NOTICE OF MEETING OF COMMISSIONERS COURT OF WALLER COUNTY, TEXAS WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2023

9:00 A.M.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Commissioners Court of Waller County, Texas, will meet in REGULAR SESSION at 9:00 A.M. on WEDNESDAY, the 13th day of September, 2023, at its meeting place at the Waller County Courthouse, Hempstead, Texas

Said meeting will be a regular meeting for the purpose of transacting the routine business of the County and to Consider and take possible action on any of the following agenda items:

1. Approval of Agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT

CONSENT AGENDA

Items identified within the consent agenda are of a routine nature, and will be passed with one vote without being discussed separately. If a member of the court or public requests that a particular item be discussed, that agenda item will be pulled from the Consent Agenda and discussed as part of the regular agenda at the appropriate time. One vote will approve the remaining items on the Consent Agenda.

- 2. Approval of the minutes.
- 3. Request by County Auditor for approval and/or ratification of Accounts Payable.
- 4. Request by County Engineer to approve a Utility Permit for San Bernard Electric Cooperative, Inc., to bore under Hegar Rd. in two (2) areas New Power Line x4 bores near the intersection of Hegar Rd. and Magnolia Rd., R.O.W.; with another x4 bores north of that on Hegar Rd. for the same project in Pct. 2.
- 5. Request by County Engineer to approve a Utility Permit for EPCOR Gas Texas, Inc., to install 6" HDPE 4710 Natural gas Pipeline (60 psig MAOP) within the right of way of Magnolia Rd. in Pct. 2.
- 6. Request by County Tax Assessor Collector to approve refunds in excess of \$500.00 in accordance with section 31.11 Texas Tax Code.

COUNTY JUDGE

- 7. Discuss and take action to adopt the 2024 Budget.
- 8. Discuss and take action to ratify the property tax increase based on new value reflected in the 2024 Budget.
- 9. Discuss and take action to adopt the Tax Rate for 2023.

SHERIFF

10. Discuss and take action to approve sole source discretionary exemption pursuant to Local Government Code Section 262.024(a)(7), authorize County Judge to sign Implementation and Service Agreement with PowerPhone for Total Response Call Handling System, and enter sole source statement into the minutes.

ELECTIONS

- 11. Discuss and take action to approve Joint Resolution for Contract Services for the November 7, 2023 Election.
- 12. Discuss and take action for the Waller County Commissioner's Court to Order the State Constitutional Amendment Election to be held on November 7, 2023.
- 13. Discuss and take action for the Waller County Commissioner's Court to approve the consolidation of Election Day voting precincts for the State Constitional Amendment Election to be held on November 7, 2023.
- 14. Discuss and take action to approve changing the monthly charge for the security camera located in the front room of the Annex Bldg. from the Road and Bridge account with TAC Security Systems to the Elections Office account with TAC Security Systems.

DIRECTOR OF POLICY AND ADMINISTRATION

15. Discuss and take action to approve payment of \$29,984.00 for Invoice # 10095469 payable to Halff from line item 125-401-540900 [Prof. Consultant Services].

GRANT MANAGER

- 16. Discuss and take action to authorize the acceptance of a grant award in the amount of \$18,937.00 from the United States Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs pursuant to the BJA FY 2022 State Criminal Alien Assistance Program.
- 17. Discuss and take action to award bid for professional home demolition services associated with the County's CDBG-DR Buyout Program (CDBG-DR Project 20-066-011-C074).

FIRE MARSHAL

- 18. Discuss and take action to accept the donation of \$500.00 from Metro Fire to purchase fire investigative tools and equipment.
- 19. Discuss and take action on Burn Ban.

AUDITOR

20. Discuss and take action to approve 2023 budget amendments and departmental line-item transfers.

CONSTRUCTION MANAGER

- 21. Update on construction phase of the Swing Space Annex Project, and building phase of the Waller County Courthouse Replacement Project.
- 22. Discuss and take action to approve payment of Pay Application #9 for \$254,028.14 to Sedalco, Inc. from line item 604-604-545405 Business Node from CO's [Professional Services].
- 23. Discuss and take action to approve check request to City of Hempstead for \$40,330.00 for Plan Check and Fees for the Waller County Courthouse Replacement Project. (Building Permit not included).
- 24. Discuss and take action to approve design fees of \$199,450.00 to Sedalco/BSW/McLemore Luong for 10-11 Modular Buildings for the proposed Complex at the Justice Center and for additional parking, fencing, and utilities. Complex will house chambers for two (2) Judges, a courtroom, offices for District Clerk, and a workroom for District Attorney.

CONSTRUCTION MANAGER cont.

25. Discuss and take action to advertise in the Katy Times, The Hotline Press, Waller Times, and The Waller County Express Request for Proposals (RFP) for Courthouse Moving Services. Funding to be paid from line item 125-401-544100 [Bid Notices and Printing].

MISCELLANEOUS

- 26. Discuss and take action to approve the Interlocal Agreement between the Regional Public Defender Office Local Government Corporation and Waller County for Capital Cases.
- 27. Discuss and take action to deliberate business and financial issues in executive session based on determination and recommendation from the District Attorney's Office that deliberation in an open meeting regarding business and financial issues related to the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real properties would have a detrimental effect on the position of the County in negotiations with third persons.
- 28. Discuss and take action to deliberate business and financial issues in executive session based on determination and recommendation from the District Attorney's Office that deliberation in an open meeting regarding business and financial issues related to contract negotiations for it would have a detrimental effect on the position of the County in negotiations with third persons.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- 29. Deliberate business and financial issues related to the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real properties pursuant to Government Code Sections 551.072 and 551.0725.
- 30. Deliberate business and financial issues related to contract negotiations pursuant to Government Code 551.0725.
- 31. Consultation with District Attorney and outside counsel pursuant to Government Code Section 551.071.
- 32. Reconvene in Open Session to take any action necessary on matters discussed in Executive Session.

ADJOURN MEETING

Carbett "Frey" J. Duhon III, County Judge Waller County, Texas

NOTICE

The County Commissioners Court of Waller County reserves the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters listed above, as authorized by Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberation about Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations), 551.074 Personnel Matters, 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices) and 551.086 (Economic Development).

