



**Lea County Board of County
Commissioners Regular Meeting**
Thursday, September 25, 2025, 9:00 AM
Lea County Courthouse - Commission Chambers
100 North Main, Lovington, New Mexico

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NMSA 1978

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AGENDA

Call to Order ~ Roll Call ~ Pledge of Allegiance ~ Invocation

ITEM 1: COMMISSION

- a: Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 25-SEP-221R Approving the Following Meeting Minutes:
 - ❖ August 21, 2025, Regular Meeting
 - ❖ September 16, 2025, Special Meeting
- b: Public Comments. *(Non-Agenda Items)*
- c: Commissioners and Manager Comments.
- d: Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 25-SEP-222R Opposing the Adoption by the New Mexico Construction Industries Commission of the 2021 Residential Energy Conservation Code and 2021 Commercial Energy Conservation Code Regarding Their Mandates for Certain Electrical Vehicle Infrastructure for Residential and Commercial Development. *(Gary Eidson, District 3, Chair)*
- e: Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 25-SEP-223R Approving a \$100,000 Appropriation from District 5 Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Discretionary Funding to the City of Eunice Water Infrastructure and Fire Hydrant Improvements. *(Pat Sims, District 5, Commissioner)*

- f: Discussion of the Literacy Coalition of the Permian Basin's Turn the Page Program. *(Pam Randall, Outreach and Recruitment Coordinator, Literacy Coalition of the Permian Basin)*

ITEM 2: ACTION ITEMS

- a: Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 25-SEP-224R Approving Grant 24 Modification No. 3 for Region VI Drug Task Force. *(Wm. Robert Sullivan, Region VI Drug Task Force Coordinator)*
- b: Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 25-SEP-225R Authorizing In-State Travel October 2-3, 2025, for County Commissioner Kimbro to Attend the 2025 New Mexico Cattle Growers' Association (NMCGA) Southeast Regional Meeting in Roswell, New Mexico. *(Sarah Chanesman, Executive Administrative Coordinator)*
- c: Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 25-SEP-226R Relating to the Proposed Industrial Revenue Bonds Entitled Lea County, New Mexico Taxable Industrial Revenue Bonds (Tip Top Energy Center, LLC Project), Series 2025; Declaring the Intent of Lea County to Issue Such Industrial Revenue Bonds in an Aggregate Principal Amount Up to \$195,000,000 in Connection with the Proposed Solar Energy Generation System Project Located within the Boundaries of Lea County for the Purpose of Inducing Tip Top Energy Center, LLC to Construct and Install the Project. *(John Caldwell, County Attorney)*
- d: Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 25-SEP-227R Authorizing Capital Funding to Hobbs Municipal Schools for Improvements Related to Two Middle School Facilities. *(Chip Low, Assistant County Manager for Administrative Services)*
- e: Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 25-SEP-228R Authorizing Out-of-State Travel December 8-13, 2025, to Denver, Colorado, for the Staff Accountant to Attend the Government Officers Association (GFOA) Accounting Academy In-Person Training. *(Paige Ellis, Staff Accountant)*
- f: Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 25-SEP-229R Authorizing the 1st Quarter Payment and Certification for the Safety Net Care Pool (SNCP) Fund. *(Erin Smith, Senior Accountant)*
- g: Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 25-SEP-230R Approving the Lea County Volunteer Firefighter Recruitment and Retention Stipend Program. *(Lorenzo Velasquez, Emergency Management Director)*
- h: Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 25-SEP-231R Approving a Cooperative Educational Services (CES) Agreement Between Lea County and MCT, Inc. for the Purchase and Installation of a Self-Contained Waste Compactor at the Lea County Detention Center. *(Mark Gallegos, Detention Center Director)*

- i: Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 25-SEP-232R Authorizing a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Between Lea County and Lovington Municipal School District to Provide Quality Teachers for Students in the Lea County Juvenile Detention Center. *(Mark Gallegos, Detention Center Director)*
- j: Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 25-SEP-233R Authorizing a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) Between Lea County and the City of Hobbs for Grant Funding to Purchase Books for the Lea County Juvenile Detention Center *(Mark Gallegos, Detention Center Director)*
- k: Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 25-SEP-234R Approval of Cooperative Educational Services Agreement (CES) Between Lea County and Design Roof Services, LLC for Roof Restoration on the Zia Building Upper Level. *(Wyatt Duncan, Fairgrounds Director)*
- l: Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 25-SEP-235R Approving Change Order No. 1 with Bradbury Stamm Construction Inc. for the Lea County Event Center Renovation Project. *(Jim Kemp, Lea County Event Center Director)*
- m: Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 25-SEP-236R Ratifying Grant Offer No. 3-35-0027-019-2025 Between Lea County and the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) for Runway Lighting at the Lea County Zip Franklin Airport. *(Shalana Rodriquez, Interim Airport Supervisor)*
- n: Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 25-SEP-237R Ratifying Grant Offer No. 3-35-0023-19-2025 Between Lea County and the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) for Runway Lighting at the Lea County Jal Airport. *(Shalana Rodriquez, Interim Airport Supervisor)*
- o: Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 25-SEP-238R Approving an Aviation Grant with New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT) for Airport Entry, Terminal Area, and Wayfinding Signage at Lea County Regional Airport. *(Shalana Rodriquez, Interim Airport Supervisor)*
- p: Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 25- SEP-239R Approving an Omnia Contract with Mountain West Golfscapes, Inc. (MWGS) for the Fabrication and Installation of Airport Entry, Terminal Area, and Wayfinding Signage at Lea County Regional Airport. *(Shalana Rodriquez, Interim Airport Supervisor)*
- q: Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 25-SEP-240R Approving a Multi-Award of Bid No. 3 (25-26) Annual Road Construction Maintenance to Constructors, Inc. and Ramirez & Sons, Inc. *(Ben Henderson, Road Superintendent)*

- r: Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 25-SEP-241R Approving a Task Order with Constructors, Inc. for the Widening and Overlay of One Mile of Maljamar Road. *(Ben Henderson, Road Superintendent)*
- s: Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 25-SEP-242R Approving a Cooperative Educational Services (CES) Contract with Watson Truck & Supply, Inc. for the Purchase of Two Dump Trucks. *(Ben Henderson, Road Superintendent)*
- t: Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 25-SEP-243R Approving an Agreement Between Lea County and the New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT) to Provide Electrical Service and Maintenance of Roadway Lighting at Multiple Intersections on US 62/180. *(Ben Henderson, Road Superintendent)*
- u: Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 25-SEP-244R Approving an Agreement Between Lea County and the New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT) to Provide Electrical Service and Maintenance of Roadway Lighting at Multiple Intersections on NM 128. *(Ben Henderson, Road Superintendent)*
- v: Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 25-SEP-245R Adopting the Freeholders Committee's Recommendation to Vacate a Dedicated Easement in Chaparral Subdivision, in Lot 5 in the Northeast Quarter (NE1/4) of Section 4, Township 18 South, Range 38 East, N.M.P.M. *(John Portulano, County Planner)*

ITEM 3: DISCUSSION ITEMS

- a: Discussion of the 2025 Lea County Fair and PRCA Rodeo *(Wyatt Duncan, Fairgrounds Director)*
- b: Discussion of the Adoption of Fair and Rodeo Policies. *(Wyatt Duncan, Fairgrounds Director)*
- c: Discussion of a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) Between Lea County and New Mexico Junior College (NMJC) for Lighting, Sound, and Curtain Improvements at the Lea County Event Center. *(Jim Kemp, Event Center Director)*
- d: Discussion of the August 2025 Finance Report. *(Erin Smith, Senior Accountant)*
- e: Discussion of the August 2025 Accounts Payable. *(Erin Smith, Senior Accountant)*

ITEM 4: EXECUTIVE SESSION

COMMISSION MAY CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION to Discuss Pending Litigation *Burke v. Lea County Board of County Commissioners*, Threatened Litigation Concerning Lea County Fair Contracts, and to Discuss the Disposal of Real Property in Central Lea County, as Authorized by NMSA 1978 Sections 10-15-1 H (7) and (8).

COMMISSION MAY CONVENE IN OPEN SESSION to Take Action, if any, on the Closed Session Item(s).

ITEM 5: OTHER BUSINESS

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Please Join Us at Our Next Regular Meeting on Thursday, October 23, 2025, at 9:00 A.M.