

Please someone correct me if I am wrong on any of the numbers below.

The County is over 32 million dollars in debt.

The debt service has increased by 136% from \$5.6 million in FY 2023 to \$7.6 million in FY 2024.

Deficit spending exceeded budgeted revenue by \$6.9 million in FY 2023.
Deficit spending exceeded budgeted revenue by \$9.6 million in FY 2024.
An increase of \$2.7 million in deficit spending.

While I support the efforts of all the men and women that work for the citizens and taxpayers of Burnet county, **I do not support any increases in salary for the County Judge, the four County Commissioners or the County Attorney.**

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Proposed salary for 2024-2025 of \$121,566.00 for County Attorney Eddie Arredondo (\$6,968 increase or 6.08%)

Proposed salary for 2024-2025 of \$113,337.00 for County Judge James Oakley (\$6,496 increase or 6.08%)

Proposed salary for 2024-2025 of \$98,984.00 for each of the Four Commissioners (\$8,729 increase or 9.67%)

In my opinion the County Judge and the County Commissioners have shown they have not been responsible* with how they handle the taxpayers money and should not be rewarded with higher salaries.

As a Burnet County Taxpayer and Registered Voter
I VOTE NO CONFIDENCE.

*Specifically the continued proof of fiscal mismanagement represented by the increase of \$2.7 million in deficit spending from FY 2023 to FY 2024, the fact that they voted to frivolously spend over \$28,000 dollars on an unnecessary forensic audit in Sept. 2023 and that the commissioners were on the record ready to pay for Mr. Oakley's \$132,000 dollars in legal expenses after he returned from his State Ethics Board suspension in Sept 2023.