



*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 31, 2017**

Notice is hereby given that the Commissioners Court of Orange County, Texas, will meet on **Tuesday, October 31, 2017 at 10:00 a.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 October 24, 2017 at 2:00 p.m., as circulated.

1. Discussion and possible action regarding approval of the 2018 Orange County Resolution for the Indigent Defense Grant Program.
(Glenda Mello, Court Administrator)

2. Discussion and possible action regarding approval of the monthly reports from the County Treasurer for month ending September 30, 2017 and recording in the minutes of the court:
 - a. Approval of Investments in the amount of \$671,516.74.
 - b. Approval of Interest Earned to date in the amount of \$105,480.47.
 - c. Treasurer's Report of revenues received and disbursed in accordance with the Local Government Code 114.026(d) and affidavit of approval by Court. This report will be available on the county's web site for viewing.
 - d. Pledged Security Collateral for a total of \$80,221,305.66, summary as follows:
 - Wells Fargo Bank \$68,012,933.85
 - 1st Financial Bank \$12,208,371.81

(Christy Khoury, County Treasurer)

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- 3. Discussion and possible action regarding filing in the minutes of the Court the County Treasurer's quarterly investment report as required by HB 2459, Public Funds Investment Act. This report is for Quarter ending September 30, 2017, and will be available for viewing on the County's web site.
(Christy Khoury, County Treasurer)

- 4. Discussion and possible action regarding payment of bills approved by the County Auditor as per attested listings and also specifically as follows:
(Pennee Schmitt, County Auditor)

- 5. Discussion and possible action regarding using Law Library Funds as set forth in Local Gov't Code §323.023(b)(3) purchasing or leasing library materials or library equipment, including computers, software and subscriptions to obtain access to electronic research networks for use by judges in the county.
(Pennee Schmitt, County Auditor)

- 6. Discussion and possible action regarding approving line item transfers:

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE OFFICES

From: 012-795-54130 (Contracted Services & Maintenance)	(\$38,193.76)
To: 001-225-54130 (Contracted Services & Maintenance)	\$9,548.44
To: 001-226-54130 (Contracted Services & Maintenance)	\$9,548.44
To: 001-227-54130 (Contracted Services & Maintenance)	\$9,548.44
To: 001-228-54130 (Contracted Services & Maintenance)	\$9,548.44

Purpose: To move expenditures for administration software to the proper departmental accounts.
(Pennee Schmitt, County Auditor)

- 7. Discussion and possible action regarding approving line item transfers:

ELECTIONS

From: 067-808-51140 (Extra Help)	(\$76,500.00)
From: 067-808-51210 (Social Security)	(\$976.14)
From: 067-808-51250 (Unemployment)	(\$22.97)
To: 067-808-52220 (Elections Expense)	\$77,499.11

Purpose: To move expense for Election Workers from Extra Help to Elections Expense to allow proper payroll payment.
(Pennee Schmitt, County Auditor)

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- 8. Discussion and possible action regarding restructuring Emergency Management Department.
(Stephen Brint Carlton, County Judge)

- 9. Discussion and possible action regarding Parks Department.
(Stephen Brint Carlton, County Judge)

- 10. Discussion and possible action regarding the creation of new county positions related to disaster recovery and appointing or hiring any such candidates.
(Stephen Brint Carlton, County Judge)

- 11. Discussion and possible action regarding Orange County employees' pay during emergencies and/or disaster declarations.
(Stephen Brint Carlton, County Judge)

- 12. Discussion and possible action regarding coordination and implementation of volunteer organizations in Orange County in relation to Hurricane Harvey and authorization of the Court to execute any documents deemed necessary. This shall include the County Judge or Judge Pro Tem to sign the same.
(Barry Burton, Commissioner, Precinct Two)

- 13. Discussion and possible action regarding approving a line item transfer:

COUNTY COURT AT LAW NO. TWO

From: 001-218-54551 (Travel/Education) (\$185.00)
To: 001-218-54200 (Printing & Binding) \$185.00

Purpose: To purchase triplicate forms for the courtroom for resetting notices.
(Troy Johnson, County Court at Law No. Two)

- 14. Discussion and possible action regarding approving a line item transfer:

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, PRECINCT FOUR

From: 064-244-54950 (Misc. Fees & Services) (\$600.00)
To: 064-244-52260 (Books & Publications) \$600.00

Purpose: To cover expenses for the remainder of the budget year.
(Rodney Price, Justice of the Peace, Precinct Four)

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15. Discussion and possible action regarding the allocation of FY 2017 Hotel Occupancy Tax Funds to Mauriceville Crawfish Festival in the amount of \$5,000.
(Jessica Hill, CEcD, Executive Director)
16. Discussion and possible action regarding filing into the minutes of the court, the Orange County Emergency Services District #3 Financial Report ending September 30, 2016.
(Susan Vincent, Orange County Emergency Services District #3)
17. Discussion and possible action regarding the National Dislocated Worker (NDW) Temporary Disaster Relief Employment Worksite Agreement with Workforce Solutions Southeast Texas.
(Lori Ardoin, Human Resource Director)
18. Discussion and possible action regarding either purchasing or renting an 8' X 40' climate controlled connex building to house emergency supplies.
Leon George, Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator)
19. Discussion and possible action regarding initiating Commercial and Faith Based Organizations Hurricane Harvey Debris pickup for one pass only.
(Leon George, Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator)
20. Discussion and possible action regarding initiating a Notice of Intent for Private Property Debris Removal on a case by case basis for residential properties only within Orange County.
(Leon George, Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator)
21. Discussion and possible action regarding approval to issue a permit to repair approximately 500' of a levee located on the north side of Interstate 10 and east side of the Neches River due to damage caused by Hurricane Harvey, the property is owned by Parkwood Land Company.
(Joel D. Ardoin, Environmental Health and Code Compliance)
22. 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.
23. Closed meeting, held pursuant to Tex. Gov't Code §551.071, to discuss, with Assistant County Attorney, threatened litigation on behalf of Mariah Ray.
(Douglas E. Manning, Assistant County Attorney)

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24. Return to open meeting. Take any action deemed necessary based upon discussion in closed meeting.
(Douglas E. Manning, Assistant County Attorney)

25. Closed meeting, held pursuant to Tex. Gov. Code §551.074 (personnel exception) to deliberate the appointment of new employee(s) to handle certain duties and projects of the Orange County Commissioners' Court. See, Tex. Gov. Code §551.074(b).
(Brint Carlton, Orange County Judge)

26. Return to open meeting. Take any action deemed necessary based upon discussion in closed meeting.
(Brint Carlton, Orange County Judge)

27. 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.

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 27th day of October, 2017.

Posted at 11:30 a.m.

STEPHEN BRINT CARLTON, COUNTY JUDGE
ORANGE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT

