


**SPECIAL COMMISSIONERS COURT**  
**Wednesday, April 17, 2024**  
**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 Falfurrrias in the 2nd floor Courtroom of the Brooks County Courthouse:

**OPEN MEETING** -Judge Eric Ramos opened the meeting at 9:07 AM 

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**-was led by Judge Eric Ramos

**ROLL CALL**-Judge Eric Ramos called for roll call:

**Present:** Eric Ramos, County Judge,  
Eduardo 'Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1,  
Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct 2,  
Horacio Villarreal III, Commissioner Precinct 3,  
Martin "Marty" Cabrera, Commissioner Precinct 4,  
Elvaray B. Silvas, County & District Clerk (Not voting).

**AGENDA**

**1. Public Comments** 


There were no public comments.

**2. Approve of Bills** 

**Motion:** to approve of the bills as presented, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Eduardo 'Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, **Seconded by** Martin "Marty" Cabrera, Commissioner Precinct 4. Motion passed unanimously. **(on file)**

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

**Yes:** Eduardo 'Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Horacio Villarreal III, Commissioner Precinct 3, Martin "Marty" Cabrera, Commissioner Precinct 4, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct 2.

**3. Discuss, Consider and Act on the FY 2022 Independent Audit.** 

**Raul Hernandez, CPA presented to the Court the 2022 Independent Audit.**

**Motion:** to approve the audit, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Horacio Villarreal III, Commissioner Precinct 3, **Seconded by** Eduardo 'Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1. Motion passed unanimously.

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

**Yes:** Eduardo 'Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Horacio Villarreal III, Commissioner Precinct 3, Martin "Marty" Cabrera, Commissioner Precinct 4, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct 2.

**4. Discuss, Consider and Act on hiring Raul Hernandez & Company, P.C. to perform the 2023 audit.** 

**Raul Hernandez, CPA addressed the Court on the above matter in reference to a revised engagement letter.**

**Motion:** to hire Raul Hernandez & Company, P.C., **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Martin "Marty" Cabrera, Commissioner Precinct 4, **Seconded by** Eduardo 'Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1. Motion passed unanimously.

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

**Yes:** Eduardo 'Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Horacio Villarreal III, Commissioner Precinct 3, Martin "Marty" Cabrera, Commissioner Precinct 4, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct 2.


**5. Discuss, Consider and Act on \$12,000.00 retainer for 2023 annual audit.** 

**Motion:** to approve, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Martin "Marty" Cabrera, Commissioner Precinct 4, **Seconded by** Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1. Motion passed unanimously. (on file)


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

**Yes:** Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Horacio Villarreal III, Commissioner Precinct 3, Martin "Marty" Cabrera, Commissioner Precinct 4, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct 2.

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**6. Discuss status report on Delinquent Tax Collection report, and status report on fees and fines collections. Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson, LLP.**   
Robert Cuevas, Office Manager for Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson presented the above status report. No action was taken, discussion only.

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**7. Discuss, Consider and Act on approving Action Approving Contract with Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson, LLP.** 

**Motion:** to approve, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Martin "Marty" Cabrera, 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:** Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Horacio Villarreal III, Commissioner Precinct 3, Martin "Marty" Cabrera, Commissioner Precinct 4, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct 2.

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**8. Discuss, Consider and Act on a contract for Tax Collection Services with Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson, LLP.** 

**Motion:** to approve Contract, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Martin "Marty" Cabrera, Commissioner Precinct 4, **Seconded by** Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1. Motion passed unanimously. (on file)

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

**Yes:** Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Horacio Villarreal III, Commissioner Precinct 3, Martin "Marty" Cabrera, Commissioner Precinct 4, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct 2.

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**9. Discuss, Consider and Act on approving" Action Approving Contract with Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson, LLP.** 

**Motion:** to approve, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Martin "Marty" Cabrera, Commissioner Precinct 4, **Seconded by** Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1. Motion passed unanimously.

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

**Yes:** Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Horacio Villarreal III, Commissioner Precinct 3, Martin "Marty" Cabrera, Commissioner Precinct 4, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct 2.

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**10. Discuss, Consider and Act on a contract for Fines and Fees Collection Services with Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson, LLP.** 

**Motion:** to approve contract, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Horacio Villarreal III, Commissioner Precinct 3, **Seconded by** Martin "Marty" Cabrera, Commissioner Precinct 4. Motion passed unanimously.

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

**Yes:** Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Horacio Villarreal III, Commissioner Precinct 3, Martin "Marty" Cabrera, Commissioner Precinct 4, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct 2.

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**11. Discuss, Consider and Act on paying invoice #22CC081804A to Dalley Wells Communication, INC. Payment 2 of 2.** 

**Motion:** approval of payment, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Horacio Villarreal III, Commissioner Precinct 3, **Seconded by** Martin "Marty" Cabrera, Commissioner Precinct 4. Motion passed unanimously.

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

**Yes:** Eduardo 'Eddie' Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Horacio Villarreal III, Commissioner Precinct 3, Martin 'Marty' Cabrera, Commissioner Precinct 4, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct 2.

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**12. Discuss, Consider and Act on transferring \$854.00 from 101-5-0053-5865 Equipment Rental to 101-5-0053-5136 Uniforms. (Submitted by Ruby Allen)**  
**Motion:** to approve line item transfer, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Horacio Villarreal III, Commissioner Precinct 3, **Seconded by** Eduardo 'Eddie' Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1. Motion passed unanimously.

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).  
**Yes:** Eduardo 'Eddie' Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Horacio Villarreal III, Commissioner Precinct 3, Martin 'Marty' Cabrera, Commissioner Precinct 4, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct 2.

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**13. Discuss, Consider and Act on transferring \$110.00 from Out of County Travel 012-5-0497-5550 to 012-5-0497-9080 Registration Fees. (Submitted by Alan Hernandez)**

**Motion:** to approve line item transfer, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Martin 'Marty' Cabrera, Commissioner Precinct 4, **Seconded by** Eduardo 'Eddie' Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1. Motion passed unanimously.

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).  
**Yes:** Eduardo 'Eddie' Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Horacio Villarreal III, Commissioner Precinct 3, Martin 'Marty' Cabrera, Commissioner Precinct 4, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct 2.

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**14. Discuss, Consider and Act on transferring \$18,200.00 from 012-5-0409-5400 (Prof. Fees-legal), to 012-5-0409-5410 (Prof. Fees-Acct& Auditing).**  
**Honorable Judge Eric Ramos made a correction to the line item, changing \$18,200.00 to \$17,800.00.**

**Motion:** to approve line item transfer, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Horacio Villarreal III, Commissioner Precinct 3, **Seconded by** Martin 'Marty' Cabrera, Commissioner Precinct 4. Motion passed unanimously.

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).  
**Yes:** Eduardo 'Eddie' Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Horacio Villarreal III, Commissioner Precinct 3, Martin 'Marty' Cabrera, Commissioner Precinct 4, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct 2.

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**15. Discuss, Consider and Act on transferring \$275.00 from 012-5-0510-9068 (Contract labor), to 012-5-0510-5206 (Elev.Maint. Expense)**

**Motion:** to approve line item transfer, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Eduardo 'Eddie' Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, **Seconded by** Eric Ramos, County Judge. Motion passed unanimously.

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).  
**Yes:** Eduardo 'Eddie' Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Horacio Villarreal III, Commissioner Precinct 3, Martin 'Marty' Cabrera, Commissioner Precinct 4, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct 2.

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**16. Discuss, Consider and Act on transferring \$12,000.00 from 012-0409-5417(Grant Matching), to 012-5-0510-58309 AC System- Repair)**  
**Honorable Judge Eric Ramos made a correction to the line item, changing 012-5-0510-58309 to 12-5-0510-5830.**

**Motion:** to approve line item transfer, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Eduardo 'Eddie' Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, **Seconded by** Martin 'Marty' Cabrera, Commissioner Precinct 4. Motion passed unanimously.

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).  
**Yes:** Eduardo 'Eddie' Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Horacio Villarreal III, Commissioner Precinct 3, Martin 'Marty' Cabrera, Commissioner Precinct 4, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct 2.

**17. Adjourn** 

**Motion:** to adjourn the meeting at 10:05 PM, **Action:** Adjourn, **Moved by** Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, **Seconded by** Martin "Marty" Cabrera, Commissioner Precinct 4. Motion passed unanimously.


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

**Yes:** Eduardo "Eddie" Garza, Commissioner Precinct 1, Eric Ramos, County Judge, Horacio Villarreal III, Commissioner Precinct 3, Martin "Marty" Cabrera, Commissioner Precinct 4, Rolando Gutierrez, Commissioner Precinct 2.


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The preceding minutes beginning on page \_\_\_\_\_ and ending on page \_\_\_\_\_, of the Commissioners' Court Minutes Volume \_\_\_\_\_, read and approved in the Honorable Commissioners' Court this 9<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2024, A.D.

**APPROVED:**

  
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County Judge



**ATTESTED:**  
  
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County Clerk