

TITUS COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S COURT

Public Participation Form

Instructions: Fill out all appropriate blanks. Please print or write legibly.

NAME: Joe Grenier

ADDRESS: 108 PR 1311

Which agenda item (or items) do you wish to address? # 4

Do you wish to make an inquiry under Section 551.042 of the Open Meetings Act?  
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Signature: Joe Grenier Date: 4/13/15

Note: This Public Participation Form **must be presented to the County Clerk** prior to the time that the agenda item (or items) you wish to address are discussed before the Court.

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NAME: JUDY KENT

ADDRESS: 900 CR 4220, MA PLEASANT, TX 75455

Which agenda item (or items) do you wish to address: #4 if NECESSARY

Do you wish to make an inquiry under Section 551.042 of the Open Meetings Act?

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Signature: Judy Kent Date: 4/13/15

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July 10, 2014

The Honorable County Judge

Re: Imposition of Optional Fees

Your Honor:

County commissioner's courts are statutorily required to notify the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles (TxDMV) each year regarding the imposition or removal of optional fees. Notice must be made to the TxDMV by September 1 with the new fees taking effect on January 1. This letter and attachments will provide you information on how to submit Calendar Year 2015 notification to the TxDMV.

The following is a brief description of the local optional fees from Chapter 502 of the Transportation Code:

County Road and Bridge Fee (Section 502.401):

- may not exceed \$10;
- fees collected must be credited to the county road and bridge fund

Child Safety Fee (Section 502.403):

- not less than 50 cents or more than \$1.50;
- revenue must be used for school crossing guard services; remaining funds must be used for programs to enhance child safety, health, or nutrition, including child abuse intervention and prevention and drug and alcohol abuse prevention

Transportation Project Fee (Section 502.402) applies to Bexar, Cameron, El Paso, Hidalgo, and Webb counties only:

- may not exceed \$10 unless approved by majority of qualified voters in accordance with Texas Transportation Code 504.402 (b-1);
- revenue must be used for long-term transportation projects that are consistent with the purposes specified by Section 7-a, Article VIII, Texas Constitution

Please complete the attached form, *Imposition of Optional Fees*, and return it to the TxDMV. If your county will keep the same optional fees for calendar year 2015, complete OPTION A. If your county will change any fees, complete OPTION B and return the form with a scanned electronic copy of the Commissioners Court Order.

**Deadline:** Please return the form on or before **Friday, August 22, 2014**, by email to [DMV\\_OptionalCountyFeeUpdates@TxDMV.gov](mailto:DMV_OptionalCountyFeeUpdates@TxDMV.gov) or fax at (512) 467-5909.

If you have any questions, please contact Anita Orr, Vehicle Titles and Registration, Registration Services, at (512) 465-1346. Thank you for your timely response.

Sincerely,

Tim Thompson, Deputy Director  
Vehicle Titles and Registration Division

cc: County Tax Assessor-Collectors

## Collecting the Child Safety Fee

The Child Safety Fee<sup>1</sup> is an

- optional fee, not less than 50 cents or more than \$1.50 for registering a vehicle in the county
- used to provide school crossing guard services.
  - Remaining funds are used for programs to enhance child safety, health, or nutrition, including child abuse intervention and prevention and drug and alcohol abuse prevention.

### The Child Safety Fee: Your county's role

All county Commissioner's Courts are statutorily required to notify the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles each year regarding the collection of optional fees.<sup>2</sup> This fee may take effect only on January 1 of a year. The individual county must adopt an order mandating the fee and notify the Department no later than September 10 of the year preceding the year in which the fee will take effect.

**Example 1:** On February 15, 2012, County X decides it would like to collect the Child Safety Fee as soon as possible. The county Commissioner's Court adopt an order imposing the fee by September 10, 2012. The fee will go into effect on January 1, 2013.

**Example 2:** On February 15, 2012, County X decides it would like to collect the Child Safety Fee as soon as possible. The county Commissioner's Court adopt an order imposing the fee by September 15, 2012. The fee will go into effect on January 1, 2014.

After adopting an order mandating the collection of the child safety fee, the funds may then be used to pay for crossing guard services within the county. Any excess funds that remain may be used by the county for programs to enhance child safety, health or nutrition, including child abuse intervention and prevention. Distribution of excess funds to any qualifying programs is at the discretion of each county Commissioner's Court.

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<sup>1</sup> Texas Transportation Code, Section 502.173

<sup>2</sup> Texas Transportation Code, Sections 502.172, 502.1725, and 502.173

## **Child Safety Fee by County**

**Counties currently imposing the Child Safety Fee and sharing the funds with Child Advocacy Centers around the state are:**

**Blanco , Lampasas, Llano counties**

**Hill Country Children's Advocacy Center**

**Denton County**

**Child Advocacy Center for Denton County**

**Guadalupe County**

**Guadalupe County Children's Advocacy Center**

**Hunt County**

**Hunt County Children's Advocacy County**

**Jim Wells County**

**Nueces County Children's Advocacy Center**

**Kaufman County**

**Kaufman County Children's Advocacy Center**

**Rusk County (began 2015) (ED meeting with Panola co. Judge next month)**

**Child Advocacy Center of Rusk and Panola Counties**

**Tom Green County**

**The Children's Advocacy Center of Tom Green County**

**Van Zandt County**

**Children's Advocacy Center of Van Zandt County**

*Based on print out from the Texas Transportation Code*

## Calendar Year 2014 Optional Fees by County

County	Road & Bridge	Child Safety	Trans Project	County	Road & Bridge	Child Safety	Trans Project	County	Road & Bridge	Child Safety	Trans Project	County	Road & Bridge	Child Safety	Trans Project
ANDERSON	\$10.00			DIMIT	\$10.00	\$1.50		KARNES	\$10.00			REAGAN	\$10.00		
ANDREWS	\$7.00			DONLEY	\$10.00			KAUFMAN	\$10.00	\$1.50		REAL	\$10.00		
ANGELINA	\$10.00			DUVAL	\$10.00			KENDALL	\$10.00	\$1.00		RED RIVER	\$10.00		
ARANSAS	\$10.00			EASTLAND	\$10.00			KENEDY	\$0.00			REEVES	\$10.00		
ARCHER	\$10.00			ECTOR	\$10.00			KENT	\$0.00			REFUGIO	\$10.00		
ARMSTRONG	\$10.00			EDWARDS	\$10.00	\$1.00		KERR	\$10.00			ROBERTS	\$5.00		
ATASCOSA	\$10.00			ELLIS	\$10.00			KIMBLE	\$10.00			ROBERTSON	\$10.00	\$1.50	
AUSTIN	\$10.00			EL PASO	\$10.00		\$10.00	KING	\$0.00			ROCKWALL	\$10.00		
BAILEY	\$10.00			ERATH	\$10.00			KINNEY	\$10.00			RUNNELS	\$10.00		
BANDERA	\$10.00			FALLS	\$10.00			KLEBERG	\$10.00			RUSK	\$10.00		- Begun Jan 2015
BASTROP	\$10.00			FANNIN	\$10.00			KNOX	\$10.00			SABINE	\$10.00	\$1.00	
BAYLOR	\$10.00			FAYETTE	\$10.00			LAMAR	\$10.00			SAN AUGUSTINE	\$10.00	\$1.50	
BEE	\$10.00			FISHER	\$10.00			LAMB	\$10.00			SAN JACINTO	\$10.00	\$1.50	
BELL	\$10.00	\$1.50		FLOYD	\$10.00			LAMPASAS	\$10.00	\$1.50		SAN PATRICIO	\$10.00	\$1.50	
BEXAR	\$10.00	\$1.50	\$10.00	FOARD	\$10.00			LA SALLE	\$10.00			SAN SABA	\$10.00		
BLANCO	\$10.00	\$1.50		FORT BEND	\$10.00	\$1.50		LAVACA	\$10.00			SCHLEICHER	\$10.00		
BORDEN	\$0.00			FRANKLIN	\$10.00			LEE	\$10.00			SCURRY	\$10.00		
BOSQUE	\$10.00			FREESTONE	\$10.00			LEON	\$10.00			SHACKELFORD	\$10.00		
BOWIE	\$10.00			FRIO	\$10.00	\$1.50		LIBERTY	\$10.00			SHELBY	\$10.00	\$1.50	
BRAZORIA	\$10.00			GAINES	\$0.00			LIMESTONE	\$10.00			SHERMAN	\$10.00		
BRAZOS	\$10.00	\$1.50		GALVESTON	\$10.00			LIPSCOMB	\$10.00			SMITH	\$10.00	\$1.50	
BREWSTER	\$10.00			GARZA	\$10.00			LIVE OAK	\$10.00			SOMERVELL	\$5.00		
BRISCOE	\$10.00			GILLESPIE	\$10.00	\$1.50		LLANO	\$10.00	\$0.75		STARR	\$10.00		
BROOKS	\$10.00	\$1.50		GLASSCOCK	\$10.00			LOVING	\$0.00			STEPHENS	\$10.00		
BROWN	\$10.00			GOLIAD	\$10.00			LUBBOCK	\$10.00			STERLING	\$0.00		
BURLESON	\$10.00			GONZALES	\$10.00			LYNN	\$10.00			STONEWALL	\$10.00		
BURNET	\$10.00			GRAY	\$10.00			MADISON	\$10.00			SUTTON	\$10.00		
CALDWELL	\$10.00			GRAYSON	\$10.00			MARION	\$10.00			SWISHER	\$10.00		
CALHOUN	\$10.00			GREGG	\$9.00			MARTIN	\$10.00			TARRANT	\$10.00		
CALLAHAN	\$10.00			GRIMES	\$10.00			MASON	\$10.00			TAYLOR	\$10.00		
CAMERON	\$10.00		\$10.00	GUADALUPE	\$10.00	\$1.50		MATAGORDA	\$10.00			TERRELL	\$5.00		
CAMP	\$10.00	\$0.50		HALE	\$10.00			MAVERICK	\$10.00	\$1.50		TERRY	\$10.00		
CARSON	\$10.00			HALL	\$10.00			MCCULLOCH	\$10.00	\$1.50		THROCKMORTON	\$10.00		
CASS	\$10.00			HAMILTON	\$10.00			MCLENNAN	\$10.00	\$1.50		TITUS	\$10.00		
CASTRO	\$10.00			HANFORD	\$10.00			MCMULLEN	\$0.00			TOM GREEN	\$10.00	\$1.50	
CHAMBERS	\$10.00	\$1.00		HARDEMAN	\$10.00			MEDINA	\$10.00			TRAVIS	\$10.00	\$1.50	
CHEROKEE	\$10.00			HARDIN	\$10.00			MENARD	\$10.00	\$1.50		TRINITY	\$10.00	\$1.50	
CHILDRESS	\$10.00			HARRIS	\$10.00	\$1.50		MIDLAND	\$10.00			TYLER	\$10.00	\$1.00	
CLAY	\$10.00			HARRISON	\$10.00			MILAM	\$10.00			UPSHUR	\$10.00		
COCHRAN	\$10.00			HARTLEY	\$10.00			MILLS	\$10.00			UPTON	\$5.00		
COKE	\$10.00			HASKELL	\$10.00			MITCHELL	\$10.00			UVALDE	\$10.00		
COLEMAN	\$10.00			HAYS	\$10.00			MONTAGUE	\$10.00			VAL VERDE	\$10.00		
COLLIN	\$10.00	\$1.50		HEMPHILL	\$5.00			MONTGOMERY	\$10.00			VAN ZANDT	\$10.00	\$1.50	
COLLINGSWORTH	\$10.00			HENDERSON	\$10.00			MOORE	\$10.00			VICTORIA	\$10.00		
COLORADO	\$10.00			HIDALGO	\$10.00		\$10.00	MORRIS	\$10.00			WALKER	\$10.00		
COMAL	\$10.00	\$1.50		HILL	\$10.00			MOTLEY	\$10.00			WALLER	\$10.00		
COMANCHE	\$10.00			HOCKLEY	\$10.00			NACOGDOCHES	\$10.00			WARD	\$0.00		
CONCHO	\$10.00			HOOD	\$10.00			NAVARRO	\$10.00			WASHINGTON	\$10.00		
COOKE	\$10.00			HOPKINS	\$10.00			NEWTON	\$10.00			WEBB	\$10.00		\$10.00
CORYELL	\$10.00			HOUSTON	\$10.00			NOLAN	\$10.00			WHARTON	\$10.00		
COTTLE	\$10.00			HOWARD	\$10.00			NUECES	\$10.00			WHEELER	\$5.00	\$1.50	
CRANE	\$0.00			HUDSPETH	\$10.00			OCHILTREE	\$10.00			WICHITA	\$10.00		
CROCKETT	\$5.00			HUNT	\$10.00	\$1.00		OLDHAM	\$10.00			WILBARGER	\$10.00		
CROSBY	\$10.00			HUTCHINSON	\$10.00			ORANGE	\$10.00			WILLACY	\$10.00		
CULBERSON	\$10.00			IRION	\$10.00			PALO PINTO	\$10.00			WILLIAMSON	\$10.00	\$1.50	
DALLAM	\$10.00			JACK	\$10.00			PANOLA	\$0.00			WILSON	\$10.00		
DALLAS	\$10.00			JACKSON	\$10.00			PARKER	\$10.00			WINKLER	\$7.50		
DAWSON	\$10.00			JASPER	\$10.00			PARMER	\$10.00			WISE	\$10.00		
DEAF SMITH	\$10.00			JEFF DAVIS	\$10.00	\$1.50		PECOS	\$10.00			WOOD	\$10.00		
DELTA	\$10.00			JEFFERSON	\$10.00			POLK	\$10.00	\$1.50		YOAKUM	\$10.00		
DENTON	\$10.00	\$1.50		JIM HOGG	\$10.00	\$1.50		POTTER	\$10.00			YOUNG	\$10.00		
DEWITT	\$10.00			JIM WELLS	\$10.00	\$1.50		PRESIDIO	\$10.00			ZAPATA	\$10.00	\$1.50	
DICKENS	\$10.00			JOHNSON	\$10.00	\$1.50		RAINS	\$10.00	\$1.50		ZAVALA	\$10.00	\$1.50	
				JONES	\$10.00			RANDALL	\$10.00						

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