

## **MINUTES OF MEETING – APRIL 3, 2007**

### **TRAVIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT**

On Tuesday, the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April 2007, the Commissioners' Court convened the Voting Session at 9:20 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 Gillian Porter.

The Commissioners Court recessed the Voting Session at 11:54 AM.

The Commissioners Court, meeting as the Travis County Housing Finance Corporation; convened at 1:41 PM and adjourned at 2:07 PM.

The Commissioners Court, meeting as the Travis County Health Facilities Development Corporation; the Capital Health Facilities Development Corporation; the Capital Industrial Development Corporation; the Travis County Development Authority; and the Travis County Cultural Education Facilities Finance Corporation; convened at 2:07 PM and adjourned at 2:07 PM.

The Commissioners Court reconvened the Voting Session at 2:08 PM.

The Commissioners Court retired to Executive Session at 4:07 PM.

The Commissioners Court reconvened the Voting Session 5:09 PM.

The Commissioners Court adjourned the Voting Session at 5:12 PM.





## CONSENT ITEMS

**Members of the Court heard from:** John Hille, Assistant County Attorney; and Kevin Connally, Travis County Natural Resources Environmental Specialist, TNR.

**Motion by** Commissioner Gómez **and seconded by** Commissioner Davis to approve the following Consent Items: C1-C7 and Items 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8.A&B, 9.A&B, 13, 14.A&B, 15.A&B, 20, 23, 24, 30, 33, and 34.

<b>Motion carried:</b> County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Sarah Eckhardt	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 SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING DATE FOR APRIL 24, 2007 TO RECEIVE COMMENTS REGARDING A PROPOSED ISSUANCE OF THE RIESEL CULTURAL FACILITIES REVENUE BONDS (GIRL SCOUTS – LONE STAR COUNCIL PROJECT), SERIES 2007 IN A MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,650,000.
  
- C4. APPROVE COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES FOR VOTING SESSION OF MARCH 20, 2007.
  
- C5. APPROVE SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING DATE OF APRIL 17, 2007 TO RECEIVE COMMENTS ON A PROPOSED STREET NAME ASSIGNMENT FOR A PRIVATE EASEMENT OFF CUERNAVACA DRIVE TO BE KNOWN AS “BROWN DOG LANE” IN PRECINCT THREE. (COMMISSIONER DAUGHERTY)
  
- C6. APPROVE SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING ON MAY 1, 2007 TO RECEIVE COMMENTS REGARDING A REQUEST TO AUTHORIZE THE FILING OF AN INSTRUMENT TO VACATE A PORTION OF ANDERSON MILL ROAD RIGHT OF WAY AND TO APPROVE A LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH THE ESTATES OF BRENTWOOD HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION IN PRECINCT THREE. (COMMISSIONER DAUGHERTY)

**CONSENT CONTINUED**

- C7. APPROVE SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING DATE FOR MAY 8, 2007 TO RECEIVE COMMENTS REGARDING A PLAT FOR RECORDING IN PRECINCT THREE: AMENDED PLAT OF LOT 10, BLOCK F, BELLA VISTA SUBDIVISION SECTION 1 AND LOT 9, BLOCK F, BELLA VISTA SUBDIVISION SECTION 3-A (SHORT FORM PLAT – 2 LOTS – 0.667 ACRES – APPENNINI WAY – NO FISCAL REQUIRED – SEWAGE SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED BY WILLIAMSON/TRAVIS COUNTIES WCID NO. 1E – CITY OF CEDAR PARK ETJ). (COMMISSIONER DAUGHERTY)

**PURCHASING OFFICE ITEMS**

3. APPROVE MODIFICATION NO. 12 TO CONTRACT NO. PS970029JW, AUSTIN CHILD GUIDANCE CENTER, FOR PROVISION OF INTENSIVE MULTI-FAMILY COUNSELING SERVICES FOR JUVENILE OFFENDERS UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF THE JUVENILE PROBATION DEPARTMENT. (9:31 AM)

**Clerk's Note:** Item 3 approved as part of the Consent Motion. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for a summary of the Court's Motion and Vote.

4. APPROVE MODIFICATION NO. 2 TO CONTRACT NO. 06K00259LP, ANDERSON MILL ROAD IMPROVEMENTS, CASH CONSTRUCTION, CONTRACTOR. (TRANSPORTATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES) (9:31 AM)

**Clerk's Note:** Item 4 approved as part of the Consent Motion. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for a summary of the Court's Motion and Vote.

5. APPROVE MODIFICATION NO. 3 TO CONTRACT NO. 05AE0140JJ, MCKINNEY FALLS PARKWAY PROJECT IN PRECINCT FOUR, WITH HALFF ASSOCIATES, INC. (TRANSPORTATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES) (9:31 AM)

**Clerk's Note:** Item 5 approved as part of the Consent Motion. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for a summary of the Court's Motion and Vote.

## TRANSPORTATION & NATURAL RESOURCES DEPT. ITEMS

6. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING A PLAT FOR RECORDING IN PRECINCT TWO: AMENDED PLAT OF LOTS 16-18, BLOCK A, SPRINGBROOK INDUSTRIAL PARK SECTION ONE SUBDIVISION (SHORT FORM PLAT – 2 LOTS – 4.13 ACRES – PICADILLY COURT – NO FISCAL REQUIRED – SEWAGE SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED BY WINDEMERE UTILITY COMPANY – CITY OF PFLUGERVILLE ETJ). (COMMISSIONER ECKHARDT) (9:31 AM)

**Clerk's Note:** Item 6 is the action item for the public hearing on Agenda Item 1.

**Clerk's Note:** Item 6 approved as part of the Consent Motion. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for a summary of the Court's Motion and Vote.

7. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON COORDINATION WITH CITY OF AUSTIN AND U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE REGARDING REQUEST FROM GENESIS CAPITAL ADVISORS, LLC, THAT TRAVIS COUNTY SIGN AN APPLICATION FOR A REVISED PRELIMINARY PLAN THAT COVERS BOTH A PRIVATE TRACT AND THE COUNTY-OWNED BALCONES CANYONLANDS PRESERVE TRACT COMMONLY KNOWN AS THE NOOTSIE TRACT. (COMMISSIONER DAUGHERTY) (9:31 AM)

**Clerk's Note:** Item 7 is the action item for the public hearing on Agenda Item 2.

**Clerk's Note:** Item 7 approved as part of the Consent Motion. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for a summary of the Court's Motion and Vote.

8. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING:  
(9:31 AM)

- A. VILLAGES OF HIDDEN LAKE, PHASE 5A, FINAL PLAT IN PRECINCT TWO (LONG FORM PLAT – 88 TOTAL LOTS: 86 SINGLE FAMILY LOTS AND 2 LANDSCAPE LOTS - 24.42 ACRES – WEISS LANE – FULL FISCAL HAS BEEN POSTED WITH TRAVIS COUNTY – SEWAGE SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED BY THE CITY OF PFLUGERVILLE – PFLUGERVILLE ETJ); AND
- B. APPROVE A CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT FOR VILLAGES OF HIDDEN LAKE, PHASE 5A, FINAL PLAT, IN PRECINCT TWO. (COMMISSIONER ECKHARDT)

**Clerk's Note:** Items 8.A&B approved as part of the Consent Motion. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for a summary of the Court's Motion and Vote.

9. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING:  
(9:31 AM)

- A. VILLAGES OF HIDDEN LAKE, PHASE 6A, FINAL PLAT IN PRECINCT TWO (LONG FORM PLAT – 90 TOTAL LOTS: 90 SINGLE FAMILY LOTS - 23.04 ACRES – WEISS LANE – FULL FISCAL HAS BEEN POSTED WITH TRAVIS COUNTY – SEWAGE SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED BY THE CITY OF PFLUGERVILLE – PFLUGERVILLE ETJ); AND
- B. APPROVE A CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT FOR VILLAGES OF HIDDEN LAKE, PHASE 6A, FINAL PLAT, IN PRECINCT TWO. (COMMISSIONER ECKHARDT)

**Clerk's Note:** Items 9.A&B approved as part of the Consent Motion. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for a summary of the Court's Motion and Vote.

10. RECEIVE AND DISCUSS 2006 ANNUAL REPORT FOR WILD BASIN WILDERNESS PRESERVE. (COMMISSIONER DAUGHERTY) (4:03 PM)

**Members of the Court heard from:** Rose Farmer, Resource Management Specialist, TNR.

**Motion by** Judge Biscoe **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez that in our letter that we send them, let's indicate our appreciation for the fine job they're doing, request the annual report annually, and make our payment contingent upon it.

**Motion carried:**

County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Sarah Eckhardt	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Gerald Daugherty	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	yes

11. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING A FINANCIAL DONATION TO THE BALCONES CANYONLAND PRESERVE (BCP) PROGRAM FROM TAYLOR WOODROW AND STEINER RANCH. (COMMISSIONER DAUGHERTY) (9:35 AM)

**Members of the Court heard from:** Kevin Connally, Travis County Natural Resources Environmental Specialist, TNR; and Janet Cesarini, Community Sales Manager, Taylor Woodrow Homes at Steiner Ranch.

**Motion by** Judge Biscoe **and seconded by** Commissioner Daugherty to accept the donation for the Balcones Canyonland Preserve (BCP).

**Motion carried:**

County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Sarah Eckhardt	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Gerald Daugherty	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	yes

**Clerk's Note:** The County Judge noted that the amount of the donation was \$1,189.75.

12. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON THE ASSIGNMENT AND ASSUMPTION OF SWEETWATER CONTRACTS, SWEETWATER SUBDIVISION, IN PRECINCT THREE. (COMMISSIONER DAUGHERTY) (11:18 AM)

**Members of the Court heard from:** Anna Bowlin, Program Manager, Planning and Engineering, TNR.

**Motion by** Judge Biscoe **and seconded by** Commissioner Daugherty to approve Item 12.

**Motion carried:**

County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	absent
Precinct 2, Commissioner Sarah Eckhardt	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Gerald Daugherty	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	yes

13. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON THE USE OF AN ALTERNATIVE FISCAL AGREEMENT FOR CANTARRA SECTION ONE, A SUBDIVISION IN PRECINCT TWO. (COMMISSIONER ECKHARDT) (9:31 AM)

**Clerk's Note:** Item 13 approved as part of the Consent Motion. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for a summary of the Court's Motion and Vote.

**Clerk's Note:** The County Judge noted that the plat will be held in abeyance.

14. A. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON REQUEST TO GRANT AN EXEMPTION FROM PLATTING REQUIREMENTS FOR ESTATES OF ROCKCLIFF CONDOMINIUM PROJECT - 5 DETACHED UNITS (LOT 1, BLOCK A, ESTATES OF ROCKCLIFF AS RECORDED IN DOCUMENT NUMBER 200600400 OF THE OFFICIAL PUBLIC RECORDS OF TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS – WATER SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED BY LOOP 360 WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION, WASTEWATER TO BE PROVIDED BY ON SITE SEWER FACILITIES PERMITTED BY TRAVIS COUNTY TNR); AND
- B. APPROVE A CONDOMINIUM PHASING AGREEMENT FOR ESTATES OF ROCKCLIFF CONDOMINIUM PROJECT IN PRECINCT THREE. (COMMISSIONER DAUGHERTY) (9:31 AM)

**Clerk's Note:** Items 14.A&B approved as part of the Consent Motion. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for a summary of the Court's Motion and Vote.

15. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING:  
(9:31 AM)
  - A. PARK AT BLACKHAWK VI, SECTION ONE FINAL PLAT IN PRECINCT TWO (LONG FORM PLAT – 151 TOTAL LOTS: 147 SINGLE FAMILY LOTS AND 4 OPEN SPACE, DRAINAGE, AND DETENTION EASEMENT LOTS – 55.59 ACRES – SPEIDEL DRIVE – FULL FISCAL POSTED WITH TRAVIS COUNTY – SEWAGE SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED BY WCID NO. 2D – CITY OF PFLUGERVILLE ETJ.); AND
  - B. APPROVE A CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT FOR PARK AT BLACKHAWK VI, SECTION ONE FINAL PLAT. (COMMISSIONER ECKHARDT)

**Clerk's Note:** Items 15.A&B approved as part of the Consent Motion. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for a summary of the Court's Motion and Vote.

**TO BE TAKEN UP AT 9:30 A.M.**

- 16. DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON A DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATION FOR A PROPOSED WATER QUALITY/DETENTION POND ON THE BFI SUNSET FARMS LANDFILL SITE AT 10200 GILES LANE. (9:37 AM)

**Clerk’s Note:** The Court noted that Staff recommended approval of the permit with the following conditions that were read into the Commissioners Court record:

“The permittee acknowledges by accepting this permit that Travis County is neither authorizing nor expressing any position on any requested expansion of any facilities for solid waste management on or adjacent to the site. Issuance of this permit is based solely on permittee’s compliance with the limited provisions of Chapter 82 and Chapter 64, Travis County Code. It does not directly or indirectly constitute Travis County’s acquiescence with the permittee’s land use nor a finding or determination (1) that the permittee’s land use is compatible with surrounding land uses, (2) that the site is otherwise suitable for the permittee’s land use, or (3) that the permittee has adequately mitigated or can adequately mitigate all impacts that its land use may have on adjacent properties or the community.”

**Members of the Court heard from:** Joe Gieselman, Executive Manager, TNR; Brad Dougas, District Manager, Allied Waste/BFI; Ray Schull, Allied Waste/BFI; Stacey Scheffel, Flood Plain Manager, TNR; Trek English, Northeast Action Group; and Joyce Best, Northeast Action Group.

**Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by** Commissioner Daugherty that we approve the permit, and the language recommended by Staff, which is the last paragraph in the back up that starts with “The permittee acknowledges...” and ends with “properties or the community...” And based on BFI’s position here today, and ongoing position, that they will vacate this landfill by November 1, 2015, which has been the position of a majority of this Court for the last, at least, three or four years.

<b>Motion carried:</b> County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	no
Precinct 2, Commissioner Sarah Eckhardt	no
Precinct 3, Commissioner Gerald Daugherty	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	yes

**TO BE TAKEN UP AT 10:30 A.M.**

- 17. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON REQUEST OF PLAINVIEW ESTATES SUBDIVISION TO FUND WATER IMPROVEMENT PROJECT IN THE SUBDIVISION. (COMMISSIONER DAVIS) (10:33 AM)

**Members of the Court heard from:** Deacon Joe Arellano, Plainview Estates Resident; Rosie Sayer, Plainview Estates Resident; Lupe Cedillo, Plainview Estates Resident; Ariesto Elizondo, Plainview Estates Resident; Ofelia Zapata, Plainview Estates Resident; Pastor Fred Krebs, Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, representing the Pastors Caucus; Connie Gonzales, Plainview Estates Resident; Joe Gieselman, Executive Manager, TNR; Sherri Fleming, Executive Manager, Travis County Health, Human Services, and Veterans' Services (TCHHS&VS); Steve Manilla, Director, Public Works, TNR; Leroy Nellis, Budget Manager, Planning and Budget Office (PBO); Harvey Davis, Manager, Travis County Corporations; Tom Nuckols, Assistant County Attorney; and Maria Anderson, Travis County Resident.

**Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Davis** to take from Allocated Reserve the \$115,000.00.

**Clerk's Note:** The Court did not take a Vote on the Standing Motion.

**Motion by Commissioner Davis and seconded by Judge Biscoe** to make a commitment today to provide the \$115,000.00 for the residents, and identify the source of funding later.

**Motion carried:**

County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Sarah Eckhardt	absent
Precinct 3, Commissioner Gerald Daugherty	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	yes

**Clerk's Note:** The County Judge noted that by passing the above Motion Staff are authorized to notify Hornsby Bend Utility Company that Travis County has officially approved partnering with them and making the \$115,000.00 available, plus indicating that it is time to start working on an appropriate County contract. Questionnaires will be handed to the residents of the Plainview Estates to start the process.

**ITEM 17 CONTINUED**

**Clerk's Note:** Item 17 was further discussed at 11:18 AM with a request by Commissioner Eckhardt that the Commissioners' Court record reflect a Corrected Vote on Item 17. Judge Biscoe instructed that the record show Commissioner Eckhardt voting in favor of the Motion on Item 17. The Commissioners' Court record does reflect the Corrected Vote.

**Corrected Vote:**

**Motion carried:**

County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Sarah Eckhardt	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Gerald Daugherty	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	yes

Item 17 will be reposted on April 10, 2007 for any follow-up action that may be required.

18. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING THE PROCESS AND CRITERIA FOR SELECTING AN ELECTED OFFICIAL FROM A SMALL CITY WITHIN TRAVIS COUNTY TO SERVE ON THE CAPITAL AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION BOARD (CAMPO). (3:58 PM)

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

Discussion only. No formal action taken.

Item 18 to be reposted on April 10, 2007.

19. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON A PROPOSED POLICY REGARDING USE OF TOLL ROADS BY COUNTY EMPLOYEES. (3:36 PM)

**Clerk's Note:** The Court authorized that Staff will sign an affidavit stating they used the tolls on County business, and then each department head would sign also. The Auditor's office can then pay the bills.

**Members of the Court heard from:** Carol Joseph, Assistant Director, TNR; Joe Gieselman, Executive Manager, TNR ; Jose Palacios, Chief Assistant County Auditor, Travis County Auditor's Office; Cyd Grimes, Travis County Purchasing Agent; and Susan Spataro, Travis County Auditor.

Discussion only. No formal action taken.

Item 19 to be reposted on April 17, 2007.

20. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON LICENSING AGREEMENT WITH UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS CYCLING TEAM FOR A BIKE RACE AT PACE BEND PARK ON SUNDAY, APRIL 15, 2007. (COMMISSIONER DAUGHERTY) (9:31 AM)

**Clerk's Note:** Item 20 approved as part of the Consent Motion. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for a summary of the Court's Motion and Vote.

**REVISED LANGUAGE:**

21. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON PROPOSED RESOLUTION REGARDING INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN CENTRAL TEXAS REGIONAL MOBILITY AUTHORITY STRATEGIC PLAN. (2:08 PM)

**Members of the Court heard from:** Carol Joseph, Assistant Director, TNR; and Mike Heiligenstein, Director, Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority (CTRMA).

**Motion by** Commissioner Daugherty **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to approve Item 21.

**Motion carried:**

County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	abstain
Precinct 2, Commissioner Sarah Eckhardt	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Gerald Daugherty	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	yes

**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES DEPT. ITEMS**

- 22. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING RELATED TO COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDING THROUGH THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT: (3:29 PM)
  - A. STRATEGIC DIRECTION FOR 2006-2010 CONSOLIDATED PLAN STRATEGIC DIRECTION;
  - B. SCORING MATRIX FOR PRIORITIZING PROJECTS FOR PLAN YEAR 2007; AND
  - C. OTHER RELATED ISSUES.

**Clerk's Note:** Items 22.A-C are associated with one another and were called for concurrent discussion.

**Members of the Court heard from:** Sherri Fleming, Executive Manager, TCHHS&VS; and Christy Moffett, Social Services Manager, Travis County Health and Human Services (TCHHS).

**Clerk's Note:** The Court discussed narrowing the Strategic Direction to the following list:

- 1) Water/Sewer Improvements
- 2) Street/Road Improvements
- 3) Owner Housing; Production of New Units
- 4) Infrastructure for New Housing Development
- 5) Youth Services

**Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Gómez** to approve this list.

**Motion carried:**

County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Sarah Eckhardt	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Gerald Daugherty	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	yes

**ITEM 22 CONTINUED**

**Clerk's Note:** The Court discussed the scoring matrix to be used in FY07:

- 1) Addresses a High Priority Goal of the Strategic Plan
- 2) Feasibility of Project (ability to complete within eighteen months)
- 3) Impacts Significant Number of Households
- 4) Benefits Low/Moderate Income Persons
- 5) Leverages/Matched with Funding from Another Source
- 6) Phased Project (phased judiciously)

**Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Gómez** to approve the scoring matrix as recommended by Staff.

**Motion carried:**

County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Sarah Eckhardt	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Gerald Daugherty	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	yes

**PLANNING AND BUDGET DEPT. ITEMS**

- 23. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON BUDGET AMENDMENTS, TRANSFERS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS. (9:31 AM)

**Clerk's Note:** Item 23 approved as part of the Consent Motion. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for a summary of the Court's Motion and Vote.

**ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS ITEMS**

- 24. REVIEW AND APPROVE THE IMMEDIATE RELEASE OF REIMBURSEMENT PAYMENT TO UNITED HEALTH CARE FOR CLAIMS PAID FOR PARTICIPANTS IN THE TRAVIS COUNTY EMPLOYEE HEALTH CARE FUND FOR PAYMENT OF \$567,249.57 FOR THE PERIOD OF MARCH 16 TO MARCH 22, 2007. (9:31 AM)

**Clerk's Note:** Item 24 approved as part of the Consent Motion. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for a summary of the Court's Motion and Vote.









**OTHER ITEMS**

- 30. APPROVE PAYMENT OF CLAIMS AND AUTHORIZE COUNTY TREASURER TO INVEST COUNTY FUNDS. (9:31 AM)

**Clerk’s Note:** Item 30 approved as part of the Consent Motion. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for a summary of the Court’s Motion and Vote.

**TO BE TAKEN UP AT 11:00 A.M.**

- 31. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON CERTAIN LEGISLATIVE ISSUES AND PROPOSED BILLS BEFORE THE 80<sup>TH</sup> TEXAS LEGISLATURE, INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING: (11:20 AM)

**Clerk’s Note:** Items 31.A-E are associated with one another and were called for concurrent discussion.

- 31. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON CERTAIN LEGISLATIVE ISSUES AND PROPOSED BILLS BEFORE THE 80<sup>TH</sup> TEXAS LEGISLATURE, INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING: (11:20 AM)

A. HOUSE BILL 3447: RELATING TO THE AUTHORITY OF CERTAIN COUNTIES TO REGULATE LAND DEVELOPMENT;

**Motion by** Judge Biscoe **and seconded by** Commissioner Eckhardt to approve Item 31.A.

**Motion carried:**

County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Sarah Eckhardt	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Gerald Daugherty	no
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	yes

**Clerk’s Note:** By approving Item 31.A the Court is expressing its support for House Bill 3447.

**Clerk’s Note:** The Court thanked John White, Environmental Quality Program Manager, TNR for his work on a memorandum regarding HB 3447.

**ITEM 31 CONTINUED**

31. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON CERTAIN LEGISLATIVE ISSUES AND PROPOSED BILLS BEFORE THE 80<sup>TH</sup> TEXAS LEGISLATURE, INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING: (11:20 AM)

**B. HOUSE BILL 1: GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS;**

**Clerk's Note:** The Court discussed signing a letter of concern opposing a provision in HB 1 mandating the transfer of local funds to the state to subsidize the Texas Health and Human Service Commission (HHSC).

**Motion by** Commissioner Eckhardt **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to sign on in opposition to that particular provision in HB 1.

**Motion carried:**

County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Sarah Eckhardt	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Gerald Daugherty	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	yes

31. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON CERTAIN LEGISLATIVE ISSUES AND PROPOSED BILLS BEFORE THE 80<sup>TH</sup> TEXAS LEGISLATURE, INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING: (11:20 AM)

**C. HOUSE BILL 2365: RELATING TO FINANCIAL ACCOUNTING AND REPORTING FOR THIS STATE AND POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS OF THIS STATE, AND OTHER LEGISLATIVE ISSUES RELATING TO TAX AND REVENUE CAPS;**

**Members of the Court heard from:** Susan Spataro, Travis County Auditor; and Chris Shields, Travis County Legislative Consultant.

Discussion only. No formal action taken.

ITEM 31 CONTINUED

- 31. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON CERTAIN LEGISLATIVE ISSUES AND PROPOSED BILLS BEFORE THE 80<sup>TH</sup> TEXAS LEGISLATURE, INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING: (11:20 AM)

D. SENATE BILL 1107: RELATING TO THE POWERS OF CERTAIN HOSPITAL DISTRICTS AND TO THE RETIREMENT BENEFITS OF EMPLOYEES OF THE DISTRICTS AND RELATED ENTITIES; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF ANTICIPATION NOTES AND THE IMPOSITION OF TAXES; AND

**Members of the Court heard from:** Bob Kamm, Travis County Legislative Consultant; Trish Young, President and Chief Executive Officer, Travis County Healthcare District; and Clarke Heidrick, Chairman, Travis County Healthcare District Board.

**Motion by** Judge Biscoe **and seconded by** Commissioner Daugherty to show our support of SB 1107.

**Motion carried:**

County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Sarah Eckhardt	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Gerald Daugherty	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	yes

- 31. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON CERTAIN LEGISLATIVE ISSUES AND PROPOSED BILLS BEFORE THE 80<sup>TH</sup> TEXAS LEGISLATURE, INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING: (11:20 AM)

E. DISCUSSION OF OTHER BILLS AND LEGISLATIVE ISSUES AS NECESSARY;

**Clerk’s Note:** The Court received an update from Bob Kamm, Travis County Legislative Consultant on priority legislation of concern to Travis County.

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

32. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON REQUEST TO JOIN ALLIANCE FOR PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION. (3:00 PM)

**Members of the Court heard from:** John Langmore, Alliance for Public Transportation; Tom Nuckols, Assistant County Attorney; and Glenn Gadbois, Alliance for Public Transportation.

**Motion by** Commissioner Eckhardt **and seconded by** Commissioner Davis to approve the request.

**Motion carried:**

County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	no
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Sarah Eckhardt	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Gerald Daugherty	no
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	yes

**Clerk's Note:** By approving the request the Court has agreed to join the Alliance for Public Transportation, and pay the joining fee of \$11,000.00. The source of funding will be discussed April 10, 2007.

Item 32 to be reposted on April 10, 2007.

33. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON REQUEST FOR TRAVIS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE K9 UNIT TO TAKE ASSIGNED COUNTY VEHICLES OUT OF STATE FOR CERTIFICATION TRAINING. (SHERIFF'S OFFICE) (9:31 AM)

**Clerk's Note:** Item 33 approved as part of the Consent Motion. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for a summary of the Court's Motion and Vote.

34. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON REAPPOINTMENT OF TRACY BURKHALTER TO THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF TRAVIS COUNTY. (JUDGE BISCOE) (9:31 AM)

**Clerk's Note:** Item 34 approved as part of the Consent Motion. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for a summary of the Court's Motion and Vote.

35. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING ORDER DESIGNATING NEW ELECTION DAY POLLING PLACES FOR THE MAY 12, 2007 JOINT GENERAL AND SPECIAL ELECTIONS. (COUNTY CLERK) (2:56 PM)

**Members of the Court heard from:** Dana DeBeauvoir, Travis County Clerk.

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

**Motion carried:**

County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Sarah Eckhardt	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Gerald Daugherty	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	yes

36. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING ORDER DESIGNATING MAIN EARLY VOTING POLLING PLACE, TEMPORARY BRANCH EARLY VOTING POLLING PLACES, AND HOURS FOR EARLY VOTING ON WEEKDAYS FOR THE MAY 12, 2007 JOINT GENERAL AND SPECIAL ELECTIONS. (COUNTY CLERK) (2:59 PM)

**Members of the Court heard from:** Dana DeBeauvoir, Travis County Clerk.

**Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Gómez** to approve Item 36.

**Motion carried:**

County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Sarah Eckhardt	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Gerald Daugherty	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	yes







