



BURNET COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

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An agenda packet containing detailed information on the items listed below is distributed to the County Judge, Commissioners, and County Clerk the Friday preceding the meeting. The agenda packet is also posted on the county website at www.burnetcountytexas.org, under Public Meetings. A hard copy of the agenda packet is available in the County Clerk's office. Our Mission Statement: The mission of Burnet County is to maintain overall efficient and effective management of county resources while providing the services mandated by state and federal law and desired by the citizens of Burnet County.

REGULAR MEETING DATE: Tuesday JANUARY 2, 2024

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Call to Order

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flags

Public Comments - Pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.007 (b), any person may make comment on any item appearing on the agenda. Any comments made will not be addressed by the Commissioners Court during the Public Comments agenda item. Public Comments are limited to three (3) minutes per person.

Decorum Rules

Discussion and/or action regarding updates to current Rules of Conduct for Commissioners Court meeting previously approved February 12, 2007 (Oakley)

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Decorum Rules
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Discussion and/or action concerning a Federal Procurement Policy for Burnet County (Oakley/Smith)

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Discussion and/or action regarding reappointment of Karen Bruett, Paul Hischer, and Randy Steele to the ESD #9 Board effective 1-1-24 (Dockery)

Discussion and/or action

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Executive Session. Discussion with Burnet County Commissioner's Court and the County Civil Attorney(s) and/or the County Attorney in accordance with Texas Government Codes 551.071. The Commissioners Court reserves the right to adjourn into Executive Session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any matters as authorized by the Texas Government Code including, but not limited to, Sections: 551/071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices), 551.087 (Economic Development),

418.183 (Deliberations about Homeland Security Issues), 551.0725 (Contracts being negotiated).

Reconvene in Open Session.

Discussion and/or action regarding items discussed in Executive Session and take up for Consideration and possible action, pursuant to Chapter 262, Texas Local Government Code.

Discussion and/or action regarding Department Updates:

Acknowledgement of Receipt:

Contract Attachments

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Discussion and/or action concerning calling for Bids and Bid openings, request for proposals/qualifications and related openings:


The following items are part of the Consent Agenda and require no deliberation by the Commissioner's Court. Any item from this agenda may be considered separately:

- a. Consideration and approval of any pending personnel issues within the policy.
- b. Consideration and approval concerning budget amendments.
- c. Consideration and approval concerning budget line item transfers.
- d. Consideration and authorization of payment of claims previously approved by the County Auditor.
- e. Acceptance of reports of County Officials as required by LGC 115.02 previously examined by the County Auditor
- f. Consideration and approval regarding Departmental equipment requests and/or property transfers.
- g. Correspondence.


Discussion regarding any previous agenda items.

Calendar Review.

Adjournment



Judge James Oakley, Burnet County Judge



Reviewed by: Eddie Arredondo, County Attorney

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meeting location is changed, notice at the above meeting location shall be posted to ensure public access to meeting is granted.

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Regular Session

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Meeting Date: 01/02/2024

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Burnet County Commissioners Court

Rules of Conduct and Decorum

1. All Regular, Special, and Emergency Meetings of Burnet County Commissioners Court will be called and conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code.
2. Regular, Special, and Emergency Meetings of Burnet County Commissioners Court are open to the public. Executive Sessions of the Commissioners Court are not open to the public, and only those individuals expressly requested to be present are allowed to attend Executive Sessions. The Burnet County Commissioners Court normally convenes in Regular Session on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at 9 a.m.
3. The business of Burnet County is conducted by and between the members of the Burnet County Commissioners Court and by those members of the county staff, elected officials, department heads, consultants, and members of the public requested to be present and participate. While the public is invited to attend all meetings of the Commissioners Court (except Executive Session) the public's participation therein is limited to that of observers unless a member (or members) of the public is requested to address the Commissioners Court on a particular issue.
 - a. Public Comment - Pursuant to Local Government Code 551.007(b), a Public Comment agenda item will appear at the beginning each meeting's agenda. Members of the public are welcome to make comments on any topic and shall be limited to a maximum of three (3) minutes to make remarks. Time for each speaker shall be maintained by the County Judge or other designated representative of the Commissioners Court. Citizens may also address the court at the beginning of an agenda item when recognized by the presiding officer. Comments and or questions must be specific to the agenda item that has been opened. All rules of Conduct & Decorum apply and citizen participation will be governed by the presiding officer.
 - b. It is the intention of the Commissioners Court to provide open access to the citizens of Burnet County to address the Commissioners Court and to express themselves on

issues of county government. Members of the public are reminded that the Burnet County Commissioners Court is a Constitutional Court, with both judicial and legislative powers, created under Article V, Section 1 and Section 18 of Texas Constitution. As a Constitutional Court, the Burnet County Commissioners Court also possesses the power to file charges on an individual with Disrupting a Meeting under Chapter 42.05 of the Texas Penal Code (class B misdemeanor). Accordingly, all member of the public in attendance at any Regular, Special or Emergency meeting of the Commissioners Court shall conduct themselves with proper respect and decorum in speaking to, or addressing the Court; in participating in public discussions before the Court; and in all actions in the presence of the Court. Proper attire is required. Those members of the public who are inappropriately attired or who do not conduct themselves in an orderly and appropriate manner will be ordered to leave the meeting. Refusal to abide by the Commissioners Court's Rules by continuing to Disrupt a Meeting may result in charges filed under Chapter 42.05 the Texas Penal Code (class B misdemeanor).

- c. Pursuant to local government code 551.007 (e) a government body may not prohibit public criticism of the governmental body, including criticism of any act, omission, policy, procedure, program, or service. Profanity or threatening language; racial, or ethnic slurs directed towards the Commissioners Court or anyone in the court's presence will not be tolerated.

d. Violation of these rules may result in the following sanctions:

- 1. Cancellation of a speaker's remaining time;
- 2. Removal from the Commissioners Courtroom;
- 3. Legal action up to and including criminal prosecution

- 4. The County Judge is the presiding officer of the Burnet County Commissioners Court and is a fully participating member thereof. In the event of the absence of the County Judge, the senior member of the Commissioners Court (in terms of total number of years as an elected representative) present at the Regular, Special, Emergency meeting or Executive Session, shall serve as the Judge pro tem of the court. However, nothing shall prevent the senior member of this Commissioners Court from delegating this duty to another member of the Commissioners Court.
- 5. Rules for the media:
 - a. No media personnel or equipment, including lights, cameras or microphones will be located on the Commissioners Court bench nor closer than five feet in front of the Commissioners Court bench.
 - b. Reporters and media technicians are required to structure their movements, equipment set-up and take-down and adjustments, etc. in such a manner as to not disrupt the Commissioners Court deliberations or the ability of the public to see, hear, and participate in the proceedings.

- c. Interviews shall not be conducted inside the Commissioners Courtroom during the meeting. Interviews should be conducted in such a manner that the interview does not disturb, impede or disrupt the proceedings.

- 6. The Sheriff of Burnet County, Texas or the designated deputy, shall serve as the bailiff at all regular, special, and emergency meetings of the Commissioners Court. However, if: The Sheriff is absent; there is a conflict of interest between the Sheriff, any member of the Sheriff's department, and the Commissioners Court; then the Court shall appoint another commissioned peace officer, including a Constable to serve as bailiff.

- 7. Rules of Conduct and Decorum at meetings of the Burnet County Commissioners Court shall be effective immediately upon adoption by the Court and shall remain in effect until amended or repealed by a majority vote of the Commissioners Court.

ADOPTED BY THE VOTE OF THE BURNET COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT on this the _____ day of _____ 2023

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