

**MINUTES OF COMMISSIONERS COURT MEETING**

I.

Attached hereto is/are public notice(s) posted for the meeting of **December 31, 2020.**

II.

The minutes of the Special Meeting of Fayette County, Texas, Commissioners Court held in the Commissioners Courtroom (3<sup>rd</sup> floor - Room 303) at the Fayette County Courthouse located at 151 North Washington Street, La Grange, Texas.

III.

Attendance: County Judge Joe Weber **Present**  
County Commissioner – Precinct No. 1, Jason McBroom **Present**  
County Commissioner – Precinct No. 2, Luke Sternadel **Present**  
County Commissioner – Precinct No. 3, Harvey Berckenhoff **Present**  
County Commissioner – Precinct No. 4, Tom Muras **Present**

IV.

County Officials/County Personnel present during all or any part of the meeting:  
**Brenda Fietsam, County Clerk; Cassie Austin, Court Administrator; Cindy Havelka, Auditor; Blake Watson, Assistant County Attorney; Drew Brossmann, Precinct 4 Superintendent; Angela Hahn, Assistant Emergency Management Coordinator**

V.

Persons in attendance during all of any part of the meeting:  
**“See Attached Exhibit A”**

VI.

Meeting opened at **9:00 a.m.** on motion by Commissioner **Berckenhoff**, seconded by Commissioner **Sternadel**, votes for **5**, votes against **0**.

VII.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE TEXAS FLAG

“Honor the Texas Flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible.”

INVOCATION

**AGENDA ACTION:**

1. **SUBJECT: Approve and sign Contract for Website Hosting, between Edoc Technologies, Inc., and Fayette County, Texas on behalf of the Fayette County Clerk's office, to allow the public to search and view Official Public Records indexes and images, and indexes only for Vital Statistics Records, which includes Birth, Death and Marriage.**

**ACTION: Approved and Signed a Contract for Website Hosting, between Edoc Technologies, Inc., and Fayette County, Texas on behalf of the Fayette County Clerk's office, to allow the public to search and view Official Public Records indexes and images, and indexes only for Vital Statistics Records, which includes Birth, Death and Marriage.**

**"See attached hereto marked Agenda Action 1 Exhibit"**

**PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Brenda Fietsam, County Clerk; Blake Watson, Assistant County Attorney**

**MOVED BY COMMR. McBroom, SECONDED BY COMMR. Sternadel.**

Commr. McBroom, vote for  X , vote against \_\_\_\_\_

Commr. Sternadel, vote for  X , vote against \_\_\_\_\_

Commr. Berckenhoff, vote for  X , vote against \_\_\_\_\_

Commr. Muras, vote for  X , vote against \_\_\_\_\_

Judge Weber, vote for  X , vote against \_\_\_\_\_

2. **SUBJECT: Acknowledge (1) the Texas Water Development Board establishing the Region 11 Guadalupe Regional Flood Planning Group (RFPG) and (2) Region 11 Guadalupe RFPG is soliciting nominations to fill four (4) voting positions and one non-voting position; nominations must be received by Monday, January 11, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.**

**ACTION: Acknowledged 1) the Texas Water Development Board establishing the Region 11 Guadalupe Regional Flood Planning Group (RFPG) and (2) Region 11 Guadalupe RFPG is soliciting nominations to fill four (4) voting positions and one non-voting position; nominations must be received by Monday, January 11, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.**

**“See attached hereto marked Agenda Action 2 Exhibit”**

**PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Cassie Austin, Court Administrator; Blake Watson, Assistant County Attorney**

**MOVED BY COMMR. Berckenhoff, SECONDED BY COMMR. Sternadel.**

Commr. McBroom, vote for  X , vote against \_\_\_\_\_

Commr. Sternadel, vote for  X , vote against \_\_\_\_\_

Commr. Berckenhoff, vote for  X , vote against \_\_\_\_\_

Commr. Muras, vote for  X , vote against \_\_\_\_\_

Judge Weber, vote for  X , vote against \_\_\_\_\_

3. **SUBJECT: Consider and take appropriate action in setting a public hearing date to consider and potentially enter into (1) a Tax Abatement Agreement under Texas Tax Code Chapter 380 and (2) to establish a reinvestment zone as required by Texas Tax Code Chapter 312; and to authorize public notices regarding the public hearings to be placed in the newspaper.**

**ACTION: Set the public hearing on February 19, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. to consider and potentially enter into 1) a Tax Abatement Agreement under Texas Tax Code Chapter 380 and (2) to establish a reinvestment zone as required by Texas Tax Code Chapter 312; and**

**Authorized public notices regarding the public hearings to be placed in the newspaper.**

**PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Blake Watson, Assistant County Attorney**

**MOVED BY COMMR. Berckenhoff, SECONDED BY COMMR. Muras.**

Commr. McBroom, vote for  X , vote against \_\_\_\_\_

Commr. Sternadel, vote for  X , vote against \_\_\_\_\_

Commr. Berckenhoff, vote for  X , vote against \_\_\_\_\_

Commr. Muras, vote for  X , vote against \_\_\_\_\_

Judge Weber, vote for  X , vote against \_\_\_\_\_

4. **SUBJECT: Consider, approve, and take appropriate action in signing an order declaring a non-interest by Fayette County in certain undeveloped alleyways in the City of Ellinger.**

**ACTION: No action.**

**PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT: Blake Watson, Assistant County Attorney; Joe Lamer; Lucy Lamer**

MOVED BY COMMR. \_\_\_\_\_, SECONDED BY COMMR. \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. McBroom, vote for \_\_\_\_, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Sternadel, vote for \_\_\_\_, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Berckenhoff, vote for \_\_\_\_, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Commr. Muras, vote for \_\_\_\_, vote against \_\_\_\_\_  
Judge Weber, vote for \_\_\_\_\_, vote against \_\_\_\_\_

5. **SUBJECT:** Enter into closed (executive) session pursuant to Government Code, Section 551.072, to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property, with final action to be taken in open session.

**ACTION:** Entered into closed (executive) session pursuant to Government Code, Section 551.072, at 9:29 a.m. to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property, with final action to be taken in open session.

PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT:

MOVED BY COMMR. **Muras**, SECONDED BY COMMR. **Berckenhoff**.

Commr. McBroom, vote for  X , vote against \_\_\_\_\_

Commr. Sternadel, vote for  X , vote against \_\_\_\_\_

Commr. Berckenhoff, vote for  X , vote against \_\_\_\_\_

Commr. Muras, vote for  X , vote against \_\_\_\_\_

Judge Weber, vote for  X , vote against \_\_\_\_\_

6. **SUBJECT: Return and reconvene to open meeting.**

**ACTION: Reconvened at 9:55 a.m. to open meeting.**

PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT:

MOVED BY COMMR. **Muras**, SECONDED BY COMMR. **McBroom**.

Commr. McBroom, vote for  X , vote against \_\_\_\_\_

Commr. Sternadel, vote for  X , vote against \_\_\_\_\_

Commr. Berckenhoff, vote for  X , vote against \_\_\_\_\_

Commr. Muras, vote for  X , vote against \_\_\_\_\_

Judge Weber, vote for  X , vote against \_\_\_\_\_

7. **SUBJECT: Consider and take appropriate action deemed necessary, including a final action, decision or vote on the matters deliberated in closed session.**

**ACTION: No action.**

PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT:

MOVED BY COMMR. \_\_\_\_\_, SECONDED BY COMMR. \_\_\_\_\_

Commr. McBroom, vote for \_\_\_\_\_, vote against \_\_\_\_\_

Commr. Sternadel, vote for \_\_\_\_\_, vote against \_\_\_\_\_

Commr. Berckenhoff, vote for \_\_\_\_\_, vote against \_\_\_\_\_

Commr. Muras, vote for \_\_\_\_\_, vote against \_\_\_\_\_

Judge Weber, vote for \_\_\_\_\_, vote against \_\_\_\_\_

Meeting adjourned at 10:03 a.m. December 31, 2020, on motion by Commissioner Muras, seconded by Commissioner Berckenhoff, votes for 5, votes against 0

**APPROVED** this 14th day of January, 2021.

Absent:

Joseph Weber  
Fayette County Judge

Jason McBroom  
Commissioner, Precinct 1

Luke Sternadel  
Commissioner, Precinct 2

Harvey Berckenhoff  
Commissioner, Precinct 3

Drew Brossmann  
Commissioner, Precinct 4

ATTEST:

Brenda Fietsam  
County Clerk

