Notice of Meeting and Agenda March 26, 2024

> Jeff R. Branick, County Judge Vernon Pierce, Commissioner, Precinct One Cary Erickson, 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 March 26, 2024

Notice is hereby given that the Commissioners' Court of Jefferson County, Texas, will meet at **10:30 AM**, on the **26th** day of **March 2024** in the Commissioners' Courtroom, 4th Floor, Jefferson County Courthouse, 1149 Pearl Street, Beaumont, Texas.

Said meeting will be a **Special** 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:

9:30am - 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.

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

NOTICE: Commissioner Pierce may attend and participate in this

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Commissioners Court Meeting via videoconference. A quorum of members of Commissioners Court and the presiding officer will be physically present for this meeting in the Commissioners' Courtroom, 4th Floor, Jefferson County Courthouse, 1149 Pearl Street, Beaumont, Texas. Commissioner Pierce shall be considered present for this meeting but shall be considered absent from any portion of the meeting during which audio or video communication with him is lost or disconnected. Commissioners Court will continue the meeting while Commissioner Pierce is absent.

Jefferson County has taken steps to minimize the exposure of COVID-19 by implementing the following steps to allow the public to view the Commissioner's Court meeting.

The following options are available:

View live with audio from the County Webpage: https://co.jefferson.tx.us/comm_crt/commlink.htm

Listen to audio by calling 347-973-4395, conference id 113569383# The court will also have a time for public comments at the beginning of the meeting. If you would like to speak at that time, please be on the phone call. The Court will allow public comments related to items on the agenda that day at the beginning of the meeting. Public comments will be limited to 3 minutes per person.

Please be mindful that the audio portion of this meeting will be of better quality from the website.

INVOCATION: Michael S. Sinegal, Commissioner, Precinct Three

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Everette "Bo" Alfred, Commissioner, Precinct Four

PURCHASING:

(a) Receive and bids for Invitation for Bid (IFB 23-065/MR) Term Contract for Mowing for Jefferson County.

Bid Affordable Lawn.pdf Bid Deep South Logistics.pdf Bid Delgado Tractor Works.pdf Bid FIDIS Logistics.pdf Bid GP Evans.pdf Bid 3rd Coast Companies.pdf

(b) Consider and approve award, execute, receive and file Professional Services Agreement (PROF 24-017/MR) for Major Drive Rehabilitation Project with LJA Engineering in the amount of \$222,630.00 in accordance with Request for Statements of Qualifications (RFQ 23-050/MR) Professional Engineering Design and Architectural Services for Jefferson County.

(PROF 24-017 MR) LJA Engineering.pdf

- (c) Consider and approve award, receive and file contract for Request for Proposal (RFP 23-071/MR) Commissary Services for Jefferson County Sheriff's Office with Keefe Commissary Network, LLC. Contract (RFP 23-071 MR) Keefe Commissary Network.pdf
- (d) Consider and approve, execute, receive and file Environmental Review in accordance with Texas General Land Office Community Development Block Grant-Mitigation (CDBG-MIT) Resilient Communities Program application guidelines; pursuant to Chapter 262, Texas Local Government Code, the County Purchasing Act and 2 CFR Sections 200.318 – 326.

Environmental Review (GLO-CDBG-MIT Resilient Communities Program).pdf

(e) Consider and approve, execute, receive and file Local Certifications Acknowledgement in accordance with Texas General Land Office Community Development Block Grant-Mitigation (CDBG-MIT) Resilient Communities Program application guidelines; pursuant to Chapter 262, Texas Local Government Code, the County Purchasing Act and 2 CFR Sections 200.318 – 326. Acknowledgment of Local Certifications (GLO-CDBG-MIT Resilient Communities Program).pdf

(f) Consider and approve, execute, receive and file Application (SF-424) prepared by and to be submitted by Langford Community Management Services on behalf of Jefferson County for Federal Assistance for Texas General Land Office Community Development Block Grant–Mitigation (CDBG-MIT) Resilient Communities Program; pursuant to Chapter 262, Texas Local Government Code, the County Purchasing Act and 2 CFR Sections 200.318 – 326.

Application for Federal Assistance (SF-424) (GLO-CDBG-MIT-Resilient Communities Program).pdf

(g) Consider and approve a discretionary exemption as authorized by Local Government Code 262.024(a)(11) for vehicle and equipment repairs for helicopter repairs with Arrow Aviation in the approximate amount of \$70,528.67 plus reimbursable expenses which include travel costs and hourly turbine rental costs.

Arrow Aviation Exception.pdf

COUNTY AUDITOR:

(a) Consider and approve list of expenditures for Sheriff for the Rural Law Enforcement Assistance Program grant award to Jefferson County in the amount of \$500,000. No match is required.

cc Sheriff Rural grant schedule.pdf

(b) Receive and file subrecipient agreement for American Rescue Plan Act Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds with Cardinal Meadows.

Cardinal Meadows.pdf

(c) Receive and file subrecipient agreement for American Rescue Plan Act Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds with Recovery Council of Southeast Texas.

Recovery Council of SE Texas.pdf

(d) Consider and approve advanced funding request for American Rescue Plan Act approved project with City of Nome P2 in the amount of \$42,500.

cc Nome P2 advance.pdf

- (e) Receive and file the Jefferson County Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2023. Jefferson County FY 2024 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report.pdf
- (f) Receive and file the SAS 114 Letter from Pattillo, Brown & Hill LLP for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2023. Communication with Those Charged with Governance .pdf
- (g) Receive and file Financial & Operating Statements County Funds Only for the Three Months Ending December 31, 2023.

October - December 2023 Monthly Financial.pdf

(h) Receive and file Financial & Operating Statements – County Funds Only for the Month Ending January 31, 2024.

January 2024 Monthly Financial.pdf

(i) Receive and file Financial & Operating Statements – County Funds Only for the Month Ending February 29, 2024.

February 2024 Monthly Financial.pdf

(j) Consider and authorize County Judge to execute sales contract for the purchase of the property located at 1652 Avenue I, Beaumont TX 77701, as part of Jefferson County's Home Buyout program with Hurricane Harvey grant funds through the Texas General Land Office contract 20-066-036-C242. Consider and authorize the County Judge or the County Auditor to execute all other necessary documents for the closing of this property.

cc Home buyout contract.pdf

(k) Consider and approve applying for High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) grant. Funding is \$24,552 available through the Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP) to aid in investigation and prosecution of drug offenses in our region. No Match funding is required.

cc HIDTA grant.pdf

(l) Regular County Bills – check #515739 through check #515927.

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(m) Consider and approve electronic disbursements for \$509,519.30 to LaSalle for revenue received from entities for inmate housing.

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT:

(a) Consider and possibly approve a Resolution recognizing Angela D. Legendre for her 32 years and 1 month of service to the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office and wishing her well in retirement.

Letter to Commissioners Court-A. Legendre.pdf Angela Legendre court resoultion 1.pdf

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

- (a) Consider, possibly approve, authorize the County Judge to execute, receive and file U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Application for Department of the Army Permit: OMB No. 0710-003 for construction at the Keith Lake Fish Pass Baffle. Attachment A_SWG-2013-00841_Keith Lake Fish Pass Baffle Eng_Form 4345 amended (1).pdf
- (b) Consider and possibly approve the appointment of Judge Joseph Guillory
- to the Board of the Tax Reinvestment Zone No. 1, to replace Commissioner Sinegal who has resigned.
- (c) Consider, possibly approve, receive and file the proposed plan for signage at Ford Park naming rights as presented by Doggett pursuant to their naming rights agreement. Scan in the attachment.

(d) Receive and file Constitutional County Court Confidentiality Policy and Agreement adopted March 14, 2024.

Confidentiality Policy and Agreement (1).pdf

(e) Consider, possibly approve, receive, file, and authorize the County Judge to execute a Permanent Easement Agreement between Jefferson County and Low Carbon Logistics Transport LLC for Tracts# ROSE-JE-OO4.000 & OO5.000, in Jefferson County. (Project Name: TX-245 Rose Project).

ROSE-JE Project.pdf

(f) Consider, possibly approve and authorize the County Judge to execute an Access and Laydown Lease Agreement between Jefferson County and Entergy Texas, Inc, for temporary use of property on Range Road. Access and Laydown Lease Agreement.pdf

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT:

(a) Execute, receive and file Utility Permit 03-U-24 between Jefferson County and AT&T for the purpose of constructing, maintaining or repairing a utility or common carrier for distribution of new fiber cable to Fox Trail, Whitebark and Ponderosa Trail. This project is located in Jefferson County in Precinct # 1.

03-U-24.pdf

(b) Execute, receive and file Overweight Vehicle Permit 06-OW-24 and Road Use Agreement between Jefferson County and Bechtel Energy, Inc. for the purpose of transporting fill and materials for construction of Laydown Area #2 and Pig Launching Pad along, Keith Lake Road / Boat Ramp off of HWY 87. This project is located in Jefferson County in Precinct #3.

06-OW-24.pdf

OTHER BUSINESS:

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

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

Jeff R. Branick County Judge