

**COMMISSIONERS COURT AGENDA**  
**Tuesday, August 5, 2025**  
**9:30 a.m.**



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**COMMISSIONERS COURT**  
**Neal Franklin, County Judge**  
**Commissioner Christina Drewry, Precinct 1**  
**Commissioner John Moore, Precinct 2**  
**Commissioner J Scott Herod, Precinct 3**  
**Commissioner Ralph Caraway Sr, Precinct 4**



**COUNTY OF SMITH  
COMMISSIONERS COURT  
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Pursuant to Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, this notice is to advise that a regular meeting of the **Smith County Commissioners Court** will be held at **9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, August 5, 2025**, in the **Smith County Commissioners Courtroom** on the 1st floor of the **Smith County Courthouse Annex**, 200 E. Ferguson, Tyler, Texas.

Questions regarding this agenda should be directed to Commissioners Court Administrative Assistant at 903-590-4605. The agenda is available on the County's website (<http://www.smith-county.com>).

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**CALL TO ORDER  
DECLARE A QUORUM PRESENT  
DECLARE LEGAL NOTICES POSTED AND COURT DULY CALLED  
INVOCATION  
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Members of the public who have previously filled out a participation form have an opportunity to address the Commissioners Court on agenda items. The Court is unable to deliberate on non-agenda items. If you desire to request a matter on a future agenda, you may make the request to a member of Commissioners Court. Individual comments are limited to a maximum of three (3) minutes. If you wish to address the Court, obtain a public participation form at the Commissioners Court entryway and submit the completed form to a staff member before the meeting begins. Please be mindful of the Commissioners Court Rules of Procedure, Conduct and Decorum when making your comments and/or attending public meetings.

## **OPEN SESSION:**

### ***COURT ORDERS***

#### **COMMISSIONERS COURT**

1. [Commissioners](#) Court to discuss the tax rate; take a record vote and, if required, schedule the public hearing.
2. [Consider](#) and take necessary action to approve a two-year agreement with Thomson Reuters Enterprise/West Publishing Corporation utilizing the DIR Cooperative DIR-CPO-5258, at a cost of \$3,433.08 for 24 months, and authorize the county judge to sign all related documentation.
3. [Consideration](#) and take necessary action to approve the Settlement participation and release agreement between Smith County and Sandoz, Inc. in the amount of \$182,217.79 pending in *In re National Prescription Opiate Litigation*, MDL No. 2804, and authorize the county judge to sign all related documentation.

#### **PURCHASING**

4. [Consider](#) and take necessary action to authorize the Purchasing Department to advertise, solicit, and receive sealed bids for 31-25 Road and Bridge Site Improvements.
5. [Consider](#) and take necessary action to authorize the Purchasing Department to advertise, solicit, and receive sealed qualifications for 32-25 Professional Services for Exterior Waterproofing at the Smith County Annex.
6. [Consider](#) and take necessary action to authorize the Purchasing Department to advertise, solicit, and receive sealed bids for 16-25 Smith County Jail Re-Roof.
7. [Consider](#) and take necessary action to authorize the Purchasing Department to advertise, solicit, and receive sealed qualifications for 26-25 Professional Architectural Services for Smith County.

### ***RECURRING BUSINESS***

#### **AUDITOR'S OFFICE**

8. [Consider](#) and take necessary action to approve and/or ratify payment of accounts, bills, payroll, transfer of funds, amendments, and health claims.

#### **SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

9. [Receive](#) report on status of Smith County jail operations, inmate population, employee overtime, and employee vacancies.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** For purposes permitted by Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, entitled Open Meetings, Sections 551.071, 551.072, 551.073, 551.074, 551.0745, 551.075, and 551.076. The Commissioners Court reserves the right to exercise its discretion and may convene in executive session as authorized by the Texas Government Code, Section 551.071, et seq., on any of the items listed on its formal or briefing agendas.

**ADJOURN**

**SMITH COUNTY COURTHOUSE ANNEX ACCESSIBILITY STATEMENT FOR**

**DISABLED PERSONS** This meeting site is accessible to disabled persons as follows: Entrance to the Courthouse Annex is accessible through the front entrance on the south side of the Courthouse Annex located at 200 E. Ferguson. A wheelchair ramp provides access to the front entrance. The Commissioners Courtroom is on the first floor. If any special assistance or accommodations are needed in order to attend a Commissioners Court meeting, please contact Commissioners Court staff at 903-590-4605, in advance, so accommodations can be arranged.

Date: 8/1/2025

Time: 2:00 p

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Neal Franklin".

NEAL FRANKLIN, COUNTY JUDGE

Posted By: Jennafer Bell