

MINUTES – SEPTEMBER 15, 1998

TRAVIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT

On Tuesday, the 15th day of September, 1998, the Commissioners' Court convened the Voting Session at 9:11 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 Robert Resnick.

The Commissioners' Court recessed the Voting Session at 12:06 PM and reconvened the Voting Session at 1:30 PM.

The Commissioners' Court, meeting as the Northwest Travis County Road District No. 3 (Golden Triangle) Board of Directors, (NWTCRD), convened the NWTCRD #3 Voting Session at 2:32 PM and adjourned at 2:33 PM.

The Commissioners' Court reconvened the Voting Session at 2:33 PM.

The Commissioners' Court retired to Executive Session at 2:45 PM and reconvened the Voting Session at 4:12 PM.

The Commissioners' Court adjourned the Voting Session at 4:16 PM.

Clerk's Note: Commissioner Sonleitner requested a moment of silence to honor two Juvenile Court employees, Michele Fulwiler and Cinda Barz, who were lost last week.
(9:13 AM)

RESOLUTIONS & HEARINGS

1. APPROVE PROCLAMATION HONORING THE 188TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE DIEZ Y SEIS DE SEPTEIMBRE CELEBRATION. (9:14AM)

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

Motion carried:	County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	absent
	Precinct 1, Commissioner Darwin McKee	-	yes
	Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
	Precinct 3, Commissioner Margaret Moore	-	yes
	Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes

2. APPROVE A PROPOSED STREET NAME ASSIGNMENT FOR 3500' OF UNNAMED EASEMENT FROM PACE BEND ROAD WEST TO ITS END TO BE KNOWN AS "OLD TATUM TRAIL", IN PRECINCT THREE. (9:16AM)

Motion by Commissioner Moore **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez that the Public Hearing be opened.

Motion carried:

County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	absent
Precinct 1, Commissioner Darwin McKee	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Margaret Moore	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes

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

Motion by Commissioner Moore **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez that the Public Hearing be closed.

Motion carried:

County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	absent
Precinct 1, Commissioner Darwin McKee	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Margaret Moore	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes

Clerk's Note: Item 2 is Consent Item C11. Please refer to Agenda Item 3 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

CITIZENS' COMMUNICATION

Members of the Court heard from: Greg Erikson, Free Press International; Gus Peña, President, East Austin Concerned Hispanics; Ira Caulkins, Director, Inter-Governmental Research Center; John Foreman, Texas Best Seminars, Producer, In-Your-Face Campaign; Ramona Kellum, Interim Director, Travis County Agricultural Extension Service; and Robert "Skip" Richter, Horticulturist, Travis County Agricultural Extension Service. (9:17 AM)

CONSENT ITEMS

- 3. Motion by Commissioner Moore and seconded by Commissioner Gómez** to approve the following Consent Items: 11.A and B, 17.A and B, 20, 22, 25.B, 29, A.1, and C.1-C.11. (9:33 AM)

Motion carried:	County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	absent
	Precinct 1, Commissioner Darwin McKee	-	yes
	Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
	Precinct 3, Commissioner Margaret Moore	-	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 FACILITIES.
- C3.** APPROVE COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES FOR VOTING SESSIONS OF AUGUST 25, 1998 AND SEPTEMBER 1, 1998.
- C4.** APPROVE WEEKLY ADDENDUM TO THE PERSONNEL AMENDMENTS THAT WOULD INCLUDE PAF'S FOR NEWLY HIRED TEMPORARY EMPLOYEES IN COUNTY CLERK ELECTIONS DIVISION AND TNR PARKS DIVISION.
- C5.** RE-APPOINT RICHARD HOPKINS TO THE AUSTIN/TRAVIS COUNTY MHMR BOARD OF TRUSTEES, EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 1998 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2000.
- C6.** APPROVE RENEWAL OF THE INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF AUSTIN UNDER THE RYAN WHITE CARE ACT TITLE 1, AS AMENDED, FOR THE PERIOD OCTOBER 1, 1998, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 1999.
- C7.** APPROVE SOLE SOURCE EXEMPTION ORDER TO PROCURE GAIN RECORDS MANAGEMENT SYSTEM SOFTWARE FROM TRIADD SOFTWARE CORPORATION FOR RMCR, COUNTY CLERK AND THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICES.

CONSENT ITEMS CONTINUED

- C8.** APPROVE SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT OF A REMITTANCE PAYMENT PROCESSING SYSTEM FOR THE TAX ASSESSOR AND COLLECTOR FROM THE STATE CATALOG QISV VENDOR UNISYS, INC.
- C9.** APPROVE CONTRACT/PURCHASE ORDER FOR THE PROVISION OF A ROTARY FILING SYSTEM FOR THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE, PURCHASE ORDER NO. 149598, TO ADVANCED OFFICE SYSTEMS, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$16,995.00
- C10.** APPROVE BUDGET TRANSFER OF \$518.00 FROM CIP #2-019, DESSAU ROAD NORTH, TO CIP #2-012B, RM 2222.
- C11.** APPROVE A PROPOSED STREET NAME ASSIGNMENT FOR 3500' OF UNNAMED EASEMENT FROM PACE BEND ROAD WEST TO ITS END TO BE KNOWN AS "OLD TATUM TRAIL", IN PRECINCT THREE.

Clerk's Note: Consent Item C.11 is the Action Item for Item 2.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

4. APPROVE ORDER CALLING THE NOVEMBER 3, 1998 GENERAL ELECTION FOR COUNTY AND PRECINCT OFFICERS. (9:11 AM) (10:59 AM)

Clerk's Note: Items 4 and 5 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 Moore to approve Item 4.

Motion carried:	County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes
	Precinct 1, Commissioner Darwin McKee	-	absent
	Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
	Precinct 3, Commissioner Margaret Moore	-	yes
	Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	absent

Clerk's Note: Commissioner McKee and Commissioner Gómez requested that the Minutes reflect a corrected vote. The Commissioners' Court Record does reflect the Corrected Vote. (2:44 PM)

Motion carried:	County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes
	Precinct 1, Commissioner Darwin McKee	-	yes
	Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
	Precinct 3, Commissioner Margaret Moore	-	yes
	Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes

5. APPROVE JOINT ELECTION CONTRACT BETWEEN TRAVIS COUNTY AND THE CITY OF AUSTIN FOR THE NOVEMBER 3, 1998 GENERAL ELECTION. (9:11 AM) (11:00 AM)

Clerk's Note: Items 4 and 5 are associated with one another and were called for concurrent discussion.

Members of the Court heard from: Dana DeBeauvoir, Travis County Clerk; Leslie Thompson, Elections Division Manager, Travis County Clerk's Office; John Hille, Assistant County Attorney; and Jessica Rio, Planning and Budget Analyst, Planning and Budget Office (PBO).

Motion by Commissioner Sonleitner **and seconded by** Commissioner Moore to approve Item 5.

Motion carried:

County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Darwin McKee	-	absent
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Margaret Moore	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes

Clerk's Note: Commissioner McKee requested that the Minutes reflect a corrected vote. The Commissioners' Court Record does reflect the Corrected Vote. (2:44 PM)

Motion carried:

County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Darwin McKee	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Margaret Moore	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes

6. RECEIVE AND DISCUSS A REPORT FROM THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING THE PROPOSED TRAVIS COUNTY ON-SITE SEWAGE FACILITY RULES. (9:34 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Stephen Williams, Executive Manager, Austin-Travis County Health and Human Services Department (HHSD) and Veterans' Services; Janet Dunkelberg, R.S., Consultant, Advisory Committee; Mark Chaplin, Homeowner; Wayne Dolezal, Distributor for Texas On-Site Wastewater Supply Company; Ben Sullivan, Advisory Committee Member; John Pate, Sanitary System Installer; Walter Snowden, Engineer; Joe Wells, Advisory Committee Member; George Widow, Sanitary System Installer; Dan Balboa, Registered Sanitarian

Item 6 to be reposted on September 22, 1998.

7. DISCUSS STATUS OF EMS NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE CITY OF AUSTIN AND OTHER INCORPORATED CITIES AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. (11:15 AM)

Item 7 to be reposted on September 22, 1998.

8. APPROVE AMENDMENT TO THE TRAVIS COUNTY, CITY OF AUSTIN, AND CAPITAL AREA PLANNING COUNCIL (CAPCO) GIS INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT. (11:16 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Joe Gieselman, Executive Manager, TNR; and Teresa Reed, Manager of Emergency and Wireless Communications, Justice and Public Safety (JPS).

Motion by Commissioner Gómez **and seconded by** Commissioner Moore to approve Item 8.

Motion carried:	County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes
	Precinct 1, Commissioner Darwin McKee	-	yes
	Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
	Precinct 3, Commissioner Margaret Moore	-	yes
	Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes

9. A. DISCUSS, APPROVE AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING RECOMMENDED CONVERSION STRATEGIES FOR THE INTEGRATED COMPUTER SYSTEM FOR CIVIL AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE (IJS) AND THE IMPACT TO THE IJS PROJECT BUDGET. (11:27 AM)

Clerk's Note: Items 9.A and B are associated with one another and were called for concurrent discussion.

Members of the Court heard from: Dinah Dinwiddie, Executive Manager, JPS; David Escamilla, Assistant County Attorney; and Brad Powell, Interim Director, Information and Telecommunications Systems (ITS).

Item 9.A discussion only.

- B. DISCUSS, AND/OR APPROVE AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING CONTRACT AMENDMENTS TO THE IBM AGREEMENT FOR THE INTEGRATED COMPUTER SYSTEM FOR CIVIL AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE (IJS) TO PROVIDE REQUIRED MODIFICATIONS TO THE COMPUTER SYSTEM RELATED TO CONVERSION. (11:27 AM)

Clerk's Note: Items 9.A and B are associated with one another and were called for concurrent discussion.

Members of the Court heard from: Dinah Dinwiddie, Executive Manager, JPS; David Escamilla, Assistant County Attorney; and Brad Powell, Interim Director, ITS.

Motion by Commissioner Sonleitner and seconded by Commissioner Gómez to approve Item 9.B.

Motion carried:	County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes
	Precinct 1, Commissioner Darwin McKee	-	yes
	Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
	Precinct 3, Commissioner Margaret Moore	-	yes
	Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes

10. APPROVE CONTRACT WITH KPMG TO RESEARCH AND CREATE FINE AND FEE TABLE FOR INTEGRATED JUSTICE SYSTEM (IJS). (11:38 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Dinah Dinwiddie, Executive Manager, JPS.

Motion by Commissioner Sonleitner and seconded by Commissioner Moore to decline to contract for those needed services for the fine and fee table, and instead go in-house. The Court should be brought up to date with how that particular proposal proceeds.

Motion carried:

County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Darwin McKee	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Margaret Moore	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes

11. APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE A REQUEST FOR VARIANCE FROM TRAVIS COUNTY RULES FOR ON-SITE PRIVATE SEWAGE FACILITIES FOR THE FOLLOWING: (9:33 AM)

A. BOB SUMMERSET, TO ALLOW DISCHARGE OF SUBSURFACE DRIP IRRIGATION WITH SECONDARY TREATMENT AND DISINFECTION TO REDUCE THE SETBACK FROM A CUT BANK FROM 60.0 FEET TO 10.0 FEET, SETBACK FROM A SWIMMING POOL FROM 15.0 FEET, SETBACK FROM A BUILDING FOUNDATION FROM 15.0 FEET TO 5.0 FEET AND REDUCTION OF SETBACK TO FRACTURED ROCK REDUCED FROM 48.0 INCHES TO 12.0 INCHES AT 4205 HIDDEN CANYON COVE, LOT 17, THE PRESERVE.

B. JIM WANG AND HAIYE FU, TO 91) LOCATE LOW PRESSURE DOSED TRENCHES WITH 12 INCHES OF CLASS 1b SOIL IN THE BOTTOM OF THE TRENCHES BEFORE FRACTURED ROCK IS ENCOUNTERED; (2) LOCATE A PORTION OF THE LOW PRESSURE DOSED TRENCHES 5 FT. FROM THE HOUSE FOUNDATION; AND (3) LOCATE LOW PRESSURE DOSED TRENCHES 25 FT. FROM A GRADE BREAK AT 1113 OTTAWA STREET, LOT 37, BLOCK 59, AUSTIN LAKE HILLS, SECTION 2.

Items 11.A and B added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 3 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

12. DISCUSS THE TRANSITION PLAN OF THE ON-SITE SEWAGE FACILITIES PROGRAM TO TRANSPORTATION & NATURAL RESOURCES AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. (11:39 AM)
(1:30 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Joe Gieselman, Executive Manager, TNR; Steve Manilla, Director of Engineering and Planning, TNR; Stephen Williams, Executive Manager, Austin-Travis County HHSD and Veterans' Services; Kathy Dupree, Director, Administrative Services, TNR; Carol Joseph, Assistant Director, TNR; Alan Miller, Budget Analyst, PBO; and Christian Smith, Executive Manager, PBO.

Motion by Commissioner Sonleitner **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to give Staff indication, in terms of the direction the Court is going, that Staff is on the right track, in terms of the four-month phase-out of the mortgage program; that the Court thinks it is the right direction to cease the in-house design and to monitor the kind of hardship cases that come forward (the Court will deal with those as a Human Service issue as opposed to a TNR issue); that the Court give Staff direction related to reviewing what is the appropriate number of inspections that are necessary to carry out the task Staff is commissioned to do; and that Staff is on the right track on those issues when they bring them back on September 22, 1998.

Motion carried:

County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	absent
Precinct 1, Commissioner Darwin McKee	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Margaret Moore	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes

An addition was made to the previous Motion by Commissioner Sonleitner **and Seconded by** Commissioner Gómez that the departments involved continue to work with PBO in terms of refining the actual dollars that may be needed, of a funding strategy on how to get there, and of recommendations for the Court to act on, potentially, an earmark on the Allocated Reserve, an outright budget allocation, and an earmark in CAR, CO's related to the computer system. If that gets added, and if there any recommendations that PBO could quickly bring forward, related to the market adjustments on fees that the Court already has, that can be forwarded to Blaine in the Auditor's Office for potential certification for the final revenue estimate.

Item 12 to be reposted on September 22, 1998.

13. DISCUSS, APPROVE AND/OR GIVE STAFF DIRECTION TO A VARIANCE FROM THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATION REQUESTING ACCESSIBLE ROUTE AND DETENTION DOOR HARDWARE VARIANCES FOR THE TRAVIS COUNTY JUVENILE COURT EXPANSION AND RENOVATION PROJECT.
(2:06 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Kevin Bailey, Director, Facilities Management.

Motion by Commissioner Sonleitner **and seconded by** Commissioner McKee to approve the letter to TDLR requesting the variances laid out by Facilities Management for the Court.

Motion carried:

County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	absent
Precinct 1, Commissioner Darwin McKee	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Margaret Moore	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes

14. **A.** DISCUSS AND APPROVE AVIATION INSURANCE CONTRACT FROM FALCON INSURANCE AS BROKER, AND ASSOCIATED AVIATION UNDERWRITERS AS INSURANCE CARRIER, TO INSURE STARFLIGHT HELICOPTERS FOR PROPERTY DAMAGE AND AV AVIATION LIABILITY; CONTRACT WILL BE FOR ONE YEAR WITH THREE ONE-YEAR OPTIONS. (2:10 PM)
- B.** DISCUSS AND APPROVE ADDING LEASED 135 EUROCOPTER TO COUNTY'S AVIATION POLICY ALONG WITH OWNED BELL 412 AND 206 HELICOPTERS.

Items 14.A and B are associated with one another and were called for concurrent discussion.

Members of the Court heard from: Dan Mansour, Risk Manager, Human Resources Management Department (HRMD); and Chris Callsen, Director of Emergency Services, JPS.

Motion by Commissioner Moore **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to approve Items 14.A and B.

Motion carried:	County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	absent
	Precinct 1, Commissioner Darwin McKee	-	yes
	Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
	Precinct 3, Commissioner Margaret Moore	-	yes
	Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes

15. RECEIVE REPORT FROM THE PURCHASING AGENT ON NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE HIGHEST RANKED PROPONENT ON THE LONG DISTANCE AND PAY PHONE SERVICES RFP #P-980072-MG, AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. (2:14 PM) (2:45 PM) (4:12 PM)

Commissioner Sonleitner announced that Item 15 would be considered in Executive Session.

Members of the Court heard from: Barbara Wilson, Assistant County Attorney.

Motion by Commissioner McKee **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to authorize the committee that has been working on this particular proposal to continue negotiations with Ameritel and to begin negotiations with Southwestern Bell, and to hold such meetings between now and Friday, September 18, 1998, as are necessary to get the technical information needed to make a recommendation on that proposal. It is the intent of the Motion to get the final and best offer from both of the two who are still in the competition for the contract. It is also the intent of this Motion that the Court would hope to have a recommendation by Friday, September 18, 1998 at 3:30 PM, and if not, the Item would be reposted on Tuesday, September 22, 1998.

Motion carried:

County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Darwin McKee	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Margaret Moore	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes

Item 15 to be reposted on September 22, 1998, using the wording from the Friday, September 16, 1998 posting for the Item.

16. DISCUSS, APPROVE AND/OR GIVE STAFF DIRECTION ON CONTRACT AWARD (IFB #B-980114-MG) GROUPS A, B, AND C FOR THE PROVISION OF PAINTING SERVICES TO THE LOW BIDDER, HARMONY CONSTRUCTION COMPANY AND AWARD OF WALL COVERING SERVICES (GROUP D) TO LOW BIDDER, LONGHORN MAINTENANCE AND REMODELING. (2:15 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Kevin Bailey, Director, Facilities Management; and John Carr, Division Manager, Maintenance and Repair, Facilities Management.

Motion by Commissioner Moore **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to approve Item 16.

Motion carried:

County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	absent
Precinct 1, Commissioner Darwin McKee	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Margaret Moore	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes

17. A. APPROVE A CASH SECURITY AGREEMENT WITH SOUTHWEST AUSTIN CATHOLIC IN THE AMOUNT OF \$16,103.L85 FOR ST. GABRIEL CATHOLIC SCHOOL SUBDIVISION, A SUBDIVISION IN PRECINCT THREE. (9:33 AM)
- B. APPROVE PLAT FOR RECORDING IN PRECINCT THREE: ST. GABRIEL CATHOLIC SCHOOL SUBDIVISION – (SHORTFORM – FISCAL POSTED WITH TRAVIS COUNTY – 1 LOT – 31.350 ACRES – WIMBERLY LANE – SEWAGE SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED BY TRAVIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL DISTRICTS NUMBER 3 & 4. (9:33 AM)

Items 17.A and B added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 3 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

18. APPROVE ROADWAY DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT WITH SUN COMMUNITIES, INC., FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO KILLINGSWORTH LANE LOW WATER CROSSING IN PRECINCT TWO. (9:11 AM) (9:32 AM)

Item 18 postponed until September22, 1998.

19. APPROVE QUIT CLAIM FOR A 0.376 ACRE TRACT OUT OF A SECTION OF A 40' PRIVATE ROAD KNOWN AS WEST BEACH ROAD, PRECINCT THREE. (9:11 AM) (9:32 AM)

Item 19 pulled from the Agenda.

20. APPROVE PLAT FOR RECORDING IN PRECINCT THREE: AMENDED PLAT OF LOTS 82, 83, & 84 APACHE SHORES FIRST INSTALLMENT – (AMENDED PLAT – NO FISCAL REQUIRED – 2 LOTS – 1.859 ACRES – BRASS BUTTONS TRAIL – SEWAGE SERVICE IS PROVIDED BY ON-SITE SEWAGE FACILITY. (9:33 AM)

Item 20 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 3 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

21. APPROVE REAL ESTATE PURCHASE AND RELATED DOCUMENTS CONCERNING STARFLIGHT HANGAR, WAREHOUSE, AND SHERIFF'S EAST COMMAND CENTER PROJECTS. (2:21 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Cyd Grimes, Travis County Purchasing Agent; and Patricia Goodman, Assistant County Attorney.

Item 21 to be reposted on September 22, 1998 with the appropriate contracts.

22. APPROVE THE REQUEST FOR PRINTING OF 225,000 INSERTS FOR TAX BILLS (TAXPAYER NEWS). (9:33 AM)

Item 22 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 3 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

23. APPROVE REQUEST FOR THE INSERTION OF AN AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY FLYER WITH THE 1998 PROPERTY TAX BILLS. (2:34 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Nelda Wells Spears, Travis County Tax Assessor-Collector; Richard McClendon, Financial Manager, Travis County Tax Office; and Aly Clyburn, American Cancer Society.

No action taken on Item 23.

24. APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENTS AND TRANSFERS. (2:24 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Leroy Nellis, Budget Manager, PBO; and Shoshanna Lansberg, Budget Analyst, PBO.

Motion by Commissioner Gómez **and seconded by** Commissioner Sonleitner to approve Item 24, noting that Item A.6 on the add-on sheet that is marked “September 8” should be marked “September 15”.

Motion carried:

County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	absent
Precinct 1, Commissioner Darwin McKee	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Margaret Moore	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes

25. APPROVE GRANT PROPOSALS, APPLICATIONS, CONTRACTS, AND PERMISSION TO CONTINUE.

A. APPROVE GRANT APPLICATION FOR ROPES FAMILY INITIATIVES FOR TRAVIS COUNTY JUVENILE COURT JUVENILE JUSTICE ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION PROGRAM (JJAEP). (9:11 AM) (9:32 AM)

Item 25.A postponed until September 22, 1998.

B. APPROVE GRANT CONTRACT FOR UNDERAGE DRINKING PREVENTION PROGRAM FOR COUNTY ATTORNEY’S OFFICE. (9:33 AM)

Item 25.B added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 3 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court’s Motion and Vote.

C. APPROVE GRANT CONTRACT FOR TRANSPORTATION FOR URBAN STREETS PROGRAM FOR TNR DEPARTMENT. (9:11 AM) (9:32 AM)

Item 25.C pulled from the Agenda.

26. A. DISCUSS, APPROVE, AND/OR PROVIDE DIRECTION ON FISCAL YEAR 1999 PERFORMANCE BASED PAY RULES AND AMOUNT OF AWARD (2:28 PM)

- B. TAKE ACTION ON FY 1999 BUDGET TO IMPLEMENT PERFORMANCE BASED PAY RULES.

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

Members of the Court heard from: Norman McRee, Lead Personnel Analyst, Human Resources Management Division (HRMD); and Alicia Perez, Executive Manager, Administrative Operations.

Motion by Commissioner Sonleitner **and seconded by** Commissioner McKee to approve the existing policy related to meeting standards and exceeding standards.

An Addition to the previous Motion was made by Commissioner Sonleitner **and seconded by** Commissioner McKee that, as laid out by HRMD, performance-based pay is not part of the six-month rule, in terms of when that actually gets awarded.

Motion carried:

County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	absent
Precinct 1, Commissioner Darwin McKee	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Margaret Moore	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes

27. APPROVE PERSONNEL AMENDMENTS. (2:40 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Carlotta Valdez, Compensation Manager, HRMD; Norman McRee, Lead Personnel Analyst, HRMD; and Stephen Williams, Executive Manager, Austin-Travis County HHSD and Veterans' Services.

Motion by Commissioner Gómez **and seconded by** Commissioner McKee to approve Item 27.

Motion carried:

County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Darwin McKee	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Margaret Moore	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes

**28. REVIEW AND APPROVE THE FOLLOWING LIABILITY CLAIM
RECOMMENDATION: (2:31 PM)**

A. CHRISTINE FILES – SETTLE.

Members of the Court heard from: Dan Mansour, Risk Manager, HRMD.

Motion by Commissioner McKee **and seconded by** Commissioner Moore to approve Staff recommendations regarding Item 28.

Motion carried:

County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	absent
Precinct 1, Commissioner Darwin McKee	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Margaret Moore	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes

**29. APPROVE PAYMENT OF CLAIMS AND AUTHORIZE COUNTY TREASURER
TO INVEST COUNTY FUNDS. (9:33 AM)**

Item 29 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 3 (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

- 30.** APPROVE ALLOCATION OF THE TAX INCREMENT FINANCING (TIF) MONEY INTO THE FY '99 BUDGET UNDER THE INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN TRAVIS COUNTY AND THE CITY OF AUSTIN IMPLEMENTING THE BALCONES CANYONLANDS CONSERVATION PLAN-SHARED VISION. ¹ (2:45 PM) (4:12 PM)

Commissioner Sonleitner announced that Item 30 would be considered in Executive Session.

Item 30 to be reposted on September 22, 1998.

- 31.** DISCUSS AND CONSIDER LEGAL ISSUES ASSOCIATED WITH COUNTER-OFFER FROM TRAVIS COUNTY TO TEXAS AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION SERVICE FOR AGREEMENT RELATED TO EXTENSION SERVICES AND PROVIDE DIRECTION IN NEGOTIATION OF AGREEMENT. ¹ (2:15 PM) (4:12 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Barbara Wilson, Assistant County Attorney.

Item 31 to be reposted on September 22, 1998.

- 32.** APPROVE TRAVIS COUNTY PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH TINA TROCHTA-LANCASTER FOR THE FUTURE EXTENSION OF FRATE BARKER ROAD IN PRECINCT THREE. ¹ (2:45 PM) (4:12 PM)

Commissioner Sonleitner announced that Item 32 would be considered in Executive Session.

Item 32 to be reposted on September 22, 1998.

33. APPROVE AMENDMENT TO MASTER PURCHASE AGREEMENT #98C0027-JP RELATING TO THE PURCHASE OF TWO AMERICAN EUROCOPTER (“AEC”) EC-135 HELICOPTERS, AND APPROVE A LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN TRAVIS COUNTY AND AEC FOR THE SHORT-TERM LEASE OF ONE AEC EC-135 HELICOPTER. ¹ (2:45 PM) (4:15 PM)

Commissioner Sonleitner announced that Item 33 would be considered in Executive Session

Motion by Commissioner Moore **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to approve Item 33 as proposed.

Motion carried:

County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Darwin McKee	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Margaret Moore	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes

34. 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 (2:45 PM) (4:16 PM)

Commissioner Sonleitner announced that Item 34 would be considered in Executive Session.

Motion by Judge Aleshire **and seconded by** Commissioner Sonleitner to authorize the County Attorney, if required by order of the Court, to see to posting the bond of the judgement amount plus the amount calculated as interest, and that amount be charged to the Risk Management Fund if it is necessary.

Motion carried:

County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Darwin McKee	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Margaret Moore	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes

35. RECEIVE BRIEFING FROM COUNTY ATTORNEY AND GIVE DIRECTION AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION AND/OR ACCEPT, REJECT OR COUNTER OFFER OR AUTHORIZE COUNTY ATTORNEY TO INITIATE CONDEMNATION REGARDING CIP PROJECT NO. 97021, PARCEL #16; HOWARD LANE; (WTL, INC., A TEXAS CORPORATION; GIESELMAN; CONDEMNATION).¹ & ² (2:45 PM) (4:16 PM)

Commissioner Sonleitner announced that Item 35 would be considered in Executive Session.

Item 35 to be reposted on September 22, 1998.

36. DISCUSS RESULTS OF MEDIATION HELD ON SEPTEMBER 14, 1998, WORKERS COMPENSATION CLAIM REGARDING EMPLOYEE CLAUDE RICKS AND THIRD PARTY SAWYER VENDING MACHINE; INSTRUCT COUNTY ATTORNEY REGARDING MEDIATION RESULTS AND SETTLEMENT OFFERS.¹ (2:45 PM) (4:16 PM)

Commissioner Sonleitner announced that Item 36 would be considered in Executive Session.

Item 36 to be reposted on September 22, 1998.

37. RECEIVE BRIEFING FROM COUNTY ATTORNEY REGARDING EXTENSION OF FIVE (5) DAY ADMINISTRATIVE LEAVE POLICY FOR EMPLOYEE IN COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. ¹ (2:45 PM) (4:16 PM)

Commissioner Sonleitner announced that Item 37 would be considered in Executive Session.

Motion by Judge Aleshire and seconded by Commissioner Sonleitner to extend the authorization for the employee involved in that Item for an extension of an additional week of administrative leave, through Monday, September 21, 1998.

Item 37 to be reposted on September 22, 1998.

Motion carried:

County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Darwin McKee	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Margaret Moore	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE ADDENDA:

- A.1 APPROVE A PARTIAL PLAT VACATION IN PRECINCT FOUR: PARTIAL VACATION OF STONEY RIDGE PHASE A, SECTION III-B. (9:33 AM)

Item A.1 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 3 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

- A.2 APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH RINDY-MILLER PRODUCTION, INC. FOR USE OF TRAVIS COUNTY COURTHOUSE FOR FILM SHOOT. (2:32 PM)

Motion by Commissioner McKee and seconded by Commissioner Gómez to approve Item A.2.

Motion carried:

County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	absent
Precinct 1, Commissioner Darwin McKee	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	abstain
Precinct 3, Commissioner Margaret Moore	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Commissioner Sonleitner **and seconded by** Commissioner Moore to adjourn the Voting Session. (4:16 PM)

Motion carried:

County Judge Bill Aleshire	-	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Darwin McKee	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Margaret Moore	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes

MINUTES APPROVED BY THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT

Date of Approval

Bill Aleshire, Travis County Judge