

MINUTES OF MEETING – APRIL 27, 2004

TRAVIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT

On Tuesday, the 27th day of April, 2004, the Commissioners' Court convened the regular Voting Session at 9:14 AM in the Commissioners' Courtroom, 1st Floor of the Ned Granger Administration Building, 314 West 11th Street, Austin, Texas. Dana DeBeauvoir, County Clerk, was represented by Deputy Melissa Velasquez.

The Commissioners' Court recessed the Voting Session at 12:05 PM.

The Commissioners' Court, meeting as the Travis County Housing Finance Corporation, convened the Voting Session at 1:41 PM and adjourned at 1:42 PM.

The Commissioners' Court, meeting as the Travis County Health Facilities Development Corporation, convened the Voting Session at 1:42 PM and adjourned at 2:10 PM.

The Commissioners' Court reconvened the regular Voting Session at 2:10 PM.

The Commissioners' Court retired to Executive Session at 3:38 PM.

The Commissioners' Court reconvened the Voting Session at 4:17 PM.

The Commissioners' Court adjourned the Voting Session at 4:19 PM.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 1. DISCUSS REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF A PLAT FOR RECORDING IN PRECINCT THREE: TWIN CREEKS COUNTRY CLUB, REPLAT OF SECTION 10A (SHORT FORM PLAT – 49 LOTS – 9.596 ACRES – TWIN CREEKS COUNTRY CLUB DRIVE – NO FISCAL REQUIRED – SEWAGE SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED BY CITY OF CEDAR PARK – CITY OF CEDAR PARK ETJ). (ACTION ITEM 21) (COMMISSIONER DAUGHERTY) (9:16 AM)

Clerk’s Note: This Item is a public hearing to receive comments. Please refer to the action taken on Agenda Item 21 for the Court’s Motion and Vote.

Motion by Commissioner Daugherty **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 Gerald Daugherty yes
 Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez yes

Members of the Court heard from: Anna Bowlin, Program Manager, Planning and Engineering, Transportation and Natural Resources (TNR).

Motion by Commissioner Daugherty **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 Gerald Daugherty yes
 Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez yes

CITIZENS COMMUNICATION

Members of the Court heard from: Gavino Fernandez, Jr., Travis County Resident, Member of El Consilio; Francis Martinez, Travis County Resident, Member of El Consilio; and Chris Brammer, Travis County Resident. (9:18 AM)

CONSENT ITEMS

Motion by Commissioner Gómez **and seconded by** Commissioner Sonleitner to approve the following Consent Items: C1-C3, and Items 3, 4, 11.A and B, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17.A-H, 18, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 29.A-C, 30, and 31. (9:27 AM)

Motion carried: County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Gerald Daugherty	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 AUTOMATIC BUDGET TRANSFERS.

SPECIAL RESOLUTION

- 2. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON RESOLUTION ADDRESSING VARIOUS ISSUES RELATED TO THE CREATION OF A TRAVIS COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT. (JUDGE BISCOE) (9:14 AM)

Item 2 postponed until May 4, 2004.

ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS ITEMS

- 3. REVIEW AND APPROVE THE IMMEDIATE RELEASE OF REIMBURSEMENT PAYMENT TO UNITED HEALTH CARE FOR CLAIMS PAID FOR TRAVIS COUNTY EMPLOYEES AND DEPENDENTS COVERED BY THE HOSPITAL AND INSURANCE FUND FOR PAYMENT OF \$436,653.56 FOR THE PERIOD OF APRIL 9 THROUGH APRIL 15, 2004. (9:27 AM)

Clerk's Note: Item 3 added to Consent Items. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for the Court's Motion and Vote.

4. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON PROPOSED PERSONNEL AMENDMENTS. (9:27 AM)

Clerk's Note: Item 4 added to Consent Items. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for the Court's Motion and Vote.

5. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING OPTIONS FOR COMPLETION OF THE 5501 AIRPORT BOULEVARD BUILDING PROJECT PHASE TWO. (11:01 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Roger El Khoury, Director, Facilities Management; Diana Ramirez, Budget Analyst, Planning and Budget Office (PBO); Belinda Powell, Capital Planning Coordinator, PBO; John Hille, Assistant County Attorney; and Cyd Grimes, Travis County Purchasing Agent.

Clerk's Note: The Commissioners' Court directed Facilities Management staff to meet with the Planning and Budget Office (PBO) staff to discuss parking and security issues at 5501 Airport Blvd.

Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Sonleitner to reject all bids and rebid the project for IFB number B040056-MB, the 5501 Airport Blvd. Building phase 2 renovations.

Motion carried:

County Judge Samuel T. Biscoe	yes
Precinct 1, Commissioner Ron Davis	yes
Precinct 2, Commissioner Karen Sonleitner	yes
Precinct 3, Commissioner Gerald Daugherty	yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez	abstain

Item 5 to be reposted on May 11, 2004.

- 6. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON THE SCHEMATIC DESIGN FOR THE REMODEL OF THE TRAVIS COUNTY COURTHOUSE AND IMPACT ON RELATED FACILITIES. (11:31 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Roger El Khoury, Director, Facilities Management; Jim Barr, Manager, Facilities Management; Steven Broberg, Director, Records Management and Communications Resources (RMCR); Dana DeBeauvoir, Travis County Clerk; and John Dietz, Judge, 250th District Court.

Motion by Commissioner Sonleitner **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to approve the schematic design, contingent upon getting the appropriate signatures from the impacted elected officials, with Judge Dietz being able to sign off on behalf of the Civil District Courts.

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

JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY ITEMS

- 7. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE PLANNING DIVISION WORK PLAN AND DEPARTMENTAL REORGANIZATION. (10:52 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Mike Trimble, Criminal Justice Coordinator, Criminal Justice Planning (CJP).

Motion by Judge Biscoe **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to approve the work plan and departmental reorganization in 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 Gerald Daugherty yes
Precinct 4, Commissioner Margaret J. Gómez yes

8. RECEIVE PRESENTATION FROM OFFICIALS OF THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE ON REORGANIZATION AND VARIOUS PROGRAMS THAT MAY AFFECT TRAVIS COUNTY OFFENDERS AND RESIDENTS. (9:34 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Kimberly Pierce, Senior Planner, CJP; Doug Drake, Director, Correctional Institution Division, Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ); Stephen Collins, Warden, Travis County Community Justice Center (CJC); Nathaniel Quarterman, Deputy Executive Director, TDJC; Bryan Collier, Parole Division Director, TDCJ; Mike Lozito, Region IV Director, Parole Division, TDCJ; and Madeline Ortiz, Rehabilitation and Re-entry Program Division.

Discussion only. No formal action taken.

9. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON RECOMMENDATION FOR NEW MEMBERS TO THE COMMUNITY JUSTICE CENTER ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND MISSION STATEMENT. (9:31 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Kimberly Pierce, Senior Planner, CJP; and Mike Manor, Member, Criminal Justice Center Advisory Committee.

Motion by Judge Biscoe **and seconded by** Commissioner Davis to approve the two appointees, Mike Manor, and Jim Nelson, and also the mission statement of the Community Justice Center Advisory Committee.

Motion carried:

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

- 10. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON REORGANIZATION PLAN FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES AND STAR FLIGHT PROGRAM. (10:53 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Danny Hobby, Emergency Services Coordinator, Travis County Department of Emergency Services; and Caryl Colburn, Director, Travis County Counseling and Education Services (TCCES).

Motion by Commissioner Sonleitner **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to approve the reorganization plan in Item 10.

Motion carried:

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

PURCHASING OFFICE ITEMS

- 11. APPROVE 12-MONTH EXTENSION (MODIFICATION NO. 1) TO THE FOLLOWING CONTRACTS FOR AUTOMOTIVE OEM PARTS AND MAINTENANCE LABOR: (9:27 AM)

- A. CONTRACT NO. 03T00231LD, LEIF JOHNSON FORD; AND
- B. CONTRACT NO. 03T00232LD, CAPITOL CHEVROLET, INC. (TNR) (COMMISSIONER GÓMEZ)

Clerk's Note: Items 11.A and B added to Consent Items. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for the Court's Motion and Vote.

- 12. APPROVE MODIFICATION NO. 6 TO CONTRACT NO. PS010063JW, CLEAN INVESTMENTS, INC., FOR SUBSTANCE ABUSE COUNSELING AND TREATMENT SERVICES. (DRUG COURT) (COMMISSIONER GÓMEZ) (9:27 AM)

Clerk's Note: Item 12 added to Consent Items. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for the Court's Motion and Vote.

13. APPROVE MODIFICATION NO. 1 TO CONTRACT NO. PS010162DS, SARA CORTEZ, FOR SEX OFFENDER TREATMENT COUNSELING FOR JUVENILE OFFENDERS. (JUVENILE PROBATION) (COMMISSIONER GÓMEZ) (9:27 AM)

Clerk's Note: Item 13 added to Consent Items. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for the Court's Motion and Vote.

14. APPROVE CONTRACT AWARD FOR VESDA FIRE ALARM SYSTEM MODIFICATIONS AT BUILDINGS 140 AND 160A, IFB NO. B040081SI, TO THE LOW BIDDER, DESIGN/SYSTEMS AUSTIN GROUP. (COMMISSIONER GÓMEZ) (9:27 AM)

Clerk's Note: Item 14 added to Consent Items. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for the Court's Motion and Vote.

15. APPROVE CONTRACT AWARD FOR PRECINCT THREE OFFICE BUILDING AND THE WEST RURAL COMMUNITY CENTER AND CLINIC BUILDING, IFB NO. B040082SI, TO THE LOW BIDDER, THE BARR COMPANY, AIA. (COMMISSIONER DAUGHERTY) (9:27 AM)

Clerk's Note: Item 15 added to Consent Items. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for the Court's Motion and Vote.

16. APPROVE CONTRACT AWARD FOR FIRE ALARM CONTROL PANEL MODIFICATIONS AND DEVICES REPLACEMENT AT THE TRAVIS COUNTY JAIL, IFB NO. B040050SI, TO THE LOW BIDDER, SIMPLEXGRINNELL, L.P. (COMMISSIONER GÓMEZ) (9:27 AM)

Clerk's Note: Item 16 added to Consent Items. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for the Court's Motion and Vote.

17. APPROVE 12-MONTH EXTENSION (MODIFICATION NO. 2) TO CONTRACTS FOR NEWSPAPER ADVERTISING: (9:27 AM)

- A. NO. 02T00200MP, AUSTIN CHRONICLE;
- B. NO. 02T00201MP, TIENG VIET MAGAZINE;
- C. NO. 02T00222MP, THE VILLAGER;
- D. NO. 02T00223MP, WESTLAKE PICAYUNE;
- E. NO. 02T00224MP, OAK HILL GAZETTE;
- F. NO. 02T00225MP, LA PRENSA NEWSPAPER;
- G. NO. 02T00226MP, EL MUNDO NEWSPAPER; AND
- H. NO. 02T00227MP, ARRIBA ART & BUSINESS NEWS. (PURCHASING OFFICE) (COMMISSIONER GÓMEZ)

Clerk's Note: Items 17.A-H added to Consent Items. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for the Court's Motion and Vote.

18. APPROVE CONTRACT AWARD FOR RAZOR WIRE MODIFICATIONS FOR PERIMETER FENCES AT THE TRAVIS COUNTY CORRECTIONAL COMPLEX, IFB NO. B040040SI, TO THE LOW BIDDER, VIKING FENCE CO., INC. (COMMISSIONER GÓMEZ) (9:27 AM)

Clerk's Note: Item 18 added to Consent Items. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for the Court's Motion and Vote.

19. APPROVE CONTRACT AWARD FOR REWORK ROOFTOP AIR HANDLERS, BUILDING 106 - HEALTH SERVICES BUILDING (HSB) AT THE TRAVIS COUNTY CORRECTIONAL COMPLEX, IFB NO. B040046SI, TO THE LOW BIDDER, HOT ROD MECHANICAL, INC. (COMMISSIONER GÓMEZ) (3:04 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Roger El Khoury, Director, Facilities Management.

Motion by Commissioner Sonleitner **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to approve the contract in Item 19.

Motion carried:

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

20. RECEIVE BRIEFING FROM THE TRAVIS COUNTY CONSTRUCTION TRADE ENHANCEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE REGARDING THE COUNTY'S HISTORICALLY UNDERUTILIZED BUSINESS PROGRAM. (PURCHASING OFFICE) (9:15 AM)

Item 20 postponed until May 4, 2004.

TRANSPORTATION & NATURAL RESOURCES DEPT. ITEMS

21. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF A PLAT FOR RECORDING IN PRECINCT THREE: TWIN CREEKS COUNTRY CLUB, REPLAT OF SECTION 10A (SHORT FORM PLAT – 49 LOTS – 9.596 ACRES – TWIN CREEKS COUNTRY CLUB DRIVE – NO FISCAL REQUIRED – SEWAGE SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED BY CITY OF CEDAR PARK – CITY OF CEDAR PARK ETJ). (COMMISSIONER DAUGHERTY) (9:27 AM)

Clerk's Note: Item 21 is the action item for the public hearing on Agenda Item 1.

Clerk's Note: Item 21 added to Consent Items. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for the Court's Motion and Vote.

22. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON REQUEST TO APPROVE A PRELIMINARY PLAN IN PRECINCT FOUR: CENTURY RANCH NORTH PRELIMINARY PLAN (269 LOTS – 95.69 ACRES – PEARCE LANE – NO FISCAL IS REQUIRED FOR A PRELIMINARY PLAN – SEWAGE SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED BY CITY OF AUSTIN – CITY OF AUSTIN ETJ). (COMMISSIONER GÓMEZ) (9:27 AM)

Clerk's Note: Item 22 added to Consent Items. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for the Court's Motion and Vote.

23. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON REQUEST TO APPROVE A PRELIMINARY PLAN IN PRECINCT FOUR: CENTURY RANCH SOUTH PRELIMINARY PLAN (185 LOTS – 54.35 ACRES – PEARCE LANE – NO FISCAL IS REQUIRED FOR A PRELIMINARY PLAN – SEWAGE SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED BY CITY OF AUSTIN – CITY OF AUSTIN ETJ). (COMMISSIONER GÓMEZ) (9:27 AM)

Clerk's Note: Item 23 added to Consent Items. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for the Court's Motion and Vote.

24. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON REQUEST TO APPROVE A PLAT FOR RECORDING IN PRECINCT THREE: WIMBERLY PLACE (SHORT FORM PLAT – 2 LOTS – 8.096 ACRES – BARTON CREEK BLVD. – NO FISCAL REQUIRED – SEWAGE SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED BY TRAVIS COUNTY MUD NO. 3 & 4 – CITY OF AUSTIN ETJ). (COMMISSIONER DAUGHERTY) (9:27 AM)

Clerk's Note: Item 24 added to Consent Items. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for the Court's Motion and Vote.

25. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON REQUEST TO APPROVE THE USE OF ALTERNATIVE FISCAL FOR FOREST BLUFF SUBDIVISION SECTION 4, A SUBDIVISION IN PRECINCT ONE. (COMMISSIONER DAVIS) (9:27 AM)

Clerk's Note: Item 25 added to Consent Items. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for the Court's Motion and Vote.

26. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE ACCEPTANCE OF DEDICATION OF STREET AND DRAINAGE FACILITIES FOR STEINER RANCH PHASE 2 SECTIONS 3C AND 3D, TWO SUBDIVISIONS IN PRECINCT THREE. (COMMISSIONER DAUGHERTY) (9:27 AM)

Clerk's Note: Item 26 added to Consent Items. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for the Court's Motion and Vote.

27. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON REQUEST TO APPROVE A PRELIMINARY PLAN IN PRECINCT THREE: BARTON CREEK SECTION E REVISED PLAN (4 LOTS – 35.932 ACRES – BARTON CREEK BLVD. – NO FISCAL REQUIRED FOR A PRELIMINARY PLAN – SEWAGE SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED BY CITY OF AUSTIN – CITY OF AUSTIN ETJ). (COMMISSIONER DAUGHERTY) (9:27 AM)

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

Clerk's Note: Judge Biscoe announced that the Travis County Municipal Utility Districts #3 and #4 will provide the sewage service.

Clerk's Note: Item 27 added to Consent Items. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for the Court's Motion and Vote.

28. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON THE CITY OF AUSTIN'S COUNTER-PROPOSAL FOR THE REVIEW AND INSPECTION OF SUBDIVISIONS IN THE EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION. (3:10 PM)

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

Motion by Commissioner Sonleitner **and seconded by** Commissioner Davis that Precinct 3 Commissioner Daugherty and Judge Biscoe meet with the City of Austin officials to discuss this issue.

Motion carried:

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

Item 28 to be reposted on May 4, 2004.

PLANNING AND BUDGET DEPT. ITEMS

29. REVIEW AND APPROVE REQUESTS REGARDING GRANT PROPOSALS, APPLICATIONS, CONTRACTS AND PERMISSIONS TO CONTINUE: (9:27 AM)
- A. GRANT APPLICATION TO THE TEXAS EDUCATION AGENCY FOR A TITLE IV COMMUNITY SERVICE GRANT PROGRAM IN JUVENILE PROBATION DEPARTMENT. THE GRANT CONTINUES THE EXISTING PROGRAM FOR FY 05;
 - B. GRANT APPLICATION TO THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOR A NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH/BREAKFAST GRANT PROGRAM IN JUVENILE PROBATION. THE GRANT CONTINUES THE PROGRAM FOR FY 04; AND
 - C. GRANT CONTRACT WITH THE CITY OF AUSTIN FOR AN ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY IN THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, WHICH IS TO BE DEVOTED TO PROSECUTING CRIMES INVOLVING THE UNLAWFUL USE OR POSSESSION OF FIREARMS. THE CITY OF AUSTIN IS PROVIDING FUNDS THROUGH A PROJECT SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD GRANT IT RECEIVED FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE.

Clerk's Note: Items 29.A-C added to Consent Items. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for the Court's Motion and Vote.

30. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON BUDGET AMENDMENTS, TRANSFERS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS. (9:27 AM)

Clerk's Note: Item 30 added to Consent Items. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for the Court's Motion and Vote.

OTHER ITEMS

31. APPROVE PAYMENT OF CLAIMS AND AUTHORIZE COUNTY TREASURER TO INVEST COUNTY FUNDS. (9:27 AM)

Clerk's Note: Item 31 added to Consent Items. Please refer to CONSENT ITEMS for the Court's Motion and Vote.

32. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON ISSUES RELATED TO THE CONDUCT OF EARLY VOTING AND ELECTION DAY. (2:58 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Dana DeBeauvoir, Travis County Clerk.

Motion by Commissioner Sonleitner **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to approve the order for appointment of election judges for the May 15, 2004 Joint Special Election.

Motion carried:

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

Item 32 to be reposted on May 4, 2004.

33. RECEIVE AND DISCUSS THE FY 2004 MID-YEAR REVENUE REPORT. (3:07 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Blain Keith, Chief Assistant County Auditor, Travis County Auditor’s Office.

Discussion only. No action taken.

34. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON REQUEST TO APPROVE LICENSE AGREEMENT BETWEEN TRAVIS COUNTY AND IMAGINE ART TO EXHIBIT ARTWORK BY ARTISTS WITH DISABILITIES IN THE LOBBY OF DOMESTIC RELATIONS AT 1010 LAVACA. (10:56 AM)

Members of the Court heard from: Cecelia Burke, Director, Domestic Relations Office (DRO); and John Hille, Assistant County Attorney.

Motion by Commissioner Gómez **and seconded by** Commissioner Sonleitner to approve the license agreement in Item 34.

Motion carried:

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

- 35. APPOINT TWO CITIZEN REPRESENTATIVES TO THE CAPCO LAW ENFORCEMENT EDUCATION COMMITTEE. (9:15 AM)

Item 35 postponed until May 4, 2004.

- 36. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON ISSUES RELATED TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF FACTS AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITIES RELATED TO COUNTY COURT FUNCTIONS. (2:10 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Dana DeBeauvoir, Travis County Clerk; Joe Harlow, Director, Information and Telecommunications Systems (ITS); David Ferris, Civil/Probate Division Manager, Travis County Clerk’s Office; and Diana Ramirez, Budget Analyst, PBO.

Clerk’s Note: Judge Biscoe requested the Task Force on Court Fines and Fees to move toward giving the Court final recommendations no later than 60 days from now, and to get the Task Force to look at the specific issues with a bit more urgency.

Motion by Judge Biscoe and seconded by Commissioner Davis to direct the Task Force on Court Fines and Fees to address the issues raised by the County Clerk in her report, and also to the extent that these issues impact other departments, ask that the Task Force give a comprehensive review, and report back to the Commissioners’ Court no later than 60 days from today.

A Friendly Amendment to the previous Motion was offered by Commissioner Daugherty to have the Planning and Budget Office (PBO) and Information and Telecommunications Systems (ITS) look at the County Clerk’s requests for full time employees (FTE’s).

Acceptance of the Friendly Amendment was made by Judge Biscoe and Commissioner Davis.

An Clarification of the previous Motion was made by Judge Biscoe that a subcommittee of the Task Force on Court Fines and Fees look at bonds and immediate assessments; that 2 members of the subcommittee come from the Bail Bonds Board, including the County Attorney, Pretrial Services, Travis County Sheriff’s Office, and 1 or 2 other offices greatly affected.

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

37. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON REQUEST FOR PAYMENT TO AUSTIN/TRAVIS COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH AND MENTAL RETARDATION FOR RENTAL OF SPACE AT 56 EAST AVENUE, AUSTIN, TEXAS THAT HAS BEEN USED BY TRAVIS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE CRISIS INTERVENTION UNIT. (2:59 PM)

Members of the Court heard from: Mike Hemby, Research Analyst, Travis County Sheriff's Office (TCSO); and Jim Connolly, Assistant County Attorney.

Discussion only. No action taken.

Item 37 to be reposted on May 4, 2004.

38. CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON LEGISLATIVE ISSUES IMPACTING COUNTIES DURING THE SPECIAL SESSION OF THE 78TH LEGISLATURE. (3:36 PM)

Motion by Judge Biscoe **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez to authorize Precinct Three Commissioner Daugherty to sign the "Nine Points Concerning Property Tax Caps" letter.

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

Item 38 to be reposted on May 4, 2004.

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

The Commissioners Court will consider the following items in Executive Session. The Commissioners Court may also consider any other matter posted on the agenda if there are issues that require consideration in Executive Session and the Commissioners Court announces that the item will be considered during Executive Session.

- 39. CONSIDER RESPONSE FROM MRE RANCH, LTD. (MEDWAY) ON PURCHASE CONTRACT APPROVED MARCH 2, 2004 FOR APPROXIMATELY 344.984 ACRES OF LAND IN CONNECTION WITH THE BALCONES CANYONLANDS CONSERVATION PLAN, AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. (COMMISSIONER DAUGHERTY) ² (3:38 PM) (4:17 PM)

Clerk's Note: Judge Biscoe announced that Item 39 would be considered in Executive Session pursuant to Gov't. Code Ann. 551.072, Real Property.

Motion by Commissioner Daugherty **and seconded by** Commissioner Sonleitner to decline the offer of \$11,000,000.00 for the Medway Ranch property, and that we let the owners know that we will give them up to 21 days to respond back to us as to any other information they need to give to us, but after that date we will feel obliged to move forward with putting other properties in the pipeline and going forward with the Balcones Canyonlands Preserve (BCP).

A Friendly Amendment to the previous Motion was offered by Commissioner Sonleitner that in rejecting their \$11,000,000.00 offer, that we are simultaneously re-urging and re-offering our \$8.22 million dollar offer, but they have 21 days to respond.

Acceptance of the Friendly Amendment was made by Commissioner Daugherty.

Motion carried:

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

- 40.** RECEIVE BRIEFING FROM COUNTY ATTORNEY REGARDING CLAIM AGAINST HARLEY DAVIDSON, INC., AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. ¹
 (3:38 PM) (4:18 PM)

Clerk’s Note: Judge Biscoe announced that Item 40 would be considered in Executive Session pursuant to Gov’t. Code Ann. 551.071, Consultation with Attorney.

Motion by Commissioner Sonleitner **and seconded by** Commissioner Gómez that we invite Harley Davidson, take them up on their offer that came in from the latest letter we received from them, to send someone to Travis County to inspect our vehicles and hopefully they will give us a report that will allow us to do as we see fit.

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

- 41.** CONSIDER OPPORTUNITY TO PURCHASE REAL ESTATE IN CENTRAL AUSTIN, AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. ² (3:38 PM) (4:19 PM)

Clerk’s Note: Judge Biscoe announced that Item 41 would be considered in Executive Session pursuant to Gov’t. Code Ann. 551.072, Real Property.

No action required on Item 41.

Item 41 to be reposted on May 4, 2004.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Commissioner Davis **and seconded by** Commissioner Sonleitner to adjourn the Voting Session. (4:19 PM)

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

MINUTES APPROVED BY THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT

Date of Approval

Samuel T. Biscoe, Travis County Judge