

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF ORANGE

BE IT REMEMBERED that a Special Court Session was held on Tuesday, May 12, 2026, at 10:00 A.M. in the Commissioners' Courtroom of the Orange County Administration Building with the following in attendance:

John H. Gothia,	County Judge
Chris Sowell,	Commissioner, Precinct No. 2
Kirk F. Roccaforte,	Commissioner, Precinct No. 3
Robert Viator Jr.,	Commissioner, Precinct No. 4

Absent was: Johnny A. Trahan, Commissioner, Precinct No. 1

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M., Chaplain Mike Eaves, gave the invocation, John Gothia led in the Pledge of Allegiance and the following business was transacted, to-wit:

Agenda Items are in the order they were taken in the meeting.

1. COMMENTS There were no comments in this meeting.

2. PRESENTATION Motion made by Chris Sowell, seconded by Kirk Roccaforte to acknowledge the presentation of Q1 2026 tax abatement report from Golden Triangle Polymers.

All Voted Aye. Motion Carried.
(See Exhibits for this date.)

- 3a. CLOSED MEETING Closed meeting held pursuant to Tex. Gov. Code §551.071, to discuss with Assistant County Attorney one or more discrete and unrelated matters regarding pending or threatened litigation, as well as to seek or receive information and advice from Assistant County Attorney on legal matters that are not related to litigation or settlement of litigation but are matters in which the duty of the attorney to the Court otherwise conflicts with Chapter 551.

The court went into closed meeting. This meeting was not recorded.

3b. RETURN TO MEETING

Return to open meeting. Take any action deemed necessary based upon discussion in closed meeting.

Motion made by Robert Viator, seconded by Kirk Roccaforte to approve the capstone project, EDC amount remaining at 200,000.00, the county amount being reduced from 300,000.00 to 200,000.00 for the project, primarily due to the change in scope of work and with all other things being considered and being same and upon completion the attorney rewriting the agreement to show the \$300,000.00 to \$200,000.00 change.

All Voted Aye. Motion Carried.
(See Exhibits for this date.)

4. APPOINT BOARD MEMBER

Motion made by Kirk Roccaforte, seconded by Robert Viator to appoint David Rutledge as a new Board Member to the Gulf Coast Protection District (GCPD).

All Voted Aye. Motion Carried.

5. PAYMENT OF BILLS

Motion made by Robert Viator, seconded by Chris Sowell to record in the minutes regarding payment of bills approved by the County Auditor for May 5, 2026.

GENERAL FUND	\$ 15,198.11
ROAD & BRIDGE	-
MOSQUITO CONTROL	-
ADULT PROBATION	455.31
AIRPORT	309.42
CONSOLIDATED ACCOUNTS	-

TOTAL FOR PAYMENT	\$15,962.84

All Voted AYE. Motion Carried.
(See Exhibits for this date.)

13. BOAT PURCHASE

Motion made by Chris Sowell, seconded by Kirk Roccaforte to increase the preapproved capital outlay amount of \$35,000.00 + \$38,995.00 for the Road and Bridge boat purchase due to price increases.

All Voted Aye. Motion Carried.
(See Exhibits for this date.)

6. BILLS

Motion made by Chris Sowell, seconded by Kirk Roccaforte to pay February 24, 2026 bills approved by the County Auditor as per attested listings and also specifically as follows:

- a. \$47,125.00 from the General Fund (001-681-53024) to Rock Builders, L.L.C. for Phase 1 of 2 – concrete & dirt work for Pickleball Courts.

- b. \$21,652.83 from the General Fund (001-111-54235) to U.T.M.B. for contract payment due May 2026
- c. \$34,000.00 from the Road & Bridge Fund (002-573-52520) to IVM Solutions for roadside vegetation management – turf program application date 04/20/2026 – 04/28/2026
- d. \$38,995.00 from the Road & Bridge Fund (002-573-57590) to Patriot Airboat Corporation for a 2026 Patriot Flat Bottom Boat and Coastline Trailer.

GENERAL FUND	\$ 392,413.48
ROAD & BRIDGE	358,416.41
MOSQUITO CONTROL	766.03
ADULT PROBATION	665.28
AIRPORT	3,266.71
CONSOLIDATED ACCOUNTS	1,586.00
ARPA	244.13

TOTAL FOR PAYMENT	\$ 757,358.04

All Voted Aye. Motion Carried.
(See Exhibits for this date.)

7. LINE ITEM TRANSFER

Motion was made by Chris Sowell, seconded by Robert Viator to approve a line item transfer for:

SHERIFF'S OFFICE

From: 001-740-52117 (K-9 Supplies) (\$9,000.00)
To: 001-740-52110 (Public Safety Supplies/Uniforms) \$9,000.00

Purpose: To provide funds for Patrol uniform transition.

All Voted Aye. Motion Carried.

8. LINE ITEM TRANSFER Motion was made by Kirk Roccaforte, seconded by Robert Viator to approve a line item transfer for:

SHERIFF'S OFFICE

From: 001-743-57590 (Equipment > \$5,000).....(\$1,000.00)
To: 001-743-54130 (Contracted Services & Maintenance).....\$1,000.00

Purpose: To cover remaining funds for yearly maintenance for the jail administration copier and replenish line item for remainder of year.

All Voted Aye. Motion Carried.

9. COLLECTION REPORT Motion was made by Kirk Roccaforte, seconded by Robert Viator to accept the certification of the April 2026 Collection Report for the Tax Office as required under PTC 31.10.

All Voted Aye. Motion Carried.
(See Exhibits for this date.)

10. CHANGE VENDOR Motion made by Robert Viator, seconded by Kirk Roccaforte to approve the change of vendor purchase of a Fuming Chamber for lifting fingerprints from items. This was previously approved for purchase from the 25/26 Budget Capital Outlay request. The original vendor chosen can no longer get this item which resulted in the need to purchase from a different vendor. No additional funds are required for this purchase as it is below the original cost for the Fuming Chamber. This will be for the Orange County Sheriff's Office CID Division.

All Voted Aye. Motion Carried.

11. MAINTENANCE DEPT. PROJECTS Kurt Guidry, Maintenance Director, stated they are doing duct work inside the Administration building. They erected lean-to at 1442, doing electrical and spray in foam and can put the air conditioner unit inside and be done. They still have work to do inside the kitchens and cut outs for the restrooms in the POD buildings. The next project is the Veterans building. They need to move the fence at the Transportation building, and are getting a quote from two companies to take some trees down at the facility.

12. ROAD & BRIDGE PROJECTS Kellen McLarty, Pct. 3 Foreman, stated culvert fees were \$6,545.00. They opened the bridge 54 times. Citizen Collection Station had 1,405 participants. Waste billing was \$33,129.00. Collection receipts were \$18,417.00; Recycle receipts were \$3,854.37. Roads completed from October 1 to today is 16.17 miles, working on addition 2.3 miles which should be completed shortly.

14. APPROVE AGREEMENT Motion was made by Kirk Roccaforte, seconded by Chris Sowell to approve an Interlocal agreement between Orange County and the Cities of Orange, West Orange, Pinehurst, Bridge City, Vidor, Rose City and Pine Forest for joint procurement of a Disaster Recovery Services contract and a Debris Monitoring Contract and approve the Orange County Judge or Judge Pro Tem to sign the same.
- All Voted Aye. Motion Carried.
(See Exhibits for this date.)
15. APPROVE FLOOD INSURANCE COVERAGE Motion made by Chris Sowell, seconded by Kirk Roccaforte to approve with additional coverage and option B of the Orange County building list and the coverage selection for National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP).
- All Voted Aye. Motion Carried.
(See Exhibits for this date.)
16. APPROVE CONTRACT Motion made by Kirk Roccaforte, seconded by Chris Sowell to approve the contract for Disaster Recovery Services per the Committee's recommendation and awarding a primary and secondary vendor pursuant to the County award of RFP 26001 and approve for the Orange County Judge or Judge Pro Tem to sign the same.
- All Voted Aye. Motion Carried.
(See Exhibits for this date.)
17. APPROVE CONTRACT Motion made by Robert Viator, seconded by Kirk Roccaforte the contract for Disaster Monitoring Services per the Committee's recommendation and awarding a primary and secondary vendor pursuant to the County's award of RFP 26002 and approve for the Orange County Judge or Judge Pro Tem to sign the same.
- All Voted Aye. Motion Carried.
(See Exhibits for this date.)
18. ADVERTISE FOR BIDS Motion made by Kirk Roccaforte, seconded by Chris Sowell to approve the Purchasing agent to advertise for Bids for RFP-26003 Emergency disaster Food Service. The committee members will be Chris Sowell, Mandy Donnaud, Kirk Roccaforte, Joel Ardoin and James Scales.
- All Voted Aye. Motion Carried.

19. APPROVE
RENEWAL

Motion made by Chris Sowell, seconded by Kirk Roccaforte to approve the renewal agreement between Orange County and Five Star Correctional Services, for IFB-21002 for Inmate Food Services. Renewal (5th renewal) period shall be June 01, 2026 through May 31, 2027 and approve for Orange County Judge to sign the same.

All Voted Aye. Motion Carried.
(See Exhibits for this date.)

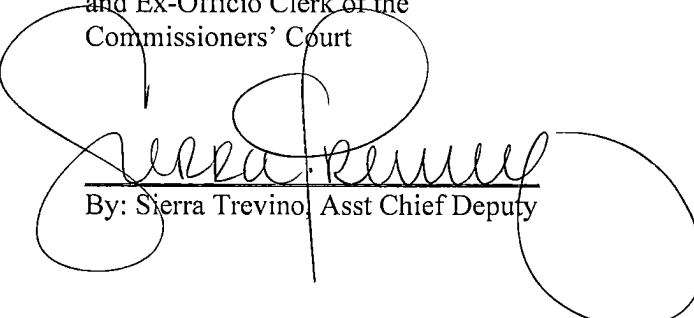
20. ADJOURN
MEETING

There being no further business, a motion was made by Kirk Roccaforte, seconded by Robert Viator to adjourn Commissioners' Court meeting.

All Voted AYE. Motion Carried.
John Gothia adjourned the Commissioners' Court meeting.

ATTEST:

Brandy Robertson, County Clerk
and Ex-Officio Clerk of the
Commissioners' Court


By: Sierra Trevino, Asst Chief Deputy

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