

**AGENDA
NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF
CUMBY, TEXAS**

This notice is posted pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act. Notice hereby given that the City Council of the City of Cumby, Texas will conduct a Regular Meeting on December 13, 2022, at 6:30 p.m., at 100 East Main Street, Cumby, Texas, City Council Chambers.

If the public desires to speak during a specific agenda item, they must email secretary@cityofcumby.com by 4:00 pm on the day of the meeting. The email must contain the person's name, address, phone number, and the agenda item(s) for which comments will be made. You may also communicate and send your comments to the City Councilmembers directly by emailing; Alderman1@cityofcumby.com, Alderman2@cityofcumby.com; Alderman4@cityofcumby.com and Alderman5@cityofcumby.com .

The meeting agenda is posted online at www.cumbytx.com website.

The meeting packet will be posted on www.cumbytx.com website as soon as it is complete and issued to council.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INVOCATION

3. ROLL CALL & QUORUM REPORT

4. PRESENTATION BY CITIZENS

The City Council welcomes "Presentation by Citizens." If you wish to speak, you must follow these guidelines. **As a courtesy to your fellow citizens and out of respect to our fellow citizens, we request that if you wish to speak that you follow guidelines posted at the bottom of this Agenda.**

5. CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Pursuant to TEX. GOV'T CODE 551.0415, the Mayor, a City Council member and Staff may report on the following items of community interest:(1) expression of thanks, congratulations or condolences (2) information about holiday schedules (3) recognition of individuals (4) reminders about upcoming events organized or sponsored by the City Council (5) Information about community events and (6) announcements involving imminent threat to public health and safety. Additionally, pursuant to TEX. GOV'T CODE 551.042, the Mayor or Council members may request that items be placed on future City Council agendas.

- (New) Signs going up - REQUIRED
 - Park Hours
 - Security Video notices
- Holiday – city hall closed:
 - December 23 & 26 and December 30th and January 2, 2023
- Thank you for all participation in decorating City Park!
 - Ornaments – what did it raise (\$\$)
 - Parade
- End of Calendar Year – Next time we meet will be 2023 !!!!

6. CONSENT AGENDA & DEPARTMENT REPORTS

All matters listed under this item are considered routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will not be separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired by any Alderman on any item, that item will be removed from the consent agenda and will be considered separately.

- 6.1. Approval – City Council Minutes, Special Meeting, November 19, 2022
- 6.2. Approval – 2022 November Financials (P&L)
- 6.3. Approval – Fiscal Year-to-Date 2022-2023 P&L
- 6.4. Approval – 2022 November Vendor Summary

CONSENT AGENDA & DEPARTMENT REPORTS CONT'D

- 6.5. Approval - Public Works Department Activity Report
- 6.6. Approval – Utility / Maintenance Work Order Report
- 6.7. Approval - Police Department Activity Report
- 6.8. Approval - Municipal Court Activity Report
- 6.9. Approval - Building Permit Activity Report
- 6.10. Fire Department Activity Report

7. EXECUTIVE SESSION – In accordance with Texas Government Code, Section 551.001, et seq., the City Council will recess into Executive Session (closed meeting) to discuss the following:

- a) **§551.074(a):** to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee, or to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee: Presiding Municipal Judge.
- b) **§551.074(a):** to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee, or to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee: Associate Municipal Judge.

8. RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION - In accordance with Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.001, et.seq., the City Council will reconvene into Open Session to consider action, if any, on matters discussed in Executive Session.

9. OLD BUSINESS

- 9.1. **Discussion / Action:** Ms. Tiesha Wady, report “state of nation” for Municipal Court
- 9.2. **Discussion/Action:** **Resolution R-2022-06-1011** Tabled in June, July, August and requested to review in December 2022 Council Meeting: Amending City of Cumby Employee & Policy Manual as it Relates to: City of Cumby Participation with TML; Normal Working Hours, City Hall Staff and Maintenance Department Staff; Meal Periods; Overtime during a Week in which there is a City Holiday; Flex-time Work schedule (REMOVED); and Exempt Employees; Costs to the City Associated with Training programs for Staff; and Notification of Accident Incident to include City Secretary (Mayor Hardy)
- 9.3. **Discussion / Action:** **Ordinance O-2022-08-030** Tabled from August and September meeting and requested to review in December 2022 Council Meeting: Republic Trash Commercial Services fees ** Research as a Franchise Tax ** (City Secretary)
- 9.4. **Discussion / Action:** As per **Ordinance 2020-11-03** City will move ¼ of 1% collected from 2022 Calendar Year collected Sales Tax into Street Maintenance fund. (Mayor)
- 9.5. **Discussion / Action:** Discussion of update regarding meters (Alderman Crocker)
- 9.6. **Discussion:** Reminder: City Secretary will begin new hours effective February 1, 2023
- 9.7. **Discussion / Action:** Update on use of ARPA funds through calendar year-end & Project status:
 - 9.7.1. 1st & Frisco Sewer line
 - 9.7.2. Well #2

10. NEW BUSINESS

- 10.1. **Discussion/Action:** 2023 Holiday schedule for review per Employee Handbook & Policy Manual (City Secretary)
- 10.2. **Discussion/Action:** Update on Texas Department of Emergency Management; Hazard Mitigation Plan, Hopkins County. Mr. Andy Endsley (TDEM) (Mayor)
- 10.3. **Discussion/Action:** Extra-Territorial Jurisdiction (ETJ) – designated buffer area located just outside of the city limits. Each municipality is afforded an ETJ by the Texas Local Government Code as a method of defining potential growth and future service boundaries. Discuss Hopkins County
- 10.4. **Discussion / Action:** Emergency / Warning Siren repaired. (Mayor)
- 10.5. **Discussion / Action:** Testing of City-wide text emergency message and or emergency alarm system (Mayor)

10.6. **Discussion:** Discuss “Next Steps” from City’s participation in the review and discovery meeting with Cumby ISD and HWH (project mgr) and Hopkins County Fire Chief regarding state of Cumby water lines to ensure proper pressure for fire system for new high school. May require future negotiations between all entities to see who will bear the cost (cost is yet unknown). (Mayor / Maintenance Supervisor)

- Reach out to Kansas City Railroad for access to property or will require an easement –TBD
- Where does the upgraded line need to be placed?
- Hopkins – Fire Chief
- ISD/HWH possibly provide manpower; cost / fees
- Cost of material(s), e.g., pipe only (today’s price (quote) is \$24.28/sf and appx 2100 sf - \$50,988

11. ADJOURNMENT

Executive Sessions Authorized – The City Council for the City of Cumby reserves right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any matter authorized by Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney); 551.072 (Deliberations related to Real Property); 551.073 (Deliberations related to prospective gifts or donations); Section 551.074 (Personnel Matter); 551.076 (Deliberations regarding the deployment of security devices or the implementation of security policy); and 551.087 (Deliberations regarding Economic Development negotiations).

Attendance by Other Elected or Appointed Officials – NOTICE OF POTENTIAL QUORUM: It is anticipated that members of City Council or other city board, commissions and/or committees may attend the meeting in numbers that may constitute a quorum of the other city boards, commission and/or committees. Notice is hereby given that the meeting, to the extent required by law, is also notices as a meeting of the other boards, commissions and/or committees of the City, whose members may be in attendance. The members of the boards, commissions and/or committees may participate in discussions on the same items listed on the agenda, which occur at the meeting, but no action will be taken by such in attendance unless such item and action is specifically provided for on an agenda for that board, commission or committee subject to the Texas Open Meetings Act.

Presentation by Citizens Guidelines:

- The Mayor will recognize those citizens who have signed up prior to the start of the meeting.
- Pursuant to Resolution No. 2020-12 Citizens are given three minutes (3:00) to speak during “Presentation by Citizens.”
- Members of the public may only speak once and cannot pass the individual’s time allotment to someone else.
- Direct your comments to the entire Council, not to an individual member.
- Show the Council members the same respect and courtesy that you expect to be shown to you.
- The Mayor will rule any disruptive behavior, including shouting or derogatory statements or comments, out of order. Continuation of this type of behavior could result in a request by the Mayor that the individual leave the meeting, and if refused, an order of removal. In compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, no member of City Council may deliberate on citizen comments for items not on the agenda. (Attorney General Opinion – JC 0169)

CERTIFICATE:

I hereby certify that the above Notice of Meeting was posted on the City Hall bulletin board on the December 9, 2022, at a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public at all times, and to the city’s website: <https://www.cumbytx.com>, in compliance with Chapter 551, Texas Government Code.




Betty Jo Hardman, City Secretary

**MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF
CUMBY, TEXAS
November 19, 2022**

- 1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER** – Mayor Amber Hardy called the meeting to order at 10:05
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** was led by Mayor Hardy **AND INVOCATION** was led by Alderman Ratliff.
- 3. ROLL CALL & QUORUM REPORT** – Mayor Hardy called the roll and a full Quorum was declared:
Present: Mayor Amber Hardy Mayor Pro Tem, Rosina Duckworth
Alderman 1, Terry Ratliff Alderman 2, Katherine Flinn
Alderman 3, Wayne Mobley Alderman 4, Aly Crocker
- 4. PRESENTATION BY CITIZENS**
 - Mr. Jerry Jeter spoke to the council regarding policing Commerce Street for people driving over the speed limit.
 - He also spoke about condition of city streets and Mayor Hardy reminded that County Commissioner Joe Price stated they will be repairing the road by the Cumby ISD.
- 5. CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS**
 - Alderman Crocker stated that the food was good from Friday holiday luncheon gathering!
 - Mayor Hardy stated it was really great to have 100% involvement by Council and City Staff
 - Mayor Hardy reminded everyone that City will be closed November 24-25 for Thanksgiving
 - Mayor Hardy attended the school board meeting this past week. CISD and HWH Engineers (Project Manager) will hold a “walk-through” of the new school project under construction at their next board meeting scheduled 12/17/2022, 8:30am
 - Questions were asked about the CDBG grant under consideration. Mayor Hardy reported that Texas Department of Agriculture representative came out and took photos of the wastewater treatment plant. The grant would be for \$350K and would provide funds to replace/rebuild the treatment plant. This is the grant the Alderman Ryan Horne worked on and completed paperwork in early 2021.
 - Mayor Hardy came back to the Comments following the audit presentation and addressed Mayor Pro Tem Duckworth query regarding carrying of firearms in City Hall / Council Meetings. Texas Penal Code 30.5-6-7 addresses the carrying of firearms in Governmental buildings. Signs have been ordered and will be posted on Council / Court entry and the main entry to City Hall
- 6. CONSENT AGENDA**

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 - 6.1.** Approval – City Council Minutes, Special Meeting, November 15, 2022
 - 6.2.** Approval – City Council Minutes, Regular Meeting, November 15, 2022
 - Alderman Aly Crocker made the motion to accept the Consent Agenda as presented
 - Alderman Wayne Mobley 2nd the motion
 - 5/0, Motion carried unanimously.

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.1. Discussion/Action: 2020-2021 Audit Presentation to Council by City Auditor, Mike Ward.

- City Auditor Mike Ward presented the 2020-2021 audit findings to the Council.
- Council agreed to proceed with the 2021-2022 audit as soon as possible; Mr. Ward will prepare a letter of authorization to proceed for council review and approval.
 - Alderman Crocker made the motion to accept the audit findings as presented
 - Alderman Mobley 2nd the motion
 - 5/0, Motion carried unanimously

7.2. Discussion: Presentation of Municipal Court Clerk resume and qualifications (Mayor Hardy)

- Mayor Hardy presented resume for new court clerk. Discussion was held

8. ADJOURNMENT. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:17 a.m.

ATTEST:

Amber Hardy, Mayor

Betty Jo Hardman, City Secretary

City of Cumby
Profit & Loss
November 2022

	Nov 22
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Subdivision Fees - PD	150.00
Fines	4,983.87
Misc Revenues - Utility	1,764.65
Permits/Registrations	184.00
Public Safety Department	
Accident Report	12.00
Total Public Safety Department	12.00
Tax & Franchise Fees	
Property Reduction Sales Tax	-329.39
Property Tax	32,961.61
Sales Tax	14,638.01
Total Tax & Franchise Fees	47,270.23
Water - Sewer	
New Service Connection Fee	105.00
Water Transfer Fee	35.00
Garbage Revenue	4,736.42
Late Fee	519.20
Sales Tax Collected	367.79
Sewer Revenue	4,469.99
Water Revenue	7,987.16
Total Water - Sewer	18,220.56
Water Deposit	350.00
Total Income	72,935.31
Gross Profit	72,935.31
Expense	
Building Inspector	160.00
Administration	
Fire Dpt utilities	120.60
Late Fees & Interest	4,171.10
Legal Fees	55.00
Maintenance	62.50
Mayor/Council Expenses	517.49
Membership	14.99
Office Supplies	46.71
Postage	19.80
Professional Fees	5,000.00
Software	70.12
Technology	441.32
Telephone	139.87
Training	184.00
Utilities	89.09
Total Administration	10,932.59
Municipal Court	
Security	226.38
Technology	611.56
Telephone	162.37
Utilities	89.09
Total Municipal Court	1,089.40
Park Improvements	
Utilities	9.75

City of Cumby
Profit & Loss
November 2022

	Nov 22
Total Park Improvements	9.75
Payroll Expenses	
Medical Assistance Expense	529.40
Payroll Expenses - Other	35,712.56
Total Payroll Expenses	36,241.96
Public Safety	
Police Department	
Postage	27.90
Technology	1,582.77
Auto Repair & Maintenance	2,389.38
Fuel	2,266.53
Office Supplies	6.90
Telephone	330.67
Utilities	98.94
Total Police Department	6,703.09
Total Public Safety	6,703.09
Public Works	
Street Lights	1,155.46
Street Repair	950.00
Total Public Works	2,105.46
Water/Sewer	
ARPA Project Expense	
First & Frisco Repair	3,080.00
ARPA Project Expense - Other	2,490.00
Total ARPA Project Expense	5,570.00
Water Sewer Main Repair Materia	550.00
Technology	389.63
Membership	599.00
Water Meters	-269.08
Mowing	440.00
Building Maintenance	315.00
Chemicals	176.35
Garbage Collection Fee	4,930.14
Maintenance	2,832.17
Office Supplies	173.16
Operating Supplies	723.46
Permit	1,073.00
Postage	34.98
Software	236.35
Telephone	129.63
Testing	83.00
Utilities	2,756.16
Water/Sewer - Other	45.63
Total Water/Sewer	20,788.58
Total Expense	78,030.83
Net Ordinary Income	-5,095.52
Net Income	-5,095.52

City of Cumby
Profit & Loss
 October through November 2022

	Oct - Nov 22
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Subdivision Fees - PD	300.00
Fines	14,771.01
Interest Earned	106.79
License & Permits	119.00
Misc Revenues - Utility	2,858.71
Permits/Registrations	2,204.88
Public Safety Department	
Accident Report	12.00
Total Public Safety Department	12.00
Tax & Franchise Fees	
Property Reduction Sales Tax	-758.53
Property Tax	33,361.59
Sales Tax	25,706.87
Tax & Franchise Fees - Other	6,624.07
Total Tax & Franchise Fees	64,934.00
Water - Sewer	
New Service Connection Fee	105.00
Water Transfer Fee	70.00
Garbage Revenue	9,544.06
Late Fee	1,078.29
Sales Tax Collected	744.06
Sewer Revenue	9,343.62
Water Revenue	16,415.32
Total Water - Sewer	37,300.35
Water Deposit	350.00
Total Income	122,956.74
Gross Profit	122,956.74
Expense	
Building Inspector	236.92
Administration	
Fire Dpt utilities	236.55
Late Fees & Interest	5,868.26
Office Expense	57.71
Insurance	8,098.20
Legal Fees	-3,802.00
Maintenance	62.50
Mayor/Council Expenses	742.49
Membership	254.97
Office Supplies	129.17
Postage	49.10
Professional Fees	5,500.00
Software	107.77
Technology	856.87
Telephone	435.32
Training	184.00
Utilities	222.91
Total Administration	19,003.82
Mayor & Council	
Mayor & Council Expense	320.12
Mayor & Council - Other	225.00
Total Mayor & Council	545.12
Municipal Court	

City of Cumby
Profit & Loss
 October through November 2022

	Oct - Nov 22
Alliance - Bank Fee	-7.32
Legal Fees	84.00
Postage	35.99
Security	374.49
State Fees	8,362.22
Technology	6,652.08
Telephone	361.63
Utilities	222.91
Total Municipal Court	16,086.00
Park Improvements	
Utilities	19.93
Total Park Improvements	19.93
Payroll Expenses	
Medical Coverage-various City %	564.80
Medical Assistance Expense	529.40
PENSION EXPENSE	2,833.84
Payroll Expenses - Other	86,835.14
Total Payroll Expenses	90,763.18
Public Safety	
Police Department	
Postage	43.65
Technology	3,084.37
Auto Repair & Maintenance	2,742.68
Equipment	775.00
Equipment Repairs	43.00
Fuel	4,974.33
License & Support	1,200.00
Maintenance	12.00
Office Supplies	66.77
Telephone	879.40
Uniforms	8.99
Utilities	258.96
Police Department - Other	4.42
Total Police Department	14,093.57
Total Public Safety	14,093.57
Public Works	
Street Lights	2,311.68
Street Repair	950.00
Total Public Works	3,261.68
Water Deposit Refund	100.00
Water/Sewer	
ARPA Project Expense	
First & Frisco Repair	3,680.73
ARPA Project Expense - Other	4,487.50
Total ARPA Project Expense	8,168.23
Water Sewer Main Repair Materia	550.00
Technology	766.69
Bank Fee	373.60
Membership	825.00
Water Meters	-269.08
Mowing	440.00
Automobile Repairs	398.90
Building Maintenance	315.00
Chemicals	176.35
Deposit Refund	100.00
Garbage Collection Fee	9,308.37

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12/08/22

Accrual Basis

City of Cumby
Profit & Loss
October through November 2022

	Oct - Nov 22
Legal Fee	517.00
Maintenance	5,664.34
Mileage	37.50
Office Supplies	369.38
Operating Supplies	2,309.75
Permit	2,323.00
Postage	625.18
Sales Tax Paid	1,842.13
Software	1,474.95
Telephone	466.85
Testing	391.00
Tools & Equipment	41.51
Utilities	5,798.86
Water/Sewer - Other	45.63
Total Water/Sewer	43,060.14
Total Expense	187,170.36
Net Ordinary Income	-64,213.62
Net Income	-64,213.62

City of Cumby
Vendor Balance Summary
As of November 30, 2022

	Nov 30, 22
Ana Lab Corporation	391.00
ASCO Equipment	2,490.00
AVR, Inc.	236.35
Bobkat Enterprises, Inc.	50.09
Bureau Veritas North America Inc.	160.00
Card Service Center	4,792.60
Chris Childers	1,590.62
Constellation Energy	18,533.99
ELLEN BAILEY	-278.00
Hall Oil Company	1,182.00
Hopkins County Fire Extinguisher Company	62.50
inTouch by CumbyTel	436.35
IRS	5,867.60
Liberty National Life Insurance Company	247.00
Marriott Tree & Land Services LLC	950.00
Matheson Tri-Gas, Inc.	176.35
Messer Fort McDonald	18,340.35
Mike Ward, CPA	5,000.00
Northeast Texas Disposal	16,285.00
O'Reilly Auto Parts	129.68
Public Management, INC	-6,000.00
Quill Corporation	222.79
Republic Services	4,930.14
Secure Shredding and Recycling	55.00
Texas Commission On Environmental Quality	1,073.00
Underground Utility Supply	2,009.80
TOTAL	78,934.21

Public works NOV. 7. - DEC 6th

ROUTINE Read wells Pumps check chlorine documents
for state.

Check W.W.T.P. Lift station clean bar SCREEN
Document for state.

WATER. Dig up Repair 5 leaks or breaks
shut Down well 3+4 to Repair main
Dig up Locate valve on outside of fence.
To shut Tank Down still has feed
valve to Tank we cant Locate.
Locate meter for 112 MTR Drive
Several Holes in Dart where mains f service
have been fixed cant get Dry enough to straighten
out
18 meters ~~Registers~~ Registers Replaced
44 meter Register - shipped 11-8-22.

WATER. Ran 4 sewer Lines in city for Clogs. Stops
On going 1st st Project.
Awaiting on films for C/S sewer line
to Determine if collapsed or NOT. 111 Donelton

WORK orders 18 work orders Issued by City Hall
37 work orders Issued by Maint
in cludes 18 Register Replace ment

work. check TRASH twice weekly
also Decorated Partial for Christmas
will finish. 12-9-22

~~Redd~~ 12-8-22

December

Date	W.O. #	Reason	Solution	Date Completed
9/28/2022	327	Customer complaining water leak on side of Donelton St. running into ditch.	Repaired	11/8/2022
11/6/2022	443	Customer states water has funny taste & smells like sulphur.	Checked chlorine residual at tank. Lisa turned up chlorine. Flushed hydrant in front off house.	11/6/2022
11/12/2022	448	Main break on Barker St..	Dug up & repaired and back fill.	11/12/2022
11/10/2022	502	Customer moving, please turn water off Monday, 11/14.	Water turned off.	11/15/2022
11/14/2022	503	Customer moving, please turn water off.	Water turned off.	11/14/2022
11/16/2022	504	Please turn water back on as customer has paid bill.	Water turned back on.	11/16/2022
11/17/2022	505	New service. Please turn water on.	Water turned on.	11/18/2022
11/18/2022	506	Customer complaining water tastes and smells bad.	Flush valve at 2 different locations.	11/21 & 22/2022

11/21/2022	507	Customer states meter box full of water running into ditch.	Leak on customer's side. Notified customer.	11/22/2022
11/21/2022	508	New service. Please turn water on.	Water turned on.	11/21/2022
11/21/2022	509	Customer called to say she has no water.	Informed customer it was their plumbing, not city's.	11/21/2022
11/22/2022	510	New service. Please turn water on.	Water turned on & then off again. Leak in kitchen. Contractor working on house.	11/22/2022
11/23/2022	511	Overflow backed up. Needs clean out	Ran sewer line & cleared.	11/23/2022
11/23/2022	512	Sewer backed up.	Ran sewer line and cleared line.	11/23/2022
11/30/2022	517	Please turn water off, customer moving.	Water turned off.	12/1/2022
11/30/2022	518	New service please turn water on.	Water turned on.	11/30/2022
12/2/2022	520	New service. Please turn water on.	water turned on.	12/1/2022
12/1/2022	521	New service, please turn water on.	Turned water on.	12/1/2022
12/2/2022	522	New service, please turn water on.	Turned water on.	12/2/2022

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11/15/2022	550	Customer complained of leak.	Repaired leak.	11/15/2022
11/22/2022	554	Checked on leak at school Checked leak on Mill & Grove Rd. Leak on customer's side.	Leak at school not ready to be repaired. Leak on customer's side at Mill & Grove..	11/22/2022
11/29/2022	557	Overflow t Barker St.new customer on Mill. Needs water turned on.	Ran line possible broken pipe? Called in locates. Turned water on at Mill St.	11/29/2022

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Cumby Police Department

November 2022 Activity Report

Calls for Service	577
Warning Citations	86
Citations	55
Total Traffic Contacts	141
Crash Reports	4
Incident Reports	2
Offense Reports	9
Arrests	10

- Coffee, Cops & Cars will be held at the City Park on December 10th. It has become a big success each month we do this, with several participants and citizens stopping by and most stay the entire 3-4 hours.
 - Santa will be available to visit with kids & Adults!
 - This event will be later than normal
 - Noon until 4pm
 - Adding Hot Cocoa to the free menu
 - Baked goods will be available as well
 - City tree lighting event will follow at dark

- Great Community event
 - Would like to see City employees and/or Council attend
 - We are truly making a difference with our citizens!
 - We are making this a monthly event (when possible) on a Saturday morning, weather permitting, to increase our community involvement and interactions with the public and our first responders.
- Cumby Christmas Parade is Thursday December 15th @ 7pm. Encouraging people to participate.
 - We are looking into grants for new patrol cars as well as new equipment
 - We are at 80% in regards to full police staffing.
 - Cumby Police Department still has one Police Officer opening that remains frozen at this time.

Should anyone have any questions, comments, or concerns regarding the Police Department, please visit with Chief Hundley directly to avoid any hearsay and/or rumor control. Thank you.

CITY OF CUMBY
BUILDING PERMIT REPORT
December 13, 2022
(Reporting November 2022 Activity)

1. Commercial Building Permit:

- a. A Great Outdoor RV Center, Cumby is moving along and will install fencing soon
 - i. Settled question from abutting property; AGORV put area back “as was” at the request of the owner.
 - ii. COO – Certificate of Occupation issued!

2. Residential Permit:

- a. Building Permit issued:
 - i. Permits for several Solar installations have been applied for and are underway

Building Inspections are occurring on completed projects and payments have been made to City of Cumby; in turn, City of Cumby will make payments to Bureau Veritas for inspection services. Requirements for permits has slowed down considerably since summer. It will likely be cyclical

City of Cumby - Volunteer Fire Department
November 2022 Report for December 13, 2022 Council Meeting

MONTH	CITY	COUNTY	ACREAGE	GRASS FIRE	CAR FIRE	STRUCTURE FIRE	MEDICAL	MVA	INVESTIGATION / STAND BY	WATER USAGE	MAN/HOURS
JAN	11	25	34.5	11	1	4	13	3	4	3150	150.43
FEB	13	38	32.1	10	1	5	10	8	17	3849	151.37
MAR	10	30	71.75	15	0	4	11	8	2	9120	151.58
APR	7	10	0	2	0	2	9	4	0	0	42.47
MAY	4	26	4.1	5	3	2	9	9	2	850	71.60
JUN	7	23	5.75	6	2	1	13	5	3	600	68.62
JULY	5	47	109.35	16	1	1	20	8	6	6600	147.40
AUG	8	29	23	5	1	0	15	6	10	3600	80.57
SEPT	3	34	1	10	3	3	12	8	1	300	103.25
OCT	8	26	15.25	4	0	1	21	7	1	20000	96.68
NOV	2	20	0	1	0	1	12	6	2	0	37.28

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-11-03

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CUMBY, TEXAS REAUTHORIZING A LOCAL SALES AND USE TAX WITHIN THE CITY AT THE RATE OF ONE FOURTH (1/4) OF ONE PERCENT (1%) TO PROVIDE REVENUE FOR MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF MUNICIPAL STREETS PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 327, TEXAS TAX CODE; DIRECTING THE CITY SECRETARY TO NOTIFY THE STATE COMPTROLLER OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS OF THE RESULTS OF THE LOCAL SALES AND USE TAX ELECTION HELD WITHIN THE CITY ON NOVEMBER 3, 2020; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, at a special election held on November 3, 2020 (the "Election") pursuant to and in accordance with law there was submitted to the duly qualified voters of the City of Cumby, Texas (the "City") a proposition ("Proposition") pertaining to the reauthorization of a sales and use tax at the rate of one-fourth of one percent (1/4 of 1%) to provide revenue for maintenance and repair of municipal streets pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 327, Texas Tax Code (the "Code"); and

WHEREAS, on November 3, 2020, the returns from the Election were duly canvassed in accordance with law and it was determined by the adoption of Ordinance No. 2020-11-03 that a majority of the voters of the City voting at the Election voted for the reauthorization of said sales and use tax and by such vote approved the said sales and use tax; and

WHEREAS, Section 327 of the Code provides that a municipality may adopt or reauthorize the sales and use tax authorized by Chapter 327 of the Code at an election held in the municipality; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the requirements of Chapter 327 of the Tax Code, with the reauthorization of the sales and use tax as described herein, the combined rate of all sales and use taxes, including the tax approved pursuant to the Election, imposed by the City and other political subdivisions of the State having territory in the City will not exceed two percent at any location in the City; and

WHEREAS, the City Council, by the adoption of this Ordinance, desires to reauthorize and levy a sales and use tax at the rate of one-fourth of one percent (1/4 of 1%) to provide revenue for maintenance and repair of municipal streets.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CUMBY, TEXAS:

ATTEST:

Codi Reynolds

Codi Reynolds, City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Edgar J. Garrett, Jr.

Edgar J. Garrett, Jr., City Attorney



OFFICIAL HOLIDAYS

Officials Holidays - The following legal holidays will be observed as official holidays of the City of Cumby - 2023

2023 HOLIDAYS	DATE	DATE OBSERVED
NEW YEAR'S DAY	January 1st	January 2, 2023 (*Sunday Holiday will be taken on Monday)
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR DAY	3 rd MONDAY - January	January 16, 2023
PRESIDENT'S DAY	3rd MONDAY - February	February 20, 2023
GOOD FRIDAY	Friday before Easter	April 7, 2023
MEMORIAL DAY	Last Monday in May	May 29, 2023
INDEPENDENCE DAY	(Tuesday)	July 4, 2023
LABOR DAY	First Monday in September	September 4, 2023
VETERAN'S DAY	November 11th	November 10, 2023 (*Saturday holiday will be taken on Friday)
THANKSGIVING	4th Thursday in November	November 23, 2023
DAY AFTER THANKSGIVING	4th Friday in November	November 24, 2023
CHRISTMAS EVE	December 24th	December 25, 2023 (*Sunday holiday will be taken on Monday = Xmas)
CHRISTMAS DAY	December 25th	December 27, 2023 (*Monday is taken as Xmas Eve & Tuesday as Xmas Day break)
NEW YEARS EVE	December 31st	January 1st (*Sunday holiday will be taken on Monday) ** Note re: 1/1/2024 will be taken on the Tuesday 1/2/2025**
EMPLOYEES BIRTHDAY		Birth Date of Employee**

** Employees will be allowed to take one day of their choosing within the month of their birthday

This is the *draft* of the Hopkins County Hazard Mitigation Plan Five Year Update. Hazard Mitigation is defined as any sustained action taken to reduce or eliminate the long-term risk to life and property from hazard events. It is an on-going process that occurs before, during, and after disasters and serves to break the cycle of damage and repair in hazardous areas.

The Texas Plans are reviewed by the Texas Department of Emergency Management and approved by FEMA. The Hopkins County Hazard Mitigation Plan Five Year Update is being edited for content and design and we are making it available for the public to view and comment on. If you have any questions or comments regarding its content, please contact:

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**HAZARD MITIGATION
ACTION
PLAN**

FOR

HOPKINS COUNTY TEXAS

AND THE JURISDICTIONS OF

COMO, CUMBY, and SULPHUR SPRINGS

Five Year Update



**INCORPORATED AND UNINCORPORATED
AREAS**

DEVELOPED BY ARK-TEX COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

Date

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FORWARD

Development of a comprehensive all-hazard Mitigation Plan was approved by the Division of Emergency Management, Texas Department of Public Safety, in a letter dated February 21, 2003. The Planning Project Number is DR-1379-3.145. This Hazard Mitigation Plan identifies the potential impact of natural and man-made hazards that threaten the nine (9) county region of the Ark-Tex Council of governments. The specific counties are as follows: Bowie, Cass, Morris, Franklin, Hopkins, Lamar, Red River, Titus, and Delta. This section is for HOPKINS COUNTY and includes the cities of Sulphur Springs, Como, and Cumby, Texas

FEDERAL AUTHORITIES

Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (Stafford Act)

Public Law (PL) 106-390 (Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000)

Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 44

44 CFR Parts 78, 201, and 206

STATE AUTHORITIES

Emergency Management Plan for Hopkins County, Texas

Joint Resolution Between the County of Hopkins, Texas, and the cities of Sulphur Springs, Como, and Cumby, Texas.

Inter-local Agreements with the Ark-Tex Council of Governments

SECTION I

HOPKINS COUNTY TEXAS

PURPOSE

The goal of all mitigation efforts is long-term risk reduction. The emphasis on sustained actions to reduce long-term risk differentiates mitigation from preparedness and response tasks that are required to survive a disaster and from recovery tasks, which are essentially the return to pre-disaster status. Mitigation actions follow a disaster focus on making the situation safer and better than before the incident occurred. Mitigation is an essential component of emergency management. Effective mitigation actions can decrease the impact, the requirements and the expense of future hazard events. None of the communities in this plan have been designated for special consideration because of minority or economically disadvantaged populations.

Hazard mitigation planning is never ending. The primary purpose of this plan is to ensure that the residents, visitors, and businesses in Hopkins County, Texas are safe and secure from natural hazards by reducing the risk and vulnerability before disasters happen, through federal, state, and local community communication, public education, research, and data analysis. This plan is intended to serve as a guide in coordinating and implementing hazard mitigation policies, programs, and projects.

The Hopkins County Emergency Management Plan has been developed, and the assessment level of planning preparedness is Intermediate. **The Hazard Mitigation Action Plan update** will only serve to enhance the County's already considerable capabilities in recognizing, planning for, responding to, and recovering from disaster. The County's history of the careful development, monitoring, and integration of emergency management and hazard mitigation planning is testament to its standing commitment to make the jurisdictions as disaster-resistant as possible.

The Plans, ordinances, maps and codes were reviewed by the Hazard Mitigation Committee and staff before mitigation action items and implementation strategies were determined. Information gathered from the Plans, ordinances, maps, permits, and codes were considered and incorporated into this Hazard Mitigation Plan. The lack of various plans and codes were considered also. This was factored in when considering the various mitigation action items and implementation strategies.

We cannot control natural phenomena such as floods, tornadoes, winter storms, wildfires and other hazardous events. Despite their destructiveness, these occurrences are part of the natural system.

While we cannot prevent natural hazards, we can reduce some of their adverse consequences. We can avoid the worst-case scenario when a hazard does occur by managing the known characteristics of the hazard.

The following objectives will be addressed in the plan:

- What hazards could occur
- Frequency of occurrence
- Hazards impact on community and severity of impact
- Vulnerability to each hazard
- Hazards with greatest risks
- Prioritized mitigation actions

PLAN ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

Organizational Structure

Ark-Tex Council of Governments (ATCOG), is an organization comprised of city and county governments, colleges, service organizations, school districts, chambers of commerce, etc., with the goal to build strength through regional cooperation. It is through this regional cooperation that ATCOG can serve its members by working to continually improve the economic, social, educational, and safety aspects of life for citizens of Hopkins County.

ATCOG served as the coordinating agency for the development of the plan. As the coordinator, ATCOG had many responsibilities including administration, content organization, and text development. The following is a brief summary of ATCOG's responsibilities for the plan:

- Assign a lead planning staff member to provide technical assistance and necessary data to the Hopkins County Hazard Mitigation Planning Team (HMPT).
- Schedule, coordinate and facilitate community meetings with the assistance of the planning team.
- Provide any necessary materials, handouts, etc., necessary for public planning meetings.
- Work with the planning team to collect and analyze data and develop goals and implementation strategies.
- Prepare, based on community input and team direction, the first draft of the plan and provide technical writing assistance for review, editing and formatting.
- Coordinate with stakeholders within the cities and the unincorporated areas of Hopkins County during plan development.
- Submit the final plan to the State of Texas and provide follow up technical assistance to the Hopkins County Community Mitigation Planning Team to correct any noted deficiencies subsequent to the review of the plan by the State of Texas.
- Upon approval by the State of Texas, submit the updated plan to FEMA and provide follow up technical assistance to the Hopkins County Community Mitigation Planning Team to address any noted deficiencies subsequent to the review of the plan by FEMA.
- Coordinate adoption and final approval process by all City and Town Councils and the Commissioners Court of the updated and approved FEMA plan.
- Submit a final plan, with adoption documentation and approval signatures for all participating jurisdictions, to the State and FEMA and ensure plan is noted as complete and approved by both agencies.

- Prepare for and attend City Council/Commissioners Court/public meetings during plan consideration and plan adoption process.
- Complete and acquire approval of all necessary forms associated with the application for Hopkins County's Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Grant.

A Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Planning Team (HMPT) was formed consisting of representatives appointed by local jurisdictions to work together with ATCOG in the plan development. The team's primary duties were:

- Ensure that the Hopkins County HMPT includes representatives from the neighborhood stakeholders' groups. Each participating city must provide at least one representative to the county team and provide active support and input. ATCOG will approve the final composition of the planning team.
- Assist ATCOG staff with identifying hazards and estimating potential losses from future hazard events.
- Assist ATCOG in developing and prioritizing mitigation actions to address the identified risks.
- Assist ATCOG in coordinating meetings to develop the plan.
- Identify the community resources available to support the planning effort.
- Assist with recruiting participants for planning meetings.
- Gain the support of neighborhood stakeholders for the recommendations resulting from the planning process.
- After adoption, appoint members to a committee to monitor and work toward plan implementation.
- After adoption, publicize the plan to neighborhood interests and ensure new community members are aware of the plan and its contents.
- Subsequent to State of Texas and FEMA approval of the plan, assume responsibility for bringing the plan to life by ensuring it remains relevant by monitoring progress, through regular maintenance and implementation projects. Ensure that the Hopkins County HMPT includes representatives from the neighborhood stakeholders' groups. Each participating city must provide at least one representative to the county team and provide active support and input. ATCOG will approve the final composition of the planning team.

THE PLANNING PROCESS

BENEFITS OF MITIGATION PLANNING

1. Increases public awareness and understanding of vulnerabilities as well as support for specific actions to reduce losses from future natural disasters.
2. Builds partnerships with diverse stakeholders increasing opportunities to leverage data and resources in reducing workloads as well as achieving shared community objectives.

3. Expands understanding of potential risk reduction measures to include structural and regulatory tools, where available, such as ordinances and building codes.
4. Informs development, prioritization, and implementation of mitigation projects. Benefits accrue over the life of the project as losses are avoided from each subsequent hazard event.

The Multi-Jurisdictional Planning Process.

A multi-jurisdiction plan was chosen to best prepare the communities of Hopkins County for Hazards. The Ark Tex Council of governments worked hand in hand with the jurisdictions within the planning area of Hopkins County to develop the current plan. It is through this regional cooperation that ATCOG can serve its members by working to continually improve the economic, social, educational, and safety aspects of life for citizens

Mitigation plans need to be a living document and to ensure this the plan must be monitored, evaluated, and updated on a five-year or less cycle. This includes incorporating the mitigation plan into county and local comprehensive or capital improvement plans as they are developed.

Organize Resources:

Effective planning efforts result in practical and useful plans, but written plans are only one element in the process. The planning process is as important as the plan itself. A successful planning process organizes resources by encouraging cooperation and bringing together a cross-section of government agencies, local entities, concerned citizens and other stake holders to reach consensus on how to achieve a desired outcome or resolve a community issue. Applying a community wide approach and including multiple aspects adds validity to the plan. Those involved gain a better understanding of the problem and how solutions and actions were devised. The result is a common set of community values and widespread support for directing financial, technical, and human resources to an agreed upon action.

- ✓ A comprehensive county approach was taken in developing the plan. An open public involvement process was established for the public, neighboring communities, regional agencies, businesses, academia, etc. to provide opportunities for everyone to become involved in the planning process and to make their views known. This was done by having public meetings that were advertised with notices in public places and by media press releases.
- ✓ Each participant was given an explanation of the Hazard Mitigation Planning Process. These opportunities were also used to gather hazard information, develop mitigation strategies, and edit the plan during the writing process.
- ✓ The review and incorporation of appropriate existing plans, studies, reports, technical information, and other research was included into the plan during its drafting process

- ✓ Support and information were obtained from other government programs and agencies such as the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), US Geological Survey (USGS), NOAA Weather, etc.

Risk and Vulnerability Assessment:

The plan must be reactive to hazards that face the community. It is not sufficient to just identify the hazards. The potential consequences of these hazards must be assessed. This phase included identifying and profiling all hazards, assessing vulnerability and risk. Research into the history of Hopkins County to document past disasters was required. Local libraries, national weather records and the life experiences from local residents were used to assess the plan.

A general assessment included using local residents, historical data, Texas State Mitigation Plan, Local or Regional Reports, Strategic Plans, Flood Studies, and other data to establish the following:

- ◆ The type, location and extent of all hazards that can affect the jurisdiction, both historically and in the future.
- ◆ Past occurrences of hazard events in or near the community and the severity, duration, and the resulting influences on the area.
- ◆ Description of the jurisdictions vulnerability to those hazards including types and numbers of existing and future buildings, infrastructure and critical facilities in identified hazard areas.
- ◆ Probability or likelihood of hazard occurrence.
- ◆ General description of land uses and development trends for future land use decisions.

The development of a Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan involves the use of many types of information including historical data on previous disasters, information on critical infrastructures, zoning and flood plains maps, records, charts, etc., from many sources.

Develop Mitigation Strategies:

Written Strategies were developed to demonstrate how Hopkins County, Texas intends to reduce losses identified in the Risk Assessment. It includes goals and objectives to guide the selection of mitigation activities and reduce potential losses. This is a blueprint for reducing the potential losses identified in the risk assessment. The Mitigation Strategy also includes:

- A description of mitigation objectives meant to reduce long-term vulnerabilities. These objectives were identified by the HMPT using hazard profiles, survey assessments, etc.
- Identification and a comprehensive analysis of a range of mitigation actions and projects.
- An Action Plan describing how the mitigation actions and projects were prioritized, and how they would be implemented and administered.

Economic Considerations

Hopkins County and the jurisdictions of Como, Cumby, and Sulphur Springs have very limited budgets. Como, and Cumby, have volunteer fire departments. Hopkins County has a total population of 35,161. Their tax base and the annual budget are low. They will have to rely on grants and volunteerism to accomplish the bulk of the projects. Building codes are nearly non-existent and the public works department is limited to a few individuals that have multiple job responsibilities.

Resource Information

Resource information was obtained from the following government programs and agencies:

National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), which provided information about flooding and actions needed to satisfy compliance with NFIP.

The US Geological Survey (USGS), provided information that was incorporated into the hazards of drought and flooding.

Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), provided information about water management and climate change that are found in the identified hazards of drought and extreme heat.

The Texas Hazard Mitigation Plan helped to develop the common language used in the Hopkins Mitigation Plans.

The Emergency Management Plan of Hopkins County provided information regarding current emergency management preparedness. The information helped determine the most immediate needs relating to all identified mitigated hazards.

Fort Worth, Texas Mitigation Plan provided an example of action tables that was used to organize and clarify the actions.

Texas Wildfire Risk Assessment Portal (TXWRAP) provided statistical graphs and maps regarding wildfire activity in Hopkins County. This information is found in the wildfire section of the Plan.

NOAA Weather web site provided information regarding climate data and global warming.

The US Census Bureau provided statistics and population information found throughout the plan.

Team Members were informed of the progress, discussed issues, and were notified of any changes to FEMA's guidelines for the creation of the plan. Existing plans were reviewed to determine how they might be incorporated into the HMAP. The Emergency Management Coordinator of Hopkins County and the Mayors (or their appointees) of Como, Cumby, and Sulphur Springs will oversee the Mitigation Plan.

Adoption, Implementation and Maintenance:

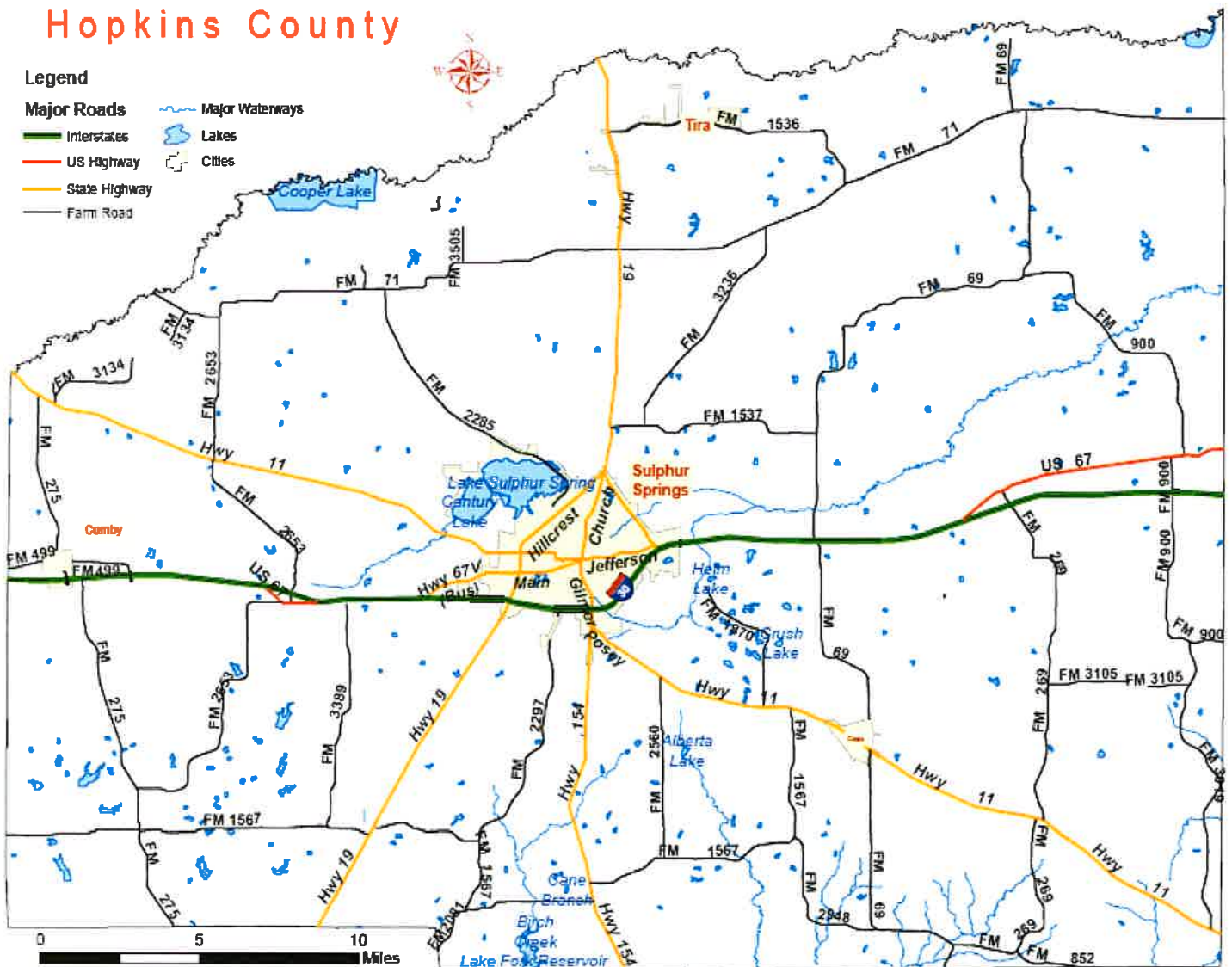
This describes the system that Hopkins County and the participating jurisdictions have established to monitor the plan; provides a description of how, when, and by whom the HMPT process and mitigation actions will be evaluated; presents the criteria used to evaluate the plan; and explains how the plan will be maintained and updated.

Through citizen involvement, the plan reflects community issues, concerns, and new ideas and perspectives on mitigation opportunities. Mitigation team members consist of representatives from various county departments and representatives from private organizations, businesses, and various city government officials. Hopkins County entered into a contract with The Ark-Tex Council of Governments Council of Governments in Texarkana, Texas, to develop the plan. The Mitigation Action Team assisted in developing plan goals and action items and shared their expertise to create a more comprehensive plan.

Newspaper postings helped publicize the meeting to neighboring counties and non-profits or other interested parties. The Ark-Tex Council of Governments staff has also met numerous times, had numerous telephone conversations, and worked individually with officials and employees from the County and each of the cities in gathering the data necessary for the plan.

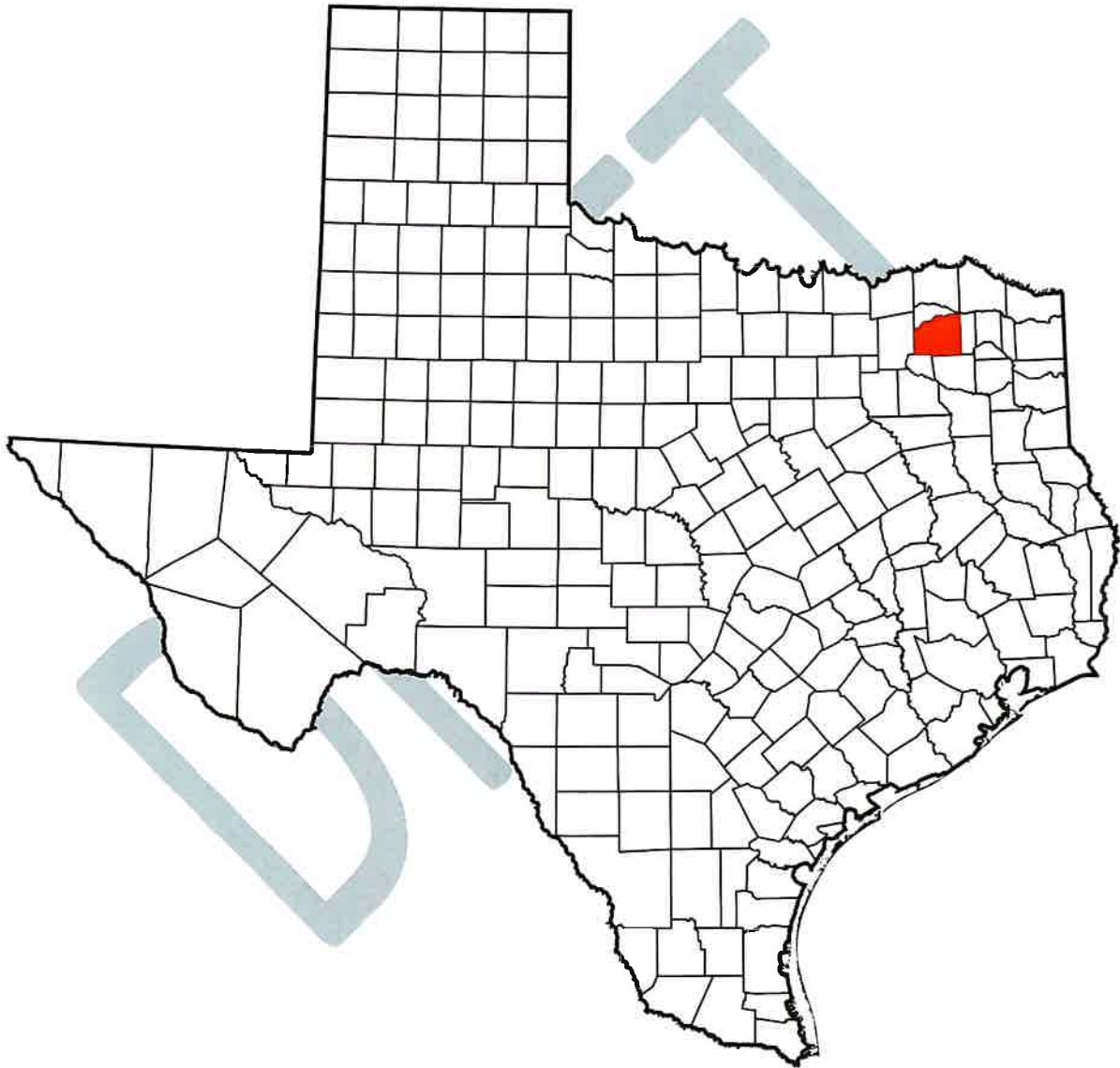
Upon approval by FEMA the plan will be submitted to the County by the Mitigation Planner for final signatures. The Plan will be available for public viewing at the county seat and the city hall of Como, Cumby, and Sulphur Springs.

Hopkins County



MAP OF HOPKINS COUNTY

Hopkins County Location in Texas



County Government

County government is spelled out in the Texas Constitution, which makes counties functional agents of the state. Thus, counties, unlike cities, are limited in their actions to areas of responsibility specifically spelled out in laws passed by the legislature.

At the heart of each county is the commissioner's court. Hopkins County has four-precinct commissioners and a county judge who serve on this court. This body conducts the general business of the county and oversees financial matters. The major elective offices found include the county attorneys, county and district clerks, county treasurer, tax assessor-collector, justices of the peace, and constables. There is an auditor appointed by the district courts.

PARTICIPATING JURISDICTIONS

The plan is a result of a joint effort between Hopkins County officials, mayors, council members, and employees of the cities of Como, Cumby, Sulphur Springs. Each of these entities has participated in the formation of this plan and Update.

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Economic Considerations

Hopkins County and the jurisdictions of Como, Cumby, and Sulphur Springs have limited revenues and the population is rural, so the needs of Hopkins County remain simple. The county does not have a budget that allows for projects that can be tackled without assistance on the state or federal levels. The jurisdictions do not have elaborate local governments and the entire county is operated and maintained by a handful of dedicated workers.

Red River County Jurisdictions Ranked by Population		
Ranking	Jurisdiction	Population
1	Hopkins County Unincorporated	19,510
2	Sulphur Springs	16,014
3	Cumby	808
4	Como	752

The Hopkins County Hazard Mitigation Plan consists of Hopkins County and the jurisdictions of Como, Cumby and Sulphur Springs

The Hazard Mitigation Action Team assisted in developing plan goals and action items by using their own skills sets and knowledge to create a more comprehensive plan. A variety of backgrounds and experience were evident in the team members, thus provided an eclectic view of mitigation needs and solutions.

Team meetings, telephone calls and e-mail communication played a role in team member contact and plan completion. Important Dates are listed below:

Hopkins County Team Members	
Andy Endsley	Emergency Management Coordinator, Hopkins Co.
Kathy Springfield	Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator, Hopkins Co.
Robert Newsom	Hopkins County Judge
Mary Doss	Como City Secretary
Jason Ricketson	Sulphur Springs Emergency Management Coordinator
Mario Villarino	Hopkins County Extension Agent
Beth Wisenbaker	Grant Coordinator
Doug Simmerman	Cumby Mayor
John Sellers	Sulphur Springs Mayor

Robert Newsom

Robert Newsom is the Hopkins County Judge. He was appointed originally to his position after his predecessor resigned to become the Executive Director of the Ark-Tex Council of Governments. Judge Newsom has since been elected to the post after serving out his appointed term. Mr. Newsom served as state district judge for 16 years. He has a law degree from Texas Tech University.

Judge Newsom has played a critical role in developing the Hopkins County Team. He has offered guidance and advice regarding hazards and providing information that helped to form action selection.

Jason Ricketson

Jason Ricketson is the Sulphur Springs Emergency Management Coordinator. Mr. Ricketson served 17 years as patrol, patrol Supervisor and K-9 officer. He has a degree in science. Jason was very helpful in finding priority actions for the city of Sulphur Springs. He offered many creative suggestions to the plan regarding appropriate actions for the city. Mr. Ricketson kept close communications with ATCOG during the planning process.

Mario Villarino

Dr. Mario Villarino is the county extension agent. He has earned advanced degrees in veterinary medicine and microbiology. Dr. Villarino has been very helpful in offering suggestions, actions and observations regarding crop damage due to extreme weather.

Beth Wisenbaker

Beth Wisenbaker is the Hopkins County Grant Coordinator. She has been an advocate for plan update development and has shared her enthusiasm with other planning team members while stressing the importance of plan completion. Ms. Wisenbaker has provided valuable information regarding her county and her precinct. She helped to prioritize actions chosen that would enhance the safety and reduce property loss for her precinct.

Mary Doss

Mary Doss is the city secretary for Como. In that role she has information regarding most aspects of the Como administration. She has been the to-go to person for current information in the Hopkins County Hazard Mitigation Plan.

John Sellers Sulphur springs mayor**Doug Simmerman**

A list of possible stakeholders was developed, and contacts were made by phone and/or by e-mail. The list includes the neighboring county judges and members of the school system, the local hospital, the local farm agent, the local director of the Red Cross. **Further information regarding participation will be entered after draft posting.**

Identified Area Stakeholders				
Name	Title	Company	Location	Type of Contact
Lucy Hebron	County Judge	Wood County	Quitman	Email
Misty Batts	Director	Red Cross	Paris, TX	Email
Jason Murray	County Judge	Delta County	Cooper	Email
Bobby Stovall	County Judge	Hunt County	Greenville	Email
Paul Harvey	Administrator	Christus Mother Francis Hospital	Sulphur Springs	Email
Mike Lamb	Superintendent	SSISD	Sulphur Springs Texas	Email
Scott Lee	County Judge	Franklin County Texas	Mt. Vernon	Email
Wayne Wolfe	County Judge	Rains County	Emory	Email

Public Participation

Public participation is a key component to strategic planning processes. Citizen participation offers citizens the chance to voice their ideas, interests, and opinions. Opportunities were given to the citizens of Hopkins County to participate in planning and to review the plan.

On **date** a plan draft was posted on the Hopkins County website. Contact information was posted on the site. Notices were posted at the courthouse in the local newspaper and on the Hopkins Website. **Further information regarding participation will be entered after draft posting.**