

MINUTES – FEBRUARY 16, 1999

TRAVIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT

On Tuesday, the 16th day of February, 1999, the Commissioners' Court convened the regular Voting Session at 9:09 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 Melissa Nuñez.

The Commissioners' Court recessed the Voting Session at 12:03 PM.

The Commissioners' Court reconvened the Voting Session at 1:36 PM.

The Commissioners' Court recessed the Voting Session at 1:39 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 1:39 PM and adjourned at 1:40 PM.

The Commissioners' Court reconvened the Voting Session at 1:40 PM.

The Commissioners' Court retired to Executive Session at 2:16 PM.

The Commissioners' Court reconvened the Voting Session at 5:00 PM.

The Commissioners' Court adjourned the Voting Session at 5:08 PM.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. PUBLIC HEARING TO APPROVE A PROPOSED STREET NAME CHANGE FROM TURKEY BEND ROAD TO "AZURE HIGHLAND ROAD": SOUTH OF FM 1431 TO THE BURNET COUNTY LINE, IN PRECINCT TWO.
(9:09 AM)

Motion by Commissioner Sonleitner **and seconded by** Commissioner Davis to open the public hearing.

Motion carried:

County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Todd Baxter	-	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 Sonleitner **and seconded by** Commissioner Davis to close the public hearing.

Motion carried:

County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Todd Baxter	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes

Clerk's Note: The action Item for Item 1 is Consent Item C17. Please refer to Agenda Item 5 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

2. PUBLIC HEARING TO APPROVE PROPOSED STREET NAME CHANGE FOR A PORTION OF DESSAU ROAD TO "IMMANUEL ROAD" PFLUGERVILLE CITY LIMITS TO GREGG LANE IN PRECINCT TWO.
(9:11 AM)

Motion by Commissioner Sonleitner **and seconded by** Commissioner Davis to open the public hearing.

Motion carried:

County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Todd Baxter	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes

Members of the Court heard from: Joe Gieselman, Executive Manager, TNR; Eric Visser, Representative of Dessau Business Park Development; Bruce Patterson, Owner of Land at Dessau Business Park; Christine Klingeman, Travis County Addressing Coordinator; Bertha Hill, Member of Immanuel Lutheran Church; Lamar Weiss, Property Owner on Dessau Road; Janelle Heavy, Member of Immanuel Lutheran Church; and Gayla Dembkowski, TNR.

Motion by Commissioner Sonleitner **and seconded by** Commissioner Davis to close the public hearing.

Motion carried:

County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Todd Baxter	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes

Clerk's Note: The action Item for Item 2 is Consent Item C18. Please refer to Agenda Item 5 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

3. PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER AND ADOPT REVISIONS TO CHAPTER 64, REGULATIONS FOR FLOOD PLAIN MANAGEMENT AND GUIDELINES AND PROCEDURES FOR DEVELOPMENT PERMITS.
(9:51 AM)

(COPIES OF THE PROPOSED REVISIONS CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE TRANSPORTATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT ON THE 9TH FLOOR OF THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE BUILDING AT 411 W. 13TH STREET OR FROM THE OFFICE OF TRAVIS COUNTY JUDGE, SAMUEL T. BISCOE, ON THE 5TH FLOOR OF THE TRAVIS COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, ROOM 520, 314 W. 11TH STREET, AUSTIN, TEXAS).

Clerk's Note: The Court did not Motion or Vote to open the public hearing.

Members of the Court heard from: Joe Gieselman, Executive Manager, TNR; Steve Manilla, Director of Engineering and Planning, TNR; Harvey Siegal, Private Citizen; Eric A. Anderson, Private Citizen; Greg Erikson, Free Press International; and Harry Norton, Timber Creek Resident.

Motion by Commissioner Sonleitner **and seconded by** Commissioner Davis to close the public hearing.

Motion carried: County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Todd Baxter	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes

Clerk's Note: The action Item for Item 3 is Consent Item 7. Please refer to Agenda Item 7 for the Court's Motion and Vote.

4. PUBLIC HEARING ON RECOMMENDATIONS FROM PUBLIC FOR NAMING NEW SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT SUBSTATION AT GORE SITE ON BURLESON MANOR ROAD IN EASTERN TRAVIS COUNTY, PURSUANT TO TRAVIS COUNTY POLICY 1.020, AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. (10:27 AM)

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 Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Todd Baxter	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes

Members of the Court heard from: Dan Richards, Travis County Sheriff's Office.

Motion by Commissioner Davis **and seconded by** Commissioner Sonleitner to close the public hearing.

Motion carried: County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Todd Baxter	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes

CITIZENS COMMUNICATION

Members of the Court heard from: Gus Peña, President of East Austin Concerned Hispanics; Greg Erikson, Free Press International; John Foreman, Producer, "In Your Face Campaign"; Wes Curtis, Texas Best Seminars; Christian Side, Private Citizen; Charles T. Waites, Private Citizen; and Eric A. Anderson, Private Citizen. (10:32 AM)

CONSENT ITEMS

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

- 5. Motion by** Commissioner Sonleitner **and seconded by** Commissioner Baxter to approve the following Consent Items: C1-C17, and Items 10, 11, 12, 15, 17, 18, 19, 23.A, 28. (11:00 AM)

Motion carried:

County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Todd Baxter	-	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 SESSION OF FEBRUARY 2, 1999.
- C4.** APPOINT WARREN HWANG A PRECINCT #4 REPRESENTATIVE TO THE CITIZENS BOND PROJECT ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE REPLACING FREDDIE BUSTILLO.
- C5.** REAPPOINT DR. RUEBEN R. MCDANIEL TO SERVE ON THE FEDERALLY QUALIFIED HEALTH CENTER (FQHC) BOARD, TERM EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY, TO EXPIRE JANUARY, 2001.
- C6.** APPOINT PATTI B. HALL TO SERVE ON THE TRAVIS COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION AS A PRECINCT ONE APPOINTEE, TERM EFFECTIVE UNTIL FEBRUARY, 2001.

CONSENT ITEMS CONTINUED

- C7.** APPROVE REAPPOINTMENTS TO SERVE ON THE TRAVIS COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION, TERM EFFECTIVE UNTIL JANUARY 2001, AS FOLLOWS:
- (A)** BILL BEARE
 - (B)** JANE MANASTER
 - (C)** LILAANNE PARKER
 - (D)** BRUNO SCHMIDT
 - (E)** MARY ASHFORD
 - (F)** PATTI HALL
- C8.** REAPPOINT FRED LUGO TO SERVE ON THE CAPCO, AGING ADVISORY COMMITTEE, AS A PRECINCT ONE APPOINTEE, TERM EFFECTIVE UNTIL FEBRUARY, 2000.
- C9.** APPOINT BOTHO SCHENCK TO COMMISSIONER OF TRAVIS COUNTY RURAL FIRE PREVENTION DISTRICT #11 (VOLENTE); EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2000; FILLING UNEXPIRED TERM OF SALLY MCCLAUGHLIN.
- C10.** APPROVE PLAT FOR RECORDING IN PRECINCT TWO: SETTLER'S MEADOW SECTION ONE - (FISCAL POSTED WITH CITY OF AUSTIN - 70 LOTS - 17.926 ACRES - OLYMPIC DRIVE - WASTEWATER SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED BY THE CITY OF PFLUGERVILLE).
- C11.** APPROVE PLAT FOR RECORDING IN PRECINCT TWO: WILLOW RUN COMMERCIAL - (FISCAL POSTED WITH CITY OF AUSTIN - 2 LOTS - 2.556 ACRES - SHORELINE DRIVE AND FM 1325 - WASTEWATER SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED BY WELLS BRANCH MUD).
- C12.** APPROVE PLAT FOR RECORDING IN PRECINCT THREE: LAKE POINTE PHASE 1-C - (SHORTFORM - FISCAL POSTED WITH TRAVIS COUNTY - 1 LOT - .272 ACRES - TULARE DRIVE - SEWAGE SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED BY TRAVIS COUNTY MUD #3).

CONSENT ITEMS CONTINUED

- C13.** APPROVE PLAT FOR RECORDING IN PRECINCT THREE: REPLAT OF LOT 5 BLOCK "O", LAKE POINTE PHASE 1-B - (SHORTFORM - FISCAL POSTED WITH TRAVIS COUNTY - 1 LOT - .333 ACRES - TULARE DRIVE - SEWAGE SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED BY TRAVIS COUNTY MUD #3).
- C14.** APPROVE PLAT FOR RECORDING IN PRECINCT THREE: REPLAT OF LOT 6 BLOCK "O" LAKE POINTE PHASE 1-A - (SHORTFORM - FISCAL POSTED WITH TRAVIS COUNTY - 1 LOT - .307 ACRES - FORTUNA COVE - SEWAGE SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED BY TRAVIS COUNTY MUD #3).
- C15.** APPROVE ACCEPTANCE OF DEDICATION OF STREET AND DRAINAGE FACILITIES RIVER PLACE SECTION 11, SUBDIVISION IN PRECINCT TWO.
- C16.** APPROVE A PUBLIC HEARING DATE OF MARCH 9, 1999, TO VACATE A PORTION OF HUGHES PARK DRIVE AND ACCEPT THE DEDICATION OF RIGHT-OF-WAY TO INCLUDE THIS PORTION OF THE COUNTY MAINTAINED ROAD WITHIN DEDICATED RIGHT-OF-WAY, IN PRECINCT TWO.
- C17.** APPROVE A PROPOSED STREET NAME CHANGE FROM TURKEY BEND ROAD TO "AZURE HIGHLAND ROAD": SOUTH OF FM 1431 TO THE BURNET COUNTY LINE, IN PRECINCT TWO.

Clerk's Note: Consent Item C17 is the action Item for Item 1.

- C18.** APPROVE PROPOSED STREET NAME CHANGE FOR A PORTION OF DESSAU ROAD TO "IMMANUEL ROAD" PFLUGERVILLE CITY LIMITS TO GREGG LANE IN PRECINCT TWO. (9:49 AM)

Clerk's Note: Consent Item C18 is the action Item for Item 2.

Motion by Commissioner Sonleitner **and seconded by** Commissioner Davis to approve the street name change as designated on the Courts' agenda to Immanuel Road.

Motion carried:	County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
	Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	-	yes
	Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
	Precinct 3, Commissioner Todd Baxter	-	yes
	Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes

COUNTY POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

6. CONSIDER PROPOSED POLICY ON CATASTROPHIC ILLNESS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. (11:04 AM) (2:13 PM) (5:00 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Alicia Perez, Executive Manager, Administrative Operations; Linda Moore Smith, Director, Human Resources Management Department (HRMD); Susan Spataro, Travis County Auditor; Leroy Nellis, Budget Manager, Planning and Budget (PBO); James Connolly, Assistant County Attorney, Transactions Division; and Barbara Wilson, Assistant County Attorney, Transactions Division.

Judge Biscoe announced that Item 6 would be considered in Executive Session.

Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Davis to direct Staff to get with the County Attorney's Office to draft appropriate language that would authorize implementation of HRMD's recommendations, that is a leave with pay policy whereby appointed and elected department heads would be authorized to consider applications for catastrophic illness. Those determinations would be forwarded to the Director of Human Resources who should serve as administrator. The department should look at additional salary savings to fund catastrophic leave granted under the new policy, and the Court's intention would be to implement this immediately, and the other provisions contained in bullet numbers 1, 2, 3, and 4 under HRMD's written recommendations.

A Clarification was made of the previous Motion by Judge Biscoe to make the catastrophic leave policy effective next week, February 23, 1999.

Motion carried: County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Todd Baxter	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

7. CONSIDER AND ADOPT REVISIONS TO CHAPTER 64, REGULATIONS FOR FLOOD PLAIN MANAGEMENT AND GUIDELINES AND PROCEDURES FOR DEVELOPMENT PERMITS. (11:41 AM)

Clerk's Note: Item 7 is the action Item for Item 3.

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

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

Motion carried: County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Todd Baxter	-	absent
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes

8. APPROVE THE ELIMINATION OF IN-HOUSE MORTGAGE CERTIFICATION AND IN-HOUSE DESIGN OF ON-SITE SEWAGE SYSTEMS. (11:43 AM)

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

Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Davis to approve Item 8 effective February 28, 1999.

Motion carried: County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Todd Baxter	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes

9. APPROVE A VARIANCE TO TRAVIS COUNTY REGULATIONS FOR ON-SITE SEWAGE FACILITIES (CHAPTER 285 OF TNRCC REGULATIONS FOR ON-SITE SEWAGE FACILITIES) TO REDUCE SETBACK REQUIREMENT TO A CUT SLOPE FROM 10' TO 5' ON LOT 3, BLOCK "A", ROB ROY ON THE LAKE. (OWNERS: NANCY C. AND JULIAN M. HUMPHRIES). (11:45 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Steve Manilla, Director of Engineering and Planning, TNR.

Motion by Commissioner Baxter **and seconded by** Commissioner Davis to approve Item 9.

Motion carried: County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Todd Baxter	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes

10. APPROVE GRANTING OF AN EASEMENT TO BLUEBONNET ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE FOR THE RELOCATION OF AN ELECTRIC UTILITY LINE IN THE SOUTHEAST METRO PARK. (11:00 AM)

Item 10 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 5 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

11. APPROVE ACCEPTANCE OF THE PUBLIC PORTION OF PALOMINO RIDGE, APPROVAL OF CONSTRUCTION AND REDUCTION OF FISCAL FOR PALOMINO RIDGE, A SUBDIVISION IN PRECINCT THREE. (11:00 AM)

Item 11 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 5 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

12. APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR URBAN STREET PROGRAM PROJECT TO COMPLETE IMPROVEMENTS TO SOUTHWEST PARKWAY IN PRECINCT THREE. (11:00 AM)

Item 12 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 5 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

13. DISCUSS, APPROVE OR TAKE ANY APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING THE LEASE AMENDMENT WITH HARRY M. WHITTINGTON D/B/A TRAVIS PROPERTIES, FOR 911 FOR LEASE SPACE LOCATED AT 207 W. 9TH STREET. (11:48 AM) (2:13 PM) (5:03 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Alicia Perez, Executive Manager, Administrative Operations; and Kevin Bailey, Director, Facilities Management.

Judge Biscoe announced that Item 13 would be considered in Executive Session.

Clerk's Note: Judge Biscoe directed Staff and the County Attorney's Office to work with the owner of that property to cut the best deal possible for Travis County, and to make every effort to bring this Item back before the Court next week February 23, 1999.

Item 13 to be reposted February 23, 1999.

14. APPROVE LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH AUSTIN FOOTBALL, INC., D/B/A TEXAS TERMINATORS FOR USE OF THE TRAVIS COUNTY EXPOSITION CENTER. (11:50 AM) (2:05 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Alicia Perez, Executive Manager, Administrative Operations; John Hille, Assistant County Attorney, Transactions Division; Jeff Parnell, Owner, Texas Terminators; Keith Cash, General Manager, Texas Terminators; and John Emmons, Director, Exposition Center.

Motion by Commissioner Davis **and seconded by** Commissioner Baxter to approve Item 14.

Motion carried: County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Todd Baxter	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes

15. APPROVE REVISIONS OF CONTRACT FOR USE OF YOUTH FIELDS BETWEEN DEL VALLE YOUTH ASSOCIATION AND TRAVIS COUNTY. (11:00 AM)

Item 15 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 5 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

16. A. DISCUSS PROPOSED INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH CAPITAL METRO TO PARTICIPATE WITH THE TRAVIS COUNTY OFFSITE RECORDS STORAGE CONTRACT, AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. (1:36 PM)
- B. APPROVE MODIFICATION NO. 1 TO CONTRACT NO. 98T0207-LD FOR OFF-SITE RECORDS STORAGE WITH PIERCE - LEAHY.

Clerk's Note: Items 16.A and B are associated with one another and were called for concurrent discussion.

Members of the Court heard from: Steven Broberg, Director, Records Management and Communication Resources (RCMR).

Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Gómez to approve Item 16.A and B.

Motion carried:

County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Todd Baxter	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes

17. APPROVE CONTRACT MODIFICATION NO. 3 TO CONTRACT NO. 98K0723-JJ, CAPITAL EXCAVATION CO., INC., HOWARD LANE RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT; CONTRACT APPROVED ON AUGUST 4, 1998; MODIFICATION ADDS FIELD CHANGE ORDERS 9 AND 13 THROUGH 26 TO THE CONTRACT. (11:00 AM)

Item 17 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 5 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

18. APPROVE CONTRACT MODIFICATION NO. 2 TO CONTRACT 97T0158-JP, HUTTON COMMUNICATIONS, INC., FOR TWO-WAY RADIO COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT, ACCESSORIES AND SUPPLIES; CONTRACT APPROVED ON FEBRUARY 25, 1997; MODIFICATION ALLOWS FOR A SECOND 12-MONTH EXTENSION. (11:00 AM)

Item 18 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 5 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

- 19. APPROVE STATE TERM CONTRACT PURCHASE OF NINETEEN (19) FORD INTERCEPTOR VEHICLES FOR THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE.**
(11:00 AM)

Item 19 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 5 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

- 20. MAKE CITIZENS APPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS BOARDS AND COMMITTEES.** (1:37 PM)

Discussion Only.

- 21. DISCUSS TRAVIS COUNTY LEGISLATIVE AGENDA INCLUDING:**
(1:38 PM) (2:13 PM) (5:04 PM)
- A. LEGISLATIVE AGENDA FOR THE 1999 LEGISLATIVE SESSION, A MEETING WITH TRAVIS COUNTY LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION.**
 - B. MAKE SELECTION OF FIRM OR PERSON FOR PROFESSIONAL LEGISLATIVE SERVICES CONTRACT; APPROVE BUDGET AND TAKE OTHER APPROPRIATE ACTION.**

Clerk's Note: Items 21.A and B are associated with one another and were called for concurrent discussion.

Judge Biscoe announced that Items 21.A and B would be considered in Executive Session.

Motion by Commissioner Gómez **and seconded by** Commissioner Baxter to select Shields, Kamm, and Casteñeda. The Purchasing Department will negotiate with that firm, and bring back a final contract, which the Court will exempt at that same time. The subcommittee of the Court will also work on this with Purchasing, and the subcommittee will communicate directly with the selected firm.

Motion carried:

County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Todd Baxter	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes

**22. APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENTS AND TRANSFERS. (1:38 PM)
(1:40 PM)**

Members of the Court heard from: Leroy Nellis, Budget Manager, PBO; Mark McCray, Budget Analyst, PBO; Dinah Dinwiddie, Executive Manager, Justice and Public Safety (JPS); Alan Miller, Budget Analyst, PBO; and Stephen Williams, Executive Manager, Austin-Travis County Health and Human Services Department (A-TC HHSD) and Veterans' Services.

Motion by Commissioner Gómez **and seconded by** Commissioner Davis to approve Item 22.

Motion carried:	County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
	Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	-	yes
	Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
	Precinct 3, Commissioner Todd Baxter	-	yes
	Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes

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

A. APPROVE AMENDMENT TO THE CLEAN AIR FORCE GRANT CONTRACT FOR TNR DEPARTMENT. (11:00 AM)

Item 23.A added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 5 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

24. RECEIVE UPDATE FROM EXECUTIVE MANAGER TEAM ON STATUS OF SEARCH FOR DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION & TELECOMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS (ITS) AND SELECTION PROCESS, AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. (1:39 PM) (1:54 PM) (2:13 PM) (5:05 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Alicia Perez, Executive Manager, Administrative Operations; and Barbara Wilson, Assistant County Attorney, Transactions Division.

Judge Biscoe announced that Item 24 would be considered in Executive Session.

Item 24 to be reposted on February 23, 1999.

25. CONSIDER SUPPORT STAFF FOR Y2K COORDINATOR AND RELATED Y2K ISSUES, AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. (1:39 PM) (1:56 PM)

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

Discussion Only.

26. APPROVE PERSONNEL AMENDMENTS. (1:38 PM)

Motion by Commissioner Sonleitner **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to approve the personnel amendments.

Motion carried: County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Todd Baxter	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes

27. REVIEW AND APPROVE THE FOLLOWING PROPERTY AND LIABILITY CLAIM RECOMMENDATIONS: (1:39 PM) (1:57 PM)

A. CATHY TUCKER - SETTLE

B. LISA JONES - DENY

Clerk's Note: Items 27.A and B are associated with one another and were called for concurrent discussion.

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

Motion by Commissioner Sonleitner **and seconded by** Commissioner Davis to move approval of the property and liability claims as recommended by Risk Management.

Motion carried: County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Todd Baxter	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes

28. APPROVE PAYMENT OF CLAIMS AND AUTHORIZE COUNTY TREASURER TO INVEST COUNTY FUNDS. (11:00 AM)

Item 28 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 5 (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. DISCUSS SELECTION OF EXPERT FOR ASSESSMENT OF DAMAGES DONE TO TRAVIS COUNTY ROADS CAUSED BY THE USE OF POLYBUTYLENE PIPE AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. ¹ (2:13 PM) (5:05 PM)

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

Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Davis to approve Item 29, and the Court understands that the expert in that case will be Maxim Technology, and the Court authorizes a contract not to exceed \$10, 000.00.

Motion carried:	County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
	Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	-	yes
	Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
	Precinct 3, Commissioner Todd Baxter	-	yes
	Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes

30. DISCUSS AND APPROVE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN TRAVIS COUNTY AND TEXAS AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION SERVICE. ¹ (2:13 PM) (5:06 PM)

Judge Biscoe announced that Item 30 would be considered in Executive Session.

Item 30 postponed until March 2, 1999.

31. RECEIVE UPDATE FROM THE COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE ON STATUS OF CONSTRUCTION OF THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE CENTER BY M.W. BUILDERS, INC. AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. ¹ (2:13 PM) (5:06 PM)

Judge Biscoe announced that Item 31 would be considered in Executive Session.

Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Sonleitner to direct the County Attorney to send a letter to the bonding company expressing the Court's desire that they help us resolve difficulties with the contractor, and that the Court ask Fluor Daniel to work with our staff in putting together a cost analysis of each option available to Travis County at this time.

Motion carried:

County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Todd Baxter	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes

Item 31 to be reposted on February 23, 1999.

32. APPROVE RENEWAL OF LICENSE AGREEMENTS WITH LAKE AUSTIN SPA INVESTORS, LTD. FOR ACCESS ACROSS MARY QUINLAN PARK. ¹ (2:13 PM) (5:07 PM)

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

Motion by Commissioner Sonleitner and seconded by Commissioner Baxter to approve renewal for another 6 month time period.

Motion carried:

County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Todd Baxter	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes

33. RECEIVE BRIEFING FROM COUNTY ATTORNEY AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION IN BEDFORD, KATHY ET AL., V. TRAVIS COUNTY, ET AL, CAUSE NO. A-97-CA-661 JN (BEDFORD; RUST; EMPLOYEE MATTER) ¹ (2:13 PM)

Item 33 postponed until February 23, 1999.

34. APPROVE SECOND AMENDMENT TO LAND PURCHASE CONTRACT WITH THE TRUST FOR PUBLIC LAND, (TPL) FOR VISTA POINT, PHASE.
² (2:13 PM) (5:07 PM)

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

Item 34 to be reposted on February 23, 1999.

35. RECEIVE BRIEFING REGARDING EXTENSION OF FIVE (5) DAY ADMINISTRATIVE LEAVE POLICY FOR EMPLOYEE IN JUVENILE COURT OFFICE AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. ³ (2:13 PM) (5:07 PM)

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

Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Davis to approve Item 35 and authorize the Juvenile Court office to extend leave with pay to a total of 9 days.

Motion carried:

County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Todd Baxter	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes

THE FOLLOWING ITEM IS AN ADDENDUM:

- A.1 RECEIVE STATUS REPORT AND DISCUSS ISSUES RELATED TO THE INTEGRATED JUSTICE SYSTEM. (EXECUTIVE SESSION ALSO, PURSUANT TO GOVT. CODE ANN 551.071) (2:13 PM) (5:08 PM)

Judge Biscoe announced that Item A.1 would be considered in Executive Session.

Item A.1 to be reposted on February 23, 1999.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Commissioner Sonleitner **and seconded by** Commissioner Baxter to adjourn the Voting Session. (5:08 PM)

Motion carried:

County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	-	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Todd Baxter	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes

MINUTES APPROVED BY THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT

Date of Approval

Samuel T. Biscoe, Travis County Judge