

MINUTES -- SEPTEMBER 23, 1997

TRAVIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT

On Tuesday, the 23rd day of September 1997 the Commissioners' Court, meeting as the Corporation Board of Directors, convened the Corporation Voting Session at 9:10 AM in the Commissioners' Courtroom, 1st Floor of the Travis County Administration Building, 314 West 11th Street, Austin, Texas. Dana DeBeauvoir, County Clerk, was represented by Deputy Anna M. Valdez.

The Commissioners' Court recessed the Corporation Voting Session at 9:28 AM.

The Commissioners' Court convened the Voting Session at 9:28 AM and recessed at 11:59 AM.

The Commissioners' Court, meeting at the Corporation Board of Directors, reconvened the Corporation Voting Session at 1:40 PM and adjourned at 1:47 PM.

The Commissioners' Court reconvened the Voting Session at 1:47 PM.

The Commissioners' Court retired to Executive Session at 7:05 PM and reconvened the Voting Session at 8:06 PM.

The Commissioners' Court adjourned the Voting Session at 8:09 PM.

RESOLUTIONS AND HEARINGS

1. APPROVE A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING OCTOBER AS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH IN TRAVIS COUNTY AND DESIGNATE OCTOBER 15, 1997 AS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS DAY IN TRAVIS COUNTY. (9:31 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Carol Darby, Human Resources Management Department (HRMD), Co-Chair, Austin/Travis County Task Force; Caryl Colburn, Travis County Counseling and Education Service, Co-Chair, Austin/Travis County Task Force; and Donna Warndorf, Constable's Office, Precinct 5, Chair, Task Force Public Awareness Committee.

Motion by Commissioner Bristol and **seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to approve Item 1.

Motion carried:

Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

CITIZENS' COMMUNICATION

No respondents addressed the Court. (9:35 AM)

CONSENT ITEMS

Motion by Commissioner Gómez and **seconded by** Commissioner Biscoe to approve the following Consent Items: C1 - C12, and 18.E. (9:35 AM)

Motion carried:

Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

- C1.** RECEIVE BIDS FROM COUNTY PURCHASING AGENT.

- C2.** AWARD BIDS FOR FOOD ITEMS FOR TRAVIS COUNTY CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES AND JUVENILE DETENTION FACILITIES.

- C3.** APPOINT CATHERINE P. THOMPSON TO TRAVIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICE DISTRICT #9 (WESTLAKE) FOR A TWO (2) YEAR TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 31, 1999.

- C4.** APPROVE AMENDMENT TO INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE TANGLEWOOD FOREST MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT TO ADDRESS SIGNAGE ALONG SLAUGHTER LANE.

- C5.** REVIEW AND APPROVE LISTING OF AUTOMATIC RENEWAL PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACTS FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 1997 THROUGH SEPTEMBER, 1998.

- C6.** APPROVE CONTRACT MODIFICATION NO. 4 TO CONTRACT NO. PS-960275-SG, COMMITTEE FOR WILD BASIN WILDERNESS, INC. CONTRACT APPROVED ON 12/22/92; MODIFICATION WILL EXTEND THE PERFORMANCE PERIOD UNTIL SEPTEMBER 30, 1998.

REVISED WORDING FOR ITEM C.7:

- C7.** APPROVE CONTRACT MODIFICATION NO. 2 TO CONTRACT NO. MA-970177, AUSTIN PERFECT PAGES; CONTRACT APPROVED ON 4/1/97; MODIFICATION TERMINATES FOR DEFAULT, ALL ITEMS ON THIS CONTRACT EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 23, 1997, UNDER THE CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS, PARAGRAPH 34, PAGE 5, ENTITLED "TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT".

CONSENT ITEMS CONTINUED

- C8.** APPROVE CONTRACT MODIFICATION NO. 3 TO CONTRACT NO. 96T0273-OJ, MODULAR SYSTEMS FURNITURE; CONTRACT APPROVED ON 4/16/96; MODIFICATION WILL INCLUDE DESIGN, RECONFIGURATION, INSTALLATION AND DELIVERY OF HERMAN MILLER PRODUCTS FOR EXISTING HERMAN MILLER WORKSTATIONS.
- C9.** APPROVE CONTRACT AWARD FOR THE PROVISION OF REFERENCE LABORATORY SERVICES, JOINT CITY/COUNTY PROPOSAL, TO THE LOW QUALIFIED PROPOSER, LABORATORY CORPORATION OF AMERICA, INC. (LABCORP).
- C10.** APPROVE CONTRACT MODIFICATION NO. 4 TO CONTRACT NO. 97K0700C, YPS-HILL MECHANICAL, CJC RELEASE 1 MECHANICAL PACKAGE; MODIFICATION ALLOWS FOR UNFORESEEN UNDERGROUND UTILITY TIE-IN CHANGES TO STORM SEWER AND SANITARY SEWER LINES, AT A COST OF \$29,199.77.
- C11.** APPROVE CONTRACT AWARDS TO THE AGENCIES LISTED BELOW FOR PROVISION OF SERVICES TO TRAVIS COUNTY CRIME VICTIMS, ALLOCATION RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE APPLICATION REVIEW COMMITTEE FOR FY 1998 FUNDING PROVIDED THROUGH THE TRAVIS COUNTY CRIME VICTIMS FUND WHICH WERE APPROVED BY THE COURT ON 7/29/97.
- A)** AUSTIN RAPE CRISIS CENTER - MINORITY EDUCATION
- B)** AUSTIN RAPE CRISIS CENTER - SEXUAL ASSAULT NURSE EXAMINER COORDINATING PROGRAM
- C)** AUSTIN/TRAVIS COUNTY MHMR - DAYGLO FAMILY TREATMENT PROGRAM
- D)** AUSTIN/TRAVIS COUNTY MHMR - COMMUNITY RESOURCE COORDINATION GROUP
- E)** CASA OF TRAVIS COUNTY
- F)** DISPUTE RESOLUTION CENTER

ITEM C11 CONTINUED

- G) LEGAL AID SOCIETY**
- H) PARENTS ANONYMOUS**
- I) TCSO VICTIM SERVICES**
- J) TRAVIS COUNTY CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CENTER**
- K) JUVENILE COURT/VICTIM-OFFENDER MEDIATION**
- L) CENTER FOR BATTERED WOMEN**
- M) FOR THE LOVE OF CHRISTI**
- N) OPTIONS UNLIMITED**
- O) THEATER ACTION PROJECT**
- P) COMMUNITIES IN SCHOOLS/PEBBLE PROJECT**
- Q) YOUTH OPTIONS**

ADDED ITEM:

- C12. AUTHORIZE 9/30/97 PAYROLL INSERT FOR 1997 COMBINED CHARITIES CAMPAIGN.**

COUNTY POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

2. A. ADOPT AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTER 10, TRAVIS COUNTY POLICY AND PROCEDURES MANUAL, PAY AND COMPENSATION POLICIES. (9:37 AM)

Item 2.A to be reposted on September 30, 1997.

- B. UPDATE AND APPROVE METHODOLOGY FOR COUNTY EMPLOYEE SALARY SURVEY AND GIVE STAFF DIRECTION. (9:28 AM) (9:37 AM) (3:40 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Alicia Perez, Executive Manager, Administrative Operations; Marilyn A. Hancock, Interim Director, HRMD; Carlotta Valdez, Compensation Manager, HRMD; Frank Wagner, Compensation Specialist, HRMD; Lynne Andrus, Compensation Specialist, HRMD; Edna Santos, Compensation Specialist HRMD; Dana DeBeauvoir, Travis County Clerk; Cynthia Wise Galvan, Compensation Specialist, HRMD; Eric Shepperd, Assistant County Attorney; David Escamilla, First Assistant County Attorney; Joe Gieselman, Executive Manager, Transportation and Natural Resources (TNR); Margo Frasier, Travis County Sheriff; and Rick Whitehead, Lieutenant, Travis County Sheriff's Office (TCSO).

Motion by Judge Aleshire and seconded by Commissioner Biscoe to use the Austin Police Department as the only market match and create a change in the pay scale to create parity for the Lieutenants and Sergeants between Corrections and Law Enforcement.

Motion carried:	Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
	Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
	Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
	Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
	County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

ITEM 2.B CONTINUED

Motion by Commissioner Biscoe **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to implement the 2% career ladder and 1% performance pay, provided other employees are awarded performance pay during that year.

A Clarification was made of the previous Motion by Judge Aleshire **and** Commissioner Sonleitner to instruct staff to restructure the Peace Officer pay scale so that there is a 2% increase each year; and that the Sheriff would be provided a fund equal to 1% that could be awarded based on performance if performance pay increases are available to the rest of the work force; and to set the implementation date after the cost analysis is returned, with the intent to not implement this any sooner than for any other rank and file employee going through the same transition (at this time no earlier than December 15, 1997).

A Clarification was made of the previous Motion by Judge Aleshire that the 2% increase is to occur on the employee's anniversary date.

Motion carried:	Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
	Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
	Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
	Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
	County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

Motion by Commissioner Gómez **and seconded by** Commissioner Biscoe to approve the latest package of recommendations by Staff for the re-classification of the County Clerk Case Coordinator's positions, which will be effective at the same time all other reclassifications are effective, as well as the recommendations for the salary market survey.

Motion carried:	Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
	Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
	Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
	Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
	County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

Item 2.B to be reposted on September 30, 1997.

3. A. ADOPT AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTER 22 OF THE TRAVIS COUNTY POLICY AND PROCEDURES MANUAL: TRAVIS COUNTY BUDGET RULES.
(10:10 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Christian Smith, Executive Manager, Planning and Budget Office (PBO); Leroy Nellis, Budget Manager, PBO; Susan Spataro, Travis County Auditor; Jose Palacios, Director of Accounts Payable, Travis County Auditor's Office; and Barbara Wilson, Assistant County Attorney.

Item 3.A to be reposted on September 30, 1997.

- B. AMEND CHAPTER 10.043 OF THE TRAVIS COUNTY POLICIES AND PROCEDURES MANUAL TO APPROVE THE FY 98 TRAVIS COUNTY HOLIDAY SCHEDULE. (10:46 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Marilyn Abbett Hancock, Interim Director, HRMD.

Motion by Judge Aleshire and seconded by Commissioner Sonleitner that the Commissioners' Court indicate its agreement with the holiday schedule and request that it be posted on September 30, 1997 for formal amendment to the policy and that the holidays for next year be as stated on the proposed list, with the exception that July 3 be added and December 31, 1998 be stricken.

Motion carried:	Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
	Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
	Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
	Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
	County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

Item 3.B to be reposted on September 30, 1997.

4. AUTHORIZE EXECUTIVE MANAGER OF TNR TO EXECUTE MODIFICATION TO ALTERNATIVE FISCAL POLICY REQUEST AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT FORM TO COMPLY WITH AMENDMENT TO SECTION 12.002 (c) OF THE TEXAS PROPERTY CODE AND REVISE CHAPTER 82 OF THE TRAVIS COUNTY POLICIES, PROCEDURES AND REGULATIONS MANUAL (TRAVIS COUNTY STANDARDS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF STREETS AND DRAINAGE IN SUBDIVISIONS). (10:50 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Joe Gieselman, Executive Manager, TNR; and Gordon Bowman, Assistant County Attorney.

Motion by Commissioner Sonleitner **and seconded by** Commissioner Biscoe to authorize the Executive Manager of TNR to sign any agreements with the corrected language for any of the plats using alternative fiscal where the Court has previously approved the use of alternative fiscal.

Motion carried:

Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

5. A. RECEIVE BRIEFING, DISCUSS AND GIVE STAFF DIRECTION ON THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AND PROGRAM BUDGET TO INCLUDE THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE CENTER RELEASE 4 BIDS.
(10:56 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Alicia Perez, Executive Manager, Administrative Operations; Kevin Bailey, Director of Facilities Management; Mike Barrow, Project Manager, Fluor Daniel; Trenton Wann, Graeber, Simmons, & Cowan; and Marvin Brice, Construction Procurement Manager, Purchasing.

Motion by Judge Aleshire and seconded by Commissioner Sonleitner to give staff direction to immediately go back out on re-bidding those portions of Release 4 on which no bids were received.

Motion carried:	Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
	Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
	Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
	Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
	County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

Motion by Judge Aleshire and seconded by Commissioner Biscoe to give staff direction to proceed with discussion and bring it back to the Court for final action.

Motion carried:	Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
	Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
	Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
	Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
	County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

Item 5.A to be reposted on September 30, 1997.

ITEM 5 CONTINUED

- B. DISCUSS, APPROVE AND/OR GIVE STAFF DIRECTION REGARDING THE SCHEMATIC DESIGN FOR THE PHASE 1A IMPROVEMENTS AT THE TRAVIS COUNTY CORRECTIONAL COMPLEX AT DEL VALLE. (11:45 AM) (1:48 PM)**

Members of the Court heard from: Alicia Perez, Executive Manager, Administrative Operations; Kevin Bailey, Director of Facilities Management; John Geyer, Project Director, Pfluger, Wiginton, Hooker/NBBJ; Ken Gaede, Project Manager, Facilities Management; Dan Crise, Design Manager, Fluor Daniel; Margo Frasier, Travis County Sheriff; David Balagia, Major, Travis County Sheriff's Office (TCSO); and Joe Truchard, Maintenance Engineer, TCSO.

Motion by Judge Aleshire and seconded by Commissioner Biscoe to approve the schematic design with the direction to proceed into design development, using the assumption that the outside parameters of the budget is unchanged but the Court does approve the added value items for special foundations, HVAC and exterior wall upgrade; and the Court further indicates that all planning into the next phase should assume that the ball fields will not be moved.

A Clarification was made of the previous Motion by Commissioner Biscoe that the Court should receive a follow-up report, within the next two weeks, on any issues which exist between Fluor Daniel and Pfluger, Wiginton, Hooker/NBBJ on the estimates contained within the schematic design.

Maker and Second accept the Friendly Amendment by Commissioner Bristol that work continue on the detention equipment and the security, bringing their analysis back to the Court as quickly as possible so a determination can be made as to whether budget adjustments will be necessary.

Acceptance of the Friendly Amendment was made by Judge Aleshire and seconded by Commissioner Biscoe.

Maker and Second accept the Friendly Amendment by Commissioner Sonleitner to correct the following items: Commissioner Biscoe (not Briscoe), Commissioner Sonleitner's last name is Hungarian and needs to be looked up, Commissioner Bristol is Valarie with two "a" 's. Since the Sheriff is an elected official, references to her agency should be the Travis County Sheriff's Office, not department.

ITEM 5 CONTINUED

Acceptance of the Friendly Amendment was made by Judge Aleshire and seconded by Commissioner Biscoe.

Motion carried:

Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

6. APPROVE THE SUBMISSION OF A CONCEPT PAPER TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE TO FUND A COMMUNITY JUSTICE PLANNING INITIATIVE. (3:00 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Margo Frasier, Travis County Sheriff; and Karma Crawford, Coordinator, Community Justice Council.

Motion by Commissioner Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Gómez to approve Item 6 with recommended changes.

Maker and Second accept the Friendly Amendment by Judge Aleshire that where the word “Austin” appears inappropriately, the paper should reference “Travis County”, and that on Page 3, the following two sentences be added to the paragraph which ends at the top of the page: “We strive to achieve community justice before a crime is committed, that is, to prevent crime. Failing that, we strive to respond to crime with a spirit of community.”

Acceptance of the Friendly Amendment was made by Commissioner Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Gómez.

Motion carried:

Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

7. CONSIDER ACCEPTANCE OF DONATION FROM THE NATIONAL INSURANCE CRIME BUREAU FOR USE IN THE SUPPORT OF INSURANCE FRAUD INVESTIGATIONS FOR D.A.'S OFFICE. (3:04 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Vicki Skinner, District Attorney's Office.

Motion by Commissioner Biscoe **and seconded by** Commissioner Sonleitner to accept the donation.

Motion carried:

Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

8. APPROVE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH TRAVIS COUNTY COMMUNITY SUPERVISION AND CORRECTIONS DEPARTMENT FOR PROVISION OF DRUG AND ALCOHOL TREATMENT PROGRAM SERVICES BY TRAVIS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE. (2:58 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Margo Frasier, Travis County Sheriff.

Motion by Commissioner Biscoe **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to approve Item 8.

Motion carried:

Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

9. A. APPROVE FEES FOR SERVICES BY OFFICES OF THE SHERIFF AND CONSTABLES FOR EXECUTION OF CIVIL PROCESS FOR 1998 AND AUTHORIZE NOTICE TO STATE COMPTROLLER. (3:04 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Bob Vann, Constable, Precinct 2; Gordon Bowman, Assistant County Attorney; and Leroy Nellis, Budget Manager, PBO.

Motion by Commissioner Bristol **and seconded by** Commissioner Biscoe to approve the proposed Constable fees.

Maker and Second accept the Friendly Amendment by Judge Aleshire to indicate that it is the Constable's and Sheriff's Civil Process Fee.

Acceptance of the Friendly Amendment was made by Commissioner Bristol **and seconded by** Commissioner Biscoe.

Maker and Second accept the Friendly Amendment by Judge Aleshire that the Court seek a revenue estimate.

Acceptance of the Friendly Amendment was made by Commissioner Bristol **and seconded by** Commissioner Biscoe.

Motion carried:	Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
	Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
	Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
	Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
	County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

ITEM 9 CONTINUED

B. ADOPT FEE SCHEDULES FOR DEPARTMENTS UNDER THE EXECUTIVE MANAGER FOR JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY FOR CONTINUATION IN FISCAL YEAR 1998. (3:04 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Chris Callsen, Director of Emergency Services, Criminal Justice Planning (CJP); Leroy Nellis, Budget Manager, PBO; and Richard Gaston, Travis County Fire Marshall.

Motion by Commissioner Gómez **and seconded by** Commissioner Biscoe to approve Item 9.B.

Maker and Second accept the Friendly Amendment by Judge Aleshire that the In-County Hospital Fee be eliminated.

Maker and Second accept the Friendly Amendment by Commissioner Sonleitner that this information be sent on to the County Auditor's Office for appropriate changes, if any, in revenue estimates.

Motion carried:	Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
	Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
	Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	absent
	Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
	County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

ITEM 9 CONTINUED

C. APPROVE SHERIFF'S OFFICE FEES FOR VEHICLE USE, TUITION FOR SHERIFF'S ACADEMY, INMATE MEDICAL VISITS, WORK RELEASE PROGRAM, AND VOLUNTARY FINGERPRINTING. (3:04 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Margo Frasier, Travis County Sheriff; Bob Vann, Constable, Precinct 2; and Patty Eacret, Director over Fiscal and Personnel, TCSO.

Motion by Commissioner Biscoe **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to approve the fees in Item 9.C as recommended by the Travis County Sheriff.

Maker and Second accept the Friendly Amendment by Judge Aleshire to put in place a process to enable the Court to track the information and receive an annual report from the County Auditor's Office.

Acceptance of the Friendly Amendment was made by Commissioner Biscoe **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez.

Motion carried:

Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

10. APPROVE AMENDMENT TO INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH DENTON COUNTY FOR I-35 CORRIDOR COALITION. (9:28 AM)

Item 10 postponed until September 30, 1997.

**11. APPROVE CANDIDATE PROJECTS TO BE SUBMITTED TO AUSTIN
TRANSPORTATION STUDY (ATS) FOR STP 4C FUNDING. (5:38 PM)**

Members of the Court agreed to consider one motion for Items 11; 12; 14; 17; 18.A, B, and C; and 24.A, B, C, D, E, and F.

Motion by Judge Aleshire and seconded by Commissioner Gómez to approve the following Items as summarized below:

- 11.** To approve Item 11.
- 12.** To approve Item 12.
- 14.** To approve Item 14.
- 17.** To approve Item 17.
- 18.** A. To approve Item 18.A
B. To approve Item 18.B
C. To approve Item 18.C
- 24.** A. To approve Item 24.A
B. To approve Item 24.B
C. To approve Item 24.C
D. To approve Item 24.D
E. To approve Item 24.E
F. To approve Item 24.F

Motion carried:

Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

**12. APPROVE AMENDMENT TO CITY OF AUSTIN TRAFFIC SIGNAL
MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT TO ALLOW MAINTENANCE COSTS BASED ON
A FLAT FEE SCHEDULE. (5:38 PM)**

Members of the Court agreed to consider one motion for Items 11; 12; 14; 17; 18.A, B, and C; and 24.A, B, C, D, E, and F. Please refer to Item 11 for a summary of the Court's action on this motion.

13. RECEIVE IJS NEGOTIATION UPDATE AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION, RFP R960072OJ. (6:08 PM) (6:16 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Cyd Grimes, Travis County Purchasing Agent; Frank Curcio, Director, Information and Telecommunications Services (ITS); Brad Powell, Assistant Director, ITS; Ron Shroer, Project Manager for IJS, ITS; David Escamilla, First Assistant County Attorney; and Neal Nolan, Principal, IBM.

Motion by Commissioner Biscoe **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to direct staff to negotiate a ten-year maintenance contract at the best price available with annual caps and report progress to the Court as soon as possible.

Motion carried:	Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
	Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	absent
	Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
	Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
	County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

Item 13 to be reposted on September 30, 1997.

14. APPROVE SOLE SOURCE EXEMPTION FOR THE PURCHASE OF SOFTWARE MODIFICATIONS FOR THE HTE FINANCIAL SYSTEM FOR HTE, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$20,000.00. (5:38 PM)

Members of the Court agreed to consider one motion for Items 11; 12; 14; 17; 18.A, B, and C; and 24.A, B, C, D, E, and F. Please refer to Item 11 for a summary of the Court's action on this motion.

- 15. GIVE DIRECTION TO STAFF CONCERNING THE PROPOSED FY 98 BUDGET.**
(6:13 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Leroy Nellis, Budget Manager, PBO.

Motion by Commissioner Bristol **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to accept the corrections to the 1998 budget as presented by the Budget Director.

Motion carried:

Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

- 16. APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENTS AND TRANSFERS.** (6:05 PM) (7:05 PM)
(8:06 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Leroy Nellis, Budget Manager, PBO.

Motion by Commissioner Bristol **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to approve all budget amendments with the exception of D1, which will go to Executive Session.

Motion carried:

Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

Judge Aleshire announced that Item 16 would be considered in Executive Session.

Members of the Court agreed to consider one Motion for Items 16; 27; 28; 34; 35; 36 and 37. Please refer to Item 27 for a summary of the Court's action on this motion.

17. DISCUSS, APPROVE AND/OR GIVE STAFF DIRECTION REGARDING AMENDMENT TO LEASE WITH TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICE FOR 13,000 SQUARE FEET OF SPACE AT 2201 POST ROAD. (5:38 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Belinda Poppa, Project Manager, Facilities Planning in Facilities Management.

Members of the Court agreed to consider one motion for Items 11; 12; 14; 17; 18.A, B, and C; and 24.A, B, C, D, E, and F. Please refer to Item 11 for a summary of the Court's action on this motion.

18. APPROVE GRANT PROPOSALS, APPLICATIONS, CONTRACTS, AND PERMISSION TO CONTINUE. (5:38 PM)

A. APPROVE GRANT CONTRACT FOR UNDERAGE DRINKING PREVENTION PROGRAM GRANT FOR COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE.

B. APPROVE GRANT CONTRACT FOR OAK WILT SUPPRESSION FOR TNR DEPARTMENT.

C. APPROVE CONTINUANCE OF CAPCO ADDRESS GRANT FUND 284 FOR FY 98.

Members of the Court agreed to consider one motion for Items 11; 12; 14; 17; 18.A, B, and C; and 24.A, B, C, D, E, and F. Please refer to Item 11 for a summary of the Court's action on this motion.

ADDED ITEMS D & E

D. APPROVE GRANT CONTRACT FOR TRAVIS COUNTY SUPERCYCLIST PROGRAM FOR HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES. (10:55 AM)

Motion by Commissioner Gómez **and seconded by** Commissioner Sonleitner to approve Item 18.D.

Motion carried:	Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
	Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
	Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
	Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
	County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

E. APPROVE PERMISSION TO CONTINUE JOSATS GRANT FOR JUVENILE COURT. (9:35 AM)

Item 18.E added to Consent Items. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for the Court's Motion and Vote.

- 19. RECEIVE FINAL REPORT FROM SOUTHWEST TEXAS STATE QUALITY INSTITUTE ON PAY AND COMPENSATION AND CONSIDERATION OF EXTENSION OF CONTRACT. (5:52 PM)**

Members of the Court heard from: Alicia Perez, Executive Manager, Administrative Operations; and John Fenoglio, Southwest Texas Quality Institute.

Motion by Commissioner Biscoe **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to approve Item 19.

Motion carried:

Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

- 20. APPROVE PERSONNEL AMENDMENTS. (5:51 PM)**

Members of the Court heard from: Carlotta Valdez, Compensation Manager, HRMD.

Motion by Commissioner Biscoe **and seconded by** Gómez to approve personnel amendments as recommended by Staff.

Motion carried:

Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

21. DISCUSS AND GIVE STAFF DIRECTION FOR CORRECTION OF CALCULATION AND ROUNDING ADJUSTMENT ON PEACE OFFICER PAY SCALE. (5:54 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Donna Scarbrough, Travis County Auditor's Office; Alicia Perez, Executive Manager, Administrative Operations; and Marilyn A. Hancock, Interim Director, HRMD.

Motion by Commissioner Sonleitner **and seconded by** Commissioner Biscoe to clarify that because of the computers' need to round the hourly pay rate up to a whole penny, the Court authorizes and clarifies that their vote was to authorize \$9.47 after the 2% raise on April 1. The increase in the Peace Officer pay scale is based on the annual salary of \$19,697.60, rather than \$19,688.00.

Motion carried:

Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

22. DISCUSS AND/OR APPROVE HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT REORGANIZATION. (6:02 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Alicia Perez, Executive Manager, Administrative Operations; Marilyn A. Hancock, Interim Director, HRMD; Lynne Andrus, Compensation Specialist, HRMD; and Leroy Nellis, Budget Manager, PBO.

Motion by Commissioner Sonleitner **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to approve the Human Resources Management Department reorganization. This motion includes the Human Resources Family for all departments with an implementation date of October 1, 1997. However, there are no market adjustments for Human Resources before anybody else.

Motion carried:

Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	absent
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

23. A. APPROVE ORDER DESIGNATING MAIN EARLY VOTING POLLING PLACES AND TEMPORARY BRANCH EARLY VOTING POLLING PLACES FOR THE NOVEMBER 4, 1997 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ELECTION AND TRAVIS COUNTY BOND ELECTION. (4:28 PM)

Item 23.A to be reposted on September 30, 1997.

- B. DISCUSS OTHER ISSUES RELATED TO CONDUCT OF THE NOVEMBER 4, 1997 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT AND TRAVIS COUNTY BOND ELECTION. (5:16 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Dana DeBeauvoir, Travis County Clerk.

Motion by Commissioner Biscoe **and seconded by** Judge Aleshire to give direction that the Court is in support of this concept. The Court asks the County Clerk to contact the City of Austin regarding a joint election and shared costs.

Maker accept the Friendly Amendment by Judge Aleshire to proceed with any necessary agreements which the County may need with the ESD Number 11 and the Moore's Crossing MUD (the issue of how much is charged is the issue within that and the County still needs to have the agreements).

Acceptance of the Friendly Amendment was made by Commissioner Biscoe.

Maker and Second accept the Friendly Amendment by Commissioner Sonleitner that the County Clerk communicate to the City of Austin that the Court does not want any cross referencing to the County's Department of Justice submission and the City should proceed on their own.

An Addition was made to the previous Friendly Amendment by Judge Aleshire that the Court feels strongly enough about that issue. Because of the implications it could have on the County, the Court's willingness to participate in the jointly conducted election is predicated on there not being any cross reference to the County's DOJ submission.

Acceptance of the Friendly Amendment was made by Commissioner Biscoe **and seconded by** Judge Aleshire.

Motion carried:	Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
	Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
	Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
	Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
	County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

24. REVIEW AND APPROVE THE FOLLOWING PROPERTY AND LIABILITY CLAIM RECOMMENDATIONS: (5:38 PM)

A. T.C.S.O. - SETTLE

B. T.C.S.O. - SETTLE

C. WILLIAM MCMYNE - SETTLE

D. JERALD NIX - SETTLE

E. CESAR LOPEZ - SETTLE

F. LONNIE DRISDALE - SETTLE

Members of the Court agreed to consider one motion for Items 11; 12; 14; 17; 18.A, B, and C; and 24.A, B, C, D, E, and F. Please refer to Item 11 for a summary of the Court's action on this motion.

25. APPROVE PAYMENT OF CLAIMS AND AUTHORIZE COUNTY TREASURER TO INVEST COUNTY FUNDS. (3:40 PM)

Motion by Judge Aleshire and seconded by Commissioner Sonleitner to approve Item 25.

Motion carried:	Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
	Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
	Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	absent
	Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
	County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS

Note 1 - Gov't Code Ann 551.071, Consultation with Attorney

Note 2 - Gov't Code Ann 551.072, Real Property

Note 3 - Gov't Code Ann 551.074, Personnel Matters

- 26.** RECEIVE BRIEFING FROM THE COUNTY ATTORNEY IN TRAVIS COUNTY V. RYLANDER INVESTMENT COMPANY; USDC NUMBER A-94-CA-561-SC, AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. ¹ (7:05 PM)

Item 29 postponed until September 30, 1997.

27. RECEIVE BRIEFING FROM THE COUNTY ATTORNEY IN SOUTHWEST TRAVIS COUNTY ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 1 V. SOUTHWEST PARKWAY TRACT, INC.; CAUSE NO. 96-01270 AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. ¹ (7:05 PM) (8:06 PM)

Judge Aleshire announced that Item 27 would be considered in Executive session.

Members of the Court agreed to consider one Motion for Items 16; 27; 28; 34; 35; 36 and 37.

Motion by Judge Aleshire and seconded by Commissioner Biscoe to approve the following Items as summarized below:

- 16. Item 16 (D1 in the Budget Amendments) postponed until September 30, 1997.
- 27. No action taken on Item 27.
- 28. Authorize the County Attorney to send a letter to Jonestown.
- 34. Item 34 to be reposted on September 30, 1997, with the expectation to adopt a methodology or standard for the prevailing wage rates and any necessary interlocal agreements.
- 35. With congratulations to the County team, an award be posted equal to the Commissioners' award of \$99,300.00.
- 36. Post an award of \$114,000.00.
- 37. Post an award of \$33,000.00.

Motion carried:

Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	absent
Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

28. RECEIVE LEGAL ADVICE FROM COUNTY ATTORNEY RE: CONTRACT WITH THE CITY OF JONESTOWN TO COLLECT CURRENT AND DELINQUENT TAXES AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. ¹ (7:05 PM) (8:06 PM)

Judge Aleshire announced that Item 28 would be considered in Executive session.

Members of the Court agreed to consider one Motion for Items 16; 27; 28; 34; 35; 36 and 37. Please refer to Item 27 for a summary of the Court's action on this motion.

29. RECEIVE BRIEFING FROM COUNTY ATTORNEY AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION IN: ROSIE CAROTHERS V. MONTGOMERY ELEVATOR COMPANY AND TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS (TEXAS TORT CLAIMS ACT, PREMISES, AND PERSONAL INJURY) (PEREZ).¹ (9:28 AM)

Item 29 postponed until September 30, 1997.

30. RECEIVE BRIEFING FROM COUNTY ATTORNEY AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION IN: JUDY FRANCES PAINTER V. ESCO ELEVATORS CORPORATION, MONTGOMERY KONE, INC. F/K/A/ MONTGOMERY ELEVATOR COMPANY AND TRAVIS COUNTY (PAINTER; PEREZ; TEXAS TORT CLAIMS ACT, PREMISES, AND PERSONAL INJURY).¹ (9:28 AM)

Item 30 postponed until September 30, 1997.

31. RECEIVE BRIEFING FROM COUNTY ATTORNEY AND AUTHORIZE COUNTY ATTORNEY TO TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION IN HODGES V. FRASIER, ET AL. (KEEL; DENIAL OF MEDICAL CARE; DENIAL OF LEGAL ACCESS § 1983).¹ (9:28 AM)

Item 31 pulled from the Agenda.

32. RECEIVE BRIEFING FROM COUNTY ATTORNEY AND GIVE DIRECTION AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION IN CHARLOTTE WEAVER, AND TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS; (WEAVER; GIESELMAN; CONDEMNATION).¹ (9:28 AM)

Item 32 postponed until September 30, 1997.

33. RECEIVE BRIEFING FROM COUNTY ATTORNEY AND REQUEST EXPERT WITNESS AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION IN: BRENDA FAUST V. TRAVIS COUNTY, TRAVIS COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND JO ANNE CARSON, (FAUST; KEEL; TEXAS TORT CLAIMS ACT, PREMISES AND PERSONAL INJURY).¹ (9:28 AM)

Item 33 postponed until September 30, 1997.

34. DISCUSS AND PROVIDE DIRECTION TO STAFF ON PROCESS AND PROCEDURES FOR THE ADOPTION OF A PREVAILING WAGE RATE FOR TRAVIS COUNTY AND RECEIVE ADVICE FROM THE COUNTY ATTORNEY.¹
(7:05 PM) (8:06 PM)

Judge Aleshire announced that Item 34 would be considered in Executive session.

Members of the Court agreed to consider one Motion for Items 16; 27; 28; 34; 35; 36 and 37. Please refer to Item 27 for a summary of the Court's action on this motion.

ADDED ITEM

35. RECEIVE BRIEFING FROM COUNTY ATTORNEY AND GIVE DIRECTION AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION AND/OR ACCEPT, REJECT, OR COUNTER SETTLEMENT DEMAND ON CIP PROJECT 2-019, PARCEL NO. 14, & 14E, JOHN C. FISH, ET AL AND TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS (GIESELMAN; CONDEMNATION).¹ (7:05 PM) (8:06 PM)

Judge Aleshire announced that Item 35 would be considered in Executive session.

Members of the Court agreed to consider one Motion for Items 16; 27; 28; 34; 35; 36 and 37. Please refer to Item 27 for a summary of the Court's action on this motion.

ADDED ITEM

36. RECEIVE BRIEFING FROM COUNTY ATTORNEY AND GIVE DIRECTION AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION AND/OR ACCEPT, REJECT, OR COUNTER SETTLEMENT DEMAND ON CIP PROJECT 2-019, PARCEL NO. 6 & 6E, JOHN PAUL OTTO WUTHRICH, JR. AND TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS (GIESELMAN; CONDEMNATION).¹ (7:05 PM) (8:06 PM)

Judge Aleshire announced that Item 36 would be considered in Executive session.

Members of the Court agreed to consider one Motion for Items 16; 27; 28; 34; 35; 36 and 37. Please refer to Item 27 for a summary of the Court's action on this motion.

ADDED ITEM

- 37.** RECEIVE BRIEFING FROM COUNTY ATTORNEY AND GIVE DIRECTION AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION AND/OR ACCEPT, REJECT, OR COUNTER SETTLEMENT DEMAND ON CIP PROJECT 2-019, PARCEL NO. 8 & 8E, JOHN PAUL OTTO WUTHRICH, JR., ET AL, AND TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS (GIESELMAN; CONDEMNATION). ¹ (7:05 PM) (8:06 PM)

Judge Aleshire announced that Item 37 would be considered in Executive session.

Members of the Court agreed to consider one Motion for Items 16; 27; 28; 34; 35; 36 and 37. Please refer to Item 27 for a summary of the Court's action on this motion.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Commissioner Biscoe and **seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to adjourn the Voting Session. (8:09 PM)

Motion carried:

Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	absent
Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

MINUTES APPROVED BY THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT

Date of Approval

Bill Aleshire, Travis County Judge