

## **MINUTES – MARCH 13, 2001**

### **TRAVIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT**

On Tuesday, the 13<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2001, the Commissioners' Court convened the regular Voting Session at 9:10 AM in the Commissioners' Courtroom, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor of the Travis County Administration Building, 314 West 11<sup>th</sup> Street, Austin, Texas. Dana DeBeauvoir, County Clerk, was represented by Deputy Melissa Velasquez.

The Commissioners' Court recessed the Voting Session at 12:34 PM.

The Commissioners' Court, meeting as the Travis County Health Facilities Development Corporation (TCHFDC) called to order the Voting Session at 1:37 PM and adjourned at 1:38 PM.

The Commissioners' Court, meeting as the Capital Health Facilities Development Corporation (CHFDC) and the Capital Industrial Development Corporation (CIDC) called to order the Voting Sessions at 1:38 PM and adjourned the Voting Sessions at 1:38 PM.

The Commissioners' Court, meeting as the Travis County Housing Finance Corporation (TCHFC) called to order the Voting Session at 1:38 PM and adjourned at 2:11 PM.

The Commissioners' Court reconvened the Voting Session at 2:11 PM.

The Commissioners' Court retired to Executive Session at 2:44 PM.

The Commissioners' Court reconvened the Voting Session at 4:47 PM.

The Commissioners' Court adjourned the Voting Session at 4:50 PM.

The Commissioners' Court, meeting as the Northwest Travis County Road District No. 3 (Golden Triangle) Board of Directors, (NWTCRD #3), convened the NWTCRD #3 Voting Session at 4:52 PM and adjourned at 4:52 PM.

## PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. PUBLIC HEARING TO DISCUSS A TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE ON DIES RANCH ROAD APPROXIMATELY 2000 FEET NORTH OF FM 2769 FOR THE PURPOSE OF PERFORMING TELEPHONE AND WATER UTILITY CONSTRUCTION, BEGINNING WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14, 2001, AT 10:00P.M. THROUGH APPROXIMATELY 6:00 A.M. MARCH 15, 2001. (9:12 AM)

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

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| <b>Motion carried:</b> | 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 Baxter to close the public hearing.

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| <b>Motion carried:</b> | 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 C22. Please refer to Agenda Item 4 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

## RESOLUTIONS & PROCLAMATIONS

2. APPROVE A PROCLAMATION TO DECLARE MARCH 15, 2001 AS “ABSOLUTELY INCREDIBLE KID DAY” IN TRAVIS COUNTY. (9:14 AM) (4:50 PM)

Item 2 to be reposted on March 20, 2001.

3. APPROVE PROCLAMATION DECLARING MARCH, 2001 AS PURCHASING MONTH IN TRAVIS COUNTY. (9:15 AM)

**Members of the Court heard from:** Cyd Grimes, Travis County Purchasing Agent.

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

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| <b>Motion carried:</b> 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:** Cyd Grimes, Travis County Purchasing Agent; Jerome Pilgrim, Purchasing; Cheryl Brown, County Judge’s Office; Marvin Brice, Purchasing; Members of the Juneteenth Choir; and Joe Gieselman, Executive Manager, TNR. (9:18 AM)

**Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Gómez** to approve the resolution for Jerome Pilgrim.

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| <b>Motion carried:</b> 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 |

## CONSENT ITEMS

4. **Motion by** Commissioner Gómez **and seconded by** Commissioner Davis to approve the following Consent Items: C1 – C22 (excluding C6), and Items 9, 12, 14, 15, 16, 18, 20.A, 24, 29, 31, and A1. (9:30 AM)

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| <b>Motion carried:</b> 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 SERVICES.
- C3. APPROVE COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES FOR THE FOLLOWING MEETINGS:
- A. VOTING SESSION OF FEBRUARY 27, 2001;
  - B. VOTING SESSION OF FEBRUARY 16, 2001; AND
  - C. VOTING SESSION OF MARCH 2, 2001.
- C4. REAPPOINT MAE H. MARION TO SERVE ON THE TRAVIS COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION AS A PRECINCT ONE APPOINTEE; TERM EFFECTIVE UNTIL JANUARY, 2003.
- C5. REAPPOINT ANITA HOWARD TO SERVE ON THE TRAVIS COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION AS A PRECINCT ONE APPOINTEE; TERM EFFECTIVE UNTIL JANUARY, 2003.
- C6. REAPPOINT TO SERVE ON THE TRAVIS COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION AS A PRECINCT ONE APPOINTEE; TERM EFFECTIVE UNTIL JANUARY, 2003. (9:30 AM)

Item C6 pulled from the Agenda.

**CONSENT ITEMS CONTINUED**

- C7.** REAPPOINT CLIFTON GRIFFIN TO SERVE ON THE TRAVIS COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION AS A PRECINCT ONE APPOINTEE; TERM EFFECTIVE UNTIL JANUARY, 2003.
- C8.** REAPPOINT MARGARINE G. BEAMAN TO SERVE ON THE TRAVIS COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION AS A PRECINCT ONE APPOINTEE; TERM EFFECTIVE UNTIL JANUARY, 2003.
- C9.** REAPPOINT BRUNO C. SCHMIDT TO SERVE ON THE TRAVIS COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION AS A PRECINCT ONE APPOINTEE; TERM EFFECTIVE UNTIL JANUARY, 2003.
- C10.** REAPPOINT BIRDIE M. CALDWELL TO SERVE ON THE TRAVIS COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION AS A PRECINCT ONE APPOINTEE; TERM EFFECTIVE UNTIL JANUARY, 2003.
- C11.** REAPPOINT EVE A. WILLIAMS TO SERVE ON THE TRAVIS COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION AS A PRECINCT ONE APPOINTEE; TERM EFFECTIVE UNTIL JANUARY, 2003.
- C12.** APPOINT DAVID A. WHITE TO THE TRAVIS COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION AS COUNTY JUDGE APPOINTEE; TERM EFFECTIVE UNTIL JANUARY 31, 2003.
- C13.** REAPPOINT THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS TO THE TRAVIS COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION AS COUNTY JUDGE APPOINTEES; TERM EFFECTIVE UNTIL JANUARY 31, 2003.
  - A.** LILA ANNE PARKER;
  - B.** MARY E. ASHFORD;
  - C.** WILLIAM H. BEARE;
  - D.** PATTI B. HALL; AND
  - E.** JANE MANASTER
- C14.** APPROVE A PLAT FOR RECORDING IN PRECINCT ONE: RESUBDIVISION OF A PORTION OF LOT 8, PLAIN VIEW ESTATES (SHORT FORM PLAT – 2 LOTS – 2.50 ACRES - PLAIN VIEW DRIVE – NO FISCAL REQUIRED - SEWAGE SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED BY ON-SITE SEWAGE FACILITY – CITY OF AUSTIN ETJ.)

**CONSENT ITEMS CONTINUED**

- C15.** APPROVE A PLAT FOR RECORDING IN PRECINCT TWO: COMANCHE TRAIL BUSINESS PARK - (SHORT FORM PLAT – 1 LOT – 19.298 ACRES - COMANCHE TRAIL – NO FISCAL REQUIRED - SEWAGE SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED BY WCID #17).
- C16.** APPROVE A PLAT FOR RECORDING IN PRECINCT THREE: AMENDED PLAT OF CEDAR CHOPPERS CORNER (SHORT FORM PLAT – 1 LOT – 1.0 ACRE – CAPITAL OF TEXAS HIGHWAY - NO FISCAL REQUIRED - SEWAGE SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED BY ON-SITE SEWAGE FACILITY – CITY OF AUSTIN ETJ).
- C17.** APPROVE A PLAT FOR RECORDING IN PRECINCT THREE: THE HAYES SUBDIVISION - (SHORT FORM PLAT – 4 LOTS – 9.798 ACRES – HUDSON BEND ROAD – NO FISCAL REQUIRED - SEWAGE SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED BY ON-SITE SEWAGE FACILITY – CITY OF AUSTIN ETJ).
- C18.** APPROVE A CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT AND APPROVAL OF A PLAT FOR RECORDING IN PRECINCT THREE: LAKE POINTE SECTION SIX - (LONG FORM PLAT – 43 LOTS – 17.1624 ACRES – RESACA BOULEVARD - FISCAL POSTED WITH TRAVIS COUNTY - SEWAGE SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED BY LCRA–BEE CAVE ETJ).
- C19.** APPROVE A PLAT FOR RECORDING IN PRECINCT THREE: RESUBDIVISION OF LOTS 13-15, BLOCK ‘A’ PALEFACE RANCH SUBDIVISION SECTION 2B (SHORT FORM PLAT – 1 LOT – 6.71 ACRES - LIKENESS ROAD – NO FISCAL REQUIRED - SEWAGE SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED BY ON-SITE SEWAGE FACILITY – OETJ).

**CONSENT ITEMS CONTINUED**

- C20.** APPROVE SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING DATE OF APRIL 17, 2001 TO APPROVE THE ORDER REJECTING THE DEDICATION OF AND ABANDONING RIGHT-OF-WAY (ROW) FOR THE FOLLOWING:
- A.** A PORTION OF FANDANGO WAY FROM HIGHWAY 71 TO BARTON CREEK BLUFFS SECTION ONE;
  - B.** A PORTION OF TORTILLA FLAT AND FANDANGO WAY IN BARTON CREEK BLUFFS SECTION ONE;
  - C.** A PORTION OF WARBLER LEDGE, MADDUX COURT AND OVERLOOK PASS IN BARTON CREEK BLUFFS SECTION TWO;
  - D.** A PORTION OF WARBLER LEDGE IN BARTON CREEK PRESERVE PHASE ONE;
  - E.** A PORTION OF OVERLOOK PASS IN BARTON CREEK PRESERVE PHASE TWO;
  - F.** A PORTION OF MUSKET RIM IN BARTON CREEK BLUFFS SECTION THREE; AND
  - G.** A PORTION OF SPEARFISH CANYON IN BARTON CREEK BLUFFS SECTION FIVE.
- C21.** APPROVE SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING DATE OF APRIL 17, 2001 TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING:
- A.** THE PARTIAL VACATION OF LOTS 17-54, AND APPROXIMATELY 3250' ROW OF FANDANGO WAY, APPROXIMATELY 900' ROW OF TEQUILA HIGH, APPROXIMATELY 375' ROW OF TORTILLA FLAT AND APPROXIMATELY 400' ROW OF WINDANGO WAY OUT OF BARTON CREEK BLUFFS SECTION 1;
  - B.** THE PARTIAL VACATION OF BARTON CREEK BLUFFS SECTION 2 INCLUDING APPROXIMATELY 2,100' ROW OF WINDANGO WAY, APPROXIMATELY 750' ROW OF CONDOR MOUNTAIN AND APPROXIMATELY 695' ROW OF OVERLOOK PASS;
  - C.** THE PARTIAL VACATION OF LOTS 41, 55-62, AND APPROXIMATELY 1,720' ROW OF MUSKET RIM OUT OF BARTON CREEK BLUFFS SECTION 3;
  - D.** THE VACATION OF BARTON CREEK BLUFFS SECTION 4.
- C22.** APPROVE A TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE ON DIES RANCH ROAD APPROXIMATELY 2000 FEET NORTH OF FM 2769 FOR THE PURPOSE OF PERFORMING TELEPHONE AND WATER UTILITY CONSTRUCTION, BEGINNING WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14, 2001, AT 10:00P.M. THROUGH APPROXIMATELY 6:00 A.M. MARCH 15, 2001.

**Clerk's Note:** Item C22 is the action Item for Item 1.

## HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES ITEMS

5. RECEIVE UPDATE ON CAPITAL IDEA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM, REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDING TO MEET EXPANDED NEEDS, AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. (9:34 AM) (11:44 AM)

**Members of the Court heard from:** Anita Hardeman, Austin Interfaith; Maria Bowers, Capital Idea Participant; Mr. Smith, President, CEO, Sematech; Stephen Jacobs, Executive Director, Capital Idea; Chao Dinh, Capital Idea Participant; Catherine Rios, Capital Idea Participant; Michelle Walker, Capital Idea Participant; and John Garvey, Project Director, Lockheed Martin.

Discussion Only.

Item 5 to be reposted on March 20, 2001.

6. RECEIVE STATUS REPORT ON MEDICAL PRESCRIPTIONS FOR RURAL MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (RMAP) CLIENTS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. (9:35 AM)

**Members of the Court heard from:** Stephen Williams, Executive Manager, Travis County Health, Human Services, and Veterans' Services (TCHHS&VS).

Discussion Only.

Item 6 to be reposted on March 20, 2001.

7. APPROVE A RESOLUTION REQUESTING ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES BY THE STATE LEGISLATURE. (9:11 AM) (11:59 AM)

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

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| <b>Motion carried:</b> 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 |



8. CONSIDER EXTENSION OF THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN TRAVIS COUNTY AND THE CALDWELL-TRAVIS SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT #304 AND AUTHORIZE PAYMENT UNDER THE AGREEMENT, AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. (9:50 AM)

**Members of the Court heard from:** Stephen Williams, Executive Manager, TCHHS&VS.

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

**Motion carried:**

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| 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 |

## JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY ITEMS

9. REAPPOINT RICHARD GASTON AS TRAVIS COUNTY FIRE MARSHAL.  
(9:30 AM)

Item 9 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 4 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

10. RECEIVE BRIEFING ON SETCO EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #11  
GROUND UNIT PLACEMENT AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. (9:10 AM)

Item 10 pulled from the Agenda.

## TRANSPORTATION & NATURAL RESOURCES DEPT. ITEMS

11. APPROVE FORMS AND RESOLUTION DESIGNATING REPRESENTATIVES FOR KENNEDY RIDGE WASTEWATER IMPROVEMENT GRANT. (9:53 AM)

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

**Motion by** Commissioner Davis **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to approve Item 11.

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| <b>Motion carried:</b> 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 |

12. AUTHORIZE THE NEGOTIATION OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH HVJ ASSOCIATES, INC. FOR THE FY 2001 PAVEMENT CONDITION SURVEY (RFQ #Q010030). (9:30 AM)

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

Item 12 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 4 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

13. CONSIDER THE DISPOSITION OF EXCESS RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR A PORTION OF SOUTH VIEW ROAD IN PRECINCT 3 AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION, TO INCLUDE CONSIDERATION OF THE APPOINTMENT OF A COMMISSIONER OF SALE. (9:54 AM)

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

**Motion by** Commissioner Baxter **and seconded by** Commissioner Sonleitner to approve Item 13 and name Commissioner Baxter as Commissioner of Sale.

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| <b>Motion carried:</b> 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 |

## PURCHASING OFFICE ITEMS

14. APPROVE MODIFICATION NO.1 TO INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT NO. IL000362-MQ WITH AUSTIN COMMUNITY COLLEGE TO PROVIDE EARLY CHILDHOOD MENTORING SERVICES. (9:30 AM)

Item 14 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 4 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

15. APPROVE CONTRACT AWARD FOR PROFESSIONAL COURT REPORTING SERVICES, CONTRACT NO. PS010051-LB WITH LISA AHLBURG & ASSOCIATES. (9:30 AM)

Item 15 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 4 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

16. APPROVE PURCHASE OF VEHICLES AND HEAVY EQUIPMENT FROM THE HOUSTON GALVESTON AREA COUNCIL INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT, IL 98-98838; APPROVED ON 1/27/98. (9:30 AM)

Item 16 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 4 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

17. APPROVE MODIFICATION NO. 2 TO CONTRACT NO. PS000188-LB AND PS000189-LB WITH DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP TO PROVIDE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RELATED TO GOVERNMENTAL ACCOUNTING STANDARDS BOARD STATEMENT NO. 34 (GASB 34) IMPLEMENTATION. (9:59 AM)

**Members of the Court heard from:** Cyd Grimes, Travis County Purchasing Agent; Susan Spataro, Travis County Auditor; and Leroy Nellis, Budget Manager, Planning and Budget Office (PBO).

**Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Gómez** to approve modification number 2 in the stated amount, and the source of funding being the GASB 34 reserve.

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| <b>Motion carried:</b> | 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    |

18. APPROVE CONTRACT AWARD FOR FENCE CONSTRUCTION AND REMOVAL SERVICES, IFB NO. B010025-JP TO THE LOW BIDDERS, H AND H FENCE COMPANY AND VIKING FENCE COMPANY. (9:30 AM)

Item 18 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 4 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

## PLANNING AND BUDGET DEPT. ITEMS

19. DISCUSS COMMISSIONERS COURT NOMINATION OF TWO FORMER ELECTED COUNTY OFFICIALS AND A NON-COUNTY ELECTED OFFICIAL TO THE CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ELECTED OFFICIALS' SALARIES AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. (9:11 AM) (10:15 AM)

**Members of the Court heard from:** Christian Smith, Executive Manager, PBO.

**Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Gómez** to accept Gus Garcia's and Beverly Silas's acceptance of the Court's invitation, and to contact former Sheriff Doyne Bailey to join the Citizens Advisory Committee on Elected Officials Salaries, and if he cannot then we proceed with 12.

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| <b>Motion carried:</b> | 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 |

20. REVIEW AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON GRANT PROPOSALS, APPLICATIONS, CONTRACTS AND PERMISSION TO CONTINUE: (9:30 AM)

- A. APPROVE GRANT APPLICATION FROM OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR - CRIMINAL JUSTICE DIVISION FOR A GUARDIAN AD LITEM POSITION TO WORK WITH PROTECTIVE ORDER CASES IN THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS OFFICE.

Item 20.A added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 4 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

**21. APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENTS AND TRANSFERS. (2:11 PM)**

**Members of the Court heard from:** Jessica Rio, Planning and Budget Analyst, PBO; Leroy Nellis, Budget Manager, PBO; Susan Spataro, Travis County Auditor; and Cyd Grimes, Travis County Purchasing Agent.

**Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Davis** to approve all the recommendations and the only difference is that we will readdress the issue of whether the Purchasing 1 FTE should be permanent or temporary.

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| <b>Motion carried:</b> 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 OPERATIONS ITEMS****22. A. REVIEW AND APPROVE TUITION REFUNDS FOR EMPLOYEES WHO HAVE COMPLETED CLASSES IN ACCORDANCE WITH TUITION REIMBURSEMENT POLICY § 10.021. (10:22 AM)****B. APPROVE REQUISITION AND AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY AUDITOR AND TREASURER'S OFFICE TO REIMBURSE EMPLOYEES AS LISTED.**

**Clerk's Note:** Items 22.A and B are associated with one another and were called for concurrent discussion.

**Members of the Court heard from:** Linda Moore Smith, Director, Human Resources Management Department (HRMD); Karen Steitle, HRMD; and Jim Collins, Executive Assistant County Attorney.

**Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Gómez** to approve Items 22.A and B.

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| <b>Motion carried:</b> 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. DISCUSS PLANNED SPACE ASSIGNMENTS AND RENOVATION PLANS AND SCHEDULES FOR THE TRAVIS COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING (STOKES BUILDING) AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. (11:05 AM)**

**Members of the Court heard from:** Alicia Perez, Executive Manager, Administrative Operations; Roger El Khoury, Director, Facilities Management; Susan Spataro, Travis County Auditor; and Jim Collins, Executive Assistant County Attorney.

Discussion Only.

Item 23 to be reposted on March 20, 2001.

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

Item 24 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 4 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

### **OTHER ITEMS**

- 25. DISCUSS STATUS, NECESSARY CONTRACT MODIFICATIONS AND RELATED ISSUES ON THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE PROGRAM (CJP) PROJECTS, AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. (2:40 PM)**

No action necessary on Item 25.

26. DISCUSS LEGISLATIVE ISSUES, AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION.  
(9:12 AM) (12:02 PM)

Senate Bill 578: Relating to the provision of emergency communication services.

**Members of the Court heard from:** Dinah Dinwiddie, Executive Manager, Justice and Public Safety (JPS); and Bob Kamm, Legislative Consultant.

Discussion Only.

House Bill 1857: Relating to restrictions on the authority of a person to transport petroleum products in a pipeline system.

House Bill 1858: Relating to a limitation on the authority of certain limited partnerships to engage as common carriers in the pipeline business

**Clerk's Note:** House Bill 1857 and House Bill 1858 are associated with one another and were called for concurrent discussion.

**Members of the Court heard from:** Bob Kamm, Legislative Consultant.

Discussion Only.

Senate Bill 201: Relating to authorizing counties and municipalities to enter into contracts for the payment of taxes, fees, or other charges through the Internet

Discussion Only.

27. CONSIDER SHERIFF'S OFFICE PROPOSAL TO RECLASSIFY EIGHTEEN (18) SECURITY COORDINATOR POSITIONS CURRENTLY ASSIGNED TO THE CENTRAL BOOKING FACILITY TO CORRECTIONS OFFICER POSITIONS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. (9:11 AM)

Item 27 to be postponed until March 27, 2001.

- 28. CONSIDER SELECTION OF ONE (1) FIRM TO PROVIDE TRAVIS COUNTY REDISTRICTING SERVICES, AUTHORIZE CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS, AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. (9:12 AM) (10:31 AM)**

**Members of the Court heard from:** Cyd Grimes, Travis County Purchasing Agent; Barbara Wilson, Assistant County Attorney; Dolores Diaz Lopez, Director, Voters Registration, Tax Office; Donna Scarbrough, Assistant Purchasing Agent; and Jim Collins, Executive Assistant County Attorney.

**Motion by** Judge Biscoe **and seconded by** Commissioner Davis to authorize Staff to: 1) come up with a list of deliverables for Travis County; that the members of the Commissioners Court that previously were appointed to the sub-committee, Gómez and Baxter, work with the Committee; that we take that list of deliverables and try to negotiate with the top two firms as mentioned by Cyd Grimes: Bickerstaff, Heath, Smiley, Pollan, Kever, and McDaniel; and Emory, Young and Guajardo Dodi and Guajardo.

**An Addition to the previous Motion was made by** Judge Biscoe to have 5 public hearings in the base bid, and to cost out any additional public hearings.

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| <b>Motion carried:</b> 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 28 to be reposted on March 20, 2001.

- 29. RECEIVE AUDIT REPORTS FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICTS #3 AND #6 FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2000. (9:30 AM)**

Item 29 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 4 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.



30. A. CONSIDER THE NEED FOR A POLICY FOR THE PLACEMENT OF FREE PUBLICATIONS IN COUNTY BUILDINGS, AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. (2:41 PM) (2:44 PM) (4:47 PM)
- B. CONSIDER THE PLACEMENT OF “COURT GUIDE” AND OTHER FREE PUBLICATIONS AT THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE CENTER AND OTHER COUNTY BUILDINGS, AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION.

**Clerk’s Note:** Items 30.A and B are associated with one another and were called for concurrent discussion.

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

Judge Biscoe announced that Items 30.A and B would be considered in Executive Session.

**Motion by** Judge Biscoe **and seconded by** Commissioner Davis to ask the County Attorney’s Office to draft an appropriate policy for the Court, and work closely with Commissioner Sonleitner, and that at the appropriate time in the future, hopefully in about 2 weeks, we have an opportunity to look at a draft policy.

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| <b>Motion carried:</b> | 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 |

31. APPROVE PAYMENT OF CLAIMS AND AUTHORIZE COUNTY TREASURER TO INVEST COUNTY FUNDS. (9:30 AM)

Item 31 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 4 (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

Note 4 – Gov't Code Ann 551.076, Security

- 32. A. RECEIVE BRIEFING FROM COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE REGARDING CLAIMS RECEIVED FROM CONTRACTORS FOR THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE CENTER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. <sup>1</sup> (2:44 PM) (4:47 PM)**
- B. RECEIVE BRIEFING FROM COUNTY ATTORNEY AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING FLUOR DANIEL, INC. V. TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS; CIVIL ACTION NO. A 00CA021SS; IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS, AUSTIN DIVISION. <sup>1</sup>**

**Clerk's Note:** Items 32.A and B are associated with one another and were called for concurrent discussion.

Judge Biscoe announced that Items 32.A and B would be considered in Executive Session.

No action necessary on Items 32.A and B.

Items 32.A and B to be reposted on March 20, 2001.

- 33. DISCUSS, APPROVE, OR TAKE ANY OTHER APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING THE STATUS OF COUNTY LEASE SPACE. <sup>2</sup> (2:44 PM) (4:48 PM)**

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

**Clerk's Note:** The Court asked Staff to get with Christian Smith, Executive Manager, PBO, to put this on a Work Session, part to be discussed in open Court, part in Executive Session.

No action necessary on Item 33.

34. DISCUSS, APPROVE, OR TAKE ANY OTHER APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING THE PRECINCT 4 OFFICE BUILDING FOR TRAVIS COUNTY EMPLOYEES. <sup>2</sup> (2:44 PM) (4:48 PM)

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

**Motion by** Judge Biscoe **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to direct appropriate County Staff to talk with the contracting party in this case about paying or sharing costs occasioned by the delay of approximately 3 months in this matter.

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| <b>Motion carried:</b> | 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 34 to be reposted on March 20, 2001.

35. RECEIVE BRIEFING FROM COUNTY ATTORNEY AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION IN KENJURA TILE V. TRAVIS COUNTY. (GIESELMAN) <sup>1</sup> (2:44 PM) (4:49 PM)

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

Item 35 to be reposted on March 20, 2001.

36. RECEIVE BRIEFING FROM COUNTY ATTORNEY AND/OR GIVE DIRECTION AND/OR DISCUSS STATUS OF LAWSUIT REGARDING AUSTIN SPA INVESTORS, LTD. FOR ACCESS ACROSS MARY QUINLAN PARK OR TAKE OTHER APPROPRIATE ACTION. <sup>1</sup> (2:44 PM) (4:49 PM)

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

No action necessary on Item 36.

37. RECEIVE BRIEFING FROM COUNTY ATTORNEY IN THE MATTER OF JANICE L. IVY V. TRAVIS COUNTY; CAUSE NO. 97-10793; 98<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS; AND ACCEPT, REJECT OR COUNTER OFFER FOR SETTLEMENT AND DESIGNATE SETTLEMENT REPRESENTATIVE FOR MEDIATION; AND AUTHORIZE COUNTY ATTORNEY TO INCUR FEES, INCLUDING PAYMENT OF WITNESS EXPENSES FOR WITNESSES TO TESTIFY AT TRIAL IF NECESSARY. <sup>1 AND 3</sup> (2:44 PM) (4:49 PM)

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

**Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Gómez** to reject the offer to settle and counter in the amount of \$20,000.00, that we ask Judge Biscoe and Commissioner Sonleitner to be available to work closely with the County Attorney's Office as these negotiations unfold over the next couple of days, so by Thursday or Friday prior to Monday's scheduled mediation, we may have a better idea of the probability of resolving this matter.

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| <b>Motion carried:</b> 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 |

38. RECEIVE BRIEFING, APPOINT COMMISSIONERS COURT REPRESENTATIVE FOR MEDIATION AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION IN SIMONE BODY, ET AL V. DAVID MAXWELL BURT, ET AL. (TEXAS TORT CLAIMS ACT, PERSONAL INJURY) <sup>1</sup> (2:44 PM) (4:49 PM)

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

**Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Gómez** to authorize Dan Mansour to represent Travis County at this mediation which is scheduled for Monday, March 19, 2001.

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| <b>Motion carried:</b> 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 IS AN ADDENDUM:**

- A1.** PURSUANT TO SECTION 263.151 OF THE TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE, DECLARE CERTAIN VEHICLES AND HEAVY EQUIPMENT AS SURPLUS PROPERTY. (FIXED ASSETS) (9:30 AM)

Item A1 added to Consent Items. Please refer to Agenda Item 4 (CONSENT ITEMS) for the Court's Motion and Vote.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion by** Commissioner Davis **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to adjourn the Voting Session. (4:50 PM)

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| <b>Motion carried:</b> | 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**

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**Date of Approval**

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**Samuel T. Biscoe, Travis County Judge**