

NOTICE OF A REGULAR MEETING HIDALGO COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 1

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Commissioners of the Hidalgo County Emergency Services District No. 1 (“the District”) will hold a Regular Meeting on Monday, January 20, 2025, at 12:00 p.m. at the Law Office of Richard S. Talbert, 612 S. Texas Blvd., Weslaco, Hidalgo County, Texas. The purpose of the meeting will be to consider and take possible action on the following items:

NOTE: If, during the course of the meeting, any discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in executive or closed session, the Hidalgo County Emergency Services District No.1 will convene such executive or closed session in accordance with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

- I. Establish a quorum
- II. Approval of Minutes of December 16, 2024, meeting
- III. Public Comments
- IV. New Business – discussion and possible action
 - A. Oath of Office for Newly Appointed Commissioners
 - B. Election of Officers
 - C. Approval of signatories on District Operating Account at Rio Bank and other deposits at Freedom Bank
 - D. Financial Report for December 2024
 - E. Bills to be Paid - (1) Food Supplies
- V. Other Business - discussion and possible action
 - A. Correspondence
 - 1. Paul Villarreal, Jr., Tax Assessor-Collector – Monthly Collection Report
 - 2. Hidalgo County Appraisal District – Surplus Equipment
 - 3. Hidalgo County Appraisal District – 2024 Entity Assessment
 - 4. Montalvo Insurance – Old Republic Surety Company – Continuation Certificate on Treasurer Bond for period 1/20/2025 to 1/20/2026

- B. City of Weslaco – Interlocal Governmental Agreement – Ambulance Services (IGAAS) - Status report on current IGAAS from October 1, 2024, to September 30, 2026; Approval of quarterly contract payment for period October, November and December 2024
- C. Hidalgo County Precinct 1 – discussion and possible action on potential interlocal governmental agreement relating to provision of emergency services and related funding mechanisms within the District and the Precinct
- D. Hidalgo County Ad Hoc Committee on Emergency Services – discussion and possible action on proceedings related to county-wide review of provision of emergency services vis a vis existing Emergency Service Districts, potential new Emergency Service District for western Hidalgo County, and possible unification of all Emergency Service Districts on a county-wide basis and other possible matters related to relating to provision of emergency services and related funding mechanisms within the District and Hidalgo County.
- E. Increase in Authorized Tax Rate - discussion and possible action on ordering an election to be held May 3, 2025, in association with the Hidalgo County Elections Office to seek an increase in the maximum authorized tax rate for the District in accordance with the provisions of Section 775.0745 of the Texas Health & Safety Code and authorizing the President and/or Vice President and Secretary to execute all necessary documents related thereto.
- F. Increase in Authorized Tax Rate - discussion and possible action on authorizing the President and/or Vice-President to take necessary action and commit the necessary funds to assist in the education of the residents of the District regarding the election to be held May 3, 2025, seeking an increase in the maximum authorized tax rate for the District and authorizing the President and/or Vice President and Secretary to execute all necessary documents related thereto..
- G. Designated Bank Depositories – Review of status of accounts and possible restructuring/renewal of accounts and designation of District depositories
- H. Attorney’s Fees for collection of delinquent property taxes - Status Report and authorization to pay current attorney’s fees on delinquent tax collection accounts as per collection reports from Hidalgo County Tax Office and statements from Linebarger, Goggan, Blair & Sampson, LLP
- I. Texas State Association of Fire and Emergency Districts/SAFE-D – membership, training requirements available, reporting requirements and related matters
- J. Website – status on establishment of website
- K. Process of selection and/or selection of Auditor for the 2024 Audit

L. Publication of required legal notices as provided in Chapter 775 of the Texas Health & Safety Code

M. 2024 Budget – Status Report

N. 2025 Budget – Status Report

VI. Adjournment

I, Richard S. Talbert, Attorney and authorized representative for the Hidalgo County Emergency Services District No.1, do hereby certify, that I posted a true and correct copy of the foregoing Notice of the Regular Meeting of the Commissioners of Hidalgo County Emergency Services District No. 1 at 612 S. Texas Blvd., Weslaco, Texas [the administrative office of the District] and delivered a copy by e-mail transmission to the County Clerk of Hidalgo County, Texas, for posting at the Hidalgo County Courthouse in accordance with the requirements of law not later than 12:00 o'clock p.m. on Friday, January 17, 2025.



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Emergency Services District No. 1