



Minutes for the Travis County Commissioners Court September 23, 2025 Voting Session

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Call to Order

Meeting called to order on September 23, 2025, in the Travis County Administration Building, Commissioners Courtroom, 700 Lavaca Street, 1st Floor, Austin, TX, Dyana Limon-Mercado County Clerk, was represented by Deputies Lola Ogunro and Alicia Tovar.

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

Signature Motion

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 1 Jeffrey Travillion
SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 3 Ann Howard
AYES: Jeffrey Travillion, Ann Howard, Margaret Gómez

Public Communication

Members of the Court heard from:
Pat Valls-Trelles, Animal Welfare Advocate
Laura Seaton, Administrative Associate, Technology and Operations

County Announcements

Clerk's Note: There were no County Announcements.

Consent Motion

MOTION: Approve Consent Items 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10. a-c., 12, 13, 14. a-d., 15, 17. a-b., 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31. a-j., 32. a-b., 34, 36, and 37.
RESULT: **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**
MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion
SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 3 Ann Howard
AYES: Jeffrey Travillion, Ann Howard, Margaret Gómez

Resolutions & Proclamations

1. Consider and take appropriate action to approve a proclamation recognizing September 2025 as Hunger Action Month in Travis County. (Commissioner Shea)

Members of the Court heard from:

Beth Corbett, Vice President of Government Affairs and Advocacy, Central Texas Food Bank

MOTION: Approve Item 1.
RESULT: **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**
MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion
SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 4 Margaret Gómez
AYES: Jeffrey Travillion, Ann Howard, Margaret Gómez

2. Consider and take appropriate action to approve a proclamation recognizing September 2025 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month in Travis County. (Commissioner Gómez)

Members of the Court heard from:

Kirsha Haverlah, Chair, Austin/Travis County Family Violence Task Force
Neha Naik, Team Lead, Family Violence Division, Travis County District Attorney's Office

Kyle Walker, Legal Systems Manager, Ending Community Homelessness Coalition

MOTION: Approve Item 2.
RESULT: **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**
MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 4 Margaret Gómez
SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion
AYES: Jeffrey Travillion, Ann Howard, Margaret Gómez

Auditor

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

RESULT: **ADDED TO CONSENT**

4. Receive revenue and expenditure reports, and other statutorily required reports, for the month of July 2025 from the County Auditor's Office. The reports are submitted electronically as allowed by local government code §114.023 (a) and prescribed by the County Auditor. (Judge Brown)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

Emergency Services

5. Consider and take appropriate action regarding the following:

- A. Outdoor burning in the unincorporated areas of Travis

County Members of the Court heard from:
Chuck Brotherton, County Executive, Emergency Services
Gary Howell, Travis County Fire Marshal

MOTION: Approve an order prohibiting outdoor burning until October 21st, 2025.
RESULT: **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**
MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 3 Ann Howard
SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion
AYES: Jeffrey Travillion, Ann Howard, Margaret Gómez

- B. County response to natural disaster or other emergencies, including but not limited to necessary measures and actions related to the July 2025 Severe Weather and Flooding Disaster, including Travis County's response, operations, policies, emergency assistance, agreements, and measures necessary to preserve public health and safety and rehabilitation of property, and applicable orders, declarations or resolutions, and authorization for expenditure of funds and contracts related to disaster response and recovery efforts (Judge Brown)

Members of the Court heard from:

Chuck Brotherton, County Executive, Emergency Services (ES)
Hector Nieto, Public Information Officer, Public Information Office
Emily Ackland, Division Director, Environmental Quality Program,
Transportation and Natural Resources (TNR)
Robert Valenzuelz, Public Works Director, TNR
Travis Gatlin, Budget Director, Planning and Budget Office
Blake Clampfer, Chief Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator, ES

RESULT: DISCUSSED

6. Consider and take appropriate action to approve mutual termination of an interlocal agreement with Emergency Services District 11 for use of the Regional Radio System. (Commissioners Shea & Howard)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

Health & Human Services

7. Consider and take appropriate action to approve the Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) Contracting Entity and Site Agreement (Judge Brown & Commissioner Gómez)
RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT
8. Consider and take appropriate action to approve the Partner Agency Agreement: Central Texas Food Bank and Travis County. (Judge Brown & Commissioner Gómez)
RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT
9. Consider and take appropriate action to approve modification to Interlocal Agreement with Worksource – Greater Austin Area Workforce Board DBA Workforce Solutions, Contract No. 4600000970 for the provision of Child Care Services. (Judge Brown & Commissioner Gómez)
RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

Intergovernmental Relations

10. Consider and take appropriate action on the following grant Letters of Intent, contracts and related special budgets, and permissions to continue:
 - A. Award agreement for the Texas Traffic Safety Program for the Travis County Sheriff's Office
 - B. Award agreement for the Comprehensive Underage Drinking Prevention Program for the Travis County Attorney's Office
 - C. Award agreement for the Specialty Courts Program for the Travis County Health and Human Services Department
RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT
 - D. Request for a Permission to Continue the General Victim Assistance Grant in the District Attorney's Office (Judge Brown)

Members of the Court heard from:

Dashiell Daniels, Travis County Grants Administrator, Intergovernmental Relations Office

MOTION: Approve Item 10.d.
RESULT: **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**
MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion
SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 3 Ann Howard
AYES: Jeffrey Travillion, Ann Howard, Margaret Gómez

11. Consider and take appropriate action regarding an appointment to fill Constable, Precinct Four. (*This item may be taken into Executive Session under Government Code section 551.071, Consultation with Attorney exception; Code section 551.074, Personnel Matters*) (Judge Brown)

Members of the Court heard from:

Julie Wheeler, Intergovernmental Relations Officer, Intergovernmental Relations Office

Commissioner Gómez announced that Item 11 would be considered in Executive Session pursuant to Gov't. Code Ann. 551.071, Consultation with Attorney and Gov't. Code Ann. 551.074, Personnel Matters.

MOTION: Approve Gabriel Padilla to interview next week for the position of Constable Precinct Four.
RESULT: **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**
MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 3 Ann Howard
SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion
AYES: Jeffrey Travillion, Ann Howard, Margaret Gómez

Innovative Justice & Program Analysis

12. Consider and take appropriate action on an Amendment to the interlocal agreement between Travis County and the City of Austin to provide Travis County Sheriff's Office with connectivity to the Austin Police Department's Gemalto Cogent Live Scan Automated Biometric Identification System. (Commissioner Howard)
RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

Planning & Budget

13. Authorize the County Treasurer to invest County funds. (Judge Brown)
RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT
14. Consider and take appropriate action on budget amendments, transfers and discussions items, including but not limited to the following listed items, and any other necessary budget amendments and transfers attached to Commissioners Court backup for the agenda item:
- A. Request by Health and Human Services to establish a new budget in Fund 2034 of \$4,679.41 for Revenue Received by Health and Human Services related to the Texas Gas Service – Share the Warmth
 - B. Request by Health and Human Services to establish a new budget in Fund 2117 of \$12,000 for Revenue Received by Health and Human Services related to the Reliant Energy CARE Program

- C. Request by Transportation and Natural Resources to establish a new budget of \$233,796 comprised of \$54,546 in the Contractual Capital Joint Infrastructure Improvement Fund (5001) for Traffic Mitigation Fees, and \$179,250 in the General Fund (0001) for Tree Mitigation Fees
- D. Request from Health and Human Services to transfer \$25,400,000 from the Allocated Reserve of the Child Care and Out of School Time (CCOST) fund (0163) to HHS operating for a contract with Workforce Solutions to provide childcare services (Commissioner Gómez)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

- 15. Consider and take appropriate action on a request to approve a TEFRA Certificate for tax-exempt financing to be undertaken by the Arlington Higher Education Finance Corporation on behalf of the Meridian World School, LLC and Sunflower Public Finance, LLC. (Commissioner Gómez)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

- 16. Consider and take appropriate action on remaining Fiscal Year 2026 Budget issues. (Commissioner Gómez)

RESULT: NO ACTION NECESSARY

- 17. Consider and take appropriate action regarding the following tax collection agreements:

- A. Mustang Valley Public Improvement District

- B. Newhaven Public Improvement District

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

Purchasing

- 18. Receive bids from County Purchasing Agent. (Commissioners Travillion & Gómez)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

- 19. Approve Modification No. 1 to Contract No. 4400007851 with Johnson, Mirmiran & Thompson, Inc., in the amount of \$94,532.42, for Substandard Road Project – Lago Ranchos. (Transportation & Natural Resources) (Commissioners Travillion & Gómez)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

- 20. Approve Modification No. 15 to Contract No. 4400002120 with McGinnis Lochridge, as-needed, for Legal Services (Auditor's Office) (Commissioners Travillion & Gómez)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

21. Approve Modification No. 4 to Contract No. 4400006723 with Austin/Travis County Reentry Roundtable, in the amount of \$35,000.00, for community engagement for formerly incarcerated persons. (Innovative Justice & Program Analysis) (Commissioners Travillion & Gómez)
RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT
22. Approve Modification No. 8, to Contract No. 4400004924 with Fibertown DC, LLC, estimated requirements, for Secondary Data Center Lease. (Information Technology Services) (Commissioners Travillion & Gómez)
RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT
23. Approve ratification and contract award for Contract No. 4400007757 with Aperta, Inc., in the amount of \$48,218.04, for maintenance and support for the Tax Assessor Collector Remittance Payment System. (Tax Assessor Collector) (Commissioners Travillion & Gómez)
RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT
24. Approve termination of Contract No. 4400004011 with Justice Works, LLC. for defenderData. (Public Defender's Office) (Commissioners Travillion & Gómez)
RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT
25. Approve contract award for Records Storage and Management Services, RFP No. Doc1460525370, estimated requirements, to the sole respondent, Iron Mountain Inc., DBA Iron Mountain Information Management, LLC. (ITS) (Commissioners Travillion & Gómez)
RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT
26. Declare the list of Travis County equipment as missing and authorize removal from the SAP Asset Inventory, pursuant to Purchasing and Procedures Guide § 22.003. (Commissioners Travillion & Gómez)
RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT
27. Approve exemption and Modification No. 2 to Contract No. 4400007105 with Pharmacy Corporation of America, as needed, for pharmacy services. (Juvenile Probation) (Commissioners Travillion & Gómez)
RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT
28. Approve Modification No. 12 to Contract No. 4400003950 with Capital Area Private Defender Service (CAPDS), in the amount of \$1,650,732.00, for Forensic Review Project. (Community Legal Services) (Commissioners Travillion & Gómez)
RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT
29. Approve Modification No. 9 to Contract No. 4400004276 with Capital Area Private Defender Service (CAPDS), in the amount of \$3,969,514.00, for Management of Assigned Counsel (MAC). (Community Legal Services) (Commissioners Travillion & Gómez)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

30. Approve Modification No. 8 to Contract No. 4400003510 with United HealthCare Insurance Company, estimated requirements, for individual specific stop loss coverage. (Human Resources Management Department) (Commissioners Travillion & Gómez)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

31. Consider and take appropriate action on the following:
- A. Pursuant to §262.024 (a)(1),(2) of the Texas Local Government Code, and in accordance with the Commissioners Court authorization, approval and exemption of purchases set forth in its July 8, 2025 Order to Continue the Disaster Declaration, the Commissioners Court hereby orders that contracts for goods and services in response to the July 2025 Severe Weather and Flooding Disaster, as listed in sections B through I below, are exempt from the requirements established by Section 262.023 of the Texas Local Government Code because they are contracts for the purchase of goods and services necessary to preserve or protect the health and safety of residents of the county in response to the Disaster and purchased in a case of public calamity and necessary to make the purchase promptly to relieve the necessity of individuals in the County or to preserve property, and further that the July 2025 Severe Weather and Flooding Disaster created both a public exigency and a public emergency that required County to take immediate action and quickly obtain these goods and services to avoid, prevent, and alleviate serious harm and injury to County residents and property resulting from this disaster and a competitive solicitation requirement would have caused unnecessary delay and threaten the public health and safety of County residents
 - B. Ratify and Approve Contract No. 4400008320 with American Youthworks, as needed, for volunteer coordination and management services
 - C. Ratify and Approve Contract No. 4400008303 with Texas Disposal Systems Landfill Inc, in the amount of \$200,000.00, for the Voucher Program Agreement
 - D. Ratify and Approve Contract No. 4400008296 with DRC Emergency Services, LLC, in the amount of \$5,000,000.00, for post-disaster debris removal and disposal services
 - E. Ratify and Approve Purchase Order No. 4100250268 with Garner Environmental Services Inc, in the amount of \$395,175.00, for a temporary water crossing
 - F. Ratify and Approved Purchase Order No. 4100250227 (EPO-000049) with Garner Environmental Services Inc, in the amount of \$50,000.00, for Mobilization for Sandy Creek Bridge Repairs - Temporary Water Crossing

- G. Ratify and Approve Purchase Order No. 4100250212 with Texas Disposal Systems Inc, in the amount of \$124,782.00, for shower rentals
- H. Ratify and Approve Contract No. 4400008321 with HNTB Corp, in the amount of \$173,929.42, for Big Sandy Bridge Assessment
- I. Ratify and Approve Purchase Order No. 4100252022 with MAST Enterprises Equipment LLC, in the amount of \$73,750.00, for a temporary bridge purchase
- J. Ratify and Approve Mod 1 to Contract No. 4400008296 with DRC Emergency Services, LLC, in the amount of \$3,000,000.00, for post-disaster debris removal and disposal services (Commissioners Travillion & Gómez)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

Technology & Operations

- 32. 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

- 33. Receive briefing and take appropriate action on compensation options for Fiscal Year 2026. (Commissioners Travillion & Gómez)

Members of the Court heard from:

Stacey McClure, Assistant Director, Human Resources Management
Department

Paul Hopingardner, County Executive, Technology and Operations

RESULT: DISCUSSED

Transportation & Natural Resources

- 34. Consider and take appropriate action on the Acceptance of the Dedication of the Public Street and Drainage facilities within The Commons at Rowe Lane Phase VIII, in Precinct One. (Commissioner Travillion)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

- 35. Consider and take appropriate action on the following items regarding the Acceptance of the Dedication of Public Streets and Drainage facilities within the Sola Vista subdivision, in Precinct Three:

- A. Acceptance of the dedication of the public street and drainage facilities within Sola Vista Section 3 final plat
- B. Acceptance of the dedication of the public street and drainage facilities within Sola Vista Section 4 final plat
- C. License Agreement with SV 3 & 4 Residential Community, Inc. for proposed improvements within Sola Vista Section 3 and Sola Vista Section (Commissioner Howard).

RESULT: NO ACTION NECESSARY

Other

- 36. Consider and take appropriate action regarding the establishment of a Central Counting Station, and appointment of Central Counting Presiding Judges and Personnel for the November 4, 2025, election, and December 13, 2025, Run-off Elections. (Judge Brown)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

- 37. Consider and take appropriate action concerning the order of election for the State Constitutional Election ordered by the Governor and conducted by Travis County elections. (Judge Brown)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

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

Note 8: Gov't Code Ann 551.089, security personnel/critical infrastructure

- 38. Receive briefing and take appropriate action regarding Travis County security and information security issues.^{1,4 & 6} (Commissioner Travillion & Howard)

RESULT: NO ACTION NECESSARY

Adjourn

Minutes Approved by the Commissioners Court

Date of Approval

Andy Brown, County Judge