On this the 23rd day of February, 2021, at 10:00 A.M. came on to be held a REGULAR meeting of the Ector County Commissioners' Court in the Commissioners' Courtroom, Ector County Administration Building Annex, 1010 E. 8th St., Odessa, Texas with the following members present:

> Debi Hays, County Judge Mike Gardner, Commissioner Precinct #1 Greg Simmons, Commissioner Precinct #2 Don Stringer, Commissioner Precinct #3 Armando Rodriguez, Commissioner Precinct #4 Minutes taken by Jennifer Martin, County Clerk

when the following proceedings were had to-wit:

County Judge Debi Hays called the meeting to order at 10:05 A. M. with a quorum of the court present. The invocation was led by Sheriff Griffis. Commissioner Rodriguez led the pledge of allegiance to the United States flag and the pledge of allegiance to the Texas flag.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS/REQUESTS/RESOLUTIONS

To consider, discuss, and take any necessary action to approve purchasing a building, a 20 person cooler 1. and start up supplies for the Medicals Examiner's Office using proceeds from the Cares Act Supplemental funds and authorize the County Judge to sign. Ron Inge – Medical Examiner

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to table the agenda item. The motion died due to a lack of a second.

A motion was made by Commissioner Stringer to approve purchasing a building, a 20 person cooler and start up supplies for the Medicals Examiner's Office using proceeds from the Cares Act Supplemental funds and authorize the County Judge to sign; Commissioner Rodriguez seconded the motion. MOTION PASSED. 4-1 Voting for Motion:

✓ Judge Hays

- ✓ Commissioner Gardner ✓ Commissioner Rodriguez
- \sim Commissioner Stringer
- Voting Against Motion:

✓ Commissioner Simmons

2. To accept a 30 yard trash container from West Tex Disposal and to recognize West Tex Disposal for their contribution in combating illegal dumping in Ector County. Rickey George - Environmental Enforcement

Commissioner Gardner made a motion to accept a 30 yard trash container from West Tex Disposal and to recognize West Tex Disposal for their contribution in combating illegal dumping in Ector County; a second was made by Commissioner Simmons. MOTION PASSED. 5-0

Voting for Motion:

✓ Judge Hays

✓ Commissioner Gardner	✓ Commissioner Stringer
✓ Commissioner Simmons	✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

3. To accept a 30 yard trash container from Basin Disposal and to recognize Basin Disposal for their contribution in combating illegal dumping in Ector County. Rickey George - Environmental Enforcement

A motion was made by Commissioner Rodriguez to accept a 30 yard trash container from Basin Disposal and to recognize Basin Disposal for their contribution in combating illegal dumping in Ector County; Commissioner Gardner seconded the motion. MOTION PASSED. 5-0

Voting for Motion:

✓ Judge Hays

✓ Commissioner Gardner ✓ Commissioner Stringer ✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

- ✓ Commissioner Simmons
- To consider, discuss, and take any necessary action to approve the installation of additional speed signs at 4. Joan Drive and Robin Avenue and authorize the County Judge to sign. Evans Kessey - Public Works

Commissioner Gardner made a motion to approve the installation of additional speed signs at Joan Drive and Robin Avenue and authorize the County Judge to sign; a second was made by Commissioner Rodriguez. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

✓ Judge Hays

✓ Commissioner Gardner

✓ Commissioner Simmons

✓ Commissioner Stringer ✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

To accept a \$5,000 donation from Occidental Petroleum Corporation for the Sheriff's Office. 5. Mike Griffis – Sheriff

A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to accept a \$5,000 donation from Occidental Petroleum Corporation for the Sheriff's Office; Commissioner Rodriguez seconded the motion. MOTION PASSED. 5-0 Voting for Motion:

✓ Judge Hays

- ✓ Commissioner Gardner
- ✓ Commissioner Simmons

✓ Commissioner Stringer ✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

6. To consider, discuss, and take any necessary action on JSA Architects to design an addition to the Sheriff's Office Evidence Vault, Armory and fencing and to allow them to oversee the project during construction and bidding and to do a budget amendment from 047-3310 Unreserved Fund Balance for \$450,000 to 047-420-5509 Improvements and Construction \$410,000 and 047-420-5307 Professional Services for \$40,000.

Charles Pierce – Building Maintenance

Commissioner Stringer made a motion to approve JSA Architects to design an addition to the Sheriff's Office Evidence Vault, Armory and fencing and to allow them to oversee the project during construction and bidding and to do a budget amendment from 047-3310 Unreserved Fund Balance for \$450,000 to 047-420-5509 Improvements and Construction \$410,000 and 047-420-5307 Professional Services for \$40,000; a second was made by Commissioner Simmons. MOTION PASSED. 5-0

Voting for Motion:

- ✓ Judge Hays
- ✓ Commissioner Gardner
- ✓ Commissioner Simmons

✓ Commissioner Stringer ✓ Commissioner Rodriguez To consider, discuss, and take any necessary action to approve District Clerk's request for Deputy Clerk's continued VPN access.
Clarissa Webster – District Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Gardner to approve the District Clerk's request for Deputy Clerk's continued VPN access; Commissioner Rodriguez seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0** Voting for Motion:

✓ Judge Hays

✓ Commissioner Gardner	✓ Commissioner Stringer
	Commission De Inione

$\checkmark Commissioner Simmons \qquad \qquad \checkmark Commissioner Rodriguez$

CONTRACTS/AGREEMENTS/GRANTS

 To consider, discuss, and take any necessary action regarding a proposed lease agreement between MCM Properties and Ector County for the use of a Law Enforcement sub-station and authorize the County Judge to sign.

Mike Griffis - Sheriff

Commissioner Rodriguez made a motion to approve a proposed lease agreement between MCM Properties and Ector County for the use of a Law Enforcement sub-station and authorize the County Judge to sign; a second was made by Commissioner Gardner. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

- ✓ Judge Hays
- ✓ Commissioner Gardner ✓ Commissioner Simmons

✓ Commissioner Stringer

✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

9. To consider, discuss, and take any necessary action regarding the Third Amendment to Master Services Agreement between Securus Technologies, LLC and Ector County to include the implementation of video visitation capabilities and authorize the County Judge go sign. Mike Griffis – Sheriff

A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to approve the Third Amendment to Master Services Agreement between Securus Technologies, LLC and Ector County to include the implementation of video visitation capabilities and authorize the County Judge go sign; Commissioner Gardner seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

_ ✓ Judge Hays	
✓ Commissioner Gardner	✓ Commissioner Stringer
✓ Commissioner Simmons	✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

PERSONNEL REQUEST

 To consider, discuss and take any necessary action regarding the use of part-time nurses in the jail medical for the Ector County Detention Center. The formation of a part-time nurse position would occupy the space of a full-time vacancy. Mike Griffis – Sheriff

ITEM WITHDRAWN

PUBLIC WORKS

11. To consider, discuss, and take any necessary action on Horizon Addition being a Re-plat of Lot 4 and 5, Block 22 recorded in volume 13, page 22, plat records Ector County, Texas being a 18.18 Acre Tract located in Section 38, Block 43, T-3-S T&P RR Co Survey, Ector County, Texas and authorize the County Judge to sign. Evans Kessey - Public Works

Commissioner Stringer made a motion to approve Horizon Addition being a Re-plat of Lot 4 and 5, Block 22 recorded in volume 13, page 22, plat records Ector County, Texas being a 18.18 Acre Tract located in Section 38, Block 43, T-3-S T&P RR Co Survey, Ector County, Texas and authorize the County Judge to sign; a second was made by Commissioner Gardner. MOTION PASSED. 5-0

Voting for Motion:

- ✓ Judge Hays
- ✓ Commissioner Simmons

 \checkmark Commissioner Gardner \checkmark Commissioner Stringer \checkmark Commissioner Rodrigu ✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

12. To consider, discuss, and take any necessary action on Crow's Nest Subdivision being a Re-plat of Lot 6, Block 28, Pleasant Farms Subdivision, 3rd Filing Ector County, Texas and authorize the County Judge to sign.

Evans Kessey – Public Works

A motion was made by Commissioner Stringer to approve Crow's Nest Subdivision being a Re-plat of Lot 6, Block 28, Pleasant Farms Subdivision, 3rd Filing Ector County, Texas and authorize the County Judge to sign; Commissioner Simmons seconded the motion. MOTION PASSED. 5-0

Voting for Motion:

✓ Judge Hays

✓ Commissioner Gardner

✓ Commissioner Stringer

✓ Commissioner Simmons ✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

13. To consider, discuss, and take any necessary action on Aranda Addition being an 8.00 Acre Tract located in Section 33, Block 43, T-2-S T&P RR Co Survey, Ector County, Texas and authorize the County Judge to sign.

Evans Kessey – PublicWorks

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve Aranda Addition being an 8.00 Acre Tract located in Section 33, Block 43, T-2-S T&P RR Co Survey, Ector County, Texas and authorize the County Judge to sign; a second was made by Commissioner Gardner. MOTION PASSED. 5-0 Voting for Motion:

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✓ Commissioner Gardner	✓ Commissioner Stringer
✓ Commissioner Simmons	✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

To consider, discuss, and take any necessary action on Prosperity Addition being a Re-plat of Lot 1, Blcok 14. 3, Pleasant Farms Subdivision, Ector County, Texas and authorize the County Judge to sign. Evans Kessey - Public Works

A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to approve Prosperity Addition being a Re-plat of Lot 1, Blcok 3, Pleasant Farms Subdivision, Ector County, Texas and authorize the County Judge to sign; Commissioner Stringer seconded the motion. MOTION PASSED. 5-0

Voting for Motion:

✓ Judge Hays

✓ Commissioner Gardner	✓ Commissioner Stringer
✓ Commissioner Simmons	✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

BUDGET/FINANCIAL

15. To consider, review, discuss, and approve pay application #6 to Johnson Controls, Inc. for the Master Lease Purchase Agreement. Randy Donner - County Auditor

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve pay application #6 to Johnson Controls, Inc. for the Master Lease Purchase Agreement; a second was made by Commissioner Gardner. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0** Voting for Motion:

✓ Judge Hays

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✓ Commissioner Gardner	✓ Commissioner Stringer

 $\checkmark Commissioner Simmons \qquad \qquad \checkmark Commissioner Rodriguez$

 To consider and approve the Accounts Payable Fund Requirements Report for February 23, 2021 to review County financial statements and reports. Randy Donner - County Auditor

A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to approve the Accounts Payable Fund Requirements Report for February 23, 2021 to review County financial statements and reports; Commissioner Gardner seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

✓ Judge Hays

 \checkmark Commissioner Gardner

✓ Commissioner Simmons

✓ Commissioner Stringer ✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

 To consider, discuss and take any necessary action to discuss any and all issues related to COVID-19 and Governor Abbott's Disaster Declaration in Response to Severe Winter Weather in Texas – EM3554.
Debi Hays - County Judge

Judge Hays recognized John Herriage, Judge Sara Kate Billingsley, Jamie Tisdale and St. Elizabeth's Church for going above and beyond for the community during the winter storm by opening up buildings for shelter, providing food and water.

She also gave an update on the status and plan for the next shipment of COVID-19 vaccines.

Commissioner Gardner made a motion to adjourn into Executive Session with a second by Commissioner Stringer. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:	
✓ Judge Hays	
✓ Commissioner Gardner	✓ Commissioner Stringer
✓ Commissioner Simmons	✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

A motion was made by Judge Hays to reconvene; Commissioner Gardner seconded the motion.

MOTION PASSED. 5-0

Voting for Motion:

✓ Judge Hays

✓ Commissioner Gardner	✓ Commissioner Stringer
✓ Commissioner Simmons	✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

EXECUTIVE SESSION

 To consider and discuss legal matters pursuant to Title 5, Chapter 551, Section 551.071, Texas Government Code.
Dobi Hava County Judge

Debi Hays - County Judge

NO ACTION TAKEN ON THIS ITEM

 To consider and discuss real estate issues/transactions pursuant to Title 5, Chapter 551, Section 551.072, Texas Government Code.
Debi Hays - County Judge

NO ACTION TAKEN ON THIS ITEM

 To consider and discuss personnel matters pursuant to Title 5, Chapter 551, Section 551.074, Texas Government Code.
Debi Hays - County Judge

NO ACTION TAKEN ON THIS ITEM

 To consider and discuss personnel matters (relating to the vacancy of Public Information Officer – PIO) pursuant to Title 5, Chapter 551, Section 551.074, Texas Government Code.
Debi Hays – County Judge

NO ACTION TAKEN ON THIS ITEM

1:14 P.M.

With no further business to discuss, Commissioner Gardner made a motion with a second by Commissioner Rodriguez to adjourn to the call of the chair. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF ECTOR

I, Jennifer Martin, County Clerk, do hereby attest to the accuracy of the Commissioners Court Proceedings for the Regular Commissioners' Court meeting of February 23, 2021.



JENNIFER MARTIN, COUNTY CLERK ECTOR COUNTY, TEXAS