



Travis County Commissioners Court Agenda Request

Meeting Date: July 15, 2014

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Sponsoring Court Members: County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe

AGENDA LANGUAGE:

Approve resolution recognizing James Michael Barr, AIA, on his retirement from the Facilities Management Department after eighteen years of service to Travis County and its citizens.

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY OF REQUEST:

Please see attached resolution.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Facilities Management Department recommends approval of the proposed resolution.

ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES:

N/A

FISCAL IMPACT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

N/A

ATTACHMENTS/EXHIBITS:

1. Proposed Resolution

REQUIRED AUTHORIZATIONS:

N/A

WHEREAS, service, dedication and leadership should always be recognized, and

WHEREAS, James Michael Barr, AIA, has devoted the past eighteen years in service to the citizens of Travis County through his performance as a Senior Project Manager and Architect on the staff of the Facilities Management Department, and

WHEREAS, he has steadfastly provided leadership, technical expertise and wise counsel on numerous planning, design and construction projects, many of expansive scope, complex criteria and intricate organizational demands, and

WHEREAS, he has demonstrated his commitment to service, dedication to his profession and courage of leadership through his willingness to assume these responsibilities, and

WHEREAS, his efforts have resulted in significant improvements to a number of important County facilities including the Blackwell-Thurman Criminal Justice Center, Heman Marion Sweatt Travis County Courthouse and Precinct Three Office Building Complex, among others. Jim led the team of Facilities Management Department professionals that designed and oversaw renovation of floors 3-15 of the 700 Lavaca Street building. He has applied the experience gained during 36 years of professional practice in planning, architectural design and construction to the complex issues that have been under consideration by the Commissioners Court, and

WHEREAS, Jim has decided to retire from Travis County service on July 31, 2014,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Travis County Commissioners Court of the State of Texas gratefully recognizes the contributions of James Michael Barr, AIA, to the citizens, officials and employees of Travis County and wishes him success as he embarks on this next phase of his life.

SIGNED AND ENTERED THIS 15th DAY OF July, 2014.

***Samuel T. Biscoe
County Judge***

***Ron Davis
Commissioner, Precinct 1***

***Gerald Daugherty
Commissioner, Precinct 3***

***Bruce Todd
Commissioner, Precinct 2***

***Margaret J. Gómez
Commissioner, Precinct 4***