

MINUTES – APRIL 6, 1999

TRAVIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT

On Tuesday, the 6th day of April, 1999, the Commissioners' Court convened the regular 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 Melissa Nuñez.

The Commissioners' Court recessed the Voting Session at 11:57 AM.

The Commissioners' Court reconvened the Voting Session at 1:37 PM.

The Commissioners' Court recessed the Voting Session at 2:03 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 2:03 PM and adjourned at 2:03 PM.

The Commissioners' Court, meeting as the Travis County Housing Finance Corporation (TCHFC), Travis County Health Facilities Development Corporation (TCHFDC), the Capital Health Facilities Development Corporation (CHFDC), and the Capital Industrial Development Corporation (CIDC), called to order the Voting Sessions at 2:04 PM and adjourned the Voting Sessions at 2:04 PM.

The Commissioners' Court reconvened the Voting Session at 2:04 PM.

The Commissioners' Court retired to Executive Session at 2:07 PM.

The Commissioners' Court reconvened the Voting Session at 3:02 PM.

The Commissioners' Court adjourned the Voting Session at 3:05 PM.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. PUBLIC HEARING TO APPROVE THE REVISION OF PORTION OF A SUBDIVISION IN PRECINCT THREE: RESUBDIVISION OF LOTS 55-57, THE COVES ON LAKE TRAVIS SECTION B, PHASE ONE - (SHORTFORM - NO FISCAL - 2 LOTS - 15.28 ACRES - SANDCASTLE DRIVE - OUTSIDE ETJ - SEPTIC APPROVAL BY LCRA) (9:13 AM)

Motion by Commissioner Baxter **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: Joe Gieselman, Executive Manager, Transportation and Natural Resources (TNR).

Motion by Commissioner Baxter **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to close the Public Hearing.

Motion carried:

County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	-	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	-	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner 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 Item C6. Please refer to Agenda Item 8 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

RESOLUTIONS & PROCLAMATIONS

2. APPROVE RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE MAXIMUM INTEGRATION OF DISABLED PERSONS INTO OUR COMMUNITY. (9:15 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Jennifer McFaylen, ADAPT of Texas; Unknown Male, ADAPT of Texas; and Unknown Female, ADAPT of Texas.

Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Gómez to approve Item 2.

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

3. APPROVE RESOLUTION HONORING MR. QUINCY EDWARD SAULS, CELEBRATING HIS 100TH BIRTHDAY. (9:20 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Etta Patton, Daughter of Mr. Edward Sauls.

Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Davis to approve Item 3.

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

4. APPROVE RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING CONTRIBUTIONS OF RETIRED SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM (RSVP) VOLUNTEERS IN TRAVIS COUNTY. (9:23 AM)

Item 4 postponed until April 13, 1999.

5. APPROVE RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF CEN-TEX FOR ITS "HOME OF OUR OWN" HOMEBUYER EDUCATION PROGRAM AND ITS GRANT APPLICATION TO THE FEDERAL HOME LOAN BANK. (9:24 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Rosa Rios Valdez, Executive Director, CEN-TEX; and Diane Valera, Loan Officer, CEN-TEX.

Motion by Commissioner Gómez **and seconded by** Commissioner Davis to approve Item 5.

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

6. APPROVE RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING APRIL, 1999 AS "YOUTH ALCOHOL AWARENESS MONTH" IN TRAVIS COUNTY. (9:30 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Margo Frasier, Travis County Sheriff; Gloria Souhami, Travis County Underage Drinking Task Force; Phyllis Clair, Lieutenant, Travis County Sheriff's Office (TCSO); and James Timberlake, Deputy, TCSO.

Motion by Judge Biscoe **and seconded by** Commissioner Baxter to approve Item 6.

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

7. APPROVE PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING APRIL 10, 1999 AS CLEAN SWEEP AND THE GREAT TEXAS TRASH OFF DAY. (9:35 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Helen Lowman, Vice President, Keep Austin Beautiful; Terry Smythe, Executive Director, Keep Austin Beautiful; and Ester Matthews, Chair, Clean Sweep.

Motion by Commissioner Gómez **and seconded by** Commissioner Baxter 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	-	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	-	yes

CITIZENS COMMUNICATION

Members of the Court heard from: Mary Taylor, Parents Anonymous; Susan Wills, Executive Director, Austin Children's Center; The Honorable F. Scott McCown, Judge, 345th District; John Foreman, Producer, "In Your Face Campaign"; Jeff Davis, Private Citizen; Frank Holder, Assistant Purchasing Agent; and Toby Ferris, Purchasing. (9:10 AM) (9:40 AM)

CONSENT ITEMS

8. **Motion by** Commissioner Gómez **and seconded by** Commissioner Davis to approve the following Consent Items: C1-C6, and Items 11, 15, 17, 18, 19, 21, 22, 23, 25, 27, 28.A & B, 29, 30, 34. (9:49 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 MARCH 23, 1999, AND MARCH 26, 1999.
- C4. APPROVE BOND FOR RESERVE DEPUTY FOR CONSTABLE, PCT. 5 FOR ALAN REDD.
- C5. APPROVE ACCEPTANCE OF DEDICATION OF STREET AND DRAINAGE FACILITIES IN WELLS BRANCH PHASE X SECTION 3, A SUBDIVISION IN PRECINCT TWO.
- C6. APPROVE REVISION OF PORTION OF A SUBDIVISION IN PRECINCT THREE: RESUBDIVISION OF LOTS 55-57, THE COVES ON LAKE TRAVIS SECTION B, PHASE ONE - (SHORTFORM - NO FISCAL - 2 LOTS - 15.28 ACRES - SANDCASTLE DRIVE - OUTSIDE ETJ - SEPTIC APPROVAL BY LCRA)

Clerk's Note: Item C6 is the action Item for Agenda Item 1.

JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY ITEMS

9. DISCUSS AND APPROVE SECOND INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN TRAVIS COUNTY AND CITY OF AUSTIN FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES IN TRAVIS COUNTY. (9:52 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Dinah Dinwiddie, Executive Manager, Justice and Public Safety (JPS); Diana Warner, Assistant County Auditor; Sue Edwards, Director, City of Austin EMS; Richard Herrington, Deputy Director, City of Austin EMS; Barbara Wilson, Assistant County Attorney, Transactions Division; and Susan Spataro, Travis County Auditor.

Motion by Commissioner Sonleitner **and seconded by** Commissioner Baxter to approve the second interlocal cooperation agreement between Travis County and the City of Austin.

A Friendly Amendment was made of the previous Motion by Judge Biscoe to true up unscheduled overtime for the purpose of information.

Acceptance of the Friendly Amendment was made by Commissioner Sonleitner **and seconded by** Commissioner Baxter.

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. A. APPROVE REVISION OF FORM INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR EMS SERVICES WITH INCORPORATED AREAS TO ALLOW OPTION TO TERMINATE AGREEMENT SEPTEMBER 30, 2000. (9:51 AM) (10:19 AM)

- B. APPROVE FORM AMENDMENT OF INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR EMS SERVICES WITH INCORPORATED AREAS TO ALLOW OPTION TO TERMINATE AGREEMENT SEPTEMBER 30, 2000.

Clerk's Note: Items 10.A and B are associated with one another and were called for concurrent discussion.

Members of the Court heard from: Barbara Wilson, Assistant County Attorney, Transactions Division; and Dinah Dinwiddie, Executive Manager, JPS.

Discussion Only.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES ITEMS

11. APPROVE ACCEPTANCE OF THE FINAL CONTRACT AWARD, TOTALING \$19,823.24, AS AN AMENDMENT TO AN ALREADY-APPROVED CONTRACT WITH THE TEXAS COMMISSION FOR THE DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING (TCDHH) FOR COMMUNICATION ACCESS SERVICES, INFORMATION AND REFERRAL SERVICES AND SENIOR CITIZEN PROGRAM SERVICES. (9:49 AM)

Item 11 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 8 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

12. APPROVE CONTRACT AWARD FOR SEPTIC SYSTEMS INSTALLATIONS, IFB# B980105-JP, TO THE SECOND LOW QUALIFIED BIDDER, CAMP EXCAVATION. (11:37 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Frank Holder, Assistant Purchasing Agent.

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

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

TRANSPORTATION & NATURAL RESOURCES ITEMS

13. DISCUSS, APPROVE AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING A COMMUNITY CLEAN UP AT KENNEDY RIDGE ESTATES ON APRIL 10, 1999 WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF TEXAS DISPOSAL SYSTEMS, KEEP AUSTIN BEAUTIFUL, TRAVIS COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT AND THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE. (9:52 AM)
(10:32 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Officer Keith Kinnard, Senior Deputy, TCSO; Tom Farrell, Hornsby Bend; Ralph Weller, Texas Disposal Systems; Terry Smythe, Executive Director, Keep Austin Beautiful; Idalia Orocios, Vice President, Kennedy Ridge Neighborhood Association; Joe Gieselman, Executive Manager, TNR; and Gordon Bowman, Assistant County Attorney, Transactions Division.

Discussion Only.

14. DISCUSS STRATEGIES FOR SOLICITING PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE TRAVIS COUNTY PARK FEE STUDY, AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. (11:39 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Joe Gieselman, Executive Manager, TNR; and Charles Bergh, Division Manager, TNR.

Discussion Only.

15. APPROVE A CASH SECURITY AGREEMENT IN A FORM DIFFERENT THAN SHOWN IN STANDARDS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF STREETS AND DRAINAGE IN SUBDIVISIONS FOR THE PURPOSE OF POSTING SIDEWALK FISCAL ONLY, IN REFERENCE TO THE RIVER PLACE SECTION 10, A SUBDIVISION IN PRECINCT TWO. (9:49 AM)

Item 15 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 8 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

PURCHASING DEPARTMENT ITEMS

- 16.** APPROVE CONTRACT AWARDS FOR THE PROVISION OF CONSTRUCTION SERVICES FOR THE 1999 HOT MIX OVERLAY PROGRAM, IFB #990712-JJ, TO THE LOW, QUALIFIED BIDDERS, WHEELER COATINGS ASPHALT, INC., AND J.D. RAMMING PAVING COMPANY. (1:37 PM)

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

Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Sonleitner to approve Staff recommendations to award the contracts to the low qualified bidder.

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	-	absent

- 17.** APPROVE CONTRACT AWARD FOR THE PROVISION OF COMPOST BINS, IFB #B990052-LD, TO THE LOW QUALIFIED BIDDER, NORSEMAN PLASTICS OF ONTARIO, CANADA. (9:49 AM)

Item 17 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 8 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

- 18.** APPROVE THE SALE OF USED COUNTY TRUCK TIRES TO TREADCO, INC., PURSUANT TO BIDS OPENED ON MARCH 23, 1999. (9:49 AM)

Item 18 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 8 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

19. APPROVE MODIFICATION NO. 2 TO CONTRACT NO. PS960054-LH, COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS, INC., FOR PROVISION OF RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT SERVICES FOR JUVENILE OFFENDERS UNDER SUPERVISION OF TRAVIS COUNTY JUVENILE COURT; MODIFICATION INCREASES THE DAILY REIMBURSEMENT RATE CONTAINED IN APPENDIX A OF THE CONTRACT FROM \$80.00 PER CLIENT PER DAY TO \$82.00 PER CLIENT PER DAY; ORIGINAL CONTRACT WAS APPROVED ON NOVEMBER 12, 1996. (9:49 AM)

Item 19 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 8 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

20. APPROVE STATE CONTRACT PURCHASE OF ONE (1) DODGE PASSENGER VAN FOR THE COMMUNITY SUPERVISION & CORRECTIONS DEPARTMENT. (1:43 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Frank Holder, Assistant Purchasing Agent.

Item 20 to be reposted on April 13, 1999.

21. APPROVE CONTRACT MODIFICATION NO. 2 TO CONTRACT NO. 97T0209-JP, AT & T WIRELESS SERVICES FOR RENTAL OF PAGERS; CONTRACT APPROVED ON APRIL 29, 1997; MODIFICATION ALLOWS FOR A SECOND 12-MONTH EXTENSION AND ADDS YK2000 CONTRACT PROVISION TO THE CONTRACT (COUNTYWIDE). (9:49 AM)

Item 21 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 8 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

22. APPROVE EXEMPTION ORDER AND CONTRACT AWARD FOR THE PROVISION OF COORDINATION OF COLLABORATIVE CHILD ABUSE INVESTIGATIONS, INTERVIEWS OF CHILD VICTIMS, AND OTHER SUPPORT SERVICES FOR VICTIMS AND FAMILY MEMBERS TO THE TRAVIS COUNTY CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CENTER IN THE NOT TO EXCEED AMOUNT OF \$100,000.00 FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 1999 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 1999. (9:49 AM)

Item 22 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 8 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

23. APPROVE ASSIGNMENT OF CONTRACT BETWEEN LONESTAR SOUTHWEST MAILING SERVICES, INC., (ASSIGNOR) AND LASON SYSTEMS, INC. (ASSIGNEE); CONTRACT APPROVED ON JANUARY 27, 1998. (9:49 AM)

Item 23 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 8 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

24. APPROVE MODIFICATION NO. 1 TO CONTRACT NO. PS970286LH, CLYDE D. SMITH, M.D., FOR PROVISION OF SERVICES AS EXPERT WITNESS IN CAUSE NO. A-95-CA-053-AA; MODIFICATION EXTENDS THE CONTRACT THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 1999; CONTRACT APPROVED ON JULY 14, 1997. (1:45 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: John Hille, Assistant County Attorney, Transactions Division.

Motion by Commissioner Sonleitner **and seconded by** Judge Biscoe to approve modification #1 with the extension of the contract through May 30, 1999; to send it to Clyde D. Smith, M.D., and to give the Judge authorization to sign the originals, when they are returned, reflecting that change.

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

25. APPROVE WARRANTY COVERAGE FROM TURBOMECA FOR ARRIUS 2B1 ENGINES ON TRAVIS COUNTY STARFLIGHT HELICOPTERS; CONTRACT NO. 98C0027. (9:49 AM)

Item 25 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 8 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

PLANNING AND BUDGET OFFICE ITEMS

26. DISCUSS WITH FINANCIAL ADVISOR AN OPPORTUNITY TO REFINANCE DEBT AT A LOWER INTEREST RATE TO REDUCE DEBT SERVICE PAYMENTS, AND PROVIDE DIRECTION FOR FUTURE ACTION. (9:52 AM) (11:22 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Ladd Pattillo, Travis County Financial Advisor; Jerry Robinson, NationsBank Capital Markets; Noe Estrada, Estrada, Hinojosa, & Company; and Christian Smith, Executive Manager, Planning and Budget (PBO).

Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Sonleitner to direct Ladd Pattillo to work with Mr. Hinojosa and Mr. Robinson to proceed with this issue and Option 1.

Maker accept the Friendly Amendment by Commissioner Sonleitner to proceed and keep an option open as to whether Option I or II is best for the County.

Acceptance of the Friendly Amendment was made by Judge Biscoe.

A Restatement of the Motion was made by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Sonleitner to give direct the Travis County Financial Advisor to maximize the savings in FY 2000 without extending the debt and to work closely with Christian Smith, Executive Director, Planning and Budget.

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. APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENTS AND TRANSFERS. (9:49 AM)

Item 27 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 8 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

- 28.** APPROVE GRANT PROPOSALS, APPLICATIONS, CONTRACTS, AND PERMISSION TO CONTINUE. (9:49 AM)

A. APPROVE GRANT CONTRACT WITH (TDHCA) FOR COMPREHENSIVE ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

B. APPROVE GRANT CONTRACT WITH (TDHCA) FOR EMERGENCY NUTRITION/TEMPORARY EMERGENCY RELIEF.

Clerk's Note: Items 28.A and B are associated with one another and were called for concurrent discussion.

Items 28.A and B added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 8 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS ITEMS

- 29.** REVIEW AND APPROVE TUITION REIMBURSEMENT FOR EMPLOYEES WHO HAVE COMPLETED CLASSES IN ACCORDANCE WITH TUITION REIMBURSEMENT POLICY §10.021. (9:49 AM)

Item 29 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 8 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

- 30.** APPROVE PERSONNEL AMENDMENTS. (9:49 AM)

Item 30 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 8 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

OTHER ITEMS

- 31.** REVIEW AND APPROVE LEASE FOR USE OF WATERCRAFT COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH LAGO VISTA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT. (9:52 AM)

Item 31 pulled from the agenda.

32. APPROVE LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR FORT BRANCH LANDING APARTMENTS, AN AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT IN PRECINCT ONE. (1:51 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: David Sailing, Campbell, Hogan and Associates.

Motion by Judge Biscoe **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to approve Item 32.

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 LEGISLATIVE UPDATE AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. (1:54 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Pete Baldwin, Emergency Management Coordinator, TNR; and Joe Gieselman, Executive Manager, TNR.

Clerk's Note: The Court without objection agreed to monitor HB 1728.

Motion by Commissioner Baxter **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to oppose HB 508 as worded, primarily because the Court feels it may change the expectations for what the County pays for, not that the Court shouldn't be entering into Interlocal Agreements.

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

Motion by Commissioner Baxter **and seconded by** Judge Biscoe to give a resolution to the Texas Legislature indicating the Court's support of increased funding for the Texas Forest Service.

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

- 34. APPROVE PAYMENT OF CLAIMS AND AUTHORIZE COUNTY TREASURER TO INVEST COUNTY FUNDS. (9:49 AM)**

Item 34 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 8 (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

- 35. APPROVE LEASE BETWEEN TRANSWESTERN PROPERTIES AND TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS, COMMUNITY SUPERVISION AND CORRECTIONS DEPARTMENT LOCATED AT FREIDRICH LANE, AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. ² (2:05 PM) (3:02 PM)**

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

Item 35 postponed until April 13, 1999.

- 36. RECEIVE BRIEFING FROM COUNTY ATTORNEY ON STATUS OF HELICOPTER LICENSURE BY THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION. ¹ (2:05 PM) (3:02 PM)**

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

No action necessary on Item 36.

- 37. DISCUSS AND APPROVE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN TRAVIS COUNTY AND TEXAS AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION SERVICE. ¹ (2:05 PM) (3:02 PM)**

Judge Biscoe announced that Item 37 would be considered in Executive Session.

Item 37 postponed until April 13, 1999.

38. RECEIVE BRIEFING FROM THE COUNTY ATTORNEY IN LAKE TRAVIS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT V. CRAZY HORSE LAND CORPORATION AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. ¹ (2:05 PM) (3:02 PM)

Judge Biscoe announced that Item 38 would be considered in Executive Session.

Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Baxter to approve Item 38 and authorize the County Judge to sign the appropriate documents.

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

39. 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 (2:05 PM) (3:03 PM)

Judge Biscoe announced that Item 39 would be considered in Executive Session.

Members of the Court heard from: John Hille, Assistant County Attorney, Transactions Division.

Motion by Commissioner Sonleitner and seconded by Judge Biscoe to authorize the County Attorney to work with Facilities Management to write an appropriate letter related to the payment of the February money to site the specific provision that the County Attorney thinks is appropriate, and to also let them know that this matter will be revisited after the meeting with the subcontractors next week.

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

40. RECEIVE UPDATE FROM EXECUTIVE MANAGER TEAM ON STATUS OF SEARCH FOR DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS (ITS). ³ (2:05 PM) (3:03 PM)

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

Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Davis that Commissioner Sonleitner and any other member of the Court work with the team, that has been in place for several months, towards developing a new strategy to pick up the pace on the search for a Director of Information and Telecommunications Systems; that the rest of the members of the Court chip in as each sees fit; and that this matter be brought back on the Courts agenda in 2 to 3 weeks.

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

41. RECEIVE BRIEFING FROM COUNTY ATTORNEY AND AUTHORIZE COUNTY ATTORNEY TO ACCEPT, REJECT, COUNTER OFFER OR SETTLEMENT OFFER AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION IN RICK T. VAN EVERY V. LLOYD RENDON AND TRAVIS COUNTY, (VAN EVERY; GIESELMAN; TEXAS TORT CLAIMS ACT, AND PERSONAL INJURY) ¹ (2:05 PM) (3:04 PM)

Judge Biscoe announced that Item 41 would be considered in Executive Session.

Item 41 postponed until April 13, 1999.

42. RECEIVE BRIEFING FROM COUNTY ATTORNEY AND GIVE DIRECTION AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION AND/OR ACCEPT, REJECT, OR COUNTER SETTLEMENT DEMAND ON CIP PROJECT 3-002, PARCEL NO. 2D, JAMES A. HOPKINS AND WIFE, JEAN C. HOPKINS, AND STATE OF TEXAS; (HOPKINS; GIESELMAN; CONDEMNATION). ¹ (2:05 PM) (3:04 PM)

Judge Biscoe announced that Item 42 would be considered in Executive Session.

Item 42 postponed until April 20, 1999.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Commissioner Baxter **and seconded by** Commissioner Sonleitner to adjourn the Voting Session. (3:05 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