## NOTICE OF MEETING (•) OF THE

## **COMMISSIONERS COURT OF JACK COUNTY, TEXAS**

#### • Assistive Listening Devices Available on Request for Use during Court Session

Notice is hereby given that a Meeting of the above named Commissioners Court will be held on <u>Monday the</u> <u>30th day of October, 2017 at 10:00 o'clock a.m.</u>, in the County Courthouse, Jacksboro, Texas, at which time the following subjects\* will be discussed and appropriate action taken, to-wit:

These subjects may or may not be discussed in the order shown. All items listed below as part of the called "Consent Agenda Items" require no deliberation by the Court. Each Court member has the prerogative of removing an item from this agenda so that it may be considered separately.

- 1. PUBLIC FORUM (Limited to 5 minutes per person);
- 2. PAYMENT OF CLAIMS;
- 3. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:
  (a) Approval of Minutes of Meeting of October 23, 2017 and October 26, 2017;
- 4. TIMED AGENDA ITEMS: None
- 5. Discussion of Commissioner Precinct Operations;
- 6. Update on Courthouse Repair Project 2017 details, if any;
- 7. Update on LEC Roof Repair Project;
- 8. Update on status of County activities, if any, under the CTIF Grant and FEMA Flood Grant;
- 9. Action of approval of final letter on CTIF grant and disposition of the leased packer;
- 10. Review of proposals received on Request for Proposals/Qualifications from General Land Office Grant regarding FEMA 2015 Flood Emergency Declaration, DR-4223;
- 11. Reports, if any, by other Department Heads;
- 12. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS; AND;
- 13. ADJOURNMENT.

Dated this the 27th day of October, 2017

Commissioners Court of Jack County, Texas

Mitchell G. Davenport, Judge of Commissioners Court

I, the undersigned County Clerk, do hereby certify that the above Notice of Meeting of the above named Commissioners Court, is a true and correct copy of said Notice, and that I posted a true and correct copy of said Notice on the bulletin board at the Courthouse door of Jack County, Texas, at a place readily accessible to the general public at all times on the 27th day of October, 2017, and said Notice remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting.

Dated this the 27th day of October, 2017, at 908 a.m.

Vanessa James, County Clerk of Jack County, Texas By: <u>Alfany</u> DeputyClerk OS TA COUNTY

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#### MINUTES

On this the 30<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2017 the Commissioners Court of Jack County, Texas met in Regular session at 10:05 a.m. with the following elected officials present:

James L Brock, Commissioner Pct. 2 Henry Birdwell, Jr., Commissioner Pct. 3 Terry Ward, Commissioner Pct. 4

Motion was made by Commissioner Ward to recess until 1:30 p.m. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Brock and passed unanimously.

The Court reconvened after the recess and was called to order at 1:38 p.m. with the following elected officials present:

Keith Umphress, Commissioner Pct. 1 James L Brock, Commissioner Pct. 2 Henry Birdwell, Jr., Commissioner Pct. 3 Terry Ward, Commissioner Pct. 4 Mitchell G. Davenport, County Judge

#### PUBLIC FORUM

No members of the public present.

#### PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS AND CLAIMS

No accounts and claims were submitted to the Court for approval.

#### CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

• Approval of Minutes of Meetings of October 23, 2017 and October 26, 2017;

Motion was made by Judge Davenport to adopt consent agenda. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Ward and passed unanimously.

#### TIMED AGENDA ITEMS

No timed agenda items.

#### COMMISSIONER PRECINCT OPERATIONS

No discussion made.

#### UPDATE ON COURTHOUSE REPAIR PROJECT 2017

No discussion made.

#### UPDATE ON LEC ROOF REPAIR PROJECT

Judge Davenport informed the Court that three proposals for the project and that all of that information has been passed on to them and Burnett Hunt for their review.

#### CTIF GRANT AND FEMA FLOOD GRANT

Treasurer, Kim Gibby is working on a letter for CTIF to inform them that all of the work on the grant has been completed.

# ACTION OF APPROVAL OF FUNAL LETTER ON CTIF GRANT AND DISPOSITION OF THE LEASED PACKER

Judge Davenport passed out the information he has regarding the last payments to be made on the packer.

Motion was made by Commissioner Umphress to appoint Commissioner Brock to represent the Court in negotiating the final price on the equipment and to report back to the Court the information received. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Ward and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Ward to table the disposition of the packer at this time.

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VANESSA JAMES, County Clerk JACK COUNTY, TEXAS

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Motion was seconded by Judge Davenport and passed unanimously.

#### REVIEW OF PROPOSALS RECEIVED ON REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS/QUALIFICATIONS FROM GENERAL LAND OFFICE GRANT REGARDING FEMA 2015 FLOOD EMERGENCY DECLARATION, DR-4223;

One proposal was received in a timely manner from Nortex Regional Planning.

Motion was made by Commissioner Birdwell to accept the proposal from Nortex. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Ward and passed unanimously.

#### DEPARTMENT HEADS

Discussion was made regarding the Air Evac memberships that the County employees can sign up for.

#### FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

No future agenda items.

#### ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business motion was made by Judge Davenport to adjourn. Commissioner Brock seconded the motion to adjourn and the motion passed unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:40 p.m

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P.O. Box 5144 Wichita Falls, Texas 76307 Area 940-322-5281 Fax 940-322-6743

October 16, 2017

County Judge Mitchell Davenport Jack County Courthouse 100 North Main Street, Suite 206 Jacksboro, TX 76458

Re: Disaster Relief Grant

Dear Judge Davenport:

Nortex Regional Planning Commission is pleased to submit our Qualifications for grant writing and administrative services to the County of Jack for your disaster relief grant.

Nortex Regional Planning Commission has been providing professional grant writing and administrative services since 1994. Our staff brings extensive experience and knowledge of disaster and Texas Community Development Block Grants.

Thank you for the time and consideration of our qualification. We remain most excited about the forthcoming project. Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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Nortex Regional Planning Commission Director of Regional Services

Archer, Baylor, Clay, Cottle, Foard, Hardeman, Jack, Montague, Wichita, Wilbarger and Young Counties



## **PROFESSIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES**

2017-2018 Disaster Relief Grant Jack County

Nortex Regional Planning Commission Regional Services 4309 Jacksboro Hwy, Suite 200 Wichita Falls, TX 76302 940-322-5281 940-322-6743 Fax

## **NORTEX Mission Statement:**

NORTEX Regional Planning Commission (Nortex) is a regional organization of local governments.

Its mission is to maintain and improve the quality of life for all people in the region by advancing the interests and enhancing the capabilities of its members.

In pursuit of its mission, Nortex will:

- Articulate the interests of the region in governmental policy deliberations,
- Serve as a forum in which citizens and local governments may identify and bring into focus regional opportunities and challenges,
- Facilitate the collection, development, and exchange of information about issues of public interest in the region,
- Maintain organizational structure designed to foster effective communication among governments, agencies, and citizens,
- Maintain communications with members and other organizations for the purpose of nurturing regional consensus on public policy issues,
- Serve as a resource for information and assistance to member governments,
- Promote Association approved agreements, policies, and plans while observing the highest standards of public service,
- Review and coordinate federal, state, and local programs of regional significance in order to maximize their economy, efficiency, and effectiveness, and
- Support and promote the principles of democratic government and free enterprise.

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## D Nortex Regional Planning Commission Background and History

 $N_{ortex}$  is a voluntary association created by the local governments within State Planning Region Three. Authorized by state law, Nortex is an independent political subdivision of the state and is an instrument of local governments. It is one of 24 such organizations in Texas.

Nortex Regional Planning Commission (NRPC) is a region-wide voluntary association of local governments. Its service area is 9,461 square miles and contains approximately 224,336 people.

NRPC's mission is to serve its members as the instrument of local government cooperation and coordination for the purpose of improving the health, safety, and general welfare of their citizens.

NRPC is the entity through which local governments consider issues and cooperate in addressing area wide problems.

NRPC is governed by an Executive Committee comprised of local elected officials, representing member government bodies within the region.

The Regional Services department is one of eight departments at Nortex. The goal of Regional Services is to effectively provide and coordinate services for the communities in the Nortex region. One way this is done is by writing and administering community development grants for cities and counties. It has been shown that Nortex's administrative fees are lower than other consultants in this region. This means a potential savings of thousands of dollars that can be reinvested into your grant project. The Regional Services department works on grants from the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA), and numerous other funding sources.

Over the years, Nortex has built an impressive portfolio of successful grant projects. The commitment to quality and to meeting the needs of local governments is shown by the number of grants NORTEX has successfully written and administered in this region, as well as the number of "repeat customers" NORTEX enjoys. Many communities turn to NORTEX for grant administration, because of the trust and friendship that has been built over the years.

NORTEX consistently uses qualified, knowledgeable personnel. NORTEX recognizes our responsibility to provide high-quality, professional administrative services to your community. NORTEX strives to meet the needs of our clients and to provide them with the highest quality assistance in the region.

NORTEX has helped communities in our region by bringing in over \$16 million dollars in various grant projects since the year 2000. NORTEX continues to work hard to bring funding to this Region.

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# Other Services Provided by NORTEX Regional Services Department:

- Solid Waste Pass-Through Grants
- Parks Grants
- Disaster Grants
- Grants assistance as requested for TWDB and other agencies
- General Training and Technical Assistance for cities and counties

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# Relevant Project Experience

Nortex assistance with writing and administering Texas Community Development has been called on by many cities and counties in our region since 1994. Block Grants, Economic Development Administration grants, Texas Capital Fund grants, and Small Town Environmental Program (STEP) grants, among others. NORTEX staff has exceedingly met cities and counties expectations as a provider of Grants Administration. The Client list has grown from two in 1994 to 15 in 2017.

Awards Slated for 2017:

• Submission of fourteen Texas Community Development Block Grants (TxCDBG) applications.

In 2016:

 Three Texas Community Development Block Grants (TxCDBG) awards for the Cities of Byers, Bryson, and Nocona, Community Enhancement. Both the City of Byers and Bryson is receiving \$275,000 to make water and sewer improvements in their communities, and the City of Nocona is receiving \$500,000 to build a new community center.

In 2015:

• Four Texas Community Development Block Grant (TXCDBG) awards for the Cities of Crowell, Petrolia, Archer City and Montague County. Each community will receive \$275,000 to make water, sewer and street improvements

In 2014:

- One **Disaster Relief** awards for Clay County for \$350,000 to make emergency water improvements.
- Three **Texas Community Development Block Grant (TXCDBG)** awards for the Cities of Bellevue, Quanah, and Saint Jo. Each community will receive \$275,000 to make water, and sewer improvements.

In 2013:

- One **Disaster Relief** awards for Archer County totaling \$350,000 to make emergency water improvements.
- Five Texas Community Development Block Grant (TXCDBG) projects for the Cities of Jacksboro, Nocona, Burkburnett, Vernon and Megargel. Each community will receive \$275,000 to make water, sewer and street improvements.

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In 2012

 Two Texas Community Development Block Grant (TXCDBG) projects. Cities of Byers, Megargel and Foard County for \$275,000 each for water and streets projects.

In 2011

• Two Texas Community Development Block Grant (TXCDBG) projects. Cities of Chillicothe and Bryson for \$275,000 each for water and sewer projects.

In 2010:

 Three Texas Community Development Block Grant (TXCDBG) projects. Cities of Saint Jo, Byers and Clay County for \$275,000 each for water and sewer projects.

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## NORTEX has provided CDBG/Other administrative services for:

Archer City Archer County Bellevue Bowie Bryson Burkburnett Byers Chillicothe **Clay County** Crowell **Denton County** Electra Foard County Jacksboro Jack County Megargel Montague County Nocona Olney Petrolia Quanah Saint Jo Vernon Wichita County Wilbarger County

## Key Personnel Resumes

**Nortex** has highly qualified personnel with an experience pool of over 21 years in grant writing and administration. The following personnel will be heavily involved in the grant process.

## Joe Cox

Director of Regional Services Joe joined NORTEX in 1996 as Director of Regional Services section.

Joe's focus in Regional Services is on writing Texas Community Development Block Grants, Disaster Relief Grants through Texas Department of Agriculture and other Grants as needed. He is also the director for the Solid Waste Program, oversees NORTEX's Solid Waste Advisory Committee and administers pass-through solid waste management grants through the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.

## **Deborah Milbern** Regional Services Technician II

Deborah joined NORTEX in the Regional Service's Department in 1998. Deborah's focus in Regional Services is on administering Texas Community Development Block Grants, Disaster Relief Grants through Texas Department of Agriculture. In addition, she assists the Director as needed. Prepares Survey tabulations as needed.

## Tina Johnson

Regional Services Technician I

Tina has been employed at NORTEX since 2010 and joined the Regional Services department in January 2017. Tina has completed her TDA Certification for administration of CDBG grants and main focus will be grant administration for CDBG block grants.

## **Professional Administrative Scope of Services**

Part I

**Scope of Services** 

## Pre-application

Discuss with applicant the project type, budget and match requirements.

Hold necessary public hearings prior to grant application submission.

Gather necessary information from engineer and applicant.

Direct the client's activities concerning beneficiary surveys as required. Finalize information in grant application.

Submit required application copies and information to funding agency.

Provide applicant with final copy of application.

Work with applicant on preparing application for Regional Review Committee.

## Once funded, the following will be included in NORTEX's administrative duties:

## 1. Program Set Up

- a. Conduct grant management workshop for grantees
- b. Assist the City/County in developing a record keeping system consistent with program guidelines, including the establishment and maintenance of program files.
- c. Prepare all documents necessary for grant startup.
- d. Provide general advice with respect to the implementation of the project and regulatory matters.
- e. Furnish necessary forms and procedures for implementation of the project.
- f. Provide technical assistance for the routine tasks to City/County personnel who will be directly involved in the program.
- g. Serve as liaison for the City/County during any monitoring visits by staff representatives of either the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) or the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).
- h. Assist the City/County in meeting all special condition requirements.
- i. Prepare and submit to TDA all required periodic progress reports and compliance reports.
- j. Assist the City/County in meeting citizen participation requirements, fair housing and personnel requirements which may be qualifying factors for participation in the Texas Community Development Block Grant Program (TXCBDG).

### **Financial Portion:**

- a. Assist the City/County in documenting its ability to manage grant funds as required by the state.
- b. Assist the City/County in establishing and maintain separate bank accounts and ledgers as necessary for this project.
- c. Assist the City/County in submitting the required depository and signature forms to TDA.
- d. Assist the City/County in preparation and submission of requests for payment of funds by TDA.
- e. Assist the City/County in establishing procedures to handle the use of any TXCDBG program income.

## 2. Environmental Clearance

- a. Prepare an environmental assessment of the project.
- b. Coordinate environmental clearance procedures with state and local officials and other interested parties.
- c. Document environmental comments.
- d. Prepare any required environmental reassessment.
- e. Prepare request for release of funds and certifications.

## 3. <u>Construction Bid/Contract Award</u>

- a. Assist in preparation of bid documents of construction documentation
- b. Send bid ad to local paper for publication
- c. Request Wage Decision
- d. Request 10-day wage call
- e. Attend construction bid opening
- f. Assemble pre-construction packet & attend pre-construction conference
- g. Obtain SAMs clearance for prime- and sub-contractors

## 4. Labor Standards/ Construction Completion

- a. Conduct labor monitoring interviews
- b. Check contractor payrolls for correct pay wage

## 5. <u>Contract Closeout</u>

- a. Pay final draws
- b. Hold final public hearing
- c. Complete required paperwork to submit to state agency
- d. Assist grantee with preparing files for closeout monitoring visit
- e. Attend closeout monitoring visit

## 6. <u>Other</u>

- a. Financial NORTEX will:
  - Process engineering, administration, and construction draws
  - Maintain draw log for expenditures
  - Submit Quarterly Progress Reports to state agency
- b. Acquisition NORTEX will:
  - Assist grantee with Report on Real Property Acquisition
- c. Civil Rights/Fair Housing NORTEX will:
  - Assist grantee with 504 evaluation
  - Assist grantee with required Civil Rights paperwork
  - Assist grantee with Fair Housing activity
  - Prepare and submit all required Section 3 reporting
  - Publish required notices in local paper
- d. Provide other technical assistance as needed

#### Part II Standard of Performance and Deficiencies

- 1. All services of NORTEX will be performed in a professional, reasonable and prudent manner in accordance with accepted professional practice. NORTEX represents that it has the required skills and capacity to perform work and services to be provided under this proposal.
- NORTEX represents that services provided under this proposal shall be performed within the limits prescribed by the City/County or county in a manner consistent with that level of care and skill ordinarily exercised by other professional firms under similar circumstances.
- 3. Any deficiency in NORTEX's work and services performed shall be subject to the provisions of applicable state and federal law. Any deficiency discovered shall be corrected upon notice from the City/County. The City/County shall notify NORTEX in writing of any such deficiency.

## Part III Proposed Cost of Services:

Typically for a CDBG/DR non-housing award of \$275,000.000.00, NORTEX will charge an Administrative fee of 11%, \$750,000.00 to \$999,999.99 projected fee is 8%, over \$1,000,000.00 projected fee is 6%.

## Payment Schedule – Professional Administrative Services

Once funded, the City/County shall reimburse NORTEX for basic administrative services provided upon completion of the following categories. NORTEX shall invoice the City/County according to the following schedule:

## **CDBG/DR Award**

1.	Record Keeping	22.5%
2.	Environmental Clearance	22.5%
3.	Construction Bid/Contract Award	22.5%
4.	Construction Completion	22.5%
5.	Contract Closeout	<u>10%</u>
Total		100%