

COUNTY JUDGE



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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/>

Tuesday August 11, 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 report.
8. Discussion and Possible action requesting a budget amendment in the amount of \$300.00 from Office Supplies to travel and Training.

Lewis G. Owens Jr., County Judge

9. Present Proposed Tax Rate.
10. Vote on Proposed Tax Rate.
11. Set Date and Time for Tax Rate Hearing.
 - August 26, 2026 at 9:15
 - September 9, 2026 at 9:15
12. Set date to publish notice of Tax Rate.
 - August 14, 2026
13. Set date and time for Budget hearing.
 - August 26, 2026
14. Set date to publish budget hearing.
 - August 14, 2026 9:45.
15. Set date to adopt budget September 9, 2026.
16. Set date to adopt tax rate September 9, 2026.
17. Vote to set elected official salaries
18. Set date for budget workshop
 - August 26, 2026
 - September 9, 2026
19. Grievance committee for physical year 2026 - 2027 and elected official salaries
20. Discussion and possible action on grant administrator for Texas CDBG grants
21. Discussion and possible action to order the transfer of voter registration duties from the Val Verde County Tax Assessor Collector office to the office of the Val Verde County clerk.
22. Discussion and possible action on requesting the Val Verde County portion of the \$180,00.00 from the Val Verde County Appraisal district reserves.

23. Discussion and possible action on a resolution regarding the 2027 Budget submitted by the Val Verde County Appraisal District.

Juan Carlos Vazquez, County Commissioner Precinct 2

24. Discussion and possible action to ratify the use of the Tony Faz County annex by Precinct 2 for the school supplies distribution event held on Thursday, August 6, 2026 beginning at 9 AM until supplies last.
25. Discussion and possible action to ratify the use of the Tony Faz County annex by Board Animal Mission for its event held on August 1, 2026 to provide pet microchipping services and assists pet owners with the pet registration process.
26. Discussion and possible action regarding the status of Lausen Lane drainage ditch project.
27. Discussion and possible action regarding the installation of new CBU (Cluster Box Unit) mailboxes at the Precinct 2 Antonio "Tony" Faz County Annex.

Gustavo Flores, County Commissioner Precinct 4

28. Discussion and possible action to approve the installation of one(1) 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 \$151.21.

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

Carlos Velarde, Val Verde County Engineer

29. Discussion and possible action on approval of plat (replat) of Lots 8-A and 8-B Block 2, Val Verde Park Estates out of Lot 8, Block 2 according to plat of record in Volume 2, Page 65 of the Map records of Val Verde County. Including consideration for variance request from current County orders for subdivision in areas of dual jurisdiction of the minimum frontage or the lot from 50.0 feet to 47.5 feet.
30. Discussion and Possible action on preliminary approval of Plat Vernor subdivision, being 4.623 acres of land located in C. Brown survey 159, Abstract 136, Val Verde County.

Joanna Montemayor, Val Verde County Risk Management

31. Discussion, possible action, authorizing Judge Owens to sign TAC New business questionnaire for 63rd and 83rd cyber edition.

Robb Stevenson, Director Val Verde County Colonia SHC/ Equity CDC

- 32. Discussion, impossible action to approve draw request # 17 Under colonial self-help center contract no. CSH22-0201 And authorize the County Judge and County Auditor to sign the A203 draw form and checklists.
- 33. Discussion And possible action Regarding Colonia SHC Contract no. CSH22-0201 and to authorize the county judge to sign the project completion report.

Mireya Rodriguez, Val Verde County Fairgrounds

- 34. Discussion and possible action for the approval of a lease between Val Verde County and Tuff Enuff Bull riding challenge on behalf of Homero Cadena.
- 35. Discussion and Possible action for the approval of a lease between Val Verde County and Charro Extremo on behalf of Carlos Ayala.

Elodia Garcia, Val Verde County Tax assessor collector

- 36. [Discussion possible action to accept certified totals as given by Val Verde County appraisal district.](#)
- 37. [Discussion, possible action to approve calendar year 2026 imposition and optional fees.](#)

Pat Cole, Justice of the Peace Precinct 3

- 38. Discussion possible action to make budget amendment to transfer \$2500 From travel and training to office supplies.

Michael Wancho, Constable Precinct 3

- 39. Discussion possible action on transferring \$500 from traveling training to office supplies

Suzanne West, District Attorney

- 40. Discussion and Possible action requesting the issuance of county credit card for BPU Assistant District Attorney.

Juanita Barrera, Human Resources

- 41. Discussion and possible action to approve hiring temporary worker for Precinct 4 to cover a full-time employee who is out on medical leave as unpaid status.
- 42. [Discussion and possible action on approving HR Monthly report for period from July 31, 2026 through August 11, 2026.](#)

- A. Elodia Garcia, Tax Assessor/Collector, is requesting the issuance of checks to Mayra Perez, Deputy Clerk I, effective July 27, 2026, with a salary of \$29,754.62. Ms. Perez is replacing Catherin Barba who resigned.
- B. Robert Cadena, 83rd District Judge, is requesting to stop the issuance of checks to Emma Escamilla, Intern, effective July 28, 2026. Ms. Escamilla has resigned.
- C. Joe Frank Martinez, Sheriff, is requesting to stop the issuance of checks to Miguel Ramirez, Bailiff, effective July 30, 2026. Mr. Ramirez has been terminated.
- D. Joe Frank Martinez, Sheriff, is requesting the issuance of checks to Johnny Avalos, Bailiff, effective July 30, 2026, with a salary of \$45,832.50. Mr. Avalos has been moved to Mr. Miguel Ramirez, position; who was terminated.
- E. Juan C. Vazquez, Commissioner Pct. 2, is requesting to stop the issuance of checks to Jose Garcia, Light Equipment Opr. effective July 31, 2026. Mr. Garcia has resigned.
- F. Juan C. Vazquez, Commissioner Pct. 2, is requesting the issuance of checks to Juan Martinez, Light Equipment Opr., effective August 3, 2026, with a salary of \$31,191.22. Mr. Martinez is replacing Jose Garcia who resigned.
- G. Kerr Wardlaw, Commissioner Pct 1, is requesting the issuance of checks to Jerry Garcia, Light Equipment Opr., effective August 3, 2026, with a salary of \$31,191.22. Mr. Garcia is replacing Francisco Gonzalez who passed away.
- H. David Bond, Librarian, is requesting to stop the issuance of checks to Jaqueline Vazquez, Pt Summer Librarian, effective July 31, 2026. Ms. Vasquez has resigned.

Joe Frank Martinez, County Sheriff

43. Discussion possible action Amending sheriffs, and constable fees Report mileage fees from \$.70 to \$.76 per mile

Melissa Vasquez, Purchasing Agent

- 44. Discussion and possible action on approving two (2) new extensions to the Spectrum VOIP contract to provide phone services at the (1) County Court at Law and (1) Juvenile Probation's office. The recurring monthly charge of \$30.00 will be funded from the Utilities account.
- 45. Discussion and possible action to extend the contract with Contreras Construction for the Pct 2 Low Water Crossing at Lausen Road to September 15, 2026.
- 46. Discussion and possible action to approve a 3-year agreement with Spectrum for the addition of an internet account for 1GB Coax for the GEO Courtroom located at 253 FM 2523, and authorizing County Judge to execute agreement upon review by County Attorney. A

recurring monthly charge of \$220 with a one-time installation charge of \$100.00 will be funded from the Utilities Account if Grant funding is not available.

47. 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

48. Approving bills for payment.
49. Discussion and possible action to approve the Auditor's Reports:
50. Discussion and possible action on the following certification of revenue:
- Texas Association of Counties \$11,125.00 – Sheriffs Office Auto Claim
51. Discussion and possible action on the following Budget Adjustments:
- Transfer \$1,300.00 from Purchasing auto expense to purchasing office supplies.

David E. Martinez, County Attorney

52. 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.

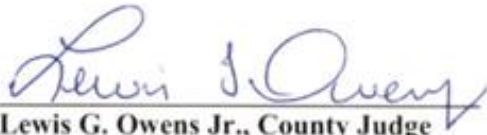
53. Commissioners' comments.

54. County Judge's comments.

55. 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 26, 2026, @ 9:00 a.m. (unless changes are made). Agenda Items are due WEDNESDAY, August 19, 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
ON August 6, 2026, AT 8:46 A.M./P.M.

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