

MINUTES – MARCH 30, 2001

TRAVIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT

On Friday, the 30th day of March, 2001, the Commissioners' Court convened the Voting Session at 9:38 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 Velasquez.

The Commissioners' Court adjourned the Voting Session at 11:19 AM.

The Commissioners' Court record notes that Precinct Four Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez was not present during this Voting Session.

1. DISCUSS LEGISLATIVE ISSUES, AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. (9:38 AM)

House Bill 2522: Relating to requiring the Texas Department of Transportation to establish and maintain a state airport in Central Texas. (9:39 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Phillip Rosenbaum, Private Citizen; and Ken Cook, Private Citizen.

Discussion Only.

House Bill 2396: Relating to eligibility for retirement and benefits from the Texas County and District Retirement System. (10:21 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Jim Sylvester, Vice President, Travis County Sheriff's Officer's Association; Bob Kamm, Legislative Consultant; Dan Richards, Chief Deputy, Travis County Sheriff's Office (TCSO); Jesse Colunga, President, AFSCME Local 1624; and Andrea Colunga, AFSCME Local 1624.

Discussion Only.

ITEM 1 CONTINUED

Senate Bill 578: Relating to the provision of emergency communication services. (10:37 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Dinah Dinwiddie, Executive Manager, Justice and Public Safety (JPS); Teresa Reel, Manager, Emergency and Wireless Communications, JPS; Dan Richards, Chief Deputy, TCSO; Bob Kamm, Legislative Consultant; and Tris Casteñeda, Legislative Consultant.

Discussion Only.

House Bill 2021: Relating to the ad valorem tax rates of certain taxing units. (10:54 AM)

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

Discussion Only.

Senate Bill 866: Relating to the creation of a Texas Privacy Act and addressing the ways in which the information practices of state and local governmental entities affect personal privacy. (10:55 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Bob Kamm, Legislative Consultant; and Bill Derryberry, Senior Planning and Budget Analyst, Planning and Budget Office (PBO).

Discussion Only.

Senate Bill 802: Relating to tax-exempt benefits for county employees. (11:05 AM)

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

Discussion Only.

ITEM 1 CONTINUED

Owner Controlled Insurance (11:06 AM)

Senate Bill 622: Relating to authorizing a county to pay the costs of an owner-controlled insurance program with the proceeds of certain securities issued by the county.

House Bill 3055: Relating to authorizing a county to pay the costs of an owner-controlled insurance program with the proceeds of certain securities issued by the county.

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

Discussion Only.

Internet Convenience Fee (11:06 AM)

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

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

Discussion Only.

Housing Parole Violators (11:07 AM)

Senate Bill 1341: Relating to reimbursing counties for the cost of holding state parolees in county jails.

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

Discussion Only.

Land Use Management in Unincorporated Areas (11:07 AM)

Senate Bill 873: Relating to infrastructure planning in certain urban counties.

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

Discussion Only.

ITEM 1 CONTINUED

Efficient and Reliable 911 Service (11:08 AM)

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

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

Discussion Only.

Federal Ozone Compliance (11:08 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Bob Kamm, Legislative Consultant; and Tris Casteñeda, Legislative Consultant.

Discussion Only.

Lateral Road and Bridge Fund (11:08 AM)

House Bill 3316: Relating to county roads.

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

Discussion Only.

County Revenue Certification/Private Dollars (11:08 AM)

Senate Bill 732: Relating to the certification of certain revenue received by a county after the fiscal year begins.

House Bill 2212: Relating to the certification of certain revenue received by a county after the fiscal year begins.

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

Discussion Only.

ITEM 1 CONTINUED

Urban Colonias (11:09 AM)

House Bill 829: Relating to redefining the term colonia to allow certain areas to qualify for funding programs.

Members of the Court heard from: Bob Kamm, Legislative Consultant; and Tris Casteñeda, Legislative Consultant.

Discussion Only.

Title IV Funding (Child Support) (11:09 AM)

House Bill 769: Relating to the fees imposed in certain child support cases.

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

Discussion Only.

Juvenile Probation Funding (11:09 AM)

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

Discussion Only.

County Court at Law #4 Jurisdiction (11:09 AM)

House Bill 2167: Relating to the jurisdiction of the County Court at Law Number 4 of Travis County.

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

Discussion Only.

ITEM 1 CONTINUED

County Fee Authority Bill (11:10 AM)

House Bill 2937: Relating to the setting of certain county fees for a license, permit, or registration.

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

Discussion Only.

State Infrastructure Bank (11:10 AM)

Senate Bill 407: Relating to the authority of a public entity to borrow funds from the state infrastructure bank.

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

Discussion Only.

Community Supervision (11:11 AM)

Senate Bill 150: Relating to supervision of defendants by community supervision and corrections departments.

Senate Bill 897: Relating to the functions of a community justice council.

Senate Bill 898: Relating to the submission of community justice plans.

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

Discussion Only.

County Court at law jurisdictional limit (11:11 AM)

House Bill 3646: Relating to the jurisdiction of and procedure in a county court at law in Travis County.

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

Discussion Only.

ITEM 1 CONTINUED

State Airport Bill (11:11 AM)

House Bill 2522: Relating to requiring the Texas Department of Transportation to establish and maintain a state airport in Central Texas.

Senate Bill 1617: Relating to requiring the Texas Department of Transportation to establish and maintain a state airport in Central Texas.

Members of the Court heard from: Bob Kamm, Legislative Consultant; and Tris Casteñeda, Legislative Consultant.

Discussion Only.

Pre-Bid Conferences (11:13 AM)

Senate Bill 874: Relating to the authority of certain political subdivisions to require bidders to attend pre-bid conferences as a condition for accepting a bid.

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

Discussion Only.

House Bill 1445: Relating to authority of municipalities and counties to regulate subdivisions in a municipality's extraterritorial jurisdiction. (11:14 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Joe Gieselman, Executive Manager, Transportation and Natural Resources (TNR); and Tom Nuckols, Assistant County Attorney.

Discussion Only.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Commissioner Davis and seconded by Commissioner Baxter to adjourn the Voting Session. (11:19 AM)

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

MINUTES APPROVED BY THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT

Date of Approval

Samuel T. Biscoe, Travis County Judge