### SPECIAL COMMISSIONERS COURT Tuesday, November 22, 2022 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 opened the meeting at 3:07 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE-was led by Judge Eric Ramos

ROLL CALL-Judge Eric Ramos called for roll call:

Present: Eric Ramos, County Judge,

Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2, Horacio Villarreal III, Commissioner Precinct #3, Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct #4,

Elvaray B. Silvas, County Clerk (Not voting).

Absent: Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct #1.

Staff Present: Missy A Saavedra, Deputy Clerk

#### **AGENDA**

### 1. Public Comments

Honorable Judge Eric Ramos asked for any public comments for items that were not on the agenda: NONE

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Anna M. Garcia, Elections Administrator/911 Addressing in reference to the item of the library; and also informed the Court that they do not have any heating there and has been using a heater.

### 2. Approve of Bills and Claims

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Motion: to approve the bills and claims as presented, 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 = 4).

Yes: Eric Ramos, County Judge, Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct #4, Horacio Villarreal III, Commissioner Precinct #3, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.

### 3. Canvas the votes from the General Election on November 8, 2022

Honorable Judge Eric Ramos read the election results in open Court. Anna M. Garcia, Elections Administrator also addressed the Court on the above matter, stating that anyone having any questions on what was read, could call her office. Judge Ramos asked if a vote was needed, Mrs. Anna stated no. No action taken. (on file)

## 6. <u>Discuss, Consider and Act on transferring \$1,500 from 101-5-0053-9070 (misc) to 101-5-0053-9097 (Incentives).</u> (Requested by Landfill Supervisor Ruby Allen)

Motion: to approve line item transfer, Action: Approve, Moved by Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct #4, Seconded by Horacio Villarreal III, Commissioner Precinct #3. Motion passed unanimously.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (summary: Yes = 4).

Yes: Eric Ramos, County Judge, Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct #4, Horacio Villarreal III, Commissioner Precinct #3, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.

# 7. <u>Discuss, Consider and Act on transferring responsibility of benefits for the Juvenile Probation Department's secretary's salary from its current fund source to the county.</u> (Requested by Eric Ramos)

**Motion:** to transfer the salary to the county, to become effective December 1st, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct #4, **Seconded by** Horacio Villarreal III, Commissioner Precinct #3. Motion passed unanimously.

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (summary: Yes = 4).

Yes: Eric Ramos, County Judge, Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct #4, Horacio Villarreal III, Commissioner Precinct #3, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.

### The Court went back to discuss line item #3

Motion: to canvass the election, Action: Approve, Moved by Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct #4, Seconded by Horacio Villarreal III, Commissioner Precinct #3. Motion passed unanimously. (on file)

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (summary: Yes = 4).

Yes: Eric Ramos, County Judge, Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct #4, Horacio Villarreal III, Commissioner Precinct #3, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.

## 4. <u>Discuss, Consider, and Act on accepting the road right of way dedication from 755</u> <u>Ventures Development.</u>

Saul Yanez with 755 Ventures addressed the Court with the proposal of a 50 foot right of way dedication to the County.

Commissioner Williams asked Mr. Yanez if the county would benefit from this proposal, it was stated that the only thing would be a tax benefit from the lots being created.

Commissioner Villarreal addressed the Court in reference to this dedication and suggests that this item be tabled and for this to be furthered looked at, due to once the County accepts this the County would have to maintain it and the Road and Bridge is already being stretched. Each of the Commissioners put their input on the acceptance of this road dedication. Judge Ramos informed Mr. Yanez to get ahold of him to discuss this before the next meeting of December 8<sup>th</sup>.

Motion: to table for further research, Action: Table, Moved by Horacio Villarreal III, Commissioner Precinct #3, Seconded by Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct #4. Motion passed unanimously.

Vote: Motion passed (summary: Yes = 3, No = 1, Abstain = 0).

Yes: Eric Ramos, County Judge, Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct #4, Horacio Villarreal III, Commissioner Precinct #3.

No: Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.

## 5. <u>Discuss the status of the Ed Rachal Memorial Library and next steps.</u> (Requested by Horacio Villarreal.)

Honorable Judge Eric Ramos stated that the County has filed charges against the contractor with the D.A.; Judge Ramos informed the Court in looking for new bids and that in hiring a new consultant hopefully this would be ready for the next meeting. No action taken, discussion only.

## 8. <u>Discuss, Consider and Act on paying missing gas receipt to Exxon Mobil for \$0.50.</u> (Submitted by Sheriff's Office)

Motion: to pay gas receipt, 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 = 4).

Yes: Eric Ramos, County Judge, Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct #4, Horacio Villarreal III, Commissioner Precinct #3, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.

### 9. Adjourn

Motion: to adjourn the meeting at 3:40 PM, 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 = 4).

Yes: Eric Ramos, County Judge, Ernesto "Pepe" Williams, Commissioner Precinct #4, Horacio Villarreal III, Commissioner Precinct #3, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct #2.

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APPROVED:

County Judge



ATTESTED:

County Clerk