

**REGIONAL PUBLIC DEFENDER OFFICE  
LOCAL GOVERNMENT CORPORATION (RPDO)**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

**February 10, 2023, 9:00 A.M.  
Civil and Family Courts Facility  
6<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room (6.504)  
1700 Guadalupe Street  
Austin, Texas**

**AGENDA**

This Notice and Meeting Agenda are posted online at [www.rpdo.org](http://www.rpdo.org).

1. Call to Order – *Rick Wardroup*
2. Acknowledgement of a Quorum – *Elaine Nauert*
3. Citizen Comment - *Any citizen who wishes to discuss or comment on matters pertinent to the business of the RPDO may do so by completing a citizen comment form and returning it to the Board Secretary before the meeting begins. Citizen participation is limited to the subject matter of an item on the agenda. Citizens' remarks shall be limited to a period of three (3) minutes per person and are allowed to speak only once. Speakers shall not and are not permitted to make personal or impertinent remarks or use vulgar, profane, inflammatory, slanderous, or defamatory language. Any Board deliberation of, or decision about, a subject not included on the current meeting agenda shall be limited to a proposal to place the subject on the agenda for a subsequent meeting.*

**CONSENT AGENDA** - *These are items of a routine nature that may be approved with one motion unless a Board Member requests that an item be removed from Consent Agenda and considered separately. A motion to approve the Consent Agenda will approve the recommended action for each item on the Consent Agenda.*

4. Consider and approve the Financial Report
5. Consider and approve the Minutes of the February 16, 2022 Board of Directors meeting.
6. Consider and approve the payment for Board member's travel costs to attend the February 16, 2022 meeting.
7. Consider and approve/ratify the health and dental insurance benefit program for the RPDO employees for FY 2023.
8. Consider and approve/ratify TCDRS retirement participation renewal for 2023.
9. Consider and approve/ratify procuring liability and public officials insurance for FY23 with Texas Association of Counties.

10. Consider and approve/ratify the FY23 contract for information technology services with the Office of Court Administration.
11. Consider and approve/ratify the office lease contracts for the RPDO offices located in the following locations:
  - a. Angleton
  - b. Lubbock
  - c. Lubbock – Administration Offices
  - d. San Antonio
  - e. Terrell
12. Consider and approve/ratify the procurement of Worker’s Compensation insurance for the RPDO with Texas Association of Counties.
13. Consider and approve the 2023 RPDO-LG Holiday Calendar.
14. Consider and approve/ratify accepting the application and receipt of FY23 TIDC grants.

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

15. Discuss, consider and approve/ratify the FY 2023 budget.
16. Discuss, consider and approve amending the hearing process found in Chapter 16, Section 16.2 of the RPDO Personnel Policy Manual.
17. Discuss, consider and approve amending the Bylaws of the RPDO by amending Article III, Section 3.03 “Quorum” and changing the number of board members needed to establish a quorum.
18. Discuss, consider and approve amending the Bylaws of the RPDO by amending Article II, Section 2.02 “Membership, tenure, removal and vacancy” and making the *ex officio* Executive Director of the Texas Indigent Defense Council a non-voting position on the Board of the Directors.
19. Discuss, consider and approve external auditor report.
20. Convene into executive session in accordance with Tex. Gov’t Code §551.071 to seek the advice about pending or contemplated litigation, settlement offers or on matters in which duty of the attorney under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas conflicts with Tex. Gov’t Code Ch. 551 (*EEOC Charge No.: 451-2021-03124 – Molzow*).
21. Reconvene into open session and take action on items discussed in executive session, if necessary.
22. Chief Public Defender report
  - a. County Participation in RPDO
  - b. New computers

- c. Cases – RPDO involvement
- d. Staffing – vacancies, etc.

- 23. Receive reports and updates from the following working groups:
  - a. Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws Review
  - b. County Interlocal Agreement Terms and Conditions Review
- 24. Discuss and schedule date for next board meeting.
- 25. Announcements (*no action*)
- 26. Adjournment

Posted by Elaine Nauert, System Administrator on February 7, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. as follows pursuant to Tex. Gov't Code § 551.053:

Posted at 1713 Main Street, Lubbock, Texas (*where the main RPDO offices are located and where the public has access during normal business hours*)

Notice of the meeting provided to the Secretary of the State pursuant to Tex. Gov't Code § 551.053

Posted by the Lubbock County Clerk on the bulletin board at the public in the Lubbock County Courthouse.

***Executive Session Disclosure Statement:*** *The RPDO Board of Directors reserves the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the course of the meeting to discuss any item listed on this agenda as authorized by Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, including but not necessarily limited to §551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), §551.072 (Deliberations regarding Real Property), §551.073 (Deliberations regarding Gifts and Donations), §551.074 (Personnel Matters), and §551.076 (Deliberations regarding Security Devices).*