

SPECIAL COMMISSIONERS COURT
May 28, 2019
10:00 A.M.
2nd FLOOR COURTROOM
BROOKS COUNTY COURTHOUSE

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this day, the Honorable Commissioners' Court of Brooks County, Texas met in Special Term therein the City of Falfurrias in the 2nd floor Courtroom of the Brooks County Courthouse:

OPEN MEETING-Judge Eric Ramos called the meeting to order at 10:10 AM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE-was led by Judge Eric Ramos

ROLL CALL-Judge Eric Ramos called for roll call:

Present:

Eric Ramos, County Judge,
Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1,
Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct 2,
Armando Olivarez, Commissioner Precinct 3,
Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct 4,
Elvaray B. Silvas, County Clerk (Not voting).

Staff Present:

Missy A. Saavedra, Deputy Clerk
Gloria Garcia, County Judge's Office

Others Present:

August Patroelj, County Auditor

AGENDA

1. Public Comment

There were no public comments said at this time.

2. Discuss, consider and act on engaging into an agreement with a Financial Advisor to represent Brooks County. 

Honorable Judge Eric Ramos stated that he was approached by two financial entities and only Estrada and Hinojosa are present today. Don Gonzalez and Bobby Villarreal, Estrada and Hinojosa addressed the Court on the above matter with a short presentation of the previous transactions done with Brooks County within the past 20 years. Mr. Gonzalez mentioned that their contract has expired and is looking for a renewal.

Motion: to engage with Estrada and Hinojosa Law Firm as the financial advisor for Brooks County, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct 4, **Seconded by** Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct 2. Motion passed unanimously. **(On file)**

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Armando Olivarez, Commissioner Precinct 3, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct 4, Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct 2.

3. Discuss, consider and act on an Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Falfurrias to maintain the grounds of the Foreclosed Properties in Brooks County.



Motion: to table, **Action:** Table, **Moved by** Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, **Seconded by** Armando Olivarez, Commissioner Precinct 3. Motion passed unanimously.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Armando Olivarez, Commissioner Precinct 3, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct 4, Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct 2.

4. Discuss, consider and act on lifting Beer Ban at the J.M. Alaniz Fairgrounds for the 1st Annual Independence Parade on July 6th 2019 (Submitted by Adan Moreno).



Motion: to table for corrections, **Action:** Table, **Moved by** Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, **Seconded by** Armando Olivarez, Commissioner Precinct 3. Motion passed unanimously.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Armando Olivarez, Commissioner Precinct 3, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct 4, Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct 2.

5. Discuss, consider and act the Lexis Advance Subscription Agreement for the Brooks County Attorney's Office. (Submitted by David T. Garcia)



Motion: to approve the Lexis Advance Subscription Agreement, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct 4, **Seconded by** Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1. Motion passed unanimously. (**On file**)

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Armando Olivarez, Commissioner Precinct 3, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct 4, Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct 2.

6. Discuss, consider and act on approving the County Information Resources Agency Services Agreement with CIRA (Submitted by Judges Office).



Motion: to approve CIRA Agreement, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, **Seconded by** Armando Olivarez, Commissioner Precinct 3. Motion passed unanimously. (**On file**)

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Armando Olivarez, Commissioner Precinct 3, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct 4, Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct 2.


7. Discuss, consider and act to rescind the motion previously made on May 14, 2019

line item #23.

Motion: to rescind the motion previously made, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct 4, **Seconded by** Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct 2. Motion passed unanimously.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Armando Olivarez, Commissioner Precinct 3, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct 4, Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct 2.

8. Discuss, consider and act on a line item transfer of \$100.00 from 012-5-0550-5136 Uniforms to 012-5-0550-5820 Repairs & Maint. Vehicle (Submitted by Arturo Garcia) 

Motion: to approve line item transfer, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Armando Olivarez, Commissioner Precinct 3, **Seconded by** Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1. Motion passed unanimously.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Armando Olivarez, Commissioner Precinct 3, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct 4, Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct 2.

9. Discuss, consider and act on a line item transfer of \$358.74 from #012-5-0409-9022 Auto/Liab/Physical Damage to #012-5-0409-5511 Principal for Debt.

(Submitted by Brooks County Auditor, August Patroelj) 

Motion: to approve line item transfer, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct 2, **Seconded by** Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct 4. Motion passed unanimously.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Armando Olivarez, Commissioner Precinct 3, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct 4, Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct 2.

10. Discuss, consider and act on a line item transfer of \$1,000.00 from 012-5-0560-5515 Radio Maintenance & Repairs to 012-5-0560-9070 Miscellaneous in the amount of \$500.00 and to 012-5-0560-9080 Registration Fees in the amount of \$500.00. (Submitted by Jorge

Esparza 

Jorge Esparza, addressed the court on the above matter.

Motion: to approve line item transfer, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct 2, **Seconded by** Armando Olivarez, Commissioner Precinct 3. Motion passed unanimously.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Armando Olivarez, Commissioner Precinct 3, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct 4, Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct 2.

11. Adjourn 

Motion: to adjourn the meeting at 10:44 AM, **Action:** Adjourn, **Moved by** Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct 4, **Seconded by** Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1. Motion passed unanimously.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Armando Olivarez, Commissioner Precinct 3, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct 4, Gloria Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct 2.

The preceding minutes beginning on page _____ and ending on page _____, of the
Commissioners' Court Minutes Volume 37, read and approved in the Honorable
Commissioners' Court this 18th day of June, 2019, A.D.

APPROVED:



County Judge

ATTESTED:



County Clerk