

MINUTES -- SEPTEMBER 16, 1997

TRAVIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT

On Tuesday, the 16th day of September 1997, the Commissioners' Court convened the Voting Session at 9:10 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 Anna M. Valdez.

The Commissioners' Court recessed the Voting Session at 11:53 AM.

The Commissioners' Court, meeting as the Corporation Board of Directors, convened the Corporation Voting Session at 1:37 PM and adjourned at 1:58 PM.

The Commissioners' Court reconvened the Voting Session at 1:58 PM.

The Commissioners' Court recessed the Voting Session at 4:55 PM.

The Commissioners' Court, meeting as the Northwest Travis County Road District No. 3 (Golden Triangle), convened the NWTCRD #3 Voting Session at 4:55 PM and adjourned at 4:57 PM.

The Commissioners' Court reconvened the Voting Session at 4:57 PM.

The Commissioners' Court retired to Executive Session at 4:57 PM and reconvened the Voting Session at 5:37 PM.

The Commissioners' Court adjourned the Voting Session at 5:39 PM.

RESOLUTIONS AND HEARINGS

1. APPROVE RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 1997, "CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH SESQUICENTENNIAL SUNDAY". (9:12 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Dan Richards, Elder, Central Christian Church; Red Kohler, Chairman of Church General Board; and Dr. Bob Landry, Pastor.

Motion by Judge Aleshire and **seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to approve Item 1.

Motion carried:

Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

2. APPROVE RESOLUTION WISHING THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE "A HAPPY BIRTHDAY". (9:16 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: June Bell; and Walter Bishop, Retiree, United States Air Force.

Motion by Judge Aleshire and **seconded by** Commissioner Bristol to approve Item 2.

Motion carried:

Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

3. APPROVE A TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE OF FUCHS GROVE ROAD AT BRIDGE BETWEEN GREGG LANE AND CAMERON ROAD FOR THE PURPOSE OF ROADWAY AND BRIDGE IMPROVEMENTS IN PRECINCT ONE (CONTINGENT ON BID AWARD), TXDOT PROJECT CSJ0914-04-04-060. (9:20 AM)

Motion by Commissioner Biscoe and **seconded by** Commissioner Sonleitner that the Public Hearing be opened.

Motion carried:

Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

Members of the Court heard from: Joe Gieselman, Executive Manager, Transportation and Natural Resources (TNR).

Motion by Commissioner Biscoe and **seconded by** Commissioner Sonleitner that the Public Hearing be closed.

Motion carried:

Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

Clerk's Note: Item 3 is Consent Item C17. Please refer to Agenda Item 6 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

4. APPROVE A TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE OF CELE ROAD AT BRIDGE #224 BETWEEN MELBER LANE AND HODDE LANE FOR THE PURPOSE OF ROADWAY AND BRIDGE IMPROVEMENTS IN PRECINCT TWO (CONTINGENT ON BID AWARD). (9:22 AM)

Motion by Commissioner Sonleitner and **seconded by** Commissioner Biscoe that the Public Hearing be opened.

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

Members of the Court heard from: Joe Gieselman, Executive Manager, TNR; and Gordon Bowman, Assistant County Attorney.

Motion by Commissioner Sonleitner and **seconded by** Commissioner Biscoe that the Public Hearing be closed.

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

Clerk's Note: Item 4 is Consent Item C18. Please refer to Agenda Item 6 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

- 5. APPROVE A TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE OF SPRINKLE CUT-OFF ROAD ADJACENT TO THE JORDAN BACHMAN PIONEER FARM DURING THEIR ANNUAL FALL FESTIVAL. (9:22 AM)

Motion by Commissioner Biscoe and **seconded by** Commissioner Sonleitner that the Public Hearing be opened.

Motion carried:

Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

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

Motion by Commissioner Biscoe and **seconded by** Commissioner Sonleitner that the Public Hearing be closed.

Motion carried:

Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

Clerk’s Note: Item 5 is Consent Item C19. Please refer to Agenda Item 6 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court’s Motion and Vote.

CITIZENS' COMMUNICATION

Members of the Court heard from: George Macon, Lieutenant, Travis County Sheriff’s Office (TCSO); and Charles Wings, Chairman, County Conservation Board. (9:26 AM)

CONSENT ITEMS

6. Motion by Commissioner Sonleitner and **seconded by** Commissioner Biscoe to approve the following Consent Items: 21; 27; 28; and C1 - C20, excluding Item C11. (9:28 AM)

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

- C1. RECEIVE BIDS FROM COUNTY PURCHASING AGENT.
- C2. AWARD BIDS FOR FOOD ITEMS FOR TRAVIS COUNTY CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES AND JUVENILE DETENTION FACILITIES.
- C3. APPROVE BOND FOR RESERVE DEPUTY FOR: CRAIG RANDALL CASEY, IN CONSTABLE PRECINCT FIVE OFFICE.
- C4. APPROVE LEASE WITH GOP INVESTMENT GROUP FOR PARKING SPACES AT 1506 SAN ANTONIO.
- C5. APPROVE CONTRACT MODIFICATIONS FOR CONSTRUCTION TESTING SERVICES POOL CONTRACTORS: CONTRACT NOS. PS960192SG, ENVIRONMENTAL DRILLING SERVICES; PS960193SG, MAXIM TECHNOLOGIES; AND PS960258SG, HBC ENGINEERING; CONTRACTS APPROVED ON 10/17/94, 1/1/95, AND 4/9/96; MODIFICATIONS WILL EXTEND THE PERFORMANCE PERIOD FOR EACH CONTRACT FOR AN ADDITIONAL YEAR.
- C6. APPROVE ASSIGNMENT OF CONTRACT FROM KUENSTLER MACHINERY COMPANY TO RDO EQUIPMENT COMPANY; CONTRACT NO. 97T0153-JP.
- C7. APPROVE CONTRACT MODIFICATION NO. 1 TO CONTRACT NOS. PS970133SG, CHAPMAN COURT REPORTING SERVICES; PS970141SG, LIZ BURROSS; PS970186SG, BAKER COURT REPORTING, INC.; PS970244SG, KAREN FOSTER AND ASSOCIATES; AND PS970252SG, RITA GRASSHOFF COURT REPORTING SERVICES; CONTRACTS APPROVED ON 2/18/97; 3/25/97; 4/15/97; 6/3/97; AND 6/10/97; RESPECTIVELY; MODIFICATIONS EXTEND EACH CONTRACT FOR AN ADDITIONAL YEAR.

CONSENT ITEMS CONTINUED

- C8.** APPROVE CONTRACT MODIFICATION NO. 1 TO CONTRACT NO. PS960012LH, BETWEEN TRAVIS COUNTY AND SOUTHWEST KEY PROGRAM, INC. FOR INTENSIVE SUPERVISION SERVICES FOR TRAVIS COUNTY JUVENILE OFFENDERS; CONTRACT WAS APPROVED ON 12/10/96; MODIFICATION ALLOWS FOR EXTENSION OF CONTRACTED SERVICES FOR AN ADDITIONAL PERIOD, SEPTEMBER 19, 1997 - SEPTEMBER 30, 1998.

- C9.** APPROVE CONTRACT MODIFICATION NO. 1 TO CONTRACT NO. MA950005, XEROX CORPORATION; CONTRACT APPROVED ON 9/13/94; MODIFICATION ALLOWS FOR A 12-MONTH RENEWAL AND PRICE CHANGE FOR PROPRIETARY HARDWARE MAINTENANCE ON THE XEROX 4050 LASER PRINTER, THE ESTIMATED CONTRACT AMOUNT IS \$41,627.00.

- C10.** APPROVE CONTRACT MODIFICATION NO. 2 TO CONTRACT 96T0285-RG, WET AND WILD WATERCRAFT RENTALS, PARK CONCESSION OPERATIONS; MODIFICATION CHANGES THE LOCATION OF CONCESSION; CONTRACT APPROVED ON 5/14/96.

- C11.** APPROVE CONTRACT AWARD FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE HIKE AND BIKE TRAIL FROM RICHARD MOYA PARK TO MCKINNEY FALLS STATE PARK, THE SOUTHEAST DISTRICT BALLPARK COMPLEX, AND THE SATELLITE 4 COMPLEX (OPTION), HNTB CORP., NOT-TO-EXCEED \$190,585.00 (\$270,585.00, IF OPTION IS EXERCISED). (9:10 AM) (9:20 AM) (9:29 AM) (3:25 PM)

Item C11 pulled from Consent.

Motion by Judge Aleshire and **seconded by** Commissioner Biscoe to approve Item C11.

Motion carried:

Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

CONSENT ITEMS CONTINUED

- C12.** APPROVE PLAT FOR RECORDING IN PRECINCT THREE: BRAZOS-COLORADO SUBDIVISION - (SHORTFORM SUBDIVISION - NO FISCAL - 1 LOT - 9.565 ACRES - FM 2304).
- C13.** APPROVE PLAT FOR RECORDING IN PRECINCT THREE: DAVENPORT RANCH PHASE 7, SECTION 3 AMENDED - (AMENDED PLAT - NO FISCAL - 105 LOTS -140.0 ACRES - WAYMAKER WAY).
- C14.** APPROVE PLAT FOR RECORDING IN PRECINCT ONE: MCGREGOR SUBDIVISION (SHORTFORM - NO FISCAL REQUIRED - 1 LOT - 17.8872 ACRES - DAFFIN LANE).
- C15.** APPROVE ACCEPTANCE OF DEDICATION OF STREET AND DRAINAGE FACILITIES IN FOREST CREEK ESTATES SECTION 1, A SUBDIVISION IN PRECINCT TWO.
- C16.** APPROVE A PUBLIC HEARING DATE OF SEPTEMBER 30, 1997 FOR APPROVAL OF PROPOSED STREET NAME CHANGE FOR THE EASTERN SEGMENT OF ALBERT VOELKER ROAD TO "MONKEY ROAD" WHICH INTERSECTS COUNTY LINE ROAD 400' NORTH OF THE WEST SEGMENT OF ALBERT VOELKER ROAD IN PRECINCT ONE.
- C17.** APPROVE A TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE OF FUCHS GROVE ROAD AT BRIDGE BETWEEN GREGG LANE AND CAMERON ROAD FOR THE PURPOSE OF ROADWAY AND BRIDGE IMPROVEMENTS IN PRECINCT ONE (CONTINGENT ON BID AWARD), TXDOT PROJECT CSJ0914-04-04-060.
- C18.** APPROVE A TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE OF CELE ROAD AT BRIDGE #224 BETWEEN MELBER LANE AND HODDE LANE FOR THE PURPOSE OF ROADWAY AND BRIDGE IMPROVEMENTS IN PRECINCT TWO (CONTINGENT ON BID AWARD).

CONSENT ITEMS CONTINUED

- C19.** APPROVE A TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE OF SPRINKLE CUT-OFF ROAD ADJACENT TO THE JORDAN BACHMAN PIONEER FARM DURING THEIR ANNUAL FALL FESTIVAL.

ADDED ITEM:

- C20.** APPROVE PLAT FOR RECORDING IN PRECINCT TWO: RESUBDIVISION OF NORTH PARK, SECTION FOUR-A, LOTS 3, 4, AND 5 - (SHORTFORM - NO FISCAL REQUIRED - 3 LOTS - 8.282 ACRES - CENTRAL COMMERCE DRIVE).

COUNTY POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

7. A. ADOPT AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTER 10, TRAVIS COUNTY POLICY AND PROCEDURES MANUAL, PAY AND COMPENSATION POLICIES. (9:34 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Alicia Perez, Executive Manager, Administrative Operations; Marilyn Hancock, Interim Director, Human Resources Management Department (HRMD); and Carlotta Valdez, Compensation Manager, HRMD.

Motion by Judge Aleshire and seconded by Commissioner Biscoe to approve Item 7.

Motion carried:

Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

Item 7.A to be reposted on September 23, 1997.

B. UPDATE AND APPROVE METHODOLOGY FOR COUNTY EMPLOYEE SALARY SURVEY AND GIVE STAFF DIRECTION. (9:45 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Alicia Perez, Executive Manager, Administrative Operations; Marilyn Hancock, Interim Director, HRMD; Carlotta Valdez, Compensation Manager, HRMD; Frank Wagner, Compensation Specialist, HRMD; Edna Santos, Compensation Specialist HRMD; Dana DeBeauvoir, Travis County Clerk; Susan Bell, Chief Deputy, County Clerk's Office; Cynthia Galvan, Compensation Specialist, HRMD; and Rick Whitehead, Lieutenant, Travis County Sheriff's Officers' Association (TCSOA).

Motion by Commissioner Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Gómez to approve the pay scale for the law enforcement, health and medical (environmental specialist), and peace officer job descriptions.

Motion carried:

Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

- 8. APPROVE CONTRACT MODIFICATION NO. 4 TO CONTRACT NO. PS970023LH, BETWEEN TRAVIS COUNTY AND KEEP AUSTIN BEAUTIFUL, INC. TO PROVIDE CLEANUP ACTIVITIES AT SITES WITHIN TRAVIS COUNTY AND ON-GOING COMMUNITY ACTION AND EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS TO REDUCE LITTERING IN PARKS AND ON ROADSIDE RIGHT-OF-WAYS MAINTAINED BY TRAVIS COUNTY; MODIFICATION ALLOWS A 12-MONTH EXTENSION FROM 10/1/97 TO 9/30/98. (9:32 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Terri Smythe, Executive Director, Keep Austin Beautiful.

Motion by Commissioner Sonleitner **and seconded by** Commissioner Biscoe to approve Item 8.

Motion carried:

Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

- 9. RECEIVE SCHEMATIC DESIGN PRESENTATION FOR THE TRAVIS COUNTY JUVENILE COURT FACILITY EXPANSION INCLUDING THE INTERMEDIATE SANCTIONS CENTER; DISCUSS, APPROVE, AND/OR GIVE STAFF DIRECTION. (11:10 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Chuck Croslin, Croslin and Associates; Estela Medina, Chief Probation Officer, Juvenile Court; Kevin Bailey, Director, Facilities Management; and Belinda Poppa, Project Manager, Facilities Management.

Motion by Commissioner Biscoe **and seconded by** Commissioner Sonleitner to approve the schematic design, to direct that the actual design work proceed, expedite work on the garage, and keep the Commissioners' Court posted.

Motion carried:

Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

- 10. DISCUSS, APPROVE, AND/OR GIVE STAFF DIRECTION REGARDING SCHEMATIC DESIGN FOR THE WATER QUALITY IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT AT THE TRAVIS COUNTY CORRECTIONAL COMPLEX AT DEL VALLE AND APPROVE ESPEY HUSTON TO PROCEED INTO THE CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS PHASE OF THE ENGINEERING DESIGN. (11:41 AM) (1:58 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Alicia Perez, Executive Manager, Administrative Operations; Kevin Bailey, Director, Facilities Management; David Balagia, Major, TCSO; Tex Schmidt, Espey Huston and Associates; and Ken Gaede, Project Administrator, Facilities Management.

Motion by Commissioner Bristol **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to authorize Facilities Management to move forward with Alternate Two on the Water Quality Improvements Project.

Motion carried:

Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

- 11. REVIEW AND APPROVE DRAFT FOR PHASE I, NEEDS ASSESSMENT REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS FOR THE COMBINED TRANSPORTATION AND EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS CENTER PROJECT. (2:19 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Tommy Blackwell, TCSO; Pete Baldwin, Emergency Management Coordinator, TNR; and Chris Callsen, Director of Emergency Services, Criminal Justice Planning (CJP).

Motion by Commissioner Gómez **and seconded by** Commissioner Biscoe to clarify the points that have been raised and to approve the draft, removing the last paragraph on page 4.

Motion carried:

Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

12. A. APPROVE ORDER DESIGNATING MAIN EARLY VOTING POLLING PLACES AND TEMPORARY BRANCH EARLY VOTING POLLING PLACES FOR THE NOVEMBER 4, 1997 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ELECTION AND TRAVIS COUNTY BOND ELECTION. (2:36 PM)

Clerk's Note: Items 12.A, 12.B, and 13 are associated with one another and were called for concurrent discussion.

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

Motion by Commissioner Bristol **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to approve Item 12.A.

Motion carried:

Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

- B. DISCUSS OTHER ISSUES RELATED TO CONDUCT OF THE NOVEMBER 4, 1997 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT AND TRAVIS COUNTY BOND ELECTION. (2:36 PM)

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

Discussion Only.

Item 12.B to be reposted on September 23, 1997.

13. APPROVE UPDATED LIST OF ELECTION JUDGES AND ALTERNATE JUDGES FOR TERM APPOINTMENT, ELECTION YEAR AUGUST 1, 1997 - JULY 31, 1998. (2:36 PM)

Clerk's Note: Items 12.A, 12.B, and 13 are associated with one another and were called for concurrent discussion.

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

Motion by Commissioner Sonleitner and seconded by Commissioner Gómez to approve Item 13.

Motion carried:

Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

14. RECEIVE IJS NEGOTIATION UPDATE AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION, RFP R960072-OJ. (2:58 PM) (3:18 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Frank Curcio, Director, Information and Telecommunications Systems (ITS); Cyd Grimes, Travis County Purchasing Agent; Brad Powell, Assistant Director, ITS; and Neal Nolan, IBM Representative.

Discussion Only.

- 15. A. APPROVE FEES FOR SERVICES BY OFFICES OF THE SHERIFF AND CONSTABLES FOR EXECUTION OF CIVIL PROCESS FOR 1998 AND AUTHORIZE NOTICE TO STATE COMPTROLLER. (9:10 AM) (3:00 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Gordon Bowman, Assistant County Attorney.

Item 15.A to be reposted on September 23, 1997.

- B. ADOPT EXISTING FEE SCHEDULES FOR DEPARTMENTS UNDER THE EXECUTIVE MANAGER FOR JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY FOR CONTINUATION IN FISCAL YEAR 1998. (9:10 AM) (3:00 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Chris Callsen, Emergency Services Coordinator, CJP; Steve Cole, Senior Budget Analyst, Planning and Budget Office (PBO); Theresa Reel, Quality Assurance Coordinator, CJP; and Richard Gaston, Travis County Fire Marshall.

Discussion Only.

Item 15.B to be reposted on September 23, 1997.

- C. APPROVE ADDITIONAL FILING FEE FOR BASIC CIVIL LEGAL SERVICES FOR INDIGENTS. (9:10 AM) (3:00 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Dolores Ortega-Carter, County Treasurer; and Barbara Wilson, Assistant County Attorney.

Motion by Commissioner Gómez **and seconded by** Commissioner Sonleitner to approve Item 15.C.

Motion carried:

Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

16. DISCUSS AND APPROVE AN EXEMPTION TO THE MORATORIUM ON MODIFICATIONS TO THE UNISYS AND ALLOW FOR PROGRAMMING INFORMATION ON NEWLY LEGISLATED FEES. (3:18 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Dana DeBeauvoir, Travis County Clerk; and Frank Curcio, Director, ITS.

Motion by Commissioner Biscoe **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to approve the requested exemption.

Motion carried:

Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

17. APPROVE RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR COUNTY ACCOUNT, USER AND REPETITIVE TRANSFER AUTHORIZATION FOR EXECUTION OF TRANSFER OF FUNDS (WIRE TRANSFER). (3:25 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Dolores Ortega-Carter, County Treasurer.

Motion by Commissioner Biscoe **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to approve Item 17.

Motion carried:

Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

- 18. REVIEW AND APPROVE NEW STAFF MEMBER FROM MARSH & MCLENNAN FOR PROVIDING SERVICES FOR THE OWNER CONTROLLED INSURANCE PROGRAM CONTRACT NO. 97T0320-OJ. (3:26 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Cyd Grimes, Travis County Purchasing Agent; and Daniel Mansour, Risk Manager, HRMD.

Motion by Commissioner Biscoe **and seconded by** Judge Aleshire to approve Item 18.

Motion carried:

Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	abstain
Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	abstain
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

- 19. DISCUSS, APPROVE, AND/OR GIVE DIRECTION REGARDING THE ACCEPTANCE OF SOCIAL SERVICES (RFA) REQUEST FOR APPLICATION FOR FUNDING RECEIVED AFTER SPECIFIED DEADLINE. (11:32 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Stephen Williams, Executive Manager, Austin-Travis County Health and Human Services Department and Veterans Affairs Services; Mary Taylor, Coordinator, Parents Anonymous; and Ann Terrell, Sanctuary, a Place for the Displaced.

Motion by Commissioner Biscoe **and seconded by** Commissioner Sonleitner to grant a waiver to The Foundation for the Homeless; Austin Families; Capital Area Mental Health Center; Parents Anonymous; Sanctuary, a Place for the Displaced; and the Austin Area Urban League for the late submission of their applications.

Motion carried:

Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

20. RECEIVE AND DISCUSS FOURTH REVENUE ESTIMATE FOR FY 1998 BUDGET PROCESS. (3:27 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Blain Keith, Director of Financial Services, Travis County Auditor's Office; and Carolyn Damron, Senior Financial Analyst, Travis County Auditor's Office.

Discussion Only.

21. APPROVE COUNTY PRINTING OF 200,000 COPIES OF TAXPAYER NEWS FOR MAILING WITH THE 1997 PROPERTY TAX BILLS. (9:28 AM)

Item 21 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 6 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

22. APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENTS AND TRANSFERS. (3:35 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Leroy Nellis, Budget Manager, PBO; Karen Shafer Castro, Senior Budget Analyst, PBO; Shoshana Lansberg, Budget Analyst, PBO; Caryl Colburn, Director, Travis County Counseling and Education Services; Alicia Perez, Executive Manager, Administrative Operations; Kevin Bailey, Director, Facilities Management; Darlene Dunn, Medical Examiner’s Office; and Rod McCutchin, Medical Examiner’s Office.

Motion by Judge Aleshire and seconded by Commissioner Biscoe to give authorization to proceed with the RFP process and use it as a tag on allocated reserve for FY 1998. The impact of the motion would be to strike Item A.2 and give the budget authorization to proceed with the RFP process, keeping in mind trying to enroll as many members of the team as possible.

Motion carried:

Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

Motion by Judge Aleshire and seconded by Commissioner Biscoe to approve the budget amendments with the exception of Items A.2; T.8, T.9, T.10, T.13, T.14, T.15, T.16, T.17, T.18, T.19, T.20, T.21, T.22, T.23, T.24, T.25, T.26 and T.34. There is authorization to proceed with the procurement process through Purchasing on Items T.27, T.28, T.29, T.30, T.31 T.32 and T.33. The Court also approves Items T.35, T.36, T.37, T.38, T.39, T.40, T.41 and T.42.

Motion carried:

Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

23. APPROVE GRANT PROPOSALS, APPLICATIONS, CONTRACTS, AND PERMISSION TO CONTINUE. (4:22 PM)

A. APPROVE GRANT APPLICATION FOR HEALTHY FAMILIES SERVICE MODEL EXPANSION PROJECT FOR HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT. (4:22 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Alan Miller Budget Analyst, PBO.

Motion by Judge Aleshire and seconded by Commissioner Gómez to approve Item 23.A.

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

B. APPROVE GRANT APPLICATION FOR STATE AND LOCAL ASSISTANCE-50 FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT (EMERGENCY SERVICES DEPARTMENT).

Members of the Court heard from: Shoshana Lansberg, Budget Analyst, PBO; and Pete Baldwin, Emergency Management Coordinator, TNR.

Motion by Commissioner Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Gómez to approve Item 23.B.

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

C. APPROVE PERMISSION TO CONTINUE (ATS GRANT) SURFACE TRANSPORTATION FUNDS-4C FOR TRANSPORTATION AND NATURAL RESOURCE DEPARTMENT. (4:22 PM)

Motion by Commissioner Bristol and seconded by Commissioner Biscoe to approve Item 23.C.

Motion carried:	Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
	Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
	Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
	Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes

County Judge Bill Aleshire

- yes

24. APPROVE INTERLOCAL ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT FOR REGIONAL AUTO THEFT ENFORCEMENT TASK FORCE. (4:26 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Patty Eacret, Director over Fiscal and Personnel, TCSO; and John McCary, TCSO.

Motion by Commissioner Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Sonleitner to approve Item 24.

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

25. SELECT VERSION OF PARAGRAPH 11.04 REGARDING RATE LIMITATIONS ON PREMIUMS FOR INSERTION IN SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD OF TEXAS, INC. (4:27 PM) (4:48 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Alicia Perez, Executive Manager, Administrative Operations; Daniel Mansour, Risk Manager, HRMD; Marilyn Hancock, Interim Director, HRMD; and Barbara Wilson, Assistant County Attorney.

Motion by Commissioner Biscoe and seconded by Judge Aleshire to get the 5% coverage for the 80% of employees who have chosen HMO coverage, and monitor the application of the formula and take the appropriate action this time next year.

Maker and Second accept the Friendly Amendment by Commissioner Sonleitner to monitor the County’s losses on a quarterly basis.

Maker and Second accept the Friendly Amendment by Commissioner Sonleitner to discuss with Blue Cross how to limit the County’s losses through both the HMO and PPO plans.

Acceptance of both Friendly Amendments was made by Commissioner Biscoe.

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

- 26. DISCUSS AND APPROVE ELECTED OFFICIALS' SALARIES FOR FY 1998, ENDORSE METHOD FOR SETTING SALARIES OF MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT, AND AUTHORIZE APPROPRIATE PUBLIC NOTICES. (4:27 PM)

Discussion Only.

No action taken on Item 26.

- 27. APPROVE PERSONNEL AMENDMENTS. (9:28 AM)

Item 27 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 6 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

- A. CONSIDER AND APPROVE PAY INCENTIVE PLAN TO RETAIN EMPLOYEES CRITICAL TO THE YEAR 2000 SOFTWARE CONVERSION EFFORT. (4:32 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Frank Curcio, Director, ITS; Woody Smith, ITS; Brad Powell, Assistant Director, ITS; and Barbara Wilson, Assistant County Attorney.

Motion by Commissioner Bristol **and seconded by** Gómez to approve the concept and authorize the County Attorney's Office to draft a contract for Item 27.A.

Motion carried:

Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes
County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

- 28. APPROVE PAYMENT OF CLAIMS AND AUTHORIZE COUNTY TREASURER TO INVEST COUNTY FUNDS. (9:28 AM)

Item 28 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 6 (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

- 29. RECEIVE BRIEFING FROM THE COUNTY ATTORNEY IN TRAVIS COUNTY V. RYLANDER INVESTMENT COMPANY; USDC NUMBER A-94-CA-561-SC, AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. ¹ (4:57 PM) (5:37 PM)

Judge Aleshire announced that Item 29 would be considered in Executive Session.

Members of the Court agreed to consider one Motion for Items 29, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, and 40.

Motion by Judge Aleshire and **seconded by** Commissioner Biscoe to approve the following Items as summarized below:

- 29. No action taken on Item 29.
Item 29 to be reposted on September 23, 1997.
- 32. The Court accepts their offer in the amount of \$5,000.00.
- 33. The Court rejects that offer.
- 34. The Court authorized the County Attorney to initiate condemnation.
- 35. The Court authorizes payment in the amount of \$54,997.00 for parcel number three and that is to accept their settlement demand.
- 36. The Court authorizes the amount of \$39,413.00 for parcel number five and accepts their demand.
- 40. The Court authorizes the County Judge to sign a Right of Entry and authorize payment of \$34,767.00, consistent with the provisions of the Right of Entry Agreement, which the Court has for the Record.

Motion carried:

Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	absent
County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

30. RECEIVE BRIEFING FROM COUNTY ATTORNEY AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION IN: ROSIE CAROTHERS V. MONTGOMERY ELEVATOR COMPANY AND TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS (TEXAS TORT CLAIMS ACT, PREMISES, AND PERSONAL INJURY) (PEREZ). ¹ (9:10 AM)

Item 30 postponed until September 23, 1997.

31. RECEIVE BRIEFING FROM COUNTY ATTORNEY AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION IN: JUDY FRANCES PAINTER V. ESCO ELEVATORS CORPORATION, MONTGOMERY KONE, INC. F/K/A/ MONTGOMERY ELEVATOR COMPANY AND TRAVIS COUNTY (PAINTER; PEREZ; TEXAS TORT CLAIMS ACT, PREMISES, AND PERSONAL INJURY) ¹ (9:10 AM)

Item 31 postponed until September 23, 1997.

32. APPROVE, REJECT, OR COUNTER COUNTER-OFFER FROM G & G VENTURE NUMBER ONE FOR ACQUISITION OF 0.073 ACRE OF RIGHT-OF-WAY IN CONNECTION WITH TXDOT FM 734 (PARMER LANE EAST) TRAVIS COUNTY CIP PROJECT NO. 1-003. (GIESELMAN) ¹ (4:57 PM) (5:37 PM)

Judge Aleshire announced that Item 32 would be considered in Executive Session.

Members of the Court agreed to consider one Motion for Items 29, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, and 40. Please refer to Item 29 for a summary of the Court's action on this Motion.

33. RECEIVE BRIEFING FROM COUNTY ATTORNEY AND GIVE DIRECTION AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION IN CHARLOTTE WEAVER, AND TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS; (WEAVER; GIESELMAN; CONDEMNATION). ¹ (4:57 PM) (5:37 PM)

Judge Aleshire announced that Item 33 would be considered in Executive Session.

Members of the Court agreed to consider one Motion for Items 29, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, and 40. Please refer to Item 29 for a summary of the Court's action on this Motion.

34. AUTHORIZE COUNTY ATTORNEY TO INITIATE CONDEMNATION REGARDING CIP PROJECT NO. 1-003C, PARCEL 7; PROPOSED PARMER LANE; (OWNER; TRUSTEE OF THE LUNDELL 1991 TRUST; LESTER LUNDELL AND JOE LUNDELL) (GIESELMAN; CONDEMNATION). ¹ (4:57 PM) (5:37 PM)

Judge Aleshire announced that Item 34 would be considered in Executive Session.

Members of the Court agreed to consider one Motion for Items 29, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, and 40. Please refer to Item 29 for a summary of the Court's action on this Motion.

35. RECEIVE BRIEFING FROM COUNTY ATTORNEY AND GIVE DIRECTION AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION AND/OR ACCEPT, REJECT, OR COUNTER SETTLEMENT DEMAND ON CIP PROJECT 2-019, PARCEL NO. 3, EMIL A. BOHLS, AND TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS (GIESELMAN; CONDEMNATION). ¹ (4:57 PM) (5:37 PM)

Judge Aleshire announced that Item 35 would be considered in Executive Session.

Members of the Court agreed to consider one Motion for Items 29, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, and 40. Please refer to Item 29 for a summary of the Court's action on this Motion.

36. RECEIVE BRIEFING FROM COUNTY ATTORNEY AND GIVE DIRECTION AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION AND/OR ACCEPT, REJECT, OR COUNTER SETTLEMENT DEMAND ON CIP PROJECT 2-019, PARCEL NO. 5, EMIL A. BOHLS, AND TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS (GIESELMAN; CONDEMNATION). ¹ (4:57 PM) (5:37 PM)

Judge Aleshire announced that Item 36 would be considered in Executive Session.

Members of the Court agreed to consider one Motion for Items 29, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, and 40. Please refer to Item 29 for a summary of the Court's action on this Motion.

37. RECEIVE BRIEFING FROM COUNTY ATTORNEY AND AUTHORIZE COUNTY ATTORNEY TO HIRE EXPERTS IN CONNER V. TRAVIS COUNTY, CAUSE NO. 95-CA-648 (42 USC § 1983). ¹ (4:22 PM)

Item 37 pulled from the agenda.

38. RECEIVE BRIEFING FROM COUNTY ATTORNEY AND AUTHORIZE COUNTY ATTORNEY TO TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION IN ESPINOSA V. JEWERT, CAUSE NO. A-96-CA-505-JRN (FRASIER; USE OF FORCE § 1983).¹ (4:22 PM)

Item 38 pulled from the agenda.

39. RECEIVE BRIEFING FROM COUNTY ATTORNEY AND AUTHORIZE COUNTY ATTORNEY TO TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION IN HODGES V. FRASIER, ET AL. (KEEL; DENIAL OF MEDICAL CARE; DENIAL OF LEGAL ACCESS § 1983).¹ (4:22 PM)

Item 39 postponed until September 23, 1997.

ADDED ITEM:

40. RECEIVE BRIEFING FROM COUNTY ATTORNEY AND GIVE DIRECTION AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION AND/OR ACCEPT, REJECT, OR COUNTER SETTLEMENT DEMAND ON CIP PROJECT 2-019, PARCEL NO. 4, BARBARA BOHLS FREEMAN; AND TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS (GIESELMAN; CONDEMNATION).¹ (4:57 PM) (5:37 PM)

Judge Aleshire announced that Item 40 would be considered in Executive Session.

Members of the Court agreed to consider one Motion for Items 29, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, and 40. Please refer to Item 29 for a summary of the Court's action on this Motion.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Commissioner Sonleitner and **seconded by** Commissioner Biscoe to adjourn the Voting Session. (5:39 PM)

Motion carried:

Precinct 1, Commissioner Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Valarie Scott Bristol	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	absent
County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes

MINUTES APPROVED BY THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT

Date of Approval

Bill Aleshire, Travis County Judge