

MINUTES – AUGUST 29, 2000

TRAVIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT

On Tuesday, the 29th day of August, 2000, the Commissioners' Court convened the regular Voting Session at 9:12 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 Melissa Velasquez.

The Commissioners' Court recessed the Voting Session at 12:05 PM.

The Commissioners' Court, meeting as the Travis County Housing Finance Corporation (TCHFC) called to order the Voting Session at 1:38 PM and adjourned at 1:41 PM.

The Commissioners' Court, meeting as the Travis County Health Facilities Development Corporation (TCHFDC) called to order the Voting Session at 1:41 PM and adjourned at 1:42 PM.

The Commissioners' Court reconvened the Voting Session at 1:42 PM.

The Commissioners' Court retired to Executive Session 3:14 PM.

The Commissioners' Court reconvened the Voting Session at 3:58 PM.

The Commissioners' Court adjourned the Voting Session at 4:02 PM.

PRESENTATIONS

1. PRESENT RECYCLING AWARDS TO EMPLOYEES AND A DEPARTMENT DOING AN EXEMPLARY JOB SUPPORTING AND PROMOTING THE COUNTY'S RECYCLING PROGRAMS. (9:13 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Charles Williams, Conservation Coordinator, Transportation and Natural Resources (TNR).

Discussion Only.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 2. PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER ORDER REJECTING THE DEDICATION OF PASEO SUR IN ARROYO DOBLE SECTION FOUR, A SUBDIVISION IN PRECINCT 3. (9:19 AM)

Motion by Commissioner Baxter **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to open the public hearing.

Motion carried:

County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Todd Baxter	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	yes

Members of the Court heard from: Joe Gieselman, Executive Manager, TNR; David Hopkins, Private Citizen; Joe Crossland, Private Citizen; Cathy Crossland, Private Citizen; Jeanette Ybarra, Private Citizen; and Larry Ybarra, Private Citizen.

Motion by Commissioner Baxter **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to close the public hearing.

Motion carried:

County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Todd Baxter	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	yes

Clerk’s Note: The Action Item for Item 2 is Item C8. Please refer to Agenda Item 3 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court’s Motion and Vote.

CITIZENS COMMUNICATION

Members of the Court heard from: Mary Aleshire, Private Citizen; Dr. Charles Akins, Private Citizen; and Leslie Pool, Private Citizen. (9:37 AM)

Clerk’s Note: The Commissioners' Court presented Dr. Charles Akins with a proclamation that had been approved on August 22, 2000.

CONSENT ITEMS CONTINUED

- C8.** APPROVE ORDER REJECTING THE DEDICATION OF PASEO SUR IN ARROYO DOBLE SECTION FOUR, A SUBDIVISION IN PRECINCT 3. (9:36 AM) (3:14 PM)

Clerk's Note: Item C8 is the Action Item for Item 2.

Judge Biscoe announced that Item C8 would be considered in Executive Session.

Motion by Commissioner Baxter **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to approve the order rejecting the dedication of Paseo Sur in Arroyo Doble.

Motion carried: County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Todd Baxter	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	yes

- 4.** RECEIVE BRIEFING AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING OUTDOOR BURNING BAN IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF TRAVIS COUNTY. (9:57 AM)

No action necessary on Item 4.

Clerk's Note: Judge Biscoe announced that no action means that the outdoor burning ban in unincorporated areas remains in full force and effect.

PLANNING AND BUDGET DEPT. ITEMS

5. DISCUSS AND APPROVE PROPOSED FY 2001 FINE AND FEE CHANGES.
(9:58 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Leroy Nellis, Budget Manager, Planning and Budget Office (PBO); and Dinah Dinwiddie, Executive Manager, Justice and Public Safety (JPS).

Motion by Judge Biscoe **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to approve the two counseling and education services fees.

Motion carried: County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Todd Baxter	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	yes

6. APPROVE GRANT PROPOSALS, APPLICATIONS, CONTRACTS AND PERMISSIONS TO CONTINUE.

A. APPROVE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES APPLICATION TO THE TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCIES FOR A COMMUNITY OUTREACH FOR THE FOOD STAMP PROGRAM GRANT PROJECT.
(10:17 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Alan Miller, Planning and Budget Analyst, PBO.

Motion by Commissioner Baxter **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to approve Item 6.A.

Motion carried:

County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Todd Baxter	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	yes

B. APPROVE JUVENILE COURT REQUEST TO CONTINUE GRANTS FROM THE TEXAS JUVENILE PROBATION COMMISSION, AUSTIN/TRAVIS COUNTY MHMR, OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, AND OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR CRIMINAL JUSTICE DIVISION FOR APPROXIMATELY TWO MONTHS. (10:18 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Alan Miller, Planning and Budget Analyst, PBO.

Motion by Judge Biscoe **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to approve Item 6.B.

Motion carried:

County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Todd Baxter	absent
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	yes

C. APPROVE PERMISSION TO CONTINUE GRANT FOR SENIORS AND VOLUNTEERS FOR CHILDHOOD IMMUNIZATIONS (SVCI) PROGRAM.
(9:54 AM)

Item 6.C added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 3 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

7. RECONSIDER FUNDING SOURCE FOR CONTRACT #PS000216LB WITH LIT GROUP, INC. FOR LITIGATION SUPPORT SERVICES AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. (10:22 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Alan Miller, Planning and Budget Analyst, PBO; and Leroy Nellis, Budget Manager, PBO.

Motion by Commissioner Gómez **and seconded by** Commissioner Sonleitner to reconsider that funding source decision, change it, and take the amount necessary, \$508,000.00, take that from Allocated Reserve instead of the Risk Management Fund.

Motion carried:

County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Todd Baxter	no
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	yes

8. APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENTS AND TRANSFERS. (10:24 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Leroy Nellis, Budget Manager, PBO; Jessica Rio, Planning and Budget Analyst, PBO; and Karen Shafer Castro, Senior Planning and Budget Analyst, PBO.

A Division of the Vote was requested by Commissioner Baxter on Item 8.

First Division of the Vote:

Motion by Judge Biscoe **and seconded by** Commissioner Sonleitner to approve Items A1 – A6.

Motion carried:

County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Todd Baxter	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	yes

Second Division of the Vote:

Motion by Judge Biscoe **and seconded by** Commissioner Sonleitner to approve Item A7.

Motion carried:

County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Todd Baxter	no
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	yes

ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS ITEMS

- 9. APPROVE LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH SAFEPLACE FOR USE OF THE COURTHOUSE AND STOKES LOBBIES FOR FIVE DAYS, FROM OCTOBER 16, 2000 THROUGH OCTOBER 20, 2000 FOR DISPLAY OF EXHIBITS OF HAND-PAINTED T-SHIRTS (THE “CLOTHESLINE PROJECT”) IN SUPPORT OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH. (10:27 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Alicia Perez, Executive Manager, Administrative Operations; John Hille, Assistant County Attorney; and Kim Patrelli, Training Specialist, SafePlace.

Motion by Commissioner Gómez **and seconded by** Commissioner Davis to approve the license agreement.

Motion carried:

County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Todd Baxter	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	yes

- 10. APPROVE AGREEMENT FOR CONTINUED OPERATION OF A KVUE-24 TELEVISION WEATHER SENSOR ON THE ROOF OF THE SHOW BARN AT THE EXPOSITION CENTER. (9:54 AM)

Item 10 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 3 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court’s Motion and Vote.

- 11. APPROVE AND/OR GIVE DIRECTION REGARDING THE LEASE PROPOSALS BETWEEN TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS AND CENTRAL PARKING SYSTEMS OF TEXAS, INC. FOR THE FOLLOWING SPACES: (9:54 AM) (1:50 PM)

- A. TEN (10) PARKING SPACES AT 1300 GUADALUPE; AND
- B. FIVE (5) PARKING SPACES AT 1250 GUADALUPE.

Members of the Court heard from: John Hille, Assistant County Attorney.

Items 11.A and B added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 3 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court’s Motion and Vote.

Clerk’s Note: Judge Biscoe announced that the correct address on Item 11.B is 1250 Guadalupe.

14. APPROVE THE SALE OF 1.570 ACRES OF EXCESS, UNUSED RIGHT-OF-WAY, FORMERLY KNOWN AS A PORTION OF TRAVIS COUNTRY BLVD. LOCATED IN PRECINCT THREE, AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. (11:53 AM) (4:00 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Joe Gieselman, Executive Manager, TNR; Greg Chico, Right-of-Way Manager, TNR; and Tom Nuckols, Assistant County Attorney.

Motion by Commissioner Baxter **and seconded by** Commissioner Sonleitner to approve the sale of 1.570 acres, and with permission to allow Commissioner Baxter to sign the deed.

Motion carried:

County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Todd Baxter	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	yes

15. A. APPROVE A VARIANCE TO SECTION 82.202 (d) OF THE TRAVIS COUNTY STANDARDS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF STREETS AND DRAINAGE IN SUBDIVISIONS. (11:56 AM)
- B. APPROVE PLAT FOR RECORDING IN PRECINCT TWO: GRANDVIEW HILLS SECTION 11B (4 LOTS – 351.267 ACRES - RM 620 – NO FISCAL REQUIRED – SEWER SERVICE PROVIDED BY THE CITY OF AUSTIN – COA ETJ.

Clerk’s Note: Items 15.A and B are associated with one another and were called for concurrent discussion.

Members of the Court heard from: Joe Gieselman, Executive Manager, TNR.

Motion by Commissioner Sonleitner **and seconded by** Judge Biscoe to approve Items 15.A and B.

Motion carried:

County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Todd Baxter	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	yes

- 16.** CONSIDER ALLOWING TEXAS PROFESSIONAL TITLE COMPANY, INC. TO SUBSTITUTE A TRUSTEE UNDER TRUST DEED FOR BRODIE SPRINGS SUBDIVISION AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. (10:09 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Tom Nuckols, Assistant County Attorney; and Larry Niemann, Developer of the Subdivision.

Motion by Commissioner Baxter **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to direct Staff to draw up the necessary paperwork to allow Texas Professional Title Company to substitute Georgia Duke as Trustee under Trust Deed for Brodie Springs Subdivision.

Motion carried:

County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Todd Baxter	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	yes

PURCHASING OFFICE ITEMS

- 17.** APPROVE CONTRACT AWARD TO CH2M HILL FOR THE PROVISION OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE BLAKE-MANOR ROAD RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT, RFQ #Q000029JJ. (9:12 AM)

Item 17 postponed until September 5, 2000.

- 18.** APPROVE A 12-MONTH EXTENSION TO CONTRACT NO. PS960075LH, (MODIFICATION NO. 6), AUSTIN-TRAVIS COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH MENTAL RETARDATION CENTER (ATCMHMR) FOR PROVISION OF FAMILY PRESERVATION SERVICES FOR JUVENILE OFFENDERS; CONTRACT APPROVED ON 10/10/95. (9:54 AM)

Item 18 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 3 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

- 19.** APPROVE A 12-MONTH EXTENSION AND INCREASE OF MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP FEE TO CONTRACT NO. IL990170MG, (MODIFICATION NO. 1), UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS FOR INTERNET CONNECTIVITY SERVICE VIA THENET; CONTRACT APPROVED ON 6/22/99. (9:54 AM)

Item 19 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 3 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

- 20.** APPROVE A 12-MONTH EXTENSION TO CONTRACT NO. PS000251KW, (MODIFICATION NO. 1), SAFEPLACE, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND SEXUAL ASSAULT SURVIVAL CENTER FOR CRIME VICTIMS' SERVICES; CONTRACT APPROVED ON 6/20/00. (9:54 AM)

Item 20 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 3 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

- 21.** APPROVE A 12-MONTH EXTENSION TO CONTRACT NO. PS970143KW, (MODIFICATION NO. 5), PHOENIX HOUSES OF TEXAS, INC. FOR PROVISION OF SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT SERVICES FOR THE JUVENILE OFFENDER SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT SERVICES (JOSATS) NETWORK; CONTRACT APPROVED ON 5/20/97. (9:12 AM)

Item 21 postponed until September 5, 2000.

- 22.** APPROVE A 3-MONTH EXTENSION TO CONTRACT NO. PS000068KW, (MODIFICATION NO. 1), PHOENIX HOUSES OF TEXAS, INC. FOR PROVISION OF SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT SERVICES FOR THE JUVENILE OFFENDER SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT SERVICES (JOSATS) NETWORK; CONTRACT APPROVED ON 4/27/00. (9:12 AM)

Item 22 postponed until September 5, 2000.

- 23.** APPROVE PURCHASE OF MODULAR SYSTEMS FURNITURE OFF STATE CONTRACT FROM OFFICE PAVILION FOR GARDNER-BETTS JUVENILE JUSTICE CENTER. (9:54 AM)

Item 23 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 3 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

- 24. A. APPROVE AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR PROVISION OF SIGN MATERIALS, IFB #B000068-RG, ITEM GROUPS A, B, C, AND D TO VULCAN SIGNS AND WAIVE IRREGULARITIES RELATED TO DELIVERY TIME FOR GROUP B ITEMS BASED ON BID SUBMITTED ON JULY 11, 2000. (11:58 AM)
- B. RESCIND AWARD OF CONTRACT TO ROCAL, INC. DUE TO EXTENSIVE REVISIONS IN BID SPECIFICATIONS THAT RENDER BID NON-RESPONSIVE.
- C. APPROVE AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR PROVISION OF SIGN MATERIALS, IFB #B000068-RG, ITEM GROUPS E AND F TO 3-M BASED ON BID ATTACHED TO THIS AGENDA ITEM.

Clerk’s Note: Items 24.A - C are associated with one another and were called for concurrent discussion.

Members of the Court heard from: Frank Holder, Assistant Purchasing Agent; and John Hille, Assistant County Attorney.

Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Davis to rescind our award of C and D to Rocal Inc., and instead award C and D to Vulcan Signs.

Motion carried:

County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Todd Baxter	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	yes

Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Davis to clarify our intention to award A and B to Vulcan.

Motion carried:

County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Todd Baxter	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	yes

OTHER ITEMS

27. **TAKE UP AT 1:30 P.M.** DISCUSS STATUS, NECESSARY CONTRACT MODIFICATIONS AND RELATED ISSUES ON THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE PROGRAM (CJP) PROJECTS, AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. (1:42 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Dave Stauch, Herndon Stauch and Associates; Alicia Perez, Executive Manager, Administrative Operations; John Hille, Assistant County Attorney; and Cyd Grimes, Travis County Purchasing Agent.

Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Sonleitner to approve the contract that the Court previously approved with the present addendum attached, and the addendum covers the insurance proceeds; water damage remediation costs, which we had previously seen; and the summary schedule, which is attachment B.

Motion carried:

County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Todd Baxter	abstain
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	yes

28. DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON THE PROPOSAL SUBMITTED BY THE AUSTIN YOUNG LAWYERS ASSOCIATION, THE TRAVIS COUNTY CHILDREN’S ADVOCACY CENTER AND THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY’S OFFICE FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A CHILDREN’S COURTHOUSE WAITING ROOM FACILITY IN TRAVIS COUNTY. (9:13 AM) (1:59 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Toya Haley, Chair, Children’s Courthouse Waiting Room Committee; Jim Coronado, Magistrate Judge, President Elect, Travis County Bar Association; Joelle Schulze Boehle, Co-Chair, Children’s Courthouse Waiting Room Committee; Amanda Van Hoozer, Director of Program Services, Travis County Children’s Advocacy Center; Dan Mansour, Risk Manager, HRMD; John Hille, Assistant County Attorney; Bruce Elfant, Constable, Precinct 5; and Ronnie Earle, Travis County District Attorney.

Discussion Only.

- 29.** APPROVE AND SIGN ORDER DESIGNATING AUXILIARY COURTROOMS AT U.T. LAW SCHOOL, 727 E. 26TH STREET, AUSTIN, TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS AND MARTIN JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL, 1601 HASKELL STREET, AUSTIN, TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS. (1:51 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: John Hille, Assistant County Attorney.

Motion by Judge Biscoe **and seconded by** Commissioner Sonleitner to approve Item 29.

Motion carried:

County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Todd Baxter	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	yes

- 30.** APPROVE AGREEMENT FOR ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION SERVICES WITH WILLIAMSON-TRAVIS COUNTIES WATER CONTROL AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1E. (9:54 AM)

Item 30 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 3 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court’s Motion and Vote.

- 31.** APPROVE FEDERAL WORK STUDY AGREEMENT FOR JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, PRECINCT THREE OFFICE. (1:53 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Ruth Allison, Division Manager, Justice of the Peace Precinct 3; and Diana Ramirez, Planning and Budget Analyst, PBO.

Motion by Commissioner Baxter **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to approve the Federal Workforce Study Agreement.

Motion carried:

County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Todd Baxter	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	yes

- 32.** CONSIDER REQUEST FROM “PRESERVATION TEXAS” TO JOIN EFFORT TO PRESERVE HISTORIC COURTHOUSES AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. (1:54 PM)

Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Davis to agree to participate, and agree to commit to take the four actions requested in the middle of the letter from Elizabeth Ann Gates, Executive Director, and that if there are significant changes to our understanding, we come back and address this issue again.

Motion carried:

County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Todd Baxter	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	yes

- 33.** CONSIDER REQUEST FOR SALARY INCREASE FROM THE TRAVIS COUNTY CLERK, AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. (9:12 AM)

Item 33 pulled from the agenda.

- 34.** APPROVE PAYMENT OF CLAIMS AND AUTHORIZE COUNTY TREASURER TO INVEST COUNTY FUNDS. (9:54 AM)

Item 34 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 3 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court’s Motion and Vote.

ELECTIONS DIVISION ITEMS

35. A. DISCUSS AND APPROVE ADDITIONAL EARLY VOTING LOCATIONS FOR THE NOVEMBER 7, 2000 PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION. (11:10 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Dana DeBeauvoir, Travis County Clerk; and Lesley Thompson, Division Manager, Elections, Travis County Clerk’s Office.

Motion by Commissioner Davis **and seconded by** Judge Biscoe to approve this particular Item including the five additional sites added to the Election.

Motion carried: County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Todd Baxter	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	yes

B. APPOINT EARLY VOTING BALLOT BOARD AND CENTRAL COUNTING STATION PRESIDING JUDGE, AND ALTERNATE PRESIDING JUDGES FOR THE NOVEMBER 7, 2000 TRAVIS COUNTY JOINT ELECTION. (11:30 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Dana DeBeauvoir, Travis County Clerk; and Lesley Thompson, Division Manager, Elections, Travis County Clerk’s Office.

Motion by Judge Biscoe **and seconded by** Commissioner Sonleitner to approve Item 35.B.

Motion carried: County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Todd Baxter	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	yes

ITEM 35 CONTINUED

C. APPROVE POLLING PLACES FOR USE IN THE NOVEMBER 7, 2000 TRAVIS COUNTY JOINT PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION. TRAVIS COUNTY PRECINCTS 250, 253, 314, 322, 335, AND 351 ARE “TO BE ANNOUNCED” WITH THE 2000 SUBMISSION OF POLLING PLACES TO THE TRAVIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS’ COURT. (11:31 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Dana DeBeauvoir, Travis County Clerk; and Lesley Thompson, Division Manager, Elections, Travis County Clerk’s Office.

Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Sonleitner to approve Item 35.C. The motion is intended to cover all of the ones except those specifically designated as “to be announced”.

Motion carried:

County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Todd Baxter	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	yes

D. APPROVE ELECTION JUDGES AND ALTERNATE JUDGES FOR USE IN THE NOVEMBER 7, 2000 TRAVIS COUNTY JOINT PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION. (11:36 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Dana DeBeauvoir, Travis County Clerk; Lesley Thompson, Division Manager, Elections, Travis County Clerk’s Office; and Mrs. Sary, Private Citizen.

Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Sonleitner to approve Item 35.D.

Motion carried:

County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Todd Baxter	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	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

Note 4 – Gov't Code Ann 551.076, Security

- 36. A. RECEIVE BRIEFING FROM COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE REGARDING CONTRACTS WITH FLUOR DANIEL, INC., M.W. BUILDERS, GRAEBER, SIMMONS & COWAN AND OTHER CONTRACTORS FOR THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE CENTER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. ¹ (3:14 PM) (3:59 PM)**
- B. RECEIVE BRIEFING FROM COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE REGARDING CLAIMS RECEIVED FROM CONTRACTORS FOR THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE CENTER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. ¹**
- C. RECEIVE BRIEFING FROM COUNTY ATTORNEY AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING FLUOR DANIEL, INC. V. TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS; CIVIL ACTION NO. A 00CA021SS; IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS, AUSTIN DIVISION. ¹**

Judge Biscoe announced that Items 36.A – C would be considered in Executive Session.

No action required on Items 36.A – C.

- 37. RECEIVE BRIEFING FROM COUNTY ATTORNEY AND GIVE DIRECTION AND CONSIDER REPRESENTATION OF TRAVIS COUNTY REGARDING TRAVIS COUNTY FORENSIC CENTER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. ¹ (3:14 PM) (3:59 PM)**

Judge Biscoe announced that Item 37 would be considered in Executive Session.

Item 37 to be reposted on September 5, 2000.

- 38. RECEIVE BRIEFING FROM COUNTY ATTORNEY AND/OR AUTHORIZE COUNTY ATTORNEY TO ACCEPT, REJECT, OR COUNTER SETTLEMENT OFFER AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION IN THE MATTER OF JESSE EASON V. TRAVIS COUNTY, ET AL. ¹ & ³ (3:14 PM) (3:59 PM)**

Judge Biscoe announced that Item 38 would be considered in Executive Session.

Members of the Court heard from: Eric Shepperd, Assistant County Attorney.

Item 38 to be reposted on September 12, 2000.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Commissioner Davis **and seconded by** Commissioner Baxter to adjourn the Voting Session. (4:02 PM)

Motion carried:

County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Todd Baxter	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	yes

MINUTES APPROVED BY THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT

Date of Approval

Samuel T. Biscoe, Travis County Judge