

Hidalgo County Clerk's Records Archive Plan

(AS PER SECTION 118.025 (G) of the Local Government Code)

Whereas the Texas State Legislature found, that the deterioration of public documents in the offices of the county clerks constituted a threat to the integrity and reliability of the existing system for preserving documents,

And whereas, the purpose of the their Act was to impose a fee for filing public documents in the offices of the county clerks in order to provide funds to be used to preserve existing public documents,

The Hidalgo County Clerk's Office seeks to preserve and restore all of their public documents as defined by subsection 2 of section 118.025 of the Local Government Code. The documents included are listed, but are not limited to the following:

Marriage Records	Deed Records	Civil Records
Birth Records	Assumed Name	DD-214 Military Discharge
Cattle Brand Records	Records	Criminal Records
Death Records	Subdivision Maps	Probate Records
Official Records	Commissioners Court	Bail Bond Records
	Minutes	

In order to satisfy the requirements of this statute, the Hidalgo County Clerk's Office seeks to use the latest in technological advances to preserve and restore all aforementioned records. In order to accomplish this we will require, various tools, services, and resources. Some of the required resources are listed, but not limited to,

Personnel, facilities, services, repairs, equipment, tools, hardware, software, and general supplies needed for the creation, use, maintenance, retention, preservation, restoration of records.

Copying services including personnel, hardware and software, plus any required office equipment need to fulfill this service to operate effectively and efficiently (copy machines, paper supplies, etc...).

Scanning services including personnel, along with any hardware and software equipment required to operate the storage facility.

Re-indexing services including personnel, and any computer hardware and software equipment required to fulfill these services.

Shrink wrapping, printing, binding services, and or materials required to accomplish these types of services to better preserve and restore the integrity of its records.

Document storage services including shelving, boxes, other types of storage containers and computer technologies capable of tracking documents within the facility more effectively and efficiently.

Microfilm production, conversion and storage services also the equipment as required to accomplish these services.

The County Clerk Document Storage Facility will be maintained in compliance with the Texas Library of Archives' document storage standards. Facility will be equipped with equipment required for operating efficiently and effectively (i.e., ladders, lifts, dollies, etc...).

Transportation service, including fuel, maintenance, and repairs.

Document warehousing services including personnel, building renovations or leases, to include outfitted the warehouse with climate control to meet the Texas Library of Archive standards.

Safety and First Aid equipment to keep personnel working in a safe environment.

General Office supplies and equipment, including computer equipment with the appropriate hardware and software required to operate the storage facility.

The ability to acquire emerging technologies that could assist in the restoration and preservation of our records.

Any items not covered specifically under this plan are referenced per object code, in the Hidalgo County Auditors Object Code and Description Guidelines Manual, Paragraph I – VIII, Object Codes 111 – 899.