



## Travis County Commissioners Court Agenda Request

**Meeting Date:** October 28, 2014

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**Commissioners Court Sponsor:** Samuel T. Biscoe, County Judge

### AGENDA LANGUAGE:

CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON THE OVERALL  
CONCEPT FOR THE NEW TRAVIS COUNTY CIVIL AND FAMILY  
COURTHOUSE AND THE 2035 STACKING PLAN.

### BACKGROUND/SUMMARY OF REQUEST AND ATTACHMENTS:

On October 14, 2014 the Commissioners Court approved the Space Program and the Judicial Forecast for the New Civil and Family Court House. The purpose of the Space Program is to provide definition for the type, size and number of spaces that will be needed to support the staff and functions of the Civil and Family Courts as well as partner groups and services at both the 2025 and 2035 target years. This Space Program provides for approximately 520,000 gross square feet (gsf) of space plus an underground parking facility that should meet the needs of the Civil and Family Courts through the 2025 and 2035 target years.

URS and HOK will present the updated Concept for the court house based on the approved Space Program. The Concept is a three dimensional representation of the Space Program considering the stacking of the building, site constraints, parking requirements and previous direction provided by the Commissioners Court to retain a portion of the site for future expansion. The presentation will focus on the 2025 space needs and illustrate the amount of shelled space within the Court House available to support judicial and departmental growth through 2035. The Concept also includes ideas for the interim use of the south portion of the block reserved for a future building. The project team will describe the approach and process taken to consolidate shelled

areas in an effort to provide greater flexibility to for the use of the space in the near term and in the future.

Any direction provided by the Commissioners' Court will assist the project team in refining the 2025 space layouts. The Concept for the 2025 space layout and shelled space within the Court House will be the basis for the Cost Estimate and Financing Plan to be discussed with Commissioners Court in November 2014.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:**

Authorize URS, HOK and county staff to continue with the development of Concept as presented for the refinement of budget estimates for the project.

**ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES: NA**

**FISCAL IMPACT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING: NA**

**REQUIRED AUTHORIZATIONS: NA**

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- 1. Attachment No. 1 – Travis County Civil and Family Court House concept**