

MINUTES – FEBRUARY 16, 2001

TRAVIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT

On Friday, the 16th day of February, 2001, the Commissioners' Court convened the Voting Session at 9:39 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 adjourned the Voting Session at 11:23 AM.

1. DISCUSS LEGISLATIVE ISSUES, AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION.
(9:39 AM)

New Civil District Court: (9:39 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Jeanne Meurer, 98th District Court; Bob Kamm, Legislative Consultant; Tris Casteñeda, Legislative Consultant; and Christian Smith, Executive Manager, Planning and Budget Office (PBO).

Motion by Commissioner Baxter **and seconded by** Commissioner Sonleitner that the Court signal its intent to approve direction to have the Legislative Counsel draft the bill to expedite it, and once we get more numbers from PBO, get a more full understanding, and also look at more of the numbers for justification, and more details and justification, we would then take action on whether to support the bill as a Court or not, and to change the implementation date to 2002.

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 1 CONTINUED

House Bill 749: Relating to the sales and use tax in certain metropolitan transit authorities. (10:03 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: John Treviño, Board Member, Capital Metro; Karen Rae, General Manager, Capital Metro; and Dr. Diana Galaviz.

Discussion Only.

House Bill 431 and Senate Bill 288: Relating to the financial transactions of a Community Supervision and Corrections Department. (10:48 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Susan Spataro, Travis County Auditor; and Bob Kamm, Legislative Consultant.

Discussion Only.

Senate Bill 732: County Revenue Certification/Private Dollars. (10:55 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Susan Spataro, Travis County Auditor.

Discussion Only.

House Bill 1287: Relating to the authority of the Commissioners Court of a County to establish a drug court program. (10:56 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Patricia Greenspan, Drug Court; Claire Dawson-Brown, District Attorney's Office; and Bob Kamm, Legislative Consultant.

Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Davis to approve this approach.

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	absent

ITEM 1 CONTINUED

Subdivision Regulation – Draft Bill by Senator Wentworth: (11:03 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Barbara Alsworth, Precinct Three County Commissioner's Office; and Bob Kamm, Legislative Consultant.

Discussion Only.

Land Use Management in Unincorporated Areas: (11:09 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Barbara Alsworth, Precinct Three County Commissioner's Office; and Bob Kamm, Legislative Consultant.

Discussion Only.

Efficient and Reliable 911 Service: (11:10 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Bob Kamm, Legislative Consultant.

Discussion Only.

County Fee authority bill: (11:13 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Bob Kamm, Legislative Consultant; and Leroy Nellis, Budget Manager, PBO.

Discussion Only.

Senate Bill 150: Community Supervision. (11:18 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Bob Kamm, Legislative Consultant; and Katie Broderick, Research and Planning Manager, Justice and Public Safety (JPS).

Discussion Only.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Commissioner Sonleitner **and seconded by** Commissioner Davis to adjourn the Voting Session. (11:23 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	absent
	Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	absent

MINUTES APPROVED BY THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT

Date of Approval

Samuel T. Biscoe, Travis County Judge