

# **COMMISSIONERS COURT AGENDA**

**Tuesday, October 21, 2014**

**9:30 a.m.**



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## **COMMISSIONERS COURT**

**Joel P. Baker, County Judge**

**Commissioner Jeff Warr, Precinct 1**

**Commissioner Cary Nix, Precinct 2**

**Commissioner Terry Phillips, Precinct 3**

**Commissioner JoAnn Hampton, Precinct 4**



**COUNTY OF SMITH**  
**COMMISSIONERS COURT**  
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Pursuant to Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, this notice is to advise that a regular meeting of the **Smith County Commissioners Court** will be held at **9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, October 21, 2014**, in the **Smith County Commissioners Courtroom** on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor of the **Smith County Courthouse Annex**, 200 E. Ferguson, Tyler, Texas.

Questions regarding this agenda should be directed to Commissioners Court Administrative Assistant at 903-590-4605. The agenda is available on the County's website (<http://www.smith-county.com>).

**CALL TO ORDER**  
**INVOCATION**  
**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** An opportunity for members of the public who have previously filled out a participation form to address the Commissioners Court on agenda items and/or request a matter on a future agenda. Individuals are limited to a maximum of three (3) minutes. The Court may not deliberate on non-agenda items.

**OPEN SESSION:**

1. Consider and take any necessary action to approve the tax abatement agreement with John Soules Foods and authorize the County Judge to sign all documents necessary to implement the tax abatement agreement.
2. Consider and take any necessary action to approve interlocal agreement with Rockwall County for participation in Federal Voting Assistance Program consortium for automated voter and eBalloting services in support of overseas absentee voters.
3. Consider and take any necessary action to approve public benefit purchase interlocal agreement between the Smith County Juvenile Attention Center and the City of Tyler.
4. Consider commitment letter as requested by the East Texas Council of Governments (ETCOG) in support of the application of the East Texas Economic Development District (ETEDD) for a three-year planning grant from the United States Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration (EDA).
5. Consider request from Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) for temporary road closures related to bridge work located within Smith County, specifically, authorization for temporary county road closures on CR 481 at Duck Creek and CR 452 at Duck Creek, both scheduled for June 2015.
6. Consider and take any necessary action to approve Memorandum of Understanding between the County Clerk's office and AMCAD for electronic recording of real property records.

7. Consider and adopt resolution(s) supporting approval of the bids for the sale of Struck-off properties and authorize County Judge to sign papers pertaining to the sale.
8. Consider Optional Healthcare Services contract for Indigent Care services.
9. Consider approval of FY2015 public service agreements for the benefit of Smith County, including the following:
  - (a) Tyler Family Circle of Care; and
  - (b) St. Paul Children's Foundation.
10. Consider and take any necessary action to amend certain fees in the Fire Marshal's office, effective November 1, 2014, under Texas Local Government Code § 352.016.
11. Receive and approve settlement in the amount of \$2,868.79 for damaged handrails at the Smith County Courthouse from adverse insurance company to reimburse county regarding auto accident from July 30, 2014. Also, approve release of claims and authorize County Judge to sign same.
12. Consider approval of Travel Policy update.
13. Approve and/or ratify payment of accounts, bills, payroll, transfer of funds, amendments, and health claims.
14. Receive information and consider recommendation(s) for all jail projects.
15. Report on Smith County Jail Status and related information.

**CLOSED SESSION:** To consult, receive, and seek advice from attorney pursuant to Sections 551.0725, 551.071, and 551.076 of the Texas Government Code.

16. Receive consultation and seek legal advice regarding available options concerning security issues and/or public safety within County facilities, including but not limited to the deployment or specific occasions for implementation of personnel or devices or a security audit within County facilities pursuant to Tex. Gov't Code 551.076.
17. Receive legal update briefing and seek legal advice regarding pending legal matters.
18. Receive legal update briefing and consultation and seek legal advice regarding pending contracts and procurement requirements.
19. Discuss personnel matters, including but not limited to employment or duties of departments supervised by the Smith County Commissioners Court.

**OPEN SESSION:**

20. Only if necessary, discuss, consider, and take any necessary action relevant to the deployment or specific occasions for implementation of security personnel or devices or a security audit within County facilities.
21. Only if necessary, consider action regarding pending legal cases, including but not limited to matters placed with outside counsel.
22. Only if necessary, consider and take any action regarding pending contracts and procurement requirements.

23. Only if necessary, consider and take any action regarding employment or duties of departments supervised by the Smith Commissioners Court.

**ADJOURN**

SMITH COUNTY COURTHOUSE ANNEX ACCESSIBILITY STATEMENT FOR DISABLED PERSONS This meeting site is accessible to disabled persons as follows: Entrance to the Courthouse Annex is accessible through the front entrance on the south side of the Courthouse Annex located at 200 E. Ferguson. A wheelchair ramp provides access to the front entrance. The Commissioners Courtroom is on the first floor. If any special assistance or accommodations are needed in order to attend a Commissioners Court meeting, please contact Commissioners Court staff at 903-590-4605, in advance, so accommodations can be arranged.

Date: 10-17-2014

Time: 3:30 p.m.



JOEL P. BAKER, COUNTY JUDGE

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