

Notice of Meeting and Agenda
February 23, 2021

Jeff R. Branick, County Judge
Vernon Pierce, Commissioner, Precinct One
Brent A. Weaver, Commissioner, Precinct Two
Michael S. Sinegal, Commissioner, Precinct Three
Everette "Bo" Alfred, Commissioner, Precinct Four



**NOTICE OF MEETING AND AGENDA
OF COMMISSIONERS' COURT
OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, TEXAS
February 23, 2021**

Notice is hereby given that the Commissioners' Court of Jefferson County, Texas, will meet at **10:30 AM**, on the **23rd** day of **February 2021** in the Commissioners' Courtroom, 4th Floor, Jefferson County Courthouse, 1149 Pearl Street, Beaumont, Texas.

Said meeting will be a **Regular** meeting for the purpose of transacting the routine business of the County. Persons with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids for services who wish to attend this meeting should contact the County Judge's Office to arrange for assistance.

In addition to the routine business of the County, the subject of said meeting will be the following:

9:30 a.m.- Workshop to discuss Emergency Rental Assistance Program and contracting with Southeast Texas Regional Planning Commission for administration of grant.

10:00 a.m.- Announcement of an executive (closed) session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.0725 to deliberate business and financial issues relating to a contract being negotiated, that deliberation in open meeting, would have a detrimental effect on the Commissioners Court in negotiations with a third person.

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calling 346-248-7799 Meeting ID: 917 160 6532# Participant ID: #The court will also have a question and answer session at the end of the meeting. If you would like to ask any questions of the Court, please be on the phone call. The Court will give a question and answer session at the end of the meeting as time allows. You will be called upon by your last 4 digits of your phone number. If you do not have any questions, you can pass. Please be mindful that the audio portion of this meeting will be of better quality from the website.

INVOCATION: Brent A. Weaver, Commissioner, Precinct Two

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Michael S. Sinegal, Commissioner, Precinct Three

PURCHASING:

- (a) Consider and approve specifications for Invitation for Bid (IFB 21-004/JW) Phase VI: First-Time Sanitary Sewer Improvements Project for Jefferson County (Community Development Block Grant) (TxCDBG No . 7218240).

[Specifications - Phase VI Sewer Improvements \(IFB 21-004 JW\).pdf](#)

- (b) Execute, receive and file a contract renewal for (IFB 19-001/YS), Term Contract for Legal Notices for Jefferson County for a second one (1) year renewal with Beaumont Enterprise, The Examiner, and Port Arthur News from February 17, 2021 to February 16, 2022.

[Contract Renewal - Beaumont Enterprise.pdf](#)
[Contract Renewal - The Examiner Corp..pdf](#)
[Contract Renewal - The Port Arthur News.pdf](#)

- (c) Consider and approve, execute, receive and file Amendment No. 5 for Master Services Agreement for Professional Services with Garver, LLC. for the preparation of design drawings and specifications, and to carry out bidding phase services for the Rehabilitation and Realignment of Taxiway A at the Jack Brooks Regional Airport for a lump sum amount of \$228,100.00; in accordance with (RFQ 16-013/JW), Professional Engineering Services for the Jack Brooks Regional Airport. This project is funded by Airport Improvement Program (AIP) Grant # 35.

[Amendment No. 5 for \(RFQ 16-013 JW\).pdf](#)

- (d) Discuss and possibly approve the County Purchasing Agent to enter into contract negotiations for Request for Proposals (RFP 20-054/JW), Wage and Compensation Study for Jefferson County.

- (e) Consider and approve, execute, receive and file a Professional Services Agreement (PROF 21-006/JW) with e. Sullivan Advertising & Design to be appointed Marketing Communications Agency for Jack Brooks Regional Airport, commencing February 1, 2021 and ending September 30, 2021. Not to exceed \$40,000.00 for Marketing and Promotion of the Airport; with funding being through budgeted funds.

[\(PROF 21-006 JW\) e.Sullivan \(Marketing for JBRA\).pdf](#)

- (f) Consider and approve, execute, receive and file an agreement (Agreement 21-012/JW) with LexisNexis and Jefferson County for a LexisNexis Advance online access subscription for County Court at Law No. 1. This agreement is for a one-year term (March 1, 2021 through February 28, 2022), at a cost of \$83.00 per month.

[\(Agreement 21-012 JW\) LexisNexis Online Access - CCL#1.pdf](#)

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- (g) Consider and approve, execute, receive and file an agreement (Agreement 21-011/DC) with Spectrum and Jefferson County for Standard Cable Service for one digital receiver and television service for Commissioner Pct#1 4th Floor Office located at 1149 Pearl Street, Beaumont, TX 77701, at a cost of \$7.99 per month. Total monthly cost for Beaumont Courthouse Facility is \$114.89 per month.

[\(Agreement 21-011 DC\) Spectrum Enterprise Service Agreement.pdf](#)

- (h) Consider and approve disposition of salvage property as authorized by Local Government Code §263.152 (3), for broken or obsolete items.

[Memo - Disposal of Salvage Property \(Computers & Equipment\).pdf](#)

COUNTY AUDITOR:

- (a) Consider and approve budget amendment – Jail – cost for inmate housing downtown.

120-3062-423-5081	RELIEF-BOARD & LODGING	\$84,000.00	
120-9999-415-9999	CONTINGENCY APPROPRIATION		\$84,000.00

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- (b) Consider and approve budget amendment– Road & Bridge Pct.3– purchase of laptop.

113-0309-431-6002	COMPUTER EQUIPMENT	\$1,462.00	
116-0604-452-3015	CEMENT, CONCRETE, ETC.		\$1,462.00

[ccRoad&BridgePct.3 -021621.pdf](#)

- (c) Consider and approve budget transfer – Constable Pct.1 – dues for range membership.

120-3065-425-5021	DUES/SUBSCRIPTIONS	\$400.00	
120-3065-425-3010	BOOKS-PRINTED		\$400.00

[ccConstablePct.1 -021621.pdf](#)

- (d) Regular County Bills – check #479678 through checks #479907.

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- (e) Regular County Bills – check #479908 through checks #480045.

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COUNTY CLERK:

- (a) Consider and possibly approve, execute, receive and file, Election Services Contract and Lease Agreement with the City of Beaumont, Port of Beaumont, Beaumont ISD, Port Arthur ISD, Port of Port Arthur Navigation District, Sabine Pass Port Authority, Sabine Pass ISD, and the City of Port Arthur for the administration of the May 1, 2021, Election.

[Jefferson County Election Services Contract_2021-05-01.pdf](#)

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

- (a) Consider, possibly approve and authorize the County Judge to extend the Declaration of Local Disaster dated 03-13-2020, Pursuant to Section 418.108 (b) of the Texas Government Code.

[RESOLUTION FOR COVID 19 PANDEMIC\(4\).pdf](#)

- (b) Consider and possibly approve a Resolution to renew and extend the Disaster Declaration issued for Hurricane Delta.

[RESOLUTION TO RENEW AND EXTEND THE DISASTER DECLARATION FOR HURRICANE DELTA\(1\).pdf](#)

- (c) Consider and possibly approve extending the Disaster Declaration for Hurricane Laura.

[RESOLUTION TO EXTEND DISASTER DECLARATION FOR HURRICANE LAURA \(2\).pdf](#)

- (d) Consider and possibly approve a resolution in Opposition to SB 234/HB 749 Efforts to Silence County Officials.

[RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO SB 234 HB 749.pdf](#)

- (e) Consider and possibly approve, authorize the County Judge to execute contract for sale for Ford Park and any and all documents necessary for the transfer of the Ford Park property.

- (f) Consider, possibly approve and authorize the County Judge to execute the Annual Renewal Agreement between Jefferson County and the National Museum of the United States Air Force (NMUSAF) for the airplane located at Veterans Memorial Park.

[ANNUAL RENEWAL AGMT BETWEEN JEFF CNTY AND THE NMUSAF .pdf](#)

- (g) Consider and possibly approve an application for a total of _____ Advance Warning Equipment IoT Flood Inundation Sensors offered by the Texas Department of Emergency Management that may be utilized by Commissioners within their respective precincts in areas of flood concerns.

HUMAN RESOURCES:

- (a) Consider and possibly approve the appointment of Michelle Falgout to County Engineer with an annual salary of \$130,000.00 effective March 1, 2021.
- (b) Consider and possibly approve granting extended leave without pay for up to 90 days for Alyssa Nickerson, an employee of the Sheriff's Department.
- (c) Consider and possibly approve granting extended leave without pay for up to 90 days for Jill Ortega, an employee of the Sheriff's Department.
- (d) Consider and possibly approve adoption of **Notice of Nondiscrimination** in order to comply with the Department of Homeland Security, Civil Rights Evaluation Tool requirements for potential grant recipients.

[Notice of Nondiscrimination for Recipients .pdf](#)

OTHER BUSINESS:

Receive reports from Elected Officials and staff on matters of community interest without taking action.

*****DISCUSSION ON ANY OTHER ITEM NOT ON AGENDA WITHOUT TAKING ACTION.**

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COUNTY AUDITOR:

- (f) Receive and file Jefferson County Community Supervision and Corrections Department Audited Financial Statements for the Year Ended August 31, 2020.

[Annual Financial Report - CSCD.pdf](#)

- (g) Receive and file Financial Statement for the Texas Juvenile Justice Department Grant Funds for the Year Ended August 31, 2020.

[Annual Financial Report 2020- Juvenile.pdf](#)

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

- (h) Consider and possibly approve extending the Declaration of Disaster issued for Winter Storm.

[RESOLUTION TO EXTEND DISASTER DECLARATION ISSUED FOR WINTER STORM.pdf](#)

COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR:

- (a) Consider and approve a property tax refund to Indorama Ventures Oxides LLC in the amount of \$49,000.00 in accordance with Property Tax Code 31.11-Refund of overpayment in excess of \$2,500.

[Indorama Ventures Oxides LLC Refund.pdf](#)

- (b) Consider, possibly approve and authorize the County Judge to execute, receive and file, a Motor Vehicle Registration/Inspection Point of Sale Sticker interlocal agreement between Jefferson County and J. Khan Ventures LLC dba Car King.

[Interlocal Agreement__J Khan Ventures LLC dba Car King.pdf](#)

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