

County of Val Verde



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AGENDA/NOTICE
VAL VERDE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT
REGULAR TERM MEETING

Old County Court-At-Law Building
207B E Losoya Street
Del Rio, TX 78840

Live Feed Link- <http://valverdecountry.texas.gov/>

May 20, 2026 @ 9:00 A.M.

1. Call to order.
2. Determine that a quorum is present.
3. Reciting the pledge of allegiance.
4. Reciting the Texas pledge of allegiance.
5. [Approving and amending minutes](#)
6. Citizens' Comments.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO THE PUBLIC THAT THE FOLLOWING
ITEMS WILL BE DISCUSSED AND POSSIBLE ACTION MAY BE TAKEN BY
THE VAL VERDE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT:**

Aaron D. Rodriguez, County Treasurer

7. Discussion and possible action to approve the Treasurer's Report.

Lewis G. Owens Jr., County Judge

8. [Discussion and possible action on approving Proclamation for Month of May as Community Action Month.](#)

9. [Discussion and possible action to grant Falcon Art Center Foundation, permission to use County Courthouse Courtyard for a youth art session on June 6, 2026, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. , for a community "Historical Art" project.](#)

10. [Discussion and possible action on fee at Fairground for National Speleological Society Convention 2027.](#)

11. Discussion and possible action on contract with City of Del Rio, to collect their Taxes.

12. Discussion and possible action on allocation of HOT Tax Funds for Del Rio Little League District 35 and Section 3 Baseball and Softball Tournaments to be held at the Val Verde Sports Complex. Requesting \$4,821.00 in total for both Del Rio Little League District 35 and Section 3 Baseball and Softball Tournaments.

13. Discussion and possible action to set aside funds from available appropriations for Advocacy Group for Federal issues. (\$16,000.00).

14. Discussion and possible action to set aside funds from available appropriations for Advocacy Group for State issues. (\$20,000.00).

15. Discussion and possible action on request for a county cell phone for County Judge Office to be issued to Elva Lomas.

16. [Discussion and possible action on MOU for CASA of Val Verde County.](#)

Juan Carlos Vazquez, County Commissioner Pct. 2

17. Discussion and possible action regarding an update on the Lausen Dr. drainage project.

Gustavo Flores, Commissioner Precinct 4

18. [Discussion and possible action to approve the installation of six \(6\) LED street lights, including necessary hardware and infrastructure, and to authorize the County Judge to execute the AEP Texas](#)

CIAC Agreement. The expense will be funded through Precinct 4's operating budget in the total amount of \$3,985.84. (Note: This is the 6th time this item has been presented to the court).

This item seeks approval for the expansion of street lighting along the Cienegas Road to enhance public safety. The project includes the installation of:

- (6) LED Street Lights with 10' mounting arms.
- (3) Transformers (XFRMs) and secondary cabling.

The proposed lighting improvements are designated at the following specific sites:

1. 2345 Cienegas Rd. / Finegan Rd. (Basse Corner Pole - Marker #2)
2. 2410 Cienegas Rd. (Opposite Dollar General - Marker #3)
3. 2727 Cienegas Rd. (Right side, preceding the duck pond - Marker #6)
4. 2917 Cienegas Rd. (Frontage of duck pond - Marker #8)
5. 3019 Cienegas Rd. (Duck Pond water crossing - Marker #10)
6. 109 Owens Rd. (Intersection of Cienegas Rd.)

19. Presentation by Ruben Chavez representing MCN regarding the scope and services of his non-profit organization. (For informational purposes only; no action to be taken).

Joe Frank Martinez, Sheriff

20. [Discussion and possible action authorizing Sheriff Joe Frank Martinez to sign the modified Blanket Purchase Agreement between Laughlin Air Force Base and the Val Verde County Sheriff's Office for the confinement of military detainees/inmates.](#)

Carlos Velarde, County Engineer

21. [Discussion and possible action on approval and authorizing County Judge to sign MOU for Road Maintenance between Val Verde County and US Border Patrol, Del Rio Sector for road maintenance at SE Ranch, upon review of the County Attorney.](#)

22. Discussion and possible action on approval ROW utility permit Frontier project number F70387-5324738 for installation of aerial and underground fiber optic on Lausen Rd.

23. [Discussion and possible action accepting the Texas Military Preparedness Commission \(TMPC\) Defense Economic Adjustment Assistance Grant \(DEAAG\) in the amount of \\$5 million for the](#)

Airfield Lighting repair project in support of Laughlin Air Force Base and granting authority for the County Judge to sign the acceptance letter.

24. Discussion and possible action on Offer of Gift pursuant to 10 U.S.C. § 2601 to Laughlin Air Force Base in the amount \$5,000,000 for the Airfield Lighting repair project at LAFB granting authority for the County Judge to sign upon County Attorney review.

25. [Discussion and possible action approval of replat creating Lots 1A and 1B Block 19 Val Verde Park No.2 out of Lot 1 Block 19 previously recorded in volume 2 Page 68 of the Map Records of Val Verde County.](#)

26. Discussion and possible action on Notice of Intent from Blackcomb pipeline to TCEQ about discharge of hydrostatic test water in Val Verde County

Melissa Vasquez, Purchasing Agent

27. Discussion and possible action to approve adding a cell phone line to the County's AT&T contract for Veteran's Officer Luis Maldonado. The device will be provided at no cost, with a monthly charge of \$30.00 to be funded from the utilities account.

28. Discussion and possible action to approve the purchase of one (1) 2,000-gallon water tank from Custom Truck & Equipment in the amount of \$21,726.74 through TIPS CO-OP Contract No. 251001. This purchase is for Precinct 4 and will be funded from Precinct 4's Capital Outlay account.

29. Discussion and possible action to approve the exemption from competitive bidding procedures for expenditures exceeding \$100,000 to hail damage repairs for Sheriff's Office vehicles pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Chapter 262, Section 262.024(a)(11), discretionary exemption for vehicle and equipment repairs.

30. Discussion and possible action for approval to reject all bids or to award a contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for BID 26-89 Labor to construct parking lot at the Robert "Bob" Chavira Sports Complex, and to authorize the County Judge to sign the contract upon review and approval by the County Attorney.

31. [Discussion and possible action for approval to declare the following items listed as surplus property and to authorize their proper disposition. Disposition may include, but is not limited to, auction, transfer, recycling, and/or destruction, in accordance with applicable policies and procedures. \(See Attached\)](#)

Juanita Barrera, Human Resources Director

32. Discussion and possible action on approving HR report for period from May 7, 2026 through May 20, 2026.

- A. Joe Frank Martinez, Sheriff, is requesting to stop the issuance of checks to Ricardo Perez, Deputy Sheriff, effective May 17, 2026. Mr. Perez has resigned.
- B. Lewis, Owens, Jr., County Judge, is requesting the issuance of checks to Luis Maldonado, Veterans Officer, effective May 11, 2026, with a salary of \$56,185.14. Mr. Maldonado is replacing Enrique Trevino who transferred.
- C. Teresa E. Chapoy, County Clerk, is requesting the issuance of checks to Joaquin Palacios, Deputy Clerk I, effective May 4, 2026, with a salary of \$30,701.72. Mr. Palacios is replacing Michelle Balderas who was promoted.
- D. Kerr Wardlaw, Commissioner Pct. 1, is requesting to stop the issuance of checks to Francisco Gonzalez, light Equipment Operator, effective May 10, 2026. Mr. Gonzalez has passed away.
- E. David E. Martinez, County Attorney, is requesting the issuance of checks to Eliseo Ortiz, OLS PT Clerk effective May 18, 2026, with a salary of \$13/hr. Mr. Ortiz is filling a vacant position.

Aaron Rodrogiez, County Treasurer

33. Discussion and possible action on annual approval of County Investment Policy on Public Funds Investment Act (PFIA).

Lewis G. Owens, Val Verde County Judge

34. Discussion and possible action on a wall virtual or otherwise from the Lake West through Val Verde County.

Matthew Weingardt, County Auditor

35. Approving bills for payment.

36. Discussion and possible action to approve the Auditor's Reports:

- County Clerk
- District Clerk
- County Library
- Health/Risk Management

- Justice of the Peace Precinct #1
- Justice of the Peace Precinct #2
- Justice of the Peace Precinct #4
- Parks and Building Maintenance/Fairgrounds
- Tax Assessor Collector
- Tax Assessor Collector (Resubmission of the January 2026 report)
- Tax Assessor Collector (Resubmission of the March 2026 report)
- Constable Precinct #2
- Constable Precinct #3
- Constable Precinct #4

37. Discussion and possible action on the following certification of revenue:

- Texas Association of Counties \$6,052.72 – Building Maintenance Auto Claim
- Texas Association of Counties \$16,857.14 – IT Department Auto Claim
- Texas Association of Counties \$487.45 – County Attorney Auto Claim
- Texas Association of Counties \$16,279.83 – District Attorney Auto Claim
- National Association of State Procurement - \$1,582.06 – Purchasing NASPO conference travel reimbursement
- National Association of State Procurement - \$1,188.00 – Purchasing NASPO conference travel reimbursement.

**38. Discussion and possible action on the following:
Budget Adjustments.**

39. Discussion and possible action regarding acknowledgment of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)/State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) Annual Project and Expenditure Report submitted to the U.S. Department of the Treasury in April 2026.

40. Discussion, presentation and acceptance of the Fiscal Year 2025 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) and independent auditor's report.

David E. Martinez, County Attorney

41. Closed session consultation pursuant to Texas Government Code:

- A.** §551.071(2), attorney/client privilege.
- B.** §551.071(1)(A), contemplated litigation.
- C.** §551.072 regarding the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property and possible action in open session thereafter.

D. §551.073 regarding a negotiated contract, lease, or value of real property and possible action in open session thereafter.

E. §551.076 regarding security devices, security audits, and/or security personnel

Commissioners Court reserves the right to hear any of the above agenda items that qualify for an executive session in a closed session by publicly announcing the applicable section number of the Open Meetings Act (Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code) that justifies executive session treatment.

42. Commissioners' comments.

43. County Judge's comments.

44. Adjourn.

NOTE: Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who may need auxiliary aids or services such as interpreters for persons who are deaf or hearing impaired, readers, or large print, are requested to contact the County Judge's Office at 830-774-7501 at least two (2) business days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

The next Regular Commissioners Court Meeting will be on June 3, 2026, @ 9:00 a.m. (unless changes are made). Agenda **Items are due WEDNESDAY, MAY 27, 2026 BY 4:00 p.m.**



Lewis G. Owens Jr., County Judge
Val Verde County, Texas

THIS NOTICE OF THE AGENDA WAS POSTED ON THE BULLETIN BOARD
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