



## Travis County Commissioners Court Agenda Request

**Meeting Date:** May 27, 2014

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**Elected/Appointed Official/Dept. Head:** Danny Hobby

**Commissioners Court Sponsor:** Commissioner Gerald Daugherty, Pct. 3  
Commissioner Bruce Todd, Pct. 2

### **AGENDA LANGUAGE:**

CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION CONCERNING APPOINTMENTS TO THE JOINT WORKING GROUP ON PUBLIC SAFETY WITH THE CITY OF AUSTIN.

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

On May 1, 2014 the City of Austin approved a resolution establishing a Joint Working Group on Public Safety with Travis County. On May 13, 2014 the City of Austin approved the appointment of two City Council members, Mike Martinez and Chris Riley, to the Joint Working Group. There are common public safety issues that require coordination between Travis County and the City of Austin, so it is recommended that elected officials have an opportunity to work closely with staff representatives to review and discuss these issues.

This request is to have the Court appoint two members of the Commissioners Court to the Joint Working Group on Public Safety with the City of Austin. It is recommended that the Court appoint the two Court members who serve on the EMS Sub-Committee, Gerald Daugherty and Bruce Todd, to represent the County on the Joint Working Group on Public Safety. The EMS Sub-Committee currently meets monthly with Emergency Services staff and has discussion on many public safety related issues such as EMS, fire, hazmat, emergency management, 9-1-1 services, etc.

### **STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:**

Emergency Services recommends approval of this request.

**ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES:**

This working group with the City of Austin will provide added benefit for Emergency Services staff because many of the issues and events that occur are jointly with City of Austin public safety agencies.

**FISCAL IMPACT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:**

There is no fiscal impact with this request.

**REQUIRED AUTHORIZATIONS:**

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