

MINUTES – JUNE 18, 1998

TRAVIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT

FY 1999 PLANNING AND BUDGET PROCESS

On Thursday, the 18th day of June 1998, the Commissioners' Court convened the FY 1999 Planning and Budget Process Voting Session at 1:47 PM 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 adjourned the FY 1999 Planning and Budget Process Voting Session at 4:03 PM.

The Commissioners' Court record notes that Precinct Two Commissioner Karen Sonleitner was not present during this Voting Session.

The Commissioners' Court record notes that Precinct Four Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez was not present during this Voting Session.

1. CONSIDER AND ACT ON PLANNING ISSUES AS PART OF THE FY 1999 PLANNING & BUDGET PROCESS. (1:41 PM)

SESSION OVERVIEW (1:47 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Shoshanna Lansberg, Budget Analyst, Planning and Budget Office (PBO).

Discussion Only.

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SHERIFF’S OFFICE (1:50 PM)

GRANT MATCHES/PERFORMANCE MEASURES (1:50 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Margo Frasier, Travis County Sheriff; Shoshanna Lansberg, Budget Analyst, PBO; Christian Smith, Executive Manager, PBO; Terry Pickering, Major, Travis County Sheriff’s Office (TCSO); and Michael Hemby, Grants Coordinator, TCSO.

Discussion Only.

CJC TRANSITION/COURT SECURITY ISSUES (2:20 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Margo Frasier, Travis County Sheriff; Dan T. Richards, Deputy Chief, TCSO; Belinda Poppa, Planner, Facilities Management; Christian Smith, Executive Manager, PBO; and Michael Hemby, Grants Coordinator, TCSO.

Motion by Commissioner McKee **and seconded by** Commissioner Moore that as their planning direction the Commissioners’ Court gives no longer considers the option of reducing the entrances available in the main Courthouse from two to one. That option is out.

Motion carried: County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Darwin McKee	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	absent
Precinct 3, Commissioner Margaret Moore	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	absent

Motion by Commissioner McKee **and seconded by** Commissioner Moore to proceed with the planning assumption that there would be two security posts in the new building.

Motion carried: County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Darwin McKee	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	absent
Precinct 3, Commissioner Margaret Moore	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	absent

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Motion by Judge Aleshire **and seconded by** Commissioner McKee to support a conditional go forward in COPS Grant, subject to getting performance measures for this program into the Courts. The purpose is to find something that is listed and targeted as a performance measure match to the COPS Program. Otherwise, they should go forward into the budget process.

Motion carried: County Judge Bill Aleshire - yes
 Precinct 1, Commissioner Darwin McKee - yes
 Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner - absent
 Precinct 3, Commissioner Margaret Moore - yes
 Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez - absent

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE UNIT (2:40 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Margo Frasier, Travis County Sheriff; Shoshanna Lansberg, Budget Analyst, PBO; Michael Hemby, Grants Coordinator, TCSO; and Christian Smith, Executive Manager, PBO.

Motion by Commissioner McKee **and seconded by** Commissioner Moore that the grants should go forward with the general condition that the performance measures are there. As a planning motion only, the Court is saying that the grants are worthwhile, and at this stage they should go forward with those conditions, and should be brought back during the budget process.

Motion carried: County Judge Bill Aleshire - yes
 Precinct 1, Commissioner Darwin McKee - yes
 Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner - absent
 Precinct 3, Commissioner Margaret Moore - yes
 Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez - absent

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IV-D MASTERS COURT (2:52 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Margo Frasier, Travis County Sheriff; Michael Hemby, Grants Coordinator, TCSO; and Christian Smith, Executive Manager, PBO.

Motion by Judge Aleshire and seconded by Commissioner Moore that the Commissioners' Court needs additional advice from the Sheriff's Office about the security, and ideas for the most efficient way to provide that security, working in conjunction with PBO and Facilities. Staff should go ahead and produce something that has a number attached to it for the budget.

Motion carried:

County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Darwin McKee	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	absent
Precinct 3, Commissioner Margaret Moore	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	absent

CSCD SECURITY ISSUE (3:04 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Margo Frasier, Travis County Sheriff; and Keith Dzierzanowski, Lieutenant, TCSO.

Motion by Commissioner Moore and seconded by Commissioner McKee that the Sheriff's Office apply their professional analysis to the request from the Community Supervision and Corrections Department. Both offices should work together to bring numbers and information back to the Court.

Maker and Second accept the Friendly Amendment by Judge Aleshire that PBO reschedule both of these departments (once they have the requested information) for a planning session. The Court can go into Executive Session from the planning session to discuss the security issues.

Acceptance of the Friendly Amendment was made by Commissioner Moore and seconded by Commissioner McKee.

Motion carried:

County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Darwin McKee	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	absent
Precinct 3, Commissioner Margaret Moore	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	absent

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ACCREDITATION (3:08 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Margo Frasier, Travis County Sheriff; Dan T. Richards, Deputy Chief, TCSO; and Patty Eacret, Director of Fiscal and Personnel, TCSO.

Motion by Commissioner Moore **and seconded by** Commissioner McKee to plan for this item to go forward into the budget process.

Motion carried:

County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Darwin McKee	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	absent
Precinct 3, Commissioner Margaret Moore	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	absent

FTO PROGRAM (3:12 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Margo Frasier, Travis County Sheriff; David Balagia, Major, TCSO; Dan T. Richards, Deputy Chief, TCSO; and Shoshanna Lansberg, Budget Analyst, PBO; and Patty Eacret, Director of Fiscal and Personnel, TCSO.

Motion by Commissioner Moore **and seconded by** Commissioner McKee to give the go ahead to look at the field training for Correction Officers.

Maker and Second accept the Friendly Amendment by Judge Aleshire that the measures be incorporated in the program since it will be a new initiative. That will allow the Court to see what the intentions are, what will be monitored, and whether it is, in fact, valuable.

Acceptance of the Friendly Amendment was made by Commissioner Moore **and seconded by** Commissioner McKee.

Maker and Second accept the Friendly Amendment by Judge Aleshire that there be eligibility guidelines as to who is even eligible to do this, and formal policies to help govern this new initiative, since supplemental salary is being discussed.

Acceptance of the Friendly Amendment was made by Commissioner Moore **and seconded by** Commissioner McKee.

Motion carried:

County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Darwin McKee	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	absent
Precinct 3, Commissioner Margaret Moore	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	absent

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DISPATCH UPGRADE (3:30 PM)

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

Motion by Judge Aleshire **and seconded by** Commissioner Moore to give the go forward on the dispatch upgrade.

Motion carried: County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Darwin McKee	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	absent
Precinct 3, Commissioner Margaret Moore	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	absent

CSCD AND PRETRIAL (3:38 PM)

SESSION OVERVIEW (3:38 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Rosie Ramon Duran, Assistant Director, Pretrial Services, and Community Supervision and Corrections Department (CSCD); and Shoshanna Lansberg, Budget Analyst, PBO.

Discussion Only.

PRETRIAL: IGNITION INTERLOCK CASELOAD EXPANSION (3:40 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Rosie Ramon Duran, Assistant Director, Pretrial Services, and CSCD; Shoshanna Lansberg, Budget Analyst, PBO; and Tony Alexovich, Financial Analyst, Pretrial Services.

Motion by Commissioner McKee **and seconded by** Commissioner Moore to proceed forward with this issue to the budget process.

Motion carried: County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Darwin McKee	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	absent
Precinct 3, Commissioner Margaret Moore	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	absent

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PERSONAL BOND (3:54 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Rosie Ramon Duran, Assistant Director, Pretrial Services, and CSCD; Shoshanna Lansberg, Budget Analyst, PBO; and Pat Johnson, Financial Manager, CSCD.

Discussion Only.

NEW BOOKING FEE (4:00 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Pat Johnson, Financial Manager, CSCD.

Discussion Only.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Commissioner McKee **and seconded by** Commissioner Moore to adjourn the FY 1999 Planning and Budget Process Voting Session. (4:03 PM)

Motion carried: County Judge Bill Aleshire - yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Darwin McKee - yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner - absent
Precinct 3, Commissioner Margaret Moore - yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez - absent

MINUTES APPROVED BY THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT

Date of Approval

Bill Aleshire, Travis County Judge