

**SOUTHEAST TEXAS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
2210 EASTEX FREEWAY, BEAUMONT, TX 77703
MAYOR HOMER E. NAGEL ROOM
MARCH 18, 2026, 12:00 PM**

The South East Texas Regional Planning Commission (SETRPC) Executive Committee met on Wednesday, March 18, 2026. SETRPC President, Jasper County Judge Mark Allen, called the meeting to order at 12:00 pm. A roll call of Executive Committee members to establish a quorum was conducted by Ms. Suzanne Carver, Executive Assistant, SETRPC. Jasper County Judge Mark Allen gave the Invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, led by SETRPC 5th Vice-President, Commissioner Cary Erickson, Jefferson County.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT

County Judge Mark Allen, Jasper County
Commissioner Cary Erickson, Jefferson County
County Judge John Gothia, Orange County
Commissioner Kirk Roccaforte, Orange County
Commissioner Johnny Trahan, Orange County
Councilmember Jim Wright, City of Bevil Oaks
Councilmember Aaron Roccaforte, City of Bridge City
Mayor Clark McLane, City of Jasper
Councilmember Angel McCroskey, City of Jasper
Councilmember Johnnie Mae Daigle, City of Kountze
Mayor Jeff Darby, City of Nederland
Mr. Kelvin Knauf, Planning Director, City of Orange
Mayor Robert Arnold, City of Port Neches
Mayor Danny Reneau, City of Silsbee
Mayor Michael Hendrix, City of Sour Lake
Mr. Jim Philp, Commissioner, Hardin County Emergency Services District #2 (ESD #2)
Mr. Billy Ted Smith, Commissioner, Jasper County Emergency Services District #1 (ESD #1)
Mr. Joshua Allen, Sr., President, Jefferson County Drainage District #6 (DD6)

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
County Judge Jeff Branick, Jefferson County
Mr. Fred Jackson, County Assistant (Representative for Judge Jeff Branick), Jefferson County
Commissioner Everette "Bo" Alfred, Jefferson County
Commissioner Michael Shane Sinegal, Jefferson County
Commissioner Brandon Willis, Jefferson County
Commissioner Chris Sowell, Orange County
Commissioner Robert Viator, Orange County
Mayor Roy West, City of Beaumont
Councilmember Chris Durio, City of Beaumont
Mayor Cheri Mitchell, City of Bevil Oaks
Mayor David Rutledge, City of Bridge City
Mayor Matt Lopez, City of China
Councilmember (Vacant), City of China
Mayor Chris Borne, City of Groves
Councilmember (Vacant), City of Groves
Mayor Frank George, City of Kirbyville
Mayor Fred Williams, City of Kountze
Mayor Don Surratt, City of Lumberton
Mr. Randy Hicks, (Representative for Mayor Don Surratt), Lumberton IDC Board Director
Councilmember (Vacant), City of Lumberton
Mayor Kerry Abney, City of Nome
Councilmember (Vacant), City of Nome
Mayor Larry Spears, Jr., City of Orange
Councilmember Brad Childs, City of Orange

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES NOT PRESENT, Continued

Mayor Pauline Brown, City of Pine Forest
Councilmember Deanna Smith, City of Pine Forest
Mayor Sarah McClendon, City of Pinehurst
Councilmember Michael Shahan, City of Pinehurst
Mayor Charlotte Moses, City of Port Arthur
Councilmember (Vacant), City of Port Arthur
Councilmember Jeff Ortiz, City of Port Neches
Mayor Tony Wilcoxson, 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
Councilmember (Vacant), City of Silsbee
Councilmember (Vacant), City of Sour Lake
Mayor Phil Owens, City of Taylor Landing
Commissioner Tim Romero, City of Taylor Landing
Mayor Misty Songe, City of Vidor
Councilmember (Vacant), City of Vidor
Mr. Nicholas Carter, President, Lumberton Municipal Utility District (MUD)
Mr. Jeremy Walton, Assistant General Mgr., Representative for Mr. Brad Haeggquist, Mauriceville Utility District
Vacant, Jefferson County WCID #10
Mr. Frank Inzer, Director, Orange County WCID #1 (Vidor)
Mr. Tom Woolley, President, Orange County WCID #2 (West Orange)
Ms. Laura Moore, Director, Jasper Hospital District
Mr. Leroy McCall, Jr., Commissioner, Jefferson County Drainage District #3 (DD3)
Mr. Allen Sims, General Manager, Jefferson County Drainage District #7 (DD7)
Mr. Richard Beaumont, Commissioner, Jefferson County Drainage District #7 (DD7)
Mr. Don Carona, General Manager, Orange County Drainage District
Mr. Sam Job, Commissioner, Jasper County Emergency Services District #4 (ESD #4)
Chief Chris Gonzales, Jefferson County Emergency Services District #1 (ESD #1)
Mr. Daniel J. Diaz, Administrator, Jefferson County Emergency Services District #3 (ESD #3)
Vacant, Orange County Emergency Services District #3 (ESD #3)
Ms. Lorrie Taylor, Port Director & CEO, Orange County Navigation & Port District
Ms. Georgine Guillory, Commissioner, Port of Beaumont
Mr. John Comeaux, Commissioner, Port of Port Arthur
Ms. Sheri Arnold, Commissioner, Sabine-Neches Navigation District
Mr. Rob Starr, Board Member, Southeast Texas Ground Water Conservation District
Dr. Shannon Allen, Superintendent, Beaumont ISD
Mr. Joe Evans, Board Trustee, Beaumont I.S.D
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

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

STAFF PRESENT

Ms. Shanna Burke, Executive Director, SETRPC
Ms. Suzanne Carver, Executive Assistant, SETRPC
Ms. Glenda Lacy, HR Manager, SETRPC/Director, Disaster Recovery Division (DRD)
Mr. Jeff King, Finance Director, SETRPC
Mr. Pete De La Cruz, Director, 9-1-1 Emergency Network
Ms. Tyronna McKenzie, Director, Southeast Texas Foster Grandparent Program (FGP)
Ms. Sara Torres-Garcia, Director, Community Services Division (CSD)
Ms. Christine Jackson, Case Manager, Community Services Division (CSD)
Ms. Misty Michel, Operations Manager, Area Agency on Aging (AAA)
Ms. Kaylan Arendale, Director, Criminal Justice & Homeland Security Division (CJHSD)
Mr. Jeremy Robison, Director, Information Technology (IT)
Mr. Bob Dickinson, Director, Transportation & Environmental Resources Division (T&ER)
Mr. James Moore, GIS Analyst, T&ER
Ms. Stephanie Robertson Fiscal/Contract Manager (CSD)
Ms. Pam Lewis, Lighthouse Program Manager, Community Services Division (CSD)

GUESTS PRESENT

Mr. Jay Guerrero, Regional Director, U.S. Senator John Cornyn
Mr. Kelly Waterman, Regional Director, U.S. Senator Ted Cruz
Mr. Blake Hopper, Deputy District Director, U.S. Representative Randy Webber
Ms. Kaitlyn Addington, Resilience Fellow, SBP
Ms. Megan Lewis, Daughter/Guest of Ms. Pam Lewis

26-020 APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 18, 2026 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

➤ Commissioner Billy Ted Smith, Jasper County Emergency Services District #1 (ESD #1), made a motion to approve the February 18, 2026, Executive Committee Minutes. Mayor Jeff Darby, City of Nederland, seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

26-021 APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S REPORT FOR JANUARY 2026

➤ Commissioner Cary Erickson, Jefferson County, made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report for January 2026. Mayor Jeff Darby, City of Nederland, seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

26-022 CRIMINAL JUSTICE & HOMELAND SECURITY DIVISION (CJHSD)

➤ First, Ms. Kaylan Arendale, Criminal Justice & Homeland Security Division (CJHSD), on behalf of the CJHSD, presented for approval the of appointment Mr. John Burt to the Criminal Justice Advisory Committee (CJAC) to serve from Jasper County, and the approval of the appointment of Mr. Daniel Boyd as the alternate CJAC member to Mr. John Burt for Jasper County. If approved, Mr. Burt will represent the "Prosecution/Courts" field through the Jasper County Criminal District Attorney's Office. (*See Attachment A.*)

Mayor Jeff Darby, City of Nederland, made a motion to approve the appointment of Mr. John Burt to the Criminal Justice Advisory Committee (CJAC) and Mr. Daniel Boyd as Mr. Burt's alternate. Councilmember Aaron Roccaforte, City of Bridge City, seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

➤ Second, Ms. Arendale presented the Emergency Management Planning Advisory Committee (EMPAC) Member 2026 Voting Designee List for approval. (*See Attachment B.*) The EMPAC prioritizes the Homeland Security grants every year. The prioritization meeting is in April.

Councilmember Aaron Roccaforte, City of Bridge City, made a motion to approve the Emergency Management Planning Advisory Committee (EMPAC) Member 2026 Voting Designee List. Mayor Jeff Darby, City of Nederland, seconded the motion. Following a brief discussion, Councilmember Roccaforte amended the motion to approve the EMPAC Member 2026 Voting Designee List as presented, with a correction in the spelling of "Marshal" on the document. The motion carried unanimously.

➤ Third, Ms. Arendale presented a Resolution Authorizing Submission of the SETRPC Regional Homeland Security Planning Grant Funding for FY2026 Application to the Office of the Governor, Public Safety Office, Homeland Security Grant Division. (*See Attachment C.*) The Resolution:

1. Authorizes the SETRPC Criminal Justice and Homeland Security Division to submit grant number #5897001 to the Office of the Governor in the amount of \$135,000.000;
2. Names Executive Director as the authorized official for this grant;
3. Names Finance Director as the financial officer for this grant;
4. Agrees to return all grant funds in the event of loss or misuse.

Commissioner Cary Erickson, Jefferson County, made a motion to approve the Resolution Authorizing Submission of the SETRPC Regional Homeland Security Planning Grant Funding for FY2026 Application to the Office of the Governor, Public Safety Office, Homeland Security Grant Division. Mayor Jeff Darby, City of Nederland, seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

➤ Fourth, Ms. Arendale presented for approval the South East Texas Regional Planning Commission 2026 Regional Interoperable Communications Plan (RICP). The SETRPC Communications Committee (COMMC) revised and approved the plan revisions on March 3, 2026. The SETRPC RICP is governed in accordance with the Texas Emergency Management Statutes Code 421.096, and the Texas Statewide Communications Interoperable Plan (SCIP). Ms. Arendale provided highlights from the first four pages, which include the Approval & Authorization page on page two (2) of the plan and the Record of Change Page on page. Four (4). (*See Attachment D.*) The SETRPC RICP is available through the Criminal Justice and Homeland Security Division by request.

Commissioner Johnny Trahan, Orange County, made a motion to approve the South East Texas Regional Planning Commission 2026 Regional Interoperable Communications Plan (RICP) for approval. County Judge John Gothia, Orange County, seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

26-023 TRANSPORTATION & ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES DIVISION (T&ER)

➤ Mr. Bob Dickinson, Director, Transportation and Environmental Resources Division (T&ER), presented a consultant for marketing services for the Transportation and Environmental Resources Division (T&ER) for review and approval. A Request for Proposal (RFP) was issued on November 3rd with December 5th given as the deadline for any company to respond.

Two (2) proposals were received in response: Americom Marketing and Legacy 79. These proposals were distributed to the members of the Consultant Selection Committee for review. Both companies were invited to present virtual presentations to the Consultant Selection Committee to explain their approach to this type of work and their qualifications, which they did on March 6th.

Immediately following the oral interviews, the Consultant Selection Committee met to evaluate and score the firms. The Consultant Selection Committee selected Americom Marketing for the following reasons as shown below.

- Americom Marketing demonstrated a thorough understanding of the services required by the T&ER Division and offered a comprehensive approach to providing the public outreach services necessary.
- Americom Marketing showed intimate knowledge of the southeast Texas advertising market, where the firm has over 25 years of experience.
- Americom Marketing demonstrated the consultant team's expertise and qualifications. The firm's performance record and references indicated their continued success in completing projects on time and on budget.

Mr. Dickinson then requested approval to negotiate a contract for services with Americom Marketing to assist T&ER periodically when there is the need to develop certain types of public outreach materials with its various programs.

Mayor Danny Reneau, City of Silsbee, made a motion to approve negotiating a contract for services with Americom Marketing for marketing services for the T&ER Division. Councilmember Aaron Roccaforte, City of Bridge City, seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

➤ Next, Mr. Dickinson provided information on the Household Hazardous Waste and Scrap Tire Collection Event, a free event held by the South East Texas Regional Planning Commission (SETRPC) and funded by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ). The event will be held on Saturday, May 30, 2026, 8:00 am – 1:00 pm in the parking lot of the Buna High School at 711 County Road 734, Buna, Texas, south Jasper County.

Accepted items include paints, cleaners, antifreeze, car batteries, used oil, insecticides, swimming pool chemicals, and many others. For a complete list of acceptable materials, Mr. Dickinson may be contacted at 409-899-8444 ext. 7520. Regarding tires, Mr. Dickinson explained that the SETRPC will also collect scrap tires at no charge for the first eight (8) tires, with a cash disposal fee of \$1.00 required for each additional tire (limit 30). Tires over 22" or on rims will not be accepted. Also, collected paint will be limited to ten (10) 1-gallon paint cans and two (2) 5-gallon paint cans.

26-024 COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION

➤ Ms. Sara Torres-Garcia, Director, Community Services Division (CSD), presented a celebration of the remarkable career of Ms. Pam Lewis, Lighthouse Program Director, who will be retiring from the SETRPC at the end of March 2026. Ms. Lewis began her career with the SETRPC Community Development Division. Ms. Torres-Garcia provided an overview of Ms. Lewis' career at the SETRPC. She began as a Community Development Specialist on March 16, 2005, was promoted to Coordinator in May 2006, and was then promoted to the Lighthouse Program Manager. Ms. Torres-Garcia noted that Ms. Lewis' legacy of service, leadership and compassion will continue to inspire those in the CSD "who are left behind to follow in her footsteps."

Ms. Torres-Garcia observed that Ms. Lewis is being honored "for her tireless commitment to improving the lives of others, a testament to the power of dedication, vision, and heart of public service". She then presented Ms. Lewis with an award with the Lighthouse Program logo on it in recognition of her "tireless passion and commitment." Ms. Torres-Garcia then announced that Ms. Christine Jackson, CSD Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) case manager, would step up and follow the Lighthouse Program.

Ms. Lewis thanked everyone that she had worked with and stated that it has been like "working with family." She expressed her appreciation to all. Ms. Shanna Burke, SETRPC Executive Director, expressed her appreciation for the work that Ms. Lewis has done at the SETRPC.

26-025 FUTURE CALENDAR

➤ Ms. Suzanne Carver, Executive Assistant, SETRPC, noted that the SETRPC offices will be closed on Friday, April 3rd, in observance of Good Friday, and the next Executive Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 15th.

26-026 OTHER, OLD, & UNFINISHED BUSINESS

➤ Tell Me Something Good:

Ms. Shanna Burke, Executive Director, SETRPC, announced that Lamar University, in working with Dr. Brian Williams with the Center for Resiliency, is developing an internship program and wants the SETRPC to be a part of that with the goal of having Center for Resiliency interns here next year. Also, Lamar Port Arthur has launched an at work program, combining maritime, rail, truck driving, real time training, loading, and unloading to get students trained and ready to work with the Davie company that's coming in to build ice breaking ships in Port Arthur and to help staff at LNG, as well. Ms. Burke and Ms. Sara Torres-Garcia will be meeting with Dr. Stafford at Lamar next week regarding possible case management of students.

➤ Announcement and/or Articles

First, Ms. Burke announced that Ms. Tatum Garlington, daughter of Ms. Debbie Garlington, SETRPC Controller, went through the Naval Academy and is currently in the Navy and was deployed recently. She's on a marine transport, so please keep Ms. Tatum and all her shipmates and all their families in your prayers.

Second, Ms. Burke pointed out the flyer regarding the Gulf Coast Community Resilience Conference that the Center for Resiliency, Lamar University, is holding on Thursday, March 26, 2026.

Third, Ms. Burke noted that Lamar University is holding Cybersecurity in-person training for industrial control systems on April 6th – 8th at Lamar.

Fourth, Ms. Burke pointed out the General Land Office flyer regarding their 2024 Disasters: Homeowner Assistance Program (HAP).

➤ There being no other, old, and unfinished business, the meeting adjourned at 12:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Commissioner Kirk Roccaforte, Orange County
Secretary

Attachment A



Mark W. Allen
County Judge
Jasper County, Texas

February 25, 2026

Kaylan Arendale, Director
Criminal Justice and Homeland Security Division
South East Texas Regional Planning Commission
2210 Eastex Freeway
Beaumont, Texas 77703

Re: South East Texas Regional Planning Commission Criminal Justice Advisory Committee (CJAC)

The delegates designated below are nominated to serve on the South East Texas Regional Planning Commission Criminal Justice Advisory Committee representing the discipline of Prosecution/Court services.

As County Judge, I hereby nominate the following delegates to serve as Jasper County representatives for the Criminal Justice Advisory Committee (CJAC):

Below, please find the CJAC and Alternate member information:

Primary CJAC Member:

John Burt, Jasper County Criminal District Attorney
Email: john.burt@co.jasper.tx.us
Phone: (409) 384-4362

Alternate Member Information:

Daniel Boyd, Assistant Jasper County Criminal District Attorney
Email: daniel.boyd@co.jasper.tx.us
Phone: (409) 384-4362

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Allen", is written over a horizontal line.

Mark Allen, County Judge
Jasper County, Texas

Date: February 25, 2026

Attachment B



**EMPAC Committee Designees
2026**

| Jurisdictions | Designee/Alternate(s) |
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| Hardin County | Aaron Tupper – EMC |
| | Wayne McDaniel – County Judge |
| Jasper County | Billy Smith – EMC |
| | Mark Allen – County Judge |
| Jefferson County | Robert Grimm – EMC |
| | Jeffry Phillips – Deputy EMC |
| Orange County | Joel Ardoin – EMC |
| | Leon George – Deputy EMC |
| Beaumont, City of | Tim Ocnaschek – Police Chief |
| | Sky Kolan – Grants Coordinator |
| | Shaqueena Nobles - EMC |
| Bevil Oaks, City of | Sabreena Crain – City Clerk |
| | Barbara Emmons – Mayor |
| Bridge City, City of | Tod McDowell – Police Chief/EMC |
| | David Rutledge – Mayor |
| | Robert Bergeron – Asst. Police Chief |
| China, City of | Matt Lopez - Mayor |
| | Whitney Gray – Mayor Pro Tem |
| Groves, City of | Lance Billeaud – Fire Chief |
| | Christopher Robin – City Marshall Marshal |
| | Robert “Tony” Phillips – Chief Deputy |
| Kountze, City of | George T. Drake – Public Works Director/EMC |
| Lumberton, City of | Danny Sullins – Police Chief |
| | Steve Clark – City Manager |
| Nederland, City of | Terry Morton – Fire Chief |
| | Rod Carroll – Police Chief |
| | Jeffrey P. “Jeff” Darby - Mayor |
| Nome, City of | Kerry Abney – Mayor |
| Orange, City of | Mike Zeto – CIS Manager |
| | Payton Smith – Deputy Fire Chief/EMC |
| | John Bilbo – Fire Chief |
| Pine Forest, City of | Pauline Brown – Mayor |
| | James McCullar – Mayor Pro Tem |
| | Michelle Josey – City Secretary |

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| | Loeey Turner |
| Pinehurst, City of | Jason Hollyfield – Police Chief Charles Willis – Lieutenant |
| Port Arthur, City of | Robert “Louie” Havens – Deputy Fire Chief/Deputy EMC Jermey Houston – Deputy Police Chief/ EMC John Boleyn – Coordinator of Support Services Antonio Mitchell – Interim Deputy Fire Chief |
| Port Neches, City of | Eloy Vega – Fire Chief/EMC Cheri Griffith – Police Chief David Reeves – Asst. Police Chief |
| Rose City, City of | Tony Wilcoxson – Mayor Dora Tarbox – City Secretary |
| Rose Hill Acres, City of | Rick Thomisee – Municipal Judge David Lang – Mayor |
| Silsbee, City of | Shawn Blackwell – Police Chief DeeAnn Zimmerman – Asst EMC/City Manager Danny Reneau - Mayor Robert Peden – Asst. Police Chief |
| Sour Lake, City of | Beau Hansen – City Manager Aaron Burlison – Police Chief Michael Hendrix – Mayor |
| Taylor Landing | Phil Owens - Mayor |
| Vidor, City of | Nick Garsce – Police Captain Rodney Johnson – Police Chief/EMC |
| West Orange, City of | Michael Stelly – Police Chief Matt Frederick – Lieutenant Jessie Romero – Asst. Police Chief Tod McDowell – Bridge City Police Chief |

Pending Executive Approval 03.18.2026

Attachment C

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APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF THE SETRPC HOMELAND SECURITY REGIONAL PLANNING GRANT FUNDING FOR FY2026 APPLICATION TO THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR, PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICE, HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT DIVISION

WHEREAS, The SETRPC Homeland Security Planning Grant provides planning assistance to all jurisdictions in the region including the compilation of the Threat and Hazard Identification Risk Assessment (THIRA), Stakeholder’s Preparedness Report (SPR), Implementation Plan (IP), Interoperable Communications, and other activities critical to enhance public safety in the South East Texas region;

WHEREAS, The Executive Committee of the South East Texas Regional Planning Commission finds it in the best interest of the citizens of Hardin, Jasper, Jefferson, and Orange Counties that the Homeland Security Planning Grant be funded; and

WHEREAS, The Executive Committee of the South East Texas Regional Planning Commission designates the SETRPC Executive Director as the grantee’s authorized official. The authorized official is given the power to apply for, accept, reject, alter, or terminate the grant on behalf of the applicant agency;

WHEREAS, The Executive Committee of the South East Texas Regional Planning Commission designates the SETRPC Finance Director as the grantee’s financial officer. The financial officer is given the power to submit financial and/or programmatic reports or alter a grant on behalf of the applicant agency;


WHEREAS, The Executive Committee of the South East Texas Regional Planning Commission agrees that in the event of loss or misuse of the Office of the Governor funds, the Executive Committee of the South East Texas Regional Planning Commission assures that the funds will be returned to the Office of the Governor in full;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Executive Committee of the South East Texas Regional Planning Commission approves submission of the grant application for the SETRPC Homeland Security Planning grant #5897001 to the Office of the Governor not to exceed the amount of \$135,000.00.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 18th day of March 2026.

Approved by:

Mark Allen, SETRPC President
South East Texas Regional Planning Commission
County Judge, Jasper County

ATTEST:

Kirk Roccaforte, SETRPC Secretary
South East Texas Regional Planning Commission
Commissioner, Orange County

Grant Number: #5897001

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APPROVAL OF SOUTH EAST TEXAS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION 2026 REGIONAL INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS PLAN (RICP)

“RESOLUTION”

WHEREAS, the Criminal Justice and Homeland Security Division is requesting approval of the South East Texas Regional Planning Commission (SETRPC) 2026 Regional Interoperable Communications Plan (RICP); and

WHEREAS, the SETRPC Communications Committee (COMMC) updated the plan in preparation of making application into the SERI Grant Program and approved the SETRPC 2026 RICP final document on March 3, 2026, and approved to submit the SETRPC 2026 RICP to the SETRPC Executive Committee for approval; and

WHEREAS, the SETRPC 2026 RICP is Governed in accordance with the Texas Emergency Management Statutes Code 421.096, and the Texas Statewide Communications Interoperable Plan (SCIP); and

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

The Criminal Justice and Homeland Security Division is respectfully requesting approval of the South East Texas Regional Planning Commission 2026 Regional Interoperable Communications Plan and to authorize the Executive Director to sign the Approval and Authorization Page.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 18TH day of March 2026.

Signed by:
Mark Allen

Mark Allen, President, SETRPC
County Judge, Jasper County

Kirk Roccaforte, Secretary, SETRPC
Commissioner, Pct. 3, Orange County

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