

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

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FEBRUARY 11, 2026

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 using HOT Tax funds for Brooke's Blossoming Hope for Childhood Cancer Foundation.

9. Discussion and possible action on using HOT Tax funds for George Paul Memorial Bull Riding.

10. Discussion and possible action on a Letter of Support to the Rotary Club for a Hard-Surface Bicycle pump track.

11. Discussion and possible Action REC-2026 Val Verde County NON-MOTORIZED Trail Grant Application to Texas Parks & Wildlife Department

12. Discussion and possible Action REC-2026 Val Verde County MOTORIZED Trail Grant Application to Texas Parks & Wildlife Department

13. Discussion and possible Action on Warning Sirens for outlaying areas in the county.

14. Discussion and possible action on using HOT Tax funds amount requested \$6,500.00 for 3rd Annual Border Classic Team Roping & Cookoff on March 27 and 28 at the Fairgrounds Parking Lot.

15. Discussion and possible action on providing facility for SWTC to hold classes at Library or any other facility available. Saturdays from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursday's from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

16. [Discussion and possible action to proclaim March 2026 as American Red Cross Month.](#)

17. Discussion and possible action for County Maintenance Crew to receive compensation for holidays worked from Elections on February 16, 2026 (President's Day) and March 2, 2026 (Texas Independence Day) to set up polling locations for the Joint Primary Election on March 3, 2026.

Gustavo Flores, Commissioner Precinct 4

18. Discussion and possible action regarding the solicitation of quotes for the procurement of hydromulch and sandy loam for the new upcoming soccer and baseball fields for local leagues at the Johnson Blvd. complex on the 23-acre property tract

Sergio J. Gonzalez, Court at Law Judge

19. [Discussion and possible action to authorize the Val Verde County Court-At-Law to apply for State Grant monies relating to the Val Verde County Court-At-Law **ADULT DRUG TREATMENT COURT**, pursuant to Texas Government Code 124.004 via Court Resolution, for the 2026/2027 Fiscal Year.](#)

20. [Discussion and possible action to authorize the Val Verde County Court-At-Law to apply for State Grant monies relating to the Val Verde County Court-At-Law **JUVENILE DRUG TREATMENT COURT**, pursuant to Texas Government Code 124.004 via Court Resolution, for the 2026/2027 Fiscal Year.](#)

Teresa Esther Chapoy, County Clerk

21. Discussion and possible action for Deputy County Clerks to receive compensation for holidays worked from Elections on February 16, 2026 (President' Day) and March 2, 2026 (Texas Independence Day) to set up polling locations for the Joint Primary Election on March 3, 2026.

22. Discussion and possible action on accepting the list of individuals appointed as Election Judges, Alternate Judges, Clerks, Central Count Team and Early Voting Ballot Board for the Joint Primary Election on March 3, 2026.

Joe Frank Martinez, Sheriff

23. Discussion and possible action on update from Sherriff Joe Frank Martinez on the Border Animal Mission (spade/neuter) vaccine event held at the Val Verde County 4H Facility on January 15-21, 2026.

24. [Discussion and possible action requesting authorization to apply for and accept the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area Program \(HIDTA\) 2026 Grant.](#)

25. Discussion and possible action on request to issue a county credit card for the Val Verde Sheriff's Office to be issued to Elizabeth Valadez.

26. Discussion and possible action authorizing Sheriff Joe Frank Martinez to sign the Homeland Security Task Force Strategic Initiatives/Local Overtime Cost Reimbursement FY 2026 Agreement.

27. Discussion and possible action on official presentation of the 2025 Racial Profiling Report.

Mireya Rodriguez, Fairgrounds Secretary.

28. Discussion and possible action on allowing St. Joseph the use of the County Stage on March 15, 2026.

29. Discussion and possible action on allowing Brown Plaza Association the use of the County Stage on May 3, 2026, through May 5, 2026.

30. Discussion and possible action on approving a lease between Val Verde County and George Paul Memorial Bull Riding on behalf of Bobby Paul on April 24, 2026, and April 25, 2026; Office space from February 2, 2006 to May 1, 2026.

31. Discussion and possible action on approving a lease between 3rd Annual Border Classic Roping and Cookoff on behalf of Carlos Ayala on March 27, 2026, and March 28, 2026.

32. Discussion and possible action on approving a lease between the Rotary Club of Del Rio on behalf of Cheryl Simmons on June 26, 2026.

Melissa Vasquez, Purchasing Agent

33. Discussion and possible action to approve a 3-year agreement with Spectrum to upgrade the internet services from 200Mbps to 1Gbps at the Family Violence Center and authorize County Judge to sign. A recurring monthly charge of \$220.00 will be funded from the utilities account.

34. Discussion and possible action to approve an estimate of \$3,535.95 from contingency for additional repair work on the digger truck.

- 35.** Discussion and possible action to approve the estimate from Contreras Construction in the amount of \$84,000.00 for concrete labor work at Lausen Road and authorize County Judge to sign contract upon approval of County Attorney. Funding will be from Precinct 2's ARPA account and CO account.
- 36.** Discussion and possible action to approve the estimate from Ingram Readymix to supply concrete to be used at Lausen Road and authorize County Judge to sign contract upon approval of County Attorney. Funding will be from Precinct 2's ARPA account, CO account and remaining balance from Precinct 2 available budget.
- 37.** Discussion and possible action to award or reject bids received for BID 25-85 Cienegas Road Project. If awarded, award should be made to CK Newberry, LLC for an amount of \$9,998,247.60. CK Newberry is the lowest bidder out of two bids received. This project is funded through the tax note account.
- 38.** Discussion and possible action to approve an agreement with AEP for the installation of (1) LED light at Cienegas Road & Johnson St. for \$637.36 to be funded from Precinct 4 operating account, and to authorize County Judge to sign the AEP CIAC Agreement.
- 39.** Discussion and possible action to approve an agreement with AEP for the installation of (1) LED light at Cienegas Road across from Dollar General for \$98.46 to be funded from Precinct 4 operating account, and to authorize County Judge to sign the AEP CIAC Agreement.
- 40.** Discussion and possible action to approve an agreement with AEP for the installation of (1) LED light at Cienegas Road (before Duck Pond on left side) for \$715.06 to be funded from Precinct 4 operating account, and to authorize County Judge to sign the AEP CIAC Agreement.
- 41.** Discussion and possible action to approve an agreement with AEP for the installation of (1) LED light at Cienegas Road (before Duck Pond on right side) for \$710.77 to be funded from Precinct 4 operating account, and to authorize County Judge to sign the AEP CIAC Agreement.
- 42.** Discussion and possible action to approve an agreement with AEP for the installation of (1) LED light at Cienegas Road (front of Duck Pond) for \$40.33 to be funded from Precinct 4 operating account, and to authorize County Judge to sign the AEP CIAC Agreement.

43. Discussion and possible action to approve an agreement with AEP for the installation of (1) LED light at Cienegas Road (across Duck Pond) for \$710.77 to be funded from Precinct 4 operating account, and to authorize County Judge to sign the AEP CIAC Agreement.

44. Discussion and possible action to approve an agreement with AEP for the installation of (1) LED light at Cienegas Road (Duck Pond water crossing) for \$791.00 to be funded from Precinct 4 operating account, and to authorize County Judge to sign the AEP CIAC Agreement.

45. Discussion and possible action for approval to declare the following items as surplus property and designate for proper disposition. Disposition may include but not limited to being auctioned, transferred, recycled, and/or destroyed. (See Attached)

Qty.	Description	Condition	Location
1	Versalink C405 printer – Transfer to JP4	Good	Adult Probation
1	Small Desk	Good	Auditor's Office
1	Texas State Judge Chair -Maroon	Good	Auditor's Office
2	Wooden Chairs	Fair	63rd District Court
1	Wooden Podium	Fair	63rd District Court
1	Guest Chair – Maroon, Vinyl	Fair	63rd District Court
1	Guest Chair – Brown, Vinyl	Fair	63rd District Court
1	Small 3-Tier Wooden Shelf – Black	Fair	Community Center
1	2-Drawer Wooden Cabinet – Brown	Fair	Community Center
3	Toughbook, Panasonic	New	Sheriff's Office
22	Panasonic, Multidrives	New	Sheriff's Office
1	Telephone, NEC, Grey	Fair	Sheriff's Office
1	Keyboard, Dell	Fair	Sheriff's Office
1	Mouse, Dell	Fair	Sheriff's Office
2	Panasonic, Batteries	New	Sheriff's Office
1	Mini Refrigerator, Galanz	Broken	Sheriff's Office

46. Discussion and possible action to approve an estimate to repair (3) a/c units for \$7,859.48 at the Tony Faz Annex Building and to authorize funds from available appropriations.

Robb Stevenson, Director, Val Verde SHC/Equity CDC

47. Discussion and possible action to approve Draw Request #15 under Colonia Self-Help Center Contract No. CSH22-0201 and authorize the County Judge and County Auditor to sign the A203 draw form and checklists.

Juanita Barrera, Human Resources

48. Discussion and possible action on approval to allow Sheriff Martinez to hire two Chief Deputy's within the office. The current Chief Deputy vacancy, which was vacated by Jose Ortiz, was at a salary of \$77,632.22 and will be filled at a salary of \$69,811.82. The second Chief Deputy position will be created from the current transport deputy vacancy with a salary of \$69,811.82. This change will leave an overall savings to Val Verde Sheriff Office salaries in the amount of \$564.20. These changes to take effect on February 11, 2026.

49. Discussion and possible action on approving HR Monthly report for period from January 29, 2026 through February 18, 2026.

- A. Elodia Garcia, Tax Assessor/Collector, is requesting to stop the issuance of checks to Vanessa Rodriguez, Deputy Clerk I, effective January 19, 2026. Ms. Rodriguez has been terminated.
- B. Elodia Garcia, Tax Assessor/Collector, is requesting to stop the issuance of checks to Angela Lopez, Deputy Clerk II, effective 13, 2026. Ms. Lopez has transferred to Commissioners Office.
- C. Commissioner Kerr Wardlaw, Precinct 1, is requesting the issuance of checks to Angela Lopez, Clerk, effective February 16, 2026, with a salary of \$29,985.73. Ms. Lopez has transferred and is replacing Kassandra Aguilar, who transferred to Pct. 4.
- D. Suzanne West, District Attorney, requesting the issuance of checks to Robert Hopkins, BPU Investigator, February 3, 2026, with a salary of \$70,000.00. Mr. Hopkins is replacing Danielle Rockwell, who resigned.
- E. Matthew Weindgardt, County Auditor, is requesting the issuance of checks to Brenda Silva, Assistant Grant Manager, effective February 2, 2026, with a salary of \$58,500.00. Ms. Silva is replacing Aaron Cash, who resigned.
- F. Joe Frank Martinez, Sheriff, is requesting to stop the issuance of checks to Carolina Zavala, Deputy, effective January 30, 2026. Ms. Zavala was terminated.

- G. Joe Frank Martinez, Sheriff, is requesting the issuance of checks to Victor Zapata, Cadet/Deputy Sheriff effective February 10, 2026, with a salary of \$39,822.89. Mr. Zapata is replacing Christian Ramirez, who resigned.
- H. Joe Frank Martinez, Sheriff, is requesting the issuance of checks to James Little, Cadet/Deputy Sheriff effective February 9, 2026, with a salary of \$39,822.89. Mr. Little is replacing Jeffrey Martinez, who was terminated.
- I. Joe Frank Martinez, Sheriff, is requesting the issuance of checks to David Martinez, Cadet/Deputy Sheriff effective February 9, 2026, with a salary of \$39,822.89. Mr. Martinez is replacing Jesus Adams, who resigned.
- J. Joe Frank Martinez, Sheriff, is requesting the issuance of checks to Fernando Ortiz, Cadet/Deputy Sheriff effective February 9, 2026, with a salary of \$39,822.89. Mr. Ortiz is replacing Julian De Hoyos, who resigned.
- K. David Bond, Librarian, is requesting the issuance of checks to Jesus Rios, Librarian I, effective February 9, 2026, with a salary of \$30,219.38. Mr. Rios is replacing Karis Amaya, who promoted.
- L. David Bond, Librarian, is requesting the issuance of checks to Mauricio Medina, Librarian I, effective February 9, 2026, with a salary of \$30,219.38. Mr. Medina is replacing Cecilia Cook, who promoted.

Matthew Weingardt, County Auditor

50. Discussion and possible action on Approving bills for payment.

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

- 2025 4th Quarter Payroll Audit
- District Clerk
- Justice of the Peace Precinct #1
- Justice of the Peace Precinct #2
- Justice of the Peace Precinct #3
- Justice of the Peace Precinct #4
- County Clerk
- Tax Assessor Collector
- Parks & Building Maintenance
- Health/Risk Management
- County Library

52. Discussion and possible action on the following Certification of Revenue:

- Texas Association of Counties – Veteran’s Office Auto Claim \$3,000.00
- Texas Association of Counties – Sheriff’s Office Auto Claim \$425.00

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

54. Discussion and possible action on the following:

- Renewal agreement for Affordable Care Act Reporting the Tracking Service (ARTS) authorizing County Judge to Sign.

David E. Martinez, County Attorney

55. Discussion and possible action authorizing the Val Verde County Attorney’s Office to accept a monetary donation from Polo Del Rio/Ramada Inn/Cripple Creek Steakhouse. The monetary donation will be used to provide lunch for attendees of the Expert Witness Training being put on by the University of Texas at Austin’s Institute of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault School of Social Work and hosted by the Val Verde County Attorney’s Office.

56. Discussion and possible action authorizing the Val Verde County Attorney’s Office to accept a monetary donation from Jorge Suday/KWMC in the amount of \$250.00. The monies will be used to provide breakfast and or lunch for attendees of the Expert Witness Training being put on by the University of Texas at Austin’s Institute of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault School of Social Work and hosted by the Val Verde County Attorney’s Office.

57. Discussion and possible action authorizing the Val Verde County Attorney’s Office to accept a gift card donation from HEB in the amount of \$200.00. The gift card will be used to provide drinks and supplies for breakfast and or lunch for attendees of the Expert Witness Training being put on by the University of Texas at Austin’s Institute of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault School of Social Work and hosted by the Val Verde County Attorney’s Office.

58. Discussion and possible action authorizing the Val Verde County Attorney’s Office to accept discounted meals from Eddie Amezcua, Jr/Buffalo Wings & Rings/Skillets/Terriyaki Madness, as the total cost of a meal will be \$5.00. The discounted meals will be for lunch for attendees of the Expert Witness Training being put on by the University of Texas at Austin’s Institute of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault School of Social Work and hosted by the Val Verde County Attorney’s Office.

David E. Martinez, County Attorney

59. 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.

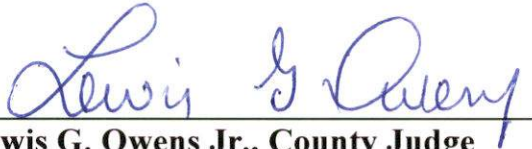
60. Commissioners' comments.

61. County Judge's comments.

62. 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 February 25, 2026, @ 9:00 a.m. (unless changes are made). Agenda Items are due WEDNESDAY, February 18, 2026 @ 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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