

**ATASCOSA COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS COURT
REGULAR MEETING
COMMISSIONERS COURTROOM, SUITE 203
February 23, 2026
9 a.m.**

If after the commencement of the meeting covered by this Notice, the Commissioners Court should determine that a closed or executive meeting or session of the Court is required, then such closed or executive meeting or session as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.001 et seq., will be held by the Court. Purposes for a closed or executive meeting or session permitted by the Act include the following:

- 551.071 Consultation with Attorney.
- 551.072 Deliberation regarding real property.
- 551.073 Deliberation regarding prospective gifts.
- 551.074 Personnel Matters.
- 551.076 Deliberation regarding security devices or security audits.
- 551.0785 Deliberation involving medical or psychiatric records of individuals.
- 551.084 Investigation; exclusion of witness from hearing.
- 551.087 Deliberation regarding economic development negotiation.
- 551.088 Deliberation regarding test item.

AGENDA

1. Judge Cude: Call to Order.
2. Judge Cude: Prayer; Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Public Comments:
4. Jace Allen: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning personnel: This item
Clinical Program Director: was presented to the Post Board on 02/09/2026.
 - Existing Employee: Diane Vick
 - Position: Clinical Mental Health Staff
 - Pay Rate: \$32.4038 per hour
 - Salary Budget Area: 139-400-404
 - Start Date: February 09, 2026
 - Physical: N/A
 - Drug Test: N/A
5. Loretta Holley: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning personnel:
Tax Office:
 - New Employee: Maria Rodriguez
 - Position: Tax Office Deputy Clerk
 - Pay Rate: \$21.15 hourly
 - Salary Budget Area: 012-444-402
 - Start Date: February 23, 2026
 - Physical: pending

Drug Test: pending

6. Constable Medina: Discuss and/or take appropriate action on the 2025 Racial Profiling Report.

7. Tim Gutierrez: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning personnel:
Detention Superintendent:

New Employee: Alexander Almendarez
Position: Juvenile Supervision Officer III
Pay Rate: \$21.11 Hourly
Salary Budget Area: 039-400-562
Start Date: March 2, 2026
Physical: Pending
Drug Test: Pending

New Employee Christopher Bray
Position: PT Control Technician
Pay Rate: \$12.00 Hourly
Salary Budget Area: 039-400-406
Start Date: March 2, 2026
Physical: Pending
Drug Test: Pending

8. Kayla Fournier: Discuss and/or take appropriate action to renew the TAC Affordable Care
H.R: Act Reporting and Tracking Services (ARTS) Program for 2026.

9. Kayla Fournier: Discuss and/or take appropriate action to revise the Annual Longevity Pay
H.R: Policy 2B-18.
Policy &
Procedure
Committee:

10. Britni Van Curan: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning personnel:
Rural
Development:

New Employee: Cornelio Landin
Position: Permit Coordinator
Pay Rate: \$22.1154 hourly
Salary Budget Area: 012-472-408
Start Date: March 1, 2026
Physical: Pending
Drug Test: Pending

11. Tracy Barrera: Discuss and/or take appropriate action to approve a resolution correcting
County Auditor: the official name of the Atascosa Area Advocates Public Defender's Office.

12. Tracy Barrera: Discuss and/or take appropriate action to ratify the purchase of general
County Auditor: liability insurance for the AAPDO office premises.

13. Tracy Barrera: Discuss and/or take appropriate action to ratify the approval and execution
County Auditor: of the rental property lease for the Public Defender's Office location.
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Karen Pesek: \$10,000.00, in partnership with the Jourdanton Chamber of Commerce, for
Jourdanton the celebration of the 250th birthday of the United States of America.
Chamber of
Commerce:
16. Judge Cude: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning Judges,
Commissioners, and Other County Elected Officials' training Course
certifications, record any hours and certificates in Commissioners Court
minutes and other documents not related to Education that need to be filed
in the court records.
- Atascosa County Treasurer Laura Pawelek has completed 25 continuing
education hours at the 2025 Conference of the County Investment
Academy. Laura has also earned 14.5 hours of continuing education at the
53rd Annual County Treasurers Education Seminar. Mrs. Pawelek has
carried over 10.00 hours of education from 2025.

17.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Regular Session of Atascosa County Commissioners Court will now recess in order to convene in Executive Session according to Texas Government Code 551.071 and 551.074 to discuss personnel and other matters with the County Attorney's office.

18.

OPEN SESSION

19. Judge Cude: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning item(s) discussed in
executive session.
20. **Judge Cude: Discuss, review and take action to accept and/or approve any
Tracy Barrera: invoices and payroll.**
21. **Judge Cude: Discuss, review and take action on reports submitted.
Tracy Barrera:**
22. **COMMENTS FROM THE COMMISSIONERS COURT (No Action Can Be
Taken).** The next Commissioners Court is set for Monday, March 9, 2026.
23. Judge Cude: Adjourn.



Weldon P. Cude, Atascosa County Judge

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that this notice was posted by 9:00a.m., on Wednesday February 17, 2026.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jessica Kidd". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Jessica Kidd, Court Coordinator



PERSONNEL ACTION FORM

Please indicate if action to be taken is regarding *new employment or completion of probation*:

Employment Type: Request for salary increase based on completion of probation period
Existing Employee, new position or promotion

Requested Action

Jace Allen:
Clinical Program
Director: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning personnel: This item was presented to the Post Board on 02/09/2026.

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PERSONNEL ACTION FORM

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Requested Action

Loretta Holley: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning personnel:
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**AGENDA REQUEST
(GENERAL)**

Agenda Item 6.

Meeting Date: 02/23/2026
Item Title: 2025 Racial Profiling Report
Submitted For: Mark Medina, Constable, Pct. 1

Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning:

Constable Medina: Discuss and/or take appropriate action on the 2025 Racial Profiling Report.

ATTACHMENTS

2025 Racial Profiling Report

Racial Profiling Report | Exempt

Agency Name: ATASCOSA CO. CONST. PCT. 1
Reporting Date: 01/23/2026
TCOLE Agency Number: 013101

Chief Administrator: Mark A Medina

Agency Contact Information:
Phone: (830) 480-7087
Email: constable1@atascosacounty.texas.gov

Mailing Address:
2136 SECOND STREET, PLEASANTON, TX, 78064

FULL EXEMPTION RACIAL PROFILING REPORT

Article 2.132 CCP Law Enforcement Policy on Racial Profiling a.) In this article:

1.) "Law enforcement agency" means an agency of the state, or of a county, municipality , or other political subdivision of the state, that employs peace officers who make traffic stops in the routine performance of the officers' official duties.

I certify it is not the policy of this agency to make traffic stops in the routine performance of the officers' official duties.

Executed by: Mark Medina
Constable

Date: 01/23/2026

Submitted electronically to the



The Texas Commission on Law Enforcement



PERSONNEL ACTION FORM

Please indicate if action to be taken is regarding *new employment or completion of probation*:

Employment Type: New employee

Requested Action

Tim Gutierrez:

Detention

Superintendent:

Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning personnel:

New Employee:

Position:

Pay Rate:

Salary Budget Area:

Start Date:

Physical:

Drug Test:

Alexander Almendarez

Juvenile Supervision Officer III

\$21.11 Hourly

039-400-562

March 2, 2026

Pending

Pending



PERSONNEL ACTION FORM

Please indicate if action to be taken is regarding *new employment or completion of probation*:

Employment Type: New employee

Requested Action

New Employee	Christopher Bray
Position:	PT Control Technician
Pay Rate:	\$12.00 Hourly
Salary Budget Area:	039-400-406
Start Date:	March 2, 2026
Physical:	Pending
Drug Test:	Pending

**AGENDA REQUEST
(GENERAL)**

Agenda Item 8.

Meeting Date: 02/23/2026
Item Title: Renewal of the TAC ARTS Program
Submitted For: Kayla Fournier, HR

Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning:

Kayla Fournier: Discuss and/or take appropriate action to renew the TAC Affordable Care Act
H.R: Reporting and Tracking Services (ARTS) Program for 2026.

ATTACHMENTS

ARTS Renewal Confirmation Program Agreement



TEXAS ASSOCIATION of COUNTIES HEALTH AND EMPLOYEE BENEFITS POOL

February 2, 2026

Affordable Care Act Reporting and Tracking Service (ARTS) Renewal Information

The Texas Association of Counties Health and Employee Benefits Pool (TAC HEBP) has begun the renewal process for those counties and districts participating in the Affordable Care Act Reporting and Tracking Service (ARTS). Renewal will enable your entity to produce the forms required by IRS Sections 6055/6056 for calendar year 2026, assuming this reporting continues to be a requirement. Reporting will consist of Form 1095C in electronic format, which must be made available to employees and filed with the IRS (plus transmittal Form 1094C, filed with IRS). Current law requires all employers with 50 or more full-time equivalent employees to file these forms. ARTS will provide measurement period tracking for 2026 and beyond (to determine whether an employee must be offered health coverage), as well as affordability testing for groups that require employee contributions toward the cost of their own health coverage.

As your county or district provides health benefits through TAC HEBP, ARTS will continue to be available at NO COST in 2026, assuming program deadlines are met.

Your entity will need to continue sending employee, payroll, and unpaid leave of absence files to TAC HEBP in order to utilize this service for the 2026 reports. **Payroll data must be provided for each payroll cycle. Employee files must be provided, at a minimum, once per quarter. LOA files may be provided if and when applicable.** The information provided will be used to determine:

- 1) whether individuals are eligible for a federal premium subsidy or tax credit; and
- 2) whether your entity is subject to penalties under the ACA employer mandate.

Some payroll vendors have worked with TAC to produce these files for you. You will be responsible for the completion of required information in your payroll system and submission to TAC, but this eliminates the need for manually producing additional spreadsheets.

If you use a payroll system that will produce the required IRS forms, and you determine that your entity does not need measurement period tracking or affordability monitoring, you may not need ARTS. It is a service offered by TAC and is completely optional.

Enclosed is the **2026 ARTS Renewal Confirmation Program Agreement** on page 1. Please return a signed copy (initials on pages 1 and 2, signature on page 3) to your Employee Benefits Consultant or email to ARTS@county.org no later than **3/31/2026** if your entity wishes to continue its participation in the program. If you have any questions, please contact your Employee Benefits Consultant at (800) 456-5974.



TEXAS ASSOCIATION of COUNTIES HEBP AND EMPLOYEE BENEFITS POOL

ACA Reporting and Tracking Service (ARTS) 2026 ARTS Renewal Confirmation Program Agreement HEBP Member: (Pooled Group or ASO)

Program Services

The ARTS program includes the following services:

- *Measurement, Administrative, and Stability Period tracking for 2026 and notification of eligibility for part-time / variable / seasonal employees (can provide tracking back to beginning of Measurement Period if 2025 data was provided by county/district).*
- *Reporting for your county/district regarding the status of potential benefits-eligible employees.*
- *Production of your county/district's 1095C forms, provided electronically* in PDF format*
- *Transmission of your county/district's 1094C and 1095C forms to the IRS.*

*optional: printed forms to employer or direct mail service to employees for additional fee(s)

Program Requirements

- 1) Participants agree to provide employer, payroll, employee and unpaid leave of absence (LOA) files related to the group's Health Benefits Plan in the file format designated by TAC HEBP (ARTS Data File Guide attached):
 - **Payroll data files must be provided for each payroll cycle and should be submitted at least once per calendar month.**
 - **Employee data files must be provided, at a minimum, once per quarter.**
 - **LOA data files may be provided if and when applicable.**

NOTE: *It is critical that we receive the files in the proper format and the correct naming convention. Failure to do so may result in our inability to provide this service to your county or district.*
- 2) Group agrees to pay program fees as described in the **2026 ARTS Fee Schedule** on page 2.

Enrollment and Data Submission Deadlines

- Please refer to the enclosed "2026 Deadlines for ARTS Files" document for details.
- Groups who wish to participate in the ARTS program must return the signed documents to TAC HEBP no later than **March 31, 2026** in order to participate.
- Data file transmission to TAC HEBP must begin no later than August 7, 2026, to avoid late fees, however, **we recommend that you continue sending your files after each payroll or at least monthly** to avoid getting backlogged.

_____ **Initials**



TEXAS ASSOCIATION of COUNTIES HEALTH AND EMPLOYEE BENEFITS POOL

ACA Reporting and Tracking Service (ARTS) HEBP Member (Fully Insured or ASO) 2026 Fee Schedule for Renewing Participant

1	<input type="checkbox"/>	ARTS Annual Subscription Fee	*\$4.75 / form	Waived
2	<input type="checkbox"/>	Late fee for service election form <i>(after 3/31/2026)</i>	\$1,500	
3	<input type="checkbox"/>	Late fee for data submission <i>(after 8/7/2026 and/or 1/8/2027)</i>	\$3,000	If applicable, will be billed in 2027 after forms are produced
4	<input type="checkbox"/>	Optional Printed Forms** <i>(group chooses to have TAC print forms and mail to group contact listed on page 3)</i>	\$3 / form	If applicable, will be billed in 2027 after forms are produced
5	<input type="checkbox"/>	Optional Forms Distribution Postage <i>(group chooses to have TAC mail printed forms directly to employees)</i>	\$1.50 / form	If applicable, will be billed in 2027 after forms are produced
		Total Amount Due: <i>(if zero, enter 0.00)</i>	\$ _____	

**Per 1095C form*

**** You are not required to provide printed forms. If you do not, the requirements for making forms available to your employees are:**

- Provide a written notification to your full-time / benefits-eligible employees to let them know that printed forms will not be automatically provided to them.
- Provide a place on your County/District website where employees can request a copy of their 1095-C form.
- Upon receipt of a request, you have 30 days to respond and provide the requested form.

Note: Fees subject to change annually

_____ Initials



TEXAS ASSOCIATION of COUNTIES HEALTH AND EMPLOYEE BENEFITS POOL

ACA Reporting and Tracking Service (ARTS) Contact Designation Form

Contracting Authority: _____ (Group Name) hereby designates and appoints, as indicated in the space provided below, a Contracting Authority of department head rank or above and agrees that any notice to, or agreement by, a Group's Contracting Authority, with respect to service or claims hereunder, shall be binding on the Group. Each Group reserves the right to change its Contracting Authority from time to time by giving written notice to HEBP.

Name: _____ **Title:** _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ **Fax:** _____

Email: _____

Primary Contact: Main contact for data file and reporting matters pertaining to the ARTS program.

Name: _____ **Title:** _____

Mailing Address: _____

Delivery Address (no PO Boxes): _____

Phone: _____ **HIPAA Secured Fax#:** _____

Email: _____

Other Contact Emails for ARTS correspondence regarding data files, if any:

Signature of County Judge or Contracting Authority

Date

Print Name and Title

Payroll Software provider: _____ Software Version #: _____

**AGENDA REQUEST
(GENERAL)**

Agenda Item 9.

Meeting Date: 02/23/2026
Item Title: Revision of the Annual Longevity Pay Policy 2B-18
Submitted For: Kayla Fournier, HR

Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning:

Kayla Fournier: Discuss and/or take appropriate action to revise the Annual Longevity Pay
H.R: Policy 2B-18.
Policy & Procedure
Committee:

ATTACHMENTS

information

2B-18 ANNUAL LONGEVITY PAY

In an effort to attract and retain employees, Atascosa County provides longevity pay to eligible full-time employees in recognition of their continued service.

Full-time employees who have served three (3) consecutive years of employment with the County will earn annual longevity pay starting in their fourth (4) year of employment. The longevity pay is paid at \$120.00 per year and will be disbursed on the payroll following the employee's anniversary date. There is no limit on the number of years an employee can accrue to qualify for longevity pay. Longevity pay calculations will be based on an employee's hire date within the calendar year.

Years of employment served as an elected official will not be considered for eligibility toward annual longevity pay. For elected officials, the years of service as an employee directly prior to becoming an elected official will be eligible for the annual longevity pay.



PERSONNEL ACTION FORM

Please indicate if action to be taken is regarding *new employment or completion of probation*:

Employment Type: New employee

Requested Action

Britni Van Curan: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning personnel:
Rural Development:

New Employee:	Cornelio Landin
Position:	Permit Coordinator
Pay Rate:	\$22.1154 hourly
Salary Budget Area:	012-472-408
Start Date:	March 1, 2026
Physical:	Pending
Drug Test:	Pending

**AGENDA REQUEST
(GENERAL)**

Agenda Item 11.

Meeting Date: 02/23/2026
Item Title: Resolution for Name Change of the Public Defender's Office (PDO)
Submitted For: Tracy Barrera, County Auditor

Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning:

Tracy Barrera: Discuss and/or take appropriate action to approve a resolution correcting the
County Auditor: official name of the Atascosa Area Advocates Public Defender's Office.

**AGENDA REQUEST
(GENERAL)**

Agenda Item 12.

Meeting Date: 02/23/2026

Item Title: Ratify the Purchase of Liability Insurance Policy - Public Defender's Office (PDO)

Submitted For: Tracy Barrera, County Auditor

Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning:

Tracy Barrera: Discuss and/or take appropriate action to ratify the purchase of general liability
County Auditor: insurance for the AAPDO office premises.

**AGENDA REQUEST
(GENERAL)**

Agenda Item 13.

Meeting Date: 02/23/2026
Item Title: Ratify Approval and Execution of Rental Property Lease - Public Defender's Office (PDO)
Submitted For: Tracy Barrera, County Auditor

Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning:

Tracy Barrera: Discuss and/or take appropriate action to ratify the approval and execution of
County Auditor: the rental property lease for the Public Defender's Office location.

ATTACHMENTS

PDO Lease

COMMERCIAL LEASE

Renewal Lease 2026

This renewed lease Agreement is dated as of 02/01, 2026 by and between Green Nature Investments ("Landlord"), and Atascosa Area Regional Public Defender's Office d/b/a Atascosa Area Advocates ("Tenant"). The parties agree as follows:

PREMISES. Landlord, in consideration of the lease payments provided in this Lease, leases to Tenant 3,400 sf office space located at 607 W. Oaklawn, Pleasanton, TX 78064 ("Premises").

TERM. The lease term will be for one year beginning on March 1, 2026, and will terminate on February 28, 2027.

LEASE PAYMENTS. Tenant shall pay to Landlord monthly installments of \$4,410.00, payable in advance on the first day of each month. Lease payments shall be made to the Landlord at 211 N Main, Suite 103, Pleasanton, Texas 78064.

SECURITY DEPOSIT. Landlord will retain the initial security deposit of \$4,000.00 that was issued at the signing of the original Lease. The security deposit of \$4,000.00 will be held and disbursed for Tenant damages to the Premises (if any) as provided by law. Deposit will be returned to tenant at the end of the lease term if the lease is not renewed, minus any damages which may have occurred during the lease term.

POSSESSION. Tenant shall be entitled to continued possession on the first day of the term of this Lease and shall yield possession to Landlord on the last day of the term of this Lease, unless otherwise agreed by both parties in writing. At the expiration of the term, Tenant shall remove its goods and effects and peaceably yield up the Premises to Landlord in as good a condition as when delivered to Tenant, ordinary wear and tear excepted.

USE OF PREMISES. Tenant may use the Premises only for Office Space. The Premises may not be sublet or used for any other purpose without the prior written consent of Landlord, which shall not be unreasonably withheld. Tenant shall notify Landlord of any anticipated extended absence from the Premises not later than the first day of the extended absence.

UTILITIES. All utilities are the responsibility of the tenant.

MAINTENANCE. Landlord shall maintain the exterior of the building i.e., hvac, parking lot, roof, windows, plumbing and electrical systems. Tenant is accepting the building "as is". Tenant will be responsible for any interior design. Tenant is authorized to make changes and improvements to the property only with Landlord's prior approval.

PROPERTY INSURANCE. Under the renewed lease, Landlord and Tenant shall each maintain appropriate insurance for their respective interests in the Premises and property located on the Premises. Landlord shall be named as an additional insured in such policies. Tenant shall deliver appropriate evidence to Landlord as proof that adequate insurance is in force issued by companies reasonably satisfactory to Landlord. Landlord shall receive advance written notice from the insurer prior to any termination of such insurance policies. Tenant shall also maintain any other insurance which Landlord may reasonably require for the protection of Landlord's interest in the Premises.

Tenant is responsible for maintaining casualty insurance on their own property.

LIABILITY INSURANCE. Tenant shall maintain liability insurance on the Premises in a total aggregate sum of at least \$1,000,000.00 with the Landlord listed as an additional insured. Tenant shall deliver appropriate evidence to Landlord as proof that adequate insurance is in force issued by companies reasonably satisfactory to Landlord. Landlord shall receive advance written notice from the insurer prior to any termination of such insurance policies.

RENEWAL TERMS. Tenant will have the option to renew the lease by giving notice to the landlord that Tenant is interested in exercising their lease option 60 days prior to lease ending. If lessee exercises its option to renew, all terms of this lease shall continue during the renewal period without modification and the amount of the lease payment. Landlord has the right to increase the lease payment in an amount not to exceed 5% of the previous year's lease payment.

TAXES. Taxes attributable to the Premises or the use of the Premises shall be allocated as follows:

REAL ESTATE TAXES. Landlord shall pay all real estate taxes and assessments for the Premises.

PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES. Tenant shall pay all personal property taxes and any other charges that the city or county may assess which are attributable to Tenant's use of the Premises.

DEFAULTS. Tenant shall be in default of this Lease if Tenant fails to fulfill any lease obligation or term by which Tenant is bound. Subject to any governing provisions of law to the contrary, if Tenant fails to cure any financial obligation within 5 days (or any other obligation within 10 days) after written notice of such default is provided by Landlord to Tenant, Landlord may take possession of the Premises without further notice (to the extent permitted by law), and without prejudicing Landlord's rights to damages. In the alternative, Landlord may elect to cure any default, and the cost of such action shall be added to Tenant's financial obligations under this Lease.

Tenant shall pay all costs, damages, and expenses (including reasonable attorney fees and expenses) suffered by Landlord by reason of Tenant's defaults. All sums of money or charges required to be paid by Tenant under this Lease shall be additional rent, whether such sums or charges are designated as "additional rent". The rights provided by this paragraph are cumulative in nature and are in addition to any other rights afforded by law.

LATE PAYMENTS. For any payment that is not received by the Landlord within 5 days after its due date, Tenant shall pay a late fee of \$441.00.

CUMULATIVE RIGHTS. The rights of the parties under this Lease are cumulative and shall not be construed as exclusive unless otherwise required by law.

NON-SUFFICIENT FUNDS. Tenant shall be charged \$35.00 for each check that is returned to Landlord for lack of sufficient funds.

ACCESS BY LANDLORD TO PREMISES. Subject to Tenant's consent (which shall not be unreasonably withheld), Landlord shall have the right to enter the Premises to make inspections, provide necessary services, or show the unit to prospective buyers, mortgagees, tenants or workers. However, Landlord does not assume any liability for the care or supervision of the Premises. As provided by law, in the case of an emergency, Landlord may enter the Premises without Tenant's consent. During the last three months of this Lease, or any extension of this Lease, Landlord shall be allowed to display the usual "To Let" signs and show the Premises to prospective tenants.

ASSIGNABILITY/SUBLETTING. Tenant may not assign or sublease any interest in the Premises, nor effect a change in the majority ownership of the Tenant (from the ownership existing at the inception of this lease), nor assign, mortgage or pledge this Lease, without the prior written consent of Landlord, which shall not be unreasonably withheld.

NOTICE. Notices under this Lease shall not be deemed valid unless given or served in writing and forwarded by mail, postage prepaid, addressed as follows:

LANDLORD:

Green Nature Investments, LLC
211 N Main, Suite 103
Pleasanton, Texas 78064

TENANT:

Atascosa Area Advocates Public Defender's Office
d/b/a Atascosa Area Advocates
607 W. Oaklawn
Pleasanton, TX 78064
Mailing Address

Such addresses may be changed from time to time by any party by providing notice as set forth above. Notices mailed in accordance with the above provisions shall be deemed received on the third day after posting.

GOVERNING LAW. This Lease shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas.

ENTIRE AGREEMENT/AMENDMENT. This Lease Agreement contains the entire agreement of the parties and there are no other promises, conditions, understanding or other agreements, whether oral or written, relating to the subject matter of this Lease. This Lease may be modified or amended in writing, if the writing is signed by the party obligated under the amendment.

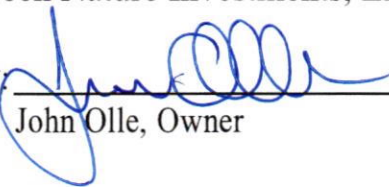
SEVERABILITY. If any portion of this Lease shall be held to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, the remaining provisions shall continue to be valid and enforceable. If a court finds that any provision of this Lease is invalid or unenforceable, but that by limiting such provision, it will become valid and enforceable, then such provision shall be deemed to be written, construed, and enforced as so limited.

WAIVER. The failure of either party to enforce any provisions of this Lease shall not be construed as a waiver or limitation of that party's right to subsequently enforce and compel strict compliance with every provision of this Lease.

BINDING EFFECT. The provisions of this Lease shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of both parties and their respective legal representatives, successors and assigns.

LANDLORD:

Green Nature Investments, LLC

BY:  _____
John Olle, Owner

TENANT:

Atascosa Area Advocates Public Defender's Office d/b/a Atascosa Area Advocates

| *Stephanie R. Brown 1/29/2026*
| Executive Director

| **Stephanie R. Brown**
| Printed Name

**AGENDA REQUEST
(GENERAL)**

Agenda Item 14.

Meeting Date: 02/23/2026
Item Title: Agreement for Janitorial Services for Public Defender's Office (PDO)
Submitted For: Tracy Barrera, County Auditor

Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning:

Tracy Barrera: Discuss and/or take appropriate action on approval of an agreement for
County Auditor: providing limited county janitorial services to the AAPDO office.

**AGENDA REQUEST
(GENERAL)**

Agenda Item 15.

Meeting Date: 02/23/2026

Item Title:

Submitted For: Weldon Cude, County Judge

Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning:

Judge Cude: Discuss and/or take appropriate action to approve the donation of up to
Karen Pesek: \$10,000.00, in partnership with the Jourdanton Chamber of Commerce, for the
Jourdanton celebration of the 250th birthday of the United States of America.
Chamber of
Commerce:

ATTACHMENTS

information



PO Box 747
Jourdanton, TX 78026
830-570-3219
www.jourdanton.net

Dear County Judge Cude,

For many years the Jourdanton Chamber of Commerce has provided an event at the Jourdanton City Park to celebrate July 4. The event is free to the community and includes sausage wraps, hot dogs, chips, snow cones, popcorn, sodas and bottled water. In addition, there are various activities and bounce castles. The evening ends with a fifteen minute, AMAZING, firework show. The fireworks are done by a professional pyrotechnic company costing the chamber close to \$10,000.

We have been blessed to provide this event to the community with the help of generous donations from the city, HEB, and other donors.

With 2026 being the 250th anniversary of our nation, the chamber wants to make this event even bigger! We are hoping that the county will want to join us in making it happen. Our thoughts are to add carnival rides and games. We are respectfully requesting a match amount of \$10,000 which would cover the cost of the rides and games, along with all the attendants to run them. This is a really important benefit as finding volunteers is extremely difficult.

The Chamber appreciates your consideration of joining us in providing an amazing event to celebrate the 250th birthday of our great nation!

Sincerely,

Karen Pesek
Chamber Member

**AGENDA REQUEST
(GENERAL)**

Agenda Item 16.

Meeting Date: 02/23/2026
Item Title:
Submitted For: Weldon Cude, County Judge

Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning:

Judge Cude: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning Judges, Commissioners, and Other County Elected Officials' training Course certifications, record any hours and certificates in Commissioners Court minutes and other documents not related to Education that need to be filed in the court records.

Atascosa County Treasurer Laura Pawelek has completed 25 continuing education hours at the 2025 Conference of the County Investment Academy. Laura has also earned 14.5 hours of continuing education at the 53rd Annual County Treasurers Education Seminar. Mrs. Pawelek has carried over 10.00 hours of education from 2025.

ATTACHMENTS

information

**TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES
COUNTY TREASURERS' ASSOCIATION OF TEXAS
CONTINUING EDUCATION**

Reporting Period: 1/1/2025 - 12/31/2025

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County Treasurer must successfully complete at 20 hours of continuing education annually. The required continuing education must be sponsored or cosponsored by an accredited public institution of higher education. A maximum of 10 continuing education hours can be carried forward to the next period.

Date	Description	Earned Hours
1/1/2025	Excess hours carried from 2024	10.00
4/21/2025	53rd Annual County Treasurers' Continuing Education Seminar - Apr 21, 2025	20.00
6/16/2025	2025 Conference of the County Investment Academy - Jun 16, 2025	10.00
Total Accredited Hours: 30.00		
Applicable Outside Hours: 10.00		
Total Hours For Year: 40.00		

You have completed your program.

You have met your 2025 County Treasurers' Association education requirement.

You may carry forward 10 hours to the next reporting period.

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PUBLIC FUNDS INVESTMENT ACT CONTINUING EDUCATION

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The requirements for the program are 10 hours of continuing education every 2 years. No hours may be carried forward to the next period.

Date	Description	Earned Hours
4/21/2025	53rd Annual County Treasurers' Continuing Education Seminar - Apr 21, 2025	4.50
6/16/2025	2025 Conference of the County Investment Academy - Jun 16, 2025	15.00

Total Hours For Period: 19.50

You have completed your program.

You have met your 2025 - 2026 Public Funds Investment Act education requirement.

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Date	Description	Earned Hours
1/1/2026	Excess hours carried from 2025	10.00
1/1/2026	Excess hours carried from 2025	10.00

Total Accredited Hours: 20.00

Applicable Outside Hours: 0.00

Total Hours For Year: 20.00

You have completed your program.

You have met your 2026 County Treasurers' Association education requirement.