

MEETING FOR HIDALGO COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 5
Minutes of the Meeting Held on January 5, 2026

LOCATION: 724 N. Breyfogle Rd. Mission, Texas 78574

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

Dr. Antonio Uresti
Maribel Galvan
Fausto Salinas
James Olivarez
Juan Lino Garza

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Jorge Arcaute
Krystine Ramon
Jerry Alaniz
Leroy Salinas
Gus Ramirez
Michael Leo
Arturo Galvan Jr.
Hector Sanchez
Gloria Rios

- 1) Oath of Office – Commissioner Dr. Antonio Uresti, Maribel Galvan, Fausto Salinas, James Olivarez and Juan Lino Garza were sworn in to office.
- 2) Call meeting order. The meeting was called to order by President Uresti at 6:04 p.m. Dr. Antonio Uresti, Maribel Galvan, Fausto Salinas, James Olivarez and Juan Lino Garza were present, and a quorum was established.
- 3) Invocation.
- 4) Pledge of Allegiance.
- 5) To receive public comment. Hector Sanchez and Gloria Rios from Texas National Bank introduced themselves to the new Commissioners and bank procedures.
- 6) To elect Board Officers. Commissioner Garza made a motion second by Commissioner Galvan to approve Dr. Antonio Uresti as Board President. The motion passed by a vote of 4 to 0 with Commissioner Uresti abstaining. Commissioner Garza made a motion second by Commissioner Salinas to approve Maribel Galvan as Vice-President. The motion passed by a vote of 4 to 0 with Commissioner Uresti abstaining. Commissioner Garza made a motion second by Commissioner Galvan to approve James Olivarez as Treasurer. The motion passed by a vote of 4 to 0 with Commissioner Uresti abstaining. Commissioner Garza made a motion second by Commissioner

Olivarez to approve Fausto Salinas as Secretary. The motion passed by a vote of 4 to 0 with Commissioner Uresti abstaining. By default, Juan Lino Garza will serve as a Commissioner.

- 7) To approve the December 10, 2025 meeting minutes. Commissioner Garza made a motion second by Commissioner Galvan to approve the December 10, 2025 meeting minutes as presented. The motion passed by a vote of 4 to 0 with Commissioner Uresti abstaining.
- 8) To review, discuss and take action regarding any District financial institution matters and pay district bills. Legal counsel Krystine Ramon presented invoice number 6354 for \$959.50 and invoice 6377 for \$198.50 from Clicktunity for creating and maintaining the District's website. Commissioner Garza made a motion second by Commissioner Olivarez to approve invoice 6354 for \$959.50 and invoice 6377 for \$198.50 to Clicktunity and set up ACH payments for monthly recurring bill with Clicktunity. The motion passed by a vote of 4 to 0 with Commissioner Uresti abstaining.
- 9) To review, discuss and take action on reimbursement resolution and policy for Commissioners. Legal Counsel presented Resolution 2026-001 for designating reimbursement rates per diem and mileage reimbursements of the Board of Emergency Services Commissioner of Hidalgo County Emergency Services District No. 5. Commissioner Garza made a motion second by Commissioner Olivarez to approve the resolution as presented with edits. The motion passed by a vote of 4 to 0 with Commissioner Uresti abstaining.
- 10) To review, discuss and take action regarding RFP/RFQ for Emergency Medical Services and Ambulance Services. Legal Counsel informed the Board that she sent the RFP/RFQ to MedCare, Med-Life, Lonestar and Skyline. No action was taken.
- 11) To review, discuss and take action regarding the provision of Emergency Services to District territory and approve emergency services contract with providers, including transitions. City of Palmview Fire Chief Jerry Alaniz presented a proposal along with Michael Leo from the City of Palmview regarding EMS services and the area they can cover. Chief Alaniz said he will work with the City of La Joya regarding boundary coverage and neighboring cities. City of La Joya Fire Chief Leroy Salinas presented to the Board that the City will submit a proposal for ambulance services and will work with neighboring City to determine boundary coverage. No action was taken.
- 12) To review, discuss and take action regarding hiring a consultant for Emergency Medical Services (EMS). Legal counsel Krystine Ramon presented a proposal from Armando Martinez for EMS services. No action was taken.
- 13) To review and discuss district boundaries. The Board discussed the District's boundaries. No action was taken.
- 14) To review, discuss and take action regarding hiring a part-time administrative assistant. No action was taken.

- 15) To meet in Closed Session under Texas Government Code Section 551.071 to consult with legal counsel. The Board did not go into closed session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071 to consult with legal counsel.
- 16) To review and act on scheduling District meetings and items to be added to meeting agendas. The next meeting is scheduled for January 14, 2026 at 5:30pm and February 11, 2026 at 7:30pm. No action was taken.
- 17) Adjournment. There being no further business, Commissioner Garza made a motion seconded by Commissioner Galvan to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed 4 to 0 with Commissioner Uresti abstaining. The meeting was concluded at 8:55pm.