

## City manager Garza selects Robert Arredondo as new police chief

Roberto (Robert) Arredondo Jr. has been named the sole finalist to become the police chief for the City of Victoria. Arredondo currently serves in the appointed executive rank of major for the Dallas Police Department.

“Robert is highly qualified to lead our police team,” City Manager Jesús A. Garza said. “He has a robust record of law enforcement experience and a strong background in all areas of police operations, and he is an engaging, visionary servant leader. We are proud of the work our police department does every day and know that Robert’s experience and leadership will be a great asset to the City and our community.”

Arredondo has more than 23 years of law enforcement experience. He has been a division commander since 2015. A veteran of the United States Army, Robert joined the Dallas Police Department

in 1996 as a patrol officer and was promoted through the ranks, holding positions including detective and sergeant in the Homicide Unit and Robbery Unit. He also served as a gang enforcement officer.

Arredondo will graduate with a master’s degree in public affairs from the University of Texas-Rio Grande Valley later this year. He earned a bachelor’s degree in criminal justice from Tarleton State University.

A thorough search was conducted to fill the police chief vacancy. The City selected executive recruitment firm Strategic Government Resources to assist in conducting the extensive search that resulted in an impressive candidate pool. SGR’s proprietary recruitment and vetting process produced an incredibly strong field of candidates. Arredondo said he is  
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Victoria police chief Robert Arredondo. *Contributed photo.*

## John Littlefield Jarratt: Victoria’s pioneer archeologist

by R.W. Shook

John L. Jarratt, born in 1895, spent his boyhood years at Leesville and Gonzales, Texas. His early years offered every imaginable challenge each of which he met with a degree of self-reliance seldom seen today. His father’s occupation required frequent moves to El Paso, Los Cruces, and Organ, New Mexico. John’s abbreviated formal education was

the product of his dismissal from school in New Mexico for what was considered an unacceptable method of rescuing his brother from an out-of-balance schoolyard fight. After service in World War I, John worked in law enforcement, the insurance business, veterans’ affairs, Freemasons, law enforcement, and automobile repair.

With four years of formal education John became an avid reader of  
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Archeologist John Littlefield Jarratt. *Contributed photo.*

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# Happy the Entertainer returning to Victoria to raise money for local Food Bank

by Meridith Byrd

Cesar Ornelas of Angel Lucy’s Funeral Home is passionate about giving back to his community. In 2011, he and his sisters established the Lucia Ornelas Foundation to help people in need and to make a positive impact throughout south Texas. They lovingly named the foundation after their mother, who was known as the “Angel of Port Lavaca.”

For nearly 10 years, Cesar and his family have hosted food distributions, provided shoes for schoolchildren, sponsored families for Thanksgiving and Christmas, donated school supplies, and given out thousands of dollars in scholarships. This year they had the idea to raise money for the

Food Bank of the Golden Crescent by organizing a comedy show and fundraiser featuring Happy the Entertainer.

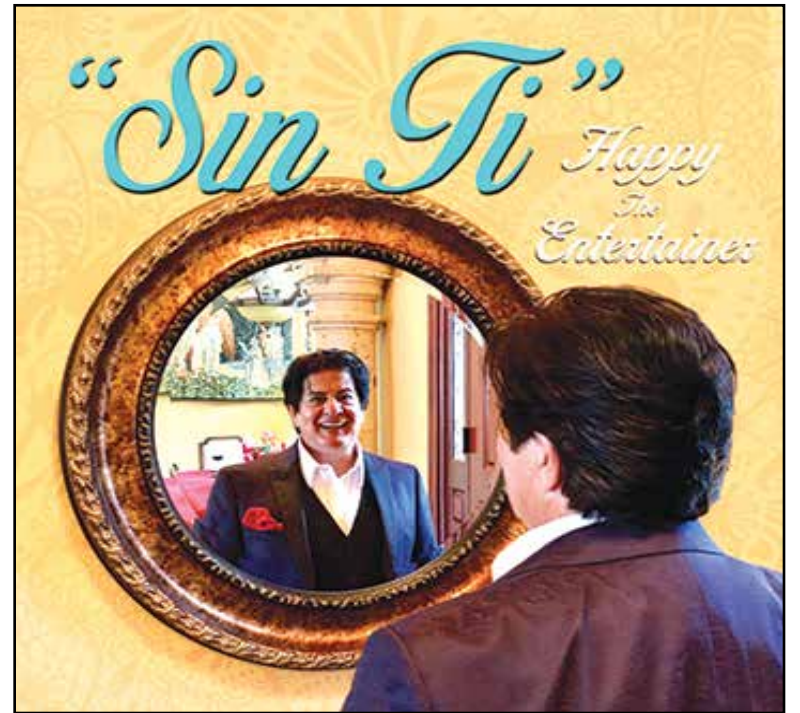
### A man of many talents

Hailing from Corpus Christi, Efrain “Happy” Guerrero has been entertaining fans with his stand-up comedy, magic, and music for more than 30 years. Happy has emceed the Tejano Music Awards, performed comedy across the United States and throughout Europe, acted in two independent films, and hosted his own TV show. He also delights fans with his musical impersonations, including Julio Iglesias, Willie Nelson, George Strait, and Luis Miguel.

### A fun night for a good cause

We are thrilled to welcome Happy back to Victoria! This hilarious show will take place Friday, October 30 at Breezy’s Bar and Grill (13869 US Highway 77) on the outdoor patio. Presale tickets are available for \$15 at Breezy’s, the Food Bank of the Golden Crescent, and Angel Lucy’s Funeral Home Victoria, or guests can buy tickets at the door for \$20. In addition, VIP tables are available for \$500, \$1000 and \$2500. Appropriate social distancing measures are being taken – the tables will be spaced at least 6 feet apart, and guests are required to wear masks until they are seated.

The show includes an auction featuring sports and music memorabilia: guitars autographed by Chris Stapleton, Leann Rimes and Vince Gill; jerseys autographed by Roger Staubach, José Altuve, Pelé, Nolan Ryan, and others; a helmet autographed by Patrick Mahomes; Heisman trophies autographed by Earl Campbell, Ricky Williams, and Johnny Manziel; a framed racing jacket autographed by Dale Earnhardt, Jr., and more. Proceeds from the ticket sales, VIP tables, and auction will go to the Food Bank.



Happy the Entertainer. Contributed photo.

affected everyone in some way. Many people have found themselves in need of help for the first time, and the Food Bank is serving more people than ever before. Before COVID-19, the Food Bank helped nearly 30,000 people each month in 11 counties throughout south Texas, and those numbers continue to grow. Fundraisers such as this one are critical to fulfilling the Food Bank’s mission of “helping heal the hurt of hunger,”

and the Food Bank can provide 8 meals with every dollar raised.

We invite you to join us Friday, October 30 for a night of laughs featuring Happy the Entertainer! For more information call the Food Bank at 578-0591.

*Meridith Byrd is the Director of Community Engagement for the Food Bank of the Golden Crescent. Contact her at 578-0591 or mbyrd@foodbankgc.org.*

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# UHV expected to add \$490.8 million in income to Coastal Bend economy in FY 2029



UHV. Contributed photo.

A recently released study of the economic impact of the University of Houston-Victoria estimates that the university will add \$490.8 million in income to the region's economy in 2028-2029, an increase of 53 percent compared with 2018-2019.

"It is an exciting time for UHV as we continue to grow and make a difference in the economies of the communities that we serve in the Coastal Bend," UHV President Bob Glenn said. "I am grateful to know that UHV is part of a region that values higher education. We are committed to helping the region prosper."

In 2019, the university contracted Emsi, a nationally recognized data analysis company, to conduct a comprehensive evaluation of the university's economic impact on the Coastal Bend, including Bexar, Bee, Brazoria, Calhoun, Colorado, DeWitt, Fort Bend, Goliad, Gonzales, Harris, Jackson, Karnes, Lavaca, Matagorda, Refugio, Victoria, Wharton and Wilson counties.

The study not only confirmed the role UHV now plays in the economic activity of the region, it also provided a look into the economic impact the university is expected to have in 2028-2029 when 6,000 full-time equivalent students are anticipated to attend the university. During the 2018-2019-analysis year, the num-

ber of full-time equivalent UHV students was 3,259. A full-time equivalent student is taking either 30 credits a year as an undergraduate student or 24 credits a year as a graduate student.

UHV's total economic impact of \$320.5 million in added income during the 2018-2019 analysis year is expected to increase 53 percent in 2028-2029, when it is anticipated to reach \$490.8 million. The \$320.5 million impact is the equivalent of supporting 3,526 regional jobs, while the expected 2028-2029 income is equal to supporting 5,365 jobs.

The study also looked at UHV's 2018-2019 economic impact and job equivalency in several specific areas, including university, visitor and student spending and the effect of the university's alumni. The study then projected the impact of each of those areas in 10 years.

Some key takeaways from the study:

- **Alumni Impact** – Since UHV was founded in 1973, 20,748 people have graduated from the university, and many of them are now employed in the region. In 2018-2019, UHV alumni generated \$247.5 million in added regional income, the equivalent of 2,493 jobs. That impact is expected to grow by 57 percent in 2028-2029, resulting in \$387.8 million in added income, equal to 3,907 regional jobs. This impact will continue to grow as UHV places more alumni into the regional workforce.

- **University Spending Impact** – UHV's is spending on operations, research and construction added \$63.6 million in income, the equivalent of supporting 841 jobs, to the region in 2018-2019. For example, the university's \$29.5 million University Commons student

center and library opened in August 2019. In order to serve 6,000 students in fiscal year 2029, UHV will need to increase its operating expenditures, including additional payroll for new employees and spending on operations and maintenance. The university's spending impact in 2028-2029 is expected to increase by 34 percent, amounting to \$85.3 million in income and the equivalent of 1,097 jobs. The number of part-time and full-time UHV employees is expected to increase from 509 to 704 during the 10-year period.

- **Student Spending Impact** – About 18 percent of students attending UHV in 2018-2019 originated from outside the region. UHV's students generated \$9.4 million in added income for the regional economy in 2018-2019, which supported 190 jobs in the Coastal Bend. In 2028-2029, the

impact from student spending is expected to increase by 88 percent, amounting to \$17.6 million in income and 358 jobs.

- **Visitor Spending Impact** – Visitors from outside the region attending UHV commencement ceremonies, sporting events and other activities generated \$84,600 in added income to the area economy in 2018-2019, a number expected to increase 71 percent in 2028-2029 when that amount is projected to be \$144,700.

Additionally, the study found that students who earn a bachelor's degree from UHV can expect to earn annual wages of \$64,600 at their career midpoint in the Coastal Bend, which is about \$29,500 more than someone with a high school diploma. Students who earn a master's degree from UHV can expect to earn annual wages of \$81,900 at their career midpoint.

"This study shows the importance a higher education can make in the future of our students and to the regional economy," said Chance Glenn, UHV provost and vice president for academic affairs.

Wayne Beran, UHV vice president for administration and finance, said the study is an important tool for UHV's future.

"This economic study shows that UHV is and will continue to be an important part of the region's economic and educational development for years to come," Beran said. "UHV is on an exciting path with a student population and campus that continues to grow. I look forward to the future of UHV and Victoria."

For a full description of the data and approach used in the study, and to view the full report, go to [www.uhv.edu/study](http://www.uhv.edu/study).

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# County commissioner seeks vote to continue serving and working for precinct 1

With humble aspiration to continue serving Victoria County Precinct 1, the present has been a time

of strong reflection. The reflection encompasses where we've been and what we strive to do in the

future while considering the successes, lessons learned and ever constant challenges along the way. What may appear to be failure in county business, in reality, is often the result of the challenge to do the most good for the benefit of our community with constraints of limited budget funding, maintaining strict legal compliance and adhering to strong ethical practices. I invite you to join in my recent reflections and continue to greatly appreciate your support in my journey to best serve our community.

While I have read and watch news about hurricanes causing damage in Louisiana, I'm reminded of what we went through three short years ago. Hurricane Harvey caused extensive damage to our



Danny Garcia, Victoria County Commissioner Precinct 1. *Contributed photo.*

**A TODAS LAS PERSONAS Y PARTES INTERESADAS:**

Formosa Plastics Corporación, Texas, ha solicitado a la Comisión de Calidad Ambiental de Texas (TCEQ) la amehidad del Permiso de Calidad de Aire Número 107520, el cual autorizaría modificaciones de la planta el polietileno de baja densidad ubicada por la calle 201 Formosa Drive, en la ciudad de Point Comfort, Condado de Calhoun, Texas 77978. En la sección de avisos públicos de este periódico se encuentra información adicional sobre esta solicitud.

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area not seen since hurricane Carla in 1961. My prayers go out to Louisiana and I continue to pray other hurricane impacted communities are as fortunate as Victoria County to have volunteer organizations help with the rebuilding process. We were fortunate to have John Sharp, born and raised in Precinct 1, be appointed by Governor Abbott as Commissioner to Rebuild Texas. Mr. Sharp was instrumental in assuring that our area was taken care of in a timely manner.

After Hurricane Harvey I met with the Mennonite Disaster Service (MDS), Samaritan's Purse and the Rebuild Texas teams. I convinced them our area could desperately use their help. With the help of these volunteer organizations, we were able to secure funding for 25 acres of land to

build a40 home subdivision, benefiting families in both the city and County of Victoria whose homes were damaged by hurricane Harvey. John Sharp's Rebuild Texas team and MD Sal so helped fund the project to purchase the old Victoria Advocate building to establish a Regional Disaster Response and Recovery Center, including over 14,000 square feet of warehouse space to be used for future disaster recovery.

Working with TXDOT and our corporate partners at ENEOS and Dow Chemical, we secured funding for street lighting projects along State Highway 185 through Crescent Valley and Bloomington. This project benefits the safety of both drivers and pedestrians as they walk or drive along the highway. The county and Precinct 1 were also instrumental in gaining TX Dot's assistance with funding for road improvement projects around the Port of Victoria. Our persistence in seeking grant dollars has allowed us to do many things that are not possible within our county budget. Anytime we are able to apply and receive grant money means our limited local tax dollars can be used for other projects, "so we are able to do more with less".

As your County Commissioner, I have been careful not to waste your tax dollars and will continue to seek grants to help fund projects in our county and our precinct.

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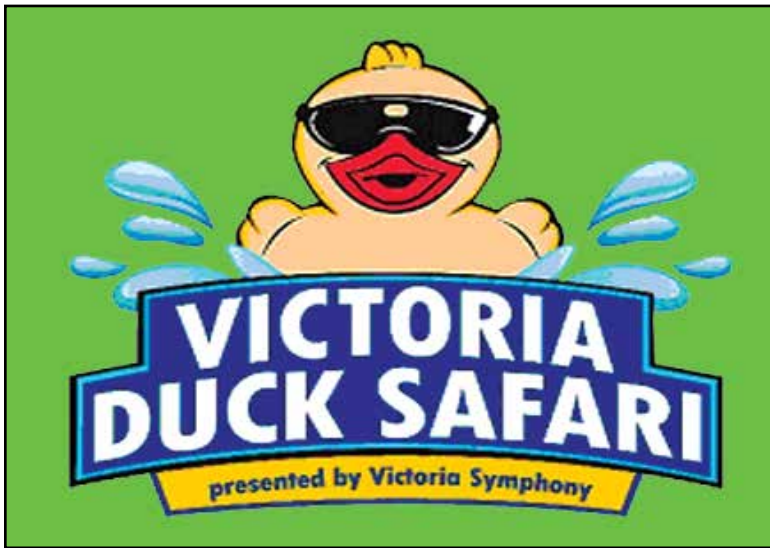
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Duck Safari makes splash. *Contributed art.*

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erside Park in hopes of winning top prizes on Saturday, November 7. This fun-filled, family day event begins at 12 noon at Grover's Bend in Riverside Park and is pre-

sented by the Victoria Symphony. The race kicks off at 2 p.m. but you do not have to be present to win. Enter the race for your chance to win the Grand Prize of a \$2500

Visa Gift Card by adopting your ducks online at [www.victoriaducksafari.com](http://www.victoriaducksafari.com). Proceeds of the event are benefitting 26 Victoria County charitable organizations. Additional prizes include a \$1500 Visa Gift Card for Second Place, \$1,000 Visa Gift Card for Third Place, and additional prizes awarded to 4 – 10 places. For more information, please visit [www.victoriaducksafari.com](http://www.victoriaducksafari.com) or [facebook.com/VictoriaDuckSafari](https://www.facebook.com/VictoriaDuckSafari).

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# County commissioner candidate seeks office in precinct one

Transparency. Efficiency. Access. These are the principles that will guide my administration and the candidacy for the Republican Party for Victoria County Precinct 1 commissioner.

My outlook is simple. To be proactive in bringing transparency and access back to the people of Precinct 1. The constituents of Precinct 1 deserve a commissioner with an open-door policy and an

efficient user-friendly website to serve as a one stop, one phone number, one e-mail address for you to find a solution to any need you might have for Victoria County. Whether it is street or stop sign

to be replaced, roads, sinkholes repaired, questions, or comments about Precinct 1 services. My constituents will never have to question how to reach me in order to share their ideas and suggestions.

The website would also offer updates on current and projected capital improvement projects such as road expansion plans, traffic signals, and intersection improvements. A cornerstone of my administration would be to increase efficiency and eliminate needless spending to save taxpayer's money. Residents would be continuously informed of all progress in order to be readily prepared to navigate the area, along with knowing where their tax dollars are being spent.

A life-long resident of Victoria, I have continuously looked for ways to invest back into my community and make an impact. I have coached several youth sports for years, and I currently serve on the board of the Victoria Federal Credit Union, Center for Peace Victoria, board president of the STARS Clinic. In addition, I have previously served as vice-president of the Boys & Girls Club of Victoria. As a product of this community, I am passionate and driven to give the residents of Precinct 1 the commissioner they deserve.

My 22 year career as a sheriff's deputy with the Victoria County Sheriff's Office has provided me the privilege to work directly with a wide-range of the county's residents. In addition to being an instructor with the D.A.R.E. and G.R.E.A.T. programs in our local schools, I have also work in the courts unit and hold numerous peace officer certifications.

I plan to establish a program for the senior residents of Precinct 1 to enhance their well-being, good health, and basic quality of life. The program would not only offer a widevariety of hobbies and games to give seniors the chance to keep busy, but would also be a place for senior residents to inquire about local community services as necessary.

To better prepare our precinct's youth for the ever-changing workforce, I would create a Leadership Academy that would place high school seniors and college students in internship positions in



Kenneth Wells candidate for county commissioner precinct 1. *Contributed photo.*

their chosen major. This program would allow students the opportunity to get real hands-on experience in today's working arena and gain valuable knowledge while they still can decide on a career path.

We must remember Victoria is not a small town anymore, Victoria County has a large population. We can look to other cities to see how they have resolved some of the same issues that we face.

I look forward to hearing the viewpoints of the residents of Precinct 1 and earning your support to move the conversation forward into action. It would be my honor to serve as your Victoria County Commissioner for Precinct 1.

Education: Stroman High School, Victoria College Law Enforcement Academy

Professional Experience: Serves as a Victoria County Sheriff's Office deputy, Master Peace Officer, Master Jailer's License, TCOLE Instructor, D.A.R.E. Officer, G.R.E.A.T. officer, Project Life-saver State Instructor, Certified Crime Prevention Specialist.

Commitment to Excellence: board member of the Victoria Federal Credit Union, board president of the STARS Clinic.

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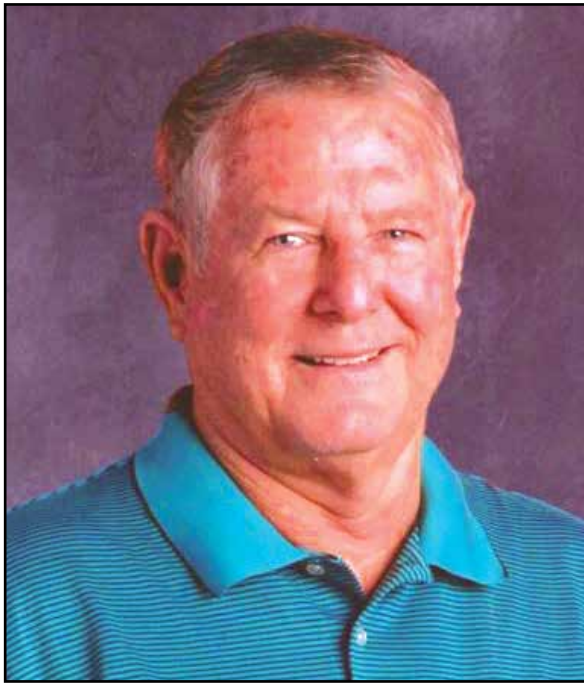
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# Bidens America 2024



Bill Pozzi. Contributed photo.

by Bill Pozzi Victoria County Republican chairman

The Harris Biden Administration has ruled America for the last four years, I will recount the “progress” they have made.

In the first year, President Biden unleashed his plan on America. President Joe, following the lead of Barack Obama, appointed Czars to handle difficult and unpopular objectives. Robert Beto O’Rourke was put in charge of disarming the freedom loving, gun owners of America. Just as it says in his Biden plan in 2020, he

bought back or confiscated the guns of the American public. That move turned out to be grossly unpopular, it was hard to find an American law enforcement officer to do the dirty work of Beto.

Mercenaries from Afghanistan and Iraq were brought in to knock down the doors of Texans to steal their weapons, many Victorians were killed and injured,

there were many front porch fire fights that resulted in the extinguishing of the Second Amendment. Online guns sales were abolished, all gun shops were closed, ammo sales were illegal, the AR and AK frames were forced underground. Car bombs that had never been used widely in America were now a daily occurrence. The Second Amendment died. The power of the federal government was supreme, if you crossed the government you were blacklisted and your Chinese Social Score maintained by the federal government

made you a social outcast, you were a deplorable.

The appetite of the federal Government was insatiable. Tax doubled and then doubled again. President Biden promised in 2020 that no one’s income that was under \$400,000.00 would be increased much like Obama saying that you could keep your doctor under Obama Care. He knew this was a fabrication, Bidens tax plan increased immediately, because of the “pandemic”.

Not only were the taxes increased, the everyday lives of citizens were disrupted. The pandemic reshaped our lives, only weekly shopping trips to HEB, bars and churches were closed indefinitely. Mom and Pop businesses were banned, and most commerce was governmentally shipped to online sales. A federal Online Tax was imposed of 11% on all sales. Cash transactions were banned because of the potential of germs spreading and of tax evasion.

The availability of jobs decreased, only those with political connections could have decent paying jobs. Most folks are on government assistance, drunkenness and drug use is rampant.

The Borders were flung open and immigrants flowed like the Guadalupe River in 1998. Wages went down because of the glut in the labor pool, County Welfare increased tenfold, brought local government and schools to their

knees. Just like the Democratic liberal states had done for years, immigrants were favored over citizens.

Clean energy creation was the primary focus of the federal government. Texas is a repeat of what

happened in California not enough kilowatts were produced by “clean energy” so people in Victoria had brown outs during peak loads of the summer. No electricity, no air conditioning, no refrigeration,

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## A TODAS LAS PERSONAS Y ENTIDADES INTERESADAS:

Formosa Plastics Corporation, Texas, ha solicitado a la Comisión para la Calidad Ambiental de Texas (TCEQ) para la emisión del Permiso de Calidad de Aire Número 107518 y el Permiso Para La Prevención del Deterioro Significativo (PSD) de Calidad de Aire Número PSDTX1383M1, que autorizaría la modificación de la planta de Formosa Point Comfort por la calle 201 Formosa Drive, Point Comfort, Condado de Calhoun, Texas 77978. Esta solicitud fue procesada de manera expedita, según lo permitido por las reglas de la comisión en 30 Código Administrativo de Texas, Capítulo 101, Subcapítulo J. Información adicional sobre esta solicitud se encuentra en la sección de avisos públicos de este periódico.



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**JARRATT**, from pg. 1  
Civil War and Texas history books. His “driving force” for nearly

a half-century was archeology. John assembled an admirable library, which he exhibited in sturdy wooden apple books at his home on Commercial Street in Victoria; the photo of his auto repair shop located on the southwest corner of Bridge and Church Streets is a

study in the technology of his day.

Academics and self-taught amateurs often found John short of experience, a man who held his opinions firmly, and inclined to enjoy the solitary life. They may or may not have been aware of the tutelage he had from two well-respected authorities in fieldwork—one from the University of Texas and another from the Smithsonian Institute. Both shared with John their technical skills. This writer was privileged to ride with him “Sid” Weisiger and Kemper Williams, Sr. on expeditions when John explained his early title as “Mayor of Bello.”

Among John’s pet interests were the sites of “Fort “St. Louis on Garcitas Creek and the remains of Spanish construction at Tonkawa Bluff in Riverside Park, Victoria, which caught his attention in 1922. During and after the 1930s he read, walked, and dug there and at the Spanish presidio and mission sites a few miles north of Victoria. With the help of an archivist well versed in Spanish John succeeded in focusing attention to those locations, but in recent years that attention shifted to games of baseball, golf, horseback riding, a nature trail (which suffers from lack of maintenance today), a travel trailer park, and presently a projected soccer field.

John’s work at Tonkawa Bluff and that of several certified amateurs has earned an official state designation (41VRT1) and other

recognition. In addition a professional study finds the Tonkawa Bluff site to be the temporary mission-presidio that succeeded the Garcitas Creek site of French “Fort” St. Louis and the Spanish outpost that replaced it, La Bahía, term used by the Spanish for the combination of mission and presidio. The study above offers reliable evidence that this writer’s contention that “The Second Cycle of Spanish Texas” includes three sites for La Bahía and the empresario colony from which Victoria emerged as a unique city over the past 300 years.

This publication, “An Overview of Test Excavations and Documentary Research at 41VT10, the Tonkawa Bank Site, Victoria City Park, Victoria, Texas”, is found in the Bulletin of the Texas Archeological Society, 70 (1999). Here are found many references to Jarratt’s work, which were kindly loaned for copy by this writer who deposited the entire collection in the Regional History Collection at Victoria—which unwisely and without public notification, was transferred to the University of Houston at Victoria.

With proper study by officials in charge of Riverside Park, the “Overview...” above serve to protect the city from possible litigation which has become a common result of disregarding the sanctity of Indian cemeteries and significantly improve the tourist program of the city and county.

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City of Victoria Municipal Court Administrator Tiffany Totah on Monday received the Distinguished Service Award from the Texas Court Clerks Association, of which Totah is president for the South Texas Chapter.

According to nomination information provided by the Texas Court Clerks Association, Totah was recognized for services that include filling an unexpired term as chapter president, volunteering with several committees and other

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## Comisión de Calidad Ambiental de Texas

## AVISO DE UN PERMISO FEDERAL PARA OPERACIÓN PRELIMINAR

Permiso Preliminar Número: O1955

**SOLICITUD Y PERMISO PRELIMINAR** Formosa Plastics Corporation, Texas, 9 Peach Tree Hill Road, Livingston, NJ 07039-5702, ha presentado una solicitud ante la Comisión de Calidad Ambiental de Texas (TCEQ, por sus siglas en inglés) para la renovación del Permiso Federal de Operación (en adelante denominado el Permiso) número O1955, Solicitud núm. 30313 para autorizar la operación de Instalaciones de tráfico, una planta de fabricación petroquímica. El área a la cual se refiere la solicitud está ubicada en 201 Formosa Drive en la ciudad de Point Comfort, Condado de Calhoun Texas 77978. Este enlace a un mapa electrónico de la ubicación general del sitio o de la instalación es proporcionado como una cortesía y no es parte de la solicitud o del aviso. Para la ubicación exacta, consulte la solicitud. <http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610/index.html?lat=28.645277&lng=-96.541944&zoom=13&type=r>. Esta solicitud fue recibida por la TCEQ el día 21 de abril del año 2020.

El propósito de un Permiso Federal de Operación es mejorar el acatamiento general con las normas que gobiernan el control de la contaminación atmosférica, claramente definiendo todos los requisitos aplicables como están definidos en el Título 30 del Código Administrativo de Texas § 122.10 (30 TAC § 122.10, por sus siglas en inglés). El permiso preliminar, si es aprobado, codificará las condiciones bajo las cuales el área debe operar. El permiso no autorizará construcción nueva. El director ejecutivo ha concluido la revisión técnica de la solicitud y ha hecho una decisión preliminar para preparar el permiso preliminar para la revisión y comentario público. El director ejecutivo de la TCEQ recomienda la expedición de este permiso preliminar. La solicitud de permiso, la declaración de base y el permiso preliminar estarán disponibles para ser revisados y copiados en la Oficina Central de la TCEQ, 12100 Park 35 Circle, Building (Edificio) E, First Floor (primer Piso), Austin, Texas 78753, y en la Oficina Regional de la TCEQ, NRC Bldg. Ste. 1200, 6300 Ocean Dr., Unit 5839, Corpus Christi, Texas 78412-5839 y <https://www.fpctx.com/sustainability/public-notice>, empezando el primer día de la publicación de este aviso. El permiso preliminar y la declaración de base están disponibles en el sitio de la TCEQ: [www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/tvnotice](http://www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/tvnotice)

En la oficina central y la oficina regional también puede revisar y copiar documentos pertinentes para el permiso preliminar, así como los permisos para la Evaluación de Nuevas Fuentes que han sido incorporados por referencia. Cualquier persona que tengan dificultades obteniendo estos materiales debido a restricciones para viajar pueden comunicarse con la sala de archivos de la Oficina Central al teléfono (512) 239-2900.

**COMENTARIOS/NOTIFICACIÓN PÚBLICA Y AUDIENCIA.** Cualquier persona puede entregar comentarios públicos sobre el permiso preliminar. Comentarios relacionados a la exactitud, lo completo, y lo apropiado de las condiciones del permiso pueden resultar en cambios al permiso preliminar.

**Una persona que podría ser afectada por la emisión de contaminantes atmosféricos del área del sitio del permiso puede solicitar una audiencia de aviso y comentarios.** El propósito de la audiencia de notificación y comentarios es para proporcionar la oportunidad para entregar comentarios sobre el permiso preliminar. El permiso puede ser cambiado en base a si los comentarios relacionados con el permiso permiten el cumplimiento con el Título 30 del Código Administrativo de Texas, Capítulo 122 (ejemplos pueden incluir que el permiso no tiene todos los requisitos aplicables que correspondan o que no se cumplieron los procedimientos de aviso público). La TCEQ puede otorgar una audiencia de aviso y comentarios con respecto a esta solicitud si una petición por escrito es presentada dentro de los treinta días después de la publicación del anuncio en el diario. La solicitud de audiencia debe incluir la base de la solicitud, incluyendo una descripción de como la persona puede ser afectada por la emisión de contaminantes atmosféricos del área de la solicitud. La solicitud también debería especificar las condiciones del permiso borrador que son inapropiados o especificar como la decisión preliminar para expedir o denegar el permiso es inapropiado. Todos los asuntos razonablemente verificables deben ser planteados y todos los argumentos razonablemente disponibles deben ser entregados a no más tardar al final del período de comentarios públicos. Si se concede una audiencia de aviso y comentario, todos los individuos que presentaron comentarios por escrito o una solicitud de audiencia recibirán confirmación por escrito de la audiencia. Esta confirmación indicará la fecha, hora y lugar de la audiencia.

**Comentarios públicos por escrito y/o peticiones para una audiencia de aviso y comentarios deberían ser presentados a la Comisión de Calidad Ambiental (TCEQ), Oficina del Secretario Oficial (Office of Chief Clerk), MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, o por internet al [www14.tceq.texas.gov/epic/eComment/](http://www14.tceq.texas.gov/epic/eComment/), dentro de treinta días después de la fecha de publicación en el periódico de este aviso.** Si se comunica electrónicamente con la TCEQ, favor de notar que su correo electrónico, tal como su dirección de correo doméstico, formarán parte del archivo público de la agencia.

**Un aviso de la acción final propuesta que incluye una respuesta a los comentarios y denotando cualquier cambio al permiso preliminar, será enviado a todas las personas que hayan presentado comentarios públicos, una solicitud de audiencia o que hayan solicitado ser incluidos en la lista de correo.** Este envío de correo también proveerá instrucciones para hacer peticiones públicas a la Agencia de Protección Ambiental (EPA, por sus siglas en inglés), para solicitar que la EPA se oponga a la expedición del permiso preliminar. Después de recibir una solicitud, la EPA solamente podrá objetar a la expedición de un permiso que no cumple con los requisitos aplicables o los requisitos del 30 TAC Capítulo 122.

**LISTA PARA ENVÍO DE CORREO.** Aparte de entregar comentarios públicos, usted puede solicitar ser incluido en una lista para envío de correo con respecto a esta solicitud al enviar su petición a la Oficina del Secretario Oficial (Office of Chief Clerk) a la dirección antes mencionada. Los que se encuentran en la lista para envío de correo recibirán copias de avisos públicos futuros (si hay) para esta solicitud enviados por correo por el Secretario Oficial.

**INFORMACIÓN.** Para más información con respecto a esta solicitud de permiso o el proceso de permisos, favor de contactar a la Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (Comisión de Calidad Ambiental de Texas), Programa de Educación del Público (Public Education Program), MC-108, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087 o llamar sin cargo al 1-800-687-4040.

Puede obtener más información sobre Formosa Plastics Corporation llamando a Tammy Lasater al teléfono (302) 383-1598.

Fecha de Expedición: el día 23 de septiembre del año 2020

## ARREDONDO, from pg. 1

“humbled to have been selected as the Police Chief for the City of Victoria.”

“I look forward to working alongside the hardworking, dedicated and professional men and women of the Victoria Police Department, the City of Victoria and the Victoria community,” Arredondo said. “It is a distinct honor to be able to serve, and I am looking forward to building strong relationships together.”

Arredondo’s first day is expected to be Nov. 30.

## AMERICA, from pg. 7

heat, and misery prevailed.

In all Democratic big cities, the police have been under siege. Funding has been cut and insults hurled daily, poor people are not being protected, the rich have moved to the suburbs. New York is a cesspool of crime.

President Biden was in rough mental and physical shape in 2020, he quickly deteriorated and in 2022 was replaced by Vice President Harris. Congressman Schiff was selected as Vice President.

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# Judge Nereida Lopez-Singleterry seeks election to the 13th Court of Appeals, Place 6



Judge Nereida L. Singleterry. Contributed photo.

Judge Nereida Lopez-Singleterry announced that she would seek election for the Justice of the Thirteenth Court of Appeals, Place 6 position on the Texas primary ballot in March 2020 and is on the November 3, 2020 ballot. The bench was left vacant when Justice Dori Contreras was sworn into office as the Chief Justice of the Thirteenth Court of Appeals on January 1, 2019.

“It’s with great honor and pleasure that I seek election for the Court of Appeals and have the opportunity to follow in the footsteps and legacy of Justice Contreras,” said Judge Lopez-Singleterry.

Reflecting on her candidacy Judge Lopez-Singleterry says, “Experience matters and I believe my diverse and vast experience in the legal field, litigating and presiding over thousands of civil and criminal cases, gives me a well-rounded perspective that will serve me well as a 13th Court of Appeals

Justice. I will be honest and fair. I will treat all parties on appeal with dignity and respect. I understand that every one of my decisions will impact someone’s life.”

As both a litigator and judge, Judge Lopez-Singleterry has worked on cases pertaining to many phases of the law including family law, criminal law, personal injury and real estate transactions. “I have the strength, experience and energy to work hard and bring new perspective and insight for the people of Texas. I believe that these values make me the most qualified candidate to seek this position,” said Judge Lopez-Singleterry.

The 13th Court of Appeals hears criminal and civil matters that are appealed from the county and district courts throughout the 20 counties of South Texas and the Coastal Bend.

In early 2017, Judge Lopez-Singleterry was appointed as the Associate Judge of the Title IV-D Court, Master Court 1 in Hidalgo County, with jurisdiction also in Starr and Jim Hogg Counties. The Title IV-D Court hears cases, which include locating an absent parent, determining parentage, or the establishment, modification, or enforcement of child support or medical support.

Serving as a judge has fulfilled a life-long dream of mine, to continue to ensure that people’s rights are safeguarded and protected under the law,” said Judge Lopez-Singleterry. Before taking the bench Judge Lopez-Singleterry worked

for the Hidalgo County Public Defender’s Office representing indigent individuals who cannot afford the legal services of an attorney. Judge Lopez-Singleterry also previously owned and operated a successful private practice representing clients in many aspects of the law. During that time, she also assisted the Texas Rio Grande Valley Legal Aid Private Involvement Project representing victims of domestic violence who did not have financial resources to hire legal counsel.

Judge Lopez-Singleterry continued to say, “My years of work in private practice, at the public defender’s office and assisting legal aid gave me many opportunities to give back of my time and experience for those in need. I have always respected the power of the court and will use my best judgment with caution and restraint to see that all parties are treated equally with dignity and respect.”

Judge Lopez-Singleterry has been practicing law since 2009 and is licensed by the Texas Bar Association. She graduated from the University of Texas Pan American with a Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies. She received her Juris Doctor from Michigan State College of Law in 2008. She was elected President of the Hidalgo County Young Lawyers Association and has been a member of the State Bar of Texas Leadership Class, Hidalgo County Bar Association, Women’s Bar Association, Hidalgo County Criminal Law Association and National

Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers. She is married to Luis Manuel Singleterry and together has two beautiful children.

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## COMISIÓN DE CALIDAD AMBIENTAL DE TEXAS


**AVISO DE SOLICITUD Y DECISIÓN PRELIMINAR PARA UN PERMISO DE CALIDAD DE AIRE  
 PERMISO NÚMERO: 107520**

**SOLICITUD Y DECISIÓN PRELIMINAR.** Formosa Plastics Corporación, Texas, PO Box 700, Point Comfort, TX 77978-0700, ha solicitado de la Comisión de Calidad Ambiental de Texas (TCEQ por sus siglas en inglés) la modificación del Permiso de Calidad de Aire Número 107520, el cual autorizaría modificación de la planta el polietileno de baja densidad ubicada por la calle 201 Formosa Drive, en la ciudad de Point Comfort, Condado de Calhoun, Texas 77978. Esta solicitud se presentó a la TCEQ el día 2 de octubre del año 2019. La instalación existente emitirá los siguientes contaminantes: monóxido de carbono, compuestos de cloro, contaminantes peligrosos del aire, óxidos de nitrógeno, compuestos orgánicos, partículas incluyendo partículas con diámetros de 10 micras o menos y 2.5 micras o menos y dióxido de azufre y cloro.

El director ejecutivo de la TCEQ ha concluido la revisión técnica de la solicitud y ha preparado un permiso preliminar, el cual, si es aprobado, establecerá las condiciones bajo las cuales el sitio deberá operar. El director ejecutivo ha tomado la decisión preliminar de otorgar este permiso porque cumple con todos los requisitos. La solicitud del permiso, la decisión preliminar del director ejecutivo, y el permiso preliminar estarán disponible para ser revisados y copiados en la Oficina Central de la TCEQ, en la oficina Regional de Corpus Christi, y en el Internet en <https://www.fpctx.com/sustainability/public-notices>, comenzando el primer día de la publicación de este aviso. El expediente de cumplimiento de la planta, si existe alguno, está disponible para su revisión en la oficina regional de TCEQ en Corpus Christi, NRC edificio Suite 1200, por la calle 6300 Ocean Drive, Unidad 5839, Corpus Christi, Texas.

**COMENTARIO PÚBLICO/REUNIÓN PÚBLICA.** Usted puede presentar comentarios públicos, o solicitar una reunión pública sobre esta solicitud. El propósito de la reunión pública es proporcionar la oportunidad de presentar comentarios o hacer preguntas sobre la solicitud. La TCEQ tendrá una reunión pública si el director ejecutivo determina que hay suficiente interés de parte del público en esta solicitud o si es solicitada por un legislador local. Una reunión pública no es una audiencia de caso impugnado. **Usted puede someter comentarios públicos por escrito dentro de 30 días después de este aviso a la Oficina del Secretario Oficial, de la manera indicada en la sección de CONTACTOS DE LA AGENCIA E INFORMACIÓN al párrafo a continuación.**

**RESPUESTA A LOS COMENTARIOS PÚBLICOS Y ACCIÓN DEL DIRECTOR EJECUTIVO.** Después del plazo final para someter comentarios públicos, el director ejecutivo considerará los comentarios y preparará una respuesta a todos los comentarios públicos relevantes y materiales significativos. Porque no se han recibido peticiones para una audiencia de caso impugnado, el director ejecutivo aprobará la solicitud para este permiso. **La respuesta a los comentarios, junto con la decisión del director ejecutivo sobre la solicitud, será entonces enviada por correo a todos aquellos que hayan sometido comentarios públicos o que están en la lista de correo de esta solicitud, y será puesta electrónicamente en la Base Integrada de Datos de los Comisionados (CID).**

**DISPONIBILIDAD ELECTRÓNICA DE INFORMACIÓN.** La respuesta del director ejecutivo a los comentarios y la decisión final sobre esta solicitud estarán disponibles el sitio web de la Comisión, en la página [www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/cid](http://www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/cid). Una vez que usted haya obtenido acceso a la Base de Datos Integrada de los Comisionados (Por sus siglas en inglés: Commissioners' Integrated Database, o CID) usando el enlace de arriba, favor de poner el número de permiso de esta solicitud, el cual se encuentra en la parte superior de este aviso. Este enlace a un mapa electrónico de la ubicación general del sitio o de la instalación es proporcionado como una cortesía y no es parte de la solicitud o del aviso. Para la ubicación exacta, consulte la solicitud. <http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610/index.html?lat=28.6888&lng=-96.5472&zoom=13&type=r>.

**LISTA PARA ENVÍO DE CORREO.** Usted puede solicitar ser incluido en una lista de correo para recibir información adicional con respecto a esta solicitud. Para ser incluido en una lista de correo, envíe su petición a la Oficina del Secretario Oficial a la dirección que se encuentra en la siguiente dirección.

**CONTACTOS DE LA AGENCIA E INFORMACIÓN.** Comentarios públicos y peticiones se deben entregar por el Internet a [www14.tceq.texas.gov/epic/eComment/](http://www14.tceq.texas.gov/epic/eComment/), o se deben enviarse por escrito a la Oficina del Secretario Oficial, MC-105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711 3087. Si se comunica con la TCEQ por vía electrónica, por favor tenga en cuenta que su dirección de correo, como su dirección actual, pasará a formar parte del registro público de la agencia. Para más información sobre esta solicitud de permiso o sobre el proceso de permisos, por favor llame sin cobro al Programa de Educación del Público al 1 800 687 4040. Si desea información en español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040.

Se puede obtener información adicional también de Formosa Plastics Corporación, Texas, en la dirección anterior o al llamar a la Sra. Tammy Lasater Wacker, EHS Departamento Staff al (302) 836-2241.

Fecha de Expedición: el día 25 de septiembre del año 2020

## Candidate seeks Tax office

Thank you for this opportunity to express my desire to be your TAC, I am Jane Garcia Bernal, I am a lifelong resident of Victoria County. I am an active member of Our Lady of Victory, and mother to four (4) sons and one grandson. I am a former employee of Victoria County and recently a Lead Disaster Case Manager for United Methodist Rio Texas Conference Disaster Recovery Team for the Crossroads District.



Jane Bernal candidate for Tax Assessor. Contributed photo.

My goal and promise are to have an Open-Door Policy, for staff and customers, and implement new office hours; open 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. plus during lunch, and office of integrity, accountability, transparency, and to assist customers in a timely, efficient manner, by providing the best customer service. I am confident my management and administration skills will be able to handle high levels of responsibility. I will operate with honesty and openness, extending that respect to the staff and community.

As a Lead Disaster Case Manager for the Rio Texas Conference, I incurred unique insights on ongoing issues to help effectively advocate in support of underinsured and uninsured homeowners to help our county grow and to also “better the community.”

Early Voting starts October 13 through October 29. Election Day is Tuesday, November 3, 2020.

I would appreciate your vote! To Learn more about Jane Bernal and support her campaign by emailing [jbernal10@gmail.com](mailto:jbernal10@gmail.com).

# Victoria County Precinct 1 constable candidate asks for vote



Jeff Meyer candidate for Constable. *Contributed photo.*

County Farm Bureau Insurance. I am married to my wonderful wife Kim who is 100 % supportive of me running for the Constable position.

I was highly influenced by my greatest hero and mentor, my father who served the citizens of Victoria County with a distinguished law enforcement career of 36 years as a State Trooper with the Texas Department of Public Safety and as your Sheriff. It was my father's commitment to serving the people that inspired me to entire a career in Law Enforcement.

I graduated from Victoria High School in 1980 where I played sports. I am the proud father of two grown children that I had the opportunity and privilege of watching grow up while attending VISD schools, play various sports, attend, and graduate from college and advance into adulthood.

My law enforcement career began with the Victoria Police Department in 1982, where I served 10 years as a Patrolman and Detective. In 1993 I began my career with the Victoria County Sheriff's Office. During my 26-year tenure with the Sheriff's Office, I held the position of Sergeant Investigator and eventually was promoted to Lieutenant in the Enforcement Division. As a Lieutenant, I had the privilege of commanding both the Criminal Investigations Unit and

Patrol Unit, in which was tasked with overseeing the day-to-day operations of each unit. I also was a member of the Sheriff's Office SWAT Team for 11 years.

During my 36 years in law enforcement, I had the opportunity to have gained invaluable police tactics and skills that propelled and advanced my career until my retirement in August 2018. I have experience in Civil Process and Warrant Service, Accident Investigation, Criminal Investigations and Community Policing. My investigative experience includes every major crime, theft, forgery,

and fraud categories. I currently hold a Master Peace Officer License and have obtained over 2,800 hours of documented and accredited law enforcement training by the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement.

While on the campaign trail, I assured the people that I had every intention of serving the residents of Precinct 1 and helping them anyway I could. I want the people of Precinct 1 to know that I will be a full time and visible Constable. I vowed to have a good working relationship with all law enforcement agencies and other county

officials. As your precinct 1 constable, my focus will be on serving civil process in a timely manner, patrolling throughout Precinct 1 to prevent criminal activity and concentrate on specific areas that need special attention.

I humbly ask for your vote, support, and the opportunity, as a veteran lawman of Victoria County, to serve as your next Constable. I have the willingness, desire, and commitment, to serve as your Constable, with Honor and Fairness being a top priority. Vote Jeff Meyer, for constable, precinct 1, Victoria County on November 3rd.

My name is Jeff Meyer, and I am 58 years old. Back in December of last year, I filed for the candidacy of Precinct 1, Victoria County Constable. I respectfully share my professional background and personal endeavors that guided me and led me to enter the race as we witness one of the most important local, state, and national elections in history. Serving the citizens of Victoria County is something I honorably did during my law enforcement career of 36 years in Victoria County.

I was born in Victoria and have remained a lifetime resident. My parents were the late, Victoria County Sheriff, Dalton G. "Dutch" Meyer and Joan Meyer who worked many years for Victoria

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## COMISIÓN DE CALIDAD AMBIENTAL DE TEXAS



## AVISO DE SOLICITUD Y DECISIÓN PRELIMINAR PARA LOS PERMISOS PROPUESTOS DE CALIDAD DE AIRE

NÚMEROS DE PERMISOS DE CALIDAD DE AIRE: 107518 Y PSDTX1383M1

**SOLICITUD Y DECISIÓN PRELIMINAR.** Formosa Plastics Corporation, Texas, PO Box 700, Point Comfort, Texas 77979-0700, ha solicitado a la Comisión para la Calidad Ambiental de Texas (TCEQ por sus siglas en inglés) para la emisión del Permiso de Calidad de Aire Número 107518 y el Permiso Para La Prevención del Deterioro Significativo (PSD) de Calidad de Aire Número PSDTX1383M1, que autorizaría la modificación de la planta de Formosa Point Comfort por la calle 201 Formosa Drive, Point Comfort, Condado de Calhoun, Texas 77978. Esta solicitud fue procesada de manera expedita, según lo permitido por las reglas de la comisión en 30 Código Administrativo de Texas, Capítulo 101, Subcapítulo J. Esta solicitud fue remitida a la TCEQ el 29 de marzo del año 2019. La instalación existente emitirá los siguientes contaminantes atmosféricos en una cantidad significativa: dióxido de azufre. Adicionalmente, la instalación emitirá los siguientes contaminantes atmosféricos: monóxido de carbono, contaminantes peligrosos del aire, óxidos de nitrógeno, compuestos orgánicos, ácido sulfúrico de niebla, amoníaco, clorina, ácido hipocloroso, y materia en partículas incluyendo el material en partículas con diámetros de 10 micrones o menos y 2.5 micrones o menos

El grado de aumento de PSD que se pronostica que va a ser consumido por la facilidad propuesta y por otras fuentes que consuman incremento en el área es el siguiente:

Dióxido de Nitrógeno		
Máximo Tiempo Promedio	Incremento Máximo Consumido (µg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Incremento Permitido (µg/m <sup>3</sup> )
Anual	11.5	25

PM <sub>2.5</sub>		
Máximo Tiempo Promedio	Incremento Máximo Consumido (µg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Incremento Permitido (µg/m <sup>3</sup> )
24-horas	8.1	9
Anual	0.5	4

El director ejecutivo de la TCEQ ha determinado que la emisión de contaminantes atmosféricos de la facilidad propuesta que son sujetos a evaluación de PSD no violará ninguna ley federal o estatal de la de Calidad de Aire y no tendrá ningún impacto adverso significativo sobre el suelo, la vegetación o la visibilidad. Todos los contaminantes han sido evaluados y la "mejor tecnología de control disponible" será usada para el control de estos contaminantes.

El director ejecutivo de la TCEQ ha concluido la revisión técnica de las solicitudes y ha preparado los permisos preliminares los cuales, si son aprobados, establecerán las condiciones debajo de las cuales el sitio deberá operar. Las solicitudes de los permisos, la decisión preliminar del director ejecutivo, permisos preliminares, y los resúmenes de la determinación preliminar del director ejecutivo y el análisis de la calidad del aire estarán disponibles para ser revisados y copiados en la Oficina Central de la TCEQ, en la Oficina Regional de la TCEQ en Corpus Christi, y en <https://www.fpctx.com/sustainability/public-notice> empezando el primer día de la publicación de este aviso. Los archivos del cumplimiento de las leyes de la facilidad, si existen, están disponibles para la revisión del público en la Oficina Regional de Corpus Christi, NRC Building, Suite 1200, 6300 Ocean Drive, Unit 5839, Corpus Christi, Texas.

**DISPONIBILIDAD ELECTRÓNICA DE INFORMACIÓN.** Por medio del sitio web de la Comisión, en la página [www.tceq.state.tx.us/goto/cid](http://www.tceq.state.tx.us/goto/cid), se pueden obtener los siguientes documentos: la decisión preliminar del director ejecutivo la cual incluye el permiso preliminar, el resumen de la determinación preliminar del director ejecutivo, el análisis de calidad de aire, y cuando sean disponibles, la respuesta del director ejecutivo a los comentarios y la decisión final sobre esta solicitud. Una vez que usted haya obtenido acceso a la Base de Datos Integrada de los Comisionados (en inglés. Commissioners' Integrated Database, o CID) usando el enlace de arriba, favor de poner el número de permiso de esta solicitud. El lugar público mencionado arriba (Biblioteca del Condado de Calhoun, 1 Lamar Street, Point Comfort, Condado de Calhoun, Texas) proporciona acceso público a Internet. Este enlace a un mapa electrónico de la ubicación general del sitio o de la instalación es proporcionado como una cortesía y no es parte de la solicitud o del aviso. Para la ubicación exacta, consulte la solicitud. <http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610/index.html?lat=28.6888&lng=-96.5472&zoom=13&type=r>.

**COMENTARIOS PÚBLICOS/JUNTA PÚBLICA.** Usted puede presentar comentarios públicos o solicitar una junta pública sobre esta solicitud. El propósito de la junta pública es el proveer la oportunidad de someter comentarios o hacer preguntas sobre esta solicitud. La TCEQ tendrá una junta pública si el director ejecutivo determina que hay suficiente interés de parte del público en esta solicitud, si es solicitada por una persona interesada, o si es solicitada por un legislador local. Una junta pública no es una audiencia en controversia. **Usted puede presentar comentarios públicos adicionales por escrito dentro de los 30 días posteriores a la fecha de publicación del periódico de esta notificación en la forma establecida en el párrafo de CONTACTOS DE LA AGENCIA E INFORMACIÓN a continuación.**

Después del plazo para someter comentarios públicos, el director ejecutivo considerará los comentarios y preparará una respuesta para todos los comentarios públicos. **La respuesta a los comentarios, junto con la decisión del director ejecutivo sobre la solicitud, serán entonces enviados por correo a todos aquellos que hayan sometido comentarios públicos o que hayan petitionado estar en la lista de correo de esta solicitud.**

**OPORTUNIDAD PARA UNA AUDIENCIA DE CASO IMPUGNADO.** Una audiencia de caso impugnado es un proceso legal semejante a un juicio civil en una corte de distrito estatal. Una persona que pueda ser afectada por las emisiones de contaminantes atmosféricos de la instalación tiene el derecho de solicitar una audiencia. Para solicitar una audiencia de caso impugnado, usted deberá presentar lo siguiente: (1) su nombre (o, para un grupo o asociación, un representante oficial), dirección postal, número de teléfono durante el día, y número de fax, si hay; (2) el nombre del solicitante y el número de permiso; (3) la oración en inglés "I/we request a contested case hearing;" (4) una descripción específica de cómo le perjudicaría la solicitud y las emisiones atmosféricas de una manera que no es común con los miembros del público en general; (5) la localización y distancia de su propiedad en relación a la instalación; y (6) una descripción de cómo usted usa la propiedad que pudiera ser afectada por la instalación; y (7) una lista de todas las cuestiones controvertidas de hecho que usted presenta durante el período de comentarios. Si la petición es hecha por un grupo o asociación, el o la miembro o miembros que tienen derecho a pedir una audiencia de caso impugnado y los intereses que el grupo o asociación quieran proteger deberán también ser identificados. Usted también puede enviar sus propuestas de cambios a la solicitud/permiso que satisfaga sus inquietudes. Peticiones para una audiencia en controversia deberán someterse por escrito dentro de 30 días después de la publicación de este aviso a la Oficina del Chief Clerk, en la dirección que se encuentra en la sección de información a continuación.

Una audiencia de caso impugnado sólo se concederá en las cuestiones en disputa del caso que son pertinentes y esenciales para las decisiones de la Comisión sobre la aplicación. Además, la Comisión solo otorgará una audiencia sobre las cuestiones planteadas por usted u otras personas durante el período de comentarios públicos que no hayan sido retiradas. Las cuestiones que no se plantean en los comentarios públicos no podrán ser considerados en una audiencia.

**ACCIÓN DEL DIRECTOR EJECUTIVO.** Si la solicitud para una audiencia de caso impugnado no se recibe a tiempo o si se retiran todas las solicitudes de audiencia de caso impugnado recibidas puntualmente, el director ejecutivo podrá emitir la aprobación final de la solicitud. La respuesta a los comentarios, junto con la decisión del director ejecutivo sobre la solicitud será enviada por correo a todos los que presentaron un comentario público o se encuentran en una lista de correo para esta aplicación, y se publicará electrónicamente en el CID. Si se reciben las solicitudes de audiencia a tiempo y no son retiradas, el director ejecutivo no emitirá la aprobación final del permiso y enviará la solicitud y las peticiones a los Comisionados para su consideración en una reunión programada de la comisión.

**LISTA PARA ENVÍO DE CORREO.** Usted puede solicitar ser incluido en una lista de correo para recibir información adicional con respecto a esta solicitud. Para ser incluido en una lista de correo, envíe su petición a la Oficina del Chief Clerk a la siguiente dirección.

**CONTACTOS DE LA AGENCIA E INFORMACIÓN.** Comentarios públicos y peticiones deberán presentarse por vía electrónica a [www.tceq.texas.gov/epic/eComment/](http://www.tceq.texas.gov/epic/eComment/), o por escrito a la Comisión de Calidad Ambiental de Texas, Oficina del Chief Clerk, MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. Si usted se comunica con la TCEQ electrónicamente, tenga en cuenta que su dirección de correo electrónico, como su dirección postal física, pasará a formar parte del registro público de la agencia. Para más información acerca de esta solicitud para permiso o el proceso para permisos, por favor llame a la línea gratuita del Programa de Educación Pública al 1-800-687-4040. Si desea información en español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040.

Se puede obtener información adicional de Formosa Plastics Corporation Texas en la dirección indicada más arriba o al llamar a la Sra. Tammy Lasater, EHS Departamento Estafé al (302) 383-1598.

Fecha de Expedición: el día 2 de octubre del año 2020

GARCIA, from pg. 4

Our employees are by far our biggest assets. It is endlessly important to provide raises to county employees when our budget allows. The 2020 budget allowed for a \$1 per hour raise to every employee plus and extra \$1 per hour for our licensed peace officers.

Although the county has a healthy reserve fund, we as a Commissioner's Court have never used money in our reserves to fund employee raises. Money for raises must be comfortably sustainable year after year. It is critically important that raises not paid for from the reserve fund savings, as this is not a stable or sustainable practice. Any raises given over the past few years are within the annual budget and we know that we will be able to sustain this year after year.

There are people running for office who have proposed to use money from the reserve fund to give raises to county employees. In reality, this decision would result in tax increases and/or a reduction in existing county services to sustain the raises year after year. Commissioner's Courts before me and the current Court have done an excellent job of providing a great service to our county, maintaining the lower the tax rate, while thoughtfully considering the value and need of county employees.

If reelected I will continue to work hard and manage your tax dollars to the best of my ability while still providing the services that you need and deserve.

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# Tax Assessor candidate asks for your vote November 3



Ashley Hernandez candidate for Tax Assessor.. Contributed photo.

earned me the endorsement of the Honorable Rena Scherer, our current Tax Assessor Collector.

I strive to go beyond what the job description requires with the purpose of helping others. Through the experience that I have gained, I believe that I have a great foundation to successfully lead the tax office. I work well with others and strive to solve solutions.

My top priority is to provide a professional, knowledgeable, and friendly staff that is ready to assist and provide efficient customer service. Our technology is provided by the TXDMV and County, both of which are running at full capacity, allowing customers to renew motor vehicle registrations and pay property taxes online, if they choose to. All car dealers have the option to submit all title transactions online through WebDealer, provided by the TXDMV, directly to our office, versus bring in the

paper documents.

I will continuously dedicate myself to lead the Tax Office through continuing education, staying proficient in the ever-changing laws set by legislature. I have attending several web training sessions, to help prepare me for the responsibilities this position holds. One session helps process the calculations of the rate/rates determined for the taxing entity. The calculation worksheets provided by the Texas Comptroller also assist in calculating the no-new revenue rate, formally known as the effective tax rate and the voter-approval rate, formally known as the roll-back rate.

It is the tax assessor's duty to present these proposed taxing rate/rates to the governing body of each entity, to assist their needs in adopting their budget, without triggering a voter's election. Once each entity adopts their taxing

rates or rate, we will then print all property tax statements in house, and mail them to the taxpayers, thus saving taxpayers money.

I genuinely have a passion for the operation of the Tax Office and will work hard to deliver the best service possible to the citizens of Victoria County.

I will always have our citizen's best interest at heart. I have worked hard to gain the trust and support of my colleagues, creating an environment where employees can flourish, and be part of a great team.

I will bring the experience and knowledge that will continue to make the tax office function at full capacity to benefit the citizens of Victoria County.

I am asking for your vote for Victoria County Tax Assessor, in the upcoming election on November 3.

Hello Victoria County. My name is Ashley Hernandez, and I am running for the office of Victoria County Tax Assessor.

I am a born and raised Victoria native. I am a wife, mother and have 13 ½ years of experience helping and advising the citizens of Victoria County with their mo-

tor vehicle and tax needs. In 2018, I earned the position of Assistant Chief Deputy. I supervise and lead the employees within the motor vehicle department, and I am a leader who is hands on making sure employees are adequately trained to create a well-organized and competent office. These attributes have

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