



# **GALVESTON COUNTY, TEXAS**

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

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County Judge    Commissioner, Precinct 1    Commissioner, Precinct 2    Commissioner, Precinct 3    Commissioner, Precinct 4

## **SPECIAL MEETING-AGENDA** **September 6, 2016 – 11:00 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**

- \*1. Receive and file *additional, required forms for FY 2017 HGAC Area Agency on Aging Vendor Application signed by County Judge* as submitted by the Grants Manager.
- \*2. Consideration for *authorization to issue a formal solicitation for Newspaper Publication of Legal Notices and provide notice of non-extension to current vendors* submitted by the Purchasing Agent.
- \*3. Consideration of *entering into an engagement letter retaining outside counsel, Akerman LLP to assist Galveston County in the legal defense of Galveston County in Cause No. 3:13-CV-00308 Honorable Terry Petteway vs. Galveston County* submitted by County Legal.
- \*4. Consideration of *entering into an engagement letter retaining outside counsel, Akerman LLP to assist Galveston County in the legal defense of Galveston County in Cause No. 14-CV-1289 Bonnie Quiroga vs. Galveston County* submitted by County Legal.
- \*5. Consideration of *entering into an engagement letter retaining outside counsel, Akerman LLP to assist Galveston County in the legal defense of Galveston County in Cause No. 15-CV-0583 Honorable Lonnie Cox vs. Galveston County* submitted by County Legal.

### **Action Agenda**

6. Professional Services
  - a. Public Hearing on the proposed FY2017 County Budget

- b. Adoption of the FY2017 County Budget
  - c. Adoption of the 2016 Tax Levy
7. County Legal
- a. **Break into Executive Session:**
  - b. **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 pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Government Code: to seek the advice of its attorney about pending or contemplated litigation, a settlement offer, 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 DJ # 204-74-343, The United States of America and Galveston County, Texas under the Americans with Disabilities Act.
  - c. **Reconvene into Regularly Scheduled Meeting.**

## **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.

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