

## **MINUTES OF MEETING – APRIL 10, 2007**

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

On Tuesday, the 10<sup>th</sup> day of April 2007, the Commissioners' Court convened the Voting Session at 9:18 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 11:56 AM.

The Commissioners Court, meeting as the Travis County Housing Finance Corporation; convened at 1:42 PM and adjourned at 1:55 PM.

The Commissioners Court, meeting as the Travis County Health Facilities Development Corporation; convened at 1:55 PM and adjourned at 1:56 PM.

The Commissioners Court reconvened the Voting Session at 1:56 PM.

The Commissioners Court retired to Executive Session at 2:29 PM.

The Commissioners Court reconvened the Voting Session 4:13 PM.

The Commissioners Court adjourned the Voting Session at 4:19 PM.



2. RECEIVE COMMENTS ON PROPOSED ELECTION PRECINCT REALIGNMENTS. (TAX ASSESSOR COLLECTOR) (ACTION ITEM #27)  
(10:04 AM)

**Clerk’s Note:** This Item is a public hearing to receive comments. Please refer to Agenda Item 27 for a summary of the action item.

**Motion by** Commissioner Davis **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 Sarah Eckhardt               yes  
                           Precinct 3, Commissioner Gerald Daugherty             yes  
                           Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez            yes

**Members of the Court heard from:** Dolores Diaz Lopez, Director, Voter Registration, Tax Assessor Collector’s Office; and Lori C-Renteria, Travis County Resident.

**Motion by** Commissioner Daugherty **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 Sarah Eckhardt               yes  
                           Precinct 3, Commissioner Gerald Daugherty             yes  
                           Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez            yes

## CITIZENS COMMUNICATION

**Members of the Court heard from:** Scott Johnson, Project Manager, Central Texas Electric Lawn Mower Program. (10:09 AM)

**Clerk's Note:** Citizens Communication was revisited at 10:39 AM.

**Members of the Court heard from:** Paul Reynolds, Chief, Travis County Emergency Services District 4; Joshua Allen, Firefighter Cadet Class 7; Kristopher Asfura, Firefighter Cadet Class 7; Erick Azucena, Firefighter Cadet Class 7; Brenton Cooper, Firefighter Cadet Class 7; Brandon Cummins, Firefighter Cadet Class 7; Aaron Duval, Firefighter Cadet Class 7; Veronica Eddie, Firefighter Cadet Class 7; Micah Fain, Firefighter Cadet Class 7; Alex Gatica, Firefighter Cadet Class 7; Bess Gershowitz, Firefighter Cadet Class 7; Justin Gwinn, Firefighter Cadet Class 7; Ehren Iverson, Firefighter Cadet Class 7; Jack Lee, Firefighter Cadet Class 7; Kendrick Lewis, Firefighter Cadet Class 7; Arturo Liscano, Firefighter Cadet Class 7; Brian Meyerdirk, Firefighter Cadet Class 7; Kristoffer Moffard, Firefighter Cadet Class 7; Elmer Rodriguez, Firefighter Cadet Class 7; Gerardo Segura, Firefighter Cadet Class 7; William Swaim, Firefighter Cadet Class 7; Adam Tapia, Firefighter Cadet Class 7. (10:39 AM)

**CONSENT ITEMS**

**Members of the Court heard from:** Alicia Perez, Executive Manager, Administrative Operations.

**Motion by** Commissioner Gómez **and seconded by** Commissioner Daugherty to approve the following Consent Items: C1-C2, C4, and Items 3, 4.A&B, 5, 6, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 16, 17.A&B, 18, 23.B&C, 24, 25, 27, 28, 29, 30, and 32.A&B. (10:16 AM)

<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. REAPPOINT NANCY WALKER TO SERVE AS A PRECINCT TWO APPOINTEE TO THE TRAVIS COUNTY CHILDREN'S PROTECTIVE SERVICES BOARD, EFFECTIVELY IMMEDIATELY THROUGH DECEMBER 2010. (COMMISSIONER ECKHARDT) (9:18 AM)

Item C3 postponed until April 17, 2007.

- C4. REAPPOINT MAY SCHMIDT, VICTORIA WORSHAM, ROSEMARY MORROW AND BIRUTA CLEMINS KEARL TO SERVE AS PRECINCT TWO APPOINTEES TO THE TRAVIS COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY THROUGH JANUARY 2009. (COMMISSIONER ECKHARDT)

**Clerk's Note:** The Court reappointed the candidates except for Biruta Clemins Kearl. This reappointment to be pulled until further notice.

**ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS ITEMS**

3. 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 \$328,375.41 FOR THE PERIOD OF MARCH 23 TO MARCH 29, 2007. (10:16 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. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING:  
(10:16 AM)

A. ROUTINE PERSONNEL AMENDMENTS; AND

B. NON-ROUTINE PERSONNEL ACTIONS - GREEN CIRCLED SLOTS -  
AUDIT RESULTS.

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

5. DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO APPROVE THE HEALTHY AT HEART REDUCE YOUR CARDIOVASCULAR RISK PROGRAM.  
(10:16 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.

6. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING RECOMMENDATION TO SETTLE PROPERTY CLAIM FROM FACILITIES MANAGEMENT. (10:16 AM)

**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. DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON FOLLOW-UP ACTION REGARDING PARKING FOR COUNTY EMPLOYEES INCLUDING: (10:28 AM)
  - A. APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE;
  - B. CHARGE FOR COMMITTEE; AND
  - C. OTHER RELATED MATTERS.

**Clerk's Note:** Items 7.A-C are associated with one another and were called for concurrent discussion.

**Members of the Court heard from:** Lynn Harper, Executive Assistant, Administrative Operations.

**Clerk's Note:** The Court discussed a draft Charge and questions for the Parking Committee to address. The County Judge and Lynn Harper, Executive Assistant, Administrative Operations will construct a list of prospective committee members from interested employees.

Discussion only. No formal action taken.

Item 7 to be reposted on April 17, 2007.

- 8. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING TRAVIS COUNTY CIVIL COURTS BUILDING, INCLUDING: (2:21 PM)
  - A. APPOINTMENT OF STEERING COMMITTEE;
  - B. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE; AND
  - C. OTHER RELATED MATTERS. (JUDGE BISCOE AND COMMISSIONER ECKHARDT)

**Clerk's Note:** Items 8.A-C are associated with one another and were called for concurrent discussion.

**Clerk's Note:** The Court discussed the following names for the Executive Committee and Advisory Committee:

**Executive Committee**

The Administrative District Judge for the Travis County Civil Courts: John Dietz,  
 District Judge, 250<sup>th</sup> District Court  
 One County Court at Law Judge: Eric Shepperd, County Court at Law #2  
 Two members of the Commissioners Court

**Advisory Committee**

Austin Bar Association: Ann Greenberg  
 Travis County District Clerk: Amalia Rodriguez-Mendoza, District Clerk  
 Travis County Clerk: Dana DeBeauvoir, Travis County Clerk  
 PBO: Belinda Powell, Capital Planning Coordinator  
 Administrative Operations: Alicia Perez, Executive Manager  
 Facilities Management Department: Roger El Khoury, Director; Jim Barr, Contract Administrator  
 Purchasing Office: Cyd Grimes, Travis County Purchasing Agent  
 Auditor's Office: Susan Spataro, Travis County Auditor/Mike Wichern, Chief Assistant County Auditor

**Members of the Court heard from:** Alicia Perez, Executive Manager, Administrative Operations; Belinda Powell, Capital Planning Coordinator, Planning and Budget Office (PBO); and Cyd Grimes, Travis County Purchasing Agent.

**Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Daugherty** to approve the Advisory Committee.

<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



**ITEM 8 CONTINUED**

**Motion by** Commissioner Gómez **and seconded by** Commissioner Davis to approve Judge Biscoe and Commissioner Eckhardt for the Executive Committee.

**A Friendly Amendment to the previous Motion was offered by** Judge Biscoe to appoint Commissioner Eckhardt and Commissioner Daugherty to the Executive Committee with Judge Biscoe as an alternate.

**Acceptance of the Friendly Amendment was made by** Commissioner Gómez.

<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

**PURCHASING OFFICE ITEMS**

- 9. APPROVE SOLE SOURCE EXEMPTION AND CONTRACT AWARD WITH AUSTIN AMERICAN - STATESMAN FOR NEWSPAPER ADVERTISING SERVICES. (PURCHASING OFFICE) (10:48 AM)

**Members of the Court heard from:** Cyd Grimes, Travis County Purchasing Agent; and Diana Ramirez, Budget Analyst, PBO.

**Motion by** Commissioner Daugherty **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to approve Item 9.

<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

10. APPROVE CONTRACT AWARD FOR SKYLIGHT FALL PROTECTION SCREENS, COLLIER-EAST COMMAND CENTER AND PURCHASING WAREHOUSE, IFB NO. B070167-JW, TO THE LOW BIDDER, R&B ENTERPRISES, INC. D/B/A OLIVER ROOFING SYSTEMS. (FACILITIES MANAGEMENT) (10:16 AM)

**Clerk's Note:** Item 10 approved as part of the Consent Motion. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for a summary of the Court's Motion and Vote.

11. APPROVE MODIFICATION NO. 5 TO CONTRACT NO. PS000299KW, SOUTHWEST KEY PROGRAM, INC., FOR EDUCATIONAL AND COUNSELING SERVICES FOR THE JUVENILE JUSTICE ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION PROGRAM (JJAEP). (JUVENILE PROBATION) (10:16 AM)

**Clerk's Note:** Item 11 approved as part of the Consent Motion. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for a summary of the Court's Motion and Vote.

12. APPROVE ISSUANCE OF JOB ORDER NO. 56, CONTRACT NO. 04K0203BRV, ARCHITECTURAL HABITAT OF AUSTIN, INC. FOR MINOR CONSTRUCTION AND RENOVATION SERVICES. (FACILITIES MANAGEMENT) (COMMISSIONER DAVIS) (10:16 AM)

**Clerk's Note:** Item 12 approved as part of the Consent Motion. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for a summary of the Court's Motion and Vote.

13. APPROVE TERMINATION OF CONTRACT NO. PS040115-JW WITH DR. DAVID R. BRADFORD FOR PSYCHOLOGICAL EVALUATION SERVICES. (JUVENILE PROBATION OFFICE) (10:16 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.

**TRANSPORTATION & NATURAL RESOURCES DEPT. ITEMS**

14. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON PROPOSED USE OF THE BLUE BLUFF TRACT (AKA TURKEY FARM) FOR NON-PARK USE, PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 26, TEXAS PARKS AND WILDLIFE CODE. (COMMISSIONER DAVIS) (10:04 AM)

**Clerk's Note:** Item 14 is the action item for the public hearing on Agenda Item 1.

Item 14 postponed until April 24, 2007.

15. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON A PLAT FOR RECORDING IN PRECINCT ONE: WALNUT CREEK ENCLAVE (SHORT FORM PLAT – TOTAL LOTS: 1 MULTI-FAMILY – 38.72 ACRES – SPRINKLE CUT-OFF ROAD – FISCAL WAS NOT REQUIRED TO BE POSTED – SEWAGE SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED BY THE CITY OF AUSTIN – CITY OF AUSTIN ETJ). (COMMISSIONER DAVIS) (10:16 AM)

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

16. NOTIFY COURT OF SATISFACTORY CONSTRUCTION OF THE PRIVATE STREETS FOR BELVEDERE PHASE II, A SUBDIVISION IN PRECINCT THREE. (COMMISSIONER DAUGHERTY) (10:16 AM)

**Clerk's Note:** Item 16 approved as part of the Consent Motion. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for a summary of the Court's Motion and Vote.

17. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING:  
(10:16 AM)
- A. ACCEPTANCE OF DEDICATION OF STREET AND DRAINAGE FACILITIES FOR SEVEN OAKS SECTION 5, A SUBDIVISION IN PRECINCT THREE;  
AND
  - B. FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH THE SEVEN OAKS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, INC. (COMMISSIONER DAUGHERTY)

**Clerk's Note:** Items 17.A&B approved as part of the Consent Motion. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for a summary of the Court's Motion and Vote.

- 18. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION CONCERNING DISANNEXATION OF 6.2 ACRES WITHIN THE CITY OF AUSTIN'S FULL PURPOSE JURISDICTION LOCATED AT THE INTERSECTION OF MCKINNEY FALLS PARKWAY AND DEE GABRIEL COLLINS ROAD. (10:16 AM)

**Clerk's Note:** Item 18 approved as part of the Consent Motion. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for a summary of the Court's Motion and Vote.

- 19. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION CONCERNING A CONSERVATION EASEMENT AGREEMENT COVERING A TOTAL OF 250.65 ACRES FROM CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY AS PART OF THE BALCONES CANYONLANDS PRESERVE. (COMMISSIONER DAUGHERTY) (10:24 AM)

**Members of the Court heard from:** Kevin Connally, Travis County Natural Resources Environmental Specialist, TNR.

**Motion by** Commissioner Daugherty **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to approve Item 19.

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

Item 19 to be reposted on April 17, 2007.

- 20. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE FOLLOW-UP ACTION REGARDING WATER IMPROVEMENT PROJECT IN PLAINVIEW ESTATES SUBDIVISION IN PRECINCT ONE. (COMMISSIONER DAVIS) (10:21 AM)

**Members of the Court heard from:** Sherri Fleming, Executive Manager, Travis County Health, Human Services, and Veterans' Services (TCHHS&VS); Joe Gieselman, Executive Manager, TNR; and Bill Jasura, Vice President, Hudson Bend Utility Company.

**Motion by** Judge Biscoe **and seconded by** Commissioner Davis that we take the money from Allocated Reserve, give ourselves the flexibility to hit the Corporations later if we need to, to deal with unexpected developments.

**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

21. 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). (11:01 AM)

**Clerk’s Note:** The Court discussed a list of seven questions prepared by Staff to be submitted to the candidates for the CAMPO board.

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

**Motion by** Commissioner Eckhardt **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to approve all seven.

**A Clarification of the previous Motion was made by** Judge Biscoe that the Motion is to approve the list of questions.

**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

**Motion by** Commissioner Eckhardt **and seconded by** Commissioner Davis that it would be reasonable to get the responses to the questions within two weeks, by 5:00 PM, April 25, 2007 for a decision, in three weeks unless we need interviews.

**A Clarification of the previous Motion was made by** Judge Biscoe that if we can use the responses to make the decision, we will. If we, after reviewing the responses, believe that we should do some interviews, we will decide whether to interview one or all of the applicants based on the responses.

**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 a letter will accompany the questions explaining the process, and will be signed by Joe Gieselman, Executive Manager, TNR.

22. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON REQUEST TO PURCHASE FORD EXPEDITIONS AS A FULL SIZE SPORT UTILITY VEHICLE (SUV) FOR MEDICAL EXAMINER AND FIRE MARSHAL DEPARTMENTS.  
(10:58 AM)

**Members of the Court heard from:** Joe Gieselman, Executive Manager, TNR; Danny Hobby, Executive Manager, Travis County Emergency Services; and Mike Joyce, Fleet Manager, TNR.

**Motion by** Commissioner Daugherty **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 Sarah Eckhardt   yes  
Precinct 3, Commissioner Gerald Daugherty   yes  
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez   yes

**PLANNING AND BUDGET DEPT. ITEMS**

23. REVIEW AND APPROVE REQUESTS REGARDING GRANT PROPOSALS, APPLICATIONS, CONTRACTS AND PERMISSIONS TO CONTINUE:  
(11:53 AM)

- A. GRANT APPLICATION TO THE CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE, THROUGH THE ONESTAR FOUNDATION, FOR AMERICORPS MEMBERS TO SUPPORT THE ACTIVITIES OF THE COOPERATIVE EXTENSION'S 4-H CAPITAL PROGRAM THROUGH HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AND VETERAN SERVICES;

**Members of the Court heard from:** Sherri Fleming, Executive Manager, TCHHS&VS.

**Motion by** Judge Biscoe **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to approve Item 23.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   yes  
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez   yes

23. REVIEW AND APPROVE REQUESTS REGARDING GRANT PROPOSALS, APPLICATIONS, CONTRACTS AND PERMISSIONS TO CONTINUE:  
(10:16 AM)

B. GRANT APPLICATION TO THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE CRIMINAL JUSTICE DIVISION FOR THE JUVENILE PROBATION DEPARTMENT TO AUGMENT THE EXISTING COMPREHENSIVE ADOLESCENT SEVERITY INVENTORY ASSESSMENT CENTER FOR JUVENILES; AND

C. GRANT APPLICATION TO THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE CRIMINAL JUSTICE DIVISION FOR THE JUVENILE PROBATION DEPARTMENT TO ENHANCE THE EXISTING DRUG COURT PROGRAM TO PROVIDE FOR INTENSIVE IN-HOME FAMILY SERVICES FOR PARTICIPANTS.

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

24. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON BUDGET AMENDMENTS, TRANSFERS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS. (10:16 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

25. APPROVE PAYMENT OF CLAIMS AND AUTHORIZE COUNTY TREASURER TO INVEST COUNTY FUNDS. (10:16 AM)

**Clerk's Note:** Item 25 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.**

26. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON CERTAIN LEGISLATIVE ISSUES AND PROPOSED BILLS BEFORE THE 80<sup>TH</sup> TEXAS LEGISLATURE, INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING: (11:06 AM)

**Clerk's Note:** Items 26.A-F are associated with one another and were called for concurrent discussion.

26. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON CERTAIN LEGISLATIVE ISSUES AND PROPOSED BILLS BEFORE THE 80<sup>TH</sup> TEXAS LEGISLATURE, INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING: (11:06 AM)

A. HOUSE BILL 2677: RELATING TO FINANCIAL ADVISORS RETAINED BY POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS;

**Members of the Court heard from:** Talia Gaster, Travis County Legislative Consultant; and Ladd Patillo, Travis County Financial Advisor.

**Motion by** Commissioner Daugherty **and seconded by** Commissioner Eckhardt that we vehemently oppose this.

**A Restatement of the previous Motion was made by** Judge Biscoe that there is a Motion for the Commissioners Court to oppose HB 2677.

<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

**Clerk's Note:** The Court will sign a letter expressing their opposition to HB 2677 to be submitted at the hearing on April 11, 2007.



**ITEM 26 CONTINUED**

26. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON CERTAIN LEGISLATIVE ISSUES AND PROPOSED BILLS BEFORE THE 80<sup>TH</sup> TEXAS LEGISLATURE, INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING: (11:06 AM)

B. HOUSE BILL 1: GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS;

**Members of the Court heard from:** Sherri Fleming, Executive Manager, TCHHS&VS.

**Motion by** Judge Biscoe **and seconded by** Commissioner Daugherty to approve the Resolution for Item 26.B, and authorize the tweaking of the Resolution.

<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

**Clerk’s Note:** By approving the Resolution in Item 26.B regarding HB 1, the Court is supporting the recommendation of the Department of State Health Services to fund Mental Health Crisis Services to the maximum, \$82 million.

ITEM 26 CONTINUED

26. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON CERTAIN LEGISLATIVE ISSUES AND PROPOSED BILLS BEFORE THE 80<sup>TH</sup> TEXAS LEGISLATURE, INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING: (11:06 AM)

C. HOUSE BILL 2714: RELATING TO A PROGRAM FOR THE RECYCLING OF COMPUTER EQUIPMENT OF CONSUMERS IN THIS STATE; PROVIDING ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTIES;

**Clerk’s Note:** Items 26.C-E are associated with one another and were called for concurrent discussion.

**Members of the Court heard from:** Talia Gaster, Travis County Legislative Consultant; and Cyd Grimes, Travis County Purchasing Agent.

**Motion by** Commissioner Eckhardt **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to approve Items 26.C-E.

<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

**Clerk’s Note:** By approving Items 26.C-E the Court expressed their support for HB 2714, HB 3758, and SB 1324.

26. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON CERTAIN LEGISLATIVE ISSUES AND PROPOSED BILLS BEFORE THE 80<sup>TH</sup> TEXAS LEGISLATURE, INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING: (11:06 AM)

D. HOUSE BILL 3758: RELATING TO THE RECOVERY AND RECYCLING OF USED ELECTRONIC DEVICES; CREATING AN OFFENSE;

**Clerk’s Note:** Items 26.C-E are associated with one another and were called for concurrent discussion. Please refer to Item 26.C for a summary of the action taken by the Court.

**ITEM 26 CONTINUED**

26. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON CERTAIN LEGISLATIVE ISSUES AND PROPOSED BILLS BEFORE THE 80<sup>TH</sup> TEXAS LEGISLATURE, INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING: (11:06 AM)

E. SENATE BILL 1324: RELATING TO A PROGRAM FOR THE RECYCLING OF COMPUTER EQUIPMENT OF CONSUMERS IN THIS STATE; PROVIDING ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTIES; AND

**Clerk's Note:** Items 26.C-E are associated with one another and were called for concurrent discussion. Please refer to Item 26.C for a summary of the action taken by the Court.

26. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON CERTAIN LEGISLATIVE ISSUES AND PROPOSED BILLS BEFORE THE 80<sup>TH</sup> TEXAS LEGISLATURE, INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING: (11:06 AM)

F. DISCUSSION OF OTHER BILLS AND LEGISLATIVE ISSUES AS NECESSARY.

**Members of the Court heard from:** Talia Gaster, Travis County Legislative Consultant.

**Clerk's Note:** The Court requested that their known universal opposition to all Revenue Caps be used as reason to indicate the Travis County Commissioners Courts' opposition at the hearings of House Joint Resolution 2 and House Joint Resolution 53.

Discussion only. No formal action taken.

Item 26 to be reposted on April 17, 2007.

27. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON PROPOSED ELECTION PRECINCT REALIGNMENTS. (TAX ASSESSOR COLLECTOR) (10:16 AM)

**Clerk's Note:** Item 27 is the action item for the public hearing on Agenda Item 2.

**Clerk's Note:** Item 27 approved as part of the Consent Motion. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for a summary of the Court's Motion and Vote.

28. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON ELECTION SERVICES AGREEMENTS BETWEEN TRAVIS COUNTY AND THE CITY OF ROLLINGWOOD, THE CITY OF MUSTANG RIDGE, LEANDER INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, NEW SWEDEN MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1, AND NEW SWEDEN MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 2. (COUNTY CLERK) (10:16 AM)

**Clerk's Note:** Item 28 approved as part of the Consent Motion. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for a summary of the Court's Motion and Vote.

29. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING A JOINT ELECTION AGREEMENT FOR THE MAY 12, 2007 JOINT GENERAL AND SPECIAL ELECTIONS WITH TRAVIS COUNTY AND PARTICIPATING ENTITIES: AUSTIN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT SINGLE MEMBER DISTRICT 2; BASTROP-TRAVIS EMERGENCY SERVICE DISTRICT NO. 1; CITY OF CEDAR PARK; CITY OF LAGO VISTA; CITY OF LAKEWAY; CITY OF LEANDER; CITY OF MANOR; CITY OF PFLUGERVILLE; CITY OF ROLLINGWOOD; CITY OF ROUND ROCK; CITY OF SUNSET VALLEY; CITY OF WESTLAKE HILLS; DEL VALLE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT; LAGO VISTA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT; LAKE TRAVIS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT; LEANDER INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT; MANOR INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT; TRAVIS COUNTY BEE CAVE ROAD DISTRICT NO. 1; VILLAGE OF BRIARCLIFF; VILLAGE OF THE HILLS; AND VILLAGE OF VOLENTE. (COUNTY CLERK) (10:16 AM)

**Clerk's Note:** Item 29 approved as part of the Consent Motion. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for a summary of the Court's Motion and Vote.

30. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH A NEW ENTRY TO PROVIDE RE-ENTRY AND SUPPORT FOR INMATES PARTICIPATING IN THE RAVE PROGRAM. (SHERIFF'S OFFICE) (10:16 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.

- 31. RECEIVE AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON REPORT ON PHARMACY OPERATIONS AND REQUEST TO FUND PERMANENT SLOTS IN THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE FOR ONE PHARMACIST AND TWO PHARMACY TECHNICIANS. (SHERIFF'S OFFICE) (11:34 AM)

**Members of the Court heard from:** Bill Campbell, Finance Director, Travis County Sheriff's Office (TCSO); Cyd Grimes, Travis County Purchasing Agent; and Bill Derryberry, Senior Budget Analyst, PBO.

**Motion by** Commissioner Daugherty **and seconded by** Commissioner Davis to approve Item 31 as read, plus with special attention to the approval of the removal of the April 30, 2007 date on ongoing permanent positions.

**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 Court noted that by approving Item 31 the Motion included taking the necessary steps to move the internal line items in the Travis County Sheriff's Office budget, to fund the positions, as it is needed.

- 32. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON LEASES FOR NEIGHBORHOOD RESOURCE CENTERS FOR TRAVIS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE FOR \$1.00 PER YEAR LOCATED AT: (10:16 AM)
  - A. BLACKHAWK AMENITY CENTER AT 3111 SPEIDEL DRIVE IN PFLUGERVILLE, TEXAS 78660; AND
  - B. 11525 SHADOWGLEN TRACE, MANOR, TEXAS 78653. (SHERIFF'S OFFICE)

**Clerk's Note:** Items 32.A&B approved as part of the Consent Motion. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for a summary of 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

The Commissioners Court will consider the following items in Executive Session. The Commissioners Court may also consider any other matter posted on the agenda if there are issues that require consideration in Executive Session and the Commissioners Court announces that the item will be considered during Executive Session.

- 33. RECEIVE UPDATE AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON SELECTION OF EXECUTIVE MANAGER OF JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY. <sup>1 AND 3</sup> (2:29 PM) (4:13 PM)

**Clerk's Note:** Judge Biscoe announced that Item 33 would be considered in Executive Session pursuant to Gov't. Code Ann. 551.071, Consultation with Attorney and Gov't. Code Ann. 551.074, Personnel Matters.

**Motion by** Judge Biscoe **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez that we approve the following list of applicants to be moved to the next phase of the selection process: Owen Sullivan, Pamela Aden, JeriJean W. Houchins, Lonnie McDougal, Paul Lanteigne, Roger Jefferies, David W. Slayton, Christine B. McCormick, Dardy Chen, Christopher Sims, Michael Trimble, and Kimberly Pierce; that we indicate our intention not to include Nicole Livesay, who has advised us that she has found other employment and is no longer interested in this position. Further that we send these applicants a list of questions that the court has reviewed and approved; that we have the responses due by midnight on Monday, April 16, 2007; that we secure the assistance of our Executive Managers to help us evaluate the responses once they are submitted; and that we have them back on the Court's Agenda for a further review and ranking on April 24, 2007; and that on that day we decide who to interview after April 24, 2007.

**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

34. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING POTENTIAL PURCHASE OF PROPERTY ALONG AIRPORT BLVD. IN CENTRAL AUSTIN.  
<sup>2</sup> (2:29 PM) (4:17 PM)

**Clerk's Note:** Judge Biscoe announced that Item 34 would be considered in Executive Session pursuant to Gov't. Code Ann. 551.072, Real Property.

**Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Davis** that we authorize our Facilities Staff to extend to the owners of the property in question an offer by Travis County to purchase the said property for the sum of \$2 million.

**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 34 to be reposted April 24, 2007.

- 35. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING AUSTIN POLICE DEPARTMENT DRUG LAB STAFF. <sup>1</sup> (1:56 PM) (2:29 PM) (4:17 PM)

**Clerk’s Note:** Judge Biscoe announced that Item 35 would be considered in Executive Session pursuant to Gov’t. Code Ann. 551.071, Consultation with Attorney.

**Members of the Court heard from:** Kimberly Pierce, Planning Manager, Criminal Justice Planning (CJP); The Honorable Jim Coronado, Judge, Magistrate Court; Debra Hale, Court Coordinator; and Bill Derryberry, Senior Budget Analyst, PBO.

**Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Davis** that we authorize Staff to indicate to the Austin Police Department (APD) our willingness to fund a chemist in the amount that they recommended, roughly \$69,000.00; that we authorize County Staff, specifically Kimberly Pierce, Planning Manager, Criminal Justice Planning, and Claire Dawson Brown, Director, District Attorney’s Office, and maybe somebody from the County Attorney’s Office, to meet with appropriate people from APD to discuss the County’s needs consistent with the conversation that we had, and try to get as much of that done as possible, needs and our preferences and get the best deal we can.

**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. RECEIVE UPDATE AND DISCUSS PERSONNEL ISSUES REGARDING APPOINTMENT OF TRAVIS COUNTY FIRE MARSHAL. <sup>3</sup> (2:29 PM) (4:18 PM)

**Clerk’s Note:** Judge Biscoe announced that Item 36 would be considered in Executive Session pursuant to Gov’t. Code Ann. 551.071, Consultation with Attorney and Gov’t. Code Ann. 551.074, Personnel Matters.

Discussion only. No formal action taken.

Item 36 to be reposted April 17, 2007.



**ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion by** Commissioner Davis **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to adjourn the Voting Session. (4:19 PM)

**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

**MINUTES APPROVED BY THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT**

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**Date of Approval**

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**Samuel T. Biscoe, Travis County Judge**