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**County of El Paso
Agenda Item Details**

Item Title:	Approval of the Minutes
Submitted By:	Betsy C. Keller, Chief Administrator
Department:	County Administration
Department Phone Number:	915-546-2215
Subject:	Approval of the Minutes of the regular meeting of August 5, 2024, and the special meeting of August 7, 2024.
Background:	N/A
Estimated Time Needed For This Item:	

EL PASO COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT



CARLOS LEON
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, August 05, 2024 – 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 Carlos Leon, 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 9:35 A.M.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

JAZIEL MORALES, COUNTY INTERN AND SECOND YEAR STUDENT AT UTEP, LED THE COMMISSIONERS COURT IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND TEXAS PLEDGE.

3. INVOCATION

COMMISSIONERS COURT RECEIVED AN INVOCATION FROM PASTOR ROBERTO GARCIA.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the regular meeting of July 29, 2024, and special meetings of July 30 and 31, 2024.
Betsy C. Keller, Chief Administrator, County Administration, 915-546-2215
- B. 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
- C. Approve and authorize the Purchasing Department to add two cell phone lines for the use of the Community Services Department Office of New Americans Migrant Services Coordinators. Funds are available in SG-GMIGCOOR24-OPERATING EXP.
Irene Gutierrez, Executive Director, Community Services, 915-273-3485
- D. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Virtual Court Kiosk Host Site Memorandum of Understanding between the Texas Legal Services Center - Virtual Court Access Project and the County of El Paso, on behalf of the El Paso County Law Library, to host one virtual court kiosk in the library. The kiosk provides an access point to online court hearings plus free, reliable legal information for self-represented litigants. The kiosk is funded by the Virtual Court Access Project through the Texas Access to Justice Foundation. There is no cost to the County. (Contract No. 2024-0477)
Brian Stanley, Executive Director, Domestic Relations Office, 915-834-8200
- E. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Agreement for Termination of Chapter 381 Economic Development Program Agreement with Foster Electric (U.S.A) Inc., for the termination of the previously executed Chapter 381 Economic Development Incentive Agreement. (OP-3286)
Roberto Ransom, Director, Economic Development, 915-546-2177
- F. **DELETE PER ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** - Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Agreement for Termination of Chapter 381 Economic Development Program Agreement with South Shore USA for the termination of the previously executed Chapter 381 Economic Development Incentive Agreement. (OP-5190)
Roberto Ransom, Director, Economic Development, 915-546-2177
- G. **PULLED FOR DISCUSSION BY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** - Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Cultural Heritage Society HOT Event Grant Service Agreement with the Cultural Heritage Society of the Camino Real de Tierra Adentro, pursuant to Texas Tax Code Sections 352.1015, 352.102(a)(2), and 352.102(a)(3), for the general promotion and tourist advertising of the County of El Paso and its vicinity to attract visitors from August 21-25, 2024, in the amount of \$15,000. Funds are available in SR-TOURPROM-HISTORICAL EVENTS. (Contract No. 2024-0554)
Roberto Ransom, Director, Economic Development, 915-546-2177

Motion **MOVE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS, PURSUANT TO TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.0725.**

RESULT:	Pass [5 TO 0]
MOVER:	David Stout Commissioner, Pct 2
SECONDER:	Carlos Leon Commissioner, Pct 1
AYES:	Samaniego, Leon, Stout, Holguin, Coronado
NAYS:	None

Motion (1.) **COMMISSIONERS COURT VOTES UNANIMOUSLY THAT DELIBERATION IN AN OPEN MEETING WOULD HAVE A DETRIMENTAL EFFECT ON THE POSITION OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT IN NEGOTIATIONS WITH A THIRD PARTY; (2.) THE ATTORNEY ADVISING THE COMMISSIONERS COURT ISSUES A WRITTEN DETERMINATION THAT DELIBERATION IN AN OPEN MEETING WOULD HAVE A DETRIMENTAL EFFECT ON THE POSITION OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT IN NEGOTIATIONS WITH A THIRD PARTY; AND (3.) A RECORDING OF THE PROCEEDINGS IN CLOSED SESSION IS MADE REGARDING THE DISCUSSION OF ITEM 4G FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY JUDGE TO SIGN THE CULTURAL HERITAGE SOCIETY HOT EVENT GRANT SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH THE CULTURAL HERITAGE SOCIETY OF THE CAMINO REAL DE TIERRA ADENTRO, PURSUANT TO TEXAS TAX CODE SECTIONS 352.1015, 352.102(A)(2), AND 352.102(A)(3), FOR THE GENERAL PROMOTION AND TOURIST ADVERTISING OF THE COUNTY OF EL PASO AND ITS VICINITY TO ATTRACT VISITORS FROM AUGUST 21-25, 2024, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,000. FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE IN SR-TOURPROM-HISTORICAL EVENTS. (CONTRACT NO. 2024-0554)**

RESULT:	Pass [5 TO 0]
MOVER:	Carlos Leon Commissioner, Pct 1
SECONDER:	Iliana Holguin Commissioner, Pct 3
AYES:	Samaniego, Leon, Stout, Holguin, Coronado
NAYS:	None

Motion **DELETE**

RESULT:	Pass [5 TO 0]
MOVER:	Sergio Coronado Commissioner, Pct 4
SECONDER:	Ricardo Samaniego County Judge
AYES:	Samaniego, Leon, Stout, Holguin, Coronado
NAYS:	None

- H. (ARP Project Nos. 1170 & 1171) Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the First Amendment to the Subrecipient Agreements with Workforce Solutions Borderplex for Childcare Industry Support (2024-0598) and Small Business Support (2024-0599). American Rescue Plan funds are available in GARPLAN21-ECONOMIC-IMPACT-FUND-CHILDCARE & GARPLAN21-ECONOMIC-IMPACT-FUND.
Roberto Ransom, Director, Economic Development, 915-546-2177
- I. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Third Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement between the El Paso County Hospital District d/b/a University Medical Center of El Paso and the County Of El Paso for as needed pre-employment medical examination services for the County Human Resources Department as they relate to the Sheriff's Office. Funding is available in GF-HR-PROF SVC. (Contract No. 2024-0597)
Sam Trujillo, Interim Chief Human Resources Officer, Human Resources, 915-273-3520
- J. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the addendum between the County of El Paso and SHI Government Solutions, Inc. for the maintenance and support purchase of SmartSheet Enterprise Plan. Funding in the amount of \$39,928.00 is available in GF-ITD-MAINT/REP-SOFTWARE. (Contract No. 2024-0484)
Art Nevarez, Director, Information Technology, 915-273-3301
- K. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the agreement between the County of El Paso and Datavox for the Countywide maintenance and support of eFax Channels. Funding in the amount of \$40,068.47 is available in GF-ITD-MAINT/REP-SOFTWARE. (Contract No. 2024-0573)
Art Nevarez, Director, Information Technology, 915-273-3301
- L. Approve and authorize the renewal of the County of El Paso's Burn Ban Order for an additional 90 days effective August 11, 2024 (#5224-OP).
Melissa Carrillo, Executive Director, County Operations, 915-546-2162
- M. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Advance Funding Agreement for Highway Safety Improvement Program Off System and Supporting Resolution for the Grand River Drive (CSJ:0924-06-662) Project with the Texas Department of Transportation for project design and construction of the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) FY2025 in the amount of \$81,765.30 with a County match of \$12,264.79. Match funding is available in GF-GADM-XFER OUT GRANT MATCH. (Contract No. 2024-0475) (CC Precinct 3)
Michael McElroy, Director, Planning and Development, 915-273-3330
- N. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Interlocal Agreement (ILA) for Limited Paratransit Services between El Paso County, the City of El Paso/Sun Metro, and the El Paso Area Transportation Services, Local Government Corporation (EPATS, LGC) for the coordination and operation of ADA-complimentary paratransit services across respective jurisdictions to facilitate seamless travel for individuals with disabilities. (Contract No. 2024-0545)
Michael McElroy, Director, Planning and Development, 915-273-3330

- O. **CORRECTION PER PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT - (ARP Project No. 1011)**
Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the First Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement with El Paso Water Utilities for the construction of first-time water and or wastewater systems in the Mayfair, NuWay, Wiloughby Road, Serene Acres, Laura E. Mundy and Tierra de Oro communities in the amount of **\$2,035,379.20**, pending final review and approval from the County Attorney's Office. Funding is available in the amount of \$1,892,143.20 in SG- ARPLAN21-OPERATING EX. Further approve and authorize the transfer of \$143,240.50 from project ARP-1530 to project ARP- 1011. (Contract No. 2024-0570)
Michael McElroy, Director, Planning and Development, 915-273-3330
- P. Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Advance Funding Agreement for Highway Safety Improvement Program Off System and Supporting Resolution for the Whitetail Deer Dr. (CSJ:0924-06-661) Project with the Texas Department of Transportation for project design and construction of the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) FY2025 in the amount of \$75,218.02 with a County match in the amount of \$9,433.57 for a total amount of \$84,651.59. Funds are available in GF-GADM-XFER OUT-GRANT MATCH. (Contract No. 2024-0605) (CC Precinct 1)
Michael McElroy, Director, Planning and Development, 915-273-3330
- Q. Pursuant to Texas Local Government Code §232.023, approve and authorize the acceptance, filing and recording of the Paseo Del Este Unit 9 Phase II Subdivision plat.
Michael McElroy, Director, Planning and Development, 915-273-3330
- R. 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
- S. Approve and authorize the Purchase and Installation of Law Enforcement Vehicle Equipment for the Sheriff's and Constables using Region 19 Contracts 22-7447 and 24-7477 awarded to Alamo Auto Supply (Alamo Industries, Inc.) of El Paso, TX, in the amount of \$326,702.70 (of which \$4,383.28 are not listed on the cooperative contract) and As-Needed Emergency Vehicle Equipment and Related Services for the El Paso County, Texas. Pricing and discounts as identified through cooperative contracts. The as-needed approval is for individual purchase(s) not exceeding \$50k. Any purchase(s) that exceed \$50k will be presented to Commissioners Court on an individual basis. Purchasing approved July 26, 2024. Funding available in CP-REP L C24-SOP ATROL - VEHICLE, GF-SOCID-CAP OUT-VEHICLES, GF-SOLAW-CAP OUT-VEHICLES. CP-REPLC24-CONS2-VEHICLE, CP-REPLC24-CONS3-VEHICLE, CP-REPLC24-CONS5-VEHICLE and CP-REPLC24-CONS7-VEHICLE.
Karen Davidson, Purchasing Agent, Purchasing, 915-273-3349

- T. Approve As-Needed Purchase and Installation of Parks and Recreation Equipment and Sports Field Lighting Products for the El Paso County, Texas using BuyBoard Contract 679-22 awarded to Exerplay, Inc. of Cedar Crest, New Mexico, Kraftsman Commercial Playgrounds and Water Parks of Spring, Texas; Lea Park & Play, Inc. of Richardson, Texas and BuyBoard Contract 677-22 awarded to Musco Sports Lighting, LLC of Oskaloosa, Iowa. Discount and pricing as indicated in cooperative contract. This approval is for individual purchase(s) not exceeding \$50k. Any purchase(s) that exceed \$50k will be presented to Commissioners Court for approval on an individual basis. Purchasing approved on July 28, 2024. Funding available through various County accounts.
Karen Davidson, Purchasing Agent, Purchasing, 915-273-3349
- U. Approve and authorize the purchase of As-Needed Maintenance, Repair and Operation (MRO) Equipment, Supplies, Materials and Services for the El Paso County, Texas using Region 19 Contract 22-7434 awarded to Control and Equipment Company (Control & Equipment Company of El Paso, Inc.) of El Paso, TX; GAP Air Conditioning & Heating (Gutierrez Moctezuma and Associates LLC) of El Paso, TX; PC Automated Controls, Inc. of El Paso, TX; Technical Building Services(JiVG Enterprises LLC) of El Paso, Texas; Trane U.S. Inc of El Paso, TX; Region 19 Contract 23-7457 awarded to Varitec Solutions (Javine WMC) (JVI Arizona LLC) of El Paso, TX; Sourcewell Contract 070121-JHN awarded to Johnson Controls, Inc. of Milwaukee, WI. Discount and pricing as indicated in cooperative contracts. Approval is for individual purchase(s) not exceeding \$50,000. Purchase(s) that exceed \$50,000 will be presented to Commissioners Court for approval on an individual basis.
Karen Davidson, Purchasing Agent, Purchasing, 915-273-3349
- V. Approve and authorize the purchase of As-Needed Maintenance, Repair, Operating Supplies, Industrial Supplies and Related Products and Services for the El Paso County, TX using Omnia Partners/US Communities Contract 16154-RFP awarded to HD Supply Facilities Maintenance, Ltd. of San Diego, California and Sourcewell Contract 091422-WCP awarded to White Cap, L.P. of Norcross, Georgia. Discount and pricing as indicated in cooperative contract. Purchasing approved on July 28, 2024. Funding contingent upon requesting departments.
Karen Davidson, Purchasing Agent, Purchasing, 915-273-3349
- W. Approve and authorize the As-Needed Retail and Wholesale Merchandise Solutions for El Paso County, Texas using Omnia Partners/Region 14 ESC Contract 15-02 awarded to Walmart Inc. of Bentonville, Arkansas. Dynamic pricing as identified through cooperative contract. Funding is available through various County department accounts. Purchasing approved on July 28, 2024.
Karen Davidson, Purchasing Agent, Purchasing, 915-273-3349
- X. 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

- Y. GRANT AWARD - Approve and authorize the County Judge to sign the Notice of Grant Award from the Texas Veterans Commission Fund for Veterans Assistance for the El Paso Veterans Treatment Court Program from July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, in the amount of \$300,000. County match in the amount of \$10,000 is budgeted in GF-GADM-XFER-OUT-GRANT MATCH. (Contract No. 2024-0553)
Patricia Baca, District Judge, 346th District Court, 915-546-2119
- Z. GRANT AWARD - Approve and authorize the County Judge to accept the FEMA Shelter Services Program funding award allocation (SSP-A) in the amount of \$4,542,014 to support regional humanitarian response efforts during the eligible spending periods of October 1, 2023, through September 30, 2026. No County match is required. (Contract No. 2024-0588)
Irene Gutierrez, Executive Director, Community Services, 915-273-3485

COMMISSIONERS COURT DELETED ITEM 4F FOR THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, ITEM 4G WAS PULLED FOR DISCUSSION BY THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, A CORRECTION WAS READ IN FOR ITEM 4O FOR THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, AND NEW BACKUP WAS ADDED TO ITEM 4T FOR THE PURCHASING DEPARTMENT.

Motion APPROVE THE ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA WITH THE NOTED CHANGES.

RESULT: Pass [5 TO 0]
MOVER: Iliana Holguin Commissioner, Pct 3
SECONDER: Ricardo Samaniego County Judge
AYES: Samaniego, Leon, Stout, Holguin, Coronado
NAYS: None

5. RESOLUTIONS

- A. Approve and adopt a resolution recognizing August 2024 as Black Business Month in El Paso County, Texas.
David Stout, Commissioner, Precinct 2, 915-546-2111

Motion APPROVE

RESULT: Pass [5 TO 0]
MOVER: David Stout Commissioner, Pct 2
SECONDER: Iliana Holguin Commissioner, Pct 3
AYES: Samaniego, Leon, Stout, Holguin, Coronado
NAYS: None

- B. Approve and adopt a resolution declaring August 4 - 10, 2024, as National Health Center Week in El Paso County, Texas.
Ricardo A. Samaniego, County Judge, County Judge's Office, 915-546-2098

Motion **APPROVE**

RESULT: Pass [5 TO 0]

MOVER: Ricardo Samaniego County Judge

SECONDER: David Stout Commissioner, Pct 2

AYES: Samaniego, Leon, Stout, Holguin, Coronado

NAYS: None

6. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

ELIZABETH CRAWFORD, CONCERNED CITIZEN, ADDRESSED THE COMMISSIONERS COURT REGARDING AUGUST 22, 2024, BEING DESIGNATED A DAY TO REMEMBER THE VICTIMS OF VIOLENCE BASED ON RELIGION OR BELIEF, AND SPOKE OF ABORTION VICTIMS AS MEMBERS OF THIS CATEGORY AND READ SCRIPTURE.

7. **PRESENTATION**

- A. Receive a presentation from the El Paso Central Appraisal District on the County of El Paso 2024 Certified Appraisal Roll.
John Sarah, Director, Budget and Finance, 915-546-2262

PRESENTATION RECEIVED

8. **REGULAR AGENDA**

- A. Approve and authorize the County Judge to execute and submit the necessary documents relating to the County's application and receipt of federal community project funding on behalf of the El Paso County Hospital District subject to legal review. Further give staff direction to draft an agreement with the Hospital District to effectuate the award and bring that agreement back to the Commissioners Court for consideration and final approval.
R. Jacob Cintron, President & CEO, University Medical Center/EPCHD, 915-521-7600

Motion **APPROVE**

RESULT: Pass [5 TO 0]

MOVER: David Stout Commissioner, Pct 2

SECONDER: Ricardo Samaniego County Judge

AYES: Samaniego, Leon, Stout, Holguin, Coronado

NAYS: None

- B. Receive a presentation from the El Paso Sports Commission regarding its quarterly status report.

Melissa Carrillo, Executive Director, County Operations, 915-546-2162

PRESENTATION RECEIVED

9. BOARD APPOINTMENTS

- A. Approve the appointment of Commissioner Stout's nominee, Reggie Mainor, to the El Paso County Veteran's Advisory Board for the unexpired, two-year term ending November 30, 2025.

Betsy C. Keller, Chief Administrator, County Administration, 915-546-2215

Motion **APPROVE**

RESULT: Pass [5 TO 0]

MOVER: Ricardo Samaniego County Judge

SECONDER: Carlos Leon Commissioner, Pct 1

AYES: Samaniego, Leon, Stout, Holguin, Coronado

NAYS: None

10. COUNTY ADMINISTRATION

- A. Discuss and take appropriate action regarding the adoption of a Resolution Authorizing Redemption of a Portion, up to \$5,610,000, of the El Paso County, Texas Tax Note, Taxable Series 2023B. (Contract No. 2024-0606)

Jose M. Landeros, Director, Strategic Capital Development, 915-546-2215

Motion **APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REDEMPTION OF A PORTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,061,660.96, OF THE EL PASO COUNTY, TEXAS TAX NOTE, TAXABLE SERIES 2023B (CONTRACT NO. 2024-0606). FURTHER, AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY JUDGE AND CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER TO EXECUTE ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS RELATED TO THE REDEMPTION UPON FINAL LEGAL REVIEW AND APPROVAL BY THE COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE AND BOND COUNSEL.**

RESULT: Pass [5 TO 0]

MOVER: Sergio Coronado Commissioner, Pct 4

SECONDER: Iliana Holguin Commissioner, Pct 3

AYES: Samaniego, Leon, Stout, Holguin, Coronado

NAYS: None

- B. Discuss and take appropriate action regarding the development 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.

Jose Landeros, Director, Strategic Capital Development, 915-546-2215

NO ACTION

COMMISSIONERS COURT RECESSED AT 12:31 P.M.

COMMISSIONERS COURT RECONVENED AT 1:40 P.M.

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION

COMMISSIONERS COURT RECESSED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 1:47 P.M. TO DISCUSS ITEMS 11A, 11C AND 11E, AND ITEM 4G FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA.

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, 915-546-2215
- B. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071, discuss legal rights and responsibilities regarding litigation styled United States v. Texas, No. 24-50149, County Attorney's File No. 0165-23-PL.
Bernardo Cruz, Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office, 915-273-3247

Motion DELETE EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEM 11B AND THE CORRESPONDING REGULAR SESSION ITEM 12A

RESULT: Pass [5 TO 0]

MOVER: Iliana Holguin Commissioner, Pct 3

SECONDER: David Stout Commissioner, Pct 2

AYES: Samaniego, Leon, Stout, Holguin, Coronado

NAYS: None

- C. Pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Sections 551.071 and 551.0725, discuss legal rights and responsibilities and contract negotiations regarding the County's proposed cash assistance program.

Eric Bauer, Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office, (915) 273-3238

Motion (1.) **COMMISSIONERS COURT VOTES UNANIMOUSLY THAT DELIBERATION IN AN OPEN MEETING WOULD HAVE A DETRIMENTAL EFFECT ON THE POSITION OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT IN NEGOTIATIONS WITH A THIRD PARTY; (2.) THE ATTORNEY ADVISING THE COMMISSIONERS COURT ISSUES A WRITTEN DETERMINATION THAT DELIBERATION IN AN OPEN MEETING WOULD HAVE A DETRIMENTAL EFFECT ON THE POSITION OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT IN NEGOTIATIONS WITH A THIRD PARTY; AND (3.) A RECORDING OF THE PROCEEDINGS IN CLOSED SESSION IS MADE REGARDING THE DISCUSSION OF EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEM 11C TO DISCUSS LEGAL RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES AND CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS REGARDING THE COUNTY'S PROPOSED CASH ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.**

RESULT: Pass [5 TO 0]

MOVER: Sergio Coronado Commissioner, Pct 4

SECONDER: Iliana Holguin Commissioner, Pct 3

AYES: Samaniego, Leon, Stout, Holguin, Coronado

NAYS: None

- D. Pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Sections 551.0725, discuss contract negotiations regarding the Interlocal Agreement related to ARPA Project 1160, Tornillo Guadalupe Port of Entry Study between El Paso County and the Camino Real Regional Mobility Authority. (Contract No. 2024-0211)

Roberto Ransom, Director, Economic Development, 915-546-2177

Motion **DELETE EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEM 11D.**

RESULT: Pass [5 TO 0]

MOVER: David Stout Commissioner, Pct 2

SECONDER: Sergio Coronado Commissioner, Pct 4

AYES: Samaniego, Leon, Stout, Holguin, Coronado

NAYS: None

- E. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.087, discuss financial information and economic development negotiations received regarding a Chapter 381 Agreement with Project 1962, a private business prospect.

Roberto Ransom, Director, Economic Development, 915-546-2177

12. REGULAR SESSION

COMMISSIONERS COURT RECONVENED INTO REGULAR OPEN SESSION AT 2:54 P.M.

- A. Discuss and take appropriate action regarding legal rights and responsibilities regarding litigation styled United States v. Texas, No. 24-50149, County Attorney's File No. 0165-23-PL.

Bernardo Cruz, Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office, 915-273-3247

REGULAR SESSION ITEM 12A WAS DELETED ALONG WITH THE CORRESPONDING EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEM 11B.

13. ADDENDUM TO THE AGENDA

- A. Discuss and take appropriate action regarding the adoption of an Order of the Commissioners Court of El Paso County, Texas, Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of up to \$3,500,000 in El Paso County, Texas Tax Note, Taxable Series 2024 to Fund Renovations at County Facilities; Levying an annual Ad Valorem Tax and Providing for the Security for and Payment of Said Note; and Enacting other Provisions Relating to the Subject.

POSTED FRIDAY, AUGUST 2, 2024, AT 11:30 A.M.

Jose M. Landeros, Director, Strategic Capital Development, 915-546-2159

Motion APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE ADOPTION OF AN ORDER OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF EL PASO COUNTY, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF \$3,374,000 IN EL PASO COUNTY, TEXAS TAX NOTE, TAXABLE SERIES 2024 TO FUND RENOVATIONS AT COUNTY FACILITIES; LEVYING AN ANNUAL AD VALOREM TAX AND PROVIDING FOR THE SECURITY FOR AND PAYMENT OF SAID NOTE; AND ENACTING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE SUBJECT. FURTHER, AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY JUDGE AND CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFER TO EXECUTE ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS RELATED TO SAID NOTE UPON FINAL LEGAL REVIEW AND APPROVAL BY THE COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE AND BOND COUNSEL.

RESULT:	Pass [5 TO 0]
MOVER:	Ricardo Samaniego County Judge
SECONDER:	Carlos Leon Commissioner, Pct 1
AYES:	Samaniego, Leon, Stout, Holguin, Coronado
NAYS:	None

ADJOURN

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 2:56 P.M.

EL PASO COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT



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Commissioner, Pct.1

ILIANA HOLGUIN
Commissioner, Pct.3

DAVID STOUT
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RICARDO A. SAMANIEGO
County Judge

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COMMISSIONERS COURT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES Monday, August 5, 2024 MEETING ADJOURNED AT 2:56 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 _____, 2024

COUNTY JUDGE RICARDO A. SAMANIEGO, PRESIDING

EL PASO COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

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Commissioner, Pct.1

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RICARDO A. SAMANIEGO
County Judge

MINUTES

Special Meeting, August 07, 2024 – 1:00 PM

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JESSICA DOMINGUEZ, DEPUTY CLERK**

Present: 4 – Commissioner, Pct 1 Carlos Leon, Commissioner, Pct 2 David Stout,
Commissioner, Pct 3 Iliana Holguin, Commissioner, Pct 4 Sergio Coronado
Absent: 1 – County Judge Ricardo Samaniego

1. OPEN MEETING

THE COMMISSIONERS COURT MEETING WAS CONVENED AT 1:08 P.M.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

NO ACTION

4. REGULAR AGENDA

- A. Receive a presentation regarding the Fiscal Year 2025 El Paso County Hospital District Operating and Capital Budget.
R. Jacob Cintron, President & CEO, University Medical Center/EPCHD, 915-521-7600

PRESENTATION RECEIVED

- B. Discuss and take appropriate action on the El Paso County Hospital District's Capital and Operating Budgets for FY 2025 and proposed tax rate.
R. Jacob Cintron, President & CEO, University Medical Center/EPCHD, 915-521-7600

Motion **MOVE TO ADD TO THE COMMISSIONERS COURT AGENDA, AT ITS REGULAR MEETING ON AUGUST 26, 2024, AN ITEM TO DISCUSS AND VOTE ON THE PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX RATE FOR THE EL PASO COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT D/B/A UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER OF EL PASO. THE HOSPITAL DISTRICT HAS PROPOSED THE RATE OF 0. 2 1 9 5 2 6 DOLLARS PER \$100 ASSESSED VALUATION, CONSISTING OF: 0. 1 8 5 6 0 7 DOLLARS PER \$100 ASSESSED VALUATION FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS, AND A RATE OF: 0. 0 3 3 9 1 9 DOLLARS PER \$100 ASSESSED VALUATION FOR PAYMENT OF THE PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST ON THE DEBT OF THE HOSPITAL DISTRICT. THE PROPOSED TAX RATE DOES NOT EXCEED THE NO-NEW-REVENUE RATE. FURTHER, AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH TEXAS TAX CODE CHAPTER 26, PUBLISH NOTICE OF A MEETING TO VOTE ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE TO BE HELD ON MONDAY, AUGUST 26, 2024, AT 9:30 A.M. IN THE COMMISSIONERS COURT CHAMBERS, 3RD FLOOR, ROOM 303, EL PASO COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 500 EAST SAN ANTONIO AVENUE. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC MAY ATTEND IN PERSON OR PARTICIPATE AND ADDRESS THE COURT VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE OR TELEPHONE. INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW TO PARTICIPATE VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE ARE AVAILABLE AT EPCOUNTY.COM. A NOTICE OF THIS MEETING WILL BE POSTED AT THE COURTHOUSE AND ONLINE AT WWW.EPCOUNTY.COM.**

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

ADJOURN

THE COMMISSIONERS COURT MEETING ADJOURNED AT 2:29 P.M.

EL PASO COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT



CARLOS LEON
Commissioner, Pct.1

ILIANA HOLGUIN
Commissioner, Pct.3

DAVID STOUT
Commissioner, Pct.2

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Commissioner, Pct.4

RICARDO A. SAMANIEGO
County Judge

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COMMISSIONERS COURT SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES Wednesday, August 7, 2024 MEETING ADJOURNED AT 2:29 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 _____, 2024

COUNTY JUDGE RICARDO A. SAMANIEGO, PRESIDING