

Notice of Meeting and Agenda
October 01, 2024

Jeff R. Branick, County Judge
Eddie Arnold, 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
October 01, 2024**

Notice is hereby given that the Commissioners' Court of Jefferson County, Texas, will meet at **10:30 AM**, on the **01st** day of **October 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:

9:45 a.m. - Announcement of an executive (closed) session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section § 551.071 for the purpose of receiving information regarding pending or contemplated litigation.

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 for economic development and real property, and security that deliberation in open meeting, would have a detrimental effect on the Commissioners Court in negotiations with a third person.

Jefferson County has taken steps to minimize the exposure of COVID-19 by implementing the following steps to allow the public to view the

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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) Consider and approve, execute, receive and file Amendment No. 1 (one) to Professional Agreement (PROF 22-018/JW) Interpreter Services for court proceedings. This amendment will add American Sign Language Legal/Court In-Person Interpreting (IPI) with MasterWord. As the Service Rate Schedule for this agreement amendment is considered confidential information, this information has been redacted in “Scope of Work and Service Rates” of this agreement amendment.

[Amendment 1 \(PROF 22-018 JW\) MasterWord.pdf](#)

- (b) Consider and approve, execute, receive and file an agreement (Agreement 24-061/MR) with Kofile for Critical Records Management (Deeds, Condo, Maps & Probates) for the County Clerk’s Office in the amount of \$1,123,432.26; pursuant to TXMAS Contract No. TXMAS-23-92001.

[\(Agreement 24-061 MR\) Kofile.pdf](#)

- (c) Consider and approve, execute, receive and file Architectural Barriers Designated Agent Form authorizing Burns Architecture, LLC to serve as the Designated Agent for the Jefferson County Correctional Facility Renovations to Intake/Kitchen with the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation, Pursuant to Chapter 262, Texas Local Government Code, the County Purchasing Act and 2 CFR Sections 200.318-326.

[Architectural Barriers Designated Agent Form.pdf](#)

COUNTY AUDITOR:

- (a) Consider and approve FY 2025 budget amendment – District Attorney – replacement of wrecked vehicle.

120-2030-412-6007	AUTOMOBILES	\$58,265.00	
120-9999-415-9999	CONTINGENCY APPROPRIATION		\$58,265.00

[ccDistrict Attorney - 100124.pdf](#)

- (b) Consider and approve electronic disbursement for \$624.82 to Texas Department of Criminal Justice for October insurance reimbursement.

- (c) Receive and file Resolution Authorizing County Grant, Texas Department of Agriculture Home-Delivered Meal Grant Program for Nutrition & Services for Seniors for FY 2024-2025.

[ccResolution -Nutrition & Services for Seniors -100124.pdf](#)

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- (d) Receive and file Resolution Authorizing County Grant, Texas Department of Agriculture Home-Delivered Meal Grant Program for Center for Christian Services (United Board of Missions) for FY 2024-2025.

[ccResolution -Center for Christian Services\(UBM\) -100124.pdf](#)

- (e) Consider and approve directing that all money that otherwise would be deposited in a salary fund shall be deposited in the general fund of the County in accordance with Local Government Code section 154.007.

- (f) Regular County Bills – check #521518 through check #521765.

[0521518_0521765.pdf](#)

- (g) Consider and approve expenditure by the Tax office in accordance with order pursuant to section 130.908 of Texas Local Government Code. Cost associated with printing and mailing tax statements are estimated to be \$65,000.

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT:

- (a) Please consider and possibly approve, authorizing the Jefferson County Judge to execute an Inter-local agreement between Jefferson County and the Cities of Beaumont and Pt. Arthur on asset sharing of the 2024 Byrne Justice Assistance Grant Program (JAG). Jefferson County's allocation is \$17,612 and is budgeted for computer equipment for the Sheriff's Office.

[Letter for 2024 JAG.pdf](#)
[JAG FY 2024.pdf](#)

- (b) Consider and possibly approve a Resolution acknowledging Patricia Molfino.

[ResolutionPatriciaMolfino.pdf](#)

DISTRICT CLERK:

- (a) Consideration, discussion and possible action to adopt a Resolution of the Commissioner's Court of Jefferson County regarding Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson, LLP as being fully qualified as special counsel to perform all legal services pursuant to Sec. 2254.1036 of the Texas Government Code.

[JEFFERSON COUNTY RESOLUTION 2024.pdf](#)
[30% Resolution Approval.pdf](#)

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- (b) Consideration, discussion and possible action to a) Approve an Agreement with the Law Firm of Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson to act as special counsel to perform all legal services necessary to collect unpaid fines, fees and court costs as provided in the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure Art. 103.031 and by Sec. 140.009 of the Texas Local Government Code; and b) Authorize the County Judge to sign the Agreement on the County's behalf.

[JEFFERSON COUNTY DCO.pdf](#)

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

- (a) Consider and possibly approve a Proclamation for National Center for Construction and Education Research.

[NCCERproclamation.pdf](#)

- (b) Consider and possibly approve a Proclamation for Lowe's Foundation.

[Lowe's.pdf](#)

- (c) Consider, possibly approve and authorize the County Judge to execute an Affiliation Agreement Between Jefferson County and Lamar Institute of Technology for Use of Clinical Facilities for the Education of Pharmacy Technicians. (This is a renewal.)

[LIT Pharmacy MOU 2025.pdf](#)

- (d) Consider, possibly approve and authorize the County Judge to execute an Agreement Between Jefferson County and Lamar University (to renew the SETCAST agreement) for renewal of the agreement to broadcast Commissioners Court meetings. (This renewal is for the same terms.)

[Agreement between SETCAST and JCCC_24-25 \(1\).pdf](#)

COUNTY TREASURER:

- (a) Receive and File Investment Schedule for August, 2024, including the year to date total earnings on County funds.

[Scan_0824 Investment Report.pdf](#)

- (b) Consider and approve, review, receive and file the 2024-2025 Investment Policy and Procedures.

[JC Investment Policy-2024.pdf](#)

VISITORS CENTER:

- (a) Consider and possibly approve Jefferson County Tourism Committee Hotel Occupancy Tax allocation recommendations for fall 2024 grant requests.

[Fall 2024 Grant Totals with Recommendations.pdf](#)

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT:

- (a) Consider and possibly approve a Plat of Sour Lake Moore Addition, plat of a 3.34 acre tract (called 3.354 acres) Clerk File No. 2023019678 O.P.R.J.C.T. into Lots 1 - 5, part of the David Choate Survey, A - 11, Jefferson County, Texas. This plat is located off of Moore Road and Sour Lake Road in Precinct #1 and is in City of Beaumont ETJ. This plat has met all of Jefferson County and City of Beaumont platting requirements.

[City of Bmt Replat of Tract 161 into Lots 1-5 Sour Lake Add.pdf](#)
[Replat of Tract 161 into Lots 1-5 Sour Lake Add.pdf](#)

- (b) Execute, receive and file Overweight Vehicle Permit 09-OW-24 and Road Use Agreement between Jefferson County and Energy Transfer GC NGL Pipelines LP, for the purpose of constructing a pump station at 3350 S. China Road. This project is located in Precinct 1.

[09-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