



GALVESTON COUNTY, TEXAS

COMMISSIONERS COURT 722 Moody, County Courthouse, Galveston, TX 77550 (409) 766-2244

Mark Henry County Judge Ryan Dennard Commissioner, Precinct 1 Joe Giusti Commissioner, Precinct 2 Stephen Holmes Commissioner, Precinct 3 Ken Clark Commissioner, Precinct 4

SPECIAL MEETING-AGENDA

June 15, 2015 – 9:30 AM

CONSENT AGENDA: ALL ITEMS MARKED WITH A SINGLE ASTERISK (*) ARE PART OF THE CONSENT AGENDA AND REQUIRE NO DELIBERATION BY THE COMMISSIONERS COURT. ANY COMMISSIONERS COURT MEMBER MAY REMOVE AN ITEM FROM THIS AGENDA TO BE CONSIDERED SEPARATELY.

In accordance with the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), persons in need of a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding shall, within three (3) days prior to any proceeding contact the County Judge's office at 722 Moody, Galveston, Texas 77550 (409) 766-2244.

Call to Order

Consent Agenda

Consideration of *approval of a renewal contract with Texas Workforce Commission for Information Release Contract* submitted by the Sheriff's Office.

Action Agenda

County Legal

- **Break into Executive Session.**
- **Executive Session:** Texas Government Code Section 551.071, Consultation with Attorney: the Commissioners Court will enter into an executive session as permitted under the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Government Code: to seek the advice of its attorney about pending or contemplated litigation or on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the County under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Open Meetings Act relating to Civil Action No. 01-14-00820-CV; In re Galveston County Judge Mark Henry et al, in Their Official Capacities, in the First Court of Appeals, Houston.
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matter in which the duty of the attorney to the County under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Open Meetings Act relating to application by county and district court judges for authority to appoint administrative employees.

- **Executive Session:** Texas Government Code Section 551.071, Consultation with Attorney: the Commissioners Court will enter into executive session as permitted under the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, to seek advice of its attorney about pending or contemplated litigation or on a manner in which the duty of the attorney to the County under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Open Meetings Act relating to communication received from some Galveston County district and county court judges stating, "justice administrator reinstated".
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- **Reconvene Into Regularly Scheduled Meeting.**

- Consideration of application by county and district court judges for authority to appoint administrative employees.

- Consideration of a Budget Amendment regarding administrative employees.

- Consideration of action regarding management of Galveston County facilities.

- Consideration of authorizing a response, including engaging of legal counsel, to respond to illegal and unlawful attempt to prevent the Commissioners' Court, including the County Judge, from conducting the County's business.

- Consideration of authorizing counsel, including outside legal counsel, to file litigation as necessary to restrain the interference of district and county judges in the lawful exercise of Commissioners Court's authority.

- Consideration of authorizing Minces law firm to pursue counterclaims against Bonnie Quiroga in pending lawsuit against the County.

- Consideration of authorizing filing of complaint with the State Commission on Judicial Conduct against State District Judge Lonnie Cox under the Texas Code of Judicial Conduct.

- Consideration of findings and Orders to Galveston County staff and agents regarding Bonnie Quiroga.

- Consideration of action, including but not limited to budget amendments, regarding the Galveston County Collections Improvement Program.

- Consideration of action, including but not limited to budget amendments, regarding the Galveston County Personal Bond Office.

- Consideration of action, including but not limited to budget amendments, regarding the Galveston County law library.

Adjourn

Appearances before Commissioners Court

A speaker whose subject matter as submitted relates to an identifiable item of business on this agenda will be requested by the County Judge or other presiding court members to come to the podium where they will be limited to three minutes (3). A speaker whose subject matter as submitted does not relate to an identifiable item of business on this agenda will be limited to three minutes (3) and will be allowed to speak before the meeting is adjourned. Please arrive prior to the meeting and sign in with the County Clerk.

Executive Sessions

The Galveston County Commissioners Court may recess into closed meeting (Executive Session) on any item listed on this agenda if the Executive Session is authorized under the Open Meetings Act pursuant to one or more the following exceptions: Tex. Gov't Code §§ 551.071 (consultation with attorney), 551.072 (deliberation regarding real property), 551.073 (deliberation regarding a prospective gift or donation), 551.074 (personnel matters), 551.0745 (personnel matters affecting County advisory body), 551.076 (deliberation regarding security devices or security audits), and/or 551.087 (deliberations regarding economic development negotiations). The Presiding Officer of the Commissioners Court shall announce the basis for the Executive Session prior to recessing into Executive Session. However, the Commissioners Court may only enter into the Executive Session on any agenda item for which a separate Executive Session has not been separately posted if, prior to conducting the Executive Session, a majority of the Commissioners Court votes to go into Executive Session. This motion requirement does not apply to any agenda item that has been previously noticed to constitute or include an Executive Session.
