



Travis County Commissioners Court Agenda Request

Meeting Date: April 10, 2012

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Elected/Appointed Official/Dept. Head: Dana DeBeauvoir

Commissioners Court Sponsor: Judge Biscoe

AGENDA LANGUAGE:

Agenda Request for approval of the order designating the main Early Voting location, all temporary Early Voting locations, and mobile Early Voting polling places for the May 29, 2012 Joint Primary Election and approval of additional costs associated with Early Voting for this election.

The Travis County Clerk is sending you a list of the Early Voting permanent and mobile polling locations to be certified by the Commissioners Court. The certification will be valid for the May 29, 2012 Joint Primary Election.

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY OF REQUEST AND ATTACHMENTS:

County Clerk letter to Commissioners Court regarding Primary 2012 Early Voting locations.

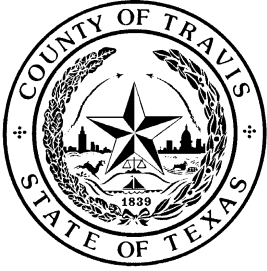
STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

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.



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April 3, 2012

TO: Travis County Commissioners Court

FROM: Dana DeBeauvoir

RE: Request for approval of the order designating the main Early Voting location, all temporary Early Voting locations, and mobile Early Voting polling places for the May 29, 2012 Joint Primary Election and approval of additional costs associated with Early Voting for this election

We are submitting to the Commissioners Court proposed temporary branch and mobile early voting locations for the May 29, 2012 Joint Primary Election. Due to special circumstances, the number of temporary locations has increased to eighteen. This number represents six locations more than the number of locations submitted for the FY2012 budget. The original twelve Primary locations were proposed at the time to help meet a 5% reduction in the overall Elections budget. Because of the unusual events created by redistricting issues, the changes in Primary dates, and extremely close proximity of the Primary and the City of Austin elections, the County Clerk has reconsidered her original intentions of running only twelve temporary branch early voting locations.

The City of Austin recently chose to operate eighteen temporary branch early voting locations for their May 12, 2012 election. Because the Primary early voting period begins only six days after the close of the City of Austin's early voting, the County Clerk feels it is necessary to mirror the City's plan as closely as possible to avoid voter confusion. This increase of locations represents an increase of approximately \$48,000.

Additionally, the parties have chosen to hold their precinct conventions prior to the Primary elections, creating yet another unusual series of events that affect staffing at the polling place. On Friday, March 30, 2012, the Secretary of State issued an advisory for tracking voters' precinct convention participation as they check in at Primary voting locations. This is to prevent voters attending a party's precinct convention (occurring prior to the election) from crossing over and voting in another party's Primary. The procedure of adding this check point to each early voting polling location creates an additional poll worker position for a cost of \$27,000. We are not proposing the need to add additional personnel on election day because the lists for each precinct should be more manageable and could be handled by existing staff.

If the Court chooses to approve the additional six locations for a total of eighteen temporary branch early voting sites, it is the County Clerk's intention to run all polling locations as efficiently as possible and refund any savings back to the County.

Because of the 45-day deadline related to sending out ballots to overseas and military voters, it is important that a final decision be reached on Tuesday, April 10, 2012. Therefore, if you have any questions or concerns, please contact me as soon as possible. Thank you.



Travis County Early Voting Sites
May 29, 2012 Joint Primary Elections
Early Voting Period: Monday, May 14 – Friday, May 25, 2012



Sitios para Votación Adelantada del Condado de Travis

Elecciones Primarias Conjuntas, 29 de mayo, 2012
Período de la Votación Adelantada: lunes, 14 de mayo – viernes, 25 de mayo, 2012

CENTRAL / CENTRAL

Travis County Airport Blvd Offices

5501 Airport Blvd
 Mon – Sat 8 am – 6 pm, Sun Noon – 6 pm
 **May 24th and May 25th 7 am – 7 pm
Lunes – Sab 7 am – 7 pm, Dom Mediodía – 6 pm
 **24 de mayo y 25 de mayo 7 am – 7 pm

Howson Branch Public Library

2500 Exposition Boulevard
 Mon – Wed 10 am–6 pm, Thur Closed,
 Fri 10 am – 6 pm, Sat 10 am – 5 pm, Sun Closed
Lunes – Miércoles 10 am – 6 pm, Jueves Cerrado,
Viernes 10 am – 6 pm, Sab 10 am – 5 pm, Dom Cerrado

Fiesta Mart Central

3909 North IH-35 @ Delwood Shopping Center
 Mon – Sat 8 am – 6 pm, Sun Noon – 6 pm
Lunes – Sab 8 am – 6 pm, Dom Mediodía – 6 pm

NORTH / NORTE

Ben Hur Shriners Hall

7811 Rockwood Lane
 Mon – Sat 8 am – 6 pm, Sun Noon – 6 pm
Lunes – Sab 8 am – 6 pm, Dom Mediodía – 6 pm

NORTHEAST / NORESTE

County Tax Office, Plugerville (Community Room)

15822 Foothill Farms Loop
 Mon – Sat 8 am – 6 pm, Sun Noon – 6 pm
Lunes – Sab 8 am – 6 pm, Dom Mediodía – 6 pm

Goodwill Industries

1015 Norwood Park Boulevard
 Mon – Fri 8 am – 6 pm,
 Sat 9 am – 6 pm, Sun Noon – 6 pm,
Lunes – Viernes 8 am – 6 pm,
Sab 9 am – 6 pm, Dom Mediodía – 6 pm

NORTHWEST / NOROESTE

Randalls Research and Braker

10900-D Research Boulevard @ Braker Lane
 Mon – Sat 8 am – 6 pm, Sun Noon – 6 pm
Lunes – Sab 8 am – 6 pm, Dom Mediodía – 6 pm

(NEW) Randalls Quinlan Crossing

5145 RM620 North @ Steiner Ranch
 Mon – Sat 8 am – 6 pm, Sun Noon – 6 pm
Lunes – Sab 8 am – 6 pm, Dom Mediodía – 6 pm

SOUTH / SUR

HEB South Congress

2400 South Congress (temp building in parking lot)
(edificio provisional en el estacionamiento)
 Mon – Sat 8 am – 6 pm, Sun Noon – 6 pm
Lunes – Sab 8 am – 6 pm, Dom Mediodía – 6 pm

Randalls Ben White and Manchaca

2025 West Ben White Boulevard @ Manchaca Road
 Mon – Sat 8 am – 6 pm, Sun Noon – 6 pm
Lunes – Sab 8 am – 6 pm, Dom Mediodía – 6 pm

SOUTHEAST / SURESTE

Dan Ruiz Public Library

1600 Grove Blvd
 Mon – Thur 10 am – 7 pm, Fri Closed,
 Sat 10 am – 5 pm, Sun Closed
Lunes – Jueves 10 am – 7 pm, Viernes cerrado,
Sab 10 am – 5 pm, Dom cerrado

Fiesta Mart Stassney

5510 S. IH-35 @ Stassney
 Mon – Sat 8 am – 6 pm, Sun Noon – 6 pm
Lunes – Sab 8 am – 6 pm, Dom Mediodía – 6 pm

SOUTHWEST / SUROESTE

Randalls South Mopac and William Cannon

6600 South Mopac @ William Cannon
 Mon – Sat 8 am – 6 pm, Sun Noon – 6 pm
Lunes – Sab 8 am – 6 pm, Dom Mediodía – 6 pm

Randalls Brodie and Slaughter

9911 Brodie Lane @ Slaughter Lane
 Mon – Sat 8 am – 6 pm, Sun Noon – 6 pm
Lunes – Sab 8 am – 6 pm, Dom Mediodía – 6 pm

EAST / ESTE

Parque Zaragoza Recreation Center

2608 Gonzales Street @ East 7th
 Mon – Fri 10 am – 6 pm, Sat 10 am – 5 pm, Sun Closed
Lunes – Viernes 10 am – 6 pm, Sab 10 am – 5 pm,
Dom cerrado

Carver Complex

1165 Angelina Street
 Mon – Thu 10 am – 6 pm, Fri 10 am – 5 pm,
 Sat 10 am – 4 pm, Sun Closed
Lunes – Jueves 10 am – 6 pm, Viernes 10 am – 5 pm,
Sab 10 am – 4 pm, Dom cerrado

WEST / OESTE

Flagship Randalls at Westlake Hills

3300 Bee Caves Road
 Mon – Sat 8 am – 6 pm, Sun Noon – 6 pm
Lunes – Sab 8 am – 6 pm, Dom Mediodía – 6 pm

Randalls Lakeway

2301 RR 620 South
 Mon – Sat 8 am – 6 pm, Sun Noon – 6 pm
Lunes–Sab 8 am – 6 pm, Dom Mediodía – 6 pm



Travis County Elections Mobile Early Voting Guide

May 29, 2012 Joint Primary Elections

Early Voting Period: Monday, May 14 – Friday, May 25



Guía de los Sitios Móviles para Votación Adelantada
Elecciones Primarias Conjuntas, 29 de mayo, 2012
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Monday, May 14

Lunes, 14 de mayo

University of Texas
 Flawn Academic Center (Lobby)
 2400 Inner Campus Drive
 8 am – 6 pm

Manor ISD Administration
 10335 Hwy 290 East (Manor)
 8 am – 6 pm

St. Edwards University
 Ragsdale Center
 3001 South Congress Avenue
 8 am – 6 pm

Tuesday, May 15

Martes, 15 de mayo

University of Texas
 Flawn Academic Center (Lobby)
 2400 Inner Campus Drive
 8 am – 6 pm

Del Valle ISD Administration
 5301 Ross Road
 8 am – 6 pm

Parsons House
 1130 Camino La Costa
 8 am – 10 am

Heritage Park Center
 2806 Real Street
 Noon – 2 pm

Heritage Pointe
 1950 Webberville Road
 4 pm – 6 pm

Wednesday, May 16

Miércoles, 16 de mayo

Stephen F. Austin Building
 1700 North Congress Avenue
 8 am – 5 pm

Huston-Tillotson University
 Davage-Durden Student Union
 900 Chicon Street
 8 am – 6 pm

Emeritus at Beckett Meadows
 7709 Beckett Road
 8 am – 10 am

Southwest Key Program
 6002 Jain Lane
 Noon – 5 pm

Thursday, May 17

Jueves, 17 de mayo

Travis Building
 1701 North Congress Avenue
 8 am – 5 pm

Lago Vista City Hall
 5803 Thunderbird
 8 am – 5 pm

Austin Resource Center for the Homeless (ARCH)
 500 East 7th Street
 8 am – 10 am

Lakeside Senior Center
 85 Trinity
 Noon – 2 pm

RBJ Residential Tower
 21 Waller Street
 4 pm – 6 pm

Friday, May 18

Viernes, 18 de mayo

LBJ Building
 111 East 17th Street
 8 am – 5 pm

Lago Vista City Hall
 5803 Thunderbird
 8 am – 5 pm

Summit at Lakeway
 1917 Lohmans Crossing Road (Lakeway)
 8 am – 10 am

Ce-Bar Fire Department
 353 South Commons Ford
 Noon – 6 pm

Saturday, May 19

Sábado, 19 de mayo

Lago Vista City Hall
 5803 Thunderbird
 8 am – 5 pm

Bee Cave City Hall
 4000 Galleria Parkway
 8 am – 6 pm

Volente Fire Department
 15406 FM 2769 (Volente)
 8 am – 10 am

Briarcliff POA Community Center
 22801 Briarcliff Drive (Briarcliff)
 1 pm – 6 pm

Sunday, May 20

Domingo, 20 de mayo

Northwest Rural Community Center
 18649 FM 1431, Suite 6a (Jonestown)
 Noon – 6 pm

Bee Cave City Hall
 4000 Galleria Parkway
 Noon – 6 pm

Mitchies
 7801 North Lamar Boulevard
 Building B, Suite 148
 Noon – 6pm

Monday, May 21

Lunes, 21 de mayo

Travis County Courthouse
 1000 Guadalupe St
 8 am – 5 pm

Heatherwilde Assisted Living
 401 South Heatherwilde (Pflugerville)
 8 am – 10 am

Continental Assisted Living
 4604 South Lamar Boulevard
 8 am – 10 am

Cambridge Villas Senior Apartments
 15711 Dessau Road (Pflugerville)
 Noon – 2 pm

Services for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing
 2201 Post Road, Ste 100
 Noon – 2 pm

Westminster Manor
 4100 Jackson Avenue
 4 pm – 6 pm

Englewood Estates
 2603 Jones Road
 4 pm – 6 pm

Tuesday, May 22

Martes, 22 de mayo

Austin City Hall
 301 West 2nd Street
 8 am – 5 pm
 Travis County Courthouse
 1000 Guadalupe Street
 8 am – 5 pm

Heartland Health Care Center
 11406 Rustic Rock Drive
 8 am – 10 am

Deer Creek Elementary School
 2420 Zepplin Drive
 Noon – 6 pm

Wednesday, May 23

Miércoles, 23 de mayo

Austin City Hall
 301 West 2nd Street
 8 am – 5 pm

Travis County Courthouse
 1000 Guadalupe Street
 8 am – 5 pm

Town Lake Center
 721 Barton Springs Road
 8 am – 2 pm

Summit at West Lake Hills
 1034 Liberty Park Drive
 4 pm – 6 pm

Thursday, May 24

Jueves, 24 de mayo

Sam Houston Building
 201 East 14th Street
 8 am – 5 pm

Travis County Courthouse
 1000 Guadalupe Street
 8 am – 5 pm

Austin City Hall
 301 West 2nd Street
 8 am – 5 pm

Friday, May 25

Viernes, 25 de mayo

Central Services Building
 1711 San Jacinto Boulevard
 8 am – 5 pm

Travis County Courthouse
 1000 Guadalupe Street
 8 am – 5 pm

Winters Building
 701 West 51st Street
 8 am – 5 pm

Order Designating Main Early Voting Polling Place, Temporary Branch Early Voting Polling Place, and Hours for Early Voting on Weekdays for the May 29, 2012 Joint Primary Election

Texas Election Code section 85.002(b) permits the Travis County Commissioners Court to designate the main early voting polling place for county-wide elections. And Texas Election Code section 85.062(a)(1) permits the court to designate temporary branch early voting polling places for an election in which the county clerk is the early voting clerk.

The election code further establishes, under sections 85.005(a) and (c), that early voting will be conducted at the main early voting polling place for at least twelve hours on each weekday of the last week of the early voting period, and for other weekdays during the early voting period, the days and hours the county clerk's office is regularly open for business. And under section 85.064(b) , early voting by personal appearance at each temporary branch early voting polling place established under Section 85.062(d) will be conducted on the days that early voting is required to be conducted at the main early voting polling place. The authority establishing those temporary branch early voting polling places will determine the hours during which voting is to be conducted on those days. But under section 85.064(c), early voting by personal appearance at temporary branch early voting polling places, other than those polling places designated under section 85.062(d), may be conducted on any one or more days and during any hours of the period for early voting by personal appearance.

The temporary branch early voting polling places designated by this order are located as prescribed by Texas Election Code section 85.062 (b)–(f).

Accordingly, under Texas Election Code section 85.001(a) and (c) and the above-referenced legal authorities, the Travis County Commissioners Court hereby designates for the May 29, 2012 Joint Primary Election the main early voting polling place, the temporary branch early voting polling places, and the temporary branch early voting polling places designated for the mobile early voting program, as set forth in Exhibit A, which is attached and incorporated into this order.

For the May 29, 2012 Joint Primary Elections, the main early voting polling place will be open for early voting by personal appearance on weekdays from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., beginning on Monday, May 14, 2012 through Friday, May 25, 2012, except that the temporary branch early voting polling places specified in Exhibit A will be open for early voting by personal appearance during those days and hours specified in Exhibit A.

BE IT SO ORDERED on this, the _____ day of April, 2012.

Honorable Samuel T. Biscoe
Travis County Judge

Honorable Ron Davis
Commissioner, Precinct One

Honorable Sarah Eckhardt
Commissioner, Precinct Two

Honorable Karen Huber
Commissioner, Precinct Three

Honorable Margaret Gómez
Commissioner, Precinct Four

EXHIBIT A