

ORDER # 18,611

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF HUNT COUNTY, TEXAS GRANTING THE DISCRETIONARY EXEMPTION TO THE COMPETITIVE BIDDING REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 262 OF THE TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE FOR ITEMS PURCHASED FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE P25 PUBLIC SAFETY RADIO SYSTEM AND SETTING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court of Hunt County, Texas approved the creation and implementation of a new public safety radio system in September 2022; and

WHEREAS, the County's radio program consultant and the L3 Harris implementation team have located and obtained the best possible radio tower space options including the opportunity to mount radio equipment on buildings, existent towers, and to build new towers when economically feasible; and

WHEREAS, the construction of the public safety radio system at those location is set to begin in the spring of 2024 which will include purchasing and locating all-weather concrete radio equipment shelters and back-up electric generators at those sites; and

WHEREAS, as the County always endeavors to abide by the competitive bidding requirements of Section 262 of the Texas Local Government Code for County purchases, it is necessary for the Commissioners Court to grant a discretionary exemption allowed under Section 262.024 for the purchase of the necessary all-weather concrete radio equipment shelters and back-up electric generators as allowed for items necessary to preserve or protect the public health or safety of the residents of the county; and

WHEREAS, the exemption is necessary as so as to prevent the unnecessary delay of the construction of the P25 Public Safety Radio System due to extremely long lead times for the delivery of the type and size of generators and the (approximately 52 weeks) and to prevent the unnecessary expense and extended storage of the all-weather concrete radio equipment shelters that, if purchased all at once would require a subsequent delivery and installation at each radio tower site at different future dates as the radio system construction is completed at each site.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF HUNT COUNTY, TEXAS:

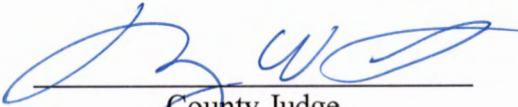
Section 1. Findings. The statements contained in the preamble to this Ordinance are true and correct and are hereby adopted as findings of fact and as part of the operative provision hereof.

Section 2. Approval. The approval of this ordinance as evidence by the signatures below grants, by order of the Hunt county Commissioners Court, the discretionary exemption for the purchase of items necessary to preserve or protect the public health or safety of the residents of the County as listed in the preamble to this Ordinance.

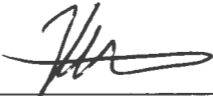
Section 3. Setting an Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon approval.

The foregoing Ordinance was adopted on February 13, 2024.

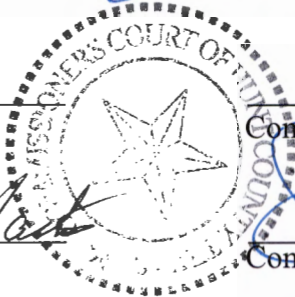
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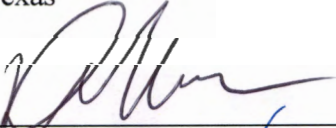


County Judge
Hunt County, Texas

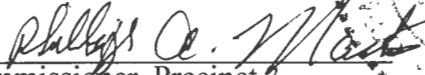


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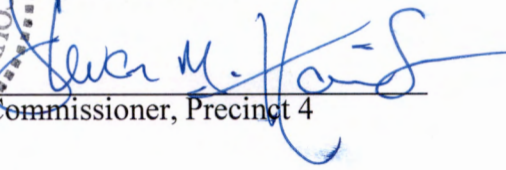




Commissioner, Precinct 2




Commissioner, Precinct 3



Commissioner, Precinct 4

ATTEST:



County Clerk
Hunt County, Texas