



## MINUTES OF MEETING:

REGULAR BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
STARR COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT  
100 N FM 3167 STE 300  
RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS 78582

April 13, 2021

**NOTICE** was duly posted that on the 13 day of April 2021 that the Starr County Appraisal District Board of Directors would hold a Board of Directors meeting at 12:00 p.m., at 100 N FM 3167 Suite 300, Rio Grande City, Texas, to consider the below listed items:

### *AGENDA*

**ITEM A: CALL TO ORDER** - Mr. Raul Pena III, Chairman of the Board, determined a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

**ITEM B: ADMINISTER OF OATH TO NEWLY ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE STARR COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS (4/2021 TO 12/31/2021).** - Municipal Court Judge Basilio D. Villarreal administered Oath of Office to new Board Members Rogerio Olivarez and Encarnacion Saenz.

### **ITEM C: CERTIFICATION OF QUORUM:**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Raul Pena III, Chairman  
Eloy Garza, Director  
Rogerio Olivarez  
Encarnacion Olivarez Saenz  
Ameida Salinas, Non-Voting Director

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Clarissa B. Alvarez

OTHERS PRESENT: Rene P. Montalvo, Legal Counsel  
Rosalva Guerra, Chief Appraiser  
Marissa R. Longoria, Finance Director

**ITEM C: ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF MEETING NOTICE**- Board of Directors acknowledged meeting notice. Accepted.

**ITEM D: RECOGNITION OF VISITORS AND PUBLIC COMMENTS** -Peggie Wardlaw, from Wardlaw Appraisal Group, Municipal Court Judge Basilio D. Villarreal Jr. and tax-payers Armando & Elizabeth Garcia from 3 G's A/C, Leoden Garza and Jose Leal.

### **ITEM E: PRESENTATIONS:**

- 1. PRESENTATION BY WARDLAW APPRAISAL GROUP.** - Mrs. Peggie Wardlaw made a presentation on Starr CAD 2021 Mineral Appraisal Preliminary outlook.



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2. **CHIEF APPRAISER TO PRESENT 2022 BUDGET FOR STARR COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT IN ACCORDANCE WITH TEXAS PROPERTY TAX CODE SECTION 6.06(a).** – Mrs. Rosalva Guerra presented the Proposed Budget for 2022. She explained to the board that the budget did not increase and that it has not increased in 4 years. Furthermore, the budget has been forwarded to all taxing entities.
3. **DISCUSSION OF 2021 APPRAISAL DISTRICT COMMERCIAL VALUES.** - Tax payers Leoden Garza, Armando & Elizabeth Garcia from 3G's A/C, and Jose Leal, stated their concerns on the 2021 commercial values. Chairman Raul Pena III stated the Board of Directors does not determine or control the way appraisals are done. Instead, the appraisal process is guided by state law and overseen and administered by the Texas comptroller and the state licensing board. The Board of Directors manages local level operations of the Starr County Appraisal District, including but no limited to approval of and oversight of all budgetary and employment and performance of the Chief Appraiser. The Board of Directors, however, is present to listen to and always welcomes any taxpayer / property owner and listens to their concerns about the work product of the Starr County Appraisal District. The Board of Directors are always present to listen. Concerns and protests concerning the valuation and related objections are properly taken up with the Appraisal Review Board (ARB).

### ITEM F: ACTION ITEMS:

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 23, 2021.** - Director Eloy Garza made a motion to approve minutes from meeting of February 23, 2021. Director Rogerio Olivarez second the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
2. **APPROVAL OF DISBURSEMENTS FOR FEBRUARY 2021 AND MARCH 2021.**  
Director Eloy Garza made a motion to approve disbursements for February 2021 and March 2021. Director Encarnacion Saenz second the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

### ITEM G: REPORTS

1. **APPRAISAL DISTRICT ACTIVITIES-** Chief Appraiser presented Board with the following reports:

**AS AUTHORIZED BY SECTION 55.071(S) OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, THIS MEETING MAY BE CONVENED INTO CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF SEEKING CONFIDENTIAL LEGAL ADVICE FROM THE GENERAL LEGAL COUNSEL ON ANY AGENDA ITEM LISTED HEREIN.**



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**ITEM H: ADJOURNMENT** - There being no further business before the Board, Director Eloy Garza made a motion to adjourn the meeting and said motion was seconded by Director Rogerio Olivarez. Motion was unanimously approved. Meeting was adjourned at 1:40 P.M.

Board Minutes Approved this 8<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2021.

  
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Raul Pena III, Chairman

  
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Clarissa B. Alvarez, Secretary