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REGULAR COURT SESSION
NOTICE OF MEETING AND AGENDA
OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT
OF ORANGE COUNTY, TEXAS
DECEMBER 1. 2026

Notice is hereby given that the Commissioners' Court of Orange County, Texas, will meet on **Tuesday, December 1, 2026, at 10 a.m.** in the Commissioners' Courtroom located at 123 S. 6th Street for the following purposes to-wit:

REGULAR COURT SESSION AGENDA
Invocation
U.S. Pledge
Texas Pledge

1. Open 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.

2. Acknowledgement for recording in the minutes regarding payment of bills approved by the County Auditor for **November 24, 2026.** (Pennee Schmitt, County Auditor)

3. Discussion and possible action regarding payment of **December 1, 2026**, bills approved by the County Auditor as per attested listings and also specifically as follows:

    a. $238,391.35 from the General Fund (001-101-51270) to Texas Association of Counties H.E.B.P. for group medical, dental, life-under age 65 for November 2026.

    b. $102,497.87 from the General Fund (001-101-51270) to Amwins Group Benefits, Inc. for insurance for retirees 65 and over for November 2026.

    c. $100,929.05 from the General Fund (001-101-51270) to Amwins Group Benefits, Inc. for insurance for retirees 65 and over for December 2026.

d. $100,000.00 from the General Fund (001-111-53020) to Orange County Economic Development Corporation for membership 2026-2027.

e. $1,150.00 from the General Fund (001-111-54290) to Claybar Funeral Home for indigent funeral expenses.

f. $1,150.00 from the General Fund (001-111-54290) to Memorial Funeral Home for indigent funeral expenses.

g. $21,652.84 from the General Fund (001-111-54235) to U.T.M.B. for contract payment due December 2026.

h. $247,050.00 from the Special Grants Fund (081-927-53000) to Gary R. Traylor & Associates, Inc. for Invoice #11665: administrative services 08/13/2025 – 09/30/2026.

(Pennee Schmitt, County Auditor)

4. Discussion and possible action regarding receiving the County Auditor's Monthly Financial Report(s). (Pennee Schmitt, County Auditor)

5. Discussion and possible action to approve a line-item transfer for:

ROAD & BRIDGE

From: 002-573-52500 (Road Materials).....($16,262.82)
To: 002-573-57590 (Equipment > $5,000) $16,262.82

Purpose: To cover the cost of the purchase of three (3) Transit Levels and accessories.
(Tracy Leach, Administrator)

6. Discussion and possible action to approve a line-item transfer for:

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

From: 073-936-53002 (CDBG Imelda-Kinard Estates Expense).....($33,326.00)
To: 001-111-53830 (Contingency)..... ..... $33,326.00

Purpose: To rescind transfer previously approved by Commissioners Court 08/11/2026 to facilitate an amended transfer with exact amount paid from local funds during the 2025-2026 fiscal year per GLO requirements.
(Pennee Schmitt, County Auditor)

7. Discussion and possible action to approve a line-item transfer for:
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

From: 001-111-53830 (Contingency).....($33,120.00)
To: 073-936-53002 (CDBG Imelda-Kinard Estates Expense)..... $33,120.00

Purpose: Correcting Entry necessary to execute an amended transfer that reflects exact amount paid from local funds during the 2025-2026 fiscal year per GLO requirements. (Pennee Schmitt, County Auditor)

8. Discussion and possible action to approve the appointment of Vidor's new City Manager, David Slaughter, to the Orange County Economic Development Corporation Board. This appointment is to fill the vacant seat for the City of Vidor representative. (Megan Layne, Orange County EDC Director)

9. Discussion and possible action regarding the renewal of IFB-23006 Bulk Fuel with Tri-Con, Inc. This is the (3rd.) third renewal available under the IFB. Approved with current pricing. Possible action may include authorizing the County Judge or Judge Pro Tern to sign the. renewal contract. (Michelle Carroll, Purchasing Agent)

10. Discussion and possible action regarding the transferring of the following item.

    Asset-30000524– Scotsman Ice Cuber #C0330MA
    Serial# 15051320012357

    From: Mosquito Control
    To: Surplus

    (Michelle Carroll, Purchasing Agent)

11. Closed meeting pursuant to Section §551.087 of the Texas Local Government Code Deliberation regarding commercial or financial information that the Orange County Economic Development Corporation has received from a business prospect that the Commissioners' Court seeks to locate, stay or expand in or near the territory of Orange County and with which the Commissioners' Court is conducting economic development negotiations, or to deliberate the offer of a financial or other incentive to such a business prospect, under section 551.087 of the Act, regarding any current confidential Orange County Economic Development Corporation Projects. (Megan Layne, Orange County Economic Development Corporation Director)

12. Closed meeting held pursuant to Tex. Gov. Code §551.071, to discuss with Assistant County Attorney one or more discrete and unrelated matters regarding pending or threatened litigation, as well as to seek or receive information and advice from Assistant County Attorney on legal matters that are not related to litigation or settlement of litigation but are matters in which the duty of the attorney to the Court otherwise conflicts with Chapter 551. (Denise Gremillion, Assistant County Attorney)

13. Return to open meeting. Take any action deemed necessary based upon discussion in closed meeting. Possible action may include authorizing the County Judge or Judge Pro Tem to execute release forms relating to settlement offers in the matter of Texas opioid multi-district litigation for the County in the matter of *County of Orange v. Purdue Pharma, Inc., et al*., MDL PRETRIAL CAUSE NO. 2018-63587, in the 152nd District Court of Harris County, Texas. (Denise I. Gremillion, Assistant County Attorney)

14. 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 GOVERNMENT CODE, CHAPTER 551.
THIS NOTICE SHALL BE POSTED FOR AT LEAST SEVENTY-TWO (72) BUSINESS 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 November 25, 2026.
Posted at 10:00 am.

JOHN H. GOTHIA, COUNTY JUDGE
ORANGE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT