



Travis County Commissioners Court Agenda Request

Meeting Date: March 13, 2012

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Elected/Appointed Official/Dept. Head: Dana DeBeauvoir, Travis County Clerk

Commissioners Court Sponsor: Judge Biscoe

AGENDA LANGUAGE: Approve the Commissioners Court Minutes for the Voting Session of February 28, 2012.

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY OF REQUEST AND ATTACHMENTS:

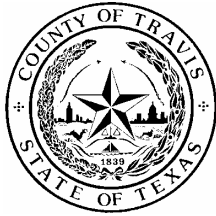
STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES:

FISCAL IMPACT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

REQUIRED AUTHORIZATIONS:

AGENDA REQUEST DEADLINE: All agenda requests and supporting materials must be submitted as a pdf to Cheryl Aker in the County Judge's office, Cheryl.Aker@co.travis.tx.us by Tuesdays at 5:00 p.m. for the next week's meeting.



Minutes for the Travis County Commissioners Court Tuesday, February 28, 2012 Voting Session

Minutes Prepared by the Travis County Clerk
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Call to Order

Meeting called to order on February 28, 2012, in the Ned Granger Building, Commissioners Courtroom, 1st Floor, 314 W. 11th St., Austin, TX. Dana DeBeauvoir, County Clerk, was represented by Deputy Gillian Porter.

Samuel T. Biscoe	County Judge	Present
Ron Davis	Precinct 1, Commissioner	Present
Sarah Eckhardt	Precinct 2, Commissioner	Present
Karen L. Huber	Precinct 3, Commissioner	Present
Margaret J. Gómez	Precinct 4, Commissioner	Present

Public Hearings

1. Receive comments regarding proposed changes to Chapter One of the Travis County Code, Commissioners Court Rules of Procedure and Citizens Communication. (Action Item #23)

MOTION: Open the Public Hearing.
RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: Samuel T. Biscoe, Judge
SECONDER: Margaret J. Gómez, Commissioner
AYES: Biscoe, Davis, Eckhardt, Huber, Gómez

Members of the Court heard from:
Ronnie Gjemre, Travis County Resident
Dr. John K. Kim, Travis County Resident

MOTION: Close the Public Hearing.
RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: Karen L. Huber, Commissioner
SECONDER: Margaret J. Gómez, Commissioner
AYES: Biscoe, Davis, Eckhardt, Huber, Gómez

Citizens Communication

Members of the Court heard from:
Dr. John K. Kim, Travis County Resident
Ronnie Gjemre, Travis County Resident

Special Items

2. Consider and take appropriate action on an order concerning outdoor burning in the unincorporated areas of Travis County.

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

Clerk's Note: The County Judge announced that by taking no action, the prohibition against outdoor burning remains lifted.

Administrative Operations Items

3. Review and approve the immediate release of reimbursement payment to United Health Care for claims paid for participants in the Travis County Employee Health Care Fund for payment of \$1,070,701.34 for the period of February 10 to February 16, 2012.

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

4. Consider and take appropriate action on proposed routine personnel amendments.

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

5. Consider and take appropriate action to replace Sections 10.020 through 10.022 of the Travis County Code related to tuition reimbursement.

MOTION: Approve Item 5.
RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: Samuel T. Biscoe, Judge
SECONDER: Margaret J. Gómez, Commissioner
AYES: Biscoe, Davis, Eckhardt, Huber, Gómez

Justice and Public Safety Items

6. Consider and take appropriate action regarding an amendment of agreement for transport helicopter services among Travis County, St. David's Medical Center, and Pediatrix Medical Services, Inc. D/B/A Magella Medical Associates.

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

Purchasing Office Items

7. Approve contract award for Northeast Metro Park BMX track area improvements design, RFQ NO. Q110243-LP, to the highest qualified firm, Half Associates, Inc.

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

8. Approve interlocal agreement No. IL120130LP, Capital Area Council of Governments, for light detection and ranging services.

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

9. Consider and take appropriate action regarding an interlocal agreement with the Capital Area Council of Governments toward the purchase and continued operation of air quality monitoring.

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

Clerk's Note: The County Judge noted that by approving Item 9 the Court is authorizing expenditure up to \$12,500.00.

10. Approve contract award for Quinlan Park Road design project, RFQ NO. Q110243-LP, to the highest qualified firm, RW Armstrong & Associates, Inc.

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

11. Approve interlocal agreement No. IL120116SH, education and training services, University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center.

RESULT: POSTPONED **Reset for: 3/6/2012**

12. Approve Modification No. 1, an Assignment of Contract No. 12K00137JW from Hornsby Bend Utility Company, Inc. to Southwest Water Company for Plain View Waterline.

MOTION: Approve Item 12.
RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: Ron Davis, Commissioner
SECONDER: Margaret J. Gómez, Commissioner
AYES: Biscoe, Davis, Eckhardt, Huber, Gómez

13. a. Approve the Techshare Resource Sharing Addendum to the Conference of Urban Counties interlocal agreement for the Common Integrated Justice System, Odyssey Court Administration System and optional modules; and
- b. Approve the software as a service and professional services agreement for the purchase of the Odyssey Case Management System from Tyler Technologies, Inc.

RESULT: POSTPONED **Reset for: 3/6/2012**

Transportation, Natural Resources and Facilities Dept. Items

14. Consider and take appropriate action on the use of Fiscal Year 2012 Local Initiative Projects Program Grant funds to provide continued support for the Downtown Alliance Transportation Management Association.

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

15. Consider and take appropriate action on a request to approve an advance funding agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation for intersection improvements at FM 973 and Decker Lake Road extension in Precinct One. (Commissioner Davis)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

16. Consider and take appropriate action on items associated with Chapter 45 of the Travis County Code to include:
- a. Rename Chapter 45 of the Travis County Code from "Discounts for use of Certain Travis County Exposition Center Facilities by Public Entities" to "Travis County Exposition Center Mission, Licensing and Operations"; and
- b. Replace current content of Chapter 45 in its entirety with new content.

Members of the Court heard from:

Roger El Khoury, Director, Facilities Management
Tenley Aldrege, Assistant County Attorney
Steve Manilla, County Executive, Transportation and Natural Resources (TNR)

MOTION: Approve the revisions in Item 16.
RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: Sarah Eckhardt, Commissioner
SECONDER: Margaret J. Gómez, Commissioner
AYES: Biscoe, Davis, Eckhardt, Huber, Gómez

17. Receive briefing by City of Austin on progress of the Upper Airport Boulevard Initiative.
(Commissioner Davis)

Members of the Court heard from:

Roger El Khoury, Director, Facilities Management
Jorge Rousselin, Project Co-Manager, Upper Airport Boulevard Initiative, City of Austin

RESULT: DISCUSSED

Planning and Budget Dept. Items

18. Consider and take appropriate action on budget amendments, transfers and discussion items.

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

Clerk's Note: The Court noted that action on Amendment A2 would be postponed until March 6, 2012.

Clerk's Note: Please note that for this Item, references to A2 refer to numbered items in separate budget documents, not these minutes. See supporting documentation.

19. Review and approve revised Memorandum of Understanding between Travis County, the City of Austin Police Department, Life Anew, Inc, Texas RioGrande Legal Aid, Inc. and the University of Texas School of Law Domestic Violence Clinic for the Fiscal Year 2010 SafeHavens Grant Program, managed by Counseling & Education Services.

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

20. Consider and take appropriate action regarding procurement objectives and constraints for the civil and family courthouse.

Members of the Court heard from:

Roger Jefferies, County Executive, Justice and Public Safety (JPS)
Mark Gibson, Principal, Construction & Real Estate Advisory Services, Ernst & Young
Ronnie Gjemre, Travis County Resident
James Collins, Senior Chief Deputy, County Attorney's Office

MOTION: Approve Sections 2.1, 2.2, and 4.0.
RESULT: **APPROVED [3 TO 2]**
MOVER: Samuel T. Biscoe, Judge
SECONDER: Ron Davis, Commissioner
AYES: Samuel T. Biscoe, Ron Davis, Sarah Eckhardt
NAYS: Karen L. Huber, Margaret J. Gómez

21. Consider and take appropriate action on recommendations on the use of existing Certificates of Obligation balances.

Members of the Court heard from:

Leroy Nellis, Interim County Executive, Planning and Budget Office (PBO)

Jessica Rio, Assistant Budget Manager, PBO
Steve Manilla, County Executive, TNR

MOTION: Approve Item 21, and authorize that the associated budget amendments are processed as automatic transfers.
RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: Margaret J. Gómez, Commissioner
SECONDER: Samuel T. Biscoe, Judge
AYES: Biscoe, Davis, Eckhardt, Huber, Gómez

Health and Human Services Dept. Items

22. Consider and take appropriate action on request from Ending Community Homeless Coalition, Inc. for space in a County facility to provide social services to residents.

RESULT: POSTPONED Reset for: 3/6/2012

Other Items

23. Consider and take appropriate action regarding proposed changes to Chapter One of the Travis County Code, Commissioners Court Rules of Procedure and Citizens Communication.

RESULT: POSTPONED Reset for: 3/6/2012

24. Consider and take appropriate action on the following:

- a. Request to join local residents and extend an invitation to officials from Haining and Rugao, China to visit Travis County; and
- b. Invitation to establish sister city/county relationship with these two cities.

Members of the Court heard from:

Peter Shen, Chairman, Austin Chinese Chamber of Commerce and member, Travis County Citizens International Program (TCCIP)

George Chang, Member, TCCIP

Sunita Murti, Commercial Business Developer, Southwestern National Bank and member, TCCIP

Aletta Banks, Executive Director, Asian Contractor Association (ACA)

John Hille Assistant County Attorney

MOTION: Send letters to the mayors of Haining and Rugao, China indicating Travis County's interest in visiting as part of the delegation in April, 2012, and assist the TCCIP in ascertaining interested individuals, including members of the City of Austin, Greater Austin Chamber of Commerce, and other organizations.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Samuel T. Biscoe, Judge

SECONDER: Margaret J. Gómez, Commissioner

AYES: Biscoe, Davis, Eckhardt, Huber, Gómez

Executive Session Items

The Commissioners Court will consider the following items in Executive Session. The Commissioners Court may also consider any other matter posted on the agenda if there are issues

that require consideration in Executive Session and the Commissioners Court announces that the item will be considered during Executive Session.

Note 1: Gov't Code Ann 551.071, Consultation with Attorney

Note 2: Gov't Code Ann 551.072, Real Property

Note 3: Gov't Code Ann 551.074, Personnel Matters

Note 4: Gov't Code Ann 551.076, Security

Note 5: Gov't Code Ann 551.087, Economic Development Negotiations

25. Consider and take appropriate action on Economic Development Agreement with Austin Executive Airport.⁵

Judge Biscoe announced that Item 25 would be considered in Executive Session pursuant to Gov't. Code Ann 551.087, Economic Development Negotiations.

RESULT: DISCUSSED

26. Receive briefing from County Attorney and take appropriate action in Melanie Boyte v. Travis County, et al.¹

RESULT: PULLED

27. Ratify contract for professional engineering design services for the water and wastewater system at Reimers Ranch Park with Davis Engineering, Inc.¹

RESULT: POSTPONED **Reset for: 3/13/2012**

28. Receive briefing from County Attorney and take appropriate action on Resolution approving the issuance of refunding bonds by the Travis County Emergency Services District No. 1.¹ (Commissioner Huber)

Judge Biscoe announced that Item 28 would be considered in Executive Session pursuant to Gov't. Code Ann. 551.071, Consultation with Attorney.

Members of the Court heard from:

Ladd Pattillo, Travis County Financial Advisor

Bart Fowler, Attorney, McCall, Parkhurst and Horton, LLP and Bond Counsel, Emergency Services District No. 1 (ESD #1)

MOTION: Approve the Resolution in Item 28, and authorize the County Judge to sign on behalf of the Commissioners Court.

RESULT: APPROVED [3 TO 0]

MOVER: Samuel T. Biscoe, Judge

SECONDER: Karen L. Huber, Commissioner

AYES: Samuel T. Biscoe, Sarah Eckhardt, Karen L. Huber

ABSTAIN: Ron Davis

ABSENT: Margaret J. Gómez

29. Receive legal briefing and take appropriate action regarding Travis County involvement in legal action objecting to congressional redistricting by the Texas Legislature.¹

RESULT: POSTPONED **Reset for: 3/6/2012**

30. Consider and take appropriate action regarding acquisition of real property owned by the Housing Authority of Travis County.^{1 And 2}

RESULT: POSTPONED **Reset for: 3/6/2012**

31. Consider and take appropriate action on economic development agreement regarding Project Hudson.⁵

Judge Biscoe announced that Item 31 would be considered in Executive Session pursuant to Gov't. Code Ann. 551.071, Consultation with Attorney and Gov't. Code Ann 551.087, Economic Development Negotiations.

MOTION: Indicate the County's agreement to enter into a 15-year agreement with the specifics to be negotiated.
RESULT: **APPROVED [4 TO 0]**
MOVER: Samuel T. Biscoe, Judge
SECONDER: Margaret J. Gómez, Commissioner
AYES: Samuel T. Biscoe, Ron Davis, Karen L. Huber, Margaret J. Gómez
ABSTAIN: Sarah Eckhardt

Consent Items

MOTION: Approve the following Consent Items: C1–C4 and Agenda Items 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 14, 15, 18, and 19.
RESULT: **ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: Margaret J. Gómez, Commissioner
SECONDER: Sarah Eckhardt, Commissioner
AYES: Samuel T. Biscoe, Sarah Eckhardt, Karen L. Huber, Margaret J. Gómez
ABSENT: Ron Davis

- C1. Receive bids from County Purchasing Agent.
- C2. Approve payment of claims and authorize County Treasurer to invest County funds.
- C3. Approve setting a public hearing on Tuesday, March 20, 2012 to receive comments regarding a request to authorize the filing of an instrument to vacate two 25 foot wide drainage easements located along the common lot line of Lot 1 of the Rivercliff, Section Two, Phase A subdivision and Lot 19 of the re-plat of Lots 15-19 Rivercliff subdivision in Precinct Three. (Commissioner Huber)
- C4. Approve setting a public hearing on Tuesday, March 27, 2012 to receive public comments and take appropriate action regarding the proposed Colorado River Corridor Plan in Precincts One and Four. (Commissioners Davis and Gómez)

Added Items

- A1. Receive update and take appropriate action on status of preparation and distribution of voter registration certificates to Travis County residents.

Members of the Court heard from:
Dolores Lopez, Division Director, Voter Registration, Tax Assessor Collector's Office

RESULT: **DISCUSSED** **Reset for: 3/6/2012**

- A2. Consider and take appropriate action regarding selection of furniture for Commissioners Courtroom at 700 Lavaca, Austin.

Members of the Court heard from:
John Hille Assistant County Attorney

RESULT: DISCUSSED

Reset for: 3/6/2012

Minutes approved by the Commissioners Court

Date of Approval

Samuel T. Biscoe, Travis County Judge