

**RESOLUTION TO RECOMMEND THE CREATION OF
A UNIFIED PROCUREMENT CODE FOR TEXAS**

WHEREAS, the County of Hidalgo is subject to Texas LGC, Chapters 262, 271 for its purchasing, and

WHEREAS, there are at least eleven distinct statutes that govern public purchasing in Texas, and

WHEREAS, the number of statutes under which Texas purchasing is conducted creates confusion for both the legislature, the public and the businesses that strive to provide goods and services to governmental entities, and

WHEREAS, the Texas Public Purchasing Association, TxPPA, and its nearly 500 members from 300 public entities across the State have been working on creating a structure for a unified code since 2008, and

WHEREAS, a single unified code, like that which exists in 16 other states would do much to create greater transparency in public purchasing;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1: The County of Hidalgo supports the creation of a Unified Procurement Code in Texas.

Section 2: The County of Hidalgo requests the Texas Legislature to investigate the feasibility of creating a Unified Procurement Code for the State of Texas through all means at its disposal.

Section 3: This resolution shall be in effect as of March 17, 2015.

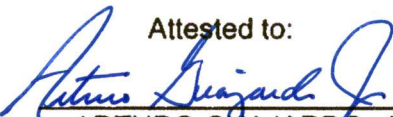

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