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Stringer
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE PCT. 3 #203

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve as presented; a second was made by Commissioner Stringer. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

<u>✓</u> Judge Hays	
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Stringer
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE PCT. 4 #204

A motion was made by Commissioner Gardner to approve as presented; Commissioner Gardner seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

<u>✓</u> Judge Hays	
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Stringer
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez

Commissioner Stringer made a motion to break for lunch at 12:55 p.m. with a second by Commissioner Simmons. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

<u>✓</u> Judge Hays	
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Stringer
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez

A motion to reconvene was made at 1:08 p.m.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY #310

Commissioner Gardner made a motion to approve as presented; a second was made by Commissioner Rodriguez. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

<u>✓</u> Judge Hays	
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Stringer
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez

DEBT SERVICES #021-990

A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to approve as presented; Commissioner Gardner seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

<u>✓</u> Judge Hays	
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Stringer
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez

LIBRARY #690

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve as presented with line item #5199 Departmental Furniture and Equipment being changed to -0- and allowing the requested items to be funded from 2015 Debt Issuance; a second was made by Commissioner Stringer.

MOTION PASSED. 4-1

Voting for Motion:

<u>✓</u> Judge Hays	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Stringer	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons

Voting against Motion:

✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

LAW LIBRARY #003-700

A motion was made by Commissioner Stringer to approve as presented; Commissioner Gardner seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

<u>✓</u> Judge Hays	
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Stringer
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez

FIRE SUPPRESSION SERVICES #005-530

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve as presented; a second was made by Commissioner Stringer. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

<u>✓</u> Judge Hays	
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Stringer
<u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons	<u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez

After lengthy discussion and Dustin Fawcett's address to the court to express his concerns regarding the allocation of the ARPA funds a motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to allocate ARPA funds in the following manner:

\$10 million to Ector County Utility District

\$4.5 million to Greater Gardendale Water District

\$1.94 million to the West Odessa Volunteer Fire Department

\$1.94 million to the South Odessa Volunteer Fire Department

\$900,000 to Gardendale Volunteer Fire Department

\$900,000 to Goldsmith Volunteer Fire Department

Commissioner Gardner seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED. 4-1**

Voting for Motion:

✓ Judge Hays

✓ Commissioner Gardner

✓ Commissioner Stringer

✓ Commissioner Simmons

Voting against Motion:

✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to allocate \$150,000 (\$50,000/ea for parks in precincts 2, 3 and 4) and \$150,000 for parks in precinct 1; Commissioner Stringer seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

✓ Judge Hays

✓ Commissioner Gardner

✓ Commissioner Stringer

✓ Commissioner Simmons

✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

AIRPORT #042-870

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to add \$100,000 to line item #5309 contract services, change line item #5509 Improvements and Construction to \$305,000 and move \$20,000 to the Traffic budget; a second was made by Commissioner Stringer. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

✓ Judge Hays

✓ Commissioner Gardner

✓ Commissioner Stringer

✓ Commissioner Simmons

✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

With no further business to discuss, Commissioner Simmons made a motion with a second by Commissioner Stringer to adjourn to the call of the chair. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF ECTOR

I, Jennifer Martin, County Clerk, do hereby attest to the accuracy of the Commissioners Court Proceedings for the PUBLIC/BUDGET meeting of August 1, 2022.



Jennifer Martin
JENNIFER MARTIN, COUNTY CLERK
ECTOR COUNTY, TEXAS