

MINUTES OF MEETING--SEPTEMBER 20, 1996

TRAVIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT

FIFTH BUDGET MARK-UP VOTING SESSION

On the 20th day of September 1996, the Commissioners' Court convened the Fifth Budget Mark-Up Voting Session at 10:45 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 Julianne Rompel.

Members of the Court stood at ease at 10:15 AM and reconvened the Voting Session at 10:22 AM.

The Commissioners' Court adjourned the Voting Session at 12:14 PM.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

1. CAPITAL. (9:20 AM)

Members of the Court heard from Christian Smith, Executive Director of Planning and Budget.

Discussion only.

2. CORRECTIONS TO FY '97 PRELIMINARY BUDGET SINCE BEGINNING OF MARK-UP -- ALL FUNDS. (9:23 AM)

Members of the Court heard from Christian Smith, Executive Director of Planning and Budget and Leroy Nellis, Planning and Budget.

Motion by Commissioner Sonleitner and seconded by Commissioner Bristol to approve the corrections list with the deletion of the Springbrook Soccer Complex.

Motion carried:	Commissioner 1, Samuel Biscoe	-	yes
	Commissioner 2, Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
	Commissioner 3, Valarie Bristol	-	yes
	Commissioner 4, Margaret Gómez	-	yes
	County Judge, Bill Aleshire	-	absent

3. FY '96 CAR ITEMS TO BE REBUDGETED AND RESERVES. (9:25 AM)

Members of the Court heard from Christian Smith, Executive Director of Planning and Budget and Karen Castro, Planning and Budget.

Motion by Commissioner Bristol and seconded by Commissioner Sonleitner to approve the capital items to be rebudgeted in 1997, as recommended by Planning and Budget.

Motion carried:	Commissioner 1, Samuel Biscoe	-	yes
	Commissioner 2, Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
	Commissioner 3, Valarie Bristol	-	yes
	Commissioner 4, Margaret Gómez	-	yes
	County Judge, Bill Aleshire	-	yes

4. STATUS OF FY '97 CAPITAL RESOURCES -- CAR FUNDING. (9:30 AM)

Members of the Court heard from Christian Smith, Executive Director of Planning and Budget and Karen Castro, Planning and Budget Office.

Motion by Commissioner Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Gómez to approve the option of reducing the planned Certificates of Obligation (C.O.) to 6.5 million dollars and that the items committed over and above those outlined in the \$417,259.00 figure use as their source of funding the vacuumed bond funds.

Motion carried:	Commissioner 1, Samuel Biscoe	-	yes
	Commissioner 2, Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
	Commissioner 3, Valarie Bristol	-	yes
	Commissioner 4, Margaret Gómez	-	yes
	County Judge, Bill Aleshire	-	yes

5. UNENCUMBERED BALANCES IN EXISTING C.O. FUNDS. (9:47 AM)

Members of the Court heard from Karen Castro, Planning and Budget.

Motion by Commissioner Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Bristol to approve the analysis and the requests for action of closing out certain bond funds in FY '97 and the rebudgeting of projects as analyzed by Planning and Budget.

Motion carried:	Commissioner 1, Samuel Biscoe	-	yes
	Commissioner 2, Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
	Commissioner 3, Valarie Bristol	-	yes
	Commissioner 4, Margaret Gómez	-	yes
	County Judge, Bill Aleshire	-	yes

6.A SUMMARY OF PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT BONDS AND ROAD BONDS TO BE REBUDGETED IN FY '97. (9:50 AM)

Members of the Court heard from Karen Castro, Planning and Budget.

Motion by Commissioner Bristol and seconded by Commissioner Gómez to close fund 408.

Motion carried:	Commissioner 1, Samuel Biscoe	-	yes
	Commissioner 2, Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
	Commissioner 3, Valarie Bristol	-	yes
	Commissioner 4, Margaret Gómez	-	yes
	County Judge, Bill Aleshire	-	yes

6.B PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT BONDS. (9:52 AM)

Members of the Court heard from Christian Smith, Executive Director of Planning and Budget; Leroy Nellis, Planning and Budget; and Karen Castro, Planning and Budget.

Motion by Judge Aleshire and seconded by Commissioner Sonleitner to authorize Planning and Budget, and anyone else who needs to act, to close out any of the accounts which the Court has agreed will be closed out and to take what action is necessary to do this to avoid having balances in these accounts during the next accounting period.

Motion carried:	Commissioner 1, Samuel Biscoe	-	yes
	Commissioner 2, Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
	Commissioner 3, Valarie Bristol	-	yes
	Commissioner 4, Margaret Gómez	-	yes
	County Judge, Bill Aleshire	-	yes

7. APPLICATION OF ADDITIONAL CAPITAL RESOURCES. (9:55 AM)

Members of the Court heard from Karen Castro, Planning and Budget; Christian Smith, Executive Director of Planning and Budget; and Leroy Nellis, Planning and Budget.

Discussion only.

8. DEFICIT ON CAPITAL MARK-UP LIST AND '96 CAR. (9:58 AM)

Members of the Court heard from Karen Castro, Planning and Budget; Christian Smith, Executive Director of Planning and Budget; and Leroy Nellis, Planning and Budget.

Discussion only.

9. TNR CAPITAL RECOMMENDATIONS. (10:00 AM)

Members of the Court heard from Christian Smith, Executive Director of Planning and Budget.

Discussion only.

10. PARKING LOT LIST--CAPITAL. (10:05 AM)

Members of the Court heard from Christian Smith, Executive Director of Planning and Budget and Leroy Nellis, Planning and Budget.

Discussion only.

STAND AT EASE

Members of the Court stood at ease. (10:15 AM)

11. RISK MANAGEMENT. (10:22 AM)

Members of the Court heard from Leroy Nellis, Planning and Budget; Christian Smith, Executive Director of Planning and Budget; and Susan Spataro, Auditor.

Motion by Commissioner Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Gómez to reduce expenditures in the General Fund for insurance by \$800,000.00 and have this rebudgeted as an expenditure in the Risk Management Fund; thereby reducing the reserve level in the Risk Management Fund to fund this insurance.

Motion carried:	Commissioner 1, Samuel Biscoe	-	yes
	Commissioner 2, Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
	Commissioner 3, Valarie Bristol	-	yes
	Commissioner 4, Margaret Gómez	-	yes
	County Judge, Bill Aleshire	-	yes

12. CORPORATIONS. (10:30 AM)

Members of the Court heard from Christian Smith, Executive Director of Planning and Budget.

Motion by Commissioner Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Sonleitner to request that the corporations provide \$500,000.00 from the Health Facilities Development Corporation to the County to be applied to generally health-related expenditures in the County budget.

Motion carried:	Commissioner 1, Samuel Biscoe	-	yes
	Commissioner 2, Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
	Commissioner 3, Valarie Bristol	-	yes
	Commissioner 4, Margaret Gómez	-	yes
	County Judge, Bill Aleshire	-	yes

**13. PARKING LOT ITEMS -- LEASE SPACE.
CO--CAPITAL FUND. (10:34 AM)**

Members of the Court heard from Christian Smith, Planning and Budget; Alicia Perez, Executive Manager of Administrative Operations; Belinda Poppa, Facilities; Kevin Bailey, Facilities; Leroy Nellis, Planning and Budget; and Karen Castro, Planning and Budget.

Motion by Commissioner Bristol and seconded by Commissioner Sonleitner to move \$500,000.00 out of CO into CAR and to place \$500,000.00 from CO into old bond funds.

Motion carried:	Commissioner 1, Samuel Biscoe	-	yes
	Commissioner 2, Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
	Commissioner 3, Valarie Bristol	-	yes
	Commissioner 4, Margaret Gómez	-	yes
	County Judge, Bill Aleshire	-	yes

14. OTHER FOLLOW-UP ISSUES. WATER DELIVERY PROGRAM. (11:00 AM)

Members of the Court heard from Shari Holland, Planning and Budget.

Discussion only.

15. ENCUMBRANCES AND ACCRUALS THROUGH BUDGETING AN ESTIMATED RESERVE. (11:04 AM)

Members of the Court heard from Susan Spataro, Auditor and Christian Smith, Executive Director of Planning and Budget.

Discussion only.

16. PREPARATION FOR MAY BOND ELECTION. (11:11 AM)

Members of the Court heard from Kevin Bailey, Facilities Manager; Dinah Dinwiddie, Executive Coordinator for Justice and Public Safety; Belinda Poppa, Facilities; Joe Gieselman, Executive Director of Transportation and Natural Resources; and Alicia Perez, Executive Manager of Administrative Operations.

Discussion only.

17. SCHOOL NURSE. (12:03 PM)

Members of the Court heard from Christian Smith, Executive Manager of Planning and Budget and Shari Holland, Planning and Budget Office.

Motion by Commissioner Bristol and seconded by Commissioner Biscoe to eliminate this particular school nurse line item program in the amount of \$62,541.00.

Motion carried:	Commissioner 1, Samuel Biscoe	-	yes
	Commissioner 2, Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
	Commissioner 3, Valarie Bristol	-	yes
	Commissioner 4, Margaret Gómez	-	yes
	County Judge, Bill Aleshire	-	yes

18. COURTHOUSE PARKING. (12:06 PM)

Members of the Court heard from Alicia Perez, Executive Manager of Administrative Operations and Christian Smith, Executive Director of Planning and Budget.

Discussion only.

19. LICENSING AND CERTIFICATIONS. (12:07 PM)

Members of the Court heard from Alicia Perez, Executive Manager of Administrative Operations and Christian Smith, Executive Director of Planning and Budget.

Motion by Commissioner Bristol and seconded by Commissioner Sonleitner to reduce from \$40,000.00 to \$16,361.00 the amount for licenses and certifications.

Motion carried:	Commissioner 1, Samuel Biscoe	-	yes
	Commissioner 2, Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
	Commissioner 3, Valarie Bristol	-	yes
	Commissioner 4, Margaret Gómez	-	yes
	County Judge, Bill Aleshire	-	yes

20. FLEET MAINTENANCE LINE ITEM. (12:07 PM)

Members of the Court heard from Joe Gieselman, Executive Director of Transportation and Natural Resources.

Discussion only.

21. FUND 034--PAYMENT FOR CRIMINAL JUSTICE CENTER. (12:08 PM)

Members of the Court heard from Christian Smith, Executive Director of Planning and Budget; Dinah Dinwiddie, Executive Coordinator of Justice and Public Safety; and Leroy Nellis, Planning and Budget.

Discussion only.

22. CAPITAL AND GENERAL FUND. (12:11 PM)

Members of the Court heard from Christian Smith, Executive Director of Planning and Budget.

Motion by Judge Aleshire and seconded by Commissioner Biscoe to, on the capital side, fund \$6,400.00 for the Assistant Fire Marshal and Inspector; \$139,889.00 for an increase in the replacement vehicles; \$148,968.00 for an increase in the new vehicle requests and expanded packages; \$582,000.00 for additional TNR capital projects which includes Century Street; \$30,000.00 in cabling for ITS at Del Valle; \$75,000.00 for roof repairs at Del Valle--totaling \$982,257.00 in additional capital items; on the General Fund side, to have the General Fund absorb an additional \$35,028.00 for the Fire Marshal and Inspector; an additional \$24,478.00 for the Communication's Coordinator; an additional \$150,000.00 for the ASAP expansion reserve; an additional \$17,500.00 for constable parking spaces--for a total General Fund amount of \$227,006.00 plus the eleven percent reserve; to increase CAR by the amount necessary to fund the \$982,257.00 over the \$787,132.00 which is currently shown--for a total of \$227,006.00 plus the amount needed for reserve and \$982,257.00 in Capital including the reserve as required on the amount of the Capital which will be against CAR; and that this be handled in such a way that any remainder will be left available in the General Fund.

Motion carried:	Commissioner 1, Samuel Biscoe	-	yes
	Commissioner 2, Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
	Commissioner 3, Valarie Bristol	-	yes
	Commissioner 4, Margaret Gómez	-	yes
	County Judge, Bill Aleshire	-	yes

23. DENTAL PROGRAM. (12:14 PM)

Members of the Court heard from Stephen Williams, Executive Manager of Health, Human Services, and Veterans' Affairs; Christian Smith, Executive Director of Planning and Budget; and Leroy Nellis, Planning and Budget.

Discussion only.

24. BOND ELECTION. (12:19 PM)

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

Motion by Judge Aleshire and seconded by Commissioner Bristol that it is the Court's intention, at this time, subject to anything else they may learn, that the Court would expect to have a bond election in May which would request voter authorization to build the expansion to Gardner-Betts and to authorize staff to so indicate this intention in their discussions to try to achieve some interim State funding.

Motion carried:	Commissioner 1, Samuel Biscoe	-	yes
	Commissioner 2, Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
	Commissioner 3, Valarie Bristol	-	yes
	Commissioner 4, Margaret Gómez	-	yes

County Judge, Bill Aleshire - yes

A D J O U R N M E N T

Motion by Commissioner Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Sonleitner to adjourn the Voting Session. (12:21 PM)

Motion carried:	Commissioner 1, Samuel Biscoe	-	yes
	Commissioner 2, Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
	Commissioner 3, Valarie Bristol	-	yes
	Commissioner 4, Margaret Gómez	-	yes
	County Judge, Bill Aleshire	-	yes

MINUTES APPROVED BY THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT

Date of Approval

Bill Aleshire, Travis County Judge