

Item 1



Travis County Commissioners Court Agenda Request

Meeting Date: April 16, 2013
Prepared By/Phone Number: David Salazar, 854-9555
Elected/Appointed Official/Dept. Head: County Judge
Commissioners Court Sponsor: Judge Biscoe

AGENDA LANGUAGE:

RECEIVE COMMENTS REGARDING THE APPLICATION FOR A TEXAS MASS GATHERING ACT PERMIT UNDER CHAPTER 751 OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE FROM THE ELECTRIC COMPANY FOR THE AUSTIN PSYCH FEST AND RELATED ISSUES, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE FOLLOWING:

- A. **EVENT:** AUSTIN PSYCH FEST
PLACE: CARSON CREEK RANCH
9501 SHERMAN ROAD
AUSTIN, TX 78742
DATE: APRIL 26, 27 AND 28, 2013
FROM 1:00 P.M. TO 1:00 A.M. EACH DAY;
- B. PROPOSED PUBLIC SAFETY PLAN, INCLUDING REPORTS FROM:
 - 1. AUSTIN/TRAVIS COUNTY HEALTH AUTHORITY;
 - 2. TRAVIS COUNTY FIRE MARSHAL; AND
 - 3. TRAVIS COUNTY SHERIFF;
- C. PROPOSED TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT PLAN; AND
- D. ALL RELATED ISSUES.

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY OF REQUEST AND ATTACHMENTS:

Please see attached information

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES:

FISCAL IMPACT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

REQUIRED AUTHORIZATIONS:

AGENDA REQUEST DEADLINE: All agenda requests and supporting materials should 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.

Public Notice signs for Pysch Fest Music Festival installed on 4/4/13







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AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING

**TO: County Judge
County Commissioners
Travis County, Texas**

Public notices of Public Hearing regarding issuance of a Mass Gathering Permit were posted on

April 4, 2013 at 3 locations on Dalton Ln (2 signs) &
(date) (count) (road name)
Thornberry Rd (1 sign)

each location being as near as practical to the area being affected.

CERTIFIED THIS THE 4 DAY OF APRIL 2013.
(date) (month)

SIGNATURE: Jaime Garcia

NAME (print): Jaime Garcia

TITLE: TNR/R&B Supervisor

TRANSPORTATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES

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Date: April 10, 2013

To: County Judge, Sam Biscoe

From: David Greear, Traffic Program Manager, TNR

Regarding: Proposed Traffic Management Plan for The Austin Psych Fest

The Austin Pysch Fest is a three day music festival April 26-28, 2013 located at the end of Sherman Road. The anticipated attendance for the festival is 3,000 – 5,000 spectators. The event coordinator, Jason Hicks has met with Travis County, TxDOT and the City of Austin to discuss the overall traffic control plan. From these discussions, Mr. Hicks has created a conceptual traffic management plan that meets the requirements for safely and efficiently moving traffic to and from the event.

All incoming traffic will be directed to eastbound SH71 where they will take the Spirit of Texas Drive exit, make a u-turn under SH71 then proceed westbound on SH71 until they reach Dalton Lane. Traffic will then be directed to turn right on Dalton Lane and continue north on Dalton Lane until they turn right on Giraffe Pen Road. There will be 4 changeable message boards placed along US183 and SH71 directing traffic along this pre-agreed route. Travis County Officers will be hired to direct traffic on Dalton Lane at Sherman Road and at Giraffe Pen Road. All service and support traffic for the event will utilize Sherman Road, while all spectator traffic will utilize Giraffe Pen Road.

All exiting traffic from the event will exit on Giraffe Pen Road then turn right on Dalton Lane. From there, the traffic will turn left on Hergotz Lane and then left on Thompson Lane which dumps out onto US183 at a traffic light.

At this time, Travis County is still working with the draft traffic management plan and revising small details. Other than small details, staff approves of the submitted traffic management plan.

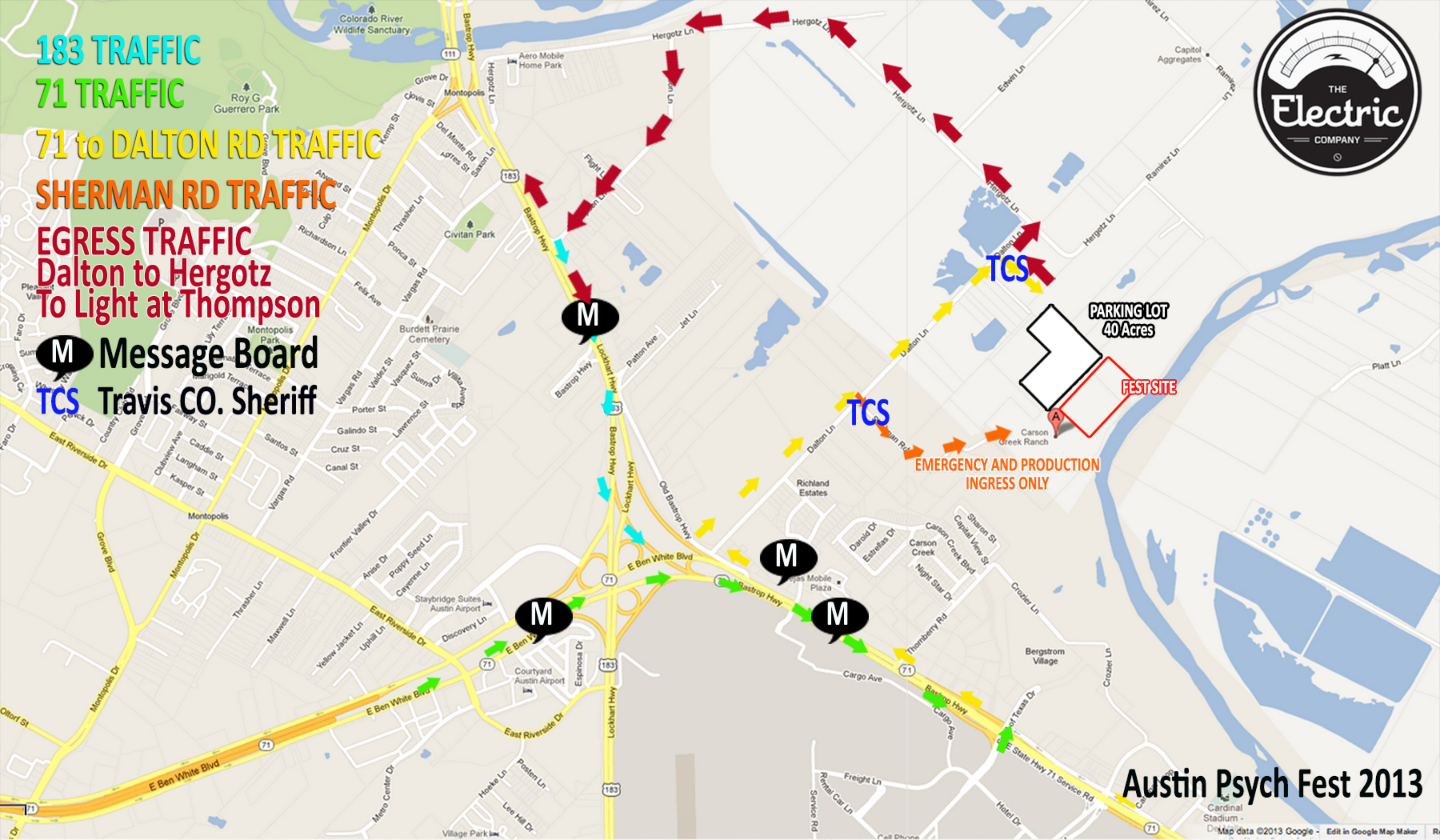
183 TRAFFIC
71 TRAFFIC

71 to DALTON RD TRAFFIC

SHERMAN RD TRAFFIC

EGRESS TRAFFIC
Dalton to Hergotz
To Light at Thompson

M Message Board
TCS Travis CO. Sheriff



PARKING LOT
40 Acres

FEST SITE

TCS

TCS

EMERGENCY AND PRODUCTION
INGRESS ONLY

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Austin Psych Fest 2013

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TRAVIS COUNTY FIRE MARSHAL'S OFFICE

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April 11, 2013

Judge Sam Biscoe
Travis County Commissioner's Court
700 LaVaca
Austin, Texas 78701

RE: Mass Gathering – Austin Psych Fest
9501 Sherman Road
April 26-28, 2013

Judge Biscoe,

I have been working with Jason Hicks to gather information regarding his promotion of a Mass Gathering at Carson Creek Ranch, 9501 Sherman Road, Austin, Texas.

Mr. Hicks is planning for 3000 to 5000 people per day from approximately Noon until 01:00 am of the following day for three consecutive days beginning April 26, 2013.

Overnight camping will be allowed on site during this event if the Mass Gathering Permit is approved. Campers will be required to bring their personal tents and bedding, thus exempting those tents from Travis County Fire Code requirements.

I have discussed the fire safety requirements with Mr. Hicks for this event if the Mass Gathering is approved. Open burning will not be allowed. Fireworks are not allowed. Spare fuel for vendors must be securely attached to vendor vehicles. A two person fire watch provided by Travis County Fire Marshal at Mr. Hick's expense is required.

I have spoken to the Austin-Travis County EMS Special Events Coordinator regarding the Medical plan for this event. ATCEMS does not require a transport vehicle for gatherings of less than 5000. The proposed Medical Plan would be acceptable to ATCEMS.

ESD 11 Fire Chief Ken Bailey is aware of this event. Standby apparatus is not required.

Mr. Hicks has not provided all the detail information I requested regarding the large tents proposed for this event.

I can only recommend approval of this Mass Gathering Permit subject to our inspection and approval of the site and structures prior to the event.

Hershel Lee
Fire Marshal