

AUGUST 26, 2024

NOTICE REGARDING MEETING TO CONSIDER ISSUANCE OF THE ZAPATA COUNTY, TEXAS CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION SERIES 2024

A NOTICE WAS PUBLISHED IN THE ZAPATA COUNTY NEWS ON JUNE 27, 2024 AND JULY 4, 2024 INDICATING THE COMMISSIONERS COURT WOULD CONSIDER AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF THE CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION SERIES 2024 ON AUGUST 26, 2024. CONSIDERATION OF SUCH ORDER BY THE COMMISSIONERS COURT IS ANTICIPATED TO OCCUR AT ITS REGULAR MEETING PLACE AT THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 200 7TH AVENUE ON OCTOBER 14, 2024 AS SHOWN ON THE UPDATED NOTICE BELOW.

THE PUBLIC IS HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT IT HAS UNTIL BEFORE THE OCTOBER 14, 2024 MEETING TO PRESENT A PETITION PROTESTING THE ISSUANCE OF THE CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ISSUE CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION

NOTICE is hereby given that it is the intention of the Commissioners Court of Zapata County, Texas (the "County") to issue interest-bearing Certificates of Obligation of the County to be designated and known as the "ZAPATA COUNTY, TEXAS CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION, SERIES 2024" (the "Certificates") for the purpose of providing for the payment of contractual obligations to be incurred for the design, planning, acquisition, equipping, construction, and renovation of public property, and designated infrastructure and for other public purposes specifically being improvements to the: County Airport; Emergency Operations Center; County Park improvements including the Falcon Lake Boat Ramp; improvements to the County water and sewer system including Standpipe / Ground Storage Tank and Lift Station Repairs; Raw Water Intake Pumps and Control Panels, and the payment of contractual obligations for professional services in connection with such projects (including, but not limited to, financial advisory, legal, architectural, and engineering). The Commissioners Court tentatively proposes to authorize the issuance of the Certificates at its regular meeting place at the courtroom on the first floor of the Zapata County Courthouse, Commissioners Courtroom, 200 7th Avenue, Zapata, Texas, at a Regular Meeting of the Commissioners Court to be commenced at 9:00 a.m., on the 14th day of October, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$3,000,000. The Commissioners Court presently proposes to provide for payment of the Certificates by the pledge of an annual ad valorem tax levied upon all taxable property within the County, within the limits prescribed by law, and by a limited pledge of \$1,000 of the net revenues of the County's Park System. The Certificates are to be issued, and this notice is given, pursuant to Section 271.041, *et seq.*, Texas Local Government Code.

In accordance with the provisions of Subchapter C of Chapter 271, Texas Local Government Code, as amended ("Chapter 271"), the following information has been provided by the County (excludes \$2,565,000 principal amount of outstanding debt obligations the County has designated as self-supporting and which the County reasonably expects to pay from revenue sources other than ad valorem taxes; provided, however, that in the event such self-supporting revenues sources are insufficient to pay debt service, the County is obligated to levy ad valorem taxes to pay such debt obligations). The current principal of all outstanding debt obligations of the County is \$14,775,000, the combined principal and interest required to pay all currently outstanding debt obligations of the County on time and in full is \$15,381,424, the estimated combined principal and interest required to pay the Certificates of Obligation on time and in full is \$4,303,386, the estimated interest rate for the Certificates of Obligation is 5.50% and the maximum maturity date of the Certificates of Obligation will not exceed the maximum allowed by law. Market conditions affecting interest rates vary based on a number of factors beyond the control of the County, and the County cannot and does not guarantee a particular interest rate associated with the Certificates of Obligation. The resolution designating certain outstanding debt obligations of the County as self-supporting for purposes of Chapter 271 is available upon request sent to the County at the address noted above.

/s/ Joe Rathmell
County Judge, Zapata County, Texas

