# MINUTES – DECEMBER 3, 2002 TRAVIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT

On Tuesday, the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of December, 2002, the Commissioners' Court convened the regular Voting Session at 9:11 AM in the Commissioners' Courtroom, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor of the Ned Granger Administration Building, 314 West 11<sup>th</sup> Street, Austin, Texas. Dana DeBeauvoir, County Clerk, was represented by Deputy Melissa Velasquez.

The Commissioners' Court retired to Executive Session at 12:03 PM.

The Commissioners' Court reconvened the Voting Session at 12:15 PM.

The Commissioners' Court recessed the Voting Session at 12:15 PM.

The Commissioners' Court reconvened the Voting Session at 1:20 PM.

The Commissioners' Court retired to Executive Session at 1:20 PM.

The Commissioners' Court reconvened the Voting Session at 1:36 PM.

The Commissioners' Court adjourned the Voting Session at 1:38 PM.

### CITIZENS COMMUNICATION

**Members of the Court heard from:** Kenneth Snyder, Resident, Northridge Acres. (9:13 AM)

**Clerk's Note:** Judge Samuel T. Biscoe, Chair, Travis County Combined Charities, discussed the progress of the 2002 County charity campaign.

#### **CONSENT ITEMS**

**Motion by** Commissioner Gómez **and seconded by** Commissioner Sonleitner to approve the following Consent Items: C1-C7 (excluding C8), and Items 3.A, B, and C, 5, 6.A and B, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, and 23. (10:15 AM)

Motion carried: County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Gerald Daugherty 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 THE FOLLOWING VOTING SESSIONS:
  - **A.** NOVEMBER 12, 2002; AND
  - **B.** NOVEMBER 19, 2002.
- **C4.** APPROVE ACCEPTANCE OF DEDICATION OF STREET AND DRAINAGE FACILITIES FOR THE REALIGNMENT OF SOUTH VIEW ROAD, A STREET IN PRECINCT 3. (COMMISSIONER DAUGHERTY)
- C5. APPROVE A CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT AND APPROVAL OF A PLAT FOR RECORDING IN PRECINCT ONE: PARKSIDE SUBDIVISION (LONG FORM PLAT 7 LOTS 83.882 ACRES HARRIS RIDGE BLVD FISCAL POSTED WITH CITY OF AUSTIN SEWAGE SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED BY NORTHTOWN MUD AUSTIN 2-MILE ETJ). (COMMISSIONER DAVIS)
- C6. APPROVE A CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT AND APPROVAL OF A PLAT FOR RECORDING IN PRECINCT ONE: PARKWAY SUBDIVISION (LONG FORM PLAT 18 LOTS 22.286 ACRES HARRIS RIDGE BLVD FISCAL POSTED WITH CITY OF AUSTIN SEWAGE SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED BY NORTHTOWN MUD AUSTIN 2-MILE ETJ). (COMMISSIONER DAVIS)
- C7. APPROVE SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING DATE OF DECEMBER 17, 2002 TO DISCUSS AND APPROVE THE PROPOSED STREET NAME ASSIGNMENT FOR AN EASEMENT TO "ABRAHAMSON COURT" IN PRECINCT ONE. (COMMISSIONER DAVIS)

#### CONSENT ITEMS CONTINUED

C8. APPROVE SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING ON DECEMBER 17, 2002 TO DISCUSS AND APPROVE A PLAT VACATION AND A PLAT FOR RECORDING IN PRECINCT FOUR: REPLAT OF FOREST HILLS SUBDIVISION (SHORT FORM PLAT - 2 LOTS - 9.640 ACRES - FM2304 (MANCHACA ROAD) - NO FISCAL REQUIRED - SEWAGE SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED BY CITY OF AUSTIN ON-SITE SEWAGE FACILITY - CITY OF AUSTIN ETJ). (COMMISSIONER GOMEZ) (10:15 AM)

No action needed on Item C8.

# TRANSPORTATION & NATURAL RESOURCES DEPT. ITEMS

1. DISCUSS BROWNING FERRIS INDUSTRY (BFI) SUNSET FARMS LANDFILL SITE DEVELOPMENT PERMIT (#02-2714) RELATED TO A TEN FOOT HEIGHT INCREASE, AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. (COMMISSIONER DAVIS) (9:19 AM)

**Members of the Court heard from:** John Kuhl, Natural Resources Program Manager, Transportation and Natural Resources (TNR); Stacey Scheffel, TNR; Trek English, Travis County Resident; Tom Nuckols, Assistant County Attorney; Joyce Best, Travis County Resident; and Melanie McAfee, Owner, Barr Mansion

Discussion Only. No action was taken.

2. CONSIDER REQUESTING THE CITY OF SUNSET VALLEY TO ANNEX FOR FULL-PURPOSE A PORTION OF BRODIE LANE RIGHT OF WAY FROM THE CITY LIMITS TO THE NORTH END OF THE WILLIAMSON CREEK BRIDGE. (COMMISSIONER DAUGHERTY) (10:20 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Carol Joseph, Assistant Director, TNR.

**Motion by** Judge Biscoe **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez 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 Gerald Daugherty yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez yes

# PLANNING AND BUDGET DEPT. ITEMS

- 3. REVIEW AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON GRANT PROPOSALS, APPLICATIONS, CONTRACTS, AND PERMISSIONS TO CONTINUE: (10:15 AM)
  - **A.** APPROVE GRANT CONTRACT WITH THE CORPORATION OF NATIONAL SERVICE FOR THE RETIRED SENIOR'S VOLUNTEER PROGRAM IN HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT. THE CONTRACT IS TO CONTINUE THE PROGRAM FOR FY 03.
  - **B.** APPROVE GRANT CONTRACT WITH THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR AN ACCESS AND VISITATION GRANT PROGRAM IN JUVENILE PROBATION. THE GRANT CONTINUES THE PROGRAM FOR FY 03.
  - C. APPROVE GRANT APPLICATION TO THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL PROGRAM IN TRANSPORTATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT. THE GRANT REQUIRES A \$125,000 MATCH THAT IS CURRENTLY EARMARKED IN THE ALLOCATED RESERVES.

**Clerk's Note:** Items 3.A, B, and C added to Consent Items. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for the Court's Motion and Vote.

- 4. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING REQUESTS FOR EXCEPTION TO COMMISSIONERS COURT PROHIBITION ON THE TAKING HOME OF VEHICLES OUTSIDE TRAVIS COUNTY EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2003, BEGINNING WITH THE FOLLOWING:
  - A. SHERIFF'S OFFICE; (10:32 AM)

**Members of the Court heard from:** Susan Spataro, Travis County Auditor; Barbara Wilson, Assistant County Attorney; Margo Frasier, Travis County Sheriff; Mike Hemby, Research Analyst, Travis County Sheriff's Office (TCSO); and Christian Smith, Executive Manager, Planning and Budget Office (PBO).

**Motion by** Commissioner Sonleitner **and seconded by** Commissioner Daugherty to authorize the waiver of the list that the Sheriff has turned in, with these 20 exceptions: Defer all that are under the division of Administration, with the exception of Sheriff Frasier, who is assigned a vehicle as part of her defined compensation package; anything that may be on this list related to Corrections, Courthouse Security, ITS, and all training slots at this point in time, unless we get further information that warrants those.

A Clarification of the previous Motion was made by Commissioner Sonleitner that the Motion is to apply the waiver to 100 vehicles, and defer action on all Administrative slots, with the exception of the Sheriff, anything that is there that is Corrections, Courthouse Security, ITS, and all training slots, for today. The 100 are basic law enforcement, SWAT, Mental Health, Crime Lab, Victim Services, CID, Narcotics, Special Ops, Canine, etc.

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

**Clerk's Note:** Judge Biscoe requested the Travis County Sheriff's Office indicate to the Court, by category, hopefully by next week, a request for exceptions to the Travis County policy, so that the Court may determine what exceptions are to be granted, and which exceptions ought to be denied. Further, it is understood that the policy is in place, effective January 1, 2003.

Discussion Only. No action was taken.

Item 4.A to be reposted on December 10, 2002.

#### **ITEM 4 CONTINUED**

**B.** CONSTABLE PRECINCT 5; (11:36 AM)

**Members of the Court heard from:** Carlos Lopez, Chief Deputy Constable, Precinct 5 Office; and Christian Smith, Executive Manager, PBO.

**Motion by** Commissioner Sonleitner **and seconded by** Commissioner Daugherty to approve the request for waiver as to the 2 vehicles requested by Constable, Precinct 5.

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

Item 4.B to be reposted on December 10, 2002.

C. CONSTABLE PRECINCT 3 (11:41 AM)

**Members of the Court heard from:** Drew McAngus, Constable, Precinct 3; and Stacy Suits, Deputy Constable, Precinct 3 Office.

**Motion by** Judge Biscoe **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to create a K9 exception; to authorize it where there is a Travis County dog, used for law enforcement or other County purposes; and that the K9 exception be applied across the board.

A Clarification of the previous Motion was made by Judge Biscoe that the Motion includes all K9's doing Travis County business.

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

Item 4.C to be reposted on December 10, 2002.

## **ITEM 4 CONTINUED**

D. CONSTABLE PRECINCT 2.

Clerk's Note: Item 4.D was not discussed.

**5.** APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENTS AND TRANSFERS. (10:15 AM)

**Clerk's Note:** Item 5 added to Consent Items. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for the Court's Motion and Vote.

# **ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS ITEMS**

- 6. A. DISCUSS, APPROVE OR TAKE ANY APPROPRIATE ACTION ON RESTRICTIVE COVENANT REGARDING UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF DRAINAGE FACILITIES FOR PRECINCT FOUR OFFICE BUILDING. (10:15 AM)
  - **B.** DISCUSS, APPROVE OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON WATERLINE EASEMENT FOR PRECINCT FOUR OFFICE BUILDING.

**Clerk's Note:** Items 6.A and B added to Consent Items. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for the Court's Motion and Vote.

7. REVIEW AND APPROVE THE IMMEDIATE RELEASE OF REIMBURSEMENT PAYMENT TO UNITED HEALTH CARE FOR CLAIMS PAID FOR TRAVIS COUNTY EMPLOYEES AND DEPENDENTS COVERED BY THE HOSPITAL AND INSURANCE FUND FOR PAYMENT OF \$559,690.28 FOR THE PERIOD OF NOVEMBER 15, 2002 THROUGH NOVEMBER 21, 2002. (10:15 AM)

**Clerk's Note:** Item 7 added to Consent Items. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for the Court's Motion and Vote.

**8.** APPROVE PERSONNEL AMENDMENTS. (10:15 AM)

**Clerk's Note:** Item 8 added to Consent Items. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for the Court's Motion and Vote.

#### **PURCHASING OFFICE ITEMS**

9. APPROVE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT NO. IL030034-EF WITH EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #4 FOR FIREFIGHTER ACADEMY SERVICES. (HHSD) (COMMISSIONER GOMEZ) (10:15 AM)

**Clerk's Note:** Item 9 added to Consent Items. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for the Court's Motion and Vote.

**10.** APPROVE MODIFICATION NO. 1 TO CONTRACT NO. PS020179-LB WITH THOMAS, HUDSON AND NELSON, LLP FOR LITIGATION SERVICES. (COMMISSIONER GOMEZ) (10:15 AM)

**Clerk's Note:** Item 10 added to Consent Items. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for the Court's Motion and Vote.

11. APPROVE REVISED ATTACHMENT 'G', SCOPE OF SERVICES (MODIFICATION NO. 4) TO CONTRACT NO. PS010063-JW, CLEAN INVESTMENTS COUNSELING CENTER FOR SUBSTANCE ABUSE COUNSELING AND TREATMENT SERVICES. (DRUG COURT) (COMMISSIONER GÓMEZ) (10:15 AM)

**Clerk's Note:** Item 11 added to Consent Items. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for the Court's Motion and Vote.

**12.** APPROVE CONTRACT AWARD FOR THE PROVISION AND INSTALLATION OF FLOATING DOCK, IFB #B030008-LD, TO THE SOLE BIDDER, FLOATING DOCK SUPPLY. (TNR) (COMMISSIONER GOMEZ) (10:15 AM)

**Clerk's Note:** Item 12 added to Consent Items. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for the Court's Motion and Vote.

13. APPROVE ISSUANCE OF PURCHASE ORDER FOR CONSTRUCTION/GEOTECHNICAL TESTING SERVICES, CONTRACT NO. PS000219-JG, FUGRO SOUTH, INC. FOR CONSTRUCTION TESTING SERVICES FOR THE PRECINCT 4 BUILDING. (FACILITIES MGMT) (COMMISSIONER GOMEZ) (10:15 AM)

**Clerk's Note:** Item 13 added to Consent Items. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for the Court's Motion and Vote.

14. APPROVE A 12-MONTH EXTENSION (MODIFICATION NO. 2) TO CONTRACT NO. 01T0056-MP, AUSTIN AMERICAN STATESMAN, FOR NEWSPAPER ADVERTISING SERVICE. (PURCHASING OFFICE) (COMMISSIONER GOMEZ) (10:15 AM)

**Clerk's Note:** Item 14 added to Consent Items. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for the Court's Motion and Vote.

15. APPROVE A 12-MONTH EXTENSION (MODIFICATION NO. 4) TO CONTRACT NO. MA010046, AFFILIATED TELEPHONE AUSTIN, INC., FOR MAINTENANCE OF PBX TELECOMM NETWORK. (I.T.S.) (COMMISSIONER GOMEZ) (10:15 AM)

**Clerk's Note:** Item 15 added to Consent Items. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for the Court's Motion and Vote.

**16.** REJECT BID RECEIVED FOR IFB NO. B020120-SP, MAINTENANCE OF HIGH VOLUME COPIERS. (RMCR) (COMMISSIONER GOMEZ) (10:15 AM)

**Clerk's Note:** Item 16 added to Consent Items. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for the Court's Motion and Vote.

17. APPROVE A 12-MONTH EXTENSION (MODIFICATION NO. 1) TO CONTRACT NO. 02T00093-EH, VULCAN CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS, FOR TRAP ROCK (GRADE 5T). (TNR) (COMMISSIONER GOMEZ) (10:15 AM)

**Clerk's Note:** Item 17 added to Consent Items. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for the Court's Motion and Vote.

**18.** APPROVE MODIFICATION NO. 8 TO CONTRACT NO. 00T0306-LD, ABATEMENT SERVICES, WITH SOUTHWEST CONSTRUCTORS. (TNR) (COMMISSIONER GOMEZ) (10:15 AM)

**Clerk's Note:** Item 18 added to Consent Items. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for the Court's Motion and Vote.

## **OTHER ITEMS**

19. RECEIVE FOR FILING WITH THE COUNTY JUDGE A PETITION FOR THE INCORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF VOLENTE AND INSTRUCT STAFF TO REVIEW THE PETITION AND ALL RELATED ATTACHMENTS, CONSIDER ISSUES, AND TAKE ANY OTHER APPROPRIATE ACTION. (JUDGE BISCOE) (10:21 AM)

**Members of the Court heard from:** Alan Bojorquez, Attorney, Save Our Volente; Merry Mattie Adams, Chair, Save Our Volente; Martha Norris, Save Our Volente; Tom Nuckols, Assistant County Attorney; and Tamara Armstrong, Assistant County Attorney.

**Motion by** Judge Biscoe **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to receive the petition; authorize appropriate County staff to review the petition, do other necessary due diligence; and schedule a public hearing on this matter for Tuesday, December 10, 2002, at 9:00 AM.

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

20. CONSIDER COUNTY ACTIONS NECESSARY TO COMPLETE DRAFT LEGISLATION ON HOSPITAL DISTRICT, REQUEST FOR FUNDING AND RELATED MATTERS, AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. (JUDGE BISCOE) (10:17 AM)

Item 20 to be reposted on December 10, 2002.

21. CONSIDER AND APPROVE APPOINTMENT OF COMMISSIONER GERALD DAUGHERTY TO MEMBERSHIP ON COMMITTEES AND BOARDS PREVIOUSLY HELD BY COMMISSIONER MARGARET MOORE. (10:18 AM)

**Motion by** Commissioner Davis **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to appoint Commissioner Daugherty to the General Assembly and CAPCO Executive Committee.

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

22. REVIEW DRAFT PLAN ADDRESSING STATE VARIANCE BEDS, AS REQUESTED BY THE TEXAS COMMISSION ON JAIL STANDARDS, AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. (11:59 AM)

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

**Motion by** Judge Biscoe **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to approve Item 22.

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

23. APPROVE PAYMENT OF CLAIMS AND AUTHORIZE COUNTY TREASURER TO INVEST COUNTY FUNDS. (10:15 AM)

**Clerk's Note:** Item 23 added to Consent Items. Please refer to 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

24. DISCUSS, APPROVE OR TAKE ANY APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING REAL ESTATE ISSUES RELATING TO THE PURCHASE OF LAND FOR THE WEST RURAL COMMUNITY CENTER AND CLINIC, JUSTICE OF THE PEACE AND CONSTABLE PRECINCT 3 OFFICES AND TAX 0FFICE. <sup>2</sup> (1:20 PM) (1:36 PM)

**Clerk's Note:** Judge Biscoe announced that Item 24 would be considered in Executive Session.

**Motion by** Commissioner Sonleitner **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez that we authorize Commissioner Daugherty to execute all closing documents, and that this Item be reset for next week, and our sincere thanks to Alicia Perez, Executive Manager, Administrative Operations.

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

Item 24 to be reposted on December 10, 2002.

25. CONSIDER REQUEST FROM TRAVIS COUNTY JUDGES REGARDING WORKPLACE SAFETY ISSUES AT 1622 E. RIVERSIDE DRIVE, AUSTIN, TEXAS, AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. (JUDGE BISCOE) 1 and 2 (1:20 PM) (1:36 PM)

**Clerk's Note:** Judge Biscoe announced that Item 25 would be considered in Executive Session.

No action needed on Item 25. Item 25 to be reposted on December 10, 2002.

26. DISCUSS, APPROVE OR TAKE ANY APPROPRIATE ACTION FOR THE REMODEL OF THE  $5^{TH}$  FLOOR LOBBY OF THE GRANGER ADMINISTRATION BUILDING TO IMPROVE SECURITY. (COMMISSIONER DAVIS)  $^4$  (9:12 AM)

Item 26 postponed until December 17, 2002.

27. RECEIVE LEGAL ADVICE ON REQUEST FROM MS. LEE BASS TO WAIVE PENALTY AND INTEREST ON TAXES DUE, AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. (JUDGE BISCOE) 1 (1:20 PM) (1:37 PM)

**Clerk's Note:** Judge Biscoe announced that Item 27 would be considered in Executive Session.

**Motion by** Judge Biscoe **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to grant the request, and waive penalty and interest, in the total sum of \$924.27; and request that a 21-day notice be sent out, for the taxes due.

A Clarification of the previous Motion was made by Commissioner Sonleitner that this meets a very strict test, related to, that we never had a valid address to be able to send the appropriate bill.

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

28. RECEIVE BRIEFING FROM COUNTY ATTORNEY AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION IN EDWIN LOWTHER V. CHRISTOPHER NOWLIN, ET AL. <sup>1</sup> (1:20 PM) (1:37 PM)

**Clerk's Note:** Judge Biscoe announced that Item 28 would be considered in Executive Session.

**Motion by** Judge Biscoe **and seconded by** Commissioner Sonleitner to authorize Dan Mansour, Risk Management, to represent the Travis County Commissioners' Court in the mediation in the Edwin Lowther v. Christopher Nowlin matter.

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

29. RECEIVE BRIEFING FROM COUNTY ATTORNEY AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION IN TERESA SHIELDS V. TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS. 1 (1:20 PM) (1:38 PM)

**Clerk's Note:** Judge Biscoe announced that Item 29 would be considered in Executive Session.

No action needed on Item 29. Item 29 to be reposted on December 10, 2002.

**30.** CONDUCT HEARING ON APPEAL OF ELBERT WALKER (FACILITIES MANAGEMENT EMPLOYEE) OF GRIEVANCE PANEL DECISION OF SEPTEMBER 20, 2002, AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. <sup>1 AND 3</sup> (12:03 PM) (12:15 PM)

**Clerk's Note:** Judge Biscoe announced that Item 30 would be considered in Executive Session.

Item 30 postponed until December 10, 2002.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion by** Judge Biscoe **and seconded by** Commissioner Davis to adjourn the Voting Session. (1:38 PM)

Motion carried: County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe yes

Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis yes Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner yes Precinct 3, Commissioner Gerald Daugherty yes Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez yes

# MINUTES APPROVED BY THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT

Date of Approval
Samuel T. Biscoe, Travis County Judge