



Minutes for the Travis County Commissioners Court May 12, 2026 Voting Session

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Call to Order

Meeting called to order on May 12, 2026, 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 2 Brigid Shea
Commissioner Precinct 3 Ann Howard
Commissioner Precinct 4 Margaret Gómez

Absent: County Judge Andy Brown

Public Communication

Members of the Court heard from:
Laura Seaton, Administrative Associate, Technology and Operations

County Announcements

Clerk's Note: There were no County Announcements.

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 3 Ann Howard

SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 4 Margaret Gómez

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

Consent Motion

MOTION: Approve Items 4, 8, 9, 13, 14, 15. a-h., 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22. a-b., 23, 25, 27, and 28.
RESULT: **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**
MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion
SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 4 Margaret Gómez
AYES: Jeffrey Travillion, Brigid Shea, Ann Howard, Margaret Gómez

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 21 & 22, Highland Club Village Section 1, a subdivision in Precinct Three. (Commissioner Howard)

MOTION: Open the Public Hearing.
RESULT: **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**
MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 4 Margaret Gómez
SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 3 Ann Howard
AYES: Jeffrey Travillion, Brigid Shea, Ann Howard, Margaret Gómez

Members of the Court heard from:

Chris Yanez, Division Director, Development Services and Long-Range Planning, Transportation and Natural Resources

MOTION: Close the Public Hearing.
RESULT: **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**
MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 4 Margaret Gómez
SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 3 Ann Howard
AYES: Jeffrey Travillion, Brigid Shea, Ann Howard, Margaret Gómez

2. Receive comments regarding a temporary detour and restriction of all traffic on Jesse Bohls Road beginning on or about Wednesday, May 20, 2026, and continuing through Friday, May 21, 2027, or until work is complete, in Precinct One. (Commissioner Travillion)

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

Members of the Court heard from:

Pankaj Gupte, Engineer, Transportation and Natural Resources (TNR)
Mohammad Farhoud, Engineer Senior, TNR
Kondala Rao Mantri, Assistant Public Works Director, TNR
Cindy Reyes, Project Manager

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

Resolutions & Proclamations

3. Approve a proclamation recognizing the week of May 10th - 16th, 2026 as National Police Week in Travi County. (Judge Brown & Commissioner Gómez)

Members of the Court heard from:

Sally Hernandez, Travis County Sheriff (TCSO)
William Poole, Major, TCSO

MOTION: Approve Item 3.
RESULT: **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**
MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 4 Margaret Gómez
SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion
AYES: Jeffrey Travillion, Brigid Shea, Ann Howard, Margaret Gómez

Auditor

4. Approve payment of claims by the County Treasurer. (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
 - B. County response to natural disaster or other emergencies, including but not limited to necessary measures and actions related to 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

6. Consider and take appropriate action on the reappointment of April Griffin to the Board of Commissioners of Emergency Services District (ESD) No. 2 for the remainder of her holdover term, which expires on December 31, 2026. (Commissioners Travillion & Shea)

MOTION: Approve Item 6.

RESULT: APPROVED - UNANIMOUS

MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion

SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea

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

7. Consider and take appropriate action on the reappointment of Mike Howe, Randy Reese, and Robert Turner to the Board of Commissioners of Emergency Services District (ESD) No. 2 for terms expiring on December 31, 2027. (Commissioners Travillion & Shea)

MOTION: Approve Item 7.

RESULT: APPROVED - UNANIMOUS

MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion

SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea

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

Health & Human Services

8. Consider and take appropriate action to approve public hearing dates, public comment periods, and public notification advertisements for CDBG substantial amendments to the PY24-28 Consolidated Plan, the PY24 Action Plan and the PY25 Action Plan. (Judge Brown & Commissioner Gómez)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

9. Consider and take appropriate action to approve the Eleventh Renewal of the Amended and Restated Interlocal Cooperation Agreement Between the City of Austin and Travis County for Animal Services Contract #4400001725. (Judge Brown & Commissioner Gómez)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

Intergovernmental Relations

10. Consider and take appropriate action on the reappointment of Andy Smith to the Austin/Travis County Food Policy Board effective immediately through February 28, 2028. (Commissioner Gómez)

RESULT: NO ACTION NECESSARY

11. Consider and take appropriate action on an appointment to the Travis County Civil Service Commission. (Judge Brown)

MOTION: Appoint Janet Bray to the Civil Service Commission for a term that will expire on December 31, 2027.

RESULT: APPROVED - UNANIMOUS

MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion

SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea

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

12. Consider and take appropriate action on an appointment to the Sobering Center Board of Directors. (Judge Brown)

MOTION: Interview Kelli Anderson, Letricia Bynoe, and Jason Denny for a vacancy on the Sobering Center Board of Directors.

RESULT: APPROVED - UNANIMOUS

MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea

SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion

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

Innovative Justice & Program Analysis

13. Consider and take appropriate action on a request to approve MAC Program Internship Agreement with St. Edward's University and TCSO. (Commissioner Howard)

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 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 Criminal Courts to internally fund a succession Special Project Worker (SPW) position within their FY 2026 budget for a retiring Magistrate Judge from May 18, 2026, to May 29, 2026, at an estimated cost of \$9,202.

- B. Request for \$5,861,896 from the Emergency Reserve to the County's Central Emergency Response Budget (Department 195) based on the updated impact of the July 2025 Flooding Event that is now estimated to be \$28,080,673.
- C. Request from the Technology and Operations Department (TOPS) to internally fund the creation of an Imaging Division Manager succession position effective June 1, 2026, through June 30, 2026, with an estimated cost of \$12,525.
- D. Request from Transportation and Natural Resources (TNR) to transfer \$196,602.03 in Lower Colorado River Authority (LCRA) park fees to the General Fund (0001) related to the second quarter of FY 2026 LCRA park fees.
- E. Request by Transportation and Natural Resources to establish a new budget of \$1,190,022 comprised of \$1,040,682 in the Contractual Capital Joint Infrastructure Improvement Fund (5001) for Traffic Mitigation Fees, \$115,315 in the Subdivision Parkland Fund (5000) and \$34,025 in the General Fund (0001) for Tree Mitigation Fees.
- F. Request from the Facilities Management Department (FMD) for \$800,000 from an Earmark against the Capital Acquisition Resources (CAR) Reserve and \$230,000 from the Allocated Reserve within Texas Exposition Heritage Fund (0003) for a combined total of \$1,030,000 for the rebuild of the Exposition Center's arena locker rooms.
- G. Request from the Facilities Management Department (FMD) for \$202,850.69 from the SMART Building Reserve to the FMD operating budget related to eligible expenses for SMART Buildings A and B.
- H. Request from Health and Human Services to Establish a New Budget of \$15,000 in the TXU Energy Fund for Revenue Received by Health and Human Services Related to the TXU Energy Program.

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

- 16. Consider and take appropriate action regarding an order accepting and approving a 2026 Amended and Restated Service and Assessment Plan, including updated assessment rolls and buyer disclosures, for the Turner's Crossing Public Improvement District; providing a cumulative repealer clause; and providing an effective date.(Commissioner Gómez)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

Purchasing

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

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

18. Approve exemption and Contract No. 4400008495 with GFT Infrastructure Inc., in the amount of \$74,273.00, for Nameless Road Low Water Crossing. (Transportation & Natural Resources) (Commissioners Travillion & Gómez)
RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT
19. Approve exemption and Contract No. 4400008502 with GFT Infrastructure Inc., in the amount of \$155,142.00, for Round Mountain Road Culvert crossing at Bingham Creek. (Transportation & Natural Resources) (Commissioners Travillion & Gómez)
RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT
20. Approve contract award for professional engineering services, Nameless Road Safety Study & Paving Project, RFQ 2209-005-TL, in the amount of \$172,279.00, to the most highly qualified respondent, GFT Infrastructure, Inc. (Transportation & Natural Resources) (Commissioners Travillion & Gómez)
RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT
21. Approve ratification, exemption, and Contract No. 4400008691 with United Way for Greater Austin, in the amount of \$4,170,693.00, for Raising Travis County Transforming ATX. (Health and Human Services) (Commissioners Travillion & Gómez)
RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

Technology & Operations

22. 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
23. Consider and take appropriate action on a license agreement with Integral Care, a Texas non-profit corporation, to use space at the County-owned building located on the 14th floor at 700 Lavaca Street, Austin, Texas 78701. (Judge Brown)
RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

Transportation & Natural Resources

24. 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 21 & 22, Highland Club Village Section 1, a subdivision in Precinct Three. (Commissioner Howard)

MOTION: Approve Item 24.
RESULT: **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**
MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 3 Ann Howard
SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea
AYES: Jeffrey Travillion, Brigid Shea, Ann Howard, Margaret Gómez

25. Consider and take appropriate action on a proposed License Agreement with Mustang Ridge Municipal Utility District for drainage and water quality improvements within the right-of-way of Old Lockhart Road, a roadway in Precinct Four. (Commissioner Gómez)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

26. Receive legal briefing and take appropriate action to adopt a resolution authorizing the use of eminent domain to acquire fee simple title to $\pm 1,165,150$ SF (± 26.75 acres), referred to as Strategic Parkland 2023 Bond Parcel 6, owned by BDR Blake Manor Road, LLC, located on Blake Manor Rd, Manor, Texas 78653, as described respectively by metes and bounds in Exhibit "A" attached to the resolution, for the public use and purpose of providing essential services to the general public and promoting public safety in connection with the Strategic Parkland 2023 Bond Project. (Commissioner Travillion)

Commissioner announced that Item 26 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: Adopt the resolution exercising Travis County's power of eminent domain and authorizing the County Attorney to take the necessary legal action to acquire fee simple title to $\pm 1,165,150$ SF (± 26.75 acres), referred as Parcel 6, as described in Exhibit A attached to the Resolution, for the public purpose of providing essential services to the public and promoting public safety in connection with the Strategic Parkland 2023 Bond Project.

RESULT: APPROVED - UNANIMOUS

MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion

SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea

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

27. Consider and take appropriate action to approve Interlocal Agreement with Travis County Community Supervision and Corrections Department for Community Service Work Crew Activities. (Commissioners Travillion & Shea)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

Other

28. Consider and take action to approve one license agreement for use of an Early Voting and Election Day polling site for the May 26, 2026 Joint Primary Election Runoff.

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

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

Commissioner Gomez announced that Item 29 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

30. Consider and take appropriate action related to the hiring of the County Executive for Technology & Operation in executive session.^{1&3} (Commissioners Gómez and Travillion)

Commissioner Gomez announced that Item 30 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.

RESULT: NO ACTION NECESSARY

31. Executive session update on IJPA County Executive Recruitment.^{1&3} (Commissioners Travillion & Gómez)

Commissioner Gomez announced that Item 31 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.

RESULT: DISCUSSED

32. Receive legal briefing and take appropriate action in *Travis County, Texas v. Moo Moo Meadows, LLC and Roberston Family 290 Property, LLC*, cause number C-1-CD-25-000071.^{1&2} (Commissioner Travillion)

Commissioner Gomez announced that Item 32 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 PBO (Planning and Budget Office) to transfer \$3,514,000 dollars from an earmark against the CAR reserve for landfill contingency to TNR (Transportation and Natural Resources) for this purpose and release the remaining \$6,486,000 of the earmark to the reserve.

RESULT: **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**

MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion

SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea

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

33. Receive legal briefing and take appropriate action regarding a settlement offer in *Travis County, Texas v. Amplus LLC, A Texas Limited Liability Company, et al.*, cause number C-1-CV-25-000779.^{1&2} (Commissioner Howard)

Commissioner Gomez announced that Item 33 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: Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion

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

34. Receive legal briefing and take appropriate action regarding Cause No. D-1-GN-25-009885, *Shane Saum and Jeffery Bowen vs. The Travis County Commissioners Court et al.*; In the 98th Judicial District Court, Travis County, Texas.¹ (Judge Brown)

Commissioner Gomez announced that Item 34 would be considered in Executive Session pursuant to Gov't. Code Ann. 551.071, Consultation with Attorney.

RESULT: **DISCUSSED**

35. Receive legal briefing and take appropriate action regarding an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for Transferring Land Development Permitting Authority, Development

Review, Repairs, Maintenance, and Enforcement Services Between the City of Austin and Travis County (Interlocal Agreement) to transfer regulatory authority over land use, planning, subdivision, site development, repairs, maintenance, enforcement and permitting authority from Travis County to the City of Austin for the property known as the Dog's Head property, located in Travis County, bounded by Highways 71 and 183 and the Colorado River, consisting of approximately 2614.326 acres owned by Dogs Head Land JV, Ltd. as more particularly described in Exhibit A to the Interlocal Agreement.^{1&2} (Judge Brown & Commissioner Howard)

Commissioner Gomez announced that Item 35 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: Approve the interlocal agreement and the order amending the Travis County Code chapters 464 and 482 as presented by the County Attorney's Office and to specifically include that if the property is not annexed or is disannexed in the future, the developer shall proceed pursuant to the County Code in its entirety as it exists at that time.

RESULT: **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**

MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 3 Ann Howard

SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea

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

36. Receive legal briefing and take appropriate action on legal expenses in State of Texas v. Chance Bretches; Cause No. D1-DC-24-904031; In the 299th Travis County District Court.¹ (Commissioner Shea)

Commissioner Gomez announced that Item 36 would be considered in Executive Session pursuant to Gov't. Code Ann. 551.071, Consultation with Attorney.

RESULT: DISCUSSED

37. Receive briefing and take appropriate action regarding the potential acquisition of approximately 1,270 acres of land as part of the County's Strategic Parkland 2023 Bond Project, located east of the City of Manor and south of U.S. Highway 290 East in Precinct Four.^{1&2} (Judge Brown & Commissioner Travillion)

Commissioner Gomez announced that Item 37 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: Approve the acquisition of approximately 980.07 acres of land as part of the County's Strategic Parkland 2023 Bond Project, located east of the City of Manor and south of U.S. Highway 290 East as discussed in executive session and direct PBO (Planning and Budget Office) to transfer \$983,906 dollars from the CAR Reserve to TNR

(Transportation and Natural Resources) to assist with the purchase and closing.

RESULT: **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**

MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion

SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea

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

Adjourn

Minutes Approved by the Commissioners Court

Date of Approval

Andy Brown, County Judge