

HAYS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES



JANUARY 6, 2026

STATE OF TEXAS *
COUNTY OF HAYS *

ON THIS THE 6th DAY OF JANUARY A.D., 2026, THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF HAYS COUNTY, TEXAS, MET IN REGULAR MEETING. THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WERE PRESENT, TO-WIT:

RUBEN BECERRA	COUNTY JUDGE
DEBBIE GONZALES INGALSBE	COMMISSIONER, PCT. 1
MICHELLE COHEN	COMMISSIONER, PCT. 2
MORGAN HAMMER	COMMISSIONER, PCT. 3
WALT SMITH	COMMISSIONER, PCT. 4
BRIANA RAMIREZ-VARGAS	SENIOR DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK

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THE FOLLOWING PROCEEDINGS WERE HAD, THAT IS:

Judge Becerra called the meeting to order. Pastor Darius Todd gave the invocation. Judge Becerra led the court in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas flags.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Alex Banbury made a public comment extending an invitation to festivities on Martin Luther King, Jr. day sponsored by the Dunbar Heritage Society. Merideth Keller made a public comment regarding Judge Ruben Becerra.

Recognition of the Hays County Auditor's Office and County Auditor Marisol Villarreal-Alonzo for receiving the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting from the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) for the preparation of the County's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2024, and for receiving the Financial Reporting Achievement Award.

Marisol Villarreal-Alonzo, County Auditor, expressed her appreciation towards the auditor's office and the court. The court expressed gratitude for the work done by the Hays County Auditor's Office.

42676 Approve payments of County invoices.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve payments of County invoices.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42677 Approve the payment of Juror disbursements.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve the payment of Juror disbursements.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42678 Approve the payment of United Healthcare and Texas Association of Counties healthcare claims and authorize an additional disbursement in an amount not to exceed \$500,000.00 to the healthcare claims account.



A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve the payment of United Healthcare and Texas Association of Counties healthcare claims and authorize an additional disbursement in an amount not to exceed \$500,000.00 to the healthcare claims account.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42679 Approve the payment of the January 15, 2026 payroll disbursements in an amount not to exceed \$4,600,000.00 effective January 15, 2026, and post totals of wages, withholdings, deductions and benefits on the Hays County website once finalized.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve the payment of the January 15, 2026 payroll disbursements in an amount not to exceed \$4,600,000.00 effective January 15, 2026, and post totals of wages, withholdings, deductions and benefits on the Hays County website once finalized.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42680 Accept the delivery of the Auditor's Office Quarterly Internal Examination Reports.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to accept the delivery of the Auditor's Office Quarterly Internal Examination Reports.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42681 Amend various departmental operating, special revenue and capital project budgets in preparation for Fiscal Year 2025 fiscal year-end financial reporting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to amend various departmental operating, special revenue and capital project budgets in preparation for Fiscal Year 2025 fiscal year-end financial reporting.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42682 Amend various departmental operating, special revenue and capital project budgets in preparation for Fiscal Year 2026 monthly financial reporting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to amend various departmental operating, special revenue and capital project budgets in preparation for Fiscal Year 2026 monthly financial reporting.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42683 Approve the October 2025 and November 2025 Treasurer's Reports.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve the October 2025 and November 2025 Treasurer's Reports.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42684 Authorize the Constable Pct. 5 Office to purchase one additional Stalker Radar for the Motor Officer valued at \$3,710.00 and amend the budget accordingly.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to authorize the Constable Pct. 5 Office to purchase one additional Stalker Radar for the Motor Officer valued at \$3,710.00 and amend the budget accordingly.



AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra
5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42685 Authorize the execution of the First Amendment to the Social Service Funding Agreement between Hays County and the Dripping Springs Community Library regarding recovery assistance for direct or indirect impacts of COVID-19.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to authorize the execution of the First Amendment to the Social Service Funding Agreement between Hays County and the Dripping Springs Community Library regarding recovery assistance for direct or indirect impacts of COVID-19.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra
5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42686 Authorize the acceptance of \$46,328.00 in supplemental funds from the Texas Juvenile Justice Department (TJJD) related to post-TJJD disposition for the purchase of a new transport vehicle and amend the budget accordingly.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to authorize the acceptance of \$46,328.00 in supplemental funds from the Texas Juvenile Justice Department (TJJD) related to post-TJJD disposition for the purchase of a new transport vehicle and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra
5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42687 Approve the completion of the Parks and Open Space Advisory Committee (POSAC) grant between Hays County and the City of Woodcreek for park improvements.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve the completion of the Parks and Open Space Advisory Committee (POSAC) grant between Hays County and the City of Woodcreek for park improvements.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra
5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42688 Authorize the County Judge to execute Noncash Charitable Contribution forms for park property purchased from Mary Jane Wood and Jeri Susan Wood in Wimberley where the value exceeded the County's purchase price with an effective date of December 31, 2025, and amend the budget accordingly.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to authorize the County Judge to execute Noncash Charitable Contribution forms for park property purchased from Mary Jane Wood and Jeri Susan Wood in Wimberley where the value exceeded the County's purchase price with an effective date of December 31, 2025, and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra
5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42689 Approve the appointment of Karen Sosby to the Board of Emergency Services District (ESD) #7 for a two-year term ending December 31, 2027.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve the appointment of Karen Sosby to the Board of Emergency Services District (ESD) #7 for a two-year term ending December 31, 2027.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra
5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42690 Approve the reappointment of Staci Dement, Maria Cristina Nelson and Darrell Debish to the Board of Emergency Services District (ESD) #1 for a two-year term ending December 31, 2027.



Commissioner Smith addressed the reappointments and thanked the appointees for their continued service.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve the reappointment of Staci Dement, Maria Cristina Nelson and Darrell Debish to the Board of Emergency Services District (ESD) #1 for a two-year term ending December 31, 2027.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42691 Approve the reappointment of Bert Bronaugh and Haley Ortiz to Emergency Service District (ESD) #2 for a two-year term ending December 31, 2027.

Commissioner Smith addressed the reappointments and thanked the appointees for their continued service.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve the reappointment of Bert Bronaugh and Haley Ortiz to Emergency Service District (ESD) #2 for a two-year term ending December 31, 2027.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

4 2 6 9 2 Approve the reappointment of Steve Janda and Marilyn Miller to the Board of Emergency Services District (ESD) #6 for a two-year term ending December 31, 2027.

Commissioner Smith addressed the reappointments and thanked the appointees for their continued service.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve the reappointment of Steve Janda and Marilyn Miller to the Board of Emergency Services District (ESD) #6 for a two-year term ending December 31, 2027.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42693 Approve the reappointment of Jim Hollis and Carol Greaves to the Board of Emergency Services District (ESD) #8 for a two-year term ending December 31, 2027.

Commissioner Smith addressed the reappointments and thanked the appointees for their continued service.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve the reappointment of Jim Hollis and Carol Greaves to the Board of Emergency Services District (ESD) #8 for a two-year term ending December 31, 2027.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42694 Approve the reappointment of Susan Kimball to the board of directors for the Dripping Springs Tax Incremental Reinvestment Zones No. 1 and No. 2, for a two year term ending December 31, 2027.

Commissioner Smith addressed the reappointments and thanked the appointees for their continued service.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve the reappointment of Susan Kimball to the board of directors for the Dripping Springs Tax Incremental Reinvestment Zones No. 1 and No. 2, for a two year term ending December 31, 2027.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously



42695 Authorize an amendment for the Sheriff's Office to use existing funds totaling \$1,500.00 for the purchase and installation of vehicle graphics for the Crisis Negotiation Unit, and authorize a waiver to the purchasing policy to obtain three quotes and amend the budget accordingly.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to authorize an amendment for the Sheriff's Office to use existing funds totaling \$1,500.00 for the purchase and installation of vehicle graphics for the Crisis Negotiation Unit, and authorize a waiver to the purchasing policy to obtain three quotes and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42696 Approve an increase in the petty cash limit for Jail Operations from \$1,000.00 to \$1,500.00.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve an increase in the petty cash limit for Jail Operations from \$1,000.00 to \$1,500.00.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42697 Authorize the Sheriff's Office to accept insurance proceeds from the Texas Association of Counties totaling \$2,535.70 and amend the budget accordingly.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to authorize the Sheriff's Office to accept insurance proceeds from the Texas Association of Counties totaling \$2,535.70 and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42698 Authorize a waiver to the purchasing policy of obtaining three quotes for the Sheriff's Office to purchase law enforcement equipment valued at \$8,761.70 from Mile High Shooting Accessories, LLC.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to authorize a waiver to the purchasing policy of obtaining three quotes for the Sheriff's Office to purchase law enforcement equipment valued at \$8,761.70 from Mile High Shooting Accessories, LLC.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42699 Authorize the execution of a Joint Law Enforcement Operations Task Force Obligation Document for FY 2026, pursuant to the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Western District of Texas and the Hays County Sheriff's Office for Sheriff's Office overtime reimbursements and amend the budget accordingly.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to authorize the execution of a Joint Law Enforcement Operations Task Force Obligation Document for FY 2026, pursuant to the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Western District of Texas and the Hays County Sheriff's Office for Sheriff's Office overtime reimbursements and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42700 Authorize payment to Sarmad Towing LLC for \$544.00 for towing services, where no purchase order was obtained per the county's purchasing policy.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to authorize payment to Sarmad Towing LLC for \$544.00 for towing services, where no purchase order was obtained per the county's purchasing policy.



AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42701 Authorize an Academy Training Renewal application and a payment of a renewal fee in the amount of \$1,000.00 to the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement for the Sheriff's Office.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to authorize an Academy Training Renewal application and a payment of a renewal fee in the amount of \$1,000.00 to the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement for the Sheriff's Office.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42702 Authorize the execution of a General and No Litigation Certificate of Hays County related to the issuance of bonds by Capital Area Housing Finance Corporation for Northside Village in Williamson County, Texas.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to authorize the execution of a General and No Litigation Certificate of Hays County related to the issuance of bonds by Capital Area Housing Finance Corporation for Northside Village in Williamson County, Texas.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42703 Authorize the execution by the Precinct 3 Commissioner of an amendment to the conservation easement held by the Nature Conservancy on Sentinel Peak Preserve.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to authorize the execution by the Precinct 3 Commissioner of an amendment to the conservation easement held by the Nature Conservancy on Sentinel Peak Preserve.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42704 Adopt the Joint Primary Resolution between the Hays County Republican Party, Hays County Democratic Party, and Hays County Election Administrator for the conduct of the March 3, 2026, Joint Primary Election and any resulting runoff election.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to adopt the Joint Primary Resolution between the Hays County Republican Party, Hays County Democratic Party, and Hays County Election Administrator for the conduct of the March 3, 2026, Joint Primary Election and any resulting runoff election.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42705 Authorize the County Administrator's Office to purchase office furniture from Amazon in the amount of \$5,072.48 and amend the budget accordingly.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to authorize the County Administrator's Office to purchase office furniture from Amazon in the amount of \$5,072.48 and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42706 Approve Utility Items.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve Utility Items.



AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42707 Authorize the execution of the 7th Amended and Restated Resolution regarding authority of Ex Officio Road Commissioners.

Judge Becerra requested that Kandice Boutte, County Administrator, verify that the county is adhering to best practices, to which Boutte agreed to work with the road and purchasing department to do this.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to authorize the execution of the 7th Amended and Restated Resolution regarding authority of Ex Officio Road Commissioners.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42708 Approve renewal of IFB 2023-B10 Culverts with Contech Engineered Solutions for one (1) additional year, effective January 16, 2026.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve renewal of IFB 2023-B10 Culverts with Contech Engineered Solutions for one (1) additional year, effective January 16, 2026.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42709 Approve renewal of IFB 2022-B06 Road Building Materials - Limestone Rock Asphalt Cold Mix with Vulcan Construction Materials, LLC, for one (1) additional year.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve renewal of IFB 2022-B06 Road Building Materials - Limestone Rock Asphalt Cold Mix with Vulcan Construction Materials, LLC, for one (1) additional year.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42710 Approve the renewal of IFB 2022-B07 Road Building Materials - Hot Mix Overlay with Colorado Materials, Ltd., and Asphalt Inc, LLC dba Lone Star paving Company for one (1) additional year.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve the renewal of IFB 2022-B07 Road Building Materials - Hot Mix Overlay with Colorado Materials, Ltd., and Asphalt Inc, LLC dba Lone Star paving Company for one (1) additional year.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42711 Approve renewal of IFB 2022-B05 Countywide Portable Toilets & Handwashing Stations Rental Services with United Site Services of Texas, Inc. for one (1) additional year.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve renewal of IFB 2022-B05 Countywide Portable Toilets & Handwashing Stations Rental Services with United Site Services of Texas, Inc. for one (1) additional year.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42712 Approve specifications for RFP 2026-P06 HVAC - Preventative Maintenance and Repair Services, Countywide and authorize Purchasing to advertise and solicit for proposals.



A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve specifications for RFP 2026-P06 HVAC - Preventative Maintenance and Repair Services, Countywide and authorize Purchasing to advertise and solicit for proposals.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42713 Approve specifications for RFP 2026-P07 Grant Writing and Management Services Pool and authorize Purchasing to solicit for proposals and advertise.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve specifications for RFP 2026-P07 Grant Writing and Management Services Pool and authorize Purchasing to solicit for proposals and advertise.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42714 Approve the Visionary Endeavors 2026 events on the Courthouse grounds that shall include commercial vendors for the following dates in 2026: January 24, February 28, March 28, April 25, May 23, June 27, July 25, August 22, September 26, October 24, November 28, and December 26.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve the Visionary Endeavors 2026 events on the Courthouse grounds that shall include commercial vendors for the following dates in 2026: January 24, February 28, March 28, April 25, May 23, June 27, July 25, August 22, September 26, October 24, November 28, and December 26.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42715 Approve the Art Squared 2026 events on the Courthouse grounds that shall include commercial vendors for the following dates in 2026: April 11, May 9, October 10, November 14, and December 12.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve the Art Squared 2026 events on the Courthouse grounds that shall include commercial vendors for the following dates in 2026: April 11, May 9, October 10, November 14, and December 12.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42716 Approve the Vanilla Bean Market 2026 events on the Courthouse grounds that shall include commercial vendors for the following dates in 2026: January 17, February 14, March 14, April 18, May 9, August 22, September 19, October 17, November 21, and December 5.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve the Vanilla Bean Market 2026 events on the Courthouse grounds that shall include commercial vendors for the following dates in 2026: January 17, February 14, March 14, April 18, May 9, August 22, September 19, October 17, November 21, and December 5.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42717 Discussion and possible action regarding requesting the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) to prepare an agreement in accordance with HB 3697 from the 88th Texas Legislative Session.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to request the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) to prepare an agreement in accordance with HB 3697 from the 88th Texas Legislative Session.



AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42718 Discussion and possible action to adopt a Resolution of Support for the submission to the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) 2028-2031 grant application for the Call for Projects for the Hays County Sawyer Ranch Road Pedestrian Walkway Project.

Commissioner Smith stated that this project represents a continuation of the 2016 Bond project.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to adopt a Resolution of Support for the submission to the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) 2028-2031 grant application for the Call for Projects for the Hays County Sawyer Ranch Road Pedestrian Walkway Project.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42719 Discussion and possible action to adopt a Resolution of Support for the submission to the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) 2028-2031 grant application for the Call for Projects for the Hays County FM 2001 Gap Project.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cohen, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to adopt a Resolution of Support for the submission to the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) 2028-2031 grant application for the Call for Projects for the Hays County FM 2001 Gap Project.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42720 Discussion and possible action to adopt a Resolution of Support for the submission to the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) 2028-2031 grant application for the Call for Projects for the Hays County FM 2001 East Project.

Commissioner Ingalsbe spoke on the importance of the road and stated she hopes to get funding to continue to support this project.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to adopt a Resolution of Support for the submission to the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) 2028-2031 grant application for the Call for Projects for the Hays County FM 2001 East Project.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42721 Discussion and possible action to adopt a Resolution of Support for the submission to the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) 2028-2031 grant application for the Call for Projects for the Hays County Centerpoint Road Project.

Commissioner Hammer stated this is a grant application to allow for funding of this project.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hammer, seconded by Commissioner Smith to adopt a Resolution of Support for the submission to the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) 2028-2031 grant application for the Call for Projects for the Hays County Centerpoint Road Project.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42722 Discussion and possible action to adopt a Resolution of Support and financial commitment for the submission of a grant application to the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) for the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Federal-State Partnership for Intercity Passenger Rail Program for the Hays County Centerpoint Crossing Elimination and Safety Project.



A motion was made by Commissioner Hammer, seconded by Commissioner Smith to adopt a Resolution of Support and financial commitment for the submission of a grant application to the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) for the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Federal-State Partnership for Intercity Passenger Rail Program for the Hays County Centerpoint Crossing Elimination and Safety Project.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42723 Discussion and possible action to accept the Subdivision Bond No. 83BSBJK9052 for street and drainage improvements in the amount of \$125,956.80 for 6 Creeks Phase 1 Section 16 Subdivision.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hammer, seconded by Commissioner Smith to accept the Subdivision Bond No. 83BSBJK9052 for street and drainage improvements in the amount of \$125,956.80 for 6 Creeks Phase 1 Section 16 Subdivision.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42724 Discussion and possible action to accept the Subdivision Bond No. 83BSBJK9053 for street and drainage improvements in the amount of \$53,844.00 for 6 Creeks Phase 1 Section 17 Subdivision.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hammer, seconded by Commissioner Smith to accept the Subdivision Bond No. 83BSBJK9053 for street and drainage improvements in the amount of \$53,844.00 for 6 Creeks Phase 1 Section 17 Subdivision.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

PLN-2859-PC; Hold a Public Hearing regarding the Deer Run Estates, Lot 26, Replat.

Judge Becerra opened the Public Hearing at 10:31 a.m. No comments were made. Judge Becerra closed the Public Hearing at 10:31 a.m. Colby Machacek, Development Services Senior Planner, explained that no action was necessary today except to hold the hearing.

42725 PLN-2602-PC; Call for a Public Hearing on January 20th, 2026 for the Indian Hills Ranch, Lot 19, Replat.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to call for a Public Hearing on January 20th, 2026 for the Indian Hills Ranch, Lot 19, Replat. PLN-2602-PC.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42726 PLN-2787-PC; Call for a Public Hearing on January 20th, 2026 regarding Springlake, Replat of Lots 133-A, 134-A, & Tract 135.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to call for a Public Hearing on January 20th, 2026 regarding Springlake, Replat of Lots 133-A, 134-A, & Tract 135. PLN-2787-PC.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42727 Discussion and possible action to authorize the execution of an Interlocal Agreement between Hays County, the City of Kyle, and the City of Buda related to the construction, operation, and use of the Kyle Animal Shelter.

Lauren Foye, President and Director of Hays County Prevent A Litter (PALS), made a public comment in support of the Interlocal Agreement. The court expressed support for moving forward with the agreement and discussed the county's responsibilities.



Judge Becerra stated that the City of Kyle indicated that they would like to make edits to the agreement and would not be taking action on this item. Commissioner Smith stated that the agreement has been discussed extensively and expressed that the court should take action, as the need for these facilities is dire. Commissioner Hammer gave support for this item and asked the same support be made for precinct 3 when the time comes. The court had a lengthy discussion.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to authorize the execution of an Interlocal Agreement between Hays County, the City of Kyle, and the City of Buda related to the construction, operation, and use of the Kyle Animal Shelter.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith

NAY: Judge Becerra

4 - 1 Passed

42728 Discussion and possible action to authorize additional law enforcement equipment for the Constable Pct. 1 Office related to the new Deputy Constable approved in the FY26 budget to be effective April 1, 2026, and amend the budget accordingly.

Commissioner Ingalsbe stated the constable was authorized this position but no equipment was issued. David Peterson, Constable Precinct 1, thanked Scot Woodland, Commissioner Ingalsbe and Kandice Boutte for their assistance and spoke on the importance of why the equipment is needed for law enforcement. Stephanie Hunt, Purchasing Agent, stated that some quotes had not yet been received but will be reviewed when received.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to authorize additional law enforcement equipment for the Constable Pct. 1 Office related to the new Deputy Constable approved in the FY26 budget to be effective April 1, 2026, and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

4 2 7 2 9 Discussion and possible action to execute a one-year workers' compensation insurance policy between Hays County and Deep East Texas Self Insurance Fund, in the amount of \$698,412.00.

Erik Granjeno, Director of Human Resources, stated that this recommendation is to extend the policy for one year effective January 1, 2026. Stephanie Hunt, Purchasing Agent, noted that a Request for Proposal (RFP) has been issued for this item and will be presented at a later date.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to execute a one-year workers' compensation insurance policy between Hays County and Deep East Texas Self Insurance Fund, in the amount of \$698,412.00.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

4 2 7 3 0 Discussion and possible action authorizing the execution of an Interlocal Agreement for Jail Based Competency Restoration (JBCR) Program between Hays County, Texas and Hill Country Community Mental Health and Mental Retardation Centers to establish a JBCR Program within the Hays County Jail.

Julie Villalpando, Hays County Sheriff's Office Support Service Captain, highlighted the collaborative efforts of various local organizations and county departments. Landon Campbell, Division Chief, Hays County District Attorney's office, noted that this initiative will expand resources available to the public. The court expressed their support and anticipation for the continued implementation of the agreement. Jordan Powell, First Assistant Criminal District Attorney - Civil Division, explained that the program is grant-funded by the state and that medications are supplied through a separate contract with WellPath. Michelle Zaumeyer, Director of Forensic Services for Hill Country MHDD, emphasized that similar programs have demonstrated strong outcomes and that this partnership has the potential to make a significant impact.



A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to authorize the execution of an Interlocal Agreement for Jail Based Competency Restoration (JBCR) Program between Hays County, Texas and Hill Country Community Mental Health and Mental Retardation Centers to establish a JBCR Program within the Hays County Jail.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42731 Discussion and possible action to regrade the Transportation Civil Engineer slot 1032-001 grade 127 to grade 130 in order to maintain equity within the salary structure.

Erik Granjeno, Director of Human Resources, stated the recommendation for the pay grade change is to maintain internal equity. Commissioner Smith expressed his concern about obtaining a candidate for this position with the change. Aaron Jones, Director of Transportation, stated the position has been open for a few years but not posted. Scot Woodland, Budget Officer, stated there is a budget impact, but it is covered in a salary savings fund.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to regrade the Transportation Civil Engineer slot 1032-001 grade 127 to grade 130 in order to maintain equity within the salary structure.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

Discussion and possible action regarding difficulties encountered with GovPay.

Daphne Tenorio, Hays County Treasurer, informed the court of the credit card processing issues with GovPay. Jennifer Escobar, Tax Assessor-Collector and Judge Sandra Bryant, Justice of the Peace Precinct 5, stated that their offices had also experienced issues with the GovPay system, a lengthy discussion included comments from Jeff McGill, Director of Information Technology, Stephanie Hunt, Purchasing Agent, Marisol Villarreal-Alonzo, County Auditor, and the court. No action taken.

42732 Discussion and possible action to authorize the execution of a Service Agreement and Product Schedule with Ricoh, USA, Inc. for \$240.69 monthly to obtain a printer/copier for the County Administrator's Office, and amend the budget accordingly.

The court discussed contract costs and printer sharing. Stephanie Hunt, Hays County Purchasing Agent, reviewed what is included in the contract. Kandice Boutte, County Administrator, stated the amount is an estimate and could be lowered and noted the possibility of sharing with the Civil Division is unlikely due to confidentiality issues. The court discussed other options and where the money would be allocated if shared.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to authorize the execution of a Service Agreement and Product Schedule with Ricoh, USA, Inc. for \$240.69 monthly to obtain a printer/copier for the County Administrator's Office, and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

Clerk's Note: Executive Session began at 10:59 a.m. and resumed back into open court at 11:17 a.m.

Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.071 and Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code: consultation with counsel and deliberation regarding the purchase, exchange, lease and/or value of real property located at or near Roger Hanks Parkway in Precinct 4. Possible discussion and/or action may follow in open court.

Those present in Executive Session from 11:05 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. were the Commissioners Court; Jordan Powell, First Assistant Criminal District Attorney - Civil Division; Tucker Furlow, Assistant Criminal District Attorney - Civil Division; Janice Jones, Legal Support Services Specialist; Marisol Villarreal-Alonzo, County Auditor; Kandice Boutte, County Administrator; Scot Woodland, Budget Officer; Stephanie Hunt, Purchasing Agent; Simone Corprew, Grants Writer; Tammy Crumley, Countywide Operations Director. No action taken.



Discussion related to the Hays County inmate population, to include current population counts and costs.

Judge Becerra read the Sheriff's update of the inmate population. The current maximum jail capacity is 464. Jail Standards recommends holding 10% open, lowering current capacity to 417 inmates. The jail's daily average was 577 inmates, with a peak of 586 on January 3, 2026. The estimated cost for outsourcing inmates this week was \$107,727. The average number of males outsourced was 151 males, the number of females was 0, all housed in Haskell County.

Discussion and possible action related to the burn ban.

Commissioner Hammer reiterated the effectiveness of the burn ban. Mike Jones, Director of Emergency Services, spoke about the current weather conditions affecting the burn ban. No action taken.

Clerk's Note: Agenda Item #M-3 RE: Discussion and possible action related to proposed bills in the 89th Session of the Texas Legislature and to consider adoption of resolution(s) regarding proposed bills. The Court may opt to withdraw to Executive Session during this item to consult with legal counsel pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.071. - **WAS PULLED.**

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Judge Becerra to adjourn court at 11:17 a.m.

I, ELAINE H. CÁRDENAS, COUNTY CLERK and EXOFFICIO CLERK OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT, do hereby certify that the foregoing contains a true and accurate record of the proceedings had by the Hays County Commissioners Court on JANUARY 6, 2026.



ELAINE H. CÁRDENAS, COUNTY CLERK AND EXOFFICIO
CLERK OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF
HAYS COUNTY, TEXAS



Date	Res Number	Motion	Ingalsbe	Cohen	Hammer	Smith	Becerra
1/6/2026	42676	Approve payments of County invoices.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42677	Approve the payment of Juror disbursements.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42678	Approve the payment of United Healthcare and Texas Association of Counties healthcare claims and authorize an additional disbursement in an amount not to exceed \$500,000.00 to the healthcare claims account.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42679	Approve the payment of the January 15, 2026 payroll disbursements in an amount not to exceed \$4,600,000.00 effective January 15, 2026, and post totals of wages, withholdings, deductions and benefits on the Hays County website once finalized.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42680	Accept the delivery of the Auditor's Office Quarterly Internal Examination Reports.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42681	Amend various departmental operating, special revenue and capital project budgets in preparation for Fiscal Year 2025 fiscal year-end financial reporting.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42682	Amend various departmental operating, special revenue and capital project budgets in preparation for Fiscal Year 2026 monthly financial reporting.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42683	Approve the October 2025 and November 2025 Treasurer's Reports.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42684	Authorize the Constable Pct. 5 Office to purchase one additional Stalker Radar for the Motor Officer valued at \$3,710.00 and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42685	Authorize the execution of the First Amendment to the Social Service Funding Agreement between Hays County and the Dripping Springs Community Library regarding recovery assistance for direct or indirect impacts of COVID-19.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42686	Authorize the acceptance of \$46,328.00 in supplemental funds from the Texas Juvenile Justice Department (TJJD) related to post-TJJD disposition for the purchase of a new transport vehicle and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42687	Approve the completion of the Parks and Open Space Advisory Committee (POSAC) grant between Hays County and the City of Woodcreek for park improvements.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42688	Authorize the County Judge to execute Noncash Charitable Contribution forms for park property purchased from Mary Jane Wood and Jeri Susan Wood in Wimberley where the value exceeded the County's purchase price with an effective date of December 31, 2025, and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42689	Approve the appointment of Karen Sosby to the Board of Emergency Services District (ESD) #7 for a two-year term ending December 31, 2027.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42690	Approve the reappointment of Staci Dement, Maria Cristina Nelson and Darrell Debish to the Board of Emergency Services District (ESD) #1 for a two-year term ending December 31, 2027.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42691	Approve the reappointment of Bert Bronaugh and Haley Ortiz to Emergency Service District (ESD) #2 for a two-year term ending December 31, 2027.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42692	Approve the reappointment of Steve Janda and Marilyn Miller to the Board of Emergency Services District (ESD) #6 for a two-year term ending December 31, 2027.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42693	Approve the reappointment of Jim Hollis and Carol Greaves to the Board of Emergency Services District (ESD) #8 for a two-year term ending December 31, 2027.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42694	Approve the reappointment of Susan Kimball to the board of directors for the Dripping Springs Tax Incremental Reinvestment Zones No. 1 and No. 2, for a two year term ending December 31, 2027.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42695	Authorize an amendment for the Sheriff's Office to use existing funds totaling \$1,500.00 for the purchase and installation of vehicle graphics for the Crisis Negotiation Unit, and authorize a waiver to the purchasing policy to obtain three quotes and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42696	Approve an increase in the petty cash limit for Jail Operations from \$1,000.00 to \$1,500.00.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42697	Authorize the Sheriff's Office to accept insurance proceeds from the Texas Association of Counties totaling \$2,535.70 and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42698	Authorize a waiver to the purchasing policy of obtaining three quotes for the Sheriff's Office to purchase law enforcement equipment valued at \$8,761.70 from Mile High Shooting Accessories, LLC.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42699	Authorize the execution of a Joint Law Enforcement Operations Task Force Obligation Document for FY 2026, pursuant to the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Western District of Texas and the Hays County Sheriff's Office for Sheriff's Office overtime reimbursements and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42700	Authorize payment to Sarmad Towing LLC for \$544.00 for towing services, where no purchase order was obtained per the county's purchasing policy.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42701	Authorize an Academy Training Renewal application and a payment of a renewal fee in the amount of \$1,000.00 to the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement for the Sheriff's Office.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42702	Authorize the execution of a General and No Litigation Certificate of Hays County related to the issuance of bonds by Capital Area Housing Finance Corporation for Northside Village in Williamson County, Texas.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42703	Authorize the execution by the Precinct 3 Commissioner of an amendment to the conservation easement held by the Nature Conservancy on Sentinel Peak Preserve.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42704	Adopt the Joint Primary Resolution between the Hays County Republican Party, Hays County Democratic Party, and Hays County Election Administrator for the conduct of the March 3, 2026, Joint Primary Election and any resulting runoff election.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42705	Authorize the County Administrator's Office to purchase office furniture from Amazon in the amount of \$5,072.48 and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42706	Approve Utility Items.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42707	Authorize the execution of the 7th Amended and Restated Resolution regarding authority of Ex Officio Road Commissioners.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42708	Approve renewal of IFB 2023-B10 Culverts with Contech Engineered Solutions for one (1) additional year, effective January 16, 2026.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42709	Approve renewal of IFB 2022-B06 Road Building Materials - Limestone Rock Asphalt Cold Mix with Vulcan Construction Materials, LLC, for one (1) additional year.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42710	Approve the renewal of IFB 2022-B07 Road Building Materials - Hot Mix Overlay with Colorado Materials, Ltd., and Asphalt Inc, LLC dba Lone Star paving Company for one (1) additional year.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

Date	Res Number	Motion	Ingalsbe	Cohen	Hammer	Smith	Becerra
1/6/2026	42711	Approve renewal of IFB 2022-B05 Countywide Portable Toilets & Handwashing Stations Rental Services with United Site Services of Texas, Inc. for one (1) additional year.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42712	Approve specifications for RFP 2026-P06 HVAC - Preventative Maintenance and Repair Services, Countywide and authorize Purchasing to advertise and solicit for proposals.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42713	Approve specifications for RFP 2026-P07 Grant Writing and Management Services Pool and authorize Purchasing to solicit for proposals and advertise.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42714	Approve the Visionary Endeavors 2026 events on the Courthouse grounds that shall include commercial vendors for the following dates in 2026: January 24, February 28, March 28, April 25, May 23, June 27, July 25, August 22, September 26, October 24, November 28, and December 26.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42715	Approve the Art Squared 2026 events on the Courthouse grounds that shall include commercial vendors for the following dates in 2026: April 11, May 9, October 10, November 14, and December 12.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42716	Approve the Vanilla Bean Market 2026 events on the Courthouse grounds that shall include commercial vendors for the following dates in 2026: January 17, February 14, March 14, April 18, May 9, August 22, September 19, October 17, November 21, and December 5.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42717	Request the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) to prepare an agreement in accordance with HB 3697 from the 88th Texas Legislative Session.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42718	Adopt a Resolution of Support for the submission to the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) 2028-2031 grant application for the Call for Projects for the Hays County Sawyer Ranch Road Pedestrian Walkway Project.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42719	Adopt a Resolution of Support for the submission to the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) 2028-2031 grant application for the Call for Projects for the Hays County FM 2001 Gap Project.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42720	Adopt a Resolution of Support for the submission to the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) 2028-2031 grant application for the Call for Projects for the Hays County FM 2001 East Project.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42721	Adopt a Resolution of Support for the submission to the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) 2028-2031 grant application for the Call for Projects for the Hays County Centerpoint Road Project.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42722	Adopt a Resolution of Support and financial commitment for the submission of a grant application to the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) for the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Federal-State Partnership for Intercity Passenger Rail Program for the Hays County Centerpoint Crossing Elimination and Safety Project.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42723	Accept the Subdivision Bond No. 83BSBJK9052 for street and drainage improvements in the amount of \$125,956.80 for 6 Creeks Phase 1 Section 16 Subdivision.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42724	Accept the Subdivision Bond No. 83BSBJK9053 for street and drainage improvements in the amount of \$53,844.00 for 6 Creeks Phase 1 Section 17 Subdivision.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42725	Call for a Public Hearing on January 20th, 2026 for the Indian Hills Ranch, Lot 19, Replat (PLN-2602-PC).	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42726	Call for a Public Hearing on January 20th, 2026 regarding Springlake, Replat of Lots 133-A, 134-A, & Tract 135 (PLN-2787-PC)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42727	Authorize the execution of an Interlocal Agreement between Hays County, the City of Kyle, and the City of Buda related to the construction, operation, and use of the Kyle Animal Shelter.	Y	Y	Y	Y	NO
1/6/2026	42728	Authorize additional law enforcement equipment for the Constable Pct. 1 Office related to the new Deputy Constable approved in the FY26 budget to be effective April 1, 2026, and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42729	Execute a one-year workers' compensation insurance policy between Hays County and Deep East Texas Self Insurance Fund, in the amount of \$698,412.00.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42730	Authorize the execution of an Interlocal Agreement for Jail Based Competency Restoration (JBCR) Program between Hays County, Texas and Hill Country Community Mental Health and Mental Retardation Centers to establish a JBCR Program within the Hays County Jail.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42731	Regrade the Transportation Civil Engineer slot 1032-001 grade 127 to grade 130 in order to maintain equity within the salary structure.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/6/2026	42732	Authorize the execution of a Service Agreement and Product Schedule with Ricoh, USA, Inc. for \$240.69 monthly to obtain a printer/copier for the County Administrator's Office, and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

HAYS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES



JANUARY 20, 2026

STATE OF TEXAS *
COUNTY OF HAYS *

ON THIS THE 20th DAY OF JANUARY A.D., 2026, THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF HAYS COUNTY, TEXAS, MET IN REGULAR MEETING. THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WERE PRESENT, TO-WIT:

RUBEN BECERRA	COUNTY JUDGE
DEBBIE GONZALES INGALSBE	COMMISSIONER, PCT. 1
MICHELLE COHEN	COMMISSIONER, PCT. 2
MORGAN HAMMER	COMMISSIONER, PCT. 3
WALT SMITH	COMMISSIONER, PCT. 4
CHARLENE CARROLL	DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK

Clerk's Note: For complete transcript go to Hays County Website
<https://www.hayscountytexas.gov/commissioners-court-live-stream>
Transcript can be translated into any language through Google.com.

THE FOLLOWING PROCEEDINGS WERE HAD, THAT IS:

Judge Becerra called the meeting to order. Pastor Darius Todd gave the invocation. Judge Becerra led the court in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas flags.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Alex Barragan, 1st Vice Commander for AMVETS Post 115, made a public comment concerning funds needed for the facility. Chris Calkins, Commander of AMVETS Post 115, made a public comment informing the court of the services provided by the organization. Lauren Romero made a public comment supporting the development regulations rewrite and requested that the scope be expanded prior to adoption. Pastor Todd Salmi, President of Southside Community Center, made a public comment requesting the court's support for Southside's Housing Stability Program in efforts to stop the growth of homelessness in Hays County. Julia Guerrero made a public comment spoke about PAWS Shelter of Central Texas and the importance of spaying and neutering animals. Alejandra Rodriguez, Deputy County Clerk, read an emailed public comment from Christine Norton against entering or expanding into a 287(g) agreement with ICE.

Presentation of January 2026 Service and Retirement Awards.

Mariah Pacheco, Hays County Human Resources Employment and Compensation Coordinator, presented employees with service milestones and retirement awards.

Presentation recognizing Texas State University students who participated in Bobcat Shadow Day.

Jessica Alva, Career Experiences Coordinator with Texas State University, spoke about the Bobcat Shadow program and thanked the court for their support. Commissioner Hammer thanked Alva for providing students the opportunity to shadow government professionals, and Commissioner Cohen and Judge Becerra for their assistance.

Presentation by Broaddus & Associates regarding the Capital Improvement Program.

James DeMeritt, Senior Construction Manager for Broaddus & Associates, presented to the court the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) focusing on facilities and vertical bricks and mortar and provided a road map for the county for the next 10 to 15 years. The court thanked DeMeritt for the presentation and partnership with the county and commented on the need for the provided project roadmap.

42733 Ratify the adoption of a Proclamation declaring January 19th, 2026 as Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.



Alex Banbury, President of the Dunbar Heritage Association, spoke about the events that were held the day prior and thanked the court for their continued support. The court spoke about the success of the event and Commissioner Ingalsbe and Cohen stated they look forward to next year's event.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to ratify the adoption of a Proclamation declaring January 19th, 2026 as Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42734 Adopt a Proclamation recognizing February 2026 as Spay/Neuter Awareness Month.

Sharri Boyett, Hays County Animal Advisor Advocate, thanked the court for its continued support and highlighted the life-saving impact of the spay and neuter program. Lauren Foye, President of Pet Prevent a Litter of Central Texas (PALS), thanked the court for the proclamation and spoke on the affordability of the programs to provide health care to pets. Brianna Geddes, Kyle Animal Control Supervisor, spoke about the spay and neuter vouchers available for the residents of Kyle, which cover the cost entirely, and spoke about the mobile pets with Emancipet Clinics. The court thanked the various animal programs available for the residents of Hays County. Commissioner Smith spoke about the rabies and microchip clinic being held later that day at the Precinct 4 office from 4 p.m. -- 6 p.m.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to adopt a Proclamation recognizing February 2026 as Spay/Neuter Awareness Month.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42735 Approve payments of County invoices.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to approve payments of County invoices.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42736 Approve the payment of Juror disbursements.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to approve the payment of Juror disbursements.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

4 2 7 3 7 Approve the payment of United Healthcare and Texas Association of Counties healthcare claims and authorize an additional disbursement in an amount not to exceed \$500,000.00 to the healthcare claims account.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to approve the payment of United Healthcare and Texas Association of Counties healthcare claims and authorize an additional disbursement in an amount not to exceed \$500,000.00 to the healthcare claims account.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42738 Accept the delivery of the Auditor's Office Quarterly Internal Examination Reports.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to accept the delivery of the Auditor's Office Quarterly Internal Examination Reports.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously



42739 Approve the payment of the January 31, 2026 payroll disbursements in an amount not to exceed \$5,800,000.00 effective January 31, 2026, and post totals of wages, withholdings, deductions and benefits on the Hays County website once finalized.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to approve the payment of the January 31, 2026 payroll disbursements in an amount not to exceed \$5,800,000.00 effective January 31, 2026, and post totals of wages, withholdings, deductions and benefits on the Hays County website once finalized.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42740 Approve Utility Permits.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to approve Utility Permits.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42741 Approve out-of-state travel to New York, New York for the County Auditor, Marisol Villarreal-Alonzo, and Commissioner Debbie Gonzales-Ingalsbe as authorized officials to attend the pricing of the Combination Tax Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2026.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to approve out-of-state travel to New York, New York for the County Auditor, Marisol Villarreal-Alonzo, and Commissioner Debbie Gonzales-Ingalsbe as authorized officials to attend the pricing of the Combination Tax Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2026.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42742 Accept donations totaling \$88,954.00 on behalf of the Hays County Child Protective Board and amend the budget accordingly.

Commissioner Ingalsbe recognized the contributors to the Hays County Child Protective Board and thanked them for their continued support and generosity.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to accept donations totaling \$88,954.00 on behalf of the Hays County Child Protective Board and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42743 Authorize staff to submit a request to Comal County to waive permitting fees for Sentinel Peak Preserve.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to authorize staff to submit a request to Comal County to waive permitting fees for Sentinel Peak Preserve.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42744 Authorize payment to Texas Lawyers' Insurance Exchange (TLIE) for \$1,500.00 for one professional liability insurance policy renewal where no purchase order was issued as required per the Hays County Purchasing Policy.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to authorize payment to Texas Lawyers' Insurance Exchange (TLIE) for \$1,500.00 for one professional liability insurance policy renewal where no purchase order was issued as required per the Hays County Purchasing Policy.



AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

4 2 7 4 5 Authorize payment to RDO Equipment Company in the amount of \$505.72 for equipment purchases where no purchase order was issued as required by the Hays County Purchasing Policy.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to authorize payment to RDO Equipment Company in the amount of \$505.72 for equipment purchases where no purchase order was issued as required by the Hays County Purchasing Policy.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42746 Approve out-of-state travel for Detective Nelson Wray to attend the Introduction to Phone Repair Course on January 26-30, 2026, in Hoover, Alabama.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to approve out-of-state travel for Detective Nelson Wray to attend the Introduction to Phone Repair Course on January 26-30, 2026, in Hoover, Alabama.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

4 2 7 4 7 Approve and confirm the appointment of Tim Kresta as a regular full-time Deputy Constable in the Hays County Constable Precinct 4 Office.

Tim Kresta, Deputy Constable Precinct 4, thanked the court for the appointment. He spoke about his job experience and stated he hopes to make precinct 4 a better place. Zachary Miller, Corporal Constable Precinct 4, spoke about Deputy Krestas prior experience and qualifications. The court congratulated Kresta on the appointment.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hammer, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve and confirm the appointment of Tim Kresta as a regular full-time Deputy Constable in the Hays County Constable Precinct 4 Office.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42748 Accept Hays County Precinct 4 Constable's Office 2025 Annual Racial Profiling and Activity Summary Reports.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to accept Hays County Precinct 4 Constable's Office 2025 Annual Racial Profiling and Activity Summary Reports.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42749 Authorize payment to Gruene Harley-Davidson in the amount of \$537.27 for rear tire replacement where no purchase order was issued as required per the Hays County Purchasing Policy.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to authorize payment to Gruene Harley-Davidson in the amount of \$537.27 for rear tire replacement where no purchase order was issued as required per the Hays County Purchasing Policy.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

4 2 7 5 0 Authorize the Office of Emergency Services to upfit one of the Fiscal Year 2026 approved Fire Marshal's vehicles in the amount of \$21,511.45 from D&M Leasing Company and amend the budget accordingly.



A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to authorize the Office of Emergency Services to upfit one of the Fiscal Year 2026 approved Fire Marshal's vehicles in the amount of \$21,511.45 from D&M Leasing Company and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42751 Authorize the execution of a contract amendment, effective January 1, 2026, with Water & Earth Technologies, Inc. for FY26 maintenance and system support for the Hays County Early Flood Warning System; authorize a discretionary exemption pursuant to Texas Local Government Code 262.024 (a)(7)(D).

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to authorize the execution of a contract amendment, effective January 1, 2026, with Water & Earth Technologies, Inc. for FY26 maintenance and system support for the Hays County Early Flood Warning System; authorize a discretionary exemption pursuant to Texas Local Government Code 262.024 (a)(7)(D).

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42752 Authorize the execution of a resolution approving the reappointment of Michelle Cohen to the Central Texas Clean Air Coalition (CAC) for a two year term beginning January 1, 2026.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to authorize the execution of a resolution approving the reappointment of Michelle Cohen to the Central Texas Clean Air Coalition (CAC) for a two year term beginning January 1, 2026.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42753 Authorize the County Judge to execute a Residential Inspection Agreement between Hays County and Solid Rock Home Inspections for two structures located on the 400 Old HWY 290 property in Dripping Springs.

Commissioner Smith stated this item is a property inspection which is standard for all property that is acquired by the county.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to authorize the County Judge to execute a Residential Inspection Agreement between Hays County and Solid Rock Home Inspections for two structures located on the 400 Old HWY 290 property in Dripping Springs.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42754 Approve out-of-state travel for Inspector Jimmy Schroeder to attend the FBI-Law Enforcement Executive Development Association (LEEDA) Managing and Conducting Internal Affairs Investigations Course on February 23-27, 2026, in Bentonville, Arkansas.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to approve out-of-state travel for Inspector Jimmy Schroeder to attend the FBI-Law Enforcement Executive Development Association (LEEDA) Managing and Conducting Internal Affairs Investigations Course on February 23-27, 2026, in Bentonville, Arkansas.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42755 Authorize Firetrol Protection Systems to perform a quarterly Kitchen Hood Inspection pursuant to their Buyboard Contract and authorize a discretionary exemption pursuant to Texas Local Government Code 262.024 (a)(7)(D) for the Compliance Engineering (CE) Filing Fee that is not covered under the Buyboard contract.



A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to authorize Firetrol Protection Systems to perform a quarterly Kitchen Hood Inspection pursuant to their Buyboard Contract and authorize a discretionary exemption pursuant to Texas Local Government Code 262.024 (a)(7)(D) for the Compliance Engineering (CE) Filing Fee that is not covered under the Buyboard contract.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42756 Authorize the execution of contract renewal three (3) for RFP 2023-P03 Countywide Plumbing with SI Mechanical, LLC for one (1) additional year, with the attached proposed price changes.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to authorize the execution of contract renewal three (3) for RFP 2023-P03 Countywide Plumbing with SI Mechanical, LLC for one (1) additional year, with the attached proposed price changes.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

4 2 7 5 7 Authorize the execution of contract renewal two (2) for IFB 2024-B02 Lawn & Landscape with Olympia Landscape Development, Inc. for one (1) additional year.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to authorize the execution of contract renewal two (2) for IFB 2024-B02 Lawn & Landscape with Olympia Landscape Development, Inc. for one (1) additional year.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42758 Authorize the execution of contract amendment one (1) to RFP 2025-P02 Countywide Janitorial Services between Hays County and American Facility Services to add additional cleaning days to the Transportation Foreman Building, increasing the contract by \$585.30 monthly.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to authorize the execution of contract amendment one (1) to RFP 2025-P02 Countywide Janitorial Services between Hays County and American Facility Services to add additional cleaning days to the Transportation Foreman Building, increasing the contract by \$585.30 monthly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

4 2 7 5 9 Authorize the execution of a contract extension to RFP 2024-P06 HVAC - Preventative Maintenance & Repair Service, Countywide with SI Mechanical, LLC for a period not to exceed fifty-four (54) days to allow for a new contract to be awarded and executed.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to authorize the execution of a contract extension to RFP 2024-P06 HVAC - Preventative Maintenance & Repair Service, Countywide with SI Mechanical, LLC for a period not to exceed fifty-four (54) days to allow for a new contract to be awarded and executed.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42760 Approve specifications for RFP 2026-P05 Disaster Recovery - Debris Removal and authorize purchasing to solicit for proposals and advertise.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to approve specifications for RFP 2026-P05 Disaster Recovery - Debris Removal and authorize purchasing to solicit for proposals and advertise.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously



4 2 7 6 1 Approve specifications for IFB 2026-B04 Health Department Roof Repairs - Hail Storm May 2024, and authorize Purchasing to advertise and solicit for bids.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to approve specifications for IFB 2026-B04 Health Department Roof Repairs - Hail Storm May 2024, and authorize Purchasing to advertise and solicit for bids.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

4 2 7 6 2 Discussion and possible action to authorize the execution of Standard Utility Agreement Supplemental No. 1 between Hays County and Bluebonnet Electric Cooperative for the FM 621 road project in Precinct 1 and amend the budget accordingly.

Commissioner Ingalsbe stated that this item pertains to additional utility relocation and costs in the amount of \$116,968.00.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to authorize the execution of Standard Utility Agreement Supplemental No. 1 between Hays County and Bluebonnet Electric Cooperative for the FM 621 road project in Precinct 1 and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42763 Discussion and possible action to call for a Public Hearing on February 3, 2026 to consider the implementation of a "No Left Turn" restriction for the Rooster Springs Elementary school onto Belterra Drive.

Commissioner Smith clarified that the request was made directly by the principal and the school district, citing traffic-related concerns.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to call for a Public Hearing on February 3, 2026 to consider the implementation of a "No Left Turn" restriction for the Rooster Springs Elementary school onto Belterra Drive.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42764 Discussion and possible action to adopt a Resolution of Support for the submission of a grant application to the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) for the 2028-2031 Call for Projects for the Hays County FM 2001 Gap Project - Precinct 1 (Existing FM 2001 to Graef Road).

Commissioner Ingalsbe stated that if the county is successful in being awarded the funds from CAMPO, the funds would be allocated to the design of a 2.65 mile section of a four-lane divided roadway.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to adopt a Resolution of Support for the submission of a grant application to the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) for the 2028-2031 Call for Projects for the Hays County FM 2001 Gap Project - Precinct 1 (Existing FM 2001 to Graef Road).

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

PLN-2602-PC; Hold a Public Hearing regarding Indian Hills Ranch, Lot 19, Replat.

Judge Becerra opened the public hearing at 10:57 a.m. No comments were made. Judge Becerra closed the public hearing at 10:57 a.m. Colby Machacek, Development Services Senior Planner, stated this item is to hold a public hearing, and no action is required.

PLN-2787-PC; Hold a Public Hearing regarding Springlake, Replat of Lots 133-A, 134-A, & Tract 135.



Judge Becerra opened the public hearing at 10:58 a.m. No comments were made. Judge Becerra closed the public hearing at 10:58 a.m. Colby Machacek, Development Services Senior Planner, stated this item is to hold a public hearing and no action is required.

42765 PLN-2720-PC; Call for a Public Hearing on February 3rd, 2026 regarding Cypress Creek Acres, Replat of Lot 48 and 49-B.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hammer, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to call for a Public Hearing on February 3rd, 2026 regarding Cypress Creek Acres, Replat of Lot 48 and 49-B.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42766 Discussion and possible action on an order authorizing the issuance and sale of one or more series of "Hays County, Texas Limited Tax Refunding Bonds"; levying an annual ad valorem tax, within the limitations prescribed by law, for the payment of the refunding bonds; prescribing the form, terms, conditions, and resolving other matters incident and related to the issuance, sale, and delivery of the refunding bonds in accordance with specified parameters, including the approval and distribution of an official statement; delegating authority to members of the Commissioners Court and County Auditor to execute certain documents related to the sale of the refunding bonds; authorizing the execution and delivery of documents and agreements in connection therewith. The issuance of the refunding bonds will result in a debt service savings for the County.

Dan Wegmiller, Specialized Public Finance Managing Director, stated that Item K.2 is related to this item and should be highlighted due to the high level of debt associated with current interest rates. He noted that refinancing the debt is projected to generate savings of approximately \$1.7 million. The court thanked Wegmiller for his continued work on this and spoke in support of saving money anywhere possible.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to authorize the issuance and sale of one or more series of "Hays County, Texas Limited Tax Refunding Bonds"; levying an annual ad valorem tax, within the limitations prescribed by law, for the payment of the refunding bonds; prescribing the form, terms, conditions, and resolving other matters incident and related to the issuance, sale, and delivery of the refunding bonds in accordance with specified parameters, including the approval and distribution of an official statement; delegating authority to members of the Commissioners Court and County Auditor to execute certain documents related to the sale of the refunding bonds; authorizing the execution and delivery of documents and agreements in connection therewith. The issuance of the refunding bonds will result in a debt service savings for the County.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42767 Discussion and possible action on an order authorizing the issuance and sale of one or more series of "Hays County, Texas, Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation," in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$100,000,000 for County office/administrative buildings, judicial facility, and animal shelter facilities; levying a tax in payment thereof and further securing said certificates by a lien on and pledge of the pledged revenues of the solid waste management system; providing for the sale and delivery of the certificates in accordance with specified parameters, including the approval and distribution of an official statement; delegating the authority to members of the Commissioners Court and County Auditor to execute certain documents relating to the sale of the certificates; authorizing the execution and delivery of documents and agreements in connection therewith. The projects to be financed with the certificates are further described in the List of Projects posted herewith. The County estimates that a tax rate levy of \$0.0102 per \$100 assessed value will be necessary to pay the debt service on the certificates.

Dan Wegmiller, Specialized Public Finance Managing Director, stated this is setting the parameters to move forward with the acquired bond ratings. Julie Houston, Hays County Bond Counsel with the Orrick Law Firm, stated that in order for the county to sell Certificates of Obligation (CO's) for cash, the law requires a pledge of revenue stream and explained the purpose of the pledge.



A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to authorize the issuance and sale of one or more series of "Hays County, Texas, Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation," in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$100,000,000 for County office/ administrative buildings, judicial facility, and animal shelter facilities; levying a tax in payment thereof and further securing said certificates by a lien on and pledge of the pledged revenues of the solid waste management system; providing for the sale and delivery of the certificates in accordance with specified parameters, including the approval and distribution of an official statement; delegating the authority to members of the Commissioners Court and County Auditor to execute certain documents relating to the sale of the certificates; authorizing the execution and delivery of documents and agreements in connection therewith. The projects to be financed with the certificates are further described in the List of Projects posted herewith. The County estimates that a tax rate levy of \$0.0102 per \$100 assessed value will be necessary to pay the debt service on the certificates.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42768 Discussion and possible action to direct the County Administrator and Budget Officer to develop and implement a Capital Investment Fund for Hays County.

Kandice Boutte, County Administrator, spoke on the need to evaluate future infrastructure needs and explore alternative forms of debt financing in preparation of FY27. Scot Woodland, Budget Officer, spoke about the Capital Investment Fund and provided a defined explanation the funds purpose and long-term financial impact. The court expressed their support for the creation of the fund and spoke about how the county should use the money going forward. Marisol Villarreal-Alonzo, County Auditor, spoke about the policy for allocating money to the general fund, and that the fund balance is statutorily done by the auditor.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hammer, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to direct the County Administrator and Budget Officer to develop and implement a Capital Investment Fund for Hays County.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

4 2 7 6 9 Discussion and possible action to partner with Prevent A Litter of Central Texas (PALS) and the Hays County Health Department to provide a free Rabies Immunization Clinic for the public on January 20, 2026 (Dripping Springs); ratify the partnership and free Rabies Immunization Clinic that was provided to the public on January 17, 2026 (Wimberley, TX); authorize the payment for each clinic in an amount not to exceed \$600.00 per clinic; and authorize a waiver to the purchasing policy of obtaining three quotes, and amend the budget accordingly.

Commissioner Hammer stated that this is an emergency response due to an outbreak of rabies. Commissioner Smith thanked the Health Department for its rapid response, and stated he is in contact with various zoologists to better understand their findings and ensure the county's involvement. Matthew Gonzales, Hays County Health Department Director, explained to the public that an oral vaccination is not available because it has not been approved through the legislative process. Gonzales stated this is a state-led initiative and where a state and federal partnership must occur, this assistance can be done at a local level but must be requested prior. The court had a lengthy discussion related to the legislative process.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hammer, seconded by Commissioner Smith to partner with Prevent A Litter of Central Texas (PALS) and the Hays County Health Department to provide a free Rabies Immunization Clinic for the public on January 20, 2026 (Dripping Springs); ratify the partnership and free Rabies Immunization Clinic that was provided to the public on January 17, 2026 (Wimberley, TX); authorize the payment for each clinic in an amount not to exceed \$600.00 per clinic; and authorize a waiver to the purchasing policy of obtaining three quotes, and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42770 Discussion and possible action regarding the reassignment of the Juvenile Diversion Coordinator, slot 001, from the Justice of the Peace, Place 5 Office to the Justice of the Peace, Place 2-2 Office effective January 16, 2026 and amend the budget accordingly.



Erik Granjeno, Human Resources Director, provided background of the position.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cohen, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to reassign the Juvenile Diversion Coordinator, slot 001, from the Justice of the Peace, Place 5 Office to the Justice of the Peace, Place 2-2 Office effective January 16, 2026 and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42771 Discussion and possible action to authorize Facilities and Resource Management to replace the existing concrete patio located at the AMVETS Building in Kyle with a new ADA accessible patio and ramp in the amount of \$6,100.00 and amend the budget accordingly.

Tammy Crumley, Director of Facilities and Resource Management, stated that this item is intended to repair a large portion of the facilities' patio at a reasonable cost. She noted that four quotes were obtained, and this bid was the lowest. The court discussed various options regarding the potential renovation of the facility.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hammer, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to authorize Facilities and Resource Management to replace the existing concrete patio located at the AMVETS Building in Kyle with a new ADA accessible patio and ramp in the amount of \$6,100.00 and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42772 Discussion and possible action to authorize the Fire Marshal division of the Office of Emergency Services to purchase three tasers and a two-day training course from Axon Enterprise, Inc., in the amount of \$3,275.64 annually.

Steve Seddig, Hays County Fire Marshal, stated this item is part of a mandate for a less lethal option.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cohen, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to authorize the Fire Marshal division of the Office of Emergency Services to purchase three tasers and a two-day training course from Axon Enterprise, Inc., in the amount of \$3,275.64 annually.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42773 Discussion and possible action to approve the purchase of two Enhanced Ballot Remake Stations and associated software and service for the Elections Office through Enhanced Voting, LLC in the amount of \$30,000.00; authorize the execution of a Remote Ballot Marking Station Purchase and Service Agreement; and authorize a waiver to the purchasing policy of obtaining three quotes.

Jennifer Doinoff, Elections Administrator, explained to the court that the purpose of this software will assist in an electronic format. Jordan Powell, First Assistant Criminal District Attorney - Civil Division, stated at the time of posting the backup there were a couple of edits to the contract and will be updated prior to getting signed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve the purchase of two Enhanced Ballot Remake Stations and associated software and service for the Elections Office through Enhanced Voting, LLC in the amount of \$30,000.00; authorize the execution of a Remote Ballot Marking Station Purchase and Service Agreement; and authorize a waiver to the purchasing policy of obtaining three quotes.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42774 Discussion and possible action to approve Early Voting Polling Places and schedule for the Primary Election to be held on March 3, 2026.



Jennifer Doinoff, Elections Administrator, provided the court with the recommended early voting locations and schedule. The court expressed its appreciation to Doinoff and Aaron Jones, Director of Transportation, for their diligent efforts in preparation for the upcoming elections.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve Early Voting Polling Places and schedule for the Primary Election to be held on March 3, 2026.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42775 Discussion and possible action to ratify the acceptance of a grant award from the Office of the Governor, Victims Assistance, General Direct Services grant program in the amount of \$58,478.38 and amend the budget accordingly.

Gregg Cox, First Assistant District Attorney, stated this grant was applied for several months ago and now would like to get the position filled. Cox provided the court with a list of various responsibilities this position will have. Scot Woodland, Budget Officer, noted there was a mixture of general ledger accounts. The court expressed support for this new position.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to ratify the acceptance of a grant award from the Office of the Governor, Victims Assistance, General Direct Services grant program in the amount of \$58,478.38 and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42776 Discussion and possible action to execute a contract between Hays County and Certified Arbor Care in the amount of \$23,031.00 for the assessment and removal of trees located in an easement owned by Hays County within the Trails Subdivision in Precinct 2.

Commissioner Cohen stated that this item is intended to address public safety concerns within the precinct. Aaron Jones, Director of Transportation, provided background on the property and the request. Jones added that the company will conduct an assessment of the trees and report back with the findings. Commissioner Smith stated he met with GIS services and has asked for the department to locate properties owned by the county. Scot Woodland, Budget Officer, stated the funding would be allocated from a countywide account.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cohen, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to execute a contract between Hays County and Certified Arbor Care in the amount of \$23,031.00 for the assessment and removal of trees located in an easement owned by Hays County within the Trails Subdivision in Precinct 2.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

Discussion and possible action to direct the County Administrator and Budget Director to eliminate any non-law-enforcement positions that have remained posted and unfilled for more than 300 days.

Judge Becerra stated that this is to create a more predictable and understandable future for the upcoming fiscal year. Kandice Boutte, County Administrator, provided background information regarding the request, to include a detailed list of countywide vacancies. Judge Becerra clarified that this item is not to include law enforcement but for long-standing vacancy positions. Commissioner Ingalsbe asked if department heads were given the opportunity to view the list of vacant positions. Aaron Jones, Director of Transportation, spoke about various positions within the transportation department and stated they are actively trying to get these positions filled. The court had a lengthy discussion related to various positions within the transportation department. Judge Becerra tabled the item to allow for further discussion. No action taken.

42777 Discussion and possible action to authorize the County Judge to execute and submit of a letter of local support to the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) Public Transportation Division on behalf of the Capital Area Rural Transportation System (CARTS) for its FY26 Coordinated Call for Projects grant applications.



A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to authorize the County Judge to execute and submit of a letter of local support to the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) Public Transportation Division on behalf of the Capital Area Rural Transportation System (CARTS) for its FY26 Coordinated Call for Projects grant applications.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42778 Discussion and possible action to authorize the execution of an Agreement between Hays County and Rene Bates Auctioners, Inc. pursuant to their Buyboard Contract 708-23; approve the Purchasing Office to hold an online auction to dispose of surplus property pursuant to Texas Local Government Code 263.152 (a)(1); authorize the Purchasing Office to advertise; and to properly dispose of items that are placed in the online auction but do not sell.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hammer, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to authorize the execution of an Agreement between Hays County and Rene Bates Auctioners, Inc. pursuant to their Buyboard Contract 708-23; approve the Purchasing Office to hold an online auction to dispose of surplus property pursuant to Texas Local Government Code 263.152 (a)(1); authorize the Purchasing Office to advertise; and to properly dispose of items that are placed in the online auction but do not sell.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

Clerk's Note: Judge Becerra called for a recess that began at 10:59 a.m. and resumed back into open court at 11:09 a.m.

42779 Discussion and possible action to authorize the Sheriff's Office to add one Jail Facility Maintenance Specialist, Grade 115, effective January 16, 2026.

Julissa Villalpando, Corrections Captain Sheriff's Office, provided background on the requested position. Commissioner Smith stated after review of the last two budgets, he confirmed the position was eliminated when it should not have been. Scot Woodland, Budget Officer, stated the annual effect on the budget would be \$64,494 as of January 16, and the effect on the current budget would be \$45,684 where there is budgeted savings.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to authorize the Sheriff's Office to add one Jail Facility Maintenance Specialist, Grade 115, effective January 16, 2026.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42780 Discussion and possible action to approve Facilities and Resource Management to replace the failed Roof Top Unit (RTU) #5 located at the Elections/IT building with a new 12.5 Ton Rheem RTU in the amount of \$20,248.06 and amend the budget accordingly.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hammer, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve Facilities and Resource Management to replace the failed Roof Top Unit (RTU) #5 located at the Elections/IT building with a new 12.5 Ton Rheem RTU in the amount of \$20,248.06 and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42781 Discussion and possible action to authorize the execution of an Agreement between Hays County and Great Springs Project, Inc. and the submission of a grant application to the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) in the amount of \$425,000.00 related to a Priority Multi-Use Connectivity Study regarding the feasibility, alignment, and implementation strategies for multi-use crossing structures that promote connectivity for trail users and wildlife in certain locations in Hays County.



A motion was made by Commissioner Hammer, seconded by Commissioner Smith to authorize the execution of an Agreement between Hays County and Great Springs Project, Inc. and the submission of a grant application to the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) in the amount of \$425,000.00 related to a Priority Multi-Use Connectivity Study regarding the feasibility, alignment, and implementation strategies for multi-use crossing structures that promote connectivity for trail users and wildlife in certain locations in Hays County.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42782 Discussion and possible action to authorize the execution of an Interlocal Agreement between Hays County and the City of San Marcos related to the submission of a grant application to the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) for the Cape Street Shared Use Path in the amount of \$1,000,000.00.

Commissioner Ingalsbe stated that this would be a partnership with Hays County and the City of San Marcos to develop a shared-use path and that, if awarded, the funds would be allocated toward the design phase of the project. Ingalsbe stated there is a 20 percent match where this will be split 50/50 with the city costing \$100,000 and further discussed the need for the proposed shared path.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to authorize the execution of an Interlocal Agreement between Hays County and the City of San Marcos related to the submission of a grant application to the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) for the Cape Street Shared Use Path in the amount of \$1,000,000.00.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42783 Discussion and possible action to execute a resolution of support for the Hill Country Conservancy's application to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department Recreational Trails grant program for construction of the Violet Crown Trail.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to execute a resolution of support for the Hill Country Conservancy's application to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department Recreational Trails grant program for construction of the Violet Crown Trail.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42784 Discussion and possible action to execute a Resolution of support for the City of Buda and Great Springs Project's joint application to the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization Call for Projects to study feasibility of a regional trail along Onion Creek.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to execute a Resolution of support for the City of Buda and Great Springs Project's joint application to the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization Call for Projects to study feasibility of a regional trail along Onion Creek.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42785 Discussion and possible action to award and execute a contract for IFB 2026-B03 Cemetery Maintenance between Hays County and CY'Services and Landscape Solutions, LLC in the amount of \$60,172.00 annually.

Aaron Jones, Director of Transportation, provided background information regarding cemetery maintenance and assured the court that all requirements have been properly documented. Stephanie Hunt, Purchasing Agent, spoke on the original company on the list, but later decided not to be involved. The court continued discussion on the county's partnerships with all cemetery companies.



A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to award and execute a contract for IFB 2026-B03 Cemetery Maintenance between Hays County and CY'Services and Landscape Solutions, LLC in the amount of \$60,172.00 annually.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42786 Discussion and possible action to authorize the execution of a Professional Services Agreement (2026-PSA-43) between Hays County and HDR Engineers, Inc. related to a Countywide Water Study, not to exceed \$542,360.00.

Commissioner Hammer stated the last water study was done in 2011 and this study will assist the county in having a better perspective from a water standpoint. Commissioner Smith stated this study will provide a true look at the current water facilities and supply sources. Judge Becerra spoke on the water urgency need of the county. Commissioner Ingalsbe echoed Becerra on the need for a study on the East side of the county. Commissioner Cohen expressed appreciation to Hammer and addressed the proposed housing development on the east side of the County, noting the uncertainty surrounding the source of the water supply.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hammer, seconded by Commissioner Smith to authorize the execution of a Professional Services Agreement (2026-PSA-43) between Hays County and HDR Engineers, Inc. related to a Countywide Water Study, not to exceed \$542,360.00.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

Clerk's Note: Executive Session began at 12:33 p.m. and resumed back into open court at 2:12 p.m.

42787 Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.071 and Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code: consultation with counsel and deliberation regarding the purchase, exchange, lease and/or value of real property located at or near Roger Hanks Parkway in Precinct 4. Possible discussion and/or action may follow in open court.

Those present in Executive Session from 12:50 p.m. to 2:08 p.m. were the Commissioners Court; Stephanie Hunt, Purchasing Agent; Scot Woodland, Budget Officer; Kandice Boutte, County Administrator; Marisol Villarreal-Alonzo, County Auditor; Tammy Crumley, Director of Facilities & Resource Management; Simone Corprew, Special Programs Coordinator; Jordan Powell, First Assistant Criminal District Attorney - Civil Division; Tucker Furlow, Chase Young and Katherine Howard, Assistant Criminal District Attorneys - Civil Division and Janice Jones, Legal Support Service Specialist.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to authorize an amendment to the Commercial Contract, executed on or about July 29, 2025, between Hays County and 400 W Old 290 & Roger Hanks Parkway, LLC related to the possible purchase of real property located at or near Roger Hanks Parkway in Precinct 4, extending the feasibility period to March 12, 2026, and closing to April 11, 2026: as well as authorize the County Administrator to obtain a review of the appraisal: authorize the Director of Facilities and Resource Management or County Administrator to execute any related proposals in order to obtain a review of the appraisal; and authorize a waiver of the County's purchasing policy requiring three quotes related to obtaining a review of the appraisal.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer,
Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

Executive Session Pursuant to Sections 551.071 and 551.087 of the Texas Government Code: consultation with counsel and deliberation regarding economic development negotiations associated with Project San Antonio, Project Bushwood and Project Disco Inferno. Possible discussion and/or action may follow in open court.



Those present in Executive Session from 12:39 p.m. to 12:50 p.m. were the Commissioners Court; Stephanie Hunt, Purchasing Agent; Scot Woodland, Budget Officer; Kandice Boutte, County Administrator; Marisol Villarreal-Alonzo, County Auditor; Jordan Powell, First Assistant Criminal District Attorney - Civil Division; Tucker Furlow, Chase Young and Katherine Howard, Assistant Criminal District Attorneys - Civil Division; Janice Jones, Legal Support Service Specialist; Simone Corprew, Special Programs Coordinator; Emily Mathes, Hays Caldwell Economic Development Partnership (HCEDP) Vice President of Economic Development and Sarah Martin, HCEDP. No action taken.

Discussion related to the Hays County inmate population, to include current population counts and costs.

Judge Becerra read the Sheriff's update on the inmate population. Current maximum jail capacity is 464 inmates. Jail Standards recommends holding 10% open, lowering current capacity to 417 inmates. The jail's daily average was 589 with a peak of 594 on January 11, 2026. The estimated cost for outsourcing inmates the week was \$106,907. The average number of outsourced males is 149 and females is 0. This week's inmates were housed in the following counties: Haskell. The number of "paper-ready" inmates who are now wardens of the state is 35.

42788 Discussion and possible action related to the burn ban.

Steve Seddig, Hays County Fire Marshal, spoke about the expected weather conditions and asked to extend the burn ban until the court date of March 10, 2026.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to extend the burn ban to March 10, 2026.

A YE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

Clerk's Note Agenda Item #N-3 RE: Discussion and possible action related to proposed bills in the 89th Session of the Texas Legislature and to consider adoption of resolution(s) regarding proposed bills. The Court may opt to withdraw to Executive Session during this item to consult with legal counsel pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.071. - **WAS PULLED.**

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Judge Becerra to adjourn court at 2:14 p.m.

I, ELAINE H. CÁRDENAS, COUNTY CLERK and EXOFFICIO CLERK OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT, do hereby certify that the foregoing contains a true and accurate record of the proceedings had by the Hays County Commissioners Court on JANUARY 20, 2026.



ELAINE H. CÁRDENAS, COUNTY CLERK AND EXOFFICIO
CLERK OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF
HAYS COUNTY, TEXAS



Date	Res Number	Motion	Ingalsbe	Cohen	Hammer	Smith	Becerra
1/20/2026	42733	Ratify the adoption of a Proclamation declaring January 19th, 2026 as Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42734	Adopt a Proclamation recognizing February 2026 as Spay/Neuter Awareness Month.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42735	Approve payments of County invoices.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42736	Approve the payment of Juror disbursements.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42737	Approve the payment of United Healthcare and Texas Association of Counties healthcare claims and authorize an additional disbursement in an amount not to exceed \$500,000.00 to the healthcare claims account.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42738	Accept the delivery of the Auditor's Office Quarterly Internal Examination Reports.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42739	Approve the payment of the January 31, 2026 payroll disbursements in an amount not to exceed \$5,800,000.00 effective January 31, 2026, and post totals of wages, withholdings, deductions and benefits on the Hays County website once finalized.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42740	Approve Utility Permits.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42741	Approve out-of-state travel to New York, New York for the County Auditor, Marisol Villarreal-Alonzo, and Commissioner Debbie Gonzales-Ingalsbe as authorized officials to attend the pricing of the Combination Tax Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2026.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42742	Accept donations totaling \$88,954.00 on behalf of the Hays County Child Protective Board and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42743	Authorize staff to submit a request to Comal County to waive permitting fees for Sentinel Peak Preserve.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42744	Authorize payment to Texas Lawyers' Insurance Exchange (TLIE) for \$1,500.00 for one professional liability insurance policy renewal where no purchase order was issued as required per the Hays County Purchasing Policy.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42745	Authorize payment to RDO Equipment Company in the amount of \$505.72 for equipment purchases where no purchase order was issued as required by the Hays County Purchasing Policy.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42746	Approve out-of-state travel for Detective Nelson Wray to attend the Introduction to Phone Repair Course on January 26-30, 2026, in Hoover, Alabama.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42747	Approve and confirm the appointment of Tim Kresta as a regular full-time Deputy Constable in the Hays County Constable Precinct 4 Office.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42748	Accept Hays County Precinct 4 Constable's Office 2025 Annual Racial Profiling and Activity Summary Reports.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42749	Authorize payment to Gruene Harley-Davidson in the amount of \$537.27 for rear tire replacement where no purchase order was issued as required per the Hays County Purchasing Policy.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42750	Authorize the Office of Emergency Services to upfit one of the Fiscal Year 2026 approved Fire Marshal's vehicles in the amount of \$21,511.45 from D&M Leasing Company and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42751	Authorize the execution of a contract amendment, effective January 1, 2026, with Water & Earth Technologies, Inc. for FY26 maintenance and system support for the Hays County Early Flood Warning System; authorize a discretionary exemption pursuant to Texas Local Government Code 262.024 (a)(7)(D).	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42752	Authorize the execution of a resolution approving the reappointment of Michelle Cohen to the Central Texas Clean Air Coalition (CAC) for a two year term beginning January 1, 2026.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42753	Authorize the County Judge to execute a Residential Inspection Agreement between Hays County and Solid Rock Home Inspections for two structures located on the 400 Old HWY 290 property in Dripping Springs.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42754	Approve out-of-state travel for Inspector Jimmy Schroeder to attend the FBI-Law Enforcement Executive Development Association (LEEDA) Managing and Conducting Internal Affairs Investigations Course on February 23-27, 2026, in Bentonville, Arkansas.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42755	Authorize Firetrol Protection Systems to perform a quarterly Kitchen Hood Inspection pursuant to their Buyboard Contract and authorize a discretionary exemption pursuant to Texas Local Government Code 262.024 (a)(7)(D) for the Compliance Engineering (CE) Filing Fee that is not covered under the Buyboard contract.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42756	Authorize the execution of contract renewal three (3) for RFP 2023-P03 Countywide Plumbing with SI Mechanical, LLC for one (1) additional year, with the attached proposed price changes.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42757	Authorize the execution of contract renewal two (2) for IFB 2024-B02 Lawn & Landscape with Olympia Landscape Development, Inc. for one (1) additional year.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42758	Authorize the execution of contract amendment one (1) to RFP 2025-P02 Countywide Janitorial Services between Hays County and American Facility Services to add additional cleaning days to the Transportation Foreman Building, increasing the contract by \$585.30 monthly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42759	Authorize the execution of a contract extension to RFP 2024-P06 HVAC - Preventative Maintenance & Repair Service, Countywide with SI Mechanical, LLC for a period not to exceed fifty-four (54) days to allow for a new contract to be awarded and executed.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42760	Approve specifications for RFP 2026-P05 Disaster Recovery - Debris Removal and authorize purchasing to solicit for proposals and advertise.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42761	Approve specifications for IFB 2026-B04 Health Department Roof Repairs - Hail Storm May 2024, and authorize Purchasing to advertise and solicit for bids.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42762	Authorize the execution of Standard Utility Agreement Supplemental No. 1 between Hays County and Bluebonnet Electric Cooperative for the FM 621 road project in Precinct 1 and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42763	Call for a Public Hearing on February 3, 2026 to consider the implementation of a "No Left Turn" restriction for the Rooster Springs Elementary school onto Belterra Drive.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42764	Adopt a Resolution of Support for the submission of a grant application to the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) for the 2028-2031 Call for Projects for the Hays County FM 2001 Gap Project - Precinct 1 (Existing FM 2001 to Graef Road).	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42765	Call for a Public Hearing on February 3rd, 2026 regarding Cypress Creek Acres, Replat of Lot 48 and 49-B (PLN-2720-PC).	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42766	Authorizing the issuance and sale of one or more series of "Hays County, Texas Limited Tax Refunding Bonds"; levying an annual ad valorem tax, within the limitations prescribed by law, for the payment of the refunding bonds; prescribing the form, terms, conditions, and resolving other matters incident and related to the issuance, sale, and delivery of the refunding bonds in accordance with specified parameters, including the approval and distribution of an official statement; delegating authority to members of the Commissioners Court and County Auditor to execute certain documents related to the sale of the refunding bonds; authorizing the execution and delivery of documents and agreements in connection therewith. The issuance of the refunding bonds will result in a debt service savings for the County.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42767	Authorizing the issuance and sale of one or more series of "Hays County, Texas, Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation," in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$100,000,000 for County office/ administrative buildings, judicial facility, and animal shelter facilities; levying a tax in payment thereof and further securing said certificates by a lien on and pledge of the pledged revenues of the solid waste management system; providing for the sale and delivery of the certificates in accordance with specified parameters, including the approval and distribution of an official statement; delegating the authority to members of the Commissioners Court and County Auditor to execute certain documents relating to the sale of the certificates; authorizing the execution and delivery of documents and agreements in connection therewith. The projects to be financed with the certificates are further described in the List of Projects posted herewith. The County estimates that a tax rate levy of \$0.0102 per \$100 assessed value will be necessary to pay the debt service on the certificates.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42768	Direct the County Administrator and Budget Officer to develop and implement a Capital Investment Fund for Hays County.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

Date	Res Number	Motion	Ingalsbe	Cohen	Hammer	Smith	Becerra
1/20/2026	42769	Partner with Prevent A Litter of Central Texas (PALS) and the Hays County Health Department to provide a free Rabies Immunization Clinic for the public on January 20, 2026 (Dripping Springs); ratify the partnership and free Rabies Immunization Clinic that was provided to the public on January 17, 2026 (Wimberley, TX); authorize the payment for each clinic in an amount not to exceed \$600.00 per clinic; and authorize a waiver to the purchasing policy of obtaining three quotes, and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42770	Reassign the Juvenile Diversion Coordinator, slot 001, from the Justice of the Peace, Place 5 Office to the Justice of the Peace, Place 2-2 Office effective January 16, 2026 and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42771	Authorize Facilities and Resource Management to replace the existing concrete patio located at the AMVETS Building in Kyle with a new ADA accessible patio and ramp in the amount of \$6,100.00 and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42772	Authorize the Fire Marshal division of the Office of Emergency Services to purchase three tasers and a two-day training course from Axon Enterprise, Inc., in the amount of \$3,275.64 annually.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42773	Approve the purchase of two Enhanced Ballot Remake Stations and associated software and service for the Elections Office through Enhanced Voting, LLC in the amount of \$30,000.00; authorize the execution of a Remote Ballot Marking Station Purchase and Service Agreement; and authorize a waiver to the purchasing policy of obtaining three quotes.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42774	Approve Early Voting Polling Places and schedule for the Primary Election to be held on March 3, 2026.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42775	Ratify the acceptance of a grant award from the Office of the Governor, Victims Assistance, General Direct Services grant program in the amount of \$58,478.38 and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42776	Execute a contract between Hays County and Certified Arbor Care in the amount of \$23,031.00 for the assessment and removal of trees located in an easement owned by Hays County within the Trails Subdivision in Precinct 2.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42777	Authorize the County Judge to execute and submit of a letter of local support to the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) Public Transportation Division on behalf of the Capital Area Rural Transportation System (CARTS) for its FY26 Coordinated Call for Projects grant applications.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42778	Authorize the execution of an Agreement between Hays County and Rene Bates Auctioners, Inc. pursuant to their Buyboard Contract 708-23; approve the Purchasing Office to hold an online auction to dispose of surplus property pursuant to Texas Local Government Code 263.152 (a)(1); authorize the Purchasing Office to advertise; and to properly dispose of items that are placed in the online auction but do not sell.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42779	Authorize the Sheriff's Office to add one Jail Facility Maintenance Specialist, Grade 115, effective January 16, 2026.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42780	Approve Facilities and Resource Management to replace the failed Roof Top Unit (RTU) #5 located at the Elections/IT building with a new 12.5 Ton Rheem RTU in the amount of \$20,248.06 and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42781	Authorize the execution of an Agreement between Hays County and Great Springs Project, Inc. and the submission of a grant application to the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) in the amount of \$425,000.00 related to a Priority Multi-Use Connectivity Study regarding the feasibility, alignment, and implementation strategies for multi-use crossing structures that promote connectivity for trail users and wildlife in certain locations in Hays County.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42782	Authorize the execution of an Interlocal Agreement between Hays County and the City of San Marcos related to the submission of a grant application to the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) for the Cape Street Shared Use Path in the amount of \$1,000,000.00.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42783	Execute a resolution of support for the Hill Country Conservancy's application to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department Recreational Trails grant program for construction of the Violet Crown Trail.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42784	Execute a Resolution of support for the City of Buda and Great Springs Project's joint application to the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization Call for Projects to study feasibility of a regional trail along Onion Creek.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42785	Award and execute a contract for IFB 2026-B03 Cemetery Maintenance between Hays County and CY'Services and Landscape Solutions, LLC in the amount of \$60,172.00 annually.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42786	Authorize the execution of a Professional Services Agreement (2026-PSA-43) between Hays County and HDR Engineers, Inc. related to a Countywide Water Study, not to exceed \$542,360.00.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42787	Authorize an amendment to the Commercial Contract, executed on or about July 29, 2025, between Hays County and 400 W Old 290 & Roger Hanks Parkway, LLC related to the possible purchase of real property located at or near Roger Hanks Parkway in Precinct 4, extending the feasibility period to March 12, 2026, and closing to April 11, 2026; as well as authorize the County Administrator to obtain a review of the appraisal; authorize the Director of Facilities and Resource Management of County Administrator to execute any related proposals in order to obtain a review of the appraisal; and authorize a waiver of the County's purchasing policy requiring three quotes related to obtaining a review of the appraisal.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
1/20/2026	42788	Extend the burn ban to March 10, 2026.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

HAYS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES



FEBRUARY 3, 2026

STATE OF TEXAS *
COUNTY OF HAYS *

ON THIS THE 3rd DAY OF FEBRUARY A.D., 2025, THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF HAYS COUNTY, TEXAS, MET IN REGULAR MEETING. THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WERE PRESENT, TO-WIT:

RUBEN BECERRA	COUNTY JUDGE
DEBBIE GONZALES INGALSBE	COMMISSIONER, PCT. 1
MICHELLE COHEN	COMMISSIONER, PCT. 2
MORGAN HAMMER	COMMISSIONER, PCT. 3
WALT SMITH	COMMISSIONER, PCT. 4
ROXANNE RODRIGUEZ	CHIEF DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK

Clerk's Note: For complete transcript go to Hays County Website
<https://www.hayscountytexas.gov/commissioners-court-live-stream>
Transcript can be translated into any language through Google.com.

THE FOLLOWING PROCEEDINGS WERE HAD, THAT IS:

Judge Becerra called the meeting to order. Pastor Darius Todd gave the invocation. Judge Becerra led the court in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas flags.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jessica Caine, Director of Neighborhood Engagement at Southside Community Center, made a public comment about the various types of assistance the center offers to residents and stated the center serves as the only emergency shelter in the county. Carol Pennington made a public comment regarding the proposed animal shelter. She stated that her neighborhood in northern Hays County is not included in the proposed map and requested that it be considered for inclusion.

42789 Adopt a Proclamation recognizing February 22, 2026 as President George Washington Day.

Cliff Caskey, Chaplain of William Hightower Chapter 35, spoke in appreciation of the proclamation, and the importance of educating others about the Revolutionary War. Stan Trull, President of William Hightower Chapter 35 Son of the American Revolution, invited the public to their chapter meeting to learn more of the organization.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to adopt a Proclamation recognizing February 22, 2026 as President George Washington Day.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42790 Adopt a Proclamation recognizing February 2026 as Dating Violence Awareness Month.

Melissa Rodriguez, Chief Executive Officer at Hays Caldwell Womens Center (HCWC), thanked the Court for the proclamation, highlighted prevention efforts available in English and Spanish, and encouraged the public to wear orange on Tuesday, February 10, 2026, in recognition of Dating Violence Awareness Month. Commissioner Smith spoke about the dating violence mock trial. The court thanked HCWC for all their hard work and dedication to the community.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to adopt a Proclamation recognizing February 2026 as Dating Violence Awareness Month.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously



42791 Adopt a Proclamation recognizing February 2 - February 9, 2026 as National Job Corps Groundhog Week.

Randolph Goodman, Community Relations Coordinator for Gary Job Corps Center, spoke about the programs and skills Gary Job Corp offers to students, and announced his retirement date of March 6, 2026 and thanked the court for their continued support. The court thanked Goodman for all his hard work and dedication.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to adopt a Proclamation recognizing February 2 - February 9, 2026 as National Job Corps Groundhog Week.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42792 Approve payments of County invoices.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to approve payments of County invoices.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42793 Approve the payment of Juror disbursements.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to approve the payment of Juror disbursements.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42794 Approve the payment of United Healthcare and Texas Association of Counties healthcare claims and authorize an additional disbursement in an amount not to exceed \$500,000.00 to the healthcare claims account.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to approve the payment of United Healthcare and Texas Association of Counties healthcare claims and authorize an additional disbursement in an amount not to exceed \$500,000.00 to the healthcare claims account.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42795 Approve the payment of the February 15, 2026 payroll disbursements in an amount not to exceed \$4,600,000.00 effective February 15, 2026, and post totals of wages, withholdings, deductions and benefits on the Hays County website once finalized.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to approve the payment of the February 15, 2026 payroll disbursements in an amount not to exceed \$4,600,000.00 effective February 15, 2026, and post totals of wages, withholdings, deductions and benefits on the Hays County website once finalized.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42796 Approve Commissioners Court Minutes for November 18, 2025, December 2, 2025 and December 16, 2025.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to approve Commissioners Court Minutes for November 18, 2025, December 2, 2025 and December 16, 2025.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously



42797 Amend various departmental operating, special revenue and capital project budgets in preparation for Fiscal Year 2026 monthly financial reporting.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to amend various departmental operating, special revenue and capital project budgets in preparation for Fiscal Year 2026 monthly financial reporting.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42798 Amend various departmental operating, special revenue and capital project budgets in preparation for Fiscal Year 2025 fiscal year-end financial reporting.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to amend various departmental operating, special revenue and capital project budgets in preparation for Fiscal Year 2025 fiscal year-end financial reporting.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

4 2 7 9 9 Approve the reappointment of Kyle Mylius to the San Marcos Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone (TIRZ) Number 5 (Downtown) Board of Directors for a two-year term expiring on December 31, 2027.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to approve the reappointment of Kyle Mylius to the San Marcos Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone (TIRZ) Number 5 (Downtown) Board of Directors for a two-year term expiring on December 31, 2027.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42800 Approve the reappointment of Commissioner Debbie Ingalsbe to the Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone (TIRZ) Number 5 (Downtown) Board of Directors for a two-year term expiring on December 31, 2027.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to approve the reappointment of Commissioner Debbie Ingalsbe to the Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone (TIRZ) Number 5 (Downtown) Board of Directors for a two-year term expiring on December 31, 2027.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42801 Approve the appointment of Cris Chomel to the board of Emergency Service District (ESD) #9 to replace Krista Pepau; a two-year term ending December 31, 2027.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to approve the appointment of Cris Chomel to the board of Emergency Service District (ESD) #9 to replace Krista Pepau; a two-year term ending December 31, 2027.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42802 Authorize reimbursement to Carol Bedrich for consumable items purchased for the Chamber of Commerce Government Day event held on January 13, 2026, in Precinct 4.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to authorize reimbursement to Carol Bedrich for consumable items purchased for the Chamber of Commerce Government Day event held on January 13, 2026, in Precinct 4.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously



42803 Accept the 2025 Annual Racial Profiling Report from the Hays County Constable Precinct 3.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to accept the 2025 Annual Racial Profiling Report from the Hays County Constable Precinct 3.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42804 Approve Out of State Travel for Senior Deputies Briana Ramirez-Vargas, Korey Thornton, and Anne Medina to attend the Property Records Industry Association (PRIA) Annual Conference in Virginia Beach, Virginia for an estimated amount of \$4,898.34.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to approve Out of State Travel for Senior Deputies Briana Ramirez-Vargas, Korey Thornton, and Anne Medina to attend the Property Records Industry Association (PRIA) Annual Conference in Virginia Beach, Virginia for an estimated amount of \$4,898.34.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42805 Authorize payment to Waldrip Insurance Agency for the County Clerk in the amount of \$875.00 in which no purchase order was issued as required per the Hays County Purchasing Policy.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to authorize payment to Waldrip Insurance Agency for the County Clerk in the amount of \$875.00 in which no purchase order was issued as required per the Hays County Purchasing Policy.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42806 Authorize the Human Resources Department to purchase consumable goods for quarterly Training Liaison meetings through Fiscal Year 2026, not to exceed \$400.00 through September 30, 2026.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to authorize the Human Resources Department to purchase consumable goods for quarterly Training Liaison meetings through Fiscal Year 2026, not to exceed \$400.00 through September 30, 2026.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42807 Authorize the submission of a continuation grant application to the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Service Administration (SAMHSA) Assisted Outpatient Treatment grant program in the amount of \$500,000.00.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to authorize the submission of a continuation grant application to the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Service Administration (SAMHSA) Assisted Outpatient Treatment grant program in the amount of \$500,000.00.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42808 Authorize the execution of an Estimate for Services from Bobcat Movers LLC for the County Clerk's Office in the amount of \$1,385.00.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to authorize the execution of an Estimate for Services from Bobcat Movers LLC for the County Clerk's Office in the amount of \$1,385.00.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra



5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42809 Approve the Hart Intercivic Quote for ballot stock in the amount of \$15,050.00; authorize a discretionary exemption pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Chapter 262.024 (a)(7)(D).

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to approve the Hart Intercivic Quote for ballot stock in the amount of \$15,050.00; authorize a discretionary exemption pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Chapter 262.024 (a)(7)(D).

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42810 Accept a donation from the Harry L. Willett Foundation in the amount of \$10,000.00 for a ground penetrating radar study on county-owned property adjacent to the Claiborne Kyle Log House and amend the budget accordingly.

Kate Johnson, Chairman of the Claiborne Kyle Log House Commission, stated the organization is requesting to proceed without the standard three-bid process for the project. Johnson spoke about the service and expertise of Dr. Michael Martin and the history of the log house. The court thanked Johnson for her expertise to preserve history.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hammer, seconded by Commissioner Smith to accept a donation from the Harry L. Willett Foundation in the amount of \$10,000.00 for a ground penetrating radar study on county-owned property adjacent to the Claiborne Kyle Log House and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42811 Authorize the Development Services Department to purchase one (1) replacement Dell Pro Max 16 valued at \$1,639.36 for the Development Coordinator position and amend the budget accordingly.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to authorize the Development Services Department to purchase one (1) replacement Dell Pro Max 16 valued at \$1,639.36 for the Development Coordinator position and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

Clerk's Note: Agenda Item #G-21 RE: *Authorize the Sheriff's Office to purchase Blue Voice software for a total cost of \$78,530.92, to be paid over a 4-year term. - WAS PULLED.*

42812 Authorize payment to Tax Assessor-Collectors Association of Texas (TACA) for \$675.00 for membership dues where no purchase order was issued as required per the Hays County Purchasing Policy.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to authorize payment to Tax Assessor-Collectors Association of Texas (TACA) for \$675.00 for membership dues where no purchase order was issued as required per the Hays County Purchasing Policy.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42813 Approve the Hart Intercivic repair estimate in the amount of \$7,250.07 for thirteen (13) Duo Touch and one (1) Controller that need repairs and are no longer under warranty; authorize a discretionary exemption pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Chapter 262.024 (a)(7)(D).

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to approve the Hart Intercivic repair estimate in the amount of \$7,250.07 for thirteen (13) Duo Touch and one (1) Controller that need repairs and are no longer under warranty; authorize a discretionary exemption pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Chapter 262.024 (a)(7)(D).

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously



42814 Approve renewal of IFB 2023-B15 Regulatory Road Signs for one (1) additional year with Road Safe Traffic Systems, Lightle Enterprises of Ohio LLC, Pathmark Traffic Equipment LLC, and Vulcan Signs (15% proposed price increase), effective January 16, 2026.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to approve renewal of IFB 2023-B15 Regulatory Road Signs for one (1) additional year with Road Safe Traffic Systems, Lightle Enterprises of Ohio LLC, Pathmark Traffic Equipment LLC, and Vulcan Signs (15% proposed price increase), effective January 16, 2026.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42815 Approve specifications for IFB 2026-B06 Concrete and authorize Purchasing to advertise and solicit bids.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to approve specifications for IFB 2026-B06 Concrete and authorize Purchasing to advertise and solicit bids.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42816 Approve specifications for IFB 2026-B05 Concrete Contractor and authorize Purchasing to advertise and solicit bids.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to approve specifications for IFB 2026-B05 Concrete Contractor and authorize Purchasing to advertise and solicit bids.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42817 Approve specifications for RFP 2026-P09 Public Engagement Facilitation Services Pool and authorize Purchasing to advertise and solicit for proposals.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to approve specifications for RFP 2026-P09 Public Engagement Facilitation Services Pool and authorize Purchasing to advertise and solicit for proposals.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42818 Discussion and possible action to authorize the execution of a Professional Services Agreement (2026-PSA-31) between Hays County and Ardurra Group, Inc. to provide engineering design services for the Old Kyle Road project in Precinct 3.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hammer, seconded by Commissioner Smith to authorize the execution of a Professional Services Agreement (2026-PSA-31) between Hays County and Ardurra Group, Inc. to provide engineering design services for the Old Kyle Road project in Precinct 3.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42819 Discussion and possible action to authorize the execution of a Professional Services Agreement (2026-PSA-35) between Hays County and B2Z Engineering, LLC to provide Construction, Engineering, and Inspection Services for the Low Water Crossing at Bear Creek project in Precinct 4 and amend the budget accordingly.

Commissioner Smith stated that this is the culmination of the 2016 road bond project, where all work has been completed and they are now coordinating with PEC for the installation of new poles.



A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to authorize the execution of a Professional Services Agreement (2026-PSA-35) between Hays County and B2Z Engineering, LLC to provide Construction, Engineering, and Inspection Services for the Low Water Crossing at Bear Creek project in Precinct 4 and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

4 2 8 2 0 Discussion and possible action to adopt a Resolution of Support for the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) submission to the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) 2028-2031 grant applications for the US 290 West (RM 1826 to Rob Shelton Blvd), RM 12 (Hamilton Pool Road to RM 150), and RM 1826 (US 290 to RM 150) projects in Precinct 4 .

Commissioner Smith stated TxDot is applying to CAMPO and asked for a letter of support from the county.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to adopt a Resolution of Support for the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) submission to the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) 2028-2031 grant applications for the US 290 West (RM 1826 to Rob Shelton Blvd), RM 12 (Hamilton Pool Road to RM 150), and RM 1826 (US 290 to RM 150) projects in Precinct 4.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42821 Discussion and possible action to approve the selection of Alfred Benesch & Company (Benesch) to provide design services for the Old San Antonio Road project in Precinct 4; and authorize staff and counsel to negotiate a contract.

Commissioner Smith stated this is a CO project that was requested by the City of Buda and this was included in the bond.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to approve the selection of Alfred Benesch & Company (Benesch) to provide design services for the Old San Antonio Road project in Precinct 4; and authorize staff and counsel to negotiate a contract.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

PLN-2720-PC; Hold a Public Hearing regarding Cypress Creek Acres, Replat of Lot 48 & 49-B, Replat.

Judge Becerra opened the public hearing at 11:41 a.m. No comments were made. Judge Becerra closed the public hearing at 11:41 a.m. Colby Machacek, Senior Planner, Development Services Senior Planner, provided background on the property and stated further action will be requested in court at a later date.

42822 Discussion and possible action to terminate the Hays County Central Appraisal District's eligibility to participate in the Hays County health care benefits plans effective October 1, 2026.

Erik Granjeno, Director of Human Resources, stated that with the county growing at such a rapid pace, it is the right time to evaluate and streamline processes in order to maximize resources. Granjeno believes it is not in the county's best interest to continue allowing the Hays County Central Appraisal District (CAD) to participate in the county's health care benefits program. Commissioner Smith said that this had been discussed during the budget season, and stated there might be confusion about where the Hays CAD is affiliated with the county, which is a subdivision of the State Comptroller. Smith stated there were over \$400,000 in just premiums spent on the CAD and additional costs from the county where this can be assessed to them through the state system. Commissioner Hammer agreed that the county typically does get looped in with being a part of Hays CAD. Commissioner Cohen spoke in agreement that there is a need for change due to the growth of the county and a good step forward. Commissioner Ingalsbe spoke in support of terminating the CAD's eligibility and stated this has been discussed in the past and feels it is time to move forward.



Judge Becerra stated that, as a local government, the county benefits from consolidating its purchasing power and believes that terminating the partnership with the CAD office could potentially disadvantage the county. The court had a lengthy discussion regarding the various options for terminating the contract.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to terminate the Hays County Central Appraisal District's eligibility to participate in the Hays County health care benefits plans effective October 1, 2026.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith

NAY: Judge Becerra

4 - 1 Passed

42823 Discussion and possible action to authorize the execution of a Termination Notice to Texas Helps, formerly Evoke Wellness, related to outpatient substance use services for the Assisted Outpatient Treatment Program.

Judge Becerra clarified that this is simply a shift and not a cancellation of services.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to authorize the execution of a Termination Notice to Texas Helps, formerly Evoke Wellness, related to outpatient substance use services for the Assisted Outpatient Treatment Program.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42824 Discussion and possible action to accept the Hays County Capital Improvement Plan.

Kandice Boutte, County Administrator, stated that this is a follow-up to the January 20 meeting regarding the results from Broaddus. Boutte added that she and Tammy Crumley will provide quarterly updates to the court on the CIP and related spending.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to accept the Hays County Capital Improvement Plan.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42825 Discussion and possible action to authorize a Transportation Supervisor, Mario Garcia, to take home a county-issued vehicle to his residence outside the County.

Judge Becerra stated this is only one mile outside the standard requirement.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to authorize a Transportation Supervisor, Mario Garcia, to take home a county-issued vehicle to his residence outside the County.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42826 Discussion and possible action to execute a five-year Statement of Work Proposal from DLT Solutions to obtain GovOS Public Records Software for the County Clerk's Office effective March 1, 2026, authorize a 50% deposit in the amount of \$77,542.00, and amend the budget accordingly.

Cynthia Millonzi, Assistant County Clerk, stated that the process of transferring records management systems takes several months but that they have conducted due diligence to ensure a smooth transition. Commissioner Ingalsbe expressed her concern about the implementation transition and the possibility of the I.T. Director leaving, but stated that she hopes for the best. Commissioner Hammer expressed concerns regarding the budget impact. Commissioner Smith asked if year one funding was provided in the budget cycle. Kandice Boutte, County Administrator, provided the court with the amount of the full funding and confirmed that year one funding was covered. Millonzi clarified that all funds were secured previously in discussion with the previous Budget Officer, Vickie Dorsett, and specified that the majority of the cost would come out of the County Clerk's fund.



Commissioner Smith asked for a timeline on having all paper records digitized. Roxanne Rodriguez, Chief Deputy County Clerk, stated that by statute, the clerk's office is required to preserve documents prior to 1950, and that is currently at an 85% rate of completion. The court had further discussion about the background of preserving documents and the use of A.I. technology.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hammer, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to execute a five-year Statement of Work Proposal from DLT Solutions to obtain GovOS Public Records Software for the County Clerk's Office effective March 1, 2026, authorize a 50% deposit in the amount of \$77,542.00, and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

4 2 8 2 7 Discussion and possible action to establish one new AOT Program Case Manager grade 120, effective February 3, 2026; authorize the necessary equipment purchases with a not-to-exceed amount of \$2,734.00 within the County Courts at Law budget, and amend the budget accordingly.

Judge Becerra spoke on the conflicting numbers of costs and how the public can only read the item and does not have the ability to read what is fully stated in the backup. Kandice Boutte, County Administrator, assured the court that her office will adhere to making future items clear to the public, and stated that the information listed in the item is related to the equipment, but the total cost for the position would be \$55,000. Jennifer Putman, Assistant Outpatient Treatment Program Admin - County Court at Law, spoke on the position that was previously awarded at a lower grade and has remained unfilled, and provided the court with future expansion of the programs and need for residents. The court had further discussion in relation to the position and the affected budget.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to establish one new AOT Program Case Manager grade 120, effective February 3, 2026; authorize the necessary equipment purchases with a not-to-exceed amount of \$2,734.00 within the County Courts at Law budget, and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

Discussion and possible action to consider granting a variance to Section D.1.C.1 of the Hays County Rules for On-Site Sewage Facilities, and allow the issuance of an On-Site Sewage Facility permit to the owner of the property at 15103 W RR 150, Driftwood, Texas 78619.

Alejandra Rodriguez, Deputy County Clerk, read emailed public comments from the following individuals: Cindy Cassidy and Julie Guyette in support of the variance. Commissioner Smith stated these variances are for the Driftwood Store and provided background of the property. Jake Straub, applicant and owner of the property, stated there will be about 3,400 gallons per day. Smith stated the second variance is a request regarding setback lines. Aaron Jones, Director of Transportation, stated there would be difficulties meeting the required setback lines. Straub provided to the court a future roadmap for the property. Commissioner Hammer expressed her concerns about the high amount of gallons per day and the preservation of the property. Commissioner Cohen thanked Straub for his due diligence and for his support of the community's concerns. Commissioner Ingalsbe expressed her concerns about the extensive work from the variance. Eric Vangaasbeek, Chief Environmental Health Specialist, stated that there are certain regulations allowed and, historically a permit like this has not been approved unless tied to platting. Commissioner Smith stated he purposely did not converse with any of the court members because he wanted them to make their own decision. Jordan Powell, First Assistant Criminal District Attorney - Civil Division, provided the court a brief explanation of a walking quorum.

Clerk's Note: Judge Becerra called for a recess that began at 11:04 a.m. and resumed back into open court at 11:17 a.m.

John Gerlaugh, Driftwood Historical Society, spoke in support of the variance, and requested that a deep conversation to address concerns from the community before approving the variance. RJ Rychlik, Civil Engineer, provided to the court the ADA pathways and sidewalks that will be included in the property's footplan. The court had a lengthy discussion and agreed to table both until a development agreement could be brought to court. No action taken.



42828 Discussion and possible action to amend the Composition section of the Public Health Advisory Charter to include a member and an ex-officio member from Texas State University, and to accept Associate Vice President for Student Success and Dean of Students, Valerie Holmes, as the member, and University Health Services Director, Dr. Sarah Doss, as the ex-officio member offered to Texas State University.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cohen, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to amend the Composition section of the Public Health Advisory Charter to include a member and an ex-officio member from Texas State University, and to accept Associate Vice President for Student Success and Dean of Students, Valerie Holmes, as the member, and University Health Services Director, Dr. Sarah Doss, as the ex-officio member offered to Texas State University.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

Discussion and possible action to consider granting a variance to Chapter 721 § 5.03 of the Hays County Development Regulations.

Alejandra Rodriguez, Deputy County Clerk, read emailed public comments from the following individuals: Cindy Cassidy and Julie Guyette in support of the variance. Commissioner Smith stated these variances are for the Driftwood Store and provided background of the property. Jake Straub, applicant and owner of the property, stated there will be about 3,400 gallons per day. Smith stated the second variance is a request regarding setback lines. Aaron Jones, Director of Transportation, stated there would be difficulties meeting the required setback lines. Straub provided to the court a future roadmap for the property. Commissioner Hammer expressed her concerns about the high amount of gallons per day and the preservation of the property. Commissioner Cohen thanked Straub for his due diligence and for his support of the community's concerns. Commissioner Ingalsbe expressed her concerns about the extensive work from the variance. Eric Vangaasbeek, Chief Environmental Health Specialist, stated that there are certain regulations allowed and, historically a permit like this has not been approved unless tied to platting. Commissioner Smith stated he purposely did not converse with any of the court members because he wanted them to make their own decision. Jordan Powell, First Assistant Criminal District Attorney - Civil Division, provided the court with a brief explanation of a walking quorum. Clerk's Note: Judge Becerra called for a recess that began at 11:04 a.m. and resumed back into open court at 11:17 a.m. John Gerlaugh, Driftwood Historical Society, spoke in support of the variance, and requested that a deep conversation to address concerns from the community before approving the variance. RJ Rychlik, Civil Engineer, provided to the court the ADA pathways and sidewalks that will be included in the property's footplan. The court had a lengthy discussion and agreed to table both until a development agreement could be brought to court. No action taken.

42829 Discussion and possible action to authorize the Transportation Department to accept insurance proceeds from the Texas Association of Counties totaling \$1,395.64 and amend the budget accordingly.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to authorize the Transportation Department to accept insurance proceeds from the Texas Association of Counties totaling \$1,395.64 and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42830 Discussion and possible action to authorize the execution of contract amendments to the County Court at Law Mental Health Specialty Court Program contracts with: A Better Boat, LLC; Axis of Mental Healthcare, PLLC; C. Nichole Mueller-McMorris, LCSW; Hiatus Wellness; Horton House 501C3; Lisa Hinson, LCDC; Moonstone Counseling; Nova Recovery Center; Revive Recovery; Texas Helps (formerly Evoke Wellness); and Youth Advocate Programs, Inc.

Commissioner Smith noted the change is saving the taxpayers quite a bit of money. Stephanie Hunt, Purchasing Agent, clarified that these are two different contracts for two different programs.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to authorize the execution of contract amendments to the County Court at Law Mental Health Specialty Court Program contracts with: A Better Boat, LLC; Axis of Mental Healthcare, PLLC; C. Nichole Mueller-McMorris, LCSW; Hiatus Wellness; Horton House 501C3; Lisa Hinson, LCDC; Moonstone Counseling; Nova Recovery Center; Revive Recovery; Texas Helps (formerly Evoke Wellness); and Youth Advocate Programs, Inc.



AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

4 2 8 3 1 Discussion and possible action to award RFP 2026-P01 Flood Warning System - Maintenance & Repair Services to Water & Earth Technologies, Inc. and authorize staff and the District Attorney Civil Division to negotiate a contract.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to award RFP 2026-P01 Flood Warning System - Maintenance & Repair Services to Water & Earth Technologies, Inc. and authorize staff and the District Attorney Civil Division to negotiate a contract.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42832 Discussion and possible action to accept a Proposal from Sidekick GPR related to a ground penetrating radar study on the Claiborne Kyle Log House property owned by Hays County and authorize a waiver to the purchasing policy for obtaining three quotes.

Kate Johnson, Chairman of the Claiborne Kyle Log House Commission, stated the organization is requesting to proceed without the standard three-bid process for the project. Johnson spoke about the service and expertise of Dr. Michael Martin and the history of the log house. The court thanked Johnson for her expertise to preserve history.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hammer, seconded by Commissioner Smith to accept a Proposal from Sidekick GPR related to a ground penetrating radar study on the Claiborne Kyle Log House property owned by Hays County and authorize a waiver to the purchasing policy for obtaining three quotes.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

4 2 8 3 3 Discussion and possible action to award RFP 2026-P02 Property Tax Collection Software to Appaisal & Collection Technologies, LLC and authorize staff and the District Attorney Civil Division to negotiate a contract.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to award RFP 2026-P02 Property Tax Collection Software to Appaisal & Collection Technologies, LLC and authorize staff and the District Attorney Civil Division to negotiate a contract.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42834 Discussion and possible action to authorize the submission of a grant application and the execution of associated documents to the Office of the Governor FY27, Juvenile Justice & Youth Diversion Grant Program in the amount of \$88,025.74.

Landon Campbell, Division Chief with the District Attorney's Office, spoke on the nature of juvenile cases worsening to more serious offenses, the strain on current Juvenile Officers, and how the grant will help the Juvenile Department post for a high-risk officer to assist.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to authorize the submission of a grant application and the execution of associated documents to the Office of the Governor FY27, Juvenile Justice & Youth Diversion Grant Program in the amount of \$88,025.74.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42835 Discussion and possible action to authorize the submission of a grant application and the execution of associated documents to the Office of the Governor, Rifle-Resistant Body Armor Grant Program in the amount of \$20,242.10.



Mike Jones, Director of the Office of Emergency Services, stated that this is a critical item needed to ensure the safety of officers operating in the field. Aaron Bauer, Senior Deputy Fire Marshal, explained that, over the past year, the Fire Marshal's Office has executed both search and arrest warrants, and the purchase will allow all fire marshals to obtain appropriate body armor. Bauer also noted that the grant for the UTV--an all-terrain, four-seat vehicle--will be awarded through the Criminal Justice Grant program. The UTV will enable fire marshals to access areas that are not reachable by standard vehicles. He added that the UTV will be equipped with a fire pump and will serve as a valuable asset to the county.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hammer, seconded by Commissioner Smith to authorize the submission of a grant application and the execution of associated documents to the Office of the Governor, Rifle-Resistant Body Armor Grant Program in the amount of \$20,242.10.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42836 Discussion and possible action to authorize the submission of a grant application and the execution of associated documents to the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Grant Program in the amount of \$69,553.03.

Mike Jones, Director of the Office of Emergency Services, stated that this is a critical item needed to ensure the safety of officers operating in the field. Aaron Bauer, Senior Deputy Fire Marshal, explained that, over the past year, the Fire Marshal's Office has executed both search and arrest warrants, and the purchase will allow all fire marshals to obtain appropriate body armor. Bauer also noted that the grant for the UTV--an all-terrain, four-seat vehicle--will be awarded through the Criminal Justice Grant program. The UTV will enable fire marshals to access areas that are not reachable by standard vehicles. He added that the UTV will be equipped with a fire pump and will serve as a valuable asset to the county.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hammer, seconded by Commissioner Smith to authorize the submission of a grant application and the execution of associated documents to the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Grant Program in the amount of \$69,553.03.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42837 Discussion and possible action to authorize the submission of a grant application and the execution of associated documents to the Office of the Governor, FY27 Victim Assistance-Victims of Crime Act grant in the amount of \$57,993.70.

Landon Campbell, Division Chief with the Hays County District Attorney's Office, gave an overview of the purpose of the Victim's Assistance Coordinator's Office in relation to the District Attorney's Office. Campbell stated the Victim Assistance-Victims of Crime Act grant will help supplement staff to keep up with the increased number of protective orders requested. He stated the Violence Against Women Act grant will allow the staff to receive the proper training to better help victims in various circumstances. Stacy Miles-Thorpe, Victim Assistance Supervisor - District Attorney, stated that this grant was previously awarded to the office and that they had the ability to send staff to conferences and receive the training needed. The court thanked Campbell and the District Attorney's office for finding ways to better assist victims in Hays County.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cohen, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to authorize the submission of a grant application and the execution of associated documents to the Office of the Governor, FY27 Victim Assistance-Victims of Crime Act grant in the amount of \$57,993.70.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42838 Discussion and possible action to authorize the submission of a grant application and the execution of associated documents to the Office of the Governor, State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP) - Mitigation Projects in the amount of \$45,829.65.



Jeff McGill, Director of Information Technology, thanked the Grants department for bringing this grant to his attention. McGill explained that, with the addition of new programs and the growing volume of data that must be backed up, the funds will be used to expand the county's overall storage capacity. The court expressed appreciation for McGill and Commissioner Ingalsbe recognized the Grants Division for their diligent efforts in securing and pursuing funding opportunities on behalf of the county.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to authorize the submission of a grant application and the execution of associated documents to the Office of the Governor, State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP) - Mitigation Projects in the amount of \$45,829.65.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42839 Discussion and possible action to authorize the submission of a grant application and the execution of associated documents to the Office of the Governor FY27, Violence Against Women Act fund in the amount of \$15,874.02.

Landon Campbell, Division Chief with the Hays County District Attorney's Office, gave an overview of the purpose of the Victim's Assistance Coordinator's Office in relation to the District Attorney's Office. Campbell stated the Victim Assistance-Victims of Crime Act grant will help supplement staff to keep up with the increased number of protective orders requested. He stated the Violence Against Women Act grant will allow the staff to receive the proper training to better help victims in various circumstances. Stacy Miles-Thorpe, Victim Assistance Supervisor - District Attorney, stated that this grant was previously awarded to the office and that they had the ability to send staff to conferences and receive the training needed. The court thanked Campbell and the District Attorney's office for finding ways to better assist victims in Hays County.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cohen, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to authorize the submission of a grant application and the execution of associated documents to the Office of the Governor FY27, Violence Against Women Act fund in the amount of \$15,874.02.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42840 Discussion and possible action to authorize the submission of a grant application and the execution of associated documents to the Office of the Governor, FY27 Specialty Court grant program for the Mental Health Court in the amount of \$72,000.00.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cohen, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to authorize the submission of a grant application and the execution of associated documents to the Office of the Governor, FY27 Specialty Court grant program for the Mental Health Court in the amount of \$72,000.00.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42841 Discussion and possible action to authorize the submission of a grant application and the execution of associated documents to the Office of the Governor, FY27 Specialty Court Grant Program for the DWI/Drug Court Program in the amount of \$85,473.15.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to authorize the submission of a grant application and the execution of associated documents to the Office of the Governor, FY27 Specialty Court Grant Program for the DWI/Drug Court Program in the amount of \$85,473.15.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42842 Discussion and possible action to authorize the submission of a continuation grant application and execution of associated documents to the Office of the Governor, FY27 Criminal Justice Funds in the amount of \$113,726.71.



Gregg Cox, First Assistant District Attorney, stated this grant application would be for the third year of funding for the Environmental Enforcement Unit and provided program details. The court thanked Cox and the District Attorney's office.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to authorize the submission of a continuation grant application and execution of associated documents to the Office of the Governor, FY27 Criminal Justice Funds in the amount of \$113,726.71.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42843 Discussion and possible action to authorize the execution of a Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) 2 between SpawGlass Contractors, Inc and Hays County pursuant to RFP 2025-P01 Sentinel Peak Park Improvements - Construction Manager at Risk and amend the budget accordingly.

Karl Flocke, Director of Parks and Natural Resources, expressed his excitement about starting this phase of the project. Grady Carlson, Pre-Construction Services Manager for SpawGlass Contractors, spoke about all the processes of getting this phase of the project started and stated the demolition of the old building has started. Commissioner Hammer expressed her gratitude to the company for their work in getting this project completed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hammer, seconded by Commissioner Smith to authorize the execution of a Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) 2 between SpawGlass Contractors, Inc and Hays County pursuant to RFP 2025-P01 Sentinel Peak Park Improvements - Construction Manager at Risk and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

Clerk's Note: Executive Session began at 11:57 a.m. and resumed back into open court at 12:09 p.m.

42844 Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.071 and Section 551.072: consultation with counsel and deliberation regarding the exchange, purchase, lease, sale, or value of real property located at or near CR133 (Hillside Terrace), in Precinct 2 (Parcel 14, 14E1, 14E2, 14E3) related to the Hillside Terrace Road improvement project. Discussion and/or possible action may follow in open court.

Those present in Executive Session from 12:02 p.m. to 12:03 p.m. were the Commissioners Court; Jordan Powell, First Assistant Criminal District Attorney - Civil Division; Tucker Furlow, Katherine Howard and Chase Young, Assistant Criminal District Attorneys - Civil Division; Janice Jones, Legal Support Services Specialist; Marisol Villarreal-Alonzo, County Auditor; Kandice Boutte, County Administrator; Stephanie Hunt, Hays County Purchasing Agent; and Simone Corprew, Special Programs Coordinator.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cohen, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to approve an Agreed Final Judgment in relation to Cause No. 24-1014-C, *Hays County, Texas v. Nancy H. Johnson, Et. Al.*, currently pending in the County-Court-at-Law #1 in Hays County, Texas in relation to the Hillside Terrace roadway improvement project, (Parcels 14, 14E1, 14 E2, and 14E3) and authorize counsel and staff to take other appropriate action related therewith.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42845 Executive Session pursuant to Sections 551.071 and 551.072 of the Texas Government Code: consultation with counsel and deliberation regarding the purchase, exchange, lease and/or value of real property located at or near Windy Hill, Parcel 41, in Precinct 1, related to the Windy Hill roadway improvement and utility adjustment project. Possible discussion and/or action may follow in open court.



Those present in Executive Session from 12:03 p.m. to 12:05 p.m. were the Commissioners Court; Jordan Powell, First Assistant Criminal District Attorney - Civil Division; Tucker Furlow, Katherine Howard and Chase Young, Assistant Criminal District Attorneys - Civil Division; Janice Jones, Legal Support Services Specialist; Marisol Villarreal-Alonzo, County Auditor; Kandice Boutte, County Administrator; Stephanie Hunt, Hays County Purchasing Agent; and Simone Corprew, Special Programs Coordinator.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to approve a Rule 11 Settlement Agreement in relation to Cause No. 25-1109-C, Hays County Texas v 4303 Medical Parkway, LLC, currently pending in the County-Court-at-Law #1 in Hays County, Texas in relation to the Windy Hill roadway improvement project (Parcel 41) and authorize counsel and staff to take other appropriate action related therewith.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.071 and Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code: consultation with counsel and deliberation regarding the purchase, exchange, lease and/or value of real property located at or near Roger Hanks Parkway in Precinct 4. Possible discussion and/or action may follow in open court.

Those present in Executive Session from 12:03 p.m. to 12:05 p.m. were the Commissioners Court; Jordan Powell, First Assistant Criminal District Attorney - Civil Division; Tucker Furlow, Katherine Howard and Chase Young, Assistant Criminal District Attorneys - Civil Division; Janice Jones, Legal Support Services Specialist; Marisol Villarreal-Alonzo, County Auditor; Kandice Boutte, County Administrator; Stephanie Hunt, Hays County Purchasing Agent; and Simone Corprew, Special Programs Coordinator. No action taken.

Discussion related to the Hays County inmate population, to include current population counts and costs.

Judge Becerra read the Sheriff's update of the inmate population. The current maximum jail capacity is 464 inmates. Jail Standards recommends holding 10% open, lowering current capacity to 417 inmates. The jail's daily average was 575 with a peak of 581 on January 27, 2026. The estimated cost for outsourcing inmates this week was \$96,965.00. The number of outsourced males is 135, the number of outsourced females is zero. All inmates are housed in Haskell County. The number of "paper-ready" inmates, who are now wardens of the state, is 35.

Clerk's Note: Agenda Item #M-2 RE: Discussion and possible action related to the burn ban. - WAS PULLED.

Clerk's Note: Agenda Item #M-3 RE: Discussion and possible action related to proposed bills in the 89th Session of the Texas Legislature and to consider adoption of resolution(s) regarding proposed bills. The Court may opt to withdraw to Executive Session during this item to consult with legal counsel pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.071. - WAS PULLED.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Judge Becerra to adjourn court at 12:16 p.m.

I, ELAINE H. CÁRDENAS, COUNTY CLERK and EXOFFICIO CLERK OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT, do hereby certify that the foregoing contains a true and accurate record of the proceedings had by the Hays County Commissioners Court on FEBRUARY 3, 2026.



Elaine H. Cardenas

ELAINE H. CÁRDENAS, COUNTY CLERK AND EXOFFICIO
CLERK OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF
HAYS COUNTY, TEXAS



Date	Res Number	Motion	Ingalsbe	Cohen	Hammer	Smith	Becerra
2/3/2026	42790	Adopt a Proclamation recognizing February 2026 as Dating Violence Awareness Month.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42791	Adopt a Proclamation recognizing February 2 - February 9, 2026 as National Job Corps Groundhog Week.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42792	Approve payments of County invoices.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42793	Approve the payment of Juror disbursements.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42794	Approve the payment of United Healthcare and Texas Association of Counties healthcare claims and authorize an additional disbursement in an amount not to exceed \$500,000.00 to the healthcare claims account.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42795	Approve the payment of the February 15, 2026 payroll disbursements in an amount not to exceed \$4,600,000.00 effective February 15, 2026, and post totals of wages, withholdings, deductions and benefits on the Hays County website once finalized.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42796	Approve Commissioners Court Minutes for November 18, 2025, December 2, 2025 and December 16, 2025.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42797	Amend various departmental operating, special revenue and capital project budgets in preparation for Fiscal Year 2026 monthly financial reporting.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42798	Amend various departmental operating, special revenue and capital project budgets in preparation for Fiscal Year 2025 fiscal year-end financial reporting.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42799	Approve the reappointment of Kyle Mylius to the San Marcos Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone (TIRZ) Number 5 (Downtown) Board of Directors for a two-year term expiring on December 31, 2027.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42800	Approve the reappointment of Commissioner Debbie Ingalsbe to the Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone (TIRZ) Number 5 (Downtown) Board of Directors for a two-year term expiring on December 31, 2027.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42801	Approve the appointment of Cris Chomel to the board of Emergency Service District (ESD) #9 to replace Krista Pepau; a two-year term ending December 31, 2027.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42802	Authorize reimbursement to Carol Bedrich for consumable items purchased for the Chamber of Commerce Government Day event held on January 13, 2026, in Precinct 4.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42803	Accept the 2025 Annual Racial Profiling Report from the Hays County Constable Precinct 3.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42804	Approve Out of State Travel for Senior Deputies Briana Ramirez-Vargas, Korey Thornton, and Anne Medina to attend the Property Records Industry Association (PRIA) Annual Conference in Virginia Beach, Virginia for an estimated amount of \$4,898.34.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42805	Authorize payment to Waldrip Insurance Agency for the County Clerk in the amount of \$875.00 in which no purchase order was issued as required per the Hays County Purchasing Policy.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42806	Authorize the Human Resources Department to purchase consumable goods for quarterly Training Liaison meetings through Fiscal Year 2026, not to exceed \$400.00 through September 30, 2026.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42807	Authorize the submission of a continuation grant application to the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Service Administration (SAMHSA) Assisted Outpatient Treatment grant program in the amount of \$500,000.00.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42808	Authorize the execution of an Estimate for Services from Bobcat Movers LLC for the County Clerk's Office in the amount of \$1,385.00.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42809	Approve the Hart Intercivic Quote for ballot stock in the amount of \$15,050.00; authorize a discretionary exemption pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Chapter 262.024 (a)(7)(D).	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42810	Accept a donation from the Harry L. Willett Foundation in the amount of \$10,000.00 for a ground penetrating radar study on county-owned property adjacent to the Claiborne Kyle Log House and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42811	Authorize the Development Services Department to purchase one (1) replacement Dell Pro Max 16 valued at \$1,639.36 for the Development Coordinator position and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42812	Authorize payment to Tax Assessor-Collectors Association of Texas (TACA) for \$675.00 for membership dues where no purchase order was issued as required per the Hays County Purchasing Policy.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42813	Approve the Hart Intercivic repair estimate in the amount of \$7,250.07 for thirteen (13) Duo Touch and one (1) Controller that need repairs and are no longer under warranty; authorize a discretionary exemption pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Chapter 262.024 (a)(7)(D).	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42814	Approve renewal of IFB 2023-B15 Regulatory Road Signs for one (1) additional year with Road Safe Traffic Systems, Lightle Enterprises of Ohio LLC, Pathmark Traffic Equipment LLC, and Vulcan Signs (15% proposed price increase), effective January 16, 2026.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42815	Approve specifications for IFB 2026-B06 Concrete and authorize Purchasing to advertise and solicit bids.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42816	Approve specifications for IFB 2026-B05 Concrete Contractor and authorize Purchasing to advertise and solicit bids.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42817	Approve specifications for RFP 2026-P09 Public Engagement Facilitation Services Pool and authorize Purchasing to advertise and solicit for proposals.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42818	Authorize the execution of a Professional Services Agreement (2026-PSA-31) between Hays County and Ardurra Group, Inc. to provide engineering design services for the Old Kyle Road project in Precinct 3.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42819	Authorize the execution of a Professional Services Agreement (2026-PSA-35) between Hays County and B2Z Engineering, LLC to provide Construction, Engineering, and Inspection Services for the Low Water Crossing at Bear Creek project in Precinct 4 and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42820	Adopt a Resolution of Support for the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) submission to the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) 2028-2031 grant applications for the US 290 West (RM 1826 to Rob Shelton Blvd), RM 12 (Hamilton Pool Road to RM 150), and RM 1826 (US 290 to RM 150) projects in Precinct 4.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42821	Approve the selection of Alfred Benesch & Company (Benesch) to provide design services for the Old San Antonio Road project in Precinct 4; and authorize staff and counsel to negotiate a contract.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42822	Terminate the Hays County Central Appraisal District's eligibility to participate in the Hays County health care benefits plans effective October 1, 2026.	Y	Y	Y	Y	NO
2/3/2026	42823	Authorize the execution of a Termination Notice to Texas Helps, formerly Evoke Wellness, related to outpatient substance use services for the Assisted Outpatient Treatment Program.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42824	Accept the Hays County Capital Improvement Plan.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42825	Authorize a Transportation Supervisor, Mario Garcia, to take home a county-issued vehicle to his residence outside the County.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42826	Execute a five-year Statement of Work Proposal from DLT Solutions to obtain GovOS Public Records Software for the County Clerk's Office effective March 1, 2026, authorize a 50% deposit in the amount of \$77,542.00, and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42827	Establish one new AOT Program Case Manager grade 120, effective February 3, 2026; authorize the necessary equipment purchases with a not-to-exceed amount of \$2,734.00 within the County Courts at Law budget, and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42828	Amend the Composition section of the Public Health Advisory Charter to include a member and an ex-officio member from Texas State University, and to accept Associate Vice President for Student Success and Dean of Students, Valerie Holmes, as the member, and University Health Services Director, Dr. Sarah Doss, as the ex-officio member offered to Texas State University.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42829	Authorize the Transportation Department to accept insurance proceeds from the Texas Association of Counties totaling \$1,395.64 and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42830	Authorize the execution of contract amendments to the County Court at Law Mental Health Specialty Court Program contracts with: A Better Boat, LLC; Axis of Mental Healthcare, PLLC; C. Nichole Mueller-McMorris, LCSW; Hiatus Wellness; Horton House 501C3; Lisa Hinson, LCDC; Moonstone Counseling; Nova Recovery Center; Revive Recovery; Texas Helps (formerly Evoke Wellness); and Youth Advocate Programs, Inc.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42831	Award RFP 2026-P01 Flood Warning System - Maintenance & Repair Services to Water & Earth Technologies, Inc. and authorize staff and the District Attorney Civil Division to negotiate a contract.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42832	Accept a Proposal from Sidekick GPR related to a ground penetrating radar study on the Claiborne Kyle Log House property owned by Hays County and authorize a waiver to the purchasing policy for obtaining three quotes.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

Date	Res Number	Motion	Ingalsbe	Cohen	Hammer	Smith	Becerra
2/3/2026	42833	Award RFP 2026-P02 Property Tax Collection Software to Appaisal & Collection Technologies, LLC and authorize staff and the District Attorney Civil Division to negotiate a contract.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42834	Authorize the submission of a grant application and the execution of associated documents to the Office of the Governor FY27, Juvenile Justice & Youth Diversion Grant Program in the amount of \$88,025.74.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42835	Authorize the submission of a grant application and the execution of associated documents to the Office of the Governor, Rifle-Resistant Body Armor Grant Program in the amount of \$20,242.10.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42836	Authorize the submission of a grant application and the execution of associated documents to the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Grant Program in the amount of \$69,553.03.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42837	Authorize the submission of a grant application and the execution of associated documents to the Office of the Governor, FY27 Victim Assistance-Victims of Crime Act grant in the amount of \$57,993.70.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42838	Authorize the submission of a grant application and the execution of associated documents to the Office of the Governor, State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP) - Mitigation Projects in the amount of \$45,829.65.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42839	Authorize the submission of a grant application and the execution of associated documents to the Office of the Governor FY27, Violence Against Women Act fund in the amount of \$15,874.02.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42840	Authorize the submission of a grant application and the execution of associated documents to the Office of the Governor, FY27 Specialty Court grant program for the Mental Health Court in the amount of \$72,000.00.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42841	Authorize the submission of a grant application and the execution of associated documents to the Office of the Governor, FY27 Specialty Court Grant Program for the DWI/Drug Court Program in the amount of \$85,473.15.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42842	Authorize the submission of a continuation grant application and execution of associated documents to the Office of the Governor, FY27 Criminal Justice Funds in the amount of \$113,726.71.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42843	Authorize the execution of a Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) 2 between SpawGlass Contractors, Inc and Hays County pursuant to RFP 2025-P01 Sentinel Peak Park Improvements - Construction Manager at Risk and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42844	Approve an Agreed Final Judgment in relation to Cause No. 24-1014-C, Hays County, Texas v. Nancy H. Johnson, Et. Al., currently pending in the County-Court-at-Law #1 in Hays County, Texas in relation to the Hillside Terrace roadway improvement project, (Pacels 14, 14E1, 14 E2, and 14E3) and authorize counsel and staff to take other appropriate action related therewith.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/3/2026	42845	Approve a Rule 11 Settlement Agreement in relation to Cause No. 25-1109-C, Hays County Texas v 4303 Medical Parkway, LLC, currently pending in the County-Court-at-Law #1 in Hays County, Texas in relation to the Windy Hill roadway improvement project (Parcel 41) and authorize counsel and staff to take other appropriate action related therewith.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

HAYS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES



FEBRUARY 24, 2026

STATE OF TEXAS *
COUNTY OF HAYS *

ON THIS THE 24th DAY OF FEBRUARY A.D., 2026, THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF HAYS COUNTY, TEXAS, MET IN REGULAR MEETING. THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WERE PRESENT, TO-WIT:

RUBEN BECERRA	COUNTY JUDGE
DEBBIE GONZALES INGALSBE	COMMISSIONER, PCT. 1
MICHELLE COHEN	COMMISSIONER, PCT. 2
MORGAN HAMMER	COMMISSIONER, PCT. 3
WALT SMITH	COMMISSIONER, PCT. 4
CHARLENE CARROLL	DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK

Clerk's Note: For complete transcript go to Hays County Website
<https://www.hayscountytexas.gov/commissioners-court-live-stream>
Transcript can be translated into any language through Google.com.

THE FOLLOWING PROCEEDINGS WERE HAD, THAT IS:

Judge Becerra called the meeting to order. Pastor Darius Todd gave the invocation. Judge Becerra led the court in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas flags.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Kayla Lambert made a public comment urging the court to make a decision that will protect and conserve water. Sue Ann Harrison-Floyd, Board of Directors member of Southside Community Center and Retired Pediatrician, and Erika Rosa, Board of Directors member of Southside Community Center and a founder of Breaking Bread Outreach Ministries, Sam Benavides, Board Member of Southside Community Center and Mindy Webber, upcoming Board of Directors member of Southside Community Center and retired teacher made a public comment sharing the resources offered by the Southside Community Center and urged the court to support investing in the program. Carmen Rumbaut made a public comment commending the court for the protection of water. Carol Pennington, Vice President of the nonprofit group Hays Residents for Land and Water Protection, made a public comment against the rewrite of development regulations. Virginia Parker, San Marcos River Foundation, made a public comment in support of the protection of water in Hays County. Alejandra Rodriguez, Deputy County Clerk, read emailed public comments from the following individuals: Ana Carbajal and Dena Maddie wrote a public comment urging the court for a county-wide moratorium on the approval of permits for new industrial developments. Lucas Kraft wrote a public comment on the importance of water in Texas.

Presentation of February 2026 Service and Retirement Awards.

Mariah Pacheco, Employment and Compensation Coordinator with Hays County Human Resources, presented employees with service milestone and retirement awards.

Presentation regarding the 2025 Hays County Judicial Services Report.

Jason Facundo, Judicial Services Director, provided the court with a PowerPoint overview of Judicial Services in 2025. Judicial Services assisted in releasing 733 defendants on Pretrial Supervision, a 25% increase from 2024 and an average of 61 new clients per month. The department saved a total of \$117,895 for Hays County, and there was a 94% success rate in pretrial clients appearing for court. Facundo thanked all agencies and courts that collaborate with the department as well as the continued support of the Commissioners Court since its founding in 2023. The court thanked Facundo and the Judicial Services Department for their work.

42846 Adopt a Proclamation recognizing February 2026 as Black History Month.

David Peterson, Constable Precinct 1, thanked the court for the proclamation and noted that this is the 100th year anniversary of the celebration of Black History. Peterson spoke about the various nonprofit organizations and festivals around the county.



Sandra Bryant, Justice of the Peace Precinct 5- Buda, expressed her appreciation to the court and addressed the historical significance and importance of the proclamation. Lilian Peterson-Jimenez, President of the Juneteenth Foundation Inc, spoke about her personal reflections on what black history means to her and encouraged the public to visit black history museums in Dallas, Corpus Christi and San Antonio. Charles Ramey, Dunbar Heritage Association, spoke about the association's mission and invited the public to a Sip, Paint and Poetry event on February 28th from 4 p.m to 7 p.m. at the Price Center. The court thanked everyone recognizing the proclamation for the positive contributions to Hays County.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to adopt a Proclamation recognizing February 2026 as Black History Month.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42847 Approve payments of County invoices.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve payments of County invoices.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42848 Approve the payment of Juror disbursements.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve the payment of Juror disbursements.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

4 2 8 4 9 Approve the payment of United Healthcare and Texas Association of Counties healthcare claims and authorize an additional disbursement in an amount not to exceed \$500,000.00 to the healthcare claims account.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve the payment of United Healthcare and Texas Association of Counties healthcare claims and authorize an additional disbursement in an amount not to exceed \$500,000.00 to the healthcare claims account.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42850 Approve the payment of the February 28, 2026 payroll disbursements in an amount not to exceed \$5,800,000.00 effective February 28, 2026, and post totals of wages, withholdings, deductions and benefits on the Hays County website once finalized.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve the payment of the February 28, 2026 payroll disbursements in an amount not to exceed \$5,800,000.00 effective February 28, 2026, and post totals of wages, withholdings, deductions and benefits on the Hays County website once finalized.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42851 Accept the delivery of the Auditor's Office Quarterly Internal Examination Reports.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Smith to accept the delivery of the Auditor's Office Quarterly Internal Examination Reports.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously



42852 Amend various departmental operating, special revenue and capital project budgets in preparation for Fiscal Year 2025 fiscal year-end financial reporting.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Smith to amend various departmental operating, special revenue and capital project budgets in preparation for Fiscal Year 2025 fiscal year-end financial reporting.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42853 Amend various departmental operating, special revenue and capital project budgets in preparation for Fiscal Year 2026 monthly financial reporting.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Smith to amend various departmental operating, special revenue and capital project budgets in preparation for Fiscal Year 2026 monthly financial reporting.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42854 Approve Utility Permits.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve Utility Permits.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42855 Approve Commissioners Court Minutes for January 6, 2026 and January 20, 2026.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve Commissioners Court Minutes for January 6, 2026 and January 20, 2026.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42856 Approve the update of job titles in multiple departments to accurately reflect assigned duties and operational structure, effective February 24, 2026.

Erik Granjeno, Director of Human Resources, stated that the Payroll Department will create new job coded slot numbers for positions that do not currently exist and will close any outdated slot numbers that are no longer in use. Judge Becerra reminded the court although no money is tied to this item, this will affect future budgets.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve the update of job titles in multiple departments to accurately reflect assigned duties and operational structure, effective February 24, 2026.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42857 Authorize the execution of a resolution for the submission of a grant application to the City of San Marcos Community Development Block Grant.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Smith to authorize the execution of a resolution for the submission of a grant application to the City of San Marcos Community Development Block Grant.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously



4 2 8 5 8 Accept the 2025 Annual Racial Profiling Report from the Hays County Constable Precinct 1.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Smith to accept the 2025 Annual Racial Profiling Report from the Hays County Constable Precinct 1.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42859 Accept the 2025 Annual Racial Profiling Report from Hays County Constable Precinct 2.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Smith to accept the 2025 Annual Racial Profiling Report from Hays County Constable Precinct 2.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42860 Accept the 2025 Annual Racial Profiling and Racial Profiling Analysis Reports from the Hays County Constable Precinct 5.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Smith to accept the 2025 Annual Racial Profiling and Racial Profiling Analysis Reports from the Hays County Constable Precinct 5.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42861 Accept the 2025 Annual Racial Profiling Report from the Hays County Sheriff's Office.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Smith to accept the 2025 Annual Racial Profiling Report from the Hays County Sheriff's Office.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

4 2 8 6 2 Authorize the execution of a First Amended Chapter 381 Economic Development Incentive Agreement related to Project Husky.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Smith to authorize the execution of a First Amended Chapter 381 Economic Development Incentive Agreement related to Project Husky.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42863 Authorize the Precinct 4 County Commissioner to execute the Texas Historical Commission Antiquities Permit Application Form for Archeology as part of the City of Buda's Old Black Colony Road Reconstruction Project.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Smith to authorize the Precinct 4 County Commissioner to execute the Texas Historical Commission Antiquities Permit Application Form for Archeology as part of the City of Buda's Old Black Colony Road Reconstruction Project.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

4 2 8 6 4 Approve the purchase of one (1) Ballot Printer from Hart Intercivic for the Elections Office, in the amount of \$9,663.00.



A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve the purchase of one (1) Ballot Printer from Hart Intercivic for the Elections Office, in the amount of \$9,663.00.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42865 Approve out-of-state travel for Deputy Jason Hatch to attend the Response to Bombing Incidents Course on April 28-30, 2026 in Socorro, New Mexico.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve out-of-state travel for Deputy Jason Hatch to attend the Response to Bombing Incidents Course on April 28-30, 2026 in Socorro, New Mexico.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42866 Approve out of state travel for Andrew Murken, Diane Sanchez, Karen Tinajero, Joseph Bodin, Linda Duran, Mark Chambers and Noel Juarez in the Information Technology Department to attend the Tyler Connect Conference on April 7-10, 2026 in Las Vegas, NV.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve out of state travel for Andrew Murken, Diane Sanchez, Karen Tinajero, Joseph Bodin, Linda Duran, Mark Chambers and Noel Juarez in the Information Technology Department to attend the Tyler Connect Conference on April 7-10, 2026 in Las Vegas, NV.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42867 Approve out-of-state travel for Emergency Communications Manager Megan Jones to attend the Tyler Connect Conference on April 7-10, 2026, in Las Vegas, Nevada.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve out-of-state travel for Emergency Communications Manager Megan Jones to attend the Tyler Connect Conference on April 7-10, 2026, in Las Vegas, Nevada.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42868 Approve out-of-state travel for CECC Director Stephanie Robinson and GIS / CAD Specialist Carolyn Silva to attend the Tyler Connect Conference and Advisory Board Meetings on April 6-10, 2026 in Las Vegas, Nevada.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve out-of-state travel for CECC Director Stephanie Robinson and GIS / CAD Specialist Carolyn Silva to attend the Tyler Connect Conference and Advisory Board Meetings on April 6-10, 2026 in Las Vegas, Nevada.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42869 Approve out-of-state travel for the Office of Emergency Services GIS Specialist William Baumann to attend the Tyler Technologies Advisory Board Meetings on April 5-8, 2026 in Las Vegas, Nevada.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve out-of-state travel for the Office of Emergency Services GIS Specialist William Baumann to attend the Tyler Technologies Advisory Board Meetings on April 5-8, 2026 in Las Vegas, Nevada.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42870 Approve out-of-state travel for Deputy Aaron McCoy to attend the Law Enforcement-Counter Terrorism Course on May 4-9, 2026, in Little Rock, Arkansas.



A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve out-of-state travel for Deputy Aaron McCoy to attend the Law Enforcement-Counter Terrorism Course on May 4-9, 2026, in Little Rock, Arkansas.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42871 Approve Amendment 1 to the General Land Office Contract No. 22-130-022D868 for a period not to exceed February 28, 2027.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve Amendment 1 to the General Land Office Contract No. 22-130-022D868 for a period not to exceed February 28, 2027.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42872 Approve the replacement of a water heater located at the Juvenile Detention Center from Bullfrog Plumbing, LLC in the amount of \$20,000.00 and authorize a 50% deposit and amend the budget accordingly.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve the replacement of a water heater located at the Juvenile Detention Center from Bullfrog Plumbing, LLC in the amount of \$20,000.00 and authorize a 50% deposit and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42873 Authorize payment to the City of San Marcos for invoices in the amount of \$13,924.08 for costs related to real estate services for a property located at 211 Lee Street in San Marcos and amend the budget accordingly.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Smith to authorize payment to the City of San Marcos for invoices in the amount of \$13,924.08 for costs related to real estate services for a property located at 211 Lee Street in San Marcos and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

4 2 8 7 4 Authorize the execution of a corrected Second Amendment to the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between Hays Consolidated Independent School District (HCISD) and Hays County related to School Resource Officers.

Commissioner Smith thanked the legal department for coordinating with Hays Consolidated ISD school resource officers to update the contract.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Smith to authorize the execution of a corrected Second Amendment to the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between Hays Consolidated Independent School District (HCISD) and Hays County related to School Resource Officers.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

4 2 8 7 5 Authorize the execution of the annual renewal agreement between Facilities and Resource Management and American Aerobic Management Systems (AAMS) in the amount of \$2,985.00 for the annual maintenance and inspections of various Hays County-owned septic systems, effective February 15, 2026.



A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Smith to authorize the execution of the annual renewal agreement between Facilities and Resource Management and American Aerobic Management Systems (AAMS) in the amount of \$2,985.00 for the annual maintenance and inspections of various Hays County-owned septic systems, effective February 15, 2026.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

4 2 8 7 6 Authorize the Hays County Judge to execute an amendment and renewal of the Interlocal Agreement with the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority regarding the funding and implementation of the Plum Creek Watershed Protection Plan (PCWPP) executed on or about July 11, 2011 and renewed on or about May 2, 2023.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Smith to authorize the Hays County Judge to execute an amendment and renewal of the Interlocal Agreement with the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority regarding the funding and implementation of the Plum Creek Watershed Protection Plan (PCWPP) executed on or about July 11, 2011 and renewed on or about May 2, 2023.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42877 Authorize the execution of an agreement with Move Solutions for services in the amount of \$22,888.80 related to moving four administrative offices from the Government Center to 1901 Dutton Dr., and amend the budget accordingly.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Smith to authorize the execution of an agreement with Move Solutions for services in the amount of \$22,888.80 related to moving four administrative offices from the Government Center to 1901 Dutton Dr., and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

4 2 8 7 8 Authorize payment in the amount of \$3,000.00 to Conference on Crimes Against Women for five employees of the Hays County Criminal District Attorney's Office to attend the 2026 Conference in Dallas, TX, May 18-21, where no purchase order was issued as required per Hays County Purchasing Policy.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Smith to authorize payment in the amount of \$3,000.00 to Conference on Crimes Against Women for five employees of the Hays County Criminal District Attorney's Office to attend the 2026 Conference in Dallas, TX, May 18-21, where no purchase order was issued as required per Hays County Purchasing Policy.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

4 2 8 7 9 Authorize the renewal of an Annual Service Agreement with Valorence, LLC. in the amount of \$3,500.00; authorize a waiver to the purchasing policy.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Smith to authorize the renewal of an Annual Service Agreement with Valorence, LLC. in the amount of \$3,500.00; authorize a waiver to the purchasing policy.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42880 Authorize the execution of the 2026 annual agreement between Plateau Land & Wildlife Management and Hays County in the amount of \$6,449.60 for annual wildlife management services for the Gay Ruby Dahlstrom Nature Preserve.



A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Smith to authorize the execution of the 2026 annual agreement between Plateau Land & Wildlife Management and Hays County in the amount of \$6,449.60 for annual wildlife management services for the Gay Ruby Dahlstrom Nature Preserve.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42881 Authorize Facilities and Resource Management to replace the 80-gallon water heater at the Government Center with a new unit in the amount of \$6,618.58 and amend the budget accordingly.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Smith to authorize Facilities and Resource Management to replace the 80-gallon water heater at the Government Center with a new unit in the amount of \$6,618.58 and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42882 Authorize the Constable Pct. 5 Office to accept insurance proceeds from the Texas Association of Counties in an amount of \$7,914.15 related to vehicle damages and amend the budget accordingly.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Smith to authorize the Constable Pct. 5 Office to accept insurance proceeds from the Texas Association of Counties in an amount of \$7,914.15 related to vehicle damages and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42883 Authorize the execution of a First Amendment to the Assisted Outpatient Treatment Program Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with A Better Boat, LLC, increasing the current MOU by \$21,860.00.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Smith to authorize the execution of a First Amendment to the Assisted Outpatient Treatment Program Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with A Better Boat, LLC, increasing the current MOU by \$21,860.00.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42884 Approve specifications for RFP 2026-P04 Eastside Campus - Commissioning Agent and authorize purchasing to advertise and solicit proposals.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve specifications for RFP 2026-P04 Eastside Campus - Commissioning Agent and authorize purchasing to advertise and solicit proposals.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42885 Approve specifications for RFP 2026-P11 Promotional Testing Services, Sheriff's Office and authorize purchasing to advertise and solicit proposals.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve specifications for RFP 2026-P11 Promotional Testing Services, Sheriff's Office and authorize purchasing to advertise and solicit proposals.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously



4 2 8 8 6 Approve specifications for IFB 2026-B02 Bear Creek - Low Water Crossing, and authorize the Purchasing Office to advertise and solicit bids.

Commissioner Smith stated that this is the bid to start construction on the Bear Creek Low Water Crossing, which is a 2016 road bond item.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve specifications for IFB 2026-B02 Bear Creek - Low Water Crossing, and authorize the Purchasing Office to advertise and solicit bids.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

4 2 8 8 7 Discussion and possible action to call for a public hearing on March 10, 2026, to consider the implementation of a 'No Left Turn' for the Rooster Springs Elementary.

Commissioner Smith clarified that this item was at the request of the Dripping Springs Independent School District.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to call for a public hearing on March 10, 2026, to consider the implementation of a 'No Left Turn' for the Rooster Springs Elementary.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

4 2 8 8 8 Discussion and possible action to authorize the execution of the County Corridor Agreement with the Texas Department Transportation (TxDOT) in accordance with HB 3697 from the 88th Texas Legislative Session.

Commissioner Smith stated that in the 88th Legislature, HB 3697 requires all counties to submit a general road and roadway plan and that the 2021 Master Transportation Plan qualifies for submission. Once the plan is updated, the county will resubmit again.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to authorize the execution of the County Corridor Agreement with the Texas Department Transportation (TxDOT) in accordance with HB 3697 from the 88th Texas Legislative Session.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42889 Discussion and possible action to adopt a Resolution of Support for Caldwell County's submission to the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) 2028-2031 grant applications for the FM 2720 Widening project in Caldwell County.

Commissioner Ingalsbe stated this is to support Caldwell County project that will enhance widening and connectivity.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to adopt a Resolution of Support for Caldwell County's submission to the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) 208-2031 grant applications for the FM 2720 Widening project in Caldwell County.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

4 2 8 9 0 Discussion and possible action to consider the acceptance of road construction and surface drainage improvements, release of the subdivision bond #83BSBJK9053 in the amount of \$53,844.00, acceptance of the 2-year maintenance bond #PB03016801419 in the amount of \$48,533.85, and acceptance of the 1-year revegetation bond / for 6 Creeks subdivision, Phase 1, Section 17.



A motion was made by Commissioner Hammer, seconded by Commissioner Smith to accept the road construction and surface drainage improvements, release of the subdivision bond #83BSBJK9053 in the amount of \$53,844.00, acceptance of the 2-year maintenance bond #PB03016801419 in the amount of \$48,533.85, and acceptance of the 1-year revegetation bond / for 6 Creeks subdivision, Phase 1, Section 17.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42891 Discussion and possible action to consider the acceptance of road construction and surface drainage improvements, release of the performance bond #0873578 in the amount of \$123,931.92, acceptance of the 2-year maintenance bond #PB03016801417 in the amount of \$69,266.92, and acceptance of the 1-year revegetation bond #PB03016801195M in the amount of \$25,781.61 for 6 Creeks subdivision, Phase 1, Section 15.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hammer, seconded by Commissioner Smith to accept the road construction and surface drainage improvements, release of the performance bond #0873578 in the amount of \$123,931.92, acceptance of the 2-year maintenance bond #PB03016801417 in the amount of \$69,266.92, and acceptance of the 1-year revegetation bond #PB03016801195M in the amount of \$25,781.61 for 6 Creeks subdivision, Phase 1, Section 15.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42892 Discussion and possible action to consider the release of maintenance bond #2322927 in the amount of \$207,976.09, release of revegetation bond #2322927 in the amount of \$11,784.00, and acceptance of the roads into the County Road Maintenance System for Prairie Lakes Subdivision Phase 1, Section 1.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cohen, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to release of maintenance bond #2322927 in the amount of \$207,976.09, release of revegetation bond #2322927 in the amount of \$11,784.00, and acceptance of the roads into the County Road Maintenance System for Prairie Lakes Subdivision Phase 1, Section 1.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42893 Discussion and possible action to approve the selection of DCCM (formerly Binkley & Barfield, Inc. (BBI)) to provide Utility Coordination services for the Windy Hill Road project in Precinct No. 1 and Precinct No. 2 and authorize staff and counsel to negotiate a contract.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cohen, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to approve the selection of DCCM (formerly Binkley & Barfield, Inc. (BBI)) to provide Utility Coordination services for the Windy Hill Road project in Precinct No. 1 and Precinct No. 2 and authorize staff and counsel to negotiate a contract.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42894 Discussion and possible action to approve the selection of BGE, Inc., to provide design engineering services for the Hillside Terrace project in Precinct 2 and authorize staff and counsel to negotiate a contract.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cohen, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to approve the selection of BGE, Inc., to provide design engineering services for the Hillside Terrace project in Precinct 2 and authorize staff and counsel to negotiate a contract.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42895 Discussion and possible action to authorize the execution of a Contract for Engineering Services (2026-PSA-47) between Hays County and Alfred Benesch & Company to provide design services for the RM 150 East project in Precinct 1 and Precinct 2.



Commissioner Ingalsbe stated Alfred Benesh & Company was selected in November 2025 for design services, and clarified that this is the negotiated contract for consideration.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to authorize the execution of a Contract for Engineering Services (2026-PSA-47) between Hays County and Alfred Benesch & Company to provide design services for the RM 150 East project in Precinct 1 and Precinct 2.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42896 PLN-2901-PC; Call for a Public Hearing on March 10th, 2026 regarding Oakridge Park at Kinnicinik, Section 5, Lot 6A, Replat.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to call for a Public Hearing on March 10th, 2026 regarding Oakridge Park at Kinnicinik, Section 5, Lot 6A, Replat (PLN-2901-PC).

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42897 PLN-2855-PC; Call for a Public Hearing on March 10th, 2026 regarding the Hawk Ridge Phase 2 Replat of lots 2-16 & 27.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to call for a Public Hearing on March 10th, 2026 regarding the Hawk Ridge Phase 2 Replat of lots 2-16 & 27(PLN-2855-PC).

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42898 PLN-2756-NP; Ratify Approval for the Poco Loco, Final Plat.

Colby Machacek, Development Services Senior Planner, provided background on the property and stated staff has administratively approved this plat.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to ratify approval for the Poco Loco, Final Plat (PLN-2756-NP).

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42899 PLN-2727-NP; Ratify approval for the River Oaks of Wimberley, Lots 3A & 3B Final Plat.

Colby Machacek, Development Services Senior Planner, provided background on the property and stated staff has administratively approved this plat.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hammer, seconded by Commissioner Smith to ratify approval for the River Oaks of Wimberley, Lots 3A & 3B Final Plat (PLN-2727-NP).

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42900 PLN-2680-NP; Ratify approval of the Mount Sharp Airpark, Final Plat.

Colby Machacek, Development Services Senior Planner, provided background on the property and stated staff has administratively approved this plat. Commissioner Hammer expressed disappointment with this item; however, the plat has met the 5 requirements.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hammer, seconded by Commissioner Smith to ratify approval of the Mount Sharp Airpark, Final Plat (PLN-2680-NP).



AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

4 2 9 0 1 Discussion and possible action to authorize the Hays County Human Resources Department to coordinate onsite Preventive Care Services through Teledoc Health, Inc. for eligible employees as an additional benefit in connection with Hays County's employee benefits program.

Erik Granjano, Director of Human Resources, stated the onsite preventative care service will provide employees with the convenience of receiving the care they need and stated only 56% of employees have completed the required wellness exam. Commissioner Ingalsbe had concerns about whether the wellness program had been widely broadcast with the proper information to employees and if it was sent out in spanish. Granjano assured Commissioner Ingalsbe that all efforts to relay the proper information in a timely manner to all departments have been conducted, but no information has been provided in spanish. Aaron Jones, Director of Transportation, stated that Granjano and his department have been very informative in providing the proper resources and information for the Transportation Department. Jordan Powell, First Assistant Criminal District Attorney - Civil Division, clarified for the public that the Teladoc Health services agreement in the backup is not to be executed by the court. Stephanie Hunt, Purchasing Agent, questioned why the agreement would not be executed. Granjano stated that the current insurance, BlueCross BlueShield, already contracts with Teladoc, and the county contracts through TAC, therefore the rate is locked in.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to authorize the Hays County Human Resources Department to coordinate onsite Preventive Care Services through Teledoc Health, Inc. for eligible employees as an additional benefit in connection with Hays County's employee benefits program.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

Discussion and possible action to adopt a Resolution related to emergency drought response and water conservation measures in Hays County.

Judge Becerra thanked the City of San Marcos for granting the community time to process the potential of six data centers. Becerra read a self-written statement regarding the purpose of resolution and urged the court to pause in finalizing any permits for industrial users. Charlene Carroll, Deputy County Clerk, read statements from Hood County Commissioner Samuelson and U.S. Senator Bernie Sanders about a moratorium on data center construction. Bobby Levinski, Abigail Lindsey, Laurie Brown, Angie Unger, Gena Fleming, Randall Terrell, Caylee Champagne, Sheridan Schaefer, Zane Porterfield, CJ Cetina, MJ Northrop, Zachary Tyndall, and Mary Greene made public comments in support of the resolution for water conservation in Hays County and urged the court to come to an agreement. Alejandra Rodriguez, Deputy County Clerk read emailed public comment from the following individuals in support of the resolution: Matt Bower, Johnny Flores, Georgia Parker Clogston, Joe Peters, Beth Hawes, Katherine Brown, Kirsten Bjornson, Pamela Parr, Brenda Cox, Patrick Cox, Sandi Frischen, Sean Jones, Jennifer Lindsey, Meagan Lavender, Alan Eckert, Barry Lindsey, Carol Lindsey, Kate Shaw, Amy Kamp, Audrey McGuire, Gina Thompson, Jessica Moreno, Martin Salmi, Torie Haltom, Casey Marshall, Thomas Winchell, Kalyssa Farrer, Kelle Bradshaw, and Roxanna Tuff. Commissioner Ingalsbe voiced her support for the comments presented and affirmed that she stands by the concerns of her constituents. She expressed her apprehension regarding the various data center construction projects and noted that, unfortunately, the court does not have the authority to impose a moratorium. She then asked counsel to provide a legal opinion on the section of the resolution that references a potential pause. Jordan Powell, First Assistant Criminal District Attorney - District Attorney, stated there would not be a legal difference between a moratorium or pause; all would have the same legal effects. Commissioner Cohen addressed the significant concerns surrounding water usage and requested input from legal counsel. She also urged the public to consider how the community can come together on a larger regional scale and pool resources collaboratively. Commissioner Hammer expressed her support for water conservation and noted that local governments have limited authority to address water issues due to gaps in state policy. She read an excerpt from an email sent to the court by State Representative Erin Zwiener and highlighted that the court has previously passed resolutions and agreements, and continues to work with local entities to address ongoing water concerns.



Commissioner Smith stated he supports the idea behind the resolution but does not feel the court has legal authority to enact a moratorium. The court had a lengthy discussion on the adoption of the resolution.

Clerk's Note: Judge Becerra called for a recess that began at 12:15 p.m. and resumed back into open court at 12:27 p.m.

Judge Becerra opposed delaying further consideration of the resolution and urged the court to adopt it that day. Powell clarified that the version presented in court was not the same version shared the previous week and stated that any resolution imposing a pause would fall outside the county's legal authority. The court continued a lengthy discussion regarding water conservation. Chase Young, Assistant Criminal District Attorney for the Civil Division, explained that he has spent considerable time working with Development Services to identify ways to protect groundwater. He cautioned that adopting the resolution could expose the county to significant liability. Judge Becerra tabled the item to be brought back at a later court date. No action taken.

Clerk's Note: Agenda Item #K-3 RE: *Discussion and possible action to adopt Findings of Fact regarding drought conditions, groundwater supply limitations, and potential risks to Hays County's ability to maintain adequate water availability for emergency services and fire suppression. - WAS PULLED.*

Clerk's Note: Agenda Item #K-4 RE: *Discussion and possible action to direct County staff to evaluate and propose amendments to County development review procedures to ensure water conservation and water supply feasibility are adequately measured and considered for developments with projected high water demand. - WAS PULLED.*

42902 Discussion and possible action to authorize Commissioner Ingalsbe to execute a Letter of Support on behalf of the Commissioners Court in support of Central Texas Food Bank's response to the City of San Marcos' Community Development Block Grant Opportunity.

Commissioner Ingalsbe stated that the Central Texas Food Bank is seeking a letter of support from Hays County to submit for the Block Grant.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to authorize Commissioner Ingalsbe to execute a Letter of Support on behalf of the Commissioners Court in support of Central Texas Food Bank's response to the City of San Marcos' Community Development Block Grant Opportunity.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42903 Discussion and possible action to authorize the Termination Notice to Broaddus & Associates, related to the Government Center Project.

Commissioner Hammer stated it is currently not cost-effective to use Broaddus & Associates for the Government Center Project. Stephanie Hunt, Purchasing Agent, informed the Court that the total cost of working with Broaddus & Associates is approximately \$1.2 million which contains several different contracts.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hammer, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to authorize the Termination Notice to Broaddus & Associates, related to the Government Center Project.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42904 Discussion and possible action to authorize the submission of a grant application to the Texas A&M Forest Service, 2026 Community Forestry Grants, Watershed Protection Implementation grant project in the amount of \$50,000.00.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hammer, seconded by Commissioner Smith to authorize the submission of a grant application to the Texas A&M Forest Service, 2026 Community Forestry Grants, Watershed Protection Implementation grant project in the amount of \$50,000.00.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra



5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42905 Discussion and possible action authorizing the execution of Professional Services Agreements with the Erwin Law Firm (2026-PSA-66), the Law Office of J. Chris Villarreal (2026-PSA-67), and the AZ Law Firm (2026-PSA-68) to provide legal services related to expunctions for qualifying mental health court graduates.

Judge Becerra spoke against the publication of mugshots online and said this item is a ripple effect of that. Commissioner Smith asked about the process for selecting the firms and the reasoning behind it.

Kaimi Mattila, Mental Health Court Administrator -- County Court at Law, stated that three private attorneys represent mental health court participants and will complete the expunctions. Commissioner Smith questioned why the expunction process is not completed prior to the set requirements. Mattila stated that completing expunctions beforehand would be ideal, but the court's structure does not allow it.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cohen, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to authorize the execution of Professional Services Agreements with the Erwin Law Firm (2026-PSA-66), the Law Office of J. Chris Villarreal (2026-PSA-67), and the AZ Law Firm (2026-PSA-68) to provide legal services related to expunctions for qualifying mental health court graduates.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42906 Discussion and possible action to authorize the execution of a Master Services Agreement, Fee Schedule, and HIPPA Vendor Agreement between Hays County and BIG Language Solutions, LLC to provide translation services for the Juvenile Probation Office and the Juvenile Detention Center; and authorize a waiver to the purchasing policy of obtaining three quotes.

Joel Ware, Juvenile Facility Administrator -- Juvenile Detention Center, and Lisa Day, Chief Juvenile Probation Officer, stated the challenges faced with language barriers cause stress and miscommunication and that this translation service would alleviate that stress for families. Commissioner Ingalsbe questioned the source of funding. Scot Woodland, Budget Officer, stated that the services provided would determine which fund the money would come from the General Fund or Juvenile Detention Fund and stated there would be no fiscal impact.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to authorize the execution of a Master Services Agreement, Fee Schedule, and HIPPA Vendor Agreement between Hays County and BIG Language Solutions, LLC to provide translation services for the Juvenile Probation Office and the Juvenile Detention Center; and authorize a waiver to the purchasing policy of obtaining three quotes.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42907 Discussion and possible action to authorize the execution of a Development Agreement between Hays County, LB Simpson LLC, and Hays County Municipal Utility District. No. 11 for the Simpson Tract Subdivision.

Michael Berlad, Development Services Manager, provided background on the property. Commissioner Ingalsbe stated that the subdivision would provide hike and bike trails for the community, and use native vegetation for landscaping.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to authorize the execution of a Development Agreement between Hays County, LB Simpson LLC, and Hays County Municipal Utility District. No. 11 for the Simpson Tract Subdivision.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42908 Discussion and possible action to authorize the execution of a Clerk E-Certify Services Order Form and Software as a Service (SaaS) Services Agreement with Triedata Inc. for an electronic certified document portal, authorize a waiver to the purchasing policy to obtain three quotes.



Amanda Calvert, District Clerk, provided the court with background on the software and emphasized the accessibility to the public. Commissioner Hammer expressed her appreciation to Calvert for the responsible use of funds.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to authorize the execution of a Clerk E-Certify Services Order Form and Software as a Service (SaaS) Services Agreement with Triedata Inc. for an electronic certified document portal, authorize a waiver to the purchasing policy to obtain three quotes.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42909 Discussion and possible action to authorize the purchase of Blue Voice software through SHI Government Solutions for the Hays County Sheriff's Office, in the amount of \$78,530.92, to be paid over a forty-three-month term, and accept the related Software Agreement and End User License Agreement.

Brett Bailey, Chief Deputy - Sheriff's Office, provided background on the company and the software used by the Sheriff's Office. Judge Becerra expressed concerns about using the product and asked how many other counties currently use the software. Bailey stated the software can provide quick, accurate, and legally sound responses for officers. Commissioner Ingalsbe expressed her willingness to support the item due to officers having immediate access to accurate legal information. The court expressed agreement on allocating funds where needed to complete the work.

Clerk's Note: Item K-12 was reopened at 12:57 p.m.

Chief Bailey, in response to Judge Becerras' question about how many counties use this software, stated that the company has over 200 participants.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to authorize the purchase of Blue Voice software through SHI Government Solutions for the Hays County Sheriff's Office, in the amount of \$78,530.92, to be paid over a forty-three-month term, and accept the related Software Agreement and End User License Agreement.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42910 Discussion and possible action to accept a proposal from Water & Earth Technologies (WET) in the amount of \$4,404.75 related to repairs to the Flasher # 1 pole at 50050 Cotton Gin Road; authorize a discretionary exemption pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Ch. 262.024 (a)(7)(D), and amend the budget accordingly.

Commissioner Ingalsbe stated these are repairs due to a vehicle accident.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to accept a proposal from Water & Earth Technologies (WET) in the amount of \$4,404.75 related to repairs to the Flasher # 1 pole at 50050 Cotton Gin Road; authorize a discretionary exemption pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Ch. 262.024 (a)(7)(D), and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42911 Discussion and possible action to approve the Fiscal Year 2027 Budget Calendar. The Budget Officer will also provide an update on the budget process.

Scot Woodland, Budget Officer, reviewed the FY27 budget calendar in detail. Commissioner Smith asked if there was anything the court could do to ensure all requests from departments are submitted timely. Woodland stated this is going to be a lean budget year and asked the court for help in enforcing the budget planning timelines.



A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve the Fiscal Year 2027 Budget Calendar.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

Clerk's Note: Executive Session began at 1:55 p.m. and resumed back into open court at 3:00p.m.

Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.071 and Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code: consultation with counsel and deliberation regarding the purchase, exchange, lease and/or value of real property located at or near Roger Hanks Parkway in Precinct 4. Possible discussion and/or action may follow in open court.

Those present in Executive Session from 2:45 p.m. to 2:54 p.m. were the Commissioners Court; Jordan Powell, First Assistant Criminal District Attorney -- Civil Division; Chase Young and Tucker Furlow, Assistant Criminal District Attorneys - Civil Division; Janice Jones, Legal Support Services Specialist; Kandice Boutte, County Administrator; Simone Corprew, Special Programs Coordinator; Marisol Villarreal-Alonzo, County Auditor; Stephanie Hunt, Purchasing Agent; Scot Woodland, Budget Officer; Michael Berlad, Development Services Manager; Eric Vangaasbeek, Chief Environmental Health Specialist - Development Services. No action taken.

Executive Session pursuant to Sections 551.071 and 551.072 of the Texas Government Code: consultation with counsel and deliberation regarding the purchase, exchange, lease and/or value of real property associated with parks and open space projects being considered by Hays County; including Grammy's Park and Presa Grande Trailhead. Possible discussion and/or action may follow in open court.

Those present in Executive Session from 2:03 p.m. to 2:21 p.m. were the Commissioners Court; Jordan Powell, First Assistant Criminal District Attorney - Civil Division; Chase Young, Katherine Howard and Tucker Furlow, Assistant Criminal District Attorneys - Civil Division; Janice Jones, Legal Support Services Specialist; Kandice Boutte, County Administrator; Simone Corprew, Special Programs Coordinator; Marisol Villarreal-Alonzo, County Auditor; Stephanie Hunt, Purchasing Agent; Scot Woodland, Budget Officer and Karl Flocke, Parks Director. No action taken.

Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code: consultation with counsel regarding a variance request involving a preliminary plan submitted for the Hays Commons development in Precinct 4. Possible discussion and/or action may follow in open court.

Bobby Levinski, Save Our Springs Alliance, made a public comment opposing the requested variance and urged the court not to allow flexible development on the site. Carol Pennington, Vice President of Hays Residents for Land and Water Protection, made a public comment opposing the proposed variance and addressing the environmental aspects of the development. Those present in Executive Session from 2:22 p.m. to 2:44 p.m. were the Commissioners Court; Jordan Powell, First Assistant Criminal District Attorney -- Civil Division; Chase Young, Katherine Howard and Tucker Furlow, Assistant Criminal District Attorneys - Civil Division; Janice Jones, Legal Support Service Specialist; Kandice Boutte, County Administrator; Simone Corprew, Special Programs Coordinator; Marisol Villarreal-Alonzo, County Auditor; Stephanie Hunt, Purchasing Agent; Scot Woodland, Budget Officer and Tammy Crumley, Facilities and Resource Operations Director. No action taken.

Discussion related to the Hays County inmate population, to include current population counts and costs.

Judge Becerra read the Sheriff's update of the inmate population. Current maximum jail capacity is 464 inmates. Jail Standards recommends holding approximately 10% open, lowering current capacity to 417 inmates. The jail's daily average was 582 for the week of February 15, 2026, with a peak of 590 inmates on February 17, 2026. The estimated cost for outsourcing inmates this week was \$88,867.50. The average number of outsourced males is 124 and females is 0. This week's inmates were housed in the following counties: Haskell. The number of "paper-ready" inmates who are now wardens of the state is 41.

Discussion and possible action related to the burn ban.

Commissioner Smith spoke on the concerns he has received from constituents regarding "fuel" that cannot be properly disposed of and could become a serious fire hazard in the summer months.



Smith urged the court to remove the burn ban at least until the next court meeting and requested an update from the Fire Marshal. Judge Becerra stated that he is continuously monitoring weather conditions and remaining cautious of weather-related issues throughout the county and surrounding areas. Steve Seddig, Fire Marshal, advised that it would be a bad week to remove the burn ban due to high winds, humidity, and tree moisture, and stated that he does not believe it is in the county's best interest to lift the burn ban at this time. Seddig added that with the upcoming cool front, there may be more consideration to lift the ban. No action taken.

Clerk's Note: Agenda Item #M-3 RE: Discussion and possible action related to proposed bills in the 89th Session of the Texas legislature and to consider adoption of resolution(s) regarding proposed bills. The Court may opt to withdraw to Executive Session during this item to consult with legal counsel pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.071. - **WAS PULLED.**

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Judge Becerra to adjourn court at 3:01 p.m.

I, ELAINE H. CÁRDENAS, COUNTY CLERK and EXOFFICIO CLERK OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT, do hereby certify that the foregoing contains a true and accurate record of the proceedings had by the Hays County Commissioners Court on FEBRUARY 24, 2026.



ELAINE H. CÁRDENAS, COUNTY CLERK AND EXOFFICIO
CLERK OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF
HAYS COUNTY, TEXAS



Date	Res Number	Motion	Ingalsbe	Cohen	Hammer	Smith	Becerra
2/24/2026	42846	Adopt a Proclamation recognizing February 2026 as Black History Month.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42847	Approve payments of County invoices.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42848	Approve the payment of Juror disbursements.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42849	Approve the payment of United Healthcare and Texas Association of Counties healthcare claims and authorize an additional disbursement in an amount not to exceed \$500,000.00 to the healthcare claims account.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42850	Approve the payment of the February 28, 2026 payroll disbursements in an amount not to exceed \$5,800,000.00 effective February 28, 2026, and post totals of wages, withholdings, deductions and benefits on the Hays County website once finalized.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42851	Accept the delivery of the Auditor's Office Quarterly Internal Examination Reports.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42852	Amend various departmental operating, special revenue and capital project budgets in preparation for Fiscal Year 2025 fiscal year-end financial reporting.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42853	Amend various departmental operating, special revenue and capital project budgets in preparation for Fiscal Year 2026 monthly financial reporting.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42854	Approve Utility Permits.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42855	Approve Commissioners Court Minutes for January 6, 2026 and January 20, 2026.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42856	Approve the update of job titles in multiple departments to accurately reflect assigned duties and operational structure, effective February 24, 2026.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42857	Authorize the execution of a resolution for the submission of a grant application to the City of San Marcos Community Development Block Grant.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42858	Accept the 2025 Annual Racial Profiling Report from the Hays County Constable Precinct 1.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42859	Accept the 2025 Annual Racial Profiling Report from Hays County Constable Precinct 2.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42860	Accept the 2025 Annual Racial Profiling and Racial Profiling Analysis Reports from the Hays County Constable Precinct 5.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42861	Accept the 2025 Annual Racial Profiling Report from the Hays County Sheriff's Office.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42862	Authorize the execution of a First Amended Chapter 381 Economic Development Incentive Agreement related to Project Husky.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42863	Authorize the Precinct 4 County Commissioner to execute the Texas Historical Commission Antiquities Permit Application Form for Archeology as part of the City of Buda's Old Black Colony Road Reconstruction Project.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42864	Approve the purchase of one (1) Ballot Printer from Hart Intercivic for the Elections Office, in the amount of \$9,663.00.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42865	Approve out-of-state travel for Deputy Jason Hatch to attend the Response to Bombing Incidents Course on April 28-30, 2026 in Socorro, New Mexico.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42866	Approve out of state travel for Andrew Murken, Diane Sanchez, Karen Tinajero, Joseph Bodin, Linda Duran, Mark Chambers and Noel Juarez in the Information Technology Department to attend the Tyler Connect Conference on April 7-10, 2026 in Las Vegas, NV.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42867	Approve out-of-state travel for Emergency Communications Manager Megan Jones to attend the Tyler Connect Conference on April 7-10, 2026, in Las Vegas, Nevada.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42868	Approve out-of-state travel for CECC Director Stephanie Robinson and GIS / CAD Specialist Carolyn Silva to attend the Tyler Connect Conference and Advisory Board Meetings on April 6-10, 2026 in Las Vegas, Nevada.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42869	Approve out-of-state travel for the Office of Emergency Services GIS Specialist William Baumann to attend the Tyler Technologies Advisory Board Meetings on April 5-8, 2026 in Las Vegas, Nevada.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42870	Approve out-of-state travel for Deputy Aaron McCoy to attend the Law Enforcement-Counter Terrorism Course on May 4-9, 2026, in Little Rock, Arkansas.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42871	Approve Amendment 1 to the General Land Office Contract No. 22-130-022D868 for a period not to exceed February 28, 2027.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42872	Approve the replacement of a water heater located at the Juvenile Detention Center from Bullfrog Plumbing, LLC in the amount of \$20,000.00 and authorize a 50% deposit and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42873	Authorize payment to the City of San Marcos for invoices in the amount of \$13,924.08 for costs related to real estate services for a property located at 211 Lee Street in San Marcos and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42874	Authorize the execution of a corrected Second Amendment to the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between Hays Consolidated Independent School District (HCISD) and Hays County related to School Resource Officers.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42875	Authorize the execution of the annual renewal agreement between Facilities and Resource Management and American Aerobic Management Systems (AAMS) in the amount of \$2,985.00 for the annual maintenance and inspections of various Hays County-owned septic systems, effective February 15, 2026.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42876	Authorize the Hays County Judge to execute an amendment and renewal of the Interlocal Agreement with the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority regarding the funding and implementation of the Plum Creek Watershed Protection Plan (PCWPP) executed on or about July 11, 2011 and renewed on or about May 2, 2023.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42877	Authorize the execution of an agreement with Move Solutions for services in the amount of \$22,888.80 related to moving four administrative offices from the Government Center to 1901 Dutton Dr., and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42878	Authorize payment in the amount of \$3,000.00 to Conference on Crimes Against Women for five employees of the Hays County Criminal District Attorney's Office to attend the 2026 Conference in Dallas, TX, May 18-21, where no purchase order was issued as required per Hays County Purchasing Policy.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42879	Authorize the renewal of an Annual Service Agreement with Valorence, LLC. in the amount of \$3,500.00; authorize a waiver to the purchasing policy.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42880	Authorize the execution of the 2026 annual agreement between Plateau Land & Wildlife Management and Hays County in the amount of \$6,449.60 for annual wildlife management services for the Gay Ruby Dahlstrom Nature Preserve.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42881	Authorize Facilities and Resource Management to replace the 80-gallon water heater at the Government Center with a new unit in the amount of \$6,618.58 and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42882	Authorize the Constable Pct. 5 Office to accept insurance proceeds from the Texas Association of Counties in an amount of \$7,914.15 related to vehicle damages and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42883	Authorize the execution of a First Amendment to the Assisted Outpatient Treatment Program Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with A Better Boat, LLC, increasing the current MOU by \$21,860.00.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42884	Approve specifications for RFP 2026-P04 Eastside Campus - Commissioning Agent and authorize purchasing to advertise and solicit proposals.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42885	Approve specifications for RFP 2026-P11 Promotional Testing Services, Sheriff's Office and authorize purchasing to advertise and solicit proposals.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42886	Approve specifications for IFB 2026-B02 Bear Creek - Low Water Crossing, and authorize the Purchasing Office to advertise and solicit bids.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42887	Call for a public hearing on March 10, 2026, to consider the implementation of a 'No Left Turn' for the Rooster Springs Elementary.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42888	Authorize the execution of the County Corridor Agreement with the Texas Department Transportation (TxDOT) in accordance with HB 3697 from the 88th Texas Legislative Session.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42889	Adopt a Resolution of Support for Caldwell County's submission to the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) 2028-2031 grant applications for the FM 2720 Widening project in Caldwell County.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42890	Accept the road construction and surface drainage improvements, release of the subdivision bond #83BSBJK9053 in the amount of \$53,844.00, acceptance of the 2-year maintenance bond #PB03016801419 in the amount of \$48,533.85, and acceptance of the 1-year revegetation bond / for 6 Creeks subdivision, Phase 1, Section 17.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42891	Accept the road construction and surface drainage improvements, release of the performance bond #0873578 in the amount of \$123,931.92, acceptance of the 2-year maintenance bond #PB03016801417 in the amount of \$69,266.92, and acceptance of the 1-year revegetation bond #PB03016801195M in the amount of \$25,781.61 for 6 Creeks subdivision, Phase 1, Section 15.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

Date	Res Number	Motion	Ingalsbe	Cohen	Hammer	Smith	Becerra
2/24/2026	42892	Release of maintenance bond #2322927 in the amount of \$207,976.09, release of revegetation bond #2322927 in the amount of \$11,784.00, and acceptance of the roads into the County Road Maintenance System for Prairie Lakes Subdivision Phase 1, Section 1.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42893	Approve the selection of DCCM (formerly Binkley & Barfield, Inc. (BBI)) to provide Utility Coordination services for the Windy Hill Road project in Precinct No. 1 and Precinct No. 2 and authorize staff and counsel to negotiate a contract.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42894	Approve the selection of BGE, Inc., to provide design engineering services for the Hillside Terrace project in Precinct 2 and authorize staff and counsel to negotiate a contract.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42895	Authorize the execution of a Contract for Engineering Services (2026-PSA-47) between Hays County and Alfred Benesch & Company to provide design services for the RM 150 East project in Precinct 1 and Precinct 2.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42896	Call for a Public Hearing on March 10th, 2026 regarding Oakridge Park at Kinnicnik, Section 5, Lot 6A, Replat (PLN-2901-PC).	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42897	Call for a Public Hearing on March 10th, 2026 regarding the Hawk Ridge Phase 2 Replat of lots 2-16 & 27 (PLN-2855-PC).	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42898	Ratify Approval for the Poco Loco, Final Plat (PLN-2756-NP).	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42899	Ratify approval for the River Oaks of Wimberley, Lots 3A & 3B Final Plat (PLN-2727-NP).	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42900	Ratify approval of the Mount Sharp Airpark, Final Plat (PLN-2680-NP).	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42901	authorize the Hays County Human Resources Department to coordinate onsite Preventive Care Services through Teledoc Health, Inc. for eligible employees as an additional benefit in connection with Hays County's employee benefits program.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42902	Authorize Commissioner Ingalsbe to execute a Letter of Support on behalf of the Commissioners Court in support of Central Texas Food Bank's response to the City of San Marcos' Community Development Block Grant Opportunity.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42903	Authorize the Termination Notice to Broaddus & Associates, related to the Government Center Project.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42904	Authorize the submission of a grant application to the Texas A&M Forest Service, 2026 Community Forestry Grants, Watershed Protection Implementation grant project in the amount of \$50,000.00.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42905	Authorize the execution of Professional Services Agreements with the Erwin Law Firm (2026-PSA-66), the Law Office of J. Chris Villarreal (2026-PSA-67), and the AZ Law Firm (2026-PSA-68) to provide legal services related to expunctions for qualifying mental health court graduates.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42906	Authorize the execution of a Master Services Agreement, Fee Schedule, and HIPPA Vendor Agreement between Hays County and BIG Language Solutions, LLC to provide translation services for the Juvenile Probation Office and the Juvenile Detention Center; and authorize a waiver to the purchasing policy of obtaining three quotes.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42907	Authorize the execution of a Development Agreement between Hays County, LB Simpson LLC, and Hays County Municipal Utility District. No. 11 for the Simpson Tract Subdivision.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42908	Authorize the execution of a Clerk E-Certify Services Order Form and Software as a Service (SaaS) Services Agreement with Triedata Inc. for an electronic certified document portal, authorize a waiver to the purchasing policy to obtain three quotes.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42909	Authorize the purchase of Blue Voice software through SHI Government Solutions for the Hays County Sheriff's Office, in the amount of \$78,530.92, to be paid over a forty-three-month term, and accept the related Software Agreement and End User License Agreement.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42910	Accept a proposal from Water & Earth Technologies (WET) in the amount of \$4,404.75 related to repairs to the Flasher # 1 pole at 50050 Cotton Gin Road; authorize a discretionary exemption pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Ch. 262.024 (a)(7)(D), and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/24/2026	42911	Approve the Fiscal Year 2027 Budget Calendar.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

HAYS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES



MARCH 10, 2026

STATE OF TEXAS *
COUNTY OF HAYS *

ON THIS THE 10th DAY OF MARCH A.D., 2026, THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF HAYS COUNTY, TEXAS, MET IN REGULAR MEETING. THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WERE PRESENT, TO-WIT:

RUBEN BECERRA	COUNTY JUDGE
DEBBIE GONZALES INGALSBE	COMMISSIONER, PCT. 1
MICHELLE COHEN	COMMISSIONER, PCT. 2
MORGAN HAMMER	COMMISSIONER, PCT. 3
WALT SMITH	COMMISSIONER, PCT. 4
ALEJANDRA RODRIGUEZ	DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK

Clerk's Note: For complete transcript go to Hays County Website
<https://www.hayscountytexas.gov/commissioners-court-live-stream>
Transcript can be translated into any language through Google.com.

THE FOLLOWING PROCEEDINGS WERE HAD, THAT IS:

Judge Becerra called the meeting to order. Pastor Todd Salmi gave the invocation. Judge Becerra led the court in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas flags.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Rodrigo Amaya made a public comment about his concerns regarding various legal aspects. Deborah Giles Webster, Secretary of the Southside Community Center Board of Directors and Dean of Mission U for United Women in Faith; Claude Churchwell, Treasurer of the Southside Community Center; and Todd Salmi, Board President of the Southside Community Center, spoke during public comment about the center's upcoming 100-year anniversary, the program's background, and the need for financial support from the court. Sheridan Schaefer made a public comment about the issue of data centers in Hays County and urged the court to address the matter further.

42912 Adopt a Proclamation recognizing March 2026 as American Red Cross Month.

Commissioner Smith asked for an amendment to the proclamation to state "mission possible in Hays County" instead of "mission possible in San Marcos". Stephanie Cerda, Community Adaptation Program Manager for Hays County, thanked the Community Adaptation partners and numerous organizations for their continued hard work and support of Hays County's community adaptation efforts. The court thanked the American Red Cross for their continued support for the residents of Hays County. Mike Jones, Office of Emergency Services Director, spoke about the large number of people willing to volunteer their time for faster recovery efforts in Hays County.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to adopt a Proclamation recognizing March 2026 as American Red Cross Month.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42913 Adopt a proclamation recognizing the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence.

Judge Becerra spoke on the importance of the Declaration of Independence. The court spoke about the privilege and responsibility of serving in government.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to adopt a proclamation recognizing the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously



42914 Adopt a Proclamation recognizing March 2026 as Women's History Month.

Commissioner Smith asked for a copy of the proclamation and some time to look over the names mentioned before accepting the version presented.

Clerk's Note: Item F-3 was reopened at 11:54 a.m.

Commissioner Smith spoke of several more women around the county he feels make the county run more effectively.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Smith to adopt a Proclamation recognizing March 2026 as Women's History Month.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42915 Adopt a Proclamation recognizing March 24th, 2026 as the 2026 World TB Day.

Matthew Gonzales, Hays County Health Department Director, thanked the court, the Health Department Staff, Jail Staff and school nurses for their cooperation in stopping the spread of TB. The court thanked Gonzales and the Health Department for all the work they do to educate the residents of Hays County.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to adopt a Proclamation recognizing March 24th, 2026 as the 2026 World TB Day.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42916 Approve payments of County invoices.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to approve payments of County invoices.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42917 Approve the payment of Juror disbursements.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to approve the payment of Juror disbursements.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42918 Approve the payment of United Healthcare and Texas Association of Counties healthcare claims and authorize an additional disbursement in an amount not to exceed \$500,000.00 to the healthcare claims account.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to approve the payment of United Healthcare and Texas Association of Counties healthcare claims and authorize an additional disbursement in an amount not to exceed \$500,000.00 to the healthcare claims account.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42919 Approve the payment of the March 15, 2026 payroll disbursements in an amount not to exceed \$4,600,000.00 effective March 15, 2026, and post totals of wages, withholdings, deductions and benefits on the Hays County website once finalized.



A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to approve the payment of the March 15, 2026 payroll disbursements in an amount not to exceed \$4,600,000.00 effective March 15, 2026, and post totals of wages, withholdings, deductions and benefits on the Hays County website once finalized.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42920 Approve Commissioners Court Minutes for February 3, 2026.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to approve Commissioners Court Minutes for February 3, 2026.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42921 Approve Utility Permits.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to approve Utility Permits.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42922 Approve the Mermaid Capital of Texas Fest & Downtown Street Faire event to be held on May 2, 2026 on the courthouse grounds that shall include commercial vendors and is sponsored by the Mermaid Society of San Marcos.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to approve the Mermaid Capital of Texas Fest & Downtown Street Faire event to be held on May 2, 2026 on the courthouse grounds that shall include commercial vendors and is sponsored by the Mermaid Society of San Marcos.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42923 Amend various departmental operating, special revenue and capital project budgets in preparation for Fiscal Year 2025 fiscal year-end financial reporting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to amend various departmental operating, special revenue and capital project budgets in preparation for Fiscal Year 2025 fiscal year-end financial reporting.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

4 2 9 2 4 Authorize the Human Resource Department to change Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) classification for identified positions effective March 10, 2026.

Rodrigo Amaya made a public comment concerning the benefit for the taxpayer from changing positions from non-exempt to exempt. Erik Granjeno, Director of Human Resources, explained that when a position is changed from non-exempt to exempt, there are some cost savings to the county, and this is also done to maintain compliance.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to authorize the Human Resource Department to change Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) classification for identified positions effective March 10, 2026.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously



42925 Appoint Commissioner Debbie Ingalsbe, Commissioner Morgan Hammer, the County Administrator, and the Civil First Assistant to the Collective Bargaining team for Hays County for purposes of reassessing the pay plans and incentives pay for year three of the Collective Bargaining Agreement between Hays County and the Hays County Law Enforcement Association (HCLEA).

Rodrigo Amaya made a public comment against the appointment, citing that if the commissioner is still a commissioned officer, it may pose a conflict of interest. Commissioner Smith stated that this is a mid-term negotiation and the only items to be addressed in the Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) would be the salary structure and salary portion of the CBA. Smith stated his request for the commissioners to be appointed is due to the uncertainty of who would or would not be present and would like to have experienced individuals on the team. Commissioner Ingalsbe stated she would like to get the legal opinion if this would be a conflict of interest for herself and added that she still holds her commission. Jordan Powell, First Assistant Criminal District Attorney - Civil Division, stated that there is no legal conflict concern for Commissioner Ingalsbe being a county representative on the CBA team.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to appoint Commissioner Debbie Ingalsbe, Commissioner Morgan Hammer, the County Administrator, and the Civil First Assistant to the Collective Bargaining team for Hays County for purposes of reassessing the pay plans and incentives pay for year three of the Collective Bargaining Agreement between Hays County and the Hays County Law Enforcement Association (HCLEA).

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42926 Authorize the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Office to purchase one (1) replacement Dell Pro 16 Plus Laptop valued at \$1,184.42 for the Extension Agent-Ag & Natural Resources position and amend the budget accordingly.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to authorize the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Office to purchase one (1) replacement Dell Pro 16 Plus Laptop valued at \$1,184.42 for the Extension Agent-Ag & Natural Resources position and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42927 Authorize the acceptance of a budget amendment to the FY26 Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT) grant and amend the budget accordingly.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to authorize the acceptance of a budget amendment to the FY26 Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT) grant and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42928 Authorize the Judicial Services Office to purchase cognitive journals from Change Companies, Inc. in the amount of \$1,225.50, and authorize a waiver to the purchasing policy of obtaining three quotes.

Rodrigo Amaya made a public comment regarding the cost and the term "quantity" in the request. Albert Sierra, Assistant Director for Judicial Services, provided background on the original request for the journals and stated that there has since been a significant reduction in certain areas of the journal inventory. Sierra stated that the department has identified the need for only four journals from this company instead of 10. Emily Madeley, Pretrial Officer Judicial Services, stated that conditions are set by magistrate judges for cognitive behavior therapy and these journals support that and guide the offender to a more positive outcome. The Court thanked Judicial Services for being conscientious with taxpayers' money.



A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to authorize the Judicial Services Office to purchase cognitive journals from Change Companies, Inc. in the amount of \$1,225.50, and authorize a waiver to the purchasing policy of obtaining three quotes.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

4 2 9 2 9 Authorize payment to GT Distributors - Austin in the amount of \$1,012.50 for the purchase of a SX Level II, A7 ballistic vest, a Safariland M2 concealable carrier and a Safariland 2.0 soft trauma plate and amend the budget accordingly.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to authorize payment to GT Distributors - Austin in the amount of \$1,012.50 for the purchase of a SX Level II, A7 ballistic vest, a Safariland M2 concealable carrier and a Safariland 2.0 soft trauma plate and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42930 Authorize the Sheriff's Office to purchase office chairs from Alfred Williams & Company for Jail Operations, valued at \$20,685.35, using Sheriff's Federal Discretionary Funds.

Rodrigo Amaya made a public comment concerning the cost of purchasing the ergonomic chairs. Stephanie Hunt, Purchasing Agent, stated that ergonomic chairs are a need due to the amount of sitting done by employees and is awaiting information from Chief Brett Bailey that these are replacement chairs.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to authorize the Sheriff's Office to purchase office chairs from Alfred Williams & Company for Jail Operations, valued at \$20,685.35, using Sheriff's Federal Discretionary Funds.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42931 Authorize the Hays County Sheriff to execute the FY 2026 Homeland Security Task Force Strategic Initiatives/Local Overtime Cost Reimbursement Agreement.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to authorize the Hays County Sheriff to execute the FY 2026 Homeland Security Task Force Strategic Initiatives/Local Overtime Cost Reimbursement Agreement.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42932 Authorize the Sheriff's Office to expense mileage for a volunteer Chaplain.

Rodrigo Amaya made a public comment concerning the expense of mileage. Commissioner Ingalsbe clarified that this is a consideration from the Sheriff's Office to pay a chaplain at IRS rates.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to authorize the Sheriff's Office to expense mileage for a volunteer Chaplain.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42933 Approve out-of-state travel for eight Sheriff's Office employees to attend National Police Week beginning May 9 - 16, 2026, in Washington, D.C., and amend the budget accordingly.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to approve out-of-state travel for eight Sheriff's Office employees to attend National Police Week beginning May 9 - 16, 2026, in Washington, D.C., and amend the budget accordingly.



AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42934 Authorize payment to Truck City for vehicle repairs in the amount of \$714.00, where no purchase order was obtained as required by the Hays County Purchasing Policy.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to authorize payment to Truck City for vehicle repairs in the amount of \$714.00, where no purchase order was obtained as required by the Hays County Purchasing Policy.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42935 Authorize payment to Alamo Industrial Group for five invoices totaling \$1,517.84 for replacement blades for the Transportation Department's large mowers, where no purchase order was obtained as required per the Hays County Purchasing Policy.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to authorize payment to Alamo Industrial Group for five invoices totaling \$1,517.84 for replacement blades for the Transportation Department's large mowers, where no purchase order was obtained as required per the Hays County Purchasing Policy.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42936 Approve the ratification of the submission of a grant application to the City of San Marcos Community Development Block Grant in the amount of \$18,000.00.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to approve the ratification of the submission of a grant application to the City of San Marcos Community Development Block Grant in the amount of \$18,000.00.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42937 Authorize the purchase of office furniture for the Hays County Courthouse from Amazon in the amount of \$5,411.95 and amend the budget accordingly.

Rodrigo Amaya made a public comment regarding the purchase of furniture and questioned whether other desks were in poor condition and unusable. Tammy Crumley, Facilities and Resource Management Director, stated that new offices have moved into the courthouse and that this is to furnish those remaining offices.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to authorize the purchase of office furniture for the Hays County Courthouse from Amazon in the amount of \$5,411.95 and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42938 Accept donations totaling \$16,200.00 on behalf of the Hays County Child Protective Board and amend the budget accordingly.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to accept donations totaling \$16,200.00 on behalf of the Hays County Child Protective Board and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

4 2 9 3 9 Authorize the Constable's Precinct 5 Office to purchase two motor helmet communication kits from PVP Communications, valued at \$5,383.00; and authorize a waiver to the purchasing policy of obtaining three quotes.



A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to authorize the Constable's Precinct 5 Office to purchase two motor helmet communication kits from PVP Communications, valued at \$5,383.00; and authorize a waiver to the purchasing policy of obtaining three quotes.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42940 Approve payment to Terracon for \$1,615.00 related to the Hays County Jail Renovation Project, where a change order was not requested and authorized prior to the work being completed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to approve payment to Terracon for \$1,615.00 related to the Hays County Jail Renovation Project, where a change order was not requested and authorized prior to the work being completed.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42941 Authorize the execution of the 2026 annual renewal agreement between Facilities and Resource Management and Johnson Controls Inc., in the amount of \$15,928.17 for the preventative maintenance and repairs of the County's remote access thermostat system.

Rodrigo Amaya made a public comment concerning the preventative maintenance and questioned what maintenance data had been gathered to justify the amount. Tammy Crumley, Facilities and Resource Management Director, stated that this system controls the HVAC at the Government Center which frequently goes down and needs to be maintained and would have been paid extra if not included in the contract. Commissioner Hammer added that this includes the scheduled service visit and materials for basic coverage. Commissioner Smith stated that there is a set cost for the service calls and for equipment there is a set prorated cost.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to authorize the execution of the 2026 annual renewal agreement between Facilities and Resource Management and Johnson Controls Inc., in the amount of \$15,928.17 for the preventative maintenance and repairs of the County's remote access thermostat system.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42942 Authorize the execution of Contract Amendment No. 1 to the Professional Services Agreement (2026-PSA-28) between Hays County and Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. to replace Horizon Environmental Services with LJA Engineering Inc. as a sub-consultant for environmental services for the Windy Hill Road (Ultimate) project in Precinct No. 2.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to authorize the execution of Contract Amendment No. 1 to the Professional Services Agreement (2026-PSA-28) between Hays County and Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. to replace Horizon Environmental Services with LJA Engineering Inc. as a sub-consultant for environmental services for the Windy Hill Road (Ultimate) project in Precinct No. 2.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

Clerk's Note: Agenda Item #G-28 RE: *Authorize the execution of a First Amendment to the Statement of Work with Securix Technologies, LLC related to new FCC rate change requirements and the addition of Text Connect. -- WAS PULLED.*

42943 Approve renewal of RFP 2023-P04 Countywide Electrical with CT Electric for one (1) additional year.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to approve renewal of RFP 2023-P04 Countywide Electrical with CT Electric for one (1) additional year.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra



5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42944 Hold a public hearing to consider the implementation of a 'No Left Turn' for the Rooster Springs Elementary.

Judge Becerra opened the public hearing at 10:24 a.m. No comments were made. Judge Becerra closed the public hearing at 10:24 a.m. Commissioner Smith stated that this is being done as a safety request of the ISD.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to establish a no-left turn lane for Rooster Springs Elementary School as outlined in the backup.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

4 2 9 4 5 Discussion and possible action to consider the acceptance of road construction & surface drainage improvements for Caliterra Subdivision Phase 3, Section 10.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to accept the road construction & surface drainage improvements for Caliterra Subdivision Phase 3, Section 10.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

4 2 9 4 6 Discussion and possible action to consider the acceptance of road construction and surface drainage improvements, release the performance bond #ACC006003448 in the amount of \$1,257,090.00, accept the 2-year maintenance bond #PB03016801411 in the amount of \$130,710.79, and accept the 1-year revegetation bond #PB03016801100M in the amount of \$97,524.00 for Great Hills Subdivision, Section 8.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to accept the road construction and surface drainage improvements, release the performance bond #ACC006003448 in the amount of \$1,257,090.00, accept the 2-year maintenance bond #PB03016801411 in the amount of \$130,710.79, and accept the 1-year revegetation bond #PB03016801100M in the amount of \$97,524.00 for Great Hills Subdivision, Section 8.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

4 2 9 4 7 Discussion and possible action to accept fiscal surety for street and drainage improvements in the amount of \$1,048,986.79 for the Silver Creek (Lunaroya Phase 1) Subdivision, Final (Bond No.PB00114500113).

Judge Becerra clarified that these high-dollar bonds have been thoroughly looked over in detail by the Director of Transportation and the Commissioners. Commissioner Smith added that these bonds are from the individual developer covering any maintenance needed on the roadway.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to accept fiscal surety for street and drainage improvements in the amount of \$1,048,986.79 for the Silver Creek (Lunaroya Phase 1) Subdivision, Final (Bond No.PB00114500113).

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42948 Discussion and possible action to authorize the execution of a Contract for Right of Way Acquisition Services (2026-PSA-65) between Hays County and LJA Engineering, Inc. to provide Right of Way acquisition services for the Darden Hill Road/CR 162, Phase 2 project in Precinct 4.

Judge Becerra stated this organization was a part of a pool of people to choose from.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to authorize the execution of a Contract for Right of Way Acquisition Services (2026-PSA-65) between Hays County and LJA Engineering, Inc. to provide Right of Way acquisition services for the Darden Hill Road/CR 162, Phase 2 project in Precinct 4.



AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42949 Discussion and possible action to authorize the execution of a Contract for Engineering Services (2026-PSA-24) between Hays County and Pape Dawson Engineers, Inc. to provide Construction, Inspection, and Engineering (CE&I) services for the Old Bastrop Highway project in Precinct 1.

Commissioner Ingalsbe stated that this selection was done in November 2025 and this is the negotiated contract.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to authorize the execution of a Contract for Engineering Services (2026-PSA-24) between Hays County and Pape Dawson Engineers, Inc. to provide Construction, Inspection, and Engineering (CE&I) services for the Old Bastrop Highway project in Precinct 1.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

PLN-2855-PC; Hold a public hearing regarding the Hawk Ridge Phase 2 Replat of lots 2-16 & 27.

Judge Becerra opened the Public Hearing at 10:31 a.m. No comments were made. Judge Becerra closed the Public Hearing at 10:31 a.m. Colby Machacek, Development Services Senior Planner, stated that the purpose of this item is to hold a public hearing and that once all deficiencies are cleared, the item will be brought back.

PLN-2901-PC; Hold a Public Hearing regarding Oakridge Park at Kinnicinik, Section 5, Lot 6A, Replat.

Judge Becerra opened the Public Hearing at 10:31 a.m. No comments were made. Judge Becerra closed the Public Hearing at 10:31 a.m. Colby Machacek, Development Services Senior Planner, stated that the purpose of this item is to hold a public hearing and that once all deficiencies are cleared, the item will be brought back.

42950 PLN-2793-PC; Ratify approval of Rolling Oaks, Section 4, Lot 54, Replat.

Commissioner Hammer stated that this is the administrative approval of the plat. Colby Machacek, Development Services Senior Planner, provided background on the property and stated staff has administratively approved this plat.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hammer, seconded by Commissioner Smith to ratify approval of Rolling Oaks, Section 4, Lot 54, Replat (PLN-2793-PC).

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42951 Discussion and possible action to pay accrued compensatory hours for Senior Deputy Fire Marshal Aaron Bauer as required by federal labor laws and amend the budget accordingly.

Mike Jones, Director of Office of Emergency Services, stated that the hours are a result of previous fire responses and that allowing staff to be out of the office for 100 hours would leave the office without adequate staffing.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to pay accrued compensatory hours for Senior Deputy Fire Marshal Aaron Bauer as required by federal labor laws and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

Discussion and possible action regarding the Health Department's Director Update on the March 4, 2026, Public Health Advisory Board Meeting.



Matthew Gonzales, Hays County Health Department Director, provided the court with a detailed review of the Health Advisory Board meeting. Commissioner Cohen welcomed City of Buda Council Member Kimberly Goodman to her first Health Advisory Board meeting and thanked Gonzales for all the detailed information provided at the meeting. No action taken.

42952 Authorize the Sheriff's Office to regrade two FY 2026 Emergency Communications Officer (ECO) positions to TX Law Enforcement Telecommunicator Specialist (TLETS).

Brett Bailey, Chief Deputy -- Sheriff's Office, stated they have fallen behind on filling the TLETS positions and that this would have no fiscal impact, even saving the county a small amount of money. Bailey thanked the Grants Department for their ongoing efforts in securing grants for various departments.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to authorize the Sheriff's Office to regrade two FY 2026 Emergency Communications Officer (ECO) positions to TX Law Enforcement Telecommunicator Specialist (TLETS).

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42953 Discussion and possible action to authorize the execution of a resolution of support for the Guadalupe County application to the Texas Water Development Board Flood Infrastructure Fund grant program.

Commissioner Ingalsbe stated that, if awarded, these funds would be used for the Countywide Master Drainage Plan and that the County has been asked to submit a letter of support due to the small portion of the plan located in Hays County.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to authorize the execution of a resolution of support for the Guadalupe County application to the Texas Water Development Board Flood Infrastructure Fund grant program.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42954 Discussion and possible action to authorize the submission of a grant application and the execution of associated documents for the Office of the Governor, State Homeland Security Program, on behalf of the Hays County Fire Marshal's Office in the amount of \$22,322.00.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to authorize the submission of a grant application and the execution of associated documents for the Office of the Governor, State Homeland Security Program, on behalf of the Hays County Fire Marshal's Office in the amount of \$22,322.00.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42955 Discussion and possible action to authorize the submission of a grant application and the execution of associated documents to the Office of the Governor, Urban Area Security Initiative in the amount of \$83,686.00.

Mike Jones, Office of Emergency Service Director, stated that the RadPack will identify isotope radiation, which will assist in emergency response efforts and serve as a mitigator at large gatherings.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to authorize the submission of a grant application and the execution of associated documents to the Office of the Governor, Urban Area Security Initiative in the amount of \$83,686.00.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42956 Discussion and possible action to authorize the submission of a grant application and the execution of associated documents to the Office of the Governor, Urban Area Security Initiative, in the amount of \$21,000.00.



A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to authorize the submission of a grant application and the execution of associated documents to the Office of the Governor, Urban Area Security Initiative, in the amount of \$21,000.00.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42957 Discussion and possible action to authorize the submission of a grant application and the execution of associated documents to the Office of the Governor, Urban Area Security Initiative-LETPA, in the amount of \$210,016.92.

Brett Bailey, Chief Deputy with the Sheriff's Office, commended the Grants Department for their ongoing efforts in securing grants for various departments. Shane Smith, Captain - Sheriff's Office, stated that the utility vehicles would be used at festivals or in large areas where regular vehicles cannot access. The court thanked Chief Bailey and Sheriff Hipolito for their hard work and dedication to the department.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to authorize the submission of a grant application and the execution of associated documents to the Office of the Governor, Urban Area Security Initiative-LETPA, in the amount of \$210,016.92.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42958 Discussion and possible action to authorize the submission of a grant application and the execution of associated documents to the Office of the Governor, Urban Area Security Initiative-LETPA, in the amount of \$19,910.00.

Brett Bailey, Chief Deputy - Sheriff's Office, commended the Grants Department for their ongoing efforts in securing grants for various departments. Shane Smith, a Captain with the Sheriff's Office, stated that the grant would fund interdiction training classes, as this type of class would otherwise consume nearly the entire training budget for the department. The court thanked Chief Bailey and Sheriff Hipolito for their hard work and dedication to the department.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to authorize the submission of a grant application and the execution of associated documents to the Office of the Governor, Urban Area Security Initiative-LETPA, in the amount of \$19,910.00.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42959 Discussion and possible action to authorize the submission of a grant application and the execution of associated documents for the Office of the Governor, Urban Area Security Initiative-LETPA, on behalf of the Hays County Sheriff's Office, Drone Team in the amount of \$55,000.

Brett Bailey, Chief Deputy with the Sheriff's Office, commended the Grants Department for their ongoing efforts in securing grants for various departments. Shane Smith, a Captain with the Sheriff's Office, stated that the grant would fund drone training classes, as this type of class would otherwise consume nearly the entire training budget for the department. The court thanked Chief Bailey and Sheriff Hipolito for their hard work and dedication to the department.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to authorize the submission of a grant application and the execution of associated documents for the Office of the Governor, Urban Area Security Initiative-LETPA, on behalf of the Hays County Sheriff's Office, Drone Team in the amount of \$55,000.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42960 Discussion and possible action to authorize the execution of the First Amendment to the Bluestem Development Agreement executed on or about December 16, 2025 between Hays County ("County") and JOE DRAKE MAXWELL, as TRUSTEE of the Maxwell Settlement Trust ("Declarant").



Commissioner Ingalsbe stated that this amendment increases the setback from 10 feet to 15 feet from the road. Michael Berland, Development Services Manager, stated that this agreement was passed in December 2025 and is only here to change the setback lines.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to authorize the execution of the First Amendment to the Bluestem Development Agreement executed on or about December 16, 2025 between Hays County ("County") and JOE DRAKE MAXWELL, as TRUSTEE of the Maxwell Settlement Trust ("Declarant").

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42961 Discussion and possible action to authorize the execution of a Development Agreement for the Trident Business Park Condominiums between Hays County and Trident Equity, LLC.

Commissioner Smith stated that this is a development agreement negotiated by the Civil Division office and Development Services. Michael Berland, Development Services Manager, stated that there are no new roads in that community.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to authorize the execution of a Development Agreement for the Trident Business Park Condominiums between Hays County and Trident Equity, LLC.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42962 Discussion and possible action to authorize the execution of an Interlocal Agreement with Deep East Texas Self Insurance Fund for RFP 2025-P09 Workers Compensation Insurance & Administrative Services, and execute a Removal of Agent for La Vernia Insurance Agency, Inc.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to authorize the execution of an Interlocal Agreement with Deep East Texas Self Insurance Fund for RFP 2025-P09 Workers Compensation Insurance & Administrative Services, and execute a Removal of Agent for La Vernia Insurance Agency, Inc.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42963 Discussion and possible action to authorize the execution of a contract with Water and Earth Technologies, Inc. for RFP 2026-P01 Flood Warning System Maintenance & Repair Services in the amount of \$225,900.00 annually.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to authorize the execution of a contract with Water and Earth Technologies, Inc. for RFP 2026-P01 Flood Warning System Maintenance & Repair Services in the amount of \$225,900.00 annually.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42964 Discussion and possible action to authorize the execution of a First Amendment to RFP 2025-P01 Sentinel Peak Park Improvements -- Construction Manager at Risk (CMAR) to update the County representative to the new Parks Director, Karl Flocke, and edit the Owner Contingency related to Guarantee Maximum Price (GMP) #1.

Judge Becerra clarified that this is to update the point of contact information. Karl Flocke, Director of Parks and Natural Resources, stated this is to update contact from Tammy Crumley to himself and the other is to update and clarify the owner contingency total.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hammer, seconded by Commissioner Smith to authorize the execution of a First Amendment to RFP 2025-P01 Sentinel Peak Park Improvements -- Construction Manager at Risk (CMAR) to update the County representative to the new Parks Director, Karl Flocke, and edit the Owner Contingency related to Guarantee Maximum Price (GMP) #1.



AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra
5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42965 Discussion and possible action to authorize a second contract renewal for RFP 2020-P15 Traffic Counter Inspection & Maintenance with JM Engineering, LLC for two (2) additional years, with proposed price increases.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to authorize a second contract renewal for RFP 2020-P15 Traffic Counter Inspection & Maintenance with JM Engineering, LLC for two (2) additional years, with proposed price increases.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42966 Discussion and possible action to authorize the County Court at Law - Mental Health Court to purchase consumable items for the Mental Health Court participants, in the amount of \$215.52.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to authorize the County Court at Law - Mental Health Court to purchase consumable items for the Mental Health Court participants, in the amount of \$215.52.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Judge Becerra

NAY: Commissioner Smith

4 - 1 Passed

Executive Session began at 10:55 a.m. and resumed back into open court at 11:50 a.m.

4 2 9 6 7 Executive Session Pursuant to Sections 551.071 and 551.087 of the Texas Government Code: Consultation with counsel and deliberation regarding economic development negotiations associated with Project San Antonio. Possible discussion and/or action may follow in open court.

Those present in Executive Session from 10:58 a.m. to 11:11 a.m. were the Commissioners Court; Jordan Powell, First Assistant Criminal District Attorney - Civil Division; Chase Young and Katherine Howard, Assistant Criminal District Attorneys - Civil Division; Janice Jones, Legal Support Services Specialist; Scot Woodland, Budget Officer; Stephanie Hunt, Purchasing Agent; Marisol Villarreal-Alonzo, County Auditor; Kandice Boutte, County Administrator; Simone Corprew, Special Programs Coordinator; Tucker Furlow, Executive Assistant - County Administrator; Emily Mathes, Hays Caldwell Economic Development Partnership (HCEDP) Vice President of Economic Development; Sarah Martin, HCEDP; Micah Grah, Buda City Manager and Jennifer Storm, Executive Director for Buda Economic Development Corporation.

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- The City of Buda and ESD 8 are also providing economic incentives related to this project.

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- Developer will also make certain improvements to the old HEB site in Buda as well as required roadway improvements in front of the new HEB site.

- Incentive will consist of : (1) a sales tax rebate equal to 50% of sales tax, each year for 30 years; and (2) an ad valorem tax rebate equal to 50% of ad valorem taxes, each year for 30 years.

- Incentive are maxed out at \$4 million from the county.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously



42968 Executive Session pursuant to Sections 551.071 and 551.072 of the Texas Government Code: consultation with counsel and deliberation regarding the purchase, exchange, lease and/or value of Right of Way located at or near Cotton Gin Road in Precinct 1 (Parcels 28, 29, and 35) and the assignment of legal counsel related therewith. Possible discussion and/or action may follow in open court.

Those present in Executive Session from 11:11 a.m. to 11:18 a.m. were the Commissioners Court; Jordan Powell, First Assistant Criminal District Attorney - Civil Division; Chase Young and Katherine Howard, Assistant Criminal District Attorneys - Civil Division; Janice Jones, Legal Support Services Specialist; Scot Woodland, Budget Officer; Stephanie Hunt, Purchasing Agent; Marisol Villarreal-Alonzo, County Auditor; Kandice Boutte, County Administrator; Tucker Furlow, Executive Assistant - County Administrator and Simone Corprew, Special Programs Coordinator.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to authorize the Civil First Assistant to: (1) execute an engagement agreement with Grable Martin, PLLC for purposes of engaging the firm for representation in litigation involving parcels 28, 29, and 35 related to the Cotton Gin road improvement project; and (2) execute a letter to release client files from Davidson, Troilo, Ream & Garza, PC to Grable Martin, PLLC regarding the same.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

42969 Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.071 and Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code: consultation with counsel and deliberation regarding the purchase, exchange, lease and/or value of real property located at or near Roger Hanks Parkway in Precinct 4. Possible discussion and/or action may follow in open court.

Those present in Executive Session from 11:18 a.m. to 11:27 a.m. were the Commissioners Court; Jordan Powell, First Assistant Criminal District Attorney - Civil Division; Chase Young and Katherine Howard, Assistant Criminal District Attorneys - Civil Division; Janice Jones, Legal Support Services Specialist; Scot Woodland, Budget Officer; Marisol Villarreal-Alonzo, County Auditor; Kandice Boutte, County Administrator; Tucker Furlow, Executive Assistant - County Administrator; Simone Corprew, Special Programs Coordinator and Tammy Crumley, Facilities and Resource Management Director.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hammer to authorize the County Administrator's Office and the Civil Division of the Hays County Criminal District Attorney's Office to negotiate an amendment to the Commercial Contract between Hays County and 400 W Old 290 & Roger Hanks Parkway, LLC related to the possible purchase of real property located at or near Roger Hanks Parkway in Precinct 4, extending the feasibility period and closing date by up to forty-five (45) days, respectively.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

Executive Session pursuant to Sections 551.071 and 551.072 of the Texas Government Code: consultation with counsel and deliberation regarding the purchase, exchange, lease and/or value of real property associated with parks and open space projects being considered by Hays County; including Grammy's Park and Presa Grande Trailhead and easement. Possible discussion and/or action may follow in open court.

Those present in Executive Session from 11:27 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. were the Commissioners Court; Jordan Powell, First Assistant Criminal District Attorney - Civil Division; Chase Young and Katherine Howard, Assistant Criminal District Attorneys - Civil Division; Janice Jones, Legal Support Services Specialist; Scot Woodland, Budget Officer; Stephanie Hunt, Purchasing Agent; Marisol Villarreal-Alonzo, County Auditor; Kandice Boutte, County Administrator; Tucker Furlow, Executive Assistant - County Administrator; Simone Corprew, Special Programs Coordinator; Tammy Crumley, Facilities and Resource Management Director and Karl Flocke, Parks Director. No action taken.

Discussion related to the Hays County inmate population, to include current population counts and costs.



Judge Becerra read the Sheriff's update of the inmate population. Current maximum jail capacity is 464 inmates. Jail Standards recommends holding 10% open, lowering current capacity to 417 inmates. The jail's daily average was 567 for the week of March 1, 2026, with a peak of 583 on March 3, 2026. The estimated cost for outsourcing inmates this week was \$88,867.50. The average number of outsourced males is 125 and females is 0. This week's inmates were housed in the following counties: Haskell. The number of "paper-ready" inmates who are now wardens of the state is 39.

42970 Discussion and possible action related to the burn ban.

Mike Jones, Office of Emergency Services Director, stated that the burn ban will end today and that he has spoken to the ESD Chiefs around the county concerning the lift of the burn ban and to reinstate the ban on Monday, March 16, 2026, to which they all agreed. The court discussed the best way to reinstate the ban after allowing a short time to burn.

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Smith to reinstate the burn ban effective Monday, March 16, 2026 through April 14, 2026.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Hammer, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

Clerk's Note: Agenda Item #M-3 RE: Discussion and possible action related to proposed bills in the 89th Session of the Texas Legislature and to consider adoption of resolution(s) regarding proposed bills. The Court may opt to withdraw to Executive Session during this item to consult with legal counsel pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.071. - **WAS PULLED.**

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Smith, seconded by Judge Becerra to adjourn court at 11:58 a.m.

I, ELAINE H. CÁRDENAS, COUNTY CLERK and EXOFFICIO CLERK OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT, do hereby certify that the foregoing contains a true and accurate record of the proceedings had by the Hays County Commissioners Court on MARCH 10, 2026.



Elaine H. Cardenas

ELAINE H. CÁRDENAS, COUNTY CLERK AND EXOFFICIO
CLERK OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF
HAYS COUNTY, TEXAS



Date	Res Number	Motion	Ingalsbe	Cohen	Hammer	Smith	Becerra
3/10/2026	42912	Adopt a Proclamation recognizing March 2026 as American Red Cross Month.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42913	Adopt a proclamation recognizing the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42914	Adopt a Proclamation recognizing March 2026 as Women's History Month.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42915	Adopt a Proclamation recognizing March 24th, 2026 as the 2026 World TB Day.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42916	Approve payments of County invoices.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42917	Approve the payment of Juror disbursements.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42918	Approve the payment of United Healthcare and Texas Association of Counties healthcare claims and authorize an additional disbursement in an amount not to exceed \$500,000.00 to the healthcare claims account.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42919	Approve the payment of the March 15, 2026 payroll disbursements in an amount not to exceed \$4,600,000.00 effective March 15, 2026, and post totals of wages, withholdings, deductions and benefits on the Hays County website once finalized.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42920	Approve Commissioners Court Minutes for February 3, 2026.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42921	Approve Utility Permits.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42922	Approve the Mermaid Capital of Texas Fest & Downtown Street Faire event to be held on May 2, 2026 on the courthouse grounds that shall include commercial vendors and is sponsored by the Mermaid Society of San Marcos.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42923	Amend various departmental operating, special revenue and capital project budgets in preparation for Fiscal Year 2025 fiscal year-end financial reporting.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42924	Authorize the Human Resource Department to change Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) classification for identified positions effective March 10, 2026.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42925	Appoint Commissioner Debbie Ingalsbe, Commissioner Morgan Hammer, the County Administrator, and the Civil First Assistant to the Collective Bargaining team for Hays County for purposes of reassessing the pay plans and incentives pay for year three of the Collective Bargaining Agreement between Hays County and the Hays County Law Enforcement Association (HCLEA).	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42926	Authorize the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Office to purchase one (1) replacement Dell Pro 16 Plus Laptop valued at \$1,184.42 for the Extension Agent-Ag & Natural Resources position and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42927	Authorize the acceptance of a budget amendment to the FY26 Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT) grant and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42928	Authorize the Judicial Services Office to purchase cognitive journals from Change Companies, Inc. in the amount of \$1,225.50, and authorize a waiver to the purchasing policy of obtaining three quotes.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42929	Authorize payment to GT Distributors - Austin in the amount of \$1,012.50 for the purchase of a SX Level II, A7 ballistic vest, a Safariland M2 concealable carrier and a Safariland 2.0 soft trauma plate and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42930	Authorize the Sheriff's Office to purchase office chairs from Alfred Williams & Company for Jail Operations, valued at \$20,685.35, using Sheriff's Federal Discretionary Funds.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42931	Authorize the Hays County Sheriff to execute the FY 2026 Homeland Security Task Force Strategic Initiatives/Local Overtime Cost Reimbursement Agreement.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42932	Authorize the Sheriff's Office to expense mileage for a volunteer Chaplain.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42933	Approve out-of-state travel for eight Sheriff's Office employees to attend National Police Week beginning May 9 - 16, 2026, in Washington, D.C., and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42934	Authorize payment to Truck City for vehicle repairs in the amount of \$714.00, where no purchase order was obtained as required by the Hays County Purchasing Policy.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42935	Authorize payment to Alamo Industrial Group for five invoices totaling \$1,517.84 for replacement blades for the Transportation Department's large mowers, where no purchase order was obtained as required per the Hays County Purchasing Policy.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42936	Approve the ratification of the submission of a grant application to the City of San Marcos Community Development Block Grant in the amount of \$18,000.00.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42937	Authorize the purchase of office furniture for the Hays County Courthouse from Amazon in the amount of \$5,411.95 and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42938	Accept donations totaling \$16,200.00 on behalf of the Hays County Child Protective Board and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42939	Authorize the Constable's Precinct 5 Office to purchase two motor helmet communication kits from PVP Communications, valued at \$5,383.00; and authorize a waiver to the purchasing policy of obtaining three quotes.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42940	Approve payment to Terracon for \$1,615.00 related to the Hays County Jail Renovation Project, where a change order was not requested and authorized prior to the work being completed.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42941	Authorize the execution of the 2026 annual renewal agreement between Facilities and Resource Management and Johnson Controls Inc., in the amount of \$15,928.17 for the preventative maintenance and repairs of the County's remote access thermostat system.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42942	Authorize the execution of Contract Amendment No. 1 to the Professional Services Agreement (2026-PSA-28) between Hays County and Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. to replace Horizon Environmental Services with LJA Engineering Inc. as a sub-consultant for environmental services for the Windy Hill Road (Ultimate) project in Precinct No. 2.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42943	Approve renewal of RFP 2023-P04 Countywide Electrical with CT Electric for one (1) additional year.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42944	Establish a no-left turn lane for Rooster Springs Elementary School as outlined in the backup.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42945	Accept the road construction & surface drainage improvements for Caliterra Subdivision Phase 3, Section 10.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42946	Accept the road construction and surface drainage improvements, release the performance bond #ACC006003448 in the amount of \$1,257,090.00, accept the 2-year maintenance bond #PB03016801411 in the amount of \$130,710.79, and accept the 1-year revegetation bond #PB03016801100M in the amount of \$97,524.00 for Great Hills Subdivision, Section 8.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42947	Accept fiscal surety for street and drainage improvements in the amount of \$1,048,986.79 for the Silver Creek (Lunaroya Phase 1) Subdivision, Final (Bond No. PB00114500113).	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42948	Authorize the execution of a Contract for Right of Way Acquisition Services (2026-PSA-65) between Hays County and LJA Engineering, Inc. to provide Right of Way acquisition services for the Darden Hill Road/CR 162, Phase 2 project in Precinct 4.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42949	Authorize the execution of a Contract for Engineering Services (2026-PSA-24) between Hays County and Pape Dawson Engineers, Inc. to provide Construction, Inspection, and Engineering (CE&I) services for the Old Bastrop Highway project in Precinct 1.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42950	Ratify approval of Rolling Oaks, Section 4, Lot 54, Replat (PLN-2793-PC).	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42951	Pay accrued compensatory hours for Senior Deputy Fire Marshal Aaron Bauer as required by federal labor laws and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42952	Authorize the Sheriff's Office to regrade two FY 2026 Emergency Communications Officer (ECO) positions to TX Law Enforcement Telecommunicator Specialist (TLETS).	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42953	Authorize the execution of a resolution of support for the Guadalupe County application to the Texas Water Development Board Flood Infrastructure Fund grant program.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42954	Authorize the submission of a grant application and the execution of associated documents for the Office of the Governor, State Homeland Security Program, on behalf of the Hays County Fire Marshal's Office in the amount of \$22,322.00.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42955	Authorize the submission of a grant application and the execution of associated documents to the Office of the Governor, Urban Area Security Initiative in the amount of \$83,686.00.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42956	Authorize the submission of a grant application and the execution of associated documents to the Office of the Governor, Urban Area Security Initiative, in the amount of \$21,000.00.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42957	Authorize the submission of a grant application and the execution of associated documents to the Office of the Governor, Urban Area Security Initiative-LETPA, in the amount of \$210,016.92.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

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3/10/2026	42958	Authorize the submission of a grant application and the execution of associated documents to the Office of the Governor, Urban Area Security Initiative-LETPA, in the amount of \$19,910.00.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42959	Authorize the submission of a grant application and the execution of associated documents for the Office of the Governor, Urban Area Security Initiative-LETPA, on behalf of the Hays County Sheriff's Office, Drone Team in the amount of \$55,000.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42960	Authorize the execution of the First Amendment to the Bluestem Development Agreement executed on or about December 16, 2025 between Hays County ("County") and JOE DRAKE MAXWELL, as TRUSTEE of the Maxwell Settlement Trust ("Declarant").	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42961	Authorize the execution of a Development Agreement for the Trident Business Park Condominiums between Hays County and Trident Equity, LLC.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42962	Authorize the execution of an Interlocal Agreement with Deep East Texas Self Insurance Fund for RFP 2025-P09 Workers Compensation Insurance & Administrative Services, and execute a Removal of Agent for La Vernia Insurance Agency, Inc.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42963	Authorize the execution of a contract with Water and Earth Technologies, Inc. for RFP 2026-P01 Flood Warning System Maintenance & Repair Services in the amount of \$225,900.00 annually.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42964	Authorize the execution of a First Amendment to RFP 2025-P01 Sentinel Peak Park Improvements — Construction Manager at Risk (CMAR) to update the County representative to the new Parks Director, Karl Flocke, and edit the Owner Contingency related to Guarantee Maximum Price (GMP) #1.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42965	Authorize a second contract renewal for RFP 2020-P15 Traffic Counter Inspection & Maintenance with JM Engineering, LLC for two (2) additional years, with proposed price increases.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/10/2026	42966	Authorize the County Court at Law - Mental Health Court to purchase consumable items for the Mental Health Court participants, in the amount of \$215.52.	Y	Y	Y	NO	Y
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3/10/2026	42970	Reinstate the burn ban effective Monday, March 16, 2026 through April 14, 2026.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y