



## Minutes for the Travis County Commissioners Court September 26, 2023 Voting Session

Minutes Prepared by the Travis County Clerk  
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### Call to Order

Meeting called to order on September 26, 2023, in the Travis County Administration Building, Commissioners Courtroom, 700 Lavaca Street, 1st Floor, Austin, TX, Dyana Limon-Mercado County Clerk, was represented by Deputies Gillian Porter and Jasmine Acosta.

Present: County Judge Andy Brown  
Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion  
Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea  
Commissioner Precinct 3 Ann Howard  
Commissioner Precinct 4 Margaret J. Gómez

### Signature Motion

*Clerk's Note: The members of the Commissioners Court discussed the voting session being held by video conference and that several Commissioners are not physically present.*

**MOTION:** Each Commissioner not physically present delegates the authority to the County Judge to sign any documents, including orders related to items before the court today on their behalf.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**

**MOVER:** Commissioner Precinct 4 Margaret Gómez

**SECONDER:** Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion

**AYES:** Andy Brown, Jeffrey Travillion, Brigid Shea, Ann Howard, Margaret Gómez

### Public Communication

Members of the Court heard from:  
Susan Spataro, Travis County resident

### County Announcements

*Clerk's Note: The County Judge announced that there would be a celebration for Hispanic Heritage Month from noon to 1pm on the Plaza September 26, 2023.*

## Consent Motion

**MOTION:** Approve Consent Items 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16.b-d, 18, 19.a-b, 21.a-e, 22, 23, 25, 26, 27, 28.a-f, 31.a-dd, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42.a-b, 43, 44, 45.a-b, 47, 48, 49, 51, 52, and 53.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**

**MOVER:** Commissioner Precinct 4 Margaret Gómez

**SECONDER:** Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion

**AYES:** Andy Brown, Jeffrey Travillion, Brigid Shea, Ann Howard, Margaret Gómez

## Public Hearings

1. Receive comments regarding the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Travis County District Clerk's Records Management Plan. (Judge Brown)

**MOTION:** Open the Public Hearing.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**

**MOVER:** Commissioner Precinct 4 Margaret Gómez

**SECONDER:** Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea

**AYES:** Andy Brown, Jeffrey Travillion, Brigid Shea, Ann Howard, Margaret Gómez

Members of the Court heard from:

Velva Price, District County Clerk

**MOTION:** Close the Public Hearing.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**

**MOVER:** Commissioner Precinct 4 Margaret Gómez

**SECONDER:** Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion

**AYES:** Andy Brown, Jeffrey Travillion, Brigid Shea, Ann Howard, Margaret Gómez

2. Receive comments regarding the FY 2024 Proposed Budget. (Judge Brown)

**MOTION:** Open the Public Hearing.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**

**MOVER:** Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion

**SECONDER:** Commissioner Precinct 4 Margaret Gómez

**AYES:** Andy Brown, Jeffrey Travillion, Brigid Shea, Ann Howard, Margaret Gómez

Members of the Court heard from:

Travis Gatlin, Budget Director, Planning and Budget Office (PBO)

**MOTION:** Close the Public Hearing.  
**RESULT:** **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**  
**MOVER:** Commissioner Precinct 4 Margaret Gómez  
**SECONDER:** Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion  
**AYES:** Andy Brown, Jeffrey Travillion, Brigid Shea, Ann Howard, Margaret Gómez

### **Resolutions & Proclamations**

3. Approve proclamation recognizing September 15–October 15, 2023, as "Hispanic Heritage Month in Travis County." (Judge Brown & Commissioner Gómez)

**MOTION:** Approve Item 3.  
**RESULT:** **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**  
**MOVER:** Commissioner Precinct 4 Margaret Gómez  
**SECONDER:** Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea  
**AYES:** Andy Brown, Jeffrey Travillion, Brigid Shea, Ann Howard, Margaret Gómez

4. Approve a proclamation recognizing September 27, 2023 as "Angelina Pouhe Day" in Travis County. (Commissioner Gómez)

**MOTION:** Approve Item 4.  
**RESULT:** **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**  
**MOVER:** Commissioner Precinct 4 Margaret Gómez  
**SECONDER:** Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea  
**AYES:** Andy Brown, Jeffrey Travillion, Brigid Shea, Ann Howard, Margaret Gómez

### **Auditor**

5. Approve payment of claims by the County Treasurer. (Judge Brown)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

### **Emergency Services**

6. Consider and take appropriate action regarding the following:

A. Outdoor burning in the unincorporated areas of Travis County

**RESULT: NO ACTION NECESSARY**

- B. County response to natural disaster or other emergency  
(Judge Brown)

*Items 6.b and 16.a are associated with one another and were called for concurrent discussion. Please refer to Item 16.a for a summary of the action taken by the Court.*

7. Consider and take appropriation action on the First Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement Between County of Travis and the City of Austin for Grant Related to All COVID-19 Response Activities Occurring on or After December 31, 2020, by Either Party, correcting the stated maximum amount payable under this agreement from \$20,450,555 to \$20,400,555, a difference of \$50,000 in the amount payable from County to City under this ILA, previously approved by Commissioners Court on July 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023. (Commissioners Shea & Howard)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

#### **Health & Human Services**

8. Consider and take appropriate action to approve the Program Year 2023 (PY23) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Grant Agreement and Special Conditions provided by HUD. (Judge Brown & Commissioner Gómez)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

9. Consider and take appropriate action to approve and ratify a 2-month contract extension of Contract No. 19-281-000-B780 with the Texas General Land Office (GLO), which will terminate on December 3, 2023. (Judge Brown & Commissioner Gómez)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

#### **Intergovernmental Relations**

10. Consider and take appropriate action on a Letter of Support for Harris County and the Texas Solar for All Coalition's federal grant award application. (Judge Brown & Commissioner Shea)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

11. Receive an update on constitutional amendments on the November 7, 2023, general election ballot. (Commissioners Shea & Travillion)

Members of the Court heard from:

Julie Wheeler, Intergovernmental Relations Officer, Intergovernmental  
Relations Office (IGR)

Cicely Kay, Intergovernmental Relations Specialist, IGR

**RESULT: DISCUSSED**

### **Justice & Public Safety**

12. Consider and take appropriate action to use internal Counseling and Education Services funding for food and supplies for Domestic Violence Awareness Month proclamation and reception on October 3rd, 2023. (Commissioner Gómez)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

13. Consider and take appropriate action to approve the Ninth Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement between the Sobering Center LGC, the City of Austin, and Travis County to begin on October 1, 2023, extending the term of the agreement for an additional six months, ending on March 31, 2024. (Judge Brown & Commissioner Gomez)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

### **Planning & Budget**

14. Authorize the County Treasurer to invest County funds. (Judge Brown)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

15. Consider and take appropriate action on budget amendments, transfers, and discussion items. (Commissioner Gómez)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

16. Consider and take appropriate action on the following grant programs, applications, contracts and related special budgets, and permissions to continue:

- A. New grant application for wildfire mitigation grant funds from Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) through the Texas Division of Emergency Management for \$1,183,628, including \$118,363 in county match, in Transportation and Natural Resources

*Items 6.b and 16.a are associated with one another and were called for concurrent discussion.*

Members of the Court heard from:

Eric Carter, Emergency Management Coordinator, Emergency Services  
Debra Scott, Environmental Project Manager, BCCP, Transportation and  
Natural Resources (TNR)  
Cynthia McDonald, County Executive, TNR  
Hector Nieto, Public Information Officer, Public Information Office (PIO)

**MOTION:** Approve Item 16.a.  
**RESULT:** **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**  
**MOVER:** Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion  
**SECONDER:** Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea  
**AYES:** Andy Brown, Jeffrey Travillion, Brigid Shea, Ann Howard, Margaret  
Gómez

- B. Contract amendment to the Low Income Housing Weatherization Assistance Program through the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs in HHS to extend the grant period to December 31, 2023
- C. Contract amendment to the Public Defenders Office and MAC Enhancement Grant with the Texas Indigent Defense Commission to extend the grant period to March 31, 2024
- D. Contract amendment to the Detection and Mitigation of COVID grant in the Travis County Sheriff's Office through the Department of State Health Services to transfer funds between grant categories (Commissioner Gómez)

*Clerk's Note: Items 16.b-d were added to the Consent Motion.*

- 17. Consider and take appropriate action on an order approving the Travis County Budget for FY 2024. (Judge Brown)

**MOTION:** Approve the budget in Item 17.  
**RESULT:** **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**  
**MOVER:** Commissioner Precinct 4 Margaret Gómez  
**SECONDER:** Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion  
**AYES:** Andy Brown, Jeffrey Travillion, Brigid Shea, Ann Howard, Margaret  
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- 18. Consider and take appropriate action to approve a contract for Travis County to perform administrative, accounting, and clerical services for the Travis County Corporations from October 1, 2023, to September 30, 2024. (Commissioners Shea & Gómez)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

19. Consider and take appropriate action on the following relating to the Bella Fortuna Public Improvement District:
- A. An order accepting and approving an annual service plan update to the service and assessment plan and an updated assessment roll for the Bella Fortuna Public Improvement District
  - B. A resolution: 1) Recognizing a Bond Issuance Request for the issuance of PID Bonds for the payment of the costs of the Authorized Improvements for the Bella Fortuna Public Improvement District and 2) Directing County Staff to confirm that all conditions precedent to the issuance of PID Bonds by the Travis County Development Authority have been satisfied and along with Travis County Development Authority staff, to take such other actions as are required to commence preliminary preparations for the sale of the PID Bonds (Commissioner Gómez)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

20. Consider and take appropriate action on the following related to Travis County Code Chapter 481, the County's public improvement district ("PID") policy, including:
- A. Considering whether to continue the moratorium on accepting petitions for the creation of new PIDs
  - B. Providing direction as to whether to add a proposed PID Community Benefit Fee Subchapter and update the language in the current PID policy regarding the PID Community Benefit Fee to reflect current practices
  - C. Providing direction on the Lagos Austin ETJ PID petition
  - D. Addressing staffing needs with respect to already-created PIDs (Commissioner Gómez)

Members of the Court heard from:

Christy Moffett, Director, Economic Development & Strategic Investments,  
PBO  
Michael Slack, Vice President, Land Development, Taylor Morrison  
Talley Williams, Partner, Metcalfe Wolff Stuart & Williams LLP (MWSW)  
representing Taylor Morrison  
Steve Metcalfe, Partner, MWSW  
Greg Anderson, Director, Community Affairs, Austin Habitat for Humanity  
Rachel Shanks, Senior Analyst, MWSW  
Pete Dwyer, Owner and President, Dwyer Realty Companies  
Paul Hilgers, Travis County resident

**MOTION:** Approve the language about the community benefit fee with changes to item C, and on C3 adding that fourth way to use the community benefit fee to pay for county staff and third-party contracts to cover the work which will allow the lifting of the moratorium. That staff bring back a proposal.

**MOVER:** Commissioner Precinct 3, Ann Howard

**SECONDER:** County Judge Andy Brown

**MOTION**

**WITHDRAWN**

**RESULT: NO VOTE TAKEN**

*Clerk's Note: The County Judge noted that this item will be discussed October 3, 2023.*

21. Consider and take appropriate action to approve an order of the Commissioners Court of Travis County, Texas:
- A. Determining the costs of certain public improvements to be financed within Improvement Area #1 Commercial Lot 98 and Improvement Area #2 of the Turner's Crossing Public Improvement District
  - B. Approving the 2023 Annual Service Plan Update to the Service and Assessment Plan, including an updated Improvement Area #1 assessment roll and a proposed Improvement Area #1 Commercial Lot 98 assessment roll and Improvement Area #2 assessment roll
  - C. Directing the filing of such proposed assessment rolls with the County Tax Assessor-Collector to make available for public inspection
  - D. Noticing a public hearing for October 17, 2023 to consider an order levying assessments on Improvement Area #1 Commercial Lot 98 and Improvement Area #2 of the Turner's Crossing Public Improvement District and other matters related thereto
  - E. Directing County staff to publish and mail notice of said public hearing (Commissioner Gómez)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

22. Approve an order to designate the regular meeting days of the Commissioners Court of Travis County (Judge Brown)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

## **Purchasing**

23. Receive bids from County Purchasing Agent. (Commissioner Travillion)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

24. Consider and take appropriate action regarding items related to the Travis County Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) Program, including:

- A. 2021 Disparity Study Implementation Plan
- B. Chapter 32 and Purchasing Procedures Guide Updates
- C. Approve changes to the Purchasing Procedures Guide (Commissioner Travillion)

Members of the Court heard from:

Sylvia Lopez, Director, HUB Program, Purchasing  
Randle Jackson, Assistant Director, Hub Program, Purchasing  
Bonnie Floyd, Travis County Purchasing Agent

**MOTION:** Approve Items 24.a-c.

**RESULT: APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**

**MOVER:** Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion

**SECONDER:** Commissioner Precinct 3 Ann Howard

**AYES:** Andy Brown, Jeffrey Travillion, Brigid Shea, Ann Howard, Margaret Gómez

25. Approve Modification No. 4 to Contract No. 4400004276 with Capital Area Private Defender Service (CAPDS), in the amount of \$804,511.00, for Management of Assigned Counsel (MAC). (District and Criminal Courts) (Commissioner Travillion)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

26. Approve Modification No. 3 to Contract No. 4400005331 with Capital Area Private Defender Service (CAPDS), in the amount of \$1,272,804.00, for enhanced indigent defense services. (District and Criminal Courts) (Commissioner Travillion)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

27. Approve Modification No. 7 to Contract No. 4400003079 with Maureen S. Burrows, M.D., as needed, for psychological/ psychiatric services. (District and Criminal Courts) (Commissioner Travillion)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

28. Approve social services contract modifications for fiscal year 2024 renewals as follows:

- A. Modification No. 5 to Contract No. 4400001739, with Communities In Schools of Central Texas, in the amount of \$455,030.00
- B. Modification No. 2 to Contract No. 4400003980, with YWCA of Greater Austin, in the amount of \$133,050.00
- C. Modification No. 1 to Contract No. 4400003981, with Any Baby Can of Austin, Inc., in the amount of \$54,495.00
- D. Modification No. 1 to Contract No. 4400003982, with Austin Child Guidance Center, in the amount of \$50,000.00
- E. Modification No. 1 to Contract No. 4400003969, with Youth and Family Alliance dba Lifeworks, in the amount of \$126,681.00
- F. Modification No. 1 to Contract No. 4400004002, with AIDS Services of Austin dba Vivent Health, Inc., in the amount of \$467,137.00 (Health & Human Services) (Commissioner Travillion)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

29. Approve Modification No. 1 to Contract No. 4400006343 with Chisos Star, LLC, dba The Cook's Nook, in the amount of \$1,200,000.00, for prepared meals services. (Health & Human Services) (Commissioner Travillion)

Members of the Court heard from:

Korey Darling, Planning Manager, Health and Human Services (HHS)  
Joi Chevalier, Founder and CEO, Cook's Nook

**MOTION:** Approve Item 29.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**

**MOVER:** Commissioner Precinct 4 Margaret Gómez

**SECONDER:** Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion

**AYES:** Andy Brown, Jeffrey Travillion, Brigid Shea, Ann Howard, Margaret Gómez

30. Approve Modification No. 1 to Contract No. 4400006501 with United Way for Greater Austin, in the amount of \$1,370,832.00, for childcare system support services. (Health & Human Services) (Commissioner Travillion)

Members of the Court heard from:

Korey Darling, Planning Manager, HHS  
Catherine McHorse, Vice President, Success by 6, United Way of Austin  
Nicole Jarrette-Peat, Services Alliance Manager, Success by 6, United Way of Austin

**MOTION:** Approve Item 30.  
**RESULT:** **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**  
**MOVER:** Commissioner Precinct 4 Margaret Gómez  
**SECONDER:** Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea  
**AYES:** Andy Brown, Jeffrey Travillion, Brigid Shea, Ann Howard, Margaret Gómez

31. Approve social services contract modifications for Fiscal Year 2024 renewals as follows:
- A. Modification No. 2 to Contract No. 4400003332, with Any Baby Can of Austin, Inc., in the amount of \$55,000.00
  - B. Modification No. 5 to Contract No. 4400002213, with Any Baby Can of Austin, Inc., in the amount of \$56,287.00
  - C. Modification No. 6 to Contract No. 4400002312, with Any Baby Can of Austin, Inc., in the amount of \$169,400.00
  - D. Modification No. 5 to Contract No. 4400002311, with Austin Child Guidance Center, in the amount of \$63,800.00
  - E. Modification No. 5 to Contract No. 4400002313, with Austin Community College – Eastview Campus, in the amount of \$57,200.00
  - F. Modification No. 4 to Contract No. 4400003038, with Texas Rio Grande Legal Aid, in the amount of \$233,525.00
  - G. Modification No. 5 to Contract No. 4400002314, with AVANCE - Austin, Inc., in the amount of \$104,500.00
  - H. Modification No. 2 to Contract No. 4400003287, with Caritas of Austin, in the amount of \$92,400.00
  - I. Modification No. 2 to Contract No. 4400003036, with Casa Marianella, in the amount of \$199,102.00
  - J. Modification No. 2 to Contract No. 4400003338, with Catholic Charities of Central Texas, in the amount of \$99,000.00
  - K. Modification No. 6 to Contract No. 4400001759, with Central Texas Food Bank, Inc., in the amount of \$63,543.00
  - L. Modification No. 2 to Contract No. 4400003285, with Central Texas Food Bank, Inc., in the amount of \$66,000.00

- M. Modification No. 7 to Contract No. 4400001765, with the Child, Inc., in the amount of \$229,658.00
- N. Modification No. 5 to Contract No. 4400002315, with the Communities In Schools of Central Texas, in the amount of \$98,000.00
- O. Modification No. 3 to Contract No. 4400003330, with Easter Seals Central Texas, Inc., in the amount of \$144,437.00
- P. Modification No. 4 to Contract No. 4400002214, with Easter Seals Central Texas, Inc., in the amount of \$12,922.00
- Q. Modification No. 8 to Contract No. 4400001133, with Ending Community Homelessness Coalition, Inc., in the amount of \$61,710.00
- R. Modification No. 4 to Contract No. 4400003331, with Family Eldercare, in the amount of \$123,919.00
- S. Modification No. 2 to Contract No. 4400003037, with Foundation Communities, in the amount of \$217,800.00
- T. Modification No. 2 to Contract No. 4400003333, with Helping The Aging, Needy and Disabled (H.A.N.D), in the amount of \$59,618.00
- U. Modification No. 5 to Contract No. 4400001775, with Meals on Wheels and More, Inc., in the amount of \$157,365.00
- V. Modification No. 5 to Contract No. 4400001774, with Meals on Wheels and More, Inc., in the amount of \$184,114.00
- W. Modification No. 2 to Contract No. 4400003039, with Vincare Services of Austin Foundation dba Saint Louise House, in the amount of \$156,200.00
- X. Modification No. 2 to Contract No. 4400003286, with Sustainable Food Center, Inc., in the amount of \$61,600.00
- Y. Modification No. 2 to Contract No. 4400003319, with The ARC of the Capital Area, in the amount of \$132,110.00
- Z. Modification No. 1 to Contract No. 4400006521, with United Way for Greater Austin, in the amount of \$38,500.00
- AA. Modification No. 2 to Contract No. 4400003337, with Texas RioGrande Legal Aid, Inc., in the amount of \$66,000.00
- BB. Modification No. 12 to Contract No. 4400001860, with Workforce Solutions Capital Area Workforce Board, in the amount of \$744,499.00

CC. Modification No. 6 to Contract No. 4400002316, with Workforce Solutions Capital Area Workforce Board, in the amount of \$193,000.00

DD. Modification No. 2 to Contract No. 4400003301, with The ARC of the Capital Area, in the amount of \$16,500.00  
(Health & Human Services) (Commissioner Travillion)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

32. Approve exemption and novation of Contract No. 4400003757 with Knaupe GR, in the amount of \$90,000.00, for legislative advocacy services. (Intergovernmental Relations) (Commissioner Travillion)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

33. Approve Modification No. 9 to Contract No. 4400003950 with Capital Area Private Defender Service (CAPDS), in the amount of \$672,222.36, for the Forensic Review Project. (Justice Planning) (Commissioner Travillion)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

34. Approve Modification No. 2 to Contract No. 4400006723 with Austin/Travis County Reentry Roundtable, in the amount of \$35,000.00, for community engagement for formerly incarcerated persons. (Justice Planning) (Commissioner Travillion)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

35. Approve Modification No. 1 to Contract No. 4400006880 with Capital Area Private Defender Service (CAPDS), in the amount of \$127,933.00, for the Grant Funded Forensic Review Project. (Justice Planning) (Commissioner Travillion)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

36. Approve order exempting the purchase of HVAC ceiling hatches at the Travis County Correctional Complex from QA Construction, and approve Purchase Order 4100217532, in the amount of \$87,284.27, from the competitive procurement process, pursuant to County Purchasing Act §262.024(a)(2). (Sheriff's Office & Facilities Management Department) (Commissioner Travillion)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

37. Approve Modification No. 7 to Contract No. 4400003142 with Hawkins Associates, Inc., as needed, for temporary staffing services. (Tax Office) (Commissioner Travillion)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

38. Approve Change Order No. 3 to Contract No. 4400005631 with Smith Contracting Co Inc., in the amount of \$188,328.07, for Taylor Lane Improvements. (Transportation & Natural Resources) (Commissioner Travillion)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

39. Approve exemption and award of Contract No. 4400007246 with American Youthworks, as needed, for workforce training services. (Transportation & Natural Resources) (Commissioner Travillion)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

40. Approve Modification No. 6 to Contract No. 4400003941 with HDR Engineering, Inc., in the amount of \$99,656.00, for the Arroyo Doble/Twin Creeks Drainage Project. (Transportation & Natural Resources) (Commissioner Travillion)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

41. Approve Contract No. 4400007234 with Central Texas Food Bank and Hudson Meats, as needed, for the Hunters for the Hungry Program. (Transportation & Natural Resources) (Commissioner Travillion)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

## **Technology & Operations**

42. Consider and take appropriate action on the following Personnel Amendments:

- A. Routine Personnel Actions
- B. Non-Routine Personnel Actions  
(Commissioners Travillion & Gómez)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

## **Transportation & Natural Resources**

43. Consider and take appropriate action regarding a request to approve a License Agreement with Tracy Limon for the purpose of having exclusive use of Webberville Park to host the annual Limon family reunion from October 6-8, 2023. (Commissioner Travillion)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

44. Consider and take appropriate action regarding a request to release a portion of a drainage easement associated with Quad Park 3B-3a. (Commissioner Gómez)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

45. Consider and take appropriate action regarding the following items:

- A. Final Plat for recording: Schwetman Phase 2 (Small Lot Subdivision), Final Plat (169 Total Lots – 26.482 Acres – Old Webberville Road (FM 969) – City of Austin's five-mile ETJ in Precinct Four
- B. Subdivision Construction Agreement between Starlight Homes Texas, LLC and Travis County  
(Commissioner Gómez)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

#### **Other**

46. Consider and take appropriate action on the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Travis County District Clerk's Records Management Plan. (Judge Brown)

**MOTION:** Approve Item 46.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**

**MOVER:** Commissioner Precinct 4 Margaret Gómez

**SECONDER:** Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion

**AYES:** Andy Brown, Jeffrey Travillion, Brigid Shea, Ann Howard, Margaret Gómez

47. Consider and take appropriate action to receive bond of Patricia "Patti" Smith, County Auditor. (Judge Brown)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

48. Receive Fiscal Year 2024 Forfeited Property Account budget from the District Attorney's Office in accordance with the provisions of Article 59.06(d) of the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure. (Judge Brown)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

49. Approve the minutes for the Voting Session of August 22nd and 29th, 2023. (Judge Brown)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

50. Consider and take appropriate action to approve an Interlocal Agreement between the County of Travis and the City of Austin in connection with the DWI Pilot Program, and use of funds received from the City to support the cost of Alcohol Monitoring Devices for DWI Court Program participants in an amount not to exceed \$11,000.00 for the period between October 1, 2023, and September 30, 2024. (Judge Brown)

**RESULT: NO ACTION NECESSARY**

51. Consider and take appropriate action on request from the District Judges for flexibility to set the Travis County Auditor's compensation as set forth and authorized in the Order of the District Judges and Local Government Code §152.032. (Judge Brown)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

52. Approve bond for appointed Probate Court # 2 Judge, Nicholas Chu. (Judge Brown)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

53. Approve bond for appointed Justice of the Peace # 5 Judge, Richard Olivo. (Judge Brown)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

54. Consider and take appropriate action on a letter to the Texas Department of Transportation regarding the I-35 Capital Express Central Project. (Commissioners Shea & Travillion)

Members of the Court heard from:

Miriam Schoenfield, Member, Rethink 35  
Heyden Walker, Director of Planning, Reconnect Austin  
Addie Walker, Member, Reconnect Austin  
Hannes Mandel, Travis County resident  
Adam Greenfield, Member, Rethink 35  
Yorhgus Economis, Travis County resident

**MOTION:** Approve the letter in Item 54.

**RESULT: APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**

**MOVER:** Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea

**SECONDER:** Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion

**AYES:** Andy Brown, Jeffrey Travillion, Brigid Shea, Ann Howard, Margaret Gómez

55. Consider and take appropriate action on the Travis County Healthcare District DBA Central Health property tax rates for the 2023 tax year

A. Total maintenance and operations tax rate

B. Total debt service tax rate

C. Total ad valorem tax rate  
(Judge Brown)

*Items 55.a-c and 56 are associated with one another and were called for concurrent discussion.*

*Judge Brown announced that Items 55.a-c would be considered in Executive Session pursuant to Gov't. Code Ann. 551.071, Consultation with Attorney.*

Members of the Court heard from:

Reyes Martinez, Travis County resident  
Divya Diwan, CEO, People's Community Clinic  
Dominique Street, Director, Care Coordination and Patient Navigation, Black Men's Health Clinic  
Fred Lewis, Travis County resident  
Melia O'Dell, Member, Hornsby Bend Advisory Committee  
Catalina Berry, Travis County resident  
Lupita Cardoso, Travis County resident  
Susan Spataro, Travis County resident  
Marcus DeLeon, Former Travis County Commissioner  
Peck Young, Co-Founder, Coalition for Central Health Audit  
Ofelia Zapata, Member, Texas Anti-Poverty Project  
Maria Emerson, Travis County resident  
Nelson Linder, President, Austin National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP)  
Fred Rodriguez, Travis County resident  
Frank Ortega, Representative, LULAC District 7  
Gloria Leal, President, LULAC District 7  
Anna Maciel, Travis County resident  
Maria Solis, Travis County resident  
Dawn Handley, CEO, Integral Care  
Jerold McDonald, Board Member, Sendero Health  
Nora De Hoyos-Comstock, Travis County resident  
Angelica Zarate, Travis County resident  
Paul Scott, CEO, Health Alliance for Austin Musicians (HAAM)  
Chase Wright, Executive Director, Hungry Hill Foundation  
Andi Breuer, Mission Coordinator, Central Presbyterian Church  
Jesus Gonzalez, Volunteer, Central Presbyterian Church  
Gonzalo Barrientos, Former Senator, 14th District  
Amit Motwani, Manager, Central Health Board of Managers  
Maram Museitif, Manager, Central Health Board of Managers  
Dr. Cynthia Brinson, Vice Chair, Central Health Board of Managers  
Shannon Jones, Manager, Central Health Board of Managers  
Cynthia Valadez, Sr., Secretary, Central Health Board of Managers  
Dr. Charles Bell, President, Central Health Board of Managers  
Mike Geeslin, President and CEO, Central Health  
Jeff Knodel, Chief Financial Officer, Central Health  
Monica Crowley, Vice president, Chief Strategy and Planning Officer, Central Health  
Alan Schalscha, Medical Director, Central Health

**MOTION:** That the budget be passed with no tax increases, giving time to conduct the audit, and reserves would drop to \$420,000.00. This will not have a negative impact on Central Health and the seven-year plan.

**MOVER:** Commissioner Precinct 4, Margaret Gómez

*Clerk's Note: The Motion died for lack of a Second.*

**MOTION:** For the maintenance and operations tax rate, I move that the Central Health property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.096071, which is effectively a six- and one-half percent (6.5%) increase in the tax rate.

**RESULT:** **Passed (4-1)**

**MOVER:** Commissioner Precinct 3 Ann Howard

**SECONDER:** County Judge Andy Brown

**AYES:** Andy Brown, Jeffrey Travillion, Brigid Shea, Ann Howard

**NAYS:** Margaret Gómez

**MOTION:** For the debt service tax rate, I move that the Central Health property tax be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.004621, which is effectively a one hundred twenty two percent (122%) increase in the tax rate.

**RESULT:** **Passed (4-0)**

**MOVER:** Commissioner Precinct 3 Ann Howard

**SECONDER:** County Judge Andy Brown

**AYES:** Andy Brown, Jeffrey Travillion, Brigid Shea, Ann Howard

**NAYS:** Margaret Gómez

**MOTION:** For the total ad valorem tax rate, which is the sum of the maintenance and operations tax rate and debt service tax rate, I move that the Central Health property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.100692, which is effectively a two percent (2.0%) increase in the tax rate.

**RESULT:** **Passed (4-1)**

**MOVER:** Commissioner Precinct 3 Ann Howard

**SECONDER:** County Judge Andy Brown

**AYES:** Andy Brown, Jeffrey Travillion, Brigid Shea, Ann Howard

**NAYS:** Margaret Gómez

56. Consider and take appropriate action on the Travis County Healthcare District DBA Central Health Fiscal Year 2024 Budget. (Judge Brown)

*Items 55.a-c and 56 are associated with one another and were called for concurrent discussion.*

*Judge Brown announced that Item 56 would be considered in Executive Session pursuant to Gov't. Code Ann. 551.071, Consultation with Attorney.*

**MOTION:** Approve the budget as presented.  
**RESULT:** **Passed (3-1)**  
**MOVER:** Commissioner Precinct 3 Ann Howard  
**SECONDER:** Commissioner Precinct 4 Margaret Gómez  
**AYES:** Andy Brown, Jeffrey Travillion, Ann Howard  
**NAYS:** Margaret Gómez  
**ABSTAIN:** Brigid Shea

**MOTION:** That Central Health report quarterly on their budget similar to the quarterly reports already in place and ensure that the audit is completed.

**RESULT:** **UNANIMOUS**  
**MOVER:** Commissioner Precinct 3 Ann Howard  
**SECONDER:** Commissioner Precinct 4 Margaret Gómez  
**AYES:** Andy Brown, Jeffrey Travillion, Brigid Shea, Ann Howard, Margaret Gómez

## **Executive Session**

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.

*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*

*Note 5: Gov't Code Ann 551.087, Economic Development Negotiations*

*Note 6 Gov't Code Ann 551.089, IT Security*

*Note 7: Gov't Code Ann 551.0745, Deliberation by Commissioners Court about County Advisory Body*

57. Receive briefing and take appropriate action regarding Travis County information security issues.<sup>1&6</sup> (Commissioners Travillion & Howard)

**RESULT: NO ACTION NECESSARY**

58. Receive legal briefing and take appropriate action regarding a settlement offer in *Travis County, Texas v. Michael J. Parker and Karyn Ponder Parker, Trustees of the Ponder Parker Recoverable Trust*; Cause No.C-1-PB-22-002456<sup>1&2</sup> (Commissioner Howard)

*Judge Brown announced that Item 58 would be considered in Executive Session pursuant to Gov't. Code Ann. 551.071, Consultation with Attorney and Gov't. Code Ann. 551.072, Real Property.*

**MOTION:** Authorize the County Attorney to take the necessary actions to accept the settlement offer and finalize the settlement as discussed in Executive Session  
**RESULT:** **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**  
**MOVER:** Commissioner Precinct 3 Ann Howard  
**SECONDER:** County Judge Andy Brown  
**AYES:** Andy Brown, Jeffrey Travillion, Brigid Shea, Ann Howard, Margaret Gómez

59. Consider and take appropriate action on an offer received by Travis County for the purchase of: (1) a permanent utility easement for the construction, operation, and maintenance of an underground water transmission pipeline on, over and across approximately 2,130 square feet (roughly 0.0489 acres) of land; and, (2) a temporary construction easement for installation of the proposed waterline, on, over, and across approximately 9,736 square feet (roughly 0.2235 acres) of land – owned by Travis County, located at 14624 Hamilton Pool Road, and serving as the Travis County Parks
60. West District Office – sought by the City of Bee Cave for a West Travis County Public Utility Agency waterline planned to serve properties in Precinct Three. <sup>1&2</sup>  
(Commissioner Howard)

*Judge Brown announced that Item 59 would be considered in Executive Session pursuant to Gov't. Code Ann. 551.071, Consultation with Attorney and Gov't. Code Ann. 551.072, Real Property.*

**MOTION:** Direct staff to negotiate the price to sell the permanent easement as discussed in Executive Session and to make the temporary easement available.  
**RESULT:** **Passed (4-0)**  
**MOVER:** Commissioner Precinct 3 Ann Howard  
**SECONDER:** Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion  
**AYES:** Andy Brown, Jeffrey Travillion, Brigid Shea, Ann Howard  
**ABSTAIN:** Margaret Gómez

**Adjourn**

**Minutes Approved by the Commissioners Court**

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Date of Approval

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Andy Brown, County Judge