

# **Travis County Commissioners Court Agenda Request**

Meeting Date: April 24, 2012

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Department Head: Steven M. Manilla, P.E., County Executive-TNR

Sponsoring Court Member: Qounty Judge Samuel T. Biscoe

**AGENDA LANGUAGE**: Receive comments regarding the proposed Travis County Land Conservation Program Guidelines, Conservation Easement Program Application, and Resolution Supporting Conservation of Natural and Cultural Resources in Travis County.

#### **BACKGROUND/SUMMARY OF REQUEST:**

Staff has drafted a process and associated documents for implementing Travis County's new program to conserve land through conservation easement agreements with willing landowners and in partnership with other agencies and land trusts. This public hearing allows the court to receive comments on the proposed process and associated documents.

## **STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:**

Receive comments regarding Travis County Land Conservation Program Guidelines, Conservation Easement Program Applications, and Resolution Supporting Conservation of Natural and Cultural Resources in Travis County.

## **ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES:**

Public input will help improve and/or validate the proposed process and associated documents.

#### FISCAL IMPACT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

None

### **ATTACHMENTS/EXHIBITS:**

Exhibit A: Travis County Land Conservation Program Guidelines

Exhibit B: Conservation Easement Program Applications

Exhibit C: Resolution to Conserve Natural and Cultural Resources

# **REQUIRED AUTHORIZATIONS:**

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