

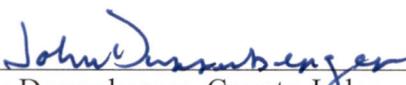
AGENDA

**NOTICE OF A WORKSHOP MEETING
WASHINGTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT
MONDAY, JANUARY 12, 2026 AT 10:00 A.M.
WASHINGTON COUNTY EMS, STATION 2
1875 US-290 WEST
BRENHAM, TEXAS**

WORKSHOP

1. Discussion and Overview of Economic Development.
2. Adjourn meeting.

Witness my hand this 5th day of December, 2025.



John Durrenberger, County Judge

Came to my hand at 3:27 p.m. on the 5th day of December, 2025 and executed at 3:27 p.m. on the 5th day of December, 2025 by posting a true copy on the bulletin board located on the first floor of the Washington County Courthouse and true copies at the main entrance doors of said courthouse, these being places convenient to the public in Brenham, Washington County, Texas.



Nicholas Prenzler, County Clerk

BE IT REMEMBERED, and it is hereby certified that the Commissioners' Court of Washington County, Texas held a Special Session, at 10:00 a.m. on January 12, 2026, in the Conference Room of Washington County EMS, Station 2, 1875 US-290 West, Brenham, Texas, with the following members present: County Judge and Presiding Officer John Durrenberger, Precinct 1 Commissioner Misti Hartstack Corn, Precinct 2 Commissioner Candice Bullock, Precinct 3 Commissioner Kirk Hanath, Precinct 4 Commissioner Dustin Majewski and County Clerk Nicholas Prenzler. Also present were Brenham City Manager Carolyn Miller, Economic & Community Development Director Teresa Rosales, IT Director TJ Harris, HR Director Amber Skalka, Chief of Staff Carrie Marmol, EXPO Director Harrison Williams, Burton Mayor Karen Buck, and Brad Tegeler.

DISCUSSION – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

1. Judge Durrenberger called the Workshop to order at 10:00 a.m. Economic and Community Development Director Teresa Rosales presented a 2025 economic development update, noting continued growth in new home construction and development. She reported that housing and commercial permits issued by the City of Brenham increased in 2025, with the County experiencing a slight rise in median home sales prices and average days on the market. Rosales highlighted upcoming development projects, including new multi-tenant buildings at Brenham Crossing, and spotlighted the continued success of Baylor Scott & White, Valmont, and Emerson. She reviewed the priorities outlined in the Economic Development Strategic Plan and discussed tools used to recruit businesses, such as sales tax reductions, tax increment reinvestment zones, and property tax abatements.

Discussion followed on the importance of educating the public about these incentives to better communicate their purpose and nuances. Rosales shared new efforts to connect entrepreneurs for collaboration and discussion. Mayor Buck commented on the gap between wages and home prices, noting progress in bridging that gap, and Rosales emphasized a focus on attracting higher-wage industries. She also explained that a consultant is used to assist with business recruitment. The group reviewed a SWOT analysis and discussed strategies to strengthen the economic outlook for both the City and the County. City officials stressed the importance of ongoing education for officials and the public to prevent misinformation. The discussion concluded with a review of strategies to promote development sites located outside the Brenham city limits and how County funding is being utilized to market the County.

ADJOURN

2. Commissioner Majewski moved, seconded by Commissioner Corn and unanimously carried to adjourn the Workshop at 11:40 a.m.



Nicholas Prenzler
County Clerk

John Durrenberger
County Judge & Presiding Officer



Misti Hartstack Corn
Precinct 1 Commissioner



Candice Bullock
Precinct 2 Commissioner



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