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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/>

Thursday July 30, 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 to move Val Verde County Commissioners Court set for August 12, 2026 at 9:00 A.M. to August 11, 2026 at 9:00 A.M.
9. Discussion and possible action to set aside \$99,500.00 from available appropriations for a TEK 84 X-Ray machine for Val Verde County Sheriffs office.
10. Discussion and possible action to set aside \$29,000.00 from available appropriations for mobile and handheld detectors for Val Verde County Sheriffs office.
11. [Discussion and possible actions on ordering and issuing notice of Val Verde County General Election on Tuesday, November 3, 2026.](#)
12. Discussion and possible action on issuing a credit card for Gloria Sanzon from Veterans office.
13. [Discussion and possible action granting permission to Whitehead Memorial Museum to obtain a Beer & Wine License from TABC to sell beer & wine on the grounds of the museum for the annual OktoberFest Fundraiser from 9:00 a.m. on Friday, September 25, 2026 to 11:59 p.m. on Saturday September 26, 2026.](#)
14. [Discussion and possible action granting permission to Whitehead Memorial Museum to obtain a Beer & Wine License from TABC to sell beer & wine on the grounds of the museum for the Draculina Fest event from 9:00 a.m. on Friday, October 2, 2026 to 11:59 p.m. on Saturday October 3, 2026.](#)
15. [Discussion and possible action granting permission to Whitehead Memorial Museum to obtain a Beer & Wine License from TABC to sell beer & wine on the grounds of the museum for the Renaissance Fair from 9:00 a.m. on Friday, October 9, 2026 to 11:59 p.m. on Saturday October 10, 2026.](#)
16. Discussion and possible action on accepting a check donation from AEP in the amount of \$5,000 to the South Texas Food Bank on behalf of Val Verde County.

17. Discussion and possible action to adopt or reject Val Verde County Appraisal District 2027 budget.

18. Discussion and possible action regarding Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM).

Kerr Wardlaw, County Commissioner Precinct 1

19. Presentation from D'nese Fly with the international Dark Skies Association to share information about the importance and value of dark skies.

20. Discussion and Possible action to appoint Franklin Hargrove for the Amistad Land Use & Zoning Commission.

Gustavo Flores, County Commissioner Precinct 4

21. Discussion and possible action to approve the installation of three (3) 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

1. 109 Owens Rd. (Intersection of Cienegas Rd.- Marker #5)

2. 2727 Cienegas Rd. (Right side, preceding the duck pond - Marker #6) 3. 2917 Cienegas Rd. (Frontage of duck pond - Marker #8)

Roland Andrade, 63rd Judicial District Judge

22. Discussion and possible action regarding a contract with Sugar Land Psychological Associates for the purpose of determining whether or not a defendant is competent to stand trial and, upon approval, authorizing County Judge Lewis G. Owens Jr, to sign the contract. The defendant is currently located near Sugar Land, Texas; therefore, it is more practical and cost effective to contract with Sugar Land Psychological Associates for psychological evaluation services.

Joanna Montemayor, Val Verde County Risk Management

23. Discussion and possible action on Pipeline emergency contact list.

David Bond, Val Verde County Library Director

24. [Discussion and possible action on the following certification of revenue: Texas Library Association, \\$2,500.00, for Texas Library Association Book Festival Grant.](#)

Teresa Esther Chapoy, Val Verde County Clerk

25. [Discussion and possible action to approve County Clerk's annual plan for the County Clerk's record achieve fee and records management and preservation fee for the fiscal year 2026-2027.](#)

Ramiro Barrera, County Director of Technology

26. [Discussion and possible action to purchase additional cameras and infrastructure material to add 5 more I-Pro cameras to the east side of the District Courthouse. The estimated amount is \\$3,499.27 to be paid from available appropriations to be ratified at a Courthouse Security Committee meeting, for reimbursement form Courthouse Security funds.](#)

Chief Jorge Vargas, Val Verde County Fire & Rescue

27. Discussion and possible action to set aside \$23,453.00 from available appropriations for the purchase of Bunker gear from Metro Fire Apparatus Specialists, Inc.

Juanita Barrera, Human Resources

28. Discussion and possible action authorizing the approval for payment of overtime to the Precinct employees regardless of there being a holiday during the week they are called out to emergency calls; such as fires, or other emergencies which required the Precinct assistance.

29. [Discussion possible action authorizing the approval to enroll employees in AI training through TAC, at no cost to the County. This training is required by the Texas Government Code 2054.5191. It is required of all county employees, elected officials, and appointed officials who have access to a local government computer. Training needs to be completed by August 17, 2026.](#)

30. Discussion and possible action on approving HR Monthly report for period from July 16, 2026 through July 30, 2026.

- A. David Bond, Librarian, is requesting to stop the issuance of checks to Luis Martinez, Pt Librarian, effective June 25, 2026. Mr. Martinez has resigned.
- B. Joe Frank Martinez, Sheriff, is requesting to stop the issuance of checks to Lesly Gomez, Telecommunicator, effective July 1, 2026. Ms. Gomez has been terminated.
- C. Joe Frank Martinez, Sheriff, is requesting to stop the issuance of checks to Mariel Rodriguez, State Records Clerk, effective July 31, 2026. Ms. Rodriguez has resigned.
- D. Elodia Garcia, Tax Assessor/Collector, is requesting the issuance of checks to Janina Rodriguez, Deputy Clerk III, effective July 27, 2026, with a salary of \$33,641.17. Ms. Rodriguez has been promoted and is replacing Kassandra Escobedo who resigned.
- E. Elodia Garcia, Tax Assessor/Collector, is requesting the issuance of checks to Jazmin Robles, Deputy Clerk II, effective July 27, 2026, with a salary of \$30,701.72. Ms. Robles has been promoted and is replacing Janina Rodriguez who promoted.
- F. Lewis G. Owens, Jr., County Judge, is requesting to stop the issuance of checks to Luis Maldonado, Veterans Office, effective July 10, 2026. Mr. Maldonado has been terminated.
- G. Elodia Garcia, Tax Assessor/Collector, is requesting the issuance of checks to Catherin Barba, Deputy Clerk I, effective July 13, 2026, with a salary of \$29,754.62. Ms. Barba is replacing Viviana Calderon who resigned.
- H. Elodia Garcia, Tax Assessor/Collector, is requesting to stop the issuance of checks to Catherin Barba, Deputy Clerk I, effective July 17, 2026. Ms. Barba has resigned.
- I. Matthew Weingardt, County Auditor, is requesting the issuance of checks to Brenda Silva, Assistant Grant Manager, effective July 27, 2026, with a salary of \$64,570.22. Ms. Silva's salary has increased.

Joe Frank Martinez, County Sheriff

31. Discussion and possible action requesting the issuance of a county credit card for the Val Verde County Sheriff's Office to be issued to Billy Martinez.

Melissa Vasquez, Purchasing Agent

32. Discussion and possible action on approving (3) new extensions to the Spectrum VOIP contract to provide phone services at the Adult Probation's office. The recurring monthly charge of \$45.00 will be funded from the utilities account.
33. Discussion and possible action to rescind order #26-303 awarding Contract #26-90 for the procurement of concrete material to construct a parking lot at the Robert "Bob" Chavira Sports Complex.
34. Discussion and possible action authorizing the Purchasing Agent to advertise for Re-Bids to procure concrete material to construct a parking lot at the Robert "Bob" Chavira Sports Complex.
35. Discussion and possible action to approve \$6,300.00 from Courthouse Security Fund for network surge protection for video surveillance camera system at the District Courthouse and County Courthouse, and to authorize \$2,299.52 from available appropriations to complete the project.
36. Discussion and possible action to approve \$1,600 from Courthouse Security Fund for perforated window covering of side entrance doors at the District Courthouse.
37. Discussion and possible action for approval to declare the following Sheriff's vehicles listed as surplus property and to authorize the disposition of vehicles listed to be auctioned.
38. 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.

Matthew Weingardt, County Auditor

39. Approving bills for payment.
40. Discussion and possible action to approve the Auditor's Reports:
- County Clerk
 - District Clerk
 - District Clerk (May)
 - County Library
 - Justice of the Peace Precinct 1 • Justice of the Peace Precinct 2

- Justice of the Peace Precinct 4
- Tax Assessor Collector
- Parks and Building Maintenance
- Health/Risk Management
- Constable Precinct 1 • Constable Precinct 2 • Constable Precinct 3
- Constable Precinct 4
- County Clerk – Jury Audit Q2
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41. Discussion and possible action on the following certification of revenue:

- Texas Association of Counties \$21,254.19 – Sheriff’s Office Auto Claim.
- Texas Association of Counties \$7,715.34 – Sheriff’s Office Auto Claim
- Texas Association of Counties \$3,685.05 – Sheriff’s Office Auto Claim
- Texas Association of Counties \$12,032.10 – Precinct 3 Auto Claim

42. Discussion and possible action on the following Budget Adjustments:

- Other- Attorney’s Other - \$150,000.00 from available appropriations
- Other – Hospital - \$10,000.00 from available appropriations

43. [Discussion and possible action to approve the authorize the County Judge to sign the Audit Engagement Letter with Cascos and Associates, PC for the County’s annual financial audits for fiscal years 2026, 2027, and 2028.](#)

David E. Martinez, County Attorney

44. 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.

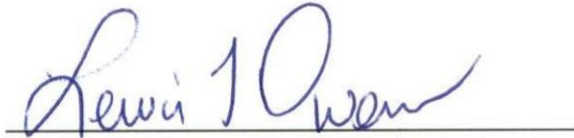
45. Commissioners' comments.

46. County Judge's comments.

47. 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 August 12, 2026, @ 9:00 a.m. (unless changes are made). Agenda Items are due WEDNESDAY, August 5, 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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