TYLER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

100 West Bluff Street, County Courtroom, Room 101

RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF TYLER COUNTY, TEXAS ESTABLISHING REASONABLE LIMITS ON THE AMOUNT OF TIME COUNTY PERSONNEL ARE REQUIRED TO SPEND PRODUCING PUBLIC INFORMATION TO A REQUESTOR WITHOUT RECOVERING THE COSTS ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE TIME

WHEREAS, each year the County of Tyler receives from specific requestors numerous requests to provide copies of public information and to produce public information for inspection and/or duplication purposes;

WHEREAS, compliance with such requests for public information often requires the review, compilation and production of thousands of pages of information and a great many hours of personnel time;

WHEREAS, Tyler County may not normally recover from a requestor the costs attributable to that personal time;

WHEREAS, Section 552.275 of the Texas Government Code authorizes a governmental body such as Tyler County to establish reasonable monthly and yearly limits on the amount of time that personnel of the governmental body are required to spend producing public information for inspection or duplication by a requestor, or providing copies of public information to a requestor, without recovering the costs attributable to the personnel time;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Tyler County, Texas hereby establishes the following reasonable limits on the amount of time that county personnel are required to spend producing public information for inspection or duplication by a requester, or providing copies of public information to a requestor, without recovering the costs attributable to the personnel time:

1. The reasonable time limit for any twelve-month period that corresponds to the fiscal year of Tyler County shall be thirty-six (36) hours of personnel time; and

2. The reasonable time limit for any calendar month during the year shall be fifteen (15) hours of personnel time.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a specific requestor who exceeds the established monthly or yearly limit will be required to compensate Tyler County for its costs, including materials, personnel time and overhead expenses, necessarily incurred in complying with any subsequent requests submitted by the requestor in the same month or year, as the case may be, all as allowed by Section 552.275 of the Texas Government Code.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all county officials who have designated the same officer for public information may collectively calculate the amount of time that personnel are required to spend for purposes of the monthly or yearly limit established in this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution does not prevent the use of or applicability of any other exemption provided by Section 552 or any other statute.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in accordance with Section 552.275(j) of the Texas Government Code, the forgoing time limits do not apply if the requestor is one of the following individuals:

1. An elected official of the United States, this state, or a political subdivision of this state;

2. A representative of a publicly funded legal services organization that is exempt from federal income taxation under Section 50l(a), Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, by being listed as an exempt entity under Section 501(c)(3) of that code; or

3. An individual who, for a substantial portion of the individual's livelihood or for substantial financial gain, gathers, compiles, prepares, collects, photographs, records, writes, edits, reports, investigates, processes, or publishes news or information for and is seeking the information for dissemination by a news medium or communication services provider or for creation or maintenance of an abstract plant as described by Section 2501.004, Texas Insurance Code.

Passed, approved and adopted on this 9th of November 2026, at a regular meeting of the Commissioners Court of Tyler County, Texas held in compliance with the Open Meetings Act, at which meeting a quorum was present and voting.

Signed on this_____day of_____, 2026

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Milton Powers, Tyler County Judge

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Joe Blacksher, Commissioner, Precinct 1

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Doug Hughes, Commissioner Precinct 2

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Burtis Conner, Commissioner, Precinct 3

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Donna Hudson, Commissioner, Precinct 4

Attested by:

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Janet Brown, Tyler County Clerk