

ITEM 3



Travis County Commissioners Court Agenda Request

Meeting Date: November 6, 2012

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Elected/Appointed Official/Dept. Head: Sherri E. Fleming,
County Executive for Health and Human Services and Veterans Service

Commissioners Court Sponsor: Judge Samuel T. Biscoe

AGENDA LANGUAGE:

Approve Resolution Recognizing November 11, 2012, as Veterans' Day in Travis County.

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY OF REQUEST AND ATTACHMENTS:

Please see attached draft resolution.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Staff recommends approval of this item.

ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES:

Please see attached draft.

FISCAL IMPACT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

This item will not increase the County Budget.

REQUIRED AUTHORIZATIONS:

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

Travis County Commissioners Court



Resolution

WHEREAS, the Department of Veterans Affairs certifies that Austin, Texas, and Travis County are designated by the Veterans Day National Committee as a National Regional Site for the Celebration of Veterans' Day 2012;

WHEREAS, the Travis County Veterans' Day Parade Committee has proclaimed this day to honor "Veterans of Travis County and the City of Austin" with special tribute to our Vietnam Era Veterans as the theme for this year's celebration;

WHEREAS, the United States and its residents reflect on the past decade having gone to war in Afghanistan over ten years ago, remember our fallen, support for our returning troops and offer a firm commitment to our many new Veterans for whom the struggle has not ended;

WHEREAS, in commemoration of this momentous occasion, we take this opportunity to "Honor All Who Served" – Veterans, Spouses and Family members who have contributed so much to preserving our freedom and way of life;

WHEREAS, the VA Staff throughout the country is committed to fulfilling President Lincoln's promise: "To care for him who shall have borne the battle, and for his widow, and his orphans"; and

WHEREAS, "Vets Helping Vets" is the motto of the Travis County Veterans Service Office, and is steadfastly committed to serve "One Veteran at a Time."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TRAVIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT THAT ALL CITIZENS OF TRAVIS COUNTY ARE URGED TO OBSERVE NOVEMBER 11, 2011 AS

"VETERANS' DAY"

WITH APPROPRIATE PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES FOCUSING ON THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF THOSE WHO HAVE SERVED THIS GREAT NATION, AND SHOWING APPRECIATION FOR THEIR DEDICATION AND SERVICE.

SIGNED AND ENTERED THIS _____ DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2012.

SAMUEL T. BISCOE
COUNTY JUDGE

RON DAVIS
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 1

SARAH ECKHARDT
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 2

KAREN HUBER
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 3

MARGARET J. GÓMEZ
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 4

“PARADE”

National Regional Site - Austin, Texas

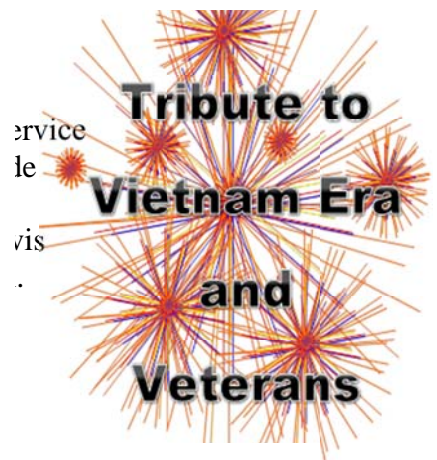


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“The Veterans’ Day Parade is coming to town” 9-12

The annual Veterans’ Day Parade will be held on **Sunday** November 11, 2012 in downtown Austin, TX. The event kicks off at 9 AM from the Ann Richards Congress Avenue Bridge and travels up to the Texas State Capitol Building. Viewing is available all along Congress Avenue and there will be a reviewing stand at the Stephen F. Austin Hotel at Congress and 7th. Stay for the 11 AM Ceremony at the South steps of the state Capitol. Click [here](#) for a map of the Parade route.

This year's theme for the Travis County and City of Austin Veterans' Day Parade and Memorial Ceremony at the South Steps of the State Capitol will be honoring

Veterans of Travis County and the City of Austin A Tribute to Vietnam Era and Veterans

A special flyover is scheduled for the start of the Memorial Ceremony, at 11 AM, performed by the Commemorative Air Force from San Marcos, Texas.

The Department of Veterans Affairs’, Veterans Day National Committee has selected Travis County and the City of Austin as a NATIONAL REGIONAL SITE for this 2012 Veterans’ Day celebration. This marks America’s 59th Annual Veterans’ Day event.

How to Participate

The Parade welcomes any group that wants to show support for the troops. Just fill out the application <http://www.nov11.org/files/application.pdf> and fax it to 512-854-4453. For more information call 512-854-9340.

We can always use extra funds to help support this event as the Parade is put on as a community service event and any monetary donations is used to support the parade.

**Make money orders or checks out to: Veterans' Day Parade Committee
The mailing address is:**

TRAVIS COUNTY VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE
ATTN: Veterans' Day Parade Committee
P.O. Box 1748
Austin, TX 78767

SUBMIT APPLICATION **BY NOV. 4, 2012**
1ST COME MARCH ORDER RANKING.



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