

**SOUTH EAST TEXAS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES  
2210 EASTEX FREEWAY, BEAUMONT, TX  
MAYOR HOMER E. NAGEL ROOM  
MARCH 15, 2023, 12:00 PM**

The South East Texas Regional Planning Commission (SETRPC) Executive Committee met on Wednesday, March 15, 2023. SETRPC President, Commissioner Michael Shane Sinegal, Jefferson County, called the meeting to order at 11:59 am. A roll call of Executive Committee members to establish a quorum was conducted by Ms. Suzanne Carver, Executive Assistant, SETRPC. SETRPC Secretary, Mayor Cathy Nagel, City of Pine Forest, gave the Invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT**

Judge Wayne McDaniel, Hardin County  
Judge Mark Allen, Jasper County  
Commissioner Everette "Bo" Alfred, Jefferson County  
Commissioner Michael Shane Sinegal, Jefferson County  
Commissioner Vernon Pierce, Jefferson County  
Judge John Gothia, Orange County  
Commissioner Kirk Roccaforte, Orange County  
Commissioner Johnny Trahan, Orange County  
Councilmember Chris Durio, City of Beaumont  
Mayor David Rutledge, City of Bridge City  
Councilmember Kimberly Cline, City of Lumberton  
Mayor Cathy Nagel, City of Pine Forest  
Mayor Glenn Johnson, City of Port Neches  
Mayor John Durkay, City of Taylor Landing  
Mayor Randy Branch, City of West Orange  
Councilmember Jay Odom, City of West Orange  
Mr. Billy Ted Smith, Commissioner, Jasper County Emergency Services District #1  
Mr. Josh Allen, Sr., President, Jefferson County Drainage District #6

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES NOT PRESENT**

Commissioner L.W. Cooper, Jr., Hardin County  
Commissioner Chris Kirkendall, Hardin County  
Commissioner Ernie Koch, Hardin County  
Commissioner Amanda Young, Hardin County  
Commissioner Kevin Holloway, Jasper County  
Commissioner Dennis Marks, Jasper County  
Commissioner Seth Martindale, Jasper County  
Commissioner Willie Stark, Jasper County  
Judge Jeff Branick, Jefferson County  
Mr. Fred Jackson, Representative for Judge Jeff Branick, Jefferson County  
Commissioner Carey Erickson, Jefferson County  
Commissioner Chris Sowell, Orange County  
Commissioner Robert Viator, Orange County  
Mayor Robin Mouton, City of Beaumont  
Mayor Barbara Emmons, City of Bevil Oaks  
Councilmember (Vacant), City of Bevil Oaks  
Councilmember Terri Gauthier, City of Bridge City  
Mayor Kate Osborn, City of China  
Mayor Pro Tem Matthew Lopez, City of China  
Mayor Chris Borne, City of Groves  
Councilmember (Vacant), City of Groves  
Mayor Randy Sayers, City of Jasper  
Councilmember Rashad Lewis, City of Jasper  
Mayor Frank George, City of Kirbyville  
Councilmember Amanda Gates, City of Kirbyville  
Mayor Fred Williams, City of Kountze  
Mayor Pro Tem Mary Adams, City of Kountze  
Mayor Don Surratt, City of Lumberton  
Mayor Don Albanese, City of Nederland  
Councilmember Sylvia Root, City of Nederland  
Mayor Kerry Abney, City of Nome  
Councilmember (Vacant), City of Nome  
Mayor Larry Spears, Jr., City of Orange  
Councilmember David C. Bailey, Representative for Mayor Larry Spears, Jr., City of Orange  
Councilmember Brad Childs, City of Orange

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES NOT PRESENT, Continued**

Councilmember James McCullar, City of Pine Forest  
Mayor Sarah McClendon, City of Pinehurst  
Councilmember Michael Shahan, City of Pinehurst  
Mayor Thurman "Bill" Bartie, City of Port Arthur  
Councilmember Charlotte Moses, City of Port Arthur  
Councilmember Robert Arnold, City of Port Neches  
Mayor Bonnie Stephenson, City of Rose City  
Mayor Pro Tem Sheila Faske, City of Rose City  
Mayor David Lang, City of Rose Hill Acres  
Mayor Pro Tem Cindy Mason, City of Rose Hill Acres  
Mayor Kevin Garner, City of Silsbee  
Mayor Pro Tem Mark Muckleroy, Representative for Mayor Kevin Garner, City of Silsbee  
Councilmember (Vacant), City of Silsbee  
Mayor Bruce Robinson, City of Sour Lake  
Councilmember (Vacant), City of Sour Lake  
Councilmember Phil Owens, City of Taylor Landing  
Mayor Misty Songe, City of Vidor  
Councilmember (Vacant), City of Vidor  
Chief/EMC Mike Stelly, Representative for Mayor Randy Branch, City of West Orange  
Mr. Nicholas Carter, President, Lumberton Municipal Utility District (MUD)  
Mr. Brad Haeggquist, General Manager, Mauriceville Utility District  
Mr. Jeremy Walton, Assistant General Mgr., Representative for Mr. Brad Haeggquist, Mauriceville Utility Dist.  
Mr. Hal Ross, Director, Jefferson County WCID #10  
Mr. Frank Inzer, Director, Orange County WCID #1 (Vidor)  
Mr. Tom Woolley, President, Orange County WCID #2 (West Orange)  
Mr. Leroy McCall, Jr., Commissioner, Jefferson County Drainage District #3 (DD3)  
Mr. Richard Beaumont, Commissioner, Jefferson County Drainage District #7 (DD7)  
Mr. Don Carona, General Manager, Orange County Drainage District  
Mr. Terry Napper, Executive Director, Jasper County Hospital District  
Mr. Fritz Erbeling, President, Hardin County Emergency Services District #2  
Mr. Steve Hyden, President, Jasper County Emergency Services District #1 Representative for Billy Ted Smith  
Mr. Sam Job, Jasper County Emergency Service District #4  
Chief Chris Gonzales, Jefferson County ESD #1  
Mr. Daniel J. Diaz, Jefferson County Emergency Services District #3  
Vacant, Orange County Emergency Services District #3  
Ms. Risa King, Information Specialist, Lower Neches Valley Authority  
Ms. Lorrie Taylor, Port Director & CEO, Orange County Navigation & Port District  
Ms. Georgine Guillory, President, Port of Beaumont  
Mr. John Comeaux, Commissioner, Port of Port Arthur  
Mr. Ken Duhon, Commissioner, Sabine-Neches Navigation District  
Ms. Holly Smith, Chief Financial Officer/Water Resources Mgr., Sabine River Authority  
Mr. Roger Fussell, President, Southeast Texas Ground Water Conservation District  
Dr. Shannon Allen, Superintendent, Beaumont ISD  
Dr. Mike Kelly, Superintendent, Bridge City ISD  
Dr. Dwaine K. Augustine, Superintendent, Hamshire-Fannett ISD  
Dr. Mark Porterie, Superintendent, Port Arthur ISD  
Ms. Julie Gauthier, Deputy Superintendent, Port Neches-Groves ISD

**STAFF PRESENT**

Ms. Shanna Burke, Executive Director, SETRPC  
Ms. Suzanne Carver, Executive Assistant, SETRPC  
Ms. Glenda Lacy, Director, Disaster Recovery Division, and Human Resources Manager, SETRPC  
Mr. Bob Dickinson, Director, Transportation & Environmental Resources Division (T&ER)  
Ms. Tyronna McKenzie, Director, SETX Foster Grandparent Program (FGP)  
Ms. Penny Pearson, Volunteer Coordinator, Golden Triangle RSVP  
Mr. Steve Curran, Director, Criminal Justice & Homeland Security Division (CJHSD)  
Ms. Kaylan Arendale, Regional Emergency Planner, CJHSD  
Mr. Pete De La Cruz, Director, 9-1-1 Emergency Network Division  
Ms. Lori Viator, Administrative Assistant, 9-1-1 Emergency Network Division  
Ms. Lila Rueda-Junious, GIS Specialist, 9-1-1 Emergency Network Division  
Ms. Sara Torres-Garcia, Director, Community Services Division (CSD)  
Ms. Halie Smith, Director, Area Agency on Aging/2-1-1

**STATE DELEGATION EX-OFFICIO REPRESENTATIVES (Non-Voting) PRESENT**

Ms. Jennifer Harris, District Services, State Senator Robert Nichols  
Mr. Cole Michalk, Senior District Director, State Representative Speaker Dade Phelan

**GUESTS PRESENT**

Mr. Jason Fuller, SETX Regional Director, US Senator Ted Cruz  
Councilmember Anderson Land, Jr., City of Jasper  
Ms. Michelle Bobo, GrantWorks  
Mr. Nicholas J. Finan, GrantWorks  
Mr. Darrell Morrison, Ardura Engineering

**23-019 APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 15, 2023 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES**

➤ Commissioner Vernon Pierce, Jefferson County, made a motion to approve the February 15, 2023 Executive Committee Minutes. Mayor Randy Branch, City of West Orange, seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**23-020 APPROVAL OF JANUARY 2023 TREASURER'S REPORT**

➤ Commissioner Johnny Trahan, Orange County, made a motion to approve the January 2023 Treasurer's Report. Judge Mark Allen, Jasper County, seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**23-021 CRIMINAL JUSTICE & HOMELAND SECURITY DIVISION**

➤ Mr. Steve Curran, Director, Criminal Justice & Homeland Security Division (CJHSD), on behalf of the CJHSD, presented for approval the resolution authorizing Ms. Shanna Burke, Executive Director, or designee, to issue a purchase order to renew the Blackboard, Inc. GSA Contract # GS-35F-0554M from October 1, 2022, to September 30, 2023, in the amount of \$114,889.13. Renewing Blackboard, Inc. is what powers the Southeast Texas Emergency Alerting System (STAN) messages in the region (see cost detail below):

Description – Jasper, Jefferson, Hardin, & Orange – 10/1/22 to 9/30/23 (175,280) recipients	Amount
2022 Blackboard Connect for Government	\$113,932.00
2022 Blackboard Connect Support	\$957.13
TOTAL	\$114,889.13

Mr. Curran then reviewed the Resolution with the Executive Committee. (See Attachment A.)

Commissioner Billy Ted Smith, Jasper County, Emergency Services District #1 (ESD #1) made a motion to approve the resolution authorizing renewing the new FY22-23 Blackboard, Inc. Annual Agreement and issuing a purchase order as presented and recommended. Commissioner Everette "Bo" Alfred, Jefferson County, seconded the motion. After a very brief discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

➤ Next, Mr. Curran, on behalf of the CJHSD and the SETRPC Executive Director, requested approval to renew (Retired) Captain Patrick Grimes, former City of Beaumont Fire Department with 35 years' experience, as the Regional Emergency Alerting Network and Interoperability Planning Consultant. The SETRPC Procurement Policy, regarding Planning Services (Consulting Services), states "In order to comply with SETRPC By-Laws, Planning services shall be considered 'consulting services' and therefore, prior to awarding a contract for consulting services, the Executive Director shall recommend the consultant to the SETRPC Executive Committee as an Action Item in accordance with the SETRPC By-Laws, Article VIII, Part 4, page 6, which reads, 'The Executive Director shall recommend the employment of consultants to the Executive Committee.'"

Mr. Curran reported that Mr. Patrick Grimes has done a lot of work in the region with the STAN program and in the Emergency Alerting training and "has done a great job". (The Regional Emergency Alerting Network and Interoperability Consultant job duties are listed in the Scope of Work, which was included in Executive Committee packets.) Therefore, Mr. Curran, on behalf of the CJHSD and on behalf of the Executive Director, respectfully requested approval to renew the Consultant Agreement with (Retired) Captain Patrick Grimes to provide services as a Planning Consultant for these services not to exceed an average of 23 to 43 hours per month.

Judge Wayne McDaniel, Hardin County, made a motion to approve renewing (Retired) Captain Patrick Grimes as the Regional Emergency Alerting Network and Interoperability Planning Consultant as presented and recommended. Commissioner Vernon Pierce, Jefferson County, seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

➤ First, Ms. Kaylan Arendale, Regional Emergency Planner, CJHSD, on behalf of the CJHSD, requested approval of the 2023 Emergency Management Planning Advisory Committee (EMPAC) list. The list includes primary and alternate voting members selected by the jurisdiction's chief elected official to serve as an EMPAC member. The updated members are highlighted in yellow as shown below.

**EMPAC Committee Designees 2023**

<u>Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Designee/Alternate</u>
Hardin County	Aaron Tupper--EMC Wayne McDaniel--Hardin County Judge
Kountze	George T. Drake--Public Works Director/EMC Roderick Hutto--City Administrator
Lumberton	Danny Sullins--Police Chief/EMC Steve Clark--City Manager
Rose Hill Acres	Rick Thomisee--Municipal Judge David Lang--Mayor
Silsbee	Shawn Blackwell--Police Chief Robert Peden
Sour Lake	Jack Provost--City Manager Bruce Robinson--Mayor
Beaumont	Tim Ocnaschek--Police Captain Bart Bartkowiak--Director of PW
Bevil Oaks	Sabreena Crain--City Clerk Barbara Emmons--Mayor
China	William "Butch" Sanders--Mayor Matt Lopez
Groves	Lance Billeaud--Fire Chief Chris Robin--Detective Deputy Marshall
Jefferson County	Robert Grimm--EMC Jeffry Philips--Deputy EMC
Nederland	Terry Morton--Fire Chief Robert Woods--Public Works
Nome	Kerry Abney--Mayor
Port Arthur	Robert "Louie" Havens--Fire Captain/EMC <b>Jerney Houston--EMC</b>
Port Neches	Mike Fratus--Deputy Police Chief Eloy Vega--Fire Chief/EMC Cheri Griffith--Police Chief
Taylor Landing Bridge City	David Reeves--Asst. Police Chief John Durkay--Mayor Tod McDowell--Police Captain/EMC David Rutledge--Mayor
Orange County	Robert Bergeron--Asst. Police Chief Joel Ardoin--EMC Leon George--EMC
Orange (City of)	<b>Mike Zeto--CIS Manager</b> <b>Payton Smith--Deputy Fire Chief/EMC</b> <b>John Bilbo--Fire Chief</b>
Pine Forest	Cathy Nagel--Mayor James McCullar--Mayor Pro Tem Michelle Josey--City Secretary Lacey Turner
Pinehurst	Jimmy LeBoeuf--Police Chief Jocelyn Trussell--Police LT.
Rose City Vidor	Bonnie Stephenson--Mayor Rodney Johnson--Police Captain EMC Nick Garsee--Asst. EMC Rod Carroll--Police Chief
West Orange	Mike Stelly--Police Chief Matt Frederick--Lieutenant Jessie Romero--Asst. Police Chief Tod McDowell--Bridge City Police Chief
Jasper County	Billy Ted Smith--EMC Mark Allen--County Judge

Judge John Gothia, Orange County, made a motion to approve the Emergency Management Planning Advisory Committee Member 2023 Member List as recommended and presented. Councilmember Kimberly Cline, City of Lumberton, seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

➤ Second, Ms. Arendale, on behalf of the CJHSD, presented the Emergency Management Planning Advisory Committee (EMPAC) recommendations regarding the State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) and Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Activity (LETPA) grants for FY2023 for consideration/review and approval. The EMPAC met to prioritize the FY2023 Homeland Security grant applications for the SHSP and the LETPA activities. (See Attachment B.) The Office of the Governor had requested that submission of the rankings and prioritization of projects be according to the total that was awarded last year. The total of submissions for projects for FY2023 was \$647,285.29. The FY22 allocation was \$385,580.04, which left the difference of \$261,705.25. The EMPAC reprioritized the projects based on the national priority areas required by FEMA and the SETRPC risk methodology for a new total of \$433,905.30. These projects which were voted on and approved by

the EMPAC will be submitted via eGrants to the Office of the Governor upon approval by the SETRPC Executive Committee. All final funding decisions are at the discretion of the Office of the Governor, Public Safety Office.

Judge Wayne McDaniel, Hardin County, made a motion to approve the funding recommendations from the EMPAC regarding the SHSP and LETPA grants for FY2023 as presented. Mayor Randy Branch, City of West Orange, seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

➤ Third, Ms. Arendale, on behalf of the CJHSD, requested approval of the continued appointment of Criminal Justice Advisory Committee (CJAC) member and CJAC member alternate update. The CJHSD requested approval of Hardin County Judge Wayne McDaniel's recommendation that Mr. Dale Williford be appointed as the CJAC member to continue to serve from Hardin County as "Concerned Citizen" after his retirement from the Hardin County District Attorney's Office in place of representing "Prosecutions/Courts". In addition, the CJHSD requested approval of the appointment of Ms. Jennie Hyatt as the alternate CJAC member to Ms. Anne Pickle for Jasper County.

Judge Mark Allen, Jasper County, made a motion to approve the continued appointment of Mr. Dale Williford representing Hardin County in the new role of "Concerned Citizen" and the approval of the appointment of Ms. Jennie Hyatt as the alternate CJAC member for Jasper County as recommended and presented. Councilmember Kimberly Cline, City of Lumberton, seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

➤ Last, Ms. Arendale, on behalf of the CJHSD, presented the Criminal Justice Advisory Committee By-Laws and Operating Policy and Application Guidelines amendments, as recommended by the Criminal Justice Advisory Committee (CJAC), for approval. These updates include language clarification under Section F.1 of the South East Texas Regional Planning Commission Criminal Justice Advisory Committee Operating Policy and Application. The proposed revision is shown below in red in the excerpt from the SETRPC CJAC Operating Policy and Application from "Section F. COG RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FUNDING, 1. Prioritization Meetings." (See proposed changes highlighted in red below.)

#### **F. COG RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FUNDING**

##### **1. Prioritization Meetings**

**Paragraph 4:** Applicants (applicant defined as City/County or lead entity) may submit more than one application for funding within a funding source, if permitted. Once applications are received by OOG, PSO if more than one has been submitted by an agency (agency defined as department, division, sub-entity), within a specific funding source, the applicant will be contacted and given the option to decide which application they would like full consideration for and which application will begin with a 10-point deduction. When scoring occurs, the applicants' first application will be fully scored. The second and/or more applications will receive an automatic 10 point deduction pre-assigned by SETRPC Staff to the application score sheet.

Mr. Josh Allen, President, Jefferson County Drainage District #6 (DD6), made a motion to approve the CJAC By-Laws and Policies and Application Guidelines Amendments as recommended and presented. Mr. Billy Ted Smith, Commissioner, Jasper County ESD #1, seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **23-022 ADMINISTRATION**

➤ Ms. Shanna Burke, Executive Director, SETRPC, provided information on several potential project partnerships with local agencies. The first is with Ms. Regina Rogers, Gift of Life Founder and Chair, with a project called "Pathways to Health" and "Early Detection is the Best Protection", wellness and cancer prevention programs which include screening for early detection of cancer. Ms. Rogers is also looking into expansion of their healthy lifestyle initiative, "Don't Smoke or Vape, Your Life Away" program.

The second is with Leadership Southeast Texas (LSET), which is showing an interest in partnering with the SETRPC to work with their current program, along with the initiative "Youth Leadership Southeast Texas", a program that works with the youth in high school, and some in college, on leadership and leadership options. This was followed by a brief discussion.

➤ Next, Ms. Burke presented the concept of an Information Technology (IT) round table in the region. Ms. Burke and the SETRPC's IT team recently met with the State of Texas Division of Information Resources (DIR) regarding cybersecurity, which is a top priority for many entities. The SETRPC is proposing organizing a round table with the SETRPC IT, starting with the region's counties and their IT staff regarding cybersecurity local practices, and then bringing the cities into the discussion. This was followed by a brief discussion and suggestions for other possible partnerships regarding cybersecurity.

➤ Last, Ms. Burke informed the board and attendees about the state program, Texas Rent Relief, that reopened its portal for rental and utility relief for individuals who may need assistance. The portal opened on March 14, 2023, and is scheduled to remain open until March 28, 2023. This program received \$96 million in funds and had over 4000 applications on the first day. The website is Texasrentrelief.com. SETRPC President, Commissioner Michael Shane Sinegal, Jefferson County, added that Legacy is helping citizens with back taxes and back mortgage payments.

**23-023 FUTURE CALENDAR**

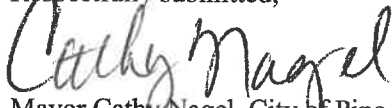
➤ Ms. Suzanne Carver, Executive Assistant, SETRPC, noted that the SETRPC offices will be closed on April 7, 2023, in observance of Good Friday. The next SETRPC Executive Committee meeting will be held on April 19, 2023, in the Mayor Homer E. Nagel conference room at 12:00 p.m. Also, the next Household Hazardous Waste and Scrap Tire Collection Event will be held on Saturday, April 15, 2023, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Ford Park Pavilion parking lot at 5115 IH-10 South, Beaumont, and the next Southeast Texas Stand Down will be held on May 19, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Orange County Convention and Expo Center.

Finally, Ms. Carver mentioned the flyer regarding free tax help from Catholic Charities of Southeast Texas, and then called on Ms. Tyronna McKenzie, Director, SETRPC's Southeast Texas Foster Grandparent Program (FGP), who provided information regarding recruitment of needed volunteers in the classroom for FGP.

**23-024 OTHER, OLD, UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

➤ There being no other, old, and unfinished business, the meeting adjourned at 12:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Mayor Cathy Nagel, City of Pine Forest  
Secretary

Attachment A



March 15, 2023

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF THE BLACKBOARD, Inc. GSA CONTRACT NUMBER GS-35F-0554M AND ISSUING A PURCHASE ORDER FOR A ONE-YEAR AGREEMENT FROM OCTOBER 1, 2022 – SEPTEMBER 30, 2023 FOR \$114,889.13**

WHEREAS, The South East Texas Regional Planning Commission was authorized to apply and accept the Port Security Grant 2021 to support the South East Texas Emergency Alerting System (STAN); and,

WHEREAS, The Blackboard, Inc. one-year renewal quote is for Emergency Alerting Services for \$114,889.13 from October 1, 2022, until September 30, 2023; and,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SOUTH EAST TEXAS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE THAT:**

The South East Texas Regional Planning Commission is authorized to renew the Blackboard, Inc. one-year renewal agreement in the total amount not to exceed \$114,889.13; and

That the South East Texas Regional Planning Commission Executive Director, Shanna Burke, or designee, is authorized to execute the renewal agreement with GSA Contract Number GS-35F-0554M and issue Purchase Order #6963 dated 3-15-2023 with Blackboard, Inc.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 15<sup>th</sup> day of March 2023.

  
Michael Sinegal, SETRPC President  
South East Texas Regional Planning Commission  
Commissioner, Jefferson County Precinct 3

ATTEST:

  
Cathy Nagel, SETRPC Secretary  
South East Texas Regional Planning Commission  
Mayor, City of Pine Forest

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3<sup>rd</sup> VP – Mark Allen, Jasper County | 4<sup>th</sup> VP – Glenn Johnson, Port Neches | 5<sup>th</sup> VP – Kimberly Cline, Lumberton  
Treasurer – Amanda Gates, Kirbyville | Secretary – Cathy Nagel, Pine Forest

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# Attachment B-1

## EMPAC FY2023 HSGP Project Ranking Master List for Minutes

Ranking by SET/PC Risk Methodology	Final Ranking per EMPAC Vote	Grant Number	Jurisdiction	Projects	SHSP Project Amount	LETPA Project Amount	SHSP Final Project Amount per EMPAC Vote	LETPA Final Project Amount per EMPAC Vote	Abstained from Voting	Nothing Jurisdictions
	1	4758901	Jefferson County	LETPA Sustaining Tactical Response Team	\$ 274,600.00	\$ 274,600.00	\$ 274,600.00	\$ 39,980.00	Robert Grimm, Jefferson County	Lance Billeaud, Groves, City of; Bart Bartkowiak, Beaumont, City of; Aaron Tupper, Hardin County; Cathy Nagel, Pine Forest, City of; John Durely, Taylor Landing, Matt Frederick, West Orange, City of; Rodney Johnson, Vidon, City of; Jack Provest, Sour Lake, City of; Danny Sullins, Lumberton, City of; Joel Ardoin, Orange County; Robert Havens, Port Arthur, City of; Mark Allen, Jasper County; Terry Morton, Nederland, City of; Eloy Vega, Port Neches, City of
	2	4758601	Jefferson County	Controlled Access Project Update	\$ 80,483.62		\$ 37,741.81		Robert Grimm, Jefferson County	Lance Billeaud, Groves, City of; Bart Bartkowiak, Beaumont, City of; Aaron Tupper, Hardin County; Cathy Nagel, Pine Forest, City of; John Durely, Taylor Landing, Matt Frederick, West Orange, City of; Rodney Johnson, Vidon, City of; Jack Provest, Sour Lake, City of; Danny Sullins, Lumberton, City of; Joel Ardoin, Orange County; Robert Havens, Port Arthur, City of; Mark Allen, Jasper County; Terry Morton, Nederland, City of; Eloy Vega, Port Neches, City of
	3	4901902	Hardin County	ST/CP Controlled Access Project - Part 3	\$ 30,344.00		\$ 16,544.00		Aaron Tupper, Hardin County	Lance Billeaud, Groves, City of; Bart Bartkowiak, Beaumont, City of; Cathy Nagel, Pine Forest, City of; John Durely, Taylor Landing, Matt Frederick, West Orange, City of; Rodney Johnson, Vidon, City of; Jack Provest, Sour Lake, City of; Danny Sullins, Lumberton, City of; Robert Grimm, Jefferson County; Joel Ardoin, Orange County; Robert Havens, Port Arthur, City of; Mark Allen, Jasper County; Terry Morton, Nederland, City of; Eloy Vega, Port Neches, City of
	4	4226603	Beaumont, City of	ST/CP Phase III: ST/CP Implementing Target Hardening	\$ 45,000.00		\$ 40,000.00		Bart Bartkowiak, Beaumont, City of	Lance Billeaud, Groves, City of; Aaron Tupper, Hardin County; Cathy Nagel, Pine Forest, City of; John Durely, Taylor Landing, Matt Frederick, West Orange, City of; Rodney Johnson, Vidon, City of; Jack Provest, Sour Lake, City of; Danny Sullins, Lumberton, City of; Robert Grimm, Jefferson County; Joel Ardoin, Orange County; Robert Havens, Port Arthur, City of; Mark Allen, Jasper County; Terry Morton, Nederland, City of; Eloy Vega, Port Neches, City of
	5	4839701	Beaumont, City of	Information and Intelligence Sharing Project	\$ 33,000.00		\$ 15,000.00		Bart Bartkowiak, Beaumont, City of	Lance Billeaud, Groves, City of; Aaron Tupper, Hardin County; Cathy Nagel, Pine Forest, City of; John Durely, Taylor Landing, Matt Frederick, West Orange, City of; Rodney Johnson, Vidon, City of; Jack Provest, Sour Lake, City of; Danny Sullins, Lumberton, City of; Robert Grimm, Jefferson County; Joel Ardoin, Orange County; Robert Havens, Port Arthur, City of; Mark Allen, Jasper County; Terry Morton, Nederland, City of; Eloy Vega, Port Neches, City of
	6	4817801	Beaumont, City of	SWAT Night Vision Goggle Project	\$ 16,800.00		\$ 8,400.00		Bart Bartkowiak, Beaumont, City of	Lance Billeaud, Groves, City of; Aaron Tupper, Hardin County; Cathy Nagel, Pine Forest, City of; John Durely, Taylor Landing, Matt Frederick, West Orange, City of; Rodney Johnson, Vidon, City of; Jack Provest, Sour Lake, City of; Danny Sullins, Lumberton, City of; Robert Grimm, Jefferson County; Joel Ardoin, Orange County; Robert Havens, Port Arthur, City of; Mark Allen, Jasper County; Terry Morton, Nederland, City of; Eloy Vega, Port Neches, City of
	7	6814001	Port Arthur, City of	Night Vision Goggles and Breaching Tool Project	\$ 77,668.48		\$ 44,630.30		Robert Havens, Port Arthur, City of	Lance Billeaud, Groves, City of; Bart Bartkowiak, Beaumont, City of; Aaron Tupper, Hardin County; Cathy Nagel, Pine Forest, City of; John Durely, Taylor Landing, Matt Frederick, West Orange, City of; Rodney Johnson, Vidon, City of; Jack Provest, Sour Lake, City of; Danny Sullins, Lumberton, City of; Robert Grimm, Jefferson County; Joel Ardoin, Orange County; Robert Havens, Port Arthur, City of; Mark Allen, Jasper County; Terry Morton, Nederland, City of; Eloy Vega, Port Neches, City of
	8	48043101	Orange, City of	Throwable Camera	\$ 16,400.00		\$ 12,300.00			Lance Billeaud, Groves, City of; Bart Bartkowiak, Beaumont, City of; Cathy Nagel, Pine Forest, City of; John Durely, Taylor Landing, Matt Frederick, West Orange, City of; Rodney Johnson, Vidon, City of; Jack Provest, Sour Lake, City of; Danny Sullins, Lumberton, City of; Robert Grimm, Jefferson County; Joel Ardoin, Orange County; Robert Havens, Port Arthur, City of; Mark Allen, Jasper County; Terry Morton, Nederland, City of; Eloy Vega, Port Neches, City of
	9	4756401	Hardin County	LETPA Sustaining Tactical Response Team Project	\$ 58,889.19		\$ 34,589.19		Aaron Tupper, Hardin County	Lance Billeaud, Groves, City of; Bart Bartkowiak, Beaumont, City of; Cathy Nagel, Pine Forest, City of; John Durely, Taylor Landing, Matt Frederick, West Orange, City of; Rodney Johnson, Vidon, City of; Jack Provest, Sour Lake, City of; Danny Sullins, Lumberton, City of; Robert Grimm, Jefferson County; Joel Ardoin, Orange County; Robert Havens, Port Arthur, City of; Mark Allen, Jasper County; Terry Morton, Nederland, City of; Eloy Vega, Port Neches, City of
	10	4794301	Hardin County	ESD 2 Portable X-Ray	\$ 93,950.00		\$ 53,950.00		Aaron Tupper, Hardin County	Lance Billeaud, Groves, City of; Bart Bartkowiak, Beaumont, City of; Cathy Nagel, Pine Forest, City of; John Durely, Taylor Landing, Matt Frederick, West Orange, City of; Rodney Johnson, Vidon, City of; Jack Provest, Sour Lake, City of; Danny Sullins, Lumberton, City of; Robert Grimm, Jefferson County; Joel Ardoin, Orange County; Robert Havens, Port Arthur, City of; Mark Allen, Jasper County; Terry Morton, Nederland, City of; Eloy Vega, Port Neches, City of



# Attachment B-2

11	11	4833901	Port Neches, City of	Situational Awareness for Public Safety	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 35,000.00	Eloy Vega, Port Neches, City of	Lance Billaud, Groves, City of; Bart Bartowick, Beaumont, City of; Aaron Tupper, Hardin County; Cathy Nagel, Pine Forest, City of; John Durkay, Taylor Landing; Mike Zelo, Orange City of; Matt Frederick, West Orange, City of; Rodney Johnson, Vidler, City of; Jack Provest, Sour Lake, City of; Danny Sullins, Lumberton, City of; Robert Grimm, Jefferson County; Joel Ardain, Orange County; Robert Havens, Port Arthur, City of; Mark Allen, Jasper County; Terry Merzon, Nederland, City of;
12	10	4832001	West Orange, City of	Tactical Team Equipment	\$ 18,800.00	\$ 14,800.00	Matt Frederick, West Orange, City of	Lance Billaud, Groves, City of; Bart Bartowick, Beaumont, City of; Aaron Tupper, Hardin County; Cathy Nagel, Pine Forest, City of; John Durkay, Taylor Landing; Mike Zelo, Orange City of; City of; Rodney Johnson, Vidler, City of; Jack Provest, Sour Lake, City of; Danny Sullins, Lumberton, City of; Robert Grimm, Jefferson County; Joel Ardain, Orange County; Robert Havens, Port Arthur, City of; Mark Allen, Jasper County; Terry Merzon, Nederland, City of; Eloy Vega, Port Neches, City of
13	1	2959609	SETRPC	Regional Homeland Security Planning	\$ 135,000.00	\$ 135,000.00		Lance Billaud, Groves, City of; Bart Bartowick, Beaumont, City of; Aaron Tupper, Hardin County; Cathy Nagel, Pine Forest, City of; John Durkay, Taylor Landing; Mike Zelo, Orange City of; Matt Frederick, West Orange, City of; Rodney Johnson, Vidler, City of; Jack Provest, Sour Lake, City of; Danny Sullins, Lumberton, City of; Robert Grimm, Jefferson County; Joel Ardain, Orange County; Robert Havens, Port Arthur, City of; Mark Allen, Jasper County; Terry Merzon, Nederland, City of; Eloy Vega, Port Neches, City of

SHSP:	\$	291,027.62
LETPA:	\$	356,257.67
FY2023 Total Submitted	\$	647,285.29
FY22 Allocation	\$	385,560.04
Difference:	\$	(261,705.25)

SHSP:	\$	229,285.81	53%
LETPA:	\$	204,619.49	89%
FY23 Total Adjusted by EMPAC	\$	433,905.30	
FY22 Allocation	\$	385,560.04	147%
Difference:	\$	(48,325.26)	

\$ 30,544.00  
 \$ 35,000.00  
 \$ 14,800.00  
 \$ 80,344.00



**SOUTH EAST TEXAS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION  
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

A RESOLUTION OF THE SOUTH EAST TEXAS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDING PROJECTS FOR FUNDING FOR STATE HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM FUNDING (SHSP) AND LAW ENFORCEMENT TERRORISM PREVENTION ACTIVITIES (LETPA) 2023 AS LISTED ON PAGE 2.

WHEREAS, the EMPAC historically worked collaboratively and by consensus to determine the highest priority projects that reduce risk in the region; and

WHEREAS, the EMPAC finds it in the best interest of the South East Texas region and public safety of the citizens who live here that these projects be funded;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SOUTH EAST TEXAS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE THAT:

- 1) The Homeland Security Grant Projects and the amounts detailed on Page 2 of this Resolution are in the best interest of the community served; and
- 2) We recommend to the South East Texas Regional Planning Commission Executive Committee and the Office of the Governor for the State of Texas that these projects be funded.

Duly adopted at a meeting of the South East Texas Regional Planning Commission Emergency Management Planning Advisory Committee (EMPAC) on this the 09<sup>th</sup> of March 2023.

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