



COMMISSIONERS COURT
COMMUNICATION

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DATE: 12/13/2022

SUBJECT: **APPROVAL OF EXCEPTIONS TO THE FEE SCHEDULE FOR
COURT INTERPRETERS**

***** CONSENT AGENDA *****

COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED

It is requested that the Commissioners Court approve exceptions to Tarrant County’s fee schedule for interpreters appointed by Criminal Courts.

BACKGROUND

On December 8, 1988, the Commissioners Court, through Court Order #79732, established an amount of \$50.00 per hour for court interpreters. On November 17, 2020, through Court Order #134246, the hourly rate for court interpreters was increased to \$100.00 per hour. Interpreter fees incurred prior to November 17, 2020, will adhere to the \$50.00 per hour rate.

One or more criminal court(s) required interpreter service exceeding the limit set by this Court Order.

1. United Interpretation and Translation Services (Spanish)
Re: Cause No. 322-686845-20 Paulino Martinez
\$90.00 per hour – 2 hour minimum fee charged (11/08/2022)
Honorable James B. Munford, 322nd District Court
2. PML Interpreting & Translations Inc. (Spanish)
Re: Cause No. 322-715573-23 Jose Cruz and Maria Garcia
\$100.00 per hour – 2 hour minimum fee charged (11/11/2022); Invoice #005928
Honorable James B. Munford, 322nd District Court
3. Juanita M. Dunlap (Spanish)
 - A. Re: Cause No. 324-686187-20 Jose Paz and Lucia Rodriguez
\$95.00 per hour – 2 hour minimum fee charged (11/04/2022); Invoice #233-JP-110422
Honorable Jerome S. Hennigan, 324th District Court
 - B. Re: Cause No. 231-708684-21 Uriel Vasquez
\$95.00 per hour – 2 hour minimum fee charged (11/11/2022)
Honorable Mary Ellen Hicks, 231st District Court
4. Josue Carmona of The Spoken Word (Spanish)
Re: Cause No. 1663441 Marcelino Medranoarias
\$95.00 per hour – 2 hour minimum fee charged (10/30/2022); Invoice #004269
Honorable Erin Cofer, County Criminal Court #6

SUBMITTED BY:	Budget and Risk Mgmt	PREPARED BY: APPROVED BY:	Claudia J. Del Toro Castro Helen Giese
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FISCAL IMPACT

There will be no additional fiscal impact. Budgeted funds are available in the department's budget.