

MINUTES – SEPTEMBER 12, 2000

TRAVIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT

On Tuesday, the 12th day of September, 2000, the Commissioners' Court convened the regular Voting Session at 9:18 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 12:04 PM.

The Commissioners' Court, meeting as the Northwest Travis County Road District No. 3 (Golden Triangle) Board of Directors, (NWTCRD #3), convened the NWTCRD #3 Voting Session at 1:36 PM and adjourned at 1:37 PM.

The Commissioners' Court, meeting as the Travis County Housing Finance Corporation (TCHFC) called to order the Voting Session at 1:37 PM and adjourned at 1:51 PM.

The Commissioners' Court, meeting as the Travis County Health Facilities Development Corporation (TCHFDC) called to order the Voting Session at 1:51 PM and adjourned at 1:52 PM.

The Commissioners' Court, meeting as the Capital Industrial Development Corporation (CIDC) called to order the Voting Session at 1:52 PM and adjourned at 1:53 PM.

The Commissioners' Court reconvened the Voting Session at 1:53 PM.

The Commissioners' Court retired to Executive Session 3:45 PM.

The Commissioners' Court reconvened the Voting Session at 4:47 PM.

The Commissioners' Court adjourned the Voting Session at 4:49 PM.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 1. PUBLIC HEARING TO DISCUSS AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN INSTRUMENT TO VACATE THE 5' PUBLIC UTILITY EASEMENT ON EITHER SIDE OF THE COMMON LOT LINE BETWEEN LOTS 367 AND 368, APACHE SHORES FIRST INSTALLMENT. (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, Transportation and Natural Resources (TNR).

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 1 is Item C8. Please refer to Agenda Item 4 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

RESOLUTIONS & PROCLAMATIONS

- 2. APPROVE PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING THE CAPITAL AREA MENTAL HEALTH CENTER’S 20TH ANNIVERSARY AND HONORING THEIR DEDICATED VOLUNTEERS. (9:20 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Betty Bunton, Capital Area Mental Health Center.

Motion by Judge Biscoe **and seconded by** Commissioner Baxter to approve Item 2.

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

- 3. APPROVE PROCLAMATION HONORING THE 190TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE DIEZ Y SEIS DE SEPTIEMBRE CELEBRATION. (9:24 AM)

Motion by Commissioner Gómez **and seconded by** Commissioner Davis to approve Item 3.

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

CITIZENS COMMUNICATION

Members of the Court heard from: Gus Peña, President of East Austin Concerned Hispanics; Kenneth Snyder, Private Citizen; Joe Gieselman, Executive Manager, TNR; and Robert Good, Director of Engineering and Planning, TNR. (9:26 AM)

CONSENT ITEMS

- 4. Motion by** Commissioner Gómez **and seconded by** Commissioner Sonleitner to approve the following Consent Items: C1-C8, and Items 11.A, B, C, D, F, G, & H, 14, 16, 17, 18, 19.A & B, 20, 21, 22, 23, 27, 31, and 32. (9:36 AM)

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

- C1.** RECEIVE BIDS FROM COUNTY PURCHASING AGENT.
- C2.** AWARD BIDS FOR FOOD ITEMS FOR TRAVIS COUNTY CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES AND JUVENILE DETENTION SERVICES.
- C3.** APPROVE COMMISSIONERS’ COURT MINUTES FOR VOTING SESSION OF AUGUST 29, 2000.
- C4.** APPOINT REGINALD WILLIAMS TO THE TRAVIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #4, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2001.
- C5.** APPROVE ACCEPTANCE OF DEDICATION OF STREET AND DRAINAGE FACILITIES IN VILLAGE AT VOLENTE PHASE THREE, A SUBDIVISION IN PRECINCT 2.
- C6.** APPROVE PLAT FOR RECORDING IN PRECINCT TWO: SHORELINE AT BURNET SUBDIVISION (SHORTFORM PLAT – 1 LOT – 5.123 ACRES – SHORELINE DRIVE – NO FISCAL REQUIRED – SEWAGE SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED BY ON-SITE SEWAGE FACILITY COA ETJ).
- C7.** APPROVE A CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT AND APPROVE A PLAT FOR RECORDING IN PRECINCT TWO: RANCH AT CYPRESS CREEK SECTION 16-B (LONGFORM PLAT – 19 LOTS – 3.866 ACRES – KIMRA LANE – FISCAL POSTED WITH TRAVIS COUNTY – SEWAGE SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED BY RANCH AT CYPRESS CREEK MUD NO.1 – CEDAR PARK ETJ).

CONSENT ITEMS CONTINUED

C8. APPROVE ORDER TO AUTHORIZE THE FILING OF AN INSTRUMENT TO VACATE THE 5’ PUBLIC UTILITY EASEMENT ON EITHER SIDE OF THE COMMON LOT LINE BETWEEN LOTS 367 AND 368, APACHE SHORES FIRST INSTALLMENT, A SUBDIVISION IN PRECINCT 3.

Clerk’s Note: Item C8 is the Action Item for Item 1.

5. RECEIVE BRIEFING AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING OUTDOOR BURNING BAN IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF TRAVIS COUNTY. (9:38 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Pete Baldwin, Emergency Management Coordinator, Department of Emergency Services; and Jim Connolly, Assistant County Attorney.

Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Gómez to approve Item 5.

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

PLANNING AND BUDGET DEPT. ITEMS

6. CONSIDER FY 2001 ELECTED OFFICIALS’ SALARIES, AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. (9:41 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Christian Smith, Executive Manager, Planning and Budget Office (PBO); Judge Guy Herman, Probate Court; Judge Orlinda Naranjo, County Court at Law #2; Judge David Phillips, County Court at Law #1; Judge David Crain, County Court at Law #3; Judge Brenda Kennedy, County Court at Law #7; Judge Jan Breland, County Court at Law #6; and Barbara Wilson, Assistant County Attorney.

Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Gómez to honor the District Attorney’s request and not provide any additional pay by the County which would delete that \$641.43 and change it to \$0.00.

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 reconsider our decision to exclude the County Courts at Law Judges from the 3% pay increase.

Motion carried:

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

Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Davis to apply the 3% to the County Court at Law Judges.

Withdrawal of the previous Motion and second was made by Judge Biscoe and Commissioner Davis.

ITEM 6 CONTINUED

Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Davis to apply the 3% increase to all Elected Officials except the County Judge and the Commissioners' Court and the elected officials whose salaries are set and funded by the State of Texas.

A Clarification of the previous Motion was made by Judge Biscoe to intend not to fund the District Attorney, the District Judges; but to include everybody else, excluding the Commissioners' Court.

Withdrawal of the previous Motion was made by Judge Biscoe.

Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Davis that the Commissioners' Court take of record the position that County Elected Officials should be treated the same, but we separate out those whose salaries are substantially funded by the State of Texas, specifically meaning the District Judges, the District Attorney, and we also separate out the entire Travis County Commissioners' Court.

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

Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Davis to in fact advertise the decision that we just made which would be to provide 3% to those Elected Officials which would again exclude the District Judges, the District Attorney, and the Commissioners' Court.

A Substitute Motion was made by Commissioner Sonleitner and seconded by Commissioner Baxter that all Elected Officials get zero.

A Clarification of the previous Motion was made by Commissioner Sonleitner that it is zero on proposed change up and down the line, zero for everyone, treating everyone equally.

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

7. APPROVE ORDER SETTING FEES TO BE CHARGED FOR SERVICES BY OFFICES OF THE SHERIFF AND CONSTABLES IN 2001. (10:24 AM)

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

Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Gómez to approve Item 7.

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

8. APPROVE PROPOSED COUNTY TAX RATE FOR FY '00 AND SET DATE AND TIME FOR PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE. (3:28 PM)

Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Davis to approve setting of the public hearing for September 20, 2000 at 6:00 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

9. CONTINUATION OF BUDGET MARK-UP DISCUSSION AND ACTION FOR PROPOSED FY'01 TRAVIS COUNTY BUDGET. (9:18 AM) (10:25 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Christian Smith, Executive Manager, PBO; Karen Shafer Castro, Senior Planning and Budget Analyst, PBO; Bill Derryberry, Senior Planning and Budget Analyst, PBO; Chris Broussard, PBO; Stephen Williams, Executive Manager, Travis County Health, Human Services, and Veterans' Services (TCHHS&VS); David Escamilla, First Assistant County Attorney; Alan Miller, Planning and Budget Analyst, PBO; Susan Spataro, Travis County Auditor; and Barbara Wilson, Assistant County Attorney.

Motion by Commissioner Sonleitner **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez that the dollars that were remaining for Elected Officials Salaries prior to today be pulled out of Departmental Budgets, and be called an Elected Officials Reserve, and it will be dealt with at a later point, not presuming the work of any grievance committee.

A Restatement of the previous Motion by Commissioner Sonleitner to add \$38,000.00 to the Allocated Reserve, and then put an Earmark against it. Therefore, if it is not needed, it stays in the Allocated Reserve.

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

FY '01 Markup Parking Lot – (½ Community Liaison; Pretrial; County Clerk; 2 Corrections Officers)

Motion by Judge Biscoe **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to go ahead and deal with those in that manner, and, if we do that, we can take them off the parking lot. So my Motion is for us to do just that, but on the rest of it, that we just incorporate that into the Central Booking Interlocal that we ought to have in place the first quarter of the Fiscal Year, and if not, there's no need to act on it anyway.

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 9 CONTINUED

Security Officers (7 FTE) and Jan. 1 Skill-Based Pay (except FTO)

Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Davis to indicate to the Sheriff and the Officers Association that we are unable to fund that part of it.

Maker and Second accept the Friendly Amendment by Commissioner Sonleitner to authorize the slots for those Security Officers, but with no funding attached, and if the Sheriff, in her discretion of the deployment of her resources, can find permanent savings to pay for those, she’s got the slots that she can fill.

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

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

A Clarification of the previous Motion was made by Judge Biscoe that the Motion was to indicate that, because of lack of money, we do not fund Security Officers or January 1 Skill-Based Pay.

A Clarification of the previous Friendly Amendment was made by Commissioner Sonleitner to be amenable to a request mid-year related to creating slots if, indeed, the Sheriff’s Office can find permanent savings, including the ratchet effect to fund that.

ITEM 9 CONTINUED

Motion by Commissioner Sonleitner **and seconded by** Judge Biscoe to advertise the maximum tax rate at .4670.

A Restatement of the Motion by Judge Biscoe that it is a three part Motion: First part is to advertise a .4670 tax rate as the maximum; and second is whatever difference there is between the amount that generates, and the amount we need, now covered by moving from CAR to the CO's; and that after we have a complete revenue expenditure picture, if there's additional money, we move from CO's to CAR, then, to further reduce the tax rate in that order.

An Addition to the Motion was made by Commissioner Sonleitner, and that also would incorporate that in terms of how to handle the MHMR funding. \$120,000.00 of that is coming out of the tobacco money that's all ready in the budget. To incorporate the Parking Lot Items (which was the 11% for the CAR adjustment), the MHMR situation (offset by the \$120,000.00 from the tobacco settlement), there are 3 slots, (a computer technician, a family violence support person for County Court at Law and Pre-Trial, and a Disbursement Financial Analyst in the Auditor's Office), and then it's the \$299,320.00 of the changes (related to benefits from the Sheriff's Office).

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

- 10. DISCUSS STATUS REPORT ON TRAVIS COUNTY BURGLAR ALARM PROGRAM, DISCUSS FINES AND FEES IN RELATION TO ALARM PERMITS ISSUED BY THE SHERIFF’S OFFICE AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION.
(1:53 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Patty Eacret, Director, Fiscal and Personnel, Travis County Sheriff’s Office (TCSO); Mike Hemby, Research Analyst, TCSO; and Terry Pickering, Major, TCSO.

Motion by Commissioner Baxter **and seconded by** Judge Biscoe that we go back, give it 2 weeks, have it back on the agenda in 2 weeks. I’ll work with the Sheriff’s Office, see if we can come back with something to make adjustments, and discuss it further at that time with specific recommendations.

Withdrawal of the previous Second was made by Judge Biscoe.

Clerk Note: The Motion died for lack of a Second.

Motion by Commissioner Sonleitner **and seconded by** Judge Biscoe that we insure a streamlining of the procedures, and only administrative procedures be brought back to this Court in a couple of weeks, but not anything related to revenues.

Maker and Second accept the Friendly Amendment by Commissioner Davis to also include the request to see exactly what the cost is to carry out this operation.

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

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 Commissioner Baxter to not charge the \$25.00 registration fee for this next year.

Clerk Note: The Motion died for lack of a Second.

Item 10 to be reposted on September 26, 2000.

- 11. APPROVE GRANT PROPOSALS, APPLICATIONS, CONTRACTS AND PERMISSIONS TO CONTINUE. (9:36 AM)
 - A. APPROVE ACCEPTANCE OF COUNTY ATTORNEY’S OFFICE GRANT CONTRACT FROM THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE FY ’01 COMPREHENSIVE UNDERAGE DRINKING PREVENTION EDUCATION PROGRAM.
 - B. APPROVE ACCEPTANCE OF DISTRICT ATTORNEY’S OFFICE GRANT CONTRACT FROM THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR THE VICTIM ASSISTANCE LIAISON PROGRAM.
 - C. APPROVE ACCEPTANCE OF TNR’S GRANT CONTRACT FROM THE U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE FOR THE FY’00 BCP LAND ACQUISITION.
 - D. APPROVE ACCEPTANCE OF JUVENILE PROBATION DEPARTMENT GRANT CONTRACT FROM THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR, CRIMINAL JUSTICE DIVISION FOR THE PURCHASE OF JUVENILE JUSTICE ALTERNATIVES.

Items 11.A - D added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 4 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court’s Motion and Vote.

- E. APPROVE ACCEPTANCE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES GRANT CONTRACTS FROM THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR, CRIMINAL JUSTICE DIVISION FOR THE (1) DEL VALLE SAFE SCHOOLS PROGRAM; (2) GANG INTERVENTION YOUTH CORPS, AND (3) ST. JOHNS SAFE SCHOOLS PROGRAM. (1:53 PM)

Motion by Commissioner Davis **and seconded by** Judge Biscoe to approve Item 11.E.

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 11 CONTINUED

- F.** APPROVE ACCEPTANCE OF JUVENILE PROBATION DEPARTMENT GRANT CONTRACT FROM THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR, CRIMINAL JUSTICE DIVISION FOR THE JUVENILE ACCOUNTABILITY INCENTIVE BLOCK GRANT. (9:36 AM)

- G.** APPROVE ACCEPTANCE OF SHERIFF’S OFFICE GRANT CONTRACT FROM THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR FOR THE 3RD YEAR OF THE “STEP DOWN” GRANT PROGRAM.

- H.** APPROVE ACCEPTANCE OF SHERIFF’S OFFICE GRANT CONTRACT FROM THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR THE CRIME VICTIM LIAISON PROGRAM.

Items 11.F - H added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 4 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court’s Motion and Vote.

- 12.** APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENTS AND TRANSFERS. (2:26 PM)

No action necessary on Item 12.

ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS ITEMS

13. REVIEW AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON FY 2001 COMPENSATION ISSUES:

A. LIVABLE WAGE; AND (9:19 AM) (11:32 AM)

No action necessary on Item 13.A

B. FINAL DEPARTMENTAL PLANS ON 6% COMPENSATION. (11:32 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Linda Moore Smith, Director, Human Resources Management Department (HRMD); Susan Spataro, Travis County Auditor; and Margo Frasier, Travis County Sheriff.

Motion by Commissioner Davis **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to approve Item 13.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

14. APPROVE PERSONNEL AMENDMENTS. (9:36 AM)

Item 14 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 4 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court’s Motion and Vote.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES ITEMS

- 15. DISCUSS AND GIVE STAFF DIRECTION REGARDING FACILITIES NEEDS IN HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION:

- A. HOUSING AND WEATHERIZATION; (2:26 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Stephen Williams, Executive Manager, TCHHS&VS; Bob Petersen, Facilities Coordinator, TCHHS; Roger El Khoury, Director, Facilities Management; Belinda Poppa, Capital Planning Coordinator, PBO; Cyd Grimes, Travis County Purchasing Agent.

Motion by Judge Biscoe **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to put together specifications for the office space portables (1); (2) that we try to find portable storage space, and (3) that we put together a strategy to tear down this facility and build another one.

Maker and Second accept the Friendly Amendment by Commissioner Sonleitner to try some due diligence with the City of Austin. They own a lot of empty buildings called the Del Valle Schools, and there’s a lot of space. It’s very near, there’s plenty of parking, and it’s simply for a temporary situation to clear the pallet and rebuild on that same site, but to not do it when there are people on that site that you have to work around.

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

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 15 CONTINUED

- B. PFLUGERVILLE COMMUNITY CENTER AND CLINIC; AND (2:55 PM)**
- C. OAK HILL COMMUNITY CENTER AND CLINIC.**

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

Members of the Court heard from: Stephen Williams, Executive Manager, TCHHS&VS; and Belinda Poppa, Capital Planning Coordinator, PBO.

Motion by Commissioner Sonleitner **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez for Items 15.B and C to take the VA up on their offer, at absolutely no cost to us, to work with them on the programming side of the clinic along with our Staff, and to, at this point, utilize their guidelines for design, until there is a point that we choose not to.

A Clarification of the previous Motion was made by Commissioner Sonleitner to clarify that this is an accepting of assistance Motion and not a deferring of judgement Motion.

A Restatement of the previous Motion was made by Commissioner Sonleitner **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez that this is an acceptance of assistance Motion, and not a deferring of judgement Motion, but that the VA Staff work side by side with our own Staff in terms of coming up with programming for the clinic side of the Pflugerville and Oak Hill facilities, and that, for the moment, we utilize their guidelines for design until we establish better information about whether those are not the ones we choose to use.

A Substitute Motion was made by Judge Biscoe **and seconded by** Commissioner Davis to add, as a preceding condition, the requirement that a letter, containing what I described earlier, be put together in draft form, shared with the Court and the County Attorney's Office, mailed to the VA along with a request for immediate assistance and response, and reference to an interlocal agreement that basically contains, from their perspective, what ought to be the terms and conditions of the agreement, and what Commissioner Sonleitner said.

Withdrawal of the previous Substitute Motion was made by Judge Biscoe.

ITEM 15 CONTINUED

Maker and Second accept the Friendly Amendment by Judge Biscoe to add, as a preceding condition, the requirement that a letter containing what I described earlier be put together in draft form, shared with the Court and the County Attorney’s Office, mailed to the VA along with a request for immediate assistance and response, and reference to an interlocal agreement that basically contains, from their perspective, what ought to be the terms and conditions of the agreement, and what Commissioner Sonleitner said.

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

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

- 16. APPROVE PROCUREMENT OF INTEGRATED JUSTICE SYSTEM (IJS) RELATED SOFTWARE SYSTEM LICENSING, IMPLEMENTATION, AND MAINTENANCE OF A QUICK BOOK INTERFACE, MOBILE DATA SYSTEM, AND AUTOMATED REPORTING SYSTEM (“ARS/MDS TIBURON PROJECT”) FROM TIBURON, INC. (9:36 AM)

Item 16 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 4 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court’s Motion and Vote.

- 17. APPROVE RENEWAL OF TWO (2) INTERLOCAL AGREEMENTS AND FIFTY-THREE (53) PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACTS WITH VARIOUS AGENCIES AND CONTRACTORS. (SEE ATTACHMENT ‘A’ FOR LISTING OF AGENCIES AND CONTRACTORS POSTED WITH THIS AGENDA). (9:36 AM)

Item 17 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 4 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court’s Motion and Vote.

- 18.** APPROVE CONTRACT AWARD FOR THE PROVISION OF PRISONER CONVERSION UNITS, IFB B000108-RV TO THE SOLE QUALIFIED BIDDER, UPV POLICE VEHICLES, INC. (9:36 AM)

Item 18 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 4 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

- 19.** **A.** APPROVE ORDER EXEMPTING PURCHASE OF PROFESSIONAL MEDICAL AND DENTAL SERVICES FROM THE COMPETITIVE PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS OF THE COUNTY PURCHASING ACT. (9:36 AM)
- B.** APPROVE CONTRACT AWARD #PS000328-LB WITH MELINDA MAE MATTHES, DDS FOR INMATE DENTAL SERVICES.

Items 19.A and B added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 4 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

- 20.** APPROVE MODIFICATION NO.1, CONTRACT NO. 00T0043-DM, EXECUTIVE SECURITY SYSTEMS, INC. ON-SITE SECURITY GUARD SERVICES; CONTRACT APPROVED ON 11/30/99. (9:36 AM)

Item 20 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 4 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

- 21.** APPROVE MODIFICATION NO. 4 TO CONTRACT NO. PS970127-LH, WEILER & ASSOCIATES, COURT REPORTING SERVICES. (9:36 AM)

Item 21 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 4 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

- 22.** APPROVE MODIFICATION NO. 7 TO CONTRACT NO. PS970023-LH, KEEP AUSTIN BEAUTIFUL; CONTRACT APPROVED 10/26/92. (9:36 AM)

Item 22 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 4 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

- 23. APPROVE A 12-MONTH EXTENSION (MODIFICATION NO. 2) TO CONTRACT NO. 00T0038-JP, HOLDERS PEST CONTROL FOR THE PROVISION OF PEST CONTROL SERVICES; CONTRACT APPROVED ON 11/2/99. (9:36 AM)

Item 23 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 4 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court’s Motion and Vote.

JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY ITEMS

- 24. DISCUSS INTERLOCAL WITH CAPITAL AREA PLANNING COUNCIL (CAPCO) FOR PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINT MAINTENANCE, EQUIPMENT UPGRADE AND TRAINING, AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. (3:26 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Dinah Dinwiddie, Executive Manager, Justice and Public Safety (JPS).

Motion by Judge Biscoe **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to approve Item 24.

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

- 25. DISCUSS INTERLOCAL WITH CAPITAL AREA PLANNING COUNCIL FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF ENHANCED 9-1-1 PROGRAM. (3:27 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Dinah Dinwiddie, Executive Manager, JPS.

Discussion Only.

Item 25 to be reposted on September 19, 2000.

- 26. CONSIDER DRAFT CENTRAL BOOKING INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. (3:30 PM) (3:45 PM) (4:48 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Dinah Dinwiddie, Executive Manager, JPS; and Jim Connolly, Assistant County Attorney.

Judge Biscoe announced that Item 26 would be considered in Executive Session.

Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Davis to ask counsel to complete making changes to the draft interlocal that we got from the City of Austin’s City attorney’s Office, and that the Assistant County Attorney try to sit and discuss certain terms and conditions with the City Attorney between now and next Tuesday, and that we be further updated next week.

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 26 to be reposted on September 19, 2000.

TRANSPORTATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPT. ITEMS

- 27. APPROVE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF SUNSET VALLEY FOR ITS IMPROVEMENTS TO BRODIE LANE. (9:36 AM)

Item 27 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 4 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court’s Motion and Vote.

OTHER ITEMS

- 28. 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. (3:31 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Cyd Grimes, Travis County Purchasing Agent; Marvin Brice, Construction Procurement Specialist, Purchasing; and John Hille, Assistant County Attorney.

Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Sonleitner to approve the Kanetzky Electric Modification.

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

Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Sonleitner to approve modification 18 to B&B Construction.

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

29. A. APPROVE ORDER CALLING THE NOVEMBER 7, 2000 GENERAL ELECTION FOR COUNTY AND PRECINCT OFFICERS. (3:40 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Tamara Armstrong, Assistant County Attorney.

Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Davis to approve Item 29.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. DISCUSS OTHER ISSUES RELATED TO THE CONDUCT OF THE NOVEMBER 7, 2000 ELECTIONS. (3:41 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Tamara Armstrong, Assistant County Attorney.

Discussion Only.

30. REVIEW AND APPROVE ORDER AMENDING CHAPTER 23 (INVESTMENT POLICY AND PROCEDURES) OF THE TRAVIS COUNTY CODE. (3:42 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Mary Mayes, Investment Manager, Cash/Investment Management; and Leroy Nellis, Budget Manager, PBO.

Discussion Only.

Item 30 to be reposted on September 19, 2000.

31. APPROVE AMENDMENT NUMBER TWO TO PROJECT SPOTLIGHT INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF AUSTIN, COMMUNITY SUPERVISION AND CORRECTIONS DEPARTMENT, THE TRAVIS COUNTY JUVENILE PROBATION DEPARTMENT, AND TRAVIS COUNTY. (9:36 AM)

Item 31 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 4 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court’s Motion and Vote.

32. APPROVE PAYMENT OF CLAIMS AND AUTHORIZE COUNTY TREASURER TO INVEST COUNTY FUNDS. (9:36 AM)

Item 32 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 4 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

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

33. 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 (3:45 PM)
(4:47 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

Clerk's Note: Items 33.A – C are associated with one another and were called for concurrent discussion.

Judge Biscoe announced that Items 33.A – C would be considered in Executive Session.

No action necessary on Items 33.A – C.

- 34. RECEIVE LEGAL ADVICE FROM COUNTY ATTORNEY ON OLD CENTRAL BOOKING INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH CITY OF AUSTIN, DISCUSS OUTSTANDING INVOICES AND RELATED ISSUES, AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. ¹ (3:45 PM) (4:47 PM)

Judge Biscoe announced that Item 34 would be considered in Executive Session.

No action necessary on Item 34.

- 35. RECEIVE BRIEFING FROM COUNTY ATTORNEY AND GIVE DIRECTION AND CONSIDER REPRESENTATION OF TRAVIS COUNTY REGARDING TRAVIS COUNTY FORENSIC CENTER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. ¹ (3:45 PM)

Item 35 postponed until September 19, 2000.

- 36. 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 AND 3} (3:45 PM) (4:47 PM)

Judge Biscoe announced that Item 36 would be considered in Executive Session.

Item 36 to be reposted on September 19, 2000.

- A.1 CONSIDER POSSIBLE LOCATIONS FOR NEW OFFICE LOCATION FOR PRECINCT FOUR JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, CONSTABLE AND COMMUNITY SUPERVISION AND CORRECTIONS DEPARTMENT. EXECUTIVE SESSION ALSO, PURSUANT TO TX. GOVT. CODE ANN. 551.072. (3:45 PM) (4:47 PM)

Judge Biscoe announced that Item A.1 would be considered in Executive Session.

Motion by Commissioner Gómez **and seconded by** Commissioner Davis to authorize Staff to proceed with negotiations with the Brock Consulting Group, who submitted a better location and better price.

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

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Commissioner Davis **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to adjourn the Voting Session. (4:49 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