

EL PASO COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT



JACKIE BUTLER
Commissioner, Pct.1

ILIANA HOLGUIN
Commissioner, Pct.3

DAVID STOUT
Commissioner, Pct.2

SERGIO CORONADO
Commissioner, Pct.4

RICARDO A. SAMANIEGO
County Judge

MINUTES

Regular Meeting, February 03, 2025 – 9:30 AM

Enrique Moreno County Courthouse
Judge Alicia R. Chacón County Commissioners Courtroom
500 East San Antonio Room 303 El Paso, Texas 79901

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**MINUTES PREPARED BY CESAR O. NAVA, DEPUTY CLERK
JESSICA DOMINGUEZ, DEPUTY CLERK**

Present: 5 – County Judge Ricardo Samaniego, Commissioner, Pct 1 Jackie Butler, Commissioner, Pct 2 David Stout, Commissioner, Pct 3 Iliana Holguin, Commissioner, Pct 4 Sergio Coronado

Absent: 0 –

1. OPEN MEETING

THE COMMISSIONERS COURT MEETING WAS CONVENED AT 9:44 A.M.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND THE TEXAS PLEDGE WERE LED BY EZRA URIBE AND LEAH BATISTA, STUDENT COUNCIL MEMBERS FROM EASTLAKE HIGH SCHOOL.

3. INVOCATION

COMMISSIONERS COURT RECEIVED AN INVOCATION FROM CHAPLAIN DAVID MAYFIELD, CHAPLAIN FOR THE EL PASO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND THE EL PASO POLICE DEPARTMENT.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the regular meeting of January 27, 2025, and the special meeting of January 30, 2025.
Betsy C. Keller, Chief Administrator, County Administration, 915-273-3600
- B. Approve and adopt an Order for Use of Purchasing Act Discretionary Exemption for Contracting Emergency Ambulance Service in the County.
Betsy C. Keller, Chief Administrator, County Administration, 915-273-3600
- C. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Emergency Ambulance Service Agreement with Life Ambulance Service Inc., to provide emergency ambulance services to the unincorporated areas of El Paso County in the amount \$407,052 per year, for the term beginning February 1, 2025, through January 31, 2027, and may be renewed for additional three (3) one-year terms. Funding is available in GF-AMBULANCESVC-OPS EXP-GEN. (Contract No. 2025-0077)
Betsy C. Keller, Chief Administrator, County Administration, 915-273-3600
- D. Pursuant to the Texas Local Government Code, Section 115.021, audit and settle all accounts against the County shown on the attached listing and direct the payment of those accounts.
Barbara Parker, County Auditor, County Auditor's Office, 915-273-3262
- E. Approve and authorize a budget transfer in the amount of \$42,302 from County Auditor salaries and related fringe to GF-AUDITOR-CONTR SVC-GEN.
Barbara Parker, County Auditor, County Auditor's Office, 915-273-3262
- F. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) Host Agency Agreement for the placement of Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP) participants at Community Services Department sites from February 10, 2025, through February 9, 2026. (Contract No. 2025-0013)
Irene Gutierrez, Executive Director, Community Services, 915-273-3485
- G. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign a letter of commitment to the Office of the Governor on behalf of the United Way of El Paso County in support of a Victim Assistance Grant application for continued funding of the Family Resilience Center through FY2026 to continue providing critical mental health resources to the community healing from the mass shooting event of August 3, 2019. (7091-OP)
Irene Gutierrez, Executive Director, Community Services, 915-273-3485

- H. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Memorandum of Understanding between the County of El Paso, on behalf of the El Paso County District Attorney's Office, and the Center Against Sexual and Family Violence (CASFV), El Paso Police Department (EPPD) and El Paso Sheriff's Department (EPSD) to continue to collaborate and provide law enforcement, prosecution, and victim services to victims of domestic intimate partner violence and sexual assault from October 1, 2024, through September 30, 2027. (Contract No. 2025-0060)
James Montoya, District Attorney, District Attorney's Office, 915-273-3542
- I. (ARP-1160) Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the amendment to the interlocal agreement with the Camino Real Regional Mobility Authority for development of the Tornillo Port of Entry to modify to the project scope of work and detail the use of funds for Mexican international marketing and further details required supporting documentation and compliance requirements. No additional funding is required. (Contract No. 2024-1073)
Roberto Ransom, Director, Economic Development, 915-546-2177
- J. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Seventh Amendment to the Election System & Software Sales Order Agreement and General Terms with Election Systems & Software, LLC ("ES&S") from October 1, 2024, through September 30, 2025. The Seventh Amendment replaces Attachment A of the Sixth Amendment. Funds are available in GF-ELECTIONS ELECTIONS EXPENSE. (Contract No. 2025-0047)
Lisa Wise, Elections Administrator, Elections, 915-546-2154
- K. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the First Amendment to the Lease Agreement – Communications Facility with T-Mobile West LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, as successor-in-interest to Voice stream PCS II Corporation, for a portion of the rooftop and aerial space for overhang to install, maintain, repair, and replace a communications antenna at the County Courthouse for four (4) additional five (5) year terms beginning December 1, 2021, at a rate of \$2,400 per month through November 30, 2026, and escalate upon the start of the new term dates identified in the backup. Funds will be deposited in GF-GADM-RENTALS/LEASES. (Contract No. 2024-0236)
Robin Sully, Director, Facilities Management, 915-546-2009
- L. Approve and authorize a two-step increase for the Deputy Medical Examiner I based on the terms of hire outlined in the offer letter for attainment of both the Anatomic and Forensic Pathology Board Certifications. Funding is available through GF-MEDEXAM-SALARY-FT REGULAR.
Sam Trujillo, Interim Chief Human Resources Officer, Human Resources, 915-273-3520
- M. Rescind the Commissioners Court Order of December 9, 2024, Item #4-R on the Consent Agenda to approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the agreement between the County of El Paso and TransUnion Risk & Alternative Data Solutions, Inc. to renew TLOxp software. Funding is available in GF-ITD-PUBSAFETY-MAINT/REP-SOFTWR for a total amount of \$16,800. (Contract No. 2024-0863) Further, authorize the County Judge to sign the updated agreement between the County of El Paso and Transunion Risk & Alternative Data Solutions, Inc. to renew TLOxp software. (Contract No. 2024-0836)
Art Nevarez, Director, Information Technology, 915-273-3301

CORRECTION PER COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE –Rescind the Commissioners Court Order of December 9, 2024, Item #4-R on the Consent Agenda to approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the agreement between the County of El Paso and TransUnion Risk & Alternative Data Solutions, Inc. to renew TLOxp software. Funding is available in GF-ITD-PUBSAFETY-MAINT/REP-SOFTWR for a total amount of \$16,800. (Contract No. 2024-0863) Further, authorize the County Judge to sign the updated agreement between the County of El Paso and Transunion Risk & Alternative Data Solutions, Inc. to renew TLOxp software. (~~Contract No. 2024-0836~~) **(CONTRACT NO. 2024-0863)**

- N. Approve and accept a correction to budget amendment No. 12 to El Paso County's 2024-2025 operating budget. This budgetary amendment will increase Special Revenue by \$4,487.00, increase Grants by \$3,580,706.36, thus increasing the overall budget of \$599,868,796.75 to \$603,453,990.11.
Melissa Carrillo, Deputy County Administrator, County Operations, 915-546-2162
- O. Approve budget amendment No.13 to the El Paso County's 2024-2025 operating budget. This budgetary amendment will increase Grants by \$270,200.00, thus increasing the overall budget of \$603,453,990.11 to 603,724,190.11.
Melissa Carrillo, Deputy County Administrator, County Operations, 915-546-2162
- P. Approve and authorize the renewal of the County of El Paso's Burn Ban Order for an additional 90 days effective February 7, 2025. (#7229-OP)
Melissa Carrillo, Deputy County Administrator, County Operations, 915-546-2162
- Q. Rescind the Commissioners Court Order of August 30, 2025, Item #4Z to Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Memorandum of Understanding by and between the County of El Paso and El Paso Community College (EPCC) for the use of Ascarate Golf Course for adult and junior golf courses with Mike Smith, PGA golf professional. The term of the contract is from September 1, 2024, through September 30, 2025, at a pay rate of \$45.00 per youth student and \$69.00 per adult student. Funds will be deposited in GF-GOLFCOURSE-LESSONS. (Contract No. 2024-0468) Further, approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the revised Memorandum of Understanding by and between the County of El Paso, Texas and El Paso Community College (EPCC) for the use of the Ascarate Golf Course for youth and adult classes with the Ascarate Golf Course PGA Professional from September 1, 2024, through August 31, 2025, at a rate of \$45 per youth student and \$69 per adult student. Funds will be deposited in GFGOLFCOURSE-LESSONS. (Contract No. 2024-0468)
Timothy Fulton, Interim Director, Parks and Recreation, 915-771-2380

CORRECTION PER COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE – Rescind the Commissioners Court Order of ~~August 30, 2025~~, **AUGUST 30, 2024** Item #4Z to Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Memorandum of Understanding by and between the County of El Paso and El Paso Community College (EPCC) for the use of Ascarate Golf Course for adult and junior golf courses with Mike Smith, PGA golf professional. The term of the contract is from September 1, 2024, through September 30, 2025, at a pay rate of \$45.00 per youth student and \$69.00 per adult student. Funds will be deposited in GF-GOLFCOURSE-LESSONS. (Contract No. 2024-0468) Further, approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the revised Memorandum of Understanding by and between the County of El Paso, Texas and El Paso Community College (EPCC) for the use of the Ascarate Golf Course for youth and adult classes with the Ascarate Golf Course PGA Professional from September 1, 2024, through

August 31, 2025, at a rate of \$45 per youth student and \$69 per adult student. Funds will be deposited in GFGOLFCOURSE-LESSONS. (Contract No. 2024-0468)

- R. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Memorandum of Understanding by and between the County of El Paso, Texas and Immanuel Christian School for the use of the Ascarate Park Golf Course for school practice and tournaments from December 15, 2024, through May 31, 2025, at a rate of \$1,375 for annual practice fees per school golf team, and tournaments at a rate of \$21 per player per tournament. Funds will be deposited in GF-GOLFCOURSE-GREEN FEES. (Contract No. 2024-0979)

Timothy Fulton, Interim Director, Parks and Recreation, 915-771-2380

- S. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Agreement of Cooperation between the University of Texas at El Paso (UTEP) and the County of El Paso, Texas to provide community enrichment golf lessons at the Ascarate Golf Course for the UTEP Office of Professional and Public Programs (P3) from January 1, 2025, through December 31, 2025, at a rate of \$60 per youth and \$90 per adult course participant. Funds will be deposited in GF-GOLFCOURSE-LESSONS. (Contract No. 2024-0988)

Timothy Fulton, Interim Director, Parks and Recreation, 915-771-2380

- T. Approve and authorize the El Paso County Parks and Recreation Department to accept monetary donations for the purchase of score boards to be set up and used in the El Paso County Parks for Fiscal Year 25, pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 81.032.

Timothy Fulton, Interim Director, Parks and Recreation, 915-771-2380

DELETE PER PARKS AND RECREATION

- U. Pursuant to Texas Local Government Sections 232.028 and 232.029, approve and authorize the issuance of certification regarding compliance with applicable plat requirements as provided on the attached listing.

Michael McElroy, Director, Planning and Development, 915-273-3330

- V. Approve and authorize of Global Positioning Satellite (GPS) Annual Renewal for Fleet Department for El Paso County, Texas using Region 19 Contract 24-7477 awarded to Alamo Auto Supply (Alamo Industries, Inc.) of El Paso, TX, for a total cost \$107,879.50. Purchasing approved on January 20, 2025. Funding is available in GF-FLEETOPER-GPS SERVICE.

Karen Davidson, Purchasing Agent, Purchasing, 915-273-3349

- W. Approve and authorize the purchase of Leasing of Copiers for the El Paso County, Texas Sheriff's Department using DIR Contract CPO-4437 awarded to Canon U.S.A., Inc./Canon Financial Service/ Spectrum Imaging Technologies, Inc. of El Paso, Texas for total 60-month lease \$76,186.80. Funding is available in various accounts.

Karen Davidson, Purchasing Agent, Purchasing, 915-273-3349

- X. Approve and authorize the purchase of As-Needed Pre-Employment Background and Drug Screening, Related Products & Services for El Paso, County, Texas using the OMNIA Partners Contract R240501 awarded to Accurate Background, LLC of Irvine, CA. Pricing for various products and services as indicated on the cooperative contract. Funding is available in GF-HR-PROF SVC-RECRUITMENT, GF-JPD-PROF SVC-GEN, and various accounts.
Karen Davidson, Purchasing Agent, Purchasing, 915-273-3349
- Y. Approve and authorize the Purchasing Agent to solicit proposals for Case Management Services for El Paso County, Texas. In accordance with Local Government Code 262.030, the Purchasing Agent has reviewed use of the Requested for Proposal (RFP) process.
Karen Davidson, Purchasing Agent, Purchasing, 915-273-3349
- Z. Approve and authorize the transfer and removal of surplus assets from the respective departments to the Purchasing Department in compliance with Texas Local Government Code Section 262.011(j). See attachment.
Karen Davidson, Purchasing Agent, Purchasing, 915-273-3349
- AA. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Transfer of Law Enforcement Animal Agreement between the County of El Paso and Reymundo Munoz to allow for the transfer, possession, ownership, and care of law enforcement K9 Dexter to his K9 Handler Reymundo Munoz. (Contract No. 2025-0074)
Ricardo Perales, Lieutenant, EPCSO West Texas HIDTA, (915) 273-3448
- AB. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the County/Municipal Law Enforcement Agency Request for Transfer of DPS Equipment and state surplus property program application for the transfer of three (3) SUVs, two (2) rear deck lights and one (1) light bar in the amount of \$3,100.00. Funding is available in SOSTFORF-OPS EXPENSES-GEN. (Contract No. 2025-0096)
Oscar Ugarte, Sheriff, EPCSO, 915-538-2006
- AC. GRANT APPLICATION - Approve and authorize the Criminal Justice Coordination Department to apply for the Office of the Governor FY26 Project Safe Neighborhood in the amount of \$171,267.00 from October 1, 2025, to September 30, 2026. No County match is required. Further, approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the accompanying resolution. (Contract No. 2025-0050)
Catherine Jones, Director, Criminal Justice Coordination, 915-273-3353
- AD. GRANT APPLICATION - Approve and authorize the County Judge to submit the Office of the Governor FY25-26 Justice Assistance Program Grant, Sustaining Capabilities Project application on behalf of the El Paso County Sheriff's Office from October 1, 2025, to September 30, 2026, in the amount of \$53,100. No County match is required. Further authorize the County Judge to sign the accompanying resolution. (Contract No. 2025-0079)
Oscar Ugarte, Sheriff, EPCSO, 915-538-2006

- AE. GRANT APPLICATION - Approve and authorize the County Judge to submit the Office of the Governor (OOG) FY25-26 Project Safe Neighborhood grant on behalf of the El Paso County Sheriff's Office, Criminal Investigation Division/ Gang Narcotics Unit from October 1, 2025, to September 30, 2026, in the amount of \$80,000. No County match is required. Further, authorize the County Judge to sign the accompanying resolution. (Contract No. 2025-0099)
Oscar Ugarte, Sheriff, EPCSO, 915-538-2006

Motion **APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA WITH CORRECTIONS TO ITEMS #4M AND #4Q AND THE DELETION OF ITEM #4T.**

RESULT: Pass [5 TO 0]

MOVER: Ricardo Samaniego County Judge

SECONDER: Sergio Coronado Commissioner, Pct 4

AYES: Samaniego, Butler, Stout, Holguin, Coronado

NAYS: None

5. RESOLUTIONS

- A. Approve and adopt a resolution recognizing the Spartan Marching Band from Pebble Hills High School in making history as the first marching band from El Paso, Texas to participate in the iconic Rose Parade, which marked its 136th year.
Jackie Butler, Commissioner, Precinct 1, 915-273-3594

Motion **APPROVE**

RESULT: Pass [4 TO 0]

MOVER: Jackie Butler Commissioner, Pct 1

SECONDER: Sergio Coronado Commissioner, Pct 4

AYES: Butler, Stout, Holguin, Coronado

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Samaniego

- B. Approve and adopt a resolution recognizing and commending UTEP Volleyball for its historic accomplishments and exemplary representation of the El Paso community on a national stage, and declaring Monday, February 3, 2025, as UTEP Volleyball Miners Day in El Paso County, Texas.
David Stout, Commissioner, Precinct 2, 915-546-2111

Motion **APPROVE**

RESULT: Pass [4 TO 0]

MOVER: David Stout Commissioner, Pct 2

SECONDER: Sergio Coronado Commissioner, Pct 4

AYES: Butler, Stout, Holguin, Coronado

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Samaniego

- C. Approve and adopt a resolution declaring February 2025 as, "Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month", in El Paso County, Texas.
David Stout, Commissioner, Precinct 2, 915-546-2111

Motion **APPROVE**

RESULT: Pass [4 TO 0]

MOVER: David Stout Commissioner, Pct 2

SECONDER: Sergio Coronado Commissioner, Pct 4

AYES: Butler, Stout, Holguin, Coronado

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Samaniego

- D. Approve and adopt a resolution honoring the Border Heritage Magazine.
Iliana Holguin, Commissioner, Precinct 3, 915-546-2144

Motion **APPROVE**

RESULT: Pass [4 TO 0]

MOVER: Iliana Holguin Commissioner, Pct 3

SECONDER: David Stout Commissioner, Pct 2

AYES: Butler, Stout, Holguin, Coronado

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Samaniego

- E. Approve and adopt a resolution recognizing the week of February 1 - 8, 2025, as Court Reporter Appreciation Week in El Paso County, Texas.
Sergio Coronado, Commissioner, Precinct 4, 915-273-3594

Motion **APPROVE**

RESULT: Pass [4 TO 0]

MOVER: Sergio Coronado Commissioner, Pct 4

SECONDER: Jackie Butler Commissioner, Pct 1

AYES: Butler, Stout, Holguin, Coronado

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Samaniego

COMMISSIONERS COURT RECESSED AT 12:52 P.M.

COMMISSIONERS COURT RECONVENED AT 1:56 P.M.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

JAMES MONTOYA, EL PASO COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY, ADDRESSED THE COURT REGARDING THE RESTART OF THE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE UNIT WITHIN THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE.

ELIZABETH CRAWFORD, CONCERNED CITIZEN, ADDRESSED THE COURT ON HER VIEWS ON ABORTION.

DIANA DE ARRO, CONCERNED CITIZEN, ADDRESSED THE COURT REGARDING THE SEWER CONDITIONS IN LAS COLONIAS AREA OF THE COUNTY.

7. REGULAR AGENDA

- A. Approve and adopt a resolution to reaffirm El Paso County's commitment to respect the constitutional rights of all persons within the County and to seek dignified treatment for all.

Christina Sanchez, County Attorney, County Attorney's Office, 915-273-3247

Motion APPROVE

RESULT: Pass [5 TO 0]

MOVER: Ricardo Samaniego County Judge

SECONDER: Jackie Butler Commissioner, Pct 1

AYES: Samaniego, Butler, Stout, Holguin, Coronado

NAYS: None

COMMISSIONERS COURT RECESSED AT 10:50 A.M.

COMMISSIONERS COURT RECONVENED AT 11:40 A.M.

8. COMMISSIONERS COURT

- A. Receive a presentation from the Eastside-Central Coalition regarding programs and activities in and around Estine Eastside Barber Shop and its surrounding commercial and residential districts.

David Stout, Commissioner, Precinct 2, 915-546-2111

PRESENTATION RECEIVED

- B. Receive a presentation from Emergence Health Network regarding the agency's annual report.

David Stout, Commissioner, Precinct 2, 915-546-2111

PRESENTATION RECEIVED

9. COUNTY ADMINISTRATION

- A. Receive a presentation, discuss and take appropriate action regarding El Paso County's 89th Texas Legislative Session Agenda and Values Statements.
Melissa Carrillo, Deputy County Administrator, County Operations, 915-546-2162

Motion **APPROVE ADDING THE FOLLOWING VALUE STATEMENT REGARDING DPS HIGH-SPEED CHASES UNDER THE JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY SECTION OF THE LEGISLATIVE AGENDA:**

SUPPORT EFFORTS TO UPDATE THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY'S VEHICLE PURSUIT POLICY TO ENSURE THAT IT SECURES THE BALANCE BETWEEN THE PROTECTION OF THE LIVES AND SAFETY OF THE PUBLIC AND POLICE OFFICERS AND LAW ENFORCEMENT'S DUTY TO ENFORCE THE LAW AND APPREHEND VIOLATORS AND ALIGNS TO DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE GUIDELINES

RESULT: Pass [4 TO 0]
MOVER: Iliana Holguin Commissioner, Pct 3
SECONDER: Sergio Coronado Commissioner, Pct 4
AYES: Butler, Stout, Holguin, Coronado
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Samaniego

- B. Receive a presentation and discuss items regarding the development, implementation and oversight of the FY2024 Multiyear Capital Plan for El Paso County, including: project selections, performance objectives and outcomes, performance management, operational management, corresponding financial planning related to capital investments and operational needs, and general capital direction related to the 2024 Capital Improvement Bond and other future public finance instruments and opportunities.
Jose M. Landeros, Deputy County Administrator, Strategic Capital Development, 915-546-2159

PRESENTATION RECEIVED

10. AUDITOR

- A. Pursuant to the Texas Government Code, Title 10, § 2256.023, accept the attached presentation and investment report for FY25 first quarter ended December 31, 2024.
Barbara Parker, County Auditor, County Auditor's Office, 915-273-3262

Motion **ACCEPT**

RESULT: Pass [4 TO 0]
MOVER: David Stout Commissioner, Pct 2
SECONDER: Iliana Holguin Commissioner, Pct 3
AYES: Butler, Stout, Holguin, Coronado
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Samaniego

11. PUBLIC WORKS

- A. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the quitclaim deed to the Village of Vinton and any other documentation associated with the annexation of the unincorporated segment of Kiely Road. (Precinct No. 4) (Contract No. 2024-1085)
Michael McElroy, Director, Planning and Development, 915-273-3330

Motion APPROVE

RESULT: Pass [4 TO 0]

MOVER: Sergio Coronado Commissioner, Pct 4

SECONDER: Jackie Butler Commissioner, Pct 1

AYES: Butler, Stout, Holguin, Coronado

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Samaniego

12. GRANT APPLICATIONS

- A. GRANT APPLICATION – Approve and authorize the Fleet Operations Management Department to apply for the FY26 Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Governmental Alternative Fuel Fleet Grant Program in the amount of \$50,600. A County match is required in the amount of \$60,066.97 and is available in GF-GADM-XFER OUT-GRANT MATCH. Further, approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the supplemental property ownership form. (Contract No. 2025-0080)
Hopeton Staple, Director, Fleet Management, 915-273-3598

Motion APPROVE

RESULT: Pass [4 TO 0]

MOVER: Iliana Holguin Commissioner, Pct 3

SECONDER: Jackie Butler Commissioner, Pct 1

AYES: Butler, Stout, Holguin, Coronado

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Samaniego

- B. GRANT APPLICATION – Approve and authorize the Information Technology Department to apply for the FY26 State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program – Workforce Development Projects in the amount of \$37,123.00. A County match of \$9,281.00 is required. Funding is available in GF-GADM-XFER OUT-GRANT MATCH. Further, approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the required resolution. (Contract No. 2025-0059)
Art Nevarez, Director, Information Technology, 915-273-3301

Motion APPROVE

RESULT: Pass [4 TO 0]

MOVER: Sergio Coronado Commissioner, Pct 4

SECONDER: Iliana Holguin Commissioner, Pct 3

AYES: Butler, Stout, Holguin, Coronado

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Samaniego

- 13C. Discuss litigation styled Juana M. Avila v. El Paso County; Cause No. 2015-DCV-1531; County Attorney case number: 0098-15-LD, pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071.

Ian Kaplan, Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office, 915-273-3247

- 14B. Discuss and take appropriate action regarding litigation styled Juana M. Avila v. El Paso County; Cause No. 2015-DCV-1531; County Attorney case number: 0098-15-LD.

Ian Kaplan, Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office, 915-273-3247

Motion DELETE EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEM #13C AND CORRESPONDING REGULAR SESSION ITEM #14B.

RESULT: Pass [4 TO 0]

MOVER: Jackie Butler Commissioner, Pct 1

SECONDER: Iliana Holguin Commissioner, Pct 3

AYES: Butler, Stout, Holguin, Coronado

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Samaniego

13. EXECUTIVE SESSION

COMMISSIONERS COURT RECESSED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 3:47 P.M.

Only the members of the Commissioners Court have a right to attend an executive session, except that legal counsel must be present if the executive session is held pursuant to Government Code section 551.071. In addition to legal counsel, Commissioners Court may include in executive session certain officers and employees if it finds that (1) their participation is necessary to the matter under consideration; (2) their interests are not adverse to the county, and (3) their presence will not waive the attorney client privilege. Generally, the Chief Administrator, Budget Executive Director, County Clerk's representatives, and County Auditor's Office representatives attend the closed session items based on the enumerated criteria, and certain other persons may attend based on the above-listed criteria or as otherwise provided by law.

- A. Discuss findings regarding persons necessary in Executive Session.

Betsy C. Keller, Chief Administrator, County Administration, 915-273-3600

- B. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071, discuss legal rights and responsibilities regarding President Trump's Executive Orders and related Directives.
Bernardo Cruz, Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office, 915-273-3247
- C. Discuss litigation styled Juana M. Avila v. El Paso County; Cause No. 2015-DCV-1531; County Attorney case number: 0098-15-LD, pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071.
Ian Kaplan, Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office, 915-273-3247

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- D. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 and 551.0745, discuss the County's legal rights and responsibilities pertaining to the County's ESD2 Board Appointment.
Betsy C. Keller, Chief Administrator, County Administration, 915-273-3600
- E. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.087, discuss financial information and economic development negotiations received regarding a Chapter 381 Agreement with Project Dry Goods, a private business prospect.
Roberto Ransom, Director, Economic Development, 915-546-2177
- F. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.087, discuss financial information and economic development negotiations received regarding a Chapter 381 Agreement with Project NoHo, a private business prospect.
Roberto Ransom, Director, Economic Development, 915-546-2177

14. REGULAR SESSION

COMMISSIONERS COURT RECONVENED AT 4:50 P.M.

- A. Discuss and take appropriate action regarding President Trump's Executive Orders and related directives.
Bernardo Cruz, Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office, 915-273-3247

NO ACTION

- B. Discuss and take appropriate action regarding litigation styled Juana M. Avila v. El Paso County; Cause No. 2015-DCV-1531; County Attorney case number: 0098-15-LD.
Ian Kaplan, Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office, 915-273-3247

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ADJOURN

THE COMMISSIONERS COURT MEETING ADJOURNED AT 4:53 P.M.

EL PASO COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT



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Commissioners Court Chambers, El Paso County Courthouse
500 East San Antonio Room 303 El Paso, Texas 79901

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COMMISSIONERS COURT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Monday, February 03, 2025
MEETING ADJOURNED AT 4:53 P.M.

ATTEST:

DELIA BRIONES, COUNTY CLERK
EL PASO COUNTY, TEXAS

JESSICA DOMINGUEZ, DEPUTY CLERK
CESAR O. NAVA, DEPUTY CLERK

EXAMINED AND APPROVED BY ME THIS

_____ DAY OF _____, 2025

COUNTY JUDGE RICARDO A. SAMANIEGO, PRESIDING