

**HOWARD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT
AGENDA
SPECIAL/TOWN HALL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 29, 2020**

The following item(s) of business will be discussed and possible action taken in a special meeting of the Howard County Commissioners' Court to be held on **SEPTEMBER 29, 2020. Court will begin at 6:00 P.M. in the Commissioner's Courtroom (3RD Floor).** Please see below for meeting details.

Location: Howard County Courthouse
300 S. Main St
Big Spring, TX 79720

Announcement: Anyone intending to address the Commissioners' Court shall complete and turn in the designated form to County Judge. Please silence cell phones.

Call to Order

SPECIAL SESSION – 6:00 PM:

Location: **Commissioners Courtroom (3rd Floor of County Courthouse)**

- **Citizen input for those registered to make comments-**
 - Town Hall Meeting 3rd floor Courtroom Sept. 29 & Oct. 6 6 p.m.-7p.m- Concerning County Assistance District
- Discussion of Law Enforcement Radio System and take any necessary action
- Opportunity for mention of any items to be on the future agendas



Attest:

Kathryn G. Wiseman
Howard County Judge
Phone. 432-264-2203
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BY DEPUTY Nancy Arler

COUNTY CLERK HOWARD COUNTY

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Pursuant to the authority granted under Government Code, Chap. 551, the Commissioners Court may convene a closed session to discuss any of the above agenda items. Immediately before any closed session, the specific section or sections of Government Code, Chap. 551 that provides statutory authority will be announced

BE IT REMEMBERED that on the 29th day of September, A.D. 2020 the Commissioner Court of Howard County met in Special/Town Hall meeting session at 6:00 PM with **KATHYRN G. WISEMAN**, County Judge as the Presiding Officer. The following members were present: **OSCAR GARCIA**, Commissioner Precinct No. 1, **CRAIG BAILEY**, Commissioner Precinct No. 2, **JIMMIE LONG**, Commissioner Precinct No. 3 and **JOHN H. CLINE**, Commissioner Precinct No. 4. **OSCAR GARCIA**, Commissioner Precinct No. 1 and **CRAIG BAILEY**, Commissioner Precinct No. 2 were absent.

The meeting was called to order @ 6:04 PM.

Commissioner Jimmie Long gave a presentation on what a County Assistance District would mean for Howard County, stressing that it is NOT a property tax, but a 2% sales tax on taxable purchases outside the City limits of Big Spring, Coahoma, and Forsan. He stated that it can help to offset increases in property taxes. If implemented, the funds could be used for Economic Development, Law Enforcement & Detention Services, Tourism, Roads & Highways, Firefighting & Fire Prevention, Libraries, Museums, Parks, Recreational Facilities, or other Services that benefit the Public Welfare.

Mr. Long stated that study had been done by Mr. Russell Gallahan, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts Data Analysis and Transparency Division, for 2018 and an estimated \$4 million dollars could have been raised in that year with this tax. Mr. Long also noted that Howard County roads (outside city limits) currently has over \$36 million worth of repair needs as reported by Brian Klinksiek, County Road Administrator.

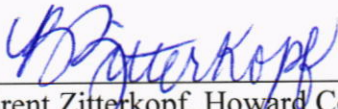
Mr. Long announced that there will be another Town Hall meeting on October 6, 2020 from 6-7 PM.

There were no public questions or comments and the meeting was adjourned @ 6:30 PM.

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COUNTY OF HOWARD

I, Brent Zitterkopf, Howard County Clerk, attest that the foregoing is a true and accurate accounting of the Commissioners Court authorized proceedings for September 29, 2020.





Brent Zitterkopf, Howard County Clerk
Clerk of the Commissioners Court
Howard County, Texas