



*Stephen Brint Carlton, County Judge
Johnny A. Trahan, Commissioner, Precinct One
Barry M. Burton, Commissioner, Precinct Two
John H. Gothia, Commissioner, Precinct Three
Jody E. Crump, Commissioner, Precinct Four*

**SPECIAL COURT SESSION
NOTICE OF MEETING AND AGENDA
OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT
OF ORANGE COUNTY, TEXAS
OCTOBER 3, 2017**

Notice is hereby given that the Commissioners Court of Orange County, Texas, will meet on **Tuesday, October 3, 2017 at 2:00 p.m.** in the Commissioners' Courtroom located at 123 S. 6th Street for the following purposes to-wit:

SPECIAL COURT SESSION AGENDA

*Invocation
U.S. Pledge
Texas Pledge*

Recognition of Special Guests

Approve minutes of the Special Court Session held on September 26, 2017 at 2:00 p.m., as circulated.

Approve minutes of the Special Court Session held on September 29, 2017 at 1:00 p.m., as circulated.

1. Discussion and possible action to approve a proclamation regarding National 4-H Week.
(Fallon Foster, AgriLife Coordinator)
2. Discussion and possible action regarding payment of bills approved by the County Auditor as per attested listings and also specifically as follows:
 - a. \$109,312.50 to Orange County Appraisal District from the General Fund (001-111-54110) for the 4th Quarter Funding due October 2017.
 - b. \$47,143.00 to Texas Association of Counties Risk Management Pool from the General Fund (001-101-52345) for the 4th Quarter Workers Compensation payment due October 2017.
 - c. \$21,652.83 to U.T.M.B. from the General Fund (001-111-54235) for contract payment due October 2017.
(Pennee Schmitt, County Auditor)

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3. Discussion and possible action regarding execution of agreements or other such documents to remediate or address other issues related to Hurricane Harvey.
(Stephen Brint Carlton, County Judge)

4. Discussion and possible action regarding approval for Orange County Offices to close for annual Christmas office celebration.
(Stephen Brint Carlton, County Judge)

5. Discussion and possible action regarding Orange County employees' pay during emergencies and/or disaster declarations.
(Johnny Trahan, Commissioner, Precinct One and Barry Burton, Commissioner, Precinct Two)

6. Discussion and possible action regarding the mechanic which is shared between the Transportation Department and Road and Bridge.
(Johnny Trahan, Commissioner, Precinct One)

7. Discussion and possible action regarding adding informational signs around the courthouse complex.
(Johnny Trahan, Commissioner, Precinct One)

8. Discussion and possible action regarding the certification of the August 2017 Collection Report for the Tax Office as required under PTC 31.10.
(Karen Fisher, Tax Assessor-Collector)

9. Discussion and possible action regarding a bid submitted on the following trust property:

	ACCOUNT #	SUIT/CASE #	PROPERTY LOCATION
1.	011945-014310	A120062-T	1111 8 TH STREET, ORANGE, TX

(Karen Fisher, Tax Assessor-Collector)

10. Discussion and possible action regarding authorizing the purchase and installation of audio and video equipment in the 163rd District Court. This will be replacing broken and outdated equipment currently in courtroom. The total cost will be no more than \$5,000.00.
(Dennis Powell, 163rd District Court)

11. Discussion and possible action regarding approving Civil Process Fees for Orange County Constables and Sheriff's Department effective on January 1, 2018.
(Keith Merritt, Sheriff)

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12. Discussion and possible action to move the following Election Day voting locations temporarily for the remainder of the 2017 Election year, due to damages from Hurricane Harvey.

PCT #2	FROM: West Orange Stark Middle School 1402 W Green – Orange	TO: Orange Public Library 220 N 5th Street - Orange
PCT #5	FROM: Trinity Baptist Church 1819 N 16th Street	TO: Orange Public Library 220 N 5th Street – Orange
PCT #7	FROM: National Guard Armory 4103 Meeks Drive – Orange	TO: St Francis Catholic Church 4300 Meeks Drive - Orange
PCT #18	FROM: Oak Forest Elementary School 2400 Hwy 12 – Vidor	TO: Vidor Jr High 945 N Tram – Vidor
PCT #19	FROM: Raymond Gould Community Center 385 Claiborne – Vidor	TO: Vidor Jr High 945 N Tram - Vidor
PCT #23	FROM: Orangefield High School 10058 FM 105, Orangefield	TO: First Christian Church Orangefield 4234 FM 408, Orange

(Tina Barrow, Elections Administrator)

13. Discussion and possible action authorizing the county judge to sign and give notice of the November 7, 2017 Constitutional Amendment Election by publishing NOTICE OF ELECTION in a newspaper of general circulation at least once between Sunday, October 8, 2017 - Monday, October 30, 2017, as per Election Code 1.006, 4.003(a)(1).
(Tina Barrow, Elections Administrator)

14. Discussion and possible action regarding certification of the Orange County Hospital District Petition submitted by citizens of Orange County. A Public Hearing regarding the petition was held at 1:00 p.m. on October 3, 2017 in the Orange County Commissioners' Courtroom.
(Stephen Brint Carlton, County Judge)

15. Discussion and possible action authorizing the County Judge and Commissioners to sign an Order, Ordering a Special Election for The Creation of the Orange County Hospital District to be held on December 19, 2017 and by publishing a Notice of Election in a county newspaper between November 19, 2017 - December 10, 2017 as per Health and Safety Code 286.025
(Tina Barrow, Elections Administrator)

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16. Discussion and possible action authorizing these Early Voting Locations Dates and Times for the December 19, 2017 Orange County Hospital District Election as follows:

Orange Public Library (Main Early Voting Location) 220 N Fifth Street, Orange, Texas 77630	Mauriceville Volunteer Fire Department 10691 N Hwy 62 Mauriceville, Texas 77626
Bridge City Public Works Building 220 Nitsche, Bridge City, Texas 77611	Vidor ISD Administration Building 120 E Bolivar Vidor, Texas 77662

Early Voting will be conducted on the following dates and times:

Monday, December 4, 2017 through Friday, December 8, 2017
Again on
Monday, December 11, 2017 through Friday, December 15, 2017
During the hours of 8AM till 5PM
Extended hours 8AM till 8PM for Tuesday, December 5, 2017 and Tuesday December 12, 2017

(Tina Barrow, Elections Administrator)

17. Discussion and possible action approving hiring Early Voting and Election Day judges, clerks and workers for the December 19, 2017 Orange County Hospital District Election.
(Tina Barrow, Elections Administrator)

18. Discussion and possible action to process a line item transfer for FY 2017-18 to fund the hospital district election that was certified and brought before Commissioners Court after the completion of the 2017-18 budget process.

From: 001-111-53830 (Contingency) (\$40,000.00)
To: 067-808-52220 (Election Expense) \$40,000.00

Purpose: To pay for Hospital District Election expenses.
(Tina Barrow, Elections Administrator)

19. Discussion and possible action to authorize the purchase of a replacement vehicle for Road & Bridge F150 pickup that was considered a complete loss as a result of Hurricane Harvey.
(Clark Slacum, P.E. County Engineer)

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20. Discussion and possible action authorizing the County Purchaser to purchase the following equipment for the Road & Bridge Department:
- 1- Gradall D152 Hydraulic Excavator quoted price of \$246,763.
 - 3- One ton pickup based patch trucks with tilt bed quoted price of \$47,010 each for a total of \$141,630.
 - 1- Tire balancer unit quoted price of \$17,839.32
 - 1- Tire changing unit quoted price of \$6,443.73
- Total amount of purchases: \$412,676.05
- (Clark Slacum, P.E. County Engineer)
21. Discussion and possible action authorizing debris removal from private roads county-wide on a case-by-case basis; action shall include approval for the County Judge to sign the same.
(Missy Pillsbury, Emergency Management Coordinator)
22. Discussion and possible action regarding contract amendment to the Ashbritt contract.
(Connie Cassidy, CPPB, Purchasing Agent)
23. Open up Court session for comments from Court and citizens on items which may or may not need to be placed on the following week(s) agenda for consideration. Each person addressing the Court may be limited to three (3) minutes.
24. Closed meeting, held pursuant to Tex. Gov. Code §551.071 to receive information from Assistant County Attorney on a matter that is covered by the attorney-client privilege. Disclosure of the matter in open court would clearly conflict with the attorney's duties of confidentiality under the Texas Rules of Professional Responsibility.
(Douglas E. Manning, Assistant County Attorney)
25. Return to open meeting. Take any action necessary based upon discussion in closed meeting.
(Douglas E. Manning, Assistant County Attorney)
26. Discussion and possible action regarding adjourning Commissioners' Court meeting.

THE MEETING WILL BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AT ALL TIMES IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE "OPEN MEETINGS LAW" AS REQUIRED BY V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, CHAPTER 551.

THIS NOTICE SHALL BE POSTED FOR AT LEAST SEVENTY-TWO (72) HOURS PRECEDING THE SCHEDULED TIME OF SUCH MEETING.

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THE ORANGE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT RESERVES THE RIGHT TO CONVENE A CLOSED SESSION WITH RESPECT TO ANY ITEM LISTED ON THE AGENDA WHERE ANY EXCEPTION EXISTS UNDER THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT.

THE RIGHT TO CONVENE SUCH A CLOSED SESSION SHALL EXIST REGARDLESS OF WHETHER OR NOT THE AGENDA ITEM OR ITEMS EXPRESSLY STATE THAT A CLOSED MEETING WILL BE CONVENED.

Dated this 29th day of September, 2017.

Posted at 3:00 p.m.

STEPHEN BRINT CARLTON, COUNTY JUDGE
ORANGE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT