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**VIA EMAIL –** [redacted]

October 23, 2026

Ms. Mandy Chavers
Freestone County Treasurer
118 East Commerce Street, Room 102
Fairfield, Texas 75840

**Re: Follow-up to Public Information Act request of September 3, 2026 – Jail / Criminal Justice Center supplemental cash, debt, and payment records**

Dear Ms. Chavers:

Thank you for your office's August response to my August 17 request, which included the June FY2024 Cash Receipts and Disbursements report and the FY2025 Annual Treasurer Report (presented December 3, 2025, amended April 1, 2026).

I am writing to follow up on a narrower request delivered September 3, 2026, which I have not yet received a response to. It asked only for supplemental records not included in the reports already provided. Those reports show no separate jail, Criminal Justice Center, bond-proceeds, debt-service, or sinking fund among the County funds in your custody. Unless you tell me otherwise, I will treat item 1 of the September 3 request as having no further responsive records.

To close out the request, I would be grateful for a response on the three remaining items. For each, either the records or a note that your office does not keep them (or that the Auditor holds them) would fully answer it:

1. **Item 2:** Treasurer payment registers, warrants, or similar records showing payments to other counties or facilities for housing Freestone County inmates.
2. **Item 3:** Records of receipts or reimbursements credited to the County for inmate medical care, confinement, insurance, or other third-party recoveries.
3. **Item 4:** Records of current outstanding County debt and annual debt-service payments, including lease-purchase obligations.

More than 10 business days have passed since the request. I would appreciate the records, or a written date when they will be available under Government Code 552.221(d), within the next 10 business days. I would appreciate a brief reply confirming that you received this letter; a reply to this email is fine. Copies of the August 17 and September 3 requests are attached.

Thank you for your time and for your service to Freestone County.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert P. Sharpe

Robert P. "RancherRob" Sharpe
Founder, Freestone County Good Governance Council (forming)

Attachments: requests of August 17, 2026 and September 3, 2026

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September 3, 2026

Mandy Chavers
Freestone County Treasurer
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**Subject: Jail / Criminal Justice Center - Supplemental Cash, Debt and Payment Records**

I already have Treasurer reports in my database. I am not asking you to reproduce them. I am seeking only supplemental records in your custody that would help reconcile cash payments, debt obligations, and reimbursements connected with the jail and proposed bond.

I am making this request as a private citizen to assemble a reliable factual record, answer existing questions accurately, and perform a fair analysis of the need, cost, alternatives, financing, operations, and taxpayer impact associated with the proposed Criminal Justice Center bond and the separate long-range countywide healthcare discussion. The records are necessary so any eventual support, opposition, or recommendation can be based on documented facts rather than assumptions. I am requesting existing records only; I am not asking your office to create a new analysis or answer questions that are not already reflected in existing records.

I appreciate the time your office has already spent responding to prior requests. I am specifically trying to avoid duplication. Electronic copies in native or text-searchable format are preferred whenever available.

Respectfully requested,

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**TEXAS PUBLIC INFORMATION ACT REQUEST**

**Mandy Chavers, Freestone County Treasurer**

**Subject: Jail / Criminal Justice Center - Supplemental Cash, Debt and Payment Records**

Under the Texas Public Information Act, Chapter 552 of the Texas Government Code, I request electronic copies of the following existing records. Unless otherwise stated, the requested period is January 1, 2021 through the date the request is processed. For jail-capacity and outside-housing records that are readily available, I also request responsive records from January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2020.

**Prior-production exclusion.** Please exclude any documents your office has already produced to me in response to my prior public-information requests. I do not want duplicate copies or duplicate charges.

1. Any cash, investment, debt-service, bond-proceeds, sinking-fund, or project-fund schedules specifically associated with the jail, Criminal Justice Center, or proposed bond that were not included in prior Treasurer productions.
2. Any existing Treasurer payment registers, warrants, drafts, or similar records that specifically identify payments to counties or facilities for housing Freestone County inmates, if those records are maintained by the Treasurer and are not otherwise available from the Auditor.
3. Any existing records of receipts/reimbursements credited to the County for inmate medical care, inmate confinement reimbursement, insurance, Medicaid inpatient claims, or other third-party recoveries, if maintained by the Treasurer.
4. Any existing records showing current outstanding County debt and annual debt-service obligations that were not already produced and that would be relevant to evaluating the proposed bond.

Please provide responsive records electronically when reasonably available. If a record contains confidential or protected information, I request the releasable portion with only the protected information redacted rather than withholding an otherwise public record in full. I am not requesting protected patient medical records, inmate medical charts, Social Security numbers, or other personally identifying medical information.

If clarification or narrowing would materially reduce the burden or cost of this request, please contact me before processing a large volume of records. If estimated charges will exceed $40, please provide an itemized written estimate before incurring the cost.

Respectfully requested,

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August 17, 2026

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**Re: Public Information Act Request – Commissioners Court Minutes and Financial Reports**

Dear Ms. Gregory, Ms. Atkinson, and Ms. Chavers:

Pursuant to the Texas Public Information Act (Texas Government Code Chapter 552), I respectfully request access to, or copies of, the following public information:

1. Approved minutes of the Freestone County Commissioners Court for all meetings from January 1, 2025, to the present date (or the most recent date for which minutes have been approved and are available).

2. The 2025 Annual Financial Report / Auditor's Report for Freestone County (or the most recent completed annual financial report if the 2025 report has not yet been finalized).

3. Treasurer's monthly reports for Freestone County from June 2024 through the present.

I prefer to receive these records in electronic PDF format by email to [redacted] if that is available and convenient. If paper copies are necessary, I am willing to pay the reasonable charges authorized by the Act and by the rules of the Office of the Attorney General. Please advise me of any estimated cost before copying if the cost will exceed $40.

If any portion of the requested information is believed to be excepted from disclosure, please release all non-excepted portions and identify the specific exception(s) claimed for any withheld material, consistent with the requirements of the Public Information Act.

Thank you for your assistance. I look forward to your response within the time required by law.

Respectfully submitted,

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