



Minutes for the Travis County Commissioners Court October 28, 2025 Voting Session

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Call to Order

Meeting called to order on October 28, 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: County Judge Andy Brown
Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion
Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea
Commissioner Precinct 3 Ann Howard
Commissioner Precinct 4 Margaret Gómez

Public Communication

Clerk's Note: There were no speakers for Public Communication.

County Announcements

Clerk's Note: The Court thanked the County Auditor's office for their swift work over the weekend in their efforts regarding the county staff 3% salary increase that was approved last week that will reflect on the October 31st paycheck. The court extended their appreciation to PBO (Planning and Budget Office) and HRMD (Human Resources Management Department).

Consent Motion

MOTION: Approve Consent Items 6, 8, 10, 11, 12, 14, 16, 17, 18.a-d, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25.a-b, 27, 29, 30, 34.a-b, 37, 40, and 41.
RESULT: **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**
MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion
SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea
AYES: Andy Brown, Jeffrey Travillion, Brigid Shea, Ann Howard
ABSENT: Margaret Gómez

Clerk's Note: Commissioner Howard emphasized that the consent agenda items have good work behind them and invited everyone to take a closer look. Commissioner Howard highlighted the contract with Woolard Nichols, whose assistance in supporting the long-term recovery organization will not only help Sandy Creek neighbors, but also Travis County as a whole should another disaster strike.

Public Hearings

1. Receive comments regarding a request to authorize the filing of an instrument to vacate a public utility easement located along the lot lines of Lots 31 and 32 Block F, Dessau Estates Section 3, a subdivision in Precinct Two. (Commissioner Shea)

MOTION: Open the Public Hearing.
RESULT: **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**
MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea
SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion
AYES: Andy Brown, Jeffrey Travillion, Brigid Shea, Ann Howard
ABSENT: Margaret Gómez

Members of the Court heard from:
Chris Yanez, Division Director, Development Services and Long-Range
Planning, Transportation and Natural Resources

MOTION: Open the Public Hearing.
RESULT: **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**
MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea
SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion
AYES: Andy Brown, Jeffrey Travillion, Brigid Shea, Ann Howard
ABSENT: Margaret Gómez

Resolutions & Proclamations

2. Approve a Proclamation to honor and celebrate the career of Anna Bowlin and express our special recognition and heartfelt thanks to her for her distinguished 31-year career as a dedicated, motivated and determined public servant. (Commissioners Travillion & Shea)

Members of the Court heard from:
Anna Bowlin, Division Director, Development Services and Long-Range
Planning, Transportation and Natural Resources (TNR)
Cynthia McDonald, County Executive, TNR
Stevie Bowlin, Travis County Resident
Teresa Calkins, Division Manager, Engineering, TNR Sara
Sternberg, Planning Project Manager, TNR
Sydnia Crosbie, Chief Deputy, TNR
Chris Yanez, Division Director, Development Services and Long-Range
Planning, TNR

MOTION: Approve Item 2.
RESULT: **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**

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

3. Consider and take appropriate action to approve a proclamation recognizing Tuesday, October 28, 2025, as Travis County History Day. (Judge Brown)

Members of the Court heard from:

Christy Costlow, Travis County Archivist, Communications and Records Services
Marcos De Leon, Former Travis County Commissioner, Precinct 4
Karen Sonleitner, Former Travis County Commissioner, Precinct 2
Valarie Bristol, Former Travis County Commissioner, Precinct 3
Barbara Carlson, Former Travis County Commissioner, Precinct 2
David Escamilla, Former Travis County Attorney
Gerald Daugherty, Former Commissioner, Precinct 3
Gabino Fernandez Jr., Former Chief of Staff for Commissioner Marcus De Leon

MOTION: Approve Item 3.
RESULT: **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**
MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea
SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion
AYES: Jeffrey Travillion, Brigid Shea, Ann Howard, Margaret Gómez
ABSENT: Andy Brown

4. Consider and take appropriate action to approve a proclamation recognizing the 20th Anniversary of the Austin Spurs. (Commissioner Travillion)

Members of the Court heard from:

Brandon James, Senior Vice President, Strategic Growth, Spurs Sports & Entertainment
Perri Travillion, Senior Manager, Austin Community Investments, Spurs Sports & Entertainment
Danielle Darvin, Social Media Senior Coordinator, Spurs Sports & Entertainment

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

5. Consider and take appropriate action to approve a proclamation recognizing the public release of Travis County's Palm School Oral History collection. (Commissioner Gómez)

Members of the Court heard from:

Christy Moffett, Director, Economic Development and Strategic Investments,
Planning and Budget Office (PBO)

Christy Costlow, Travis County Archivist, Communications and Records
Services

Selena Muñoz, Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Officer, (PBO)

Madai Montes, Community Engagement Specialist, PBO

Marcos De Leon, Former Travis County Commissioner and Palm
School Alumni

Ortencia Palomares, Former Palm School Alumni

Toña Vazquez, Former Palm School Alumni Christina

Guitierrez, Former Palm School Alumni Linda

Quintanilla, Former Palm School Alumni Ana Salcedo,
Former Palm School Alumni

MOTION: Approve Item 5.

RESULT: **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**

MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 4 Margaret Gómez

SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion

AYES: Jeffrey Travillion, Brigid Shea, Ann Howard, Margaret Gómez

ABSENT: Andy Brown

6. Consider and take appropriate action to approve a proclamation recognizing the week of October 26 - 31, 2025 as Carter Work Project Week in Travis County. (Judge Brown)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

7. Consider and take appropriate action to approve a proclamation recognizing November 11, 2025, as Veterans Day in Travis County. (Commissioners Travillion & Howard)

RESULT: NO ACTION NECESSARY

Auditor

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

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

Emergency Services

9. Consider and take appropriate action regarding the following:

A. Outdoor burning in the unincorporated areas of Travis County

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)

RESULT: NO ACTION NECESSARY

Health & Human Services

10. Consider and take appropriate action to approve and ratify the Fiscal Year 2026 interlocal agreement with Integral Care for substance use disorder managed services (SAMSO). (Judge Brown & Commissioner Gómez)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

11. Consider and take appropriate action to approve In-kind print and ASL services for Foundation Communities tax preparation assistance program. (Judge Brown & Commissioner Gómez)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

12. Consider and take appropriate action to consent to additional funding from other lenders related to Contract No.4400007820 with FC Burleson Housing, LP. (This item may be taken into Executive Session under Government Code section 551.071, Consultation with Attorney exception) (Commissioners Howard & Gómez)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

13. Consider and take appropriate action on an appointment to the Austin Travis County Public Health Commission. (Judge Brown & Commissioner Gómez)

Members of the Court heard from:

Pilar Sanchez, County Executive, Health and Human Services

Jawad Ali, Physician, Ascension Seton Medical Center Austin

MOTION: Approve Item 13.

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

Intergovernmental Relations

14. Consider and take appropriate action to reappoint Dr. Larry Wallace, Jr. to the Sobering Center Board of Directors for a term to expire December 31, 2028. (Judge Brown)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

15. Consider and take appropriate action on election-related legislation (*This item may be taken into executive session under Texas Government Code, § 551.071 Consultation with Attorney*). (Commissioners Travillion & Shea)

Commissioner Gómez announced that Item 15 would be considered in Executive

Session pursuant to Gov't. Code Ann. 551.071, Consultation with Attorney.

RESULT: DISCUSSED

16. Consider and take appropriate action on appointments to the Housing Authority of Travis County Board of Commissioners. (Judge Brown)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

Planning & Budget

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

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

18. 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 from the Travis County Sheriff's Office (TCSO) for \$1,501,144 to fund 6.0 Courthouse Deputy FTEs and 10.0 Corrections Officer FTEs, as well as \$187,321 for the District Clerk's Office to fund 2.0 FTEs, comprised of a Court Services Management Admin Coordinator and a Court Clerk II Sr, that results in a combined transfer of \$1,688,465 from a \$3,073,826 Earmark against the Allocated Reserve for 18.0 additional FTEs for Counsel at First Appearance (CAFA) staffing requirements as well as \$241,782 from the Capital Acquisition Resources (CAR) Reserve for needed equipment
- B. Request from Juvenile Probation to establish a new budget of \$585,808 in the Juvenile Justice Alternative Education Program (JJAEP) grant, Fund 2060, Grant 801136 for Revenue Received by the Department from the Texas Juvenile Justice Department (TJJD) – Regionalization Grant
- C. Request from the County Clerk's Office for permission to use up to \$2,965.81 of their Fiscal Year 2026 existing budget to purchase food and beverage for Election Day workers to ensure continuous, secure, and efficient Election Day operations
- D. Request from Innovative Justice and Program Analysis (IJPA) for permission to use up to \$1,500 of their Fiscal Year 2026 existing budget to purchase food and beverage for the Reentry Resources Program Appreciation annual event (Commissioner Gómez)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

19. Consider and take appropriate action on a request to approve a TEFRA Certificate for tax-exempt financing to be undertaken by the New Hope Cultural Education Facilities

Finance Corporation for the benefit of Brazos Presbyterian Homes, Inc for Longhorn Village. (Commissioner Gómez)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

20. Consider and take appropriate action on a request to approve a TEFRA Certificate for tax-exempt financing to be undertaken by the Tarran County Cultural Education Facilities Finance Corporation and Indiana Finance Authority for the benefit of Ascension Health Alliance dba Ascension. (Commissioner Gómez)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

Purchasing

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

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

22. Approve Modification No. 33, to Contract No. 4400000257 with SAP Public Services, in the amount of \$11,305.15, for SAP ERP Software and Maintenance Support. (Auditor's Office) (Commissioners Travillion & Gómez)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

23. Reject proposal received for RFP No. 122-LC, for SAP Connector to Splunk. (Auditor's Office) (Commissioners Travillion & Gómez)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

24. Approve exemption and Contract No. 4400008436 with Woollard Nichols and Associates, LLC dba Woollard Nichols Torres Consulting, in the amount of \$40,200.00, for Consultant Services to Support Long-Term Recovery. (Emergency Management) (Commissioners Travillion & Gómez)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

Technology & Operations

25. 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

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

RESULT: NO ACTION NECESSARY

27. Approve an order designating the Archives Program Manager as the Travis County

Records Management Officer, effective November 1, 2025. (Judge Brown)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

28. Consider and take appropriate action on a total loss claim for the date of loss of June 12, 2022. (Commissioners Travillion & Gómez)

RESULT: NO ACTION NECESSARY

29. Consider and take appropriate action on a fire claim for the date of loss of January 18, 2025. (Commissioners Travillion & Gómez)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

30. Consider and take appropriate action on a total loss claim for the date of loss of January 18, 2025. (Commissioners Travillion & Gómez)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

31. Consider and take appropriate action to approve the creation and reclassification of Information Technology job classifications to better align the IT job family with current market practices and to optimize the County's IT workforce structure. (Commissioners Gomez & Travillion)

RESULT: NO ACTION NECESSARY

Transportation & Natural Resources

32. Consider and take appropriate action regarding a request to authorize the filing of an instrument to vacate a public utility easement located along the lot lines of Lots 31 and 32 Block F, Dessau Estates Section 3, a subdivision in Precinct Two. (Commissioner Shea)

MOTION: Approve Item 32.

RESULT: **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**

MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea

SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion

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

ABSENT: Margaret Gómez

33. Consider and take appropriate action on a License Agreement with Yent Texas Holdings LLC regarding access to the Balcones Canyonlands Preserve in Precinct Three. (Commissioner Howard)

Members of the Court heard from:

Debra Scott, Environmental Project Manager, Transportation and Natural Resources

MOTION: Approve Item 33.

RESULT: **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**

MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea
SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion
AYES: Andy Brown, Jeffrey Travillion, Brigid Shea, Ann Howard
ABSENT: Margaret Gómez

34. Consider and take appropriate action on the Acceptance of the Dedication of Public Streets and Drainage Facilities within Gilbert Lane subdivisions, in Precinct One:

- A. Acceptance of the Dedication of the Public Street and Drainage facilities within Gilbert Lane Phase 4 final plat
- B. Acceptance of the Dedication of the Public Street and Drainage facilities within Gilbert Lane Phase 5 final plat (Commissioner Travillion)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

35. Receive a briefing on Regional Climate Plan Implementation in Travis County.
(Commissioner Shea & Howard)

Members of the Court heard from:

Johanna Arendt, Environmental Project Manager, Transportation and Natural Resources (TNR)
Max Morales, Environmental Specialist Sr., TNR
Yaira Robinson, Assistant Director, Environmental Programs, TNR
Sarah Burke, Senior Program Officer, ICLEI USA
Jenny Nitzki, Senior Program Officer, ICLEI USA

RESULT: DISCUSSED

36. Consider and take appropriate action on the Construction and Traffic Mitigation Agreement between OP III ATX 5121 Howard Lane, LP, a Delaware limited partnership, OP III ATX Howard Lane Phase 1 MF, and together with OP III ATX 5121 Howard Lane, collectively referred to as “Parties”, agreed by Travis County Facilities Corporation and Travis County for the construction and traffic mitigation associated with the proposed 5121 E Howard Lane development, in Precinct Two. (Commissioner Shea)

RESULT: NO ACTION NECESSARY

37. Consider and take appropriate action on the Acceptance of the Dedication of the Public Street and Drainage Facilities within Howard Lane Phase 2, in Precinct Two.
(Commissioner Shea)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

38. Consider and take appropriate action regarding a request to modify Contract #4400008130 related to Geotechnical, Hydrogeological and Hydrological Engineering

services for the 290 East Landfill.

RESULT: NO ACTION NECESSARY

39. Consider and take appropriate action to approve an order adopting amendments to Travis County Code Chapter 482, Travis County Development Regulations. (Commissioner Travillion)

Members of the Court heard from:

David Peyton, Assistant Director, Environmental Programs, Transportation and Natural Resources

Commissioner Gómez announced that Item 39 would be considered in Executive Session pursuant to Gov't. Code Ann. 551.071, Consultation with Attorney.

MOTION: Approve the revisions recommended by staff regarding (1) the definition of "waterway setback" in Travis County Code Section 482.002 and (2) the revisions to Travis County Code Section 482.941 and that we bring back for further discussion staff's recommendations relating to revisions to Travis County Code Section 482.943 regarding the height of cut and fill.

RESULT: APPROVED - UNANIMOUS

MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 3 Ann Howard

SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 4 Margaret Gómez

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

Other

40. Consider and take appropriate action on the District Attorney's Fiscal Year 2025 Chapter 59 Asset Forfeiture Report. (Judge Brown)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

41. Consider and take appropriate action to approve bond for David Dre McAngus, Chief Deputy Constable, Precinct 3 for the period of March 17, 2025, to December 31, 2028. (Judge Brown)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

42. Consider and take appropriate action to approve a Payment in Lieu Of Taxes ("PILOT") Agreement (and otherwise referred to as Foreign Trade Zone Tax Equivalency and Contribution Agreement) with Applied Materials and Venkel LTD and approve a Letter of No Objection with regard to Applied Materials' and Venkel LTD's application to create a Foreign Trade Zone. (This item may be taken into executive session under consultation with attorney, 551.071 Government Code). (Judge Brown & Commissioner Travillion)

RESULT: NO ACTION NECESSARY

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

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

Commissioner Gómez announced that Item 43 would be considered in Executive Session pursuant to Gov't. Code Ann. 551.071, Consultation with Attorney, Gov't. Code Ann. 551.076, Security, and Gov't Code Ann 551.089, IT Security.

RESULT: DISCUSSED

44. Receive legal briefing and take appropriate action related to real estate issues regarding the property located at 2501 South Congress Ave., Austin, Texas, and future actions impacting property.^{1&2} (Commissioner Gómez)

Judge Brown announced that Item 44 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.

RESULT: NO ACTION NECESSARY

45. Receive legal briefing and take appropriate action on a conflict waiver for Bickerstaff Heath Delgado Acosta LLP related to eminent domain cases for the IH-35 expansion project.¹ (Judge Brown)

Commissioner Gómez announced that Item 45 would be considered in Executive Session pursuant to Gov't. Code Ann. 551.071, Consultation with Attorney.

MOTION: Authorize County Judge Brown to waive potential conflicts with Bickerstaff Heath Delgado Acosta LLP related to condemnation

proceedings against LLG-FLP, L.P. and any additional condemnees that may arise during the firm's continuing work for TxDOT.

RESULT:

APPROVED - UNANIMOUS

MOVER:

County Judge Andy Brown

SECONDER:

Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea

AYES:

Andy Brown, Jeffrey Travillion, Brigid Shea, Ann Howard, Margaret Gómez

46. Receive legal briefing and take appropriate action to accept, reject, or counter settlement offer in Cause No. D-1-GN-22-002942, *Michael Cody Minor vs. Travis County*, In the 345th Judicial District Court, Travis County, Texas. ¹ (Judge Brown).

Commissioner Gómez announced that Item 46 would be considered in Executive Session pursuant to Gov't. Code Ann. 551.071, Consultation with Attorney.

MOTION:

Accept the mediator's proposal to settle the Plaintiff's claims in the amount of \$92,000.00 to be paid by Travis County and to authorize the Travis County's Risk Manager to sign any necessary settlement documents in Cause No. D-1-GN-22-002942, *Michael Cody Minor vs. Travis County, Texas*; in the 345th Judicial District Court, Travis County, Texas.

RESULT:

APPROVED - UNANIMOUS

MOVER:

County Judge Andy Brown

SECONDER:

Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea

AYES:

Andy Brown, Jeffrey Travillion, Brigid Shea, Ann Howard, Margaret Gómez

47. Receive a legal briefing and take appropriate action in the Economic Development Agreement between Travis County and the Colorado River Project, LLC. ¹ (Commissioner Travillion)

Judge Brown announced that Item 47 would be considered in Executive Session pursuant to Gov't. Code Ann. 551.071, Consultation with Attorney.

RESULT: NO ACTION NECESSARY

Adjourn

Minutes Approved by the Commissioners Court

Date of Approval

Andy Brown, County Judge