

**NOTICE OF MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF
HOCKLEY COUNTY, TEXAS**

Notice is hereby given that a Regular Meeting of the above named Commissioners' Court will be held on Monday, the 28th day of August, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' Courtroom, Hockley County Courthouse, Levelland, Texas, at which time the following subjects will be discussed to-wit:

1. Read for approval the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Commissioners' Court held Monday, August 21, 2023.
2. Consider for approval all monthly bills and claims submitted to the Court dated through August 28, 2023.
3. Consider and take necessary action to approve Continuation Certificates for Larry Cardona, Reserve Deputy, Hockley County Sheriff's Office and for Norman Moore, Juvenile Probation Office.
4. Consider and take necessary action to approve the Final Plat for Onion Shed Road Estates, an Addition being 169.82 acres situated in Section 51, Block A, R. M. Thomson Survey, Abstract No. 64, Hockley County, Texas and located in Precinct 4.
5. Consider and take necessary to approve the District Attorney's request to rescind the request for \$50,000.00 from ARPA funds to be utilized in the State vs. Samantha Mathis case.
6. Discussion and potential action to approve the Resolution for County Essentials Grant to cover projected costs for the prosecution Robert Garza.
7. Consider and take necessary action to convene in Executive/Closed Session pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code (consultation with attorney) for the Commissioners Court to consult with and seek advice from its attorney, and Section 551.0725 of the Texas Government Code (deliberation regarding contract being negotiated).
8. **EXECUTIVE/CLOSED SESSION** -- A closed meeting will be held pursuant to section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code (consultation with attorney) for the Commissioners Court to consult with and seek advice from its attorney, and section 551.0725 of the Texas Government Code to discuss (1) the contract terms concerning the prosecution of Omar Soto Chavira including review of contractual terms for procuring a prosecutorial team that comprises two trial attorneys, one investigator, one appellate attorney and paralegals; (2) all related matters; and (3) any topic listed on the agenda posted for this meeting.

COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF HOCKLEY COUNTY, TEXAS.

BY: *Sharla Baldrige*
Sharla Baldrige, Hockley County Judge

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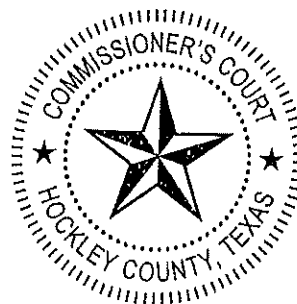
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Jennifer Palermo
County Clerk, Hockley County, Texas

I, the undersigned County Clerk, do hereby certify that the above Notice of Meeting of the above named Commissioners' Court, is a true and correct copy of said Notice on the bulletin board at the Courthouse, and at the east door of the Courthouse of Hockley County, Texas, as place readily accessible to the general public at all times on the 24th day of August, 2023, and said Notice remained posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting.

Dated this 24th day of August, 2023.

Jennifer Palermo
Jennifer Palermo, County Clerk, and Ex-Officio
Clerk of Commissioners' Court, Hockley County, Texas



THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HOCKLEY

IN THE COMMISSIONER'S COURT
OF HOCKEY COUNTY, TEXAS

REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 28, 2023

Be it remembered that on this the 28th day of AUGUST A.D. 2023, there came on to be held a Regular Meeting of the Commissioners Court, and the court having convened in Regular Session at the usual meeting place thereof at the Courthouse in Levelland, Texas, with the following members present to-wit:

Sharla Baldrige	County Judge
Alan Wisdom	Commissioner Precinct No. 1
Larry Carter	Commissioner Precinct No. 2
Seth Graf	Commissioner Precinct No. 3
Thomas R "Tommy" Clevenger	Commissioner Precinct No. 4

Jennifer Palermo, County Clerk, and Ex-Officio Clerk of Commissioners Court when the following proceedings were had to-wit:

Motion by Commissioner Carter second by Commissioner Graf, 4 Votes Yes, 0 Votes No, that the Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Commissioner's Court, held on Monday August 21, 2023, at 9:00 a.m., be approved and stand as read.

Motion by Commissioner Clevenger, second by Commissioner Wisdom, 4 Votes Yes, 0 Votes No, that all monthly claims and bills submitted to the court and dated through August 28, 2023, A.D. be approved and stand as read.

Motion by Commissioner Carter, second by Commissioner Clevenger, 4 votes yes, 0 votes No, that Commissioners Court approved the Continuation Certificate for Larry Cardona Reserve Deputy Sheriff County of Hockley. As per certificate recorded below.



Western Surety Company

CONTINUATION CERTIFICATE

Western Surety Company hereby continues in force Bond No. 64757294 briefly described as RESERVE DEPUTY SHERIFF COUNTY OF HOCKLEY,
 _____,
 for LARRY CARDONA
 _____, as Principal,
 in the sum of \$ TWO THOUSAND AND NO/100 Dollars, for the term beginning August 13, 2023, and ending August 13, 2024, subject to all the covenants and conditions of the original bond referred to above.

This continuation is issued upon the express condition that the liability of Western Surety Company under said Bond and this and all continuations thereof shall not be cumulative and shall in no event exceed the total sum above written.

Dated this 17th day of May, 2023.



WESTERN SURETY COMPANY

By Paul T. Bruhat
 Paul T. Bruhat, Vice President

THIS "Continuation Certificate" MUST BE FILED WITH THE ABOVE BOND.

Western Surety Company

POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That WESTERN SURETY COMPANY, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of South Dakota, and authorized and licensed to do business in the States of Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin, Wyoming, and the United States of America, does hereby make, constitute and appoint

Paul T. Bruflat of Sioux Falls,
State of South Dakota, its regularly elected Vice President,
as Attorney-in-Fact, with full power and authority hereby conferred upon him to sign, execute, acknowledge and deliver for and on its behalf as Surety and as its act and deed, the following bond:

One RESERVE DEPUTY SHERIFF COUNTY OF HOCKLEY

bond with bond number 64757294

for LARRY CARDONA

as Principal in the penalty amount not to exceed: \$2,000.00

Western Surety Company further certifies that the following is a true and exact copy of Section 7 of the by-laws of Western Surety Company duly adopted and now in force, to-wit:

Section 7. All bonds, policies, undertakings, Powers of Attorney, or other obligations of the corporation shall be executed in the corporate name of the Company by the President, Secretary, any Assistant Secretary, Treasurer, or any Vice President, or by such other officers as the Board of Directors may authorize. The President, any Vice President, Secretary, any Assistant Secretary, or the Treasurer may appoint Attorneys-in-Fact or agents who shall have authority to issue bonds, policies, or undertakings in the name of the Company. The corporate seal is not necessary for the validity of any bonds, policies, undertakings, Powers of Attorney or other obligations of the corporation. The signature of any such officer and the corporate seal may be printed by facsimile.

In Witness Whereof, the said WESTERN SURETY COMPANY has caused these presents to be executed by its Vice President Paul T. Bruflat with the corporate seal affixed this 17th day of May, 2023.

ATTEST

L. Bauder

L. Bauder, Assistant Secretary

WESTERN SURETY COMPANY

By

Paul T. Bruflat

Paul T. Bruflat, Vice President

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

COUNTY OF MINNEHAHA

} ss

On this 17th day of May, 2023, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Paul T. Bruflat and L. Bauder

who, being by me duly sworn, acknowledged that they signed the above Power of Attorney as Vice President and Assistant Secretary, respectively, of the said WESTERN SURETY COMPANY, and acknowledged said instrument to be the voluntary act and deed of said Corporation.



M. Bent

Notary Public

My Commission Expires March 2, 2026

To validate bond authenticity, go to www.cnasurety.com > Owner/Obligee Services > Validate Bond Coverage.



Figure: 28 TAC 01.601(a)(3)

IMPORTANT NOTICE

1 To obtain information or make a complaint:

2 You may contact Western Surety Company, Surety Bonding Company of America or Universal Surety of America at 605-336-0850.

3 You may call Western Surety Company's, Surety Bonding Company of America's or Universal Surety of America's toll-free telephone number for information or to make a complaint at:

1-800-331-6053

4 You may also write to Western Surety Company, Surety Bonding Company of America or Universal Surety of America at:

P.O. Box 5077
Sioux Falls, SD 57117-5077

5 You may contact the Texas Department of Insurance to obtain information on companies, coverages, rights or complaints at:

1-800-252-3439

6 You may write the Texas Department of Insurance:

P.O. Box 149104
Austin, TX 78714-9104
Fax: (512) 490-1007
Web: www.tdi.texas.gov
E-Mail: ConsumerProtection@tdi.texas.gov

7 PREMIUM OR CLAIM DISPUTES:

Should you have a dispute concerning your premium or about a claim, you should contact Western Surety Company, Surety Bonding Company of America or Universal Surety of America first. If the dispute is not resolved, you may contact the Texas Department of Insurance.

8 ATTACH THIS NOTICE TO YOUR POLICY:

This notice is for information only and does not become a part or condition of the attached document.

AVISO IMPORTANTE

Para obtener informacion o para someter una queja:

Puede comunicarse con Western Surety Company, Surety Bonding Company of America o Universal Surety of America al 605-336-0850.

Usted puede llamar al numero de telefono gratis de Western Surety Company's, Surety Bonding Company of America's o Universal Surety of America's para informacion o para someter una queja al:

1-800-331-6053

Usted tambien puede escribir a Western Surety Company, Surety Bonding Company of America o Universal Surety of America:

P.O. Box 5077
Sioux Falls, SD 57117-5077

Puede comunicarse con el Departamento de Seguros de Texas para obtener informacion acerca de companias, coberturas, derechos o quejas al:

1-800-252-3439

Puede escribir al Departamento de Seguros de Texas:

P.O. Box 149104
Austin, TX 78714-9104
Fax: (512) 490-1007
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DISPUTAS SOBRE PRIMAS O RECLAMOS:

Si tiene una disputa concerniente a su prima o a un reclamo, debe comunicarse con el Western Surety Company, Surety Bonding Company of America o Universal Surety of America primero. Si no se resuelve la disputa, puede entonces comunicarse con el departamento (TDI).

UNA ESTE AVISO A SU POLIZA: Este aviso es solo para proposito de informacion y no se convierte en parte o condicion del documento adjunto.

Motion by Commissioner Clevenger, second by Commissioner Carter, 4votes yes, 0 votes no, that commissioner's court approved the final plat for Onion Shed Road Estates, an addition being 169.82 acres situated in Section 51, Block A R.M. Thompson Survey, Abstract No. 64, Hockley County, Texas and located in Precinct 4. As per Plat recorded in Cabinet B Slide 62.

Motion by Commissioner Carter, second by Commissioner Graf, 4 votes yes, 0 votes no, that Commissioners Court approved the District Attorney's request to rescind the request for \$50,000.00 from ARPA funds to be utilized in the State vs. Samantha Mathis case. As per Order to rescind use of ARPA funds recorded below.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COMMISSIONERS' COURT

COUNTY OF HOCKLEY

HOCKLEY COUNTY, TEXAS

ORDER TO APPROVE RESCINDING USE OF ARPA FUNDS
MATHIS CAPITAL CASE

The Commissioners' Court of Hockley County has hereby approved AND IT IS SO ORDERED that the \$50,000.00 from ARPA funds that was to be utilized in the State vs. Samantha Mathis capital case is rescinded per the request of the District Attorney.

DONE IN OPEN COURT, this the 28th day of August, 2023, upon motion by Commissioner, Larry Carter and seconded by Commissioner, Seth Graf.

Sharla Baldrige
Sharla Baldrige, Hockley County Judge

Alan Wisdom
Alan Wisdom, Commissioner, Pct 1

Larry Carter
Larry Carter, Commissioner, Pct 2

Seth Graf
Seth Graf, Commissioner, Pct 3

Tommy Clevenger
Tommy Clevenger, Commissioner, Pct 4

ATTEST: Jennifer Palermo
Jennifer Palermo, County Clerk,
Ex-Officio Clerk of Commissioners
Court of Hockley County, Texas



Motion by Commissioner Wisdom, second by Commissioner Carter, 4 votes yes, 0 votes no, that Commissioners Court approved the Resolution for County Essentials Grant to cover projected costs for the prosecution Robert Garza. As per Order recorded below.

HOCKLEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT RESOLUTION NO. 2023 – 4

COUNTY ESSENTIAL SERVICES GRANT

WHEREAS, the County of Hockley finds it in the best interest of the citizens of Hockley County that the County Essential Services Grant No. 4920601 be operated for the 2023 year; and

WHEREAS, the County of Hockley agrees that in the event of loss of misuse of the Office of the Governor funds, the County of Hockley assures that the funds will be returned to the Office of the Governor in full.

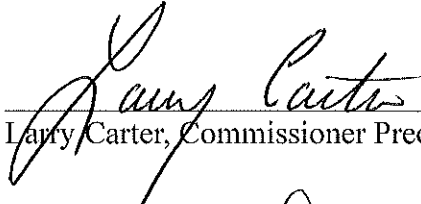
WHEREAS, the County of Hockley designates Hockley County Judge Sharla Baldrige as the grantee's authorized official the authorized official is given the power to apply for, accept, reject, alter or terminate the grant on behalf of the applicant agency.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the County of Hockley approves submission of the grant application for the County Essential Services Grant to the Office of the Governor.

Adopted and approved this 28th day of August, 2023.


Sharla Baldrige, Hockley County Judge

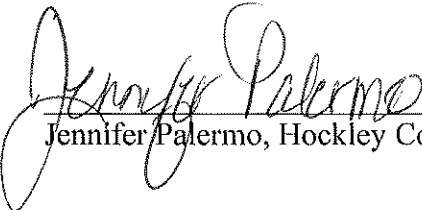

Alan Wisdom, Commissioner Precinct 1


Larry Carter, Commissioner Precinct 2


Seth Graf, Commissioner Precinct 3


Tommy Clevenger, Commissioner Precinct 4

ATTEST:


Jennifer Palermo, Hockley County Clerk



Grant No. 4920601

Motion by Commissioner Graf, second by Commissioner Clevenger, 4 votes yes, 0 votes no, that Commissioners Court approved to convene in EXECUTIVE/CLOSED Session pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code (consultation with attorney) for the Commissioners Court to consult with and seek advice from its attorney, and Section 551.0725 of the Texas Government Code (deliberation regarding contract being negotiated).

Closed Session 9:15 a.m.

EXECUTIVE/CLOSED SESSION – A closed meeting will be held pursuant to section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code (consultation with attorney) for the Commissioners Court to consult with and seek advice from its attorney, and section 551.0725 of The Texas Government Code to discuss (1) the contract terms concerning the prosecution of Omar Soto Chavira including review of contractual terms for procuring a prosecutorial team that comprises two trial attorneys, one investigator, one appellate attorney and paralegals; (2) all related matters; and (3) any topic listed on the agenda posted for this meeting.

Closed Session 9:58 a.m. no action taken.

There being no further business to come before the Court, the Judge declared Court adjourned, subject to call.

The foregoing Minutes of a Commissioner's Court meeting held on the 28th day of August, A. D. 2023, was examined by me and approved.

Alan W. Sisson
Commissioner, Precinct No. 1

[Signature]
Commissioner, Precinct No. 3

Randy Cactus
Commissioner, Precinct No. 2

Tommy Cleverly
Commissioner, Precinct No. 4

Charla Baldrige
County Judge

Jennifer Palermo
JENNIFER PALERMO, County Clerk, and
Ex-Officio Clerk of Commissioners' Court
Hockley County, Texas

