

ORDER #2025-13

WHEREAS, it is necessary from time to time for the Panola County Sheriff's Department to secure medical treatment for various offenders housed in the Panola County Detention Center; and

WHEREAS, it is also necessary from time to time for Panola County to pay for health care services received by indigent Panola County residents who qualify; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code, Section 262.024(a)(4), the Commissioners' Court of Panola County, Texas may grant an exemption from the requirements of competitive bidding if such above described services are of a professional nature; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code, Section 262.024(a)(2), the Commissioners' Court of Panola County, Texas may grant an exemption from the requirements of competitive bidding if such above described services are necessary to preserve or protect the public health or safety of the residents of the county; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners' Court of Panola County, Texas finds that medical treatment provided by licensed medical doctors constitutes "professional services" pursuant to Texas Local Government Code, Section 262.024(a)(4) and, thus, should be exempt from competitive bidding; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners' Court of Panola County, Texas further finds that prescription drug costs and other health care services for various offenders housed in the Panola County Detention Center and for indigent residents who qualify are necessary to preserve or protect the public health or safety of the residents of the county pursuant to Texas Local Government Code, Section 262.024(a)(2) and thus, should also be exempt from competitive bidding;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby **ADJUDGED** and **DECREED** by the Commissioners' Court of Panola County, Texas that in accordance with the Texas Local Government Code, Section 262.024(a)(2) and (4) an exemption from competitive bidding is hereby claimed for medical treatment for various offenders housed in the Panola County Detention Center and for indigent health care services necessary to preserve or protect the public health or safety of the residents of the county for Fiscal Year 2026.

ADOPTED AND PASSED IN OPEN COURT this 2nd day of December, 2025.


Rodger G. McLane, County Judge


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Commissioner, Precinct 1


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