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**Heart of Texas
Council of Governments**

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Russell Devorsky
Executive Director

TO: HOTCOG Board Representatives

**FROM: Russell Devorsky
Executive Director**

**SUBJ: HOTCOG Annual Business Meeting
January 26, 2023**

The Heart of Texas Council of Governments Annual Business Meeting and Luncheon will be on Thursday, January 26, 2023 at 12:00 noon at the Waco Hilton Hotel, 113 South University Parks Drive, Waco, Texas.

We hope that you will be able to attend. Our speaker for the meeting is:

*The Honorable Angelia Orr
Texas State Representative, District 13*

**If you plan on attending and have not made your reservation yet, please give Mary McDow a call at (254) 292-1830 or email:
mary.mcdow@hot.cog.tx.us**

Thank you and we look forward to seeing you at the meeting.

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COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES

**THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF MCLENNAN**

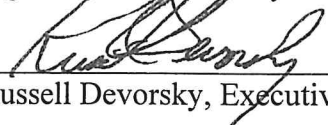
TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN in accordance with Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, as amended, the Council Representatives Annual Business Meeting of the Heart of Texas Council of Governments will be held on **Thursday, the 26th Day of January, 2023, at 12:00 p.m. at the Waco Hilton Hotel, Three Rivers Ballroom, 113 South University Parks Drive, Waco, Texas**, at which time the following subjects will be considered:

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order and Determination of a Quorum
- II. Proof of Posting of Notice in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, as amended, known as the Texas Open Meetings Act
- III. Consideration of, and/or Action of the following:
 - A. Approval of the Minutes of the August 25, 2022 Council Representatives Semi-Annual Business Meeting
 - B. New Business
 1. Election and Installation of the HOTCOG Officers and Executive Committee Members 2023
- IV. Executive Director's Report
- V. Introduction of Keynote Speaker
Speaker: The Honorable Angelia Orr, Texas State Representative, District 13
- VI. Closing Remarks by the President
- VII. Adjournment

Signed this the 18th Day of January, 2023.



Russell Devorsky, Executive Director



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MINUTES OF THE HEART OF TEXAS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING August 25, 2022

The Heart of Texas Council of Governments Council Representatives held their Semi-Annual Business Meeting on **Thursday**, the 25th Day of August, 2022 at 12:00 noon at the Waco Hilton Hotel, 113 South University Parks Drive, Waco, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Councilmember Jim Holmes, President	City of Waco
Judge Jay Elliott, Vice-President	Falls County
Mayor Geary Smith, Secretary-Treasurer	City of Mexia
Judge Linda Grant	Freestone County
Judge Justin Lewis	Hill County
Judge Scott Felton	McLennan County
Commissioner Jim Smith	McLennan County
Judge Richard Duncan	Limestone County
Mayor Andy Smith	City of Hillsboro
Treasurer Jeannie Keeney	Freestone County
Commissioner Nita Wuebker	Falls County
Mr. Calvin Reuter	Special Districts
Councilmember Alice Rodriguez	City of Waco
Mayor Steve Fortenberry	City of Hewitt
Mayor Richard Spitzer	City of Clifton
Mayor David Gonzales	City of Beverly Hills
Mr. K. Paul Holt	McLennan Community College
Councilmember Annise Payne	City of Lacy-Lakeview
Ms. Josie Gutierrez	Waco ISD Superintendent
Mr. James Skeeler	Bosqueville ISD
Councilmember Linda Owens	City of Bruceville-Eddy
Councilmember Andrea Barefield	City of Waco
Mayor Jerry Barker	City of Whitney
Councilmember Jimmy Rogers	City of Robinson
Councilmember David Russell	City of Woodway

- I. Call to Order and Determination of a Quorum
President Jim Holmes called the meeting to order and determined a quorum was present.
- II. Proof of Posting of Notice in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, as amended, known as the Texas Open Meetings Act.
Proof of posting of notice of the meeting was furnished by Falen Bohannon.
- III. Consideration of and/or action on the following:
 - A. Approval of the January 27, 2022 Council Representatives Annual Business Meeting Minutes

President Jim Holmes asked if there were any corrections or additions to the January 27, 2022 Annual Business meeting minutes. With none identified, a motion was made by Falls County Judge Jay Elliott and seconded by Judge Justin Lewis to approve the January 27, 2022 meeting minutes. Motion passed.

- . B. New Business

- 1. Approval of HOTCOG Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Annual Budget

President Jim Holmes presented the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 HOTCOG Budget and noted that the Executive Committee had reviewed the Budget at their meeting with recommendation for approval to the Council Representatives.

A motion was made by Hill County Judge Justin Lewis and seconded by Falls County Judge Jay Elliott to approve the Heart of Texas Council of Governments Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget as presented. Motion passed.

- IV. Executive Directors Report

Mr. Russell Devorsky introduced the keynote speaker for the event: The Honorable Pete Sessions, Congressman, 17th Congressional District.

- V. Closing Remarks by the President – Councilmember Jim Holmes thanked the speaker and everyone for attending the meeting.

- VI. Adjournment. There being no other business the meeting was adjourned.

Jim Holmes, President
City of Waco

Geary Smith, Secretary-Treasurer
City of Mexia

ACTION MEMORANDUM

**Heart of Texas Council of Governments
Council Representatives
Annual Business Meeting
January 26, 2023**

To: HOTCOG Council Representatives
From: Heart of Texas Council of Governments Executive Committee
Subject: Election of 2023 Officers and Executive Committee Members

Information:

The Heart of Texas Council of Governments Executive Committee will present to the Council Representatives the recommendations for the Executive Committee Officers and members for 2023. A list of the recommended Executive Committee Officers and members is attached.

Recommended Council Action:

That the Heart of Texas Council of Governments Council Representatives consider and approve the recommendations for Executive Committee Officers and members as presented for 2023.

**RECOMMENDATION FOR THE HEART OF TEXAS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OFFICERS AND MEMBERS 2023**

EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

PRESIDENT Jay Elliott County Judge, Falls County
VICE-PRESIDENT Geary Smith Mayor, City of Mexia
SECRETARY/TREASURER..... To be presented at the meeting

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Linda Grant..... County Judge. Freestone County
Jeannie Keeney Co. Treasurer Freestone County
Justin Lewis..... County Judge..... Hill County
Andy Smith Mayor City of Hillsboro
Scott Felton..... County Judge..... McLennan County
Jim Smith..... Commissioner McLennan County
Jimmy Rogers..... Councilmember..... City of Robinson
Nita Wuebker Commissioner Falls County
Richard Duncan County Judge Limestone County
Cindy Vanlandingham County Judge Bosque County
Josh Thayer Mayor City of Valley Mills
Jim Holmes..... Councilmember City of Waco
Alice Rodriguez..... Councilmember City of Waco
Andrea Barefield Councilmember City of Waco
Calvin Rueter Member Special Districts