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# Hamilton County

## Notice of Open Meeting

*Rachel Lamb Geeslin*  
County Clerk, Hamilton Co., Texas

### Commissioner's Court Agenda

In accordance with the American with Disabilities Act, we invite all attendees to advise us of any special accommodations due to disability. The Hamilton County Commissioners' Court is accessible to persons with disabilities. If assistance is needed to participate, please call the office of the County Judge (254) 386-1290 Please submit your request as far as possible in advance of the meeting date you wish to attend in order that we may accommodate your needs.

### Regular Session

Tuesday, February 25, 2025- 9:00 A.M.

Hamilton County Auxiliary Courtroom

Hamilton County Courthouse Annex

Hamilton, Texas

NOTICE: The Commissioner's Court of Hamilton County may discuss, deliberate and take all appropriate action on any matter listed on this Agenda. Items on this Agenda may be taken out of order indicated. All testimony before the Hamilton County Commissioners Court may be taken under oath pursuant to Sect. 81.030 of the Local Govt. Code.

1. Call to Order and Determination of Quorum
2. Invocation and Pledges
3. Any citizen is encouraged to address the Commissioners Court regarding Agenda items before the court. Speakers must complete the Public Participation Form in order to address a specific Agenda item. Speakers will be called upon to address the court in the order which Agenda items are presented for action or discussion.
4. Recess to allow County Clerk to gather Public Participation Forms.
5. Open Public Comments-3 minutes per speaker. (No discussion or action may be taken during Open Public Comments)
6. Line-Item Transfers
7. Consent Agenda:

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- A. Minutes from previous Commissioners Court Meeting-February 4, 2025 and February 11, 2025
  - B. Approve Departmental Reports
  - C. Approve Bills Submitted for Payment
  - D. Certificates of Continuing Education-See Departmental Reports
  - E. Application(s) for Culvert Installation-Pct. 2-1979 CR 404-Bahia Pipeline LLC
  - F. Building and Use Request- Hamilton ISD Junior Senior Prom "Grand March" May 3, 2025-Open at 6:00 P.M. and Event Begins at 7:00 P.M.
  - G. Bonds-
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- 8. Hamilton County Personnel Update
  - 9. Hamilton County Treasurer's Report
  - 10. Hamilton County Investment Report
  - 11. Hamilton County Facilities Update
  - 12. Communications Update
  - 13. Law Enforcement Update
  - 14. Burn Ban
  - 15. Discuss and/or Action-Approve Requests from Central Texas Council of Governments Determined 9-1-1-Physical Addressing for Vista Ridge of FM2414 for Private Road 2414, Private Road 2415 and Private Road 2416
  - 16. Discuss and-or Action-Precinct Three Request Authorization to Sell Surplus Property Namely Tin Horns Located at CR219 and FM 3232 to Salvage Yard
  - 17. Discuss and/or Action-Communication Equipment Funding:
    - (a.) Receive Bids from Banks for Tax Notes from Specialized Public Finance Inc.
    - (b.) Accept/Reject Bids from Banks for Tax Notes
  - 18. Discuss and/or-Action-Approve an Order Authorizing the Hiring of Bickerstaff Heath Delgado Acosta LLP to Provide Bond Counsel Services for the County
  - 19. Discuss and/or Action-Approve an Order Authorizing Issuance of "Hamilton County, Texas Tax Notes, Series 2025
  - 20. Discuss and-or Action- Workshop for FEMA-DR4781 and-or (TDEM) Texas Severe Storm
  - 21. Adjourn

**Pursuant to the authority granted under Government Code, Chapter 551, Hamilton County 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, Chapter 551, that provide statutory authority will be announced. 551.074 Personnel Matters. 551.0725 Deliberation regarding contract. The agenda may change up to 72 hours before the posted time of the meeting. The agenda will be posted on the web site at [www.co.hamilton.tx.us](http://www.co.hamilton.tx.us).

**Certification**


  
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Signature of Certifying Official

Name: James Yates  
Title: Hamilton County Judge  
Date: 2-21-2025

Attest: Rachel Lamb Geeslin

Name: Rachel Lamb Geeslin  
Title: Hamilton County Clerk  
Date: 2/21/2025



  
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Deputy

## NOTICE FOR HIRING BOND COUNSEL

Hamilton County ("County") will be considering the approval of a contingent fee contract for legal services ("Legal Services Contract") at the regular meeting of the Commissioners Court of the County to be held on February 25, 2025, at 9:00 a.m., in the County Courtroom, Courthouse, Hamilton, Texas. The approval of the Legal Services Contract will be considered in connection with the County's sale and issuance of public securities, including the proposed issuance of certificates of obligation (the "Notes"). The County intends to select the law firm of Bickerstaff Heath Delgado Acosta LLP ("BHDA") to serve as the County's bond counsel in connection with the sale and issuance of such Notes (the "Issuance").

BHDA has demonstrated that it has the competence, qualifications, and experience required to serve as the County's bond counsel in connection with the sale and issuance of public securities. BHDA has successfully represented Texas local governments as bond counsel in connection with the issuance of public securities, such as those anticipated to be issued in connection with the Issuance, for over 30 years. BHDA has served as bond counsel to the County since 2002.

Attorneys that represent local governments in transactions such as the Issuance typically are bond counsel recognized for their work in the specialized area of public finance. The County's successful sale and issuance of public securities, such as those anticipated to be issued in connection with the Issuance, will require the preparation of numerous transactional documents, the compilation of those documents into a transcript, and obtaining the approval of the Attorney General of the State of Texas for the sale of any public securities, as well as other procedural steps. The County does not have any attorneys on staff that have the specialized experience required for a successful sale of public securities related to the Issuance.

Each sale of public securities by a local government presents a unique set of legal issues, and bond counsel traditionally bills for services on a contingent fee basis. Because bond counsel services are based on a fixed contingency rate, the County can know with certainty the precise amount of the fees before the sale of the public securities, and therefore, can more easily budget and plan for the use of the proceeds.

For the preceding reasons, entering into a contingent fee contract for bond counsel services with BHDA is in the best interest of the residents of the County.

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