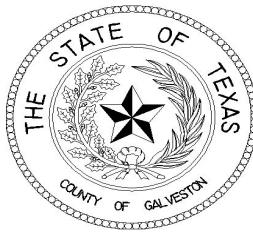


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MEMORANDUM

Date: January 6, 2026

To: Honorable Commissioners Court

From: Sergio Cruz, County Auditor *SC*

Subject: IRS Standard Mileage Rates Effective January 1, 2026

The Internal Revenue Service issued its annual standard mileage rate announcement on December 29, 2025. A copy of the IRS notice is attached.

Effective January 1, 2026, the standard mileage rates for use of a personal vehicle are:

- 72.5 cents per mile for business use, an increase of 2.5 cents from 2025
- 20.5 cents per mile for medical or moving purposes
- 14 cents per mile for service to charitable organizations

In accordance with Paragraph 4.3.3, Use of Personal Vehicle for Travel or Business Purposes, of the Galveston County Travel Expense Reimbursement Procedure, the IRS established mileage rate will be applied to all 2026 expense reports and mileage reimbursement requests submitted on or after January 1, 2026.