



Minutes for the Travis County Commissioners Court August 4, 2026 Voting Session

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Call to Order

Meeting called to order on August 4, 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: County Judge Andy Brown
Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion
Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea
Commissioner Precinct 3 Ann Howard
Commissioner Precinct 4 George Morales

Public Communication

Members of the Court heard from:
Jaime Rocha, Rocha Towing Service
Sergio Plaza, Planning Manager, Planning and Budget Office

County Announcements

Clerk's Note: There were no County Announcements.

Consent Motion

MOTION: Approve Items 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12. a-b., 15, 16.a-c., e.-g., 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22. a-b., 23, 26, and 28.
RESULT: **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**
MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea
SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion
AYES: Andy Brown, Jeffrey Travillion, Brigid Shea, Ann Howard, George Morales

Auditor

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

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

Emergency Services

2. 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 disaster or emergency, including Travis County's response, operations, policies, emergency assistance, agreements, preparedness for future flood events and other disasters, 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, preparedness and recovery efforts (Judge Brown)

RESULT: NO ACTION NECESSARY

3. Consider and take appropriate action on disaster-related projects and allocation of disaster emergency response reserve funds. (Judge Brown & Commissioner Shea)

Members of the Court heard from:

Chuck Brotherton, County Executive, Emergency Services
Jessica Rio, County Executive, Planning and Budget Office
Pilar Sanchez, County Executive, Health and Human Services
Robert Valenzuelz, Public Works Director, Transportation and Natural Resources (TNR)
Cynthia McDonald, County Executive, TNR
Julie Wheeler, Intergovernmental Relations Officer, General Administration

Judge Brown announced that Item 3 would be considered in Executive Session pursuant to Gov't. Code Ann. 551.071, Consultation with Attorney.

MOTION: 1) Direct PBO (Planning and Budget Office) to update the numbers of the cost related to the reimbursements to the County for the expenses incurred thus far 2) PBO would bring back BATs (Budget Adjustments) related to the various departments to reallocate that reimbursement.

RESULT: APPROVED - UNANIMOUS

MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 3 Ann Howard

SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea

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

MOTION: Direct staff to create an automatic budget adjustment to TNR (Transportation and Natural Resources) for \$14, 832, 579 to move forward with the projects related to the low water crossings, to the on-call emergency contracts, to the emergency equipment for flood-related response to the dam inventory and risk assessment, and to the bridge inventory and risk management.

RESULT: **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**

MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 3 Ann Howard

SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea

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

Health & Human Services

4. Consider and take appropriate action to approve the 2026 Work-based Learning/Summer Youth Employment Program Interlocal agreement between the City of Austin and Travis County Health & Human Services. (Judge Brown & Commissioner Morales)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

5. Consider and take appropriate action to approve the final version of the CDBG/HOME PY26 Action Plan including final plan revisions and public comments received; authorize the County Judge to sign the Action Plan certifications, SF-424, and HUD-424-B; and authorize staff's submission of the final PY26 Action Plan to HUD. (Judge Brown)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

6. Consider and take appropriate action to approve the final version of the substantial amendments to the PY24-28 Consolidated Plan, the PY24 Action Plan and the PY25 Action Plan, and authorize staff's submission of the final substantial amendments to HUD. (Judge Brown)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

7. Consider and take appropriate action to approve a modification to a Professional Services Subaward with Ascension Seton, Contract No.4600000841, for the provision of Hospital-Based Violence Intervention Services. (Judge Brown)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

8. Consider and take appropriate action to approve the Fiscal Year 2027–2029 Travis County Urban County requalification (renewal) cooperation agreements with the Cities of Bee Cave, Creedmoor, Lago Vista, Lakeway, Manor, Sunset Valley, and West Lake Hills and the Villages of San Leanna and Webberville; approve the required HUD Form 424-B, Assurances and Certifications, and the completed Urban County requalification package; authorize the County Judge to execute the cooperation agreements and HUD Form 424-B; and authorize the CDBG Office to submit the completed package to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, as required by CPD Notice 26-08. (Judge Brown)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

9. Consider and take appropriate action to approve a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Housing Authority of Travis County (HATC) for the HOME downpayment assistance (DPA) program, a HUD-funded program. (Judge Brown)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

10. Consider and take appropriate action to approve the HOME Investment Partnership (“HOME”) Program policies and procedures. (Judge Brown)

RESULT: NO ACTION NECESSARY

11. Consider and take appropriate action to approve a request from the Travis County Facilities Corporation (TCFC), a Texas public facility corporation (PFC) created by the Housing Authority of Travis County (HATC), for an extension on the HHS 18-month construction notice-to-proceed (NTP) requirement relating to a resolution approved on July 22, 2025, for the multifamily development project: The Grandview 620 Apartments. (Judge Brown)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

Intergovernmental Relations

12. Consider and take appropriate action on the following grant Letters of Intent, contracts and related special budgets, and permissions to continue:
- A. Award Amendment for the Fiscal Year 2025 Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Act within Health and Human Services
 - B. Any other necessary grant applications, letters of support or grant awards attached to Commissioners Court backup for this Agenda item (Judge Brown)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

13. Consider and take appropriate action on the appointment of Alexandra Lewis to the Austin Travis County Food Policy Board to fill the unexpired term of Andy Smith through February 28, 2031. (Commissioner Morales)

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, George Morales

14. Consider and take appropriate action to approve the appointment of Amanda Wadsworth to the Austin Travis County Food Policy Board. (Judge Brown)

MOTION: Approve Item 14.
RESULT: **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**
MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea
SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion
AYES: Andy Brown, Jeffrey Travillion, Brigid Shea, Ann Howard, George Morales

Planning & Budget

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

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

16. 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 Transportation and Natural Resources to establish a new budget of \$1,311,528, comprised of \$1,231,186 in the General Fund (0001) for revenue related to the sale of a property and for tree mitigation and \$80,342 in the Subdivision Parkland Fund (5000) for Parkland Fees
 - B. Request from Health and Human Services to establish a new budget in Afterschool Youth Enrichment Fund (0149) of \$2,860 for revenue received by Health and Human Services related to the AmeriCorps Formula Grant for the CAPITAL AmeriCorps Project
 - C. Request from the Planning and Budget Office to use \$7,500 of existing internal departmental resources within the General Fund for the purchase of food, beverage, venue and other related costs associated with events connected to the Palm School Community Engagement Plan

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

- D. Request from Transportation & Natural Resources (TNR) to transfer \$426,469.83 for the third quarter of Fiscal Year 2026 in Lower Colorado River Authority (LCRA) park fees to the General Fund (0001), representing net park fees as included in the annual revenue estimate provided by the County Auditor's Office

RESULT: NO ACTION NECESSARY

- E. Request from the Community Legal Services (CLS) Department to transfer \$1,802,289, which is \$302,289 above a \$1,500,000 Earmark against the Allocated Reserve, to CLS Legally Mandated Fees (Department 189) to cover anticipated legally mandated fees for indigent criminal defense for the remainder of Fiscal Year 2026
- F. Request from Pretrial Services to transfer \$476,197 from a \$500,000 Earmark against the Allocated Reserve to cover anticipated expenditures for court mandated Electronic Monitoring Devices for the remainder of Fiscal Year 2026
- G. Request from Health and Human Services to Use \$665.75 of Existing Internal Departmental Resources to Purchase Food and Beverages for the Austin's Colony Information Gathering Event (Commissioner Shea)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

Purchasing

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

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

18. Approve contract award for Ledgestone Terrace at Pen Creek Tributary Drainage Improvements Project, IFB No. 195-GC, in the amount of \$1,150,654.00, to the lowest responsive bidder, Packsaddle Management, L.L.C. (Transportation & Natural Resources) (Commissioner Travillion)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

19. Approve Modification No. 3 to Contract No. 4400007851 with Johnson, Mirmiran & Thompson, Inc., in the amount of \$126,328.53, for Substandard Road Project – Lago Ranchos. (Transportation & Natural Resources) (Commissioner Travillion)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

20. Approve termination of Agreement No. 4400003272 with GE Precision Healthcare, LLC, for equipment and services of the Revolution EVO CT Scanner. (Medical Examiner's) (Commissioner Travillion)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

21. Approve Change Order No. 3 with Sundt Construction, in the amount of \$159,734.50, for Balcones Canyonland Preserve Maintenance. (Transportation and Natural Resources) (Commissioner Travillion)

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 & Morales)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

Transportation & Natural Resources

23. Approve setting a public hearing on September 1, 2026, to receive comments regarding a request for a Total Plat Cancellation of the Paleface Ranch Section 2B, Amended Plat of Lots 7 & 8, Block A, a subdivision in Precinct Three. (Commissioner Howard)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

24. Receive a briefing regarding the Transportation & Natural Resources Capital Improvement Program Quarterly Update. (Commissioners Travillion & Shea)

Members of the Court heard from:

Robert Valenzuelz, Public Works Director, Transportation and Natural Resources (TNR)

Kondala Rao Mantri, Public Works Assistant Director, TNR

Jessy Milner, President, Front Line Advisory Group (FLAG)

Bill Parks, Project Controller, FLAG

Cynthia McDonald, County Executive, TNR

RESULT: DISCUSSED

25. Consider and take appropriate action on the Fiscal Year 2025 Travis County Sustainability Report. (Commissioners Shea and Howard)

Members of the Court heard from:

Yaira Robinson, Assistant Director, Environmental Programs,
Transportation
and Natural Resources (TNR)
Amanda Kemp, Environmental Program Manager, TNR
Ryan Kenney, Planner Senior, TNR

RESULT: DISCUSSED

26. Consider and take appropriate action to approve work orders for research and professional services as provided in the multi-year Interlocal Agreement between Travis County and The University of Texas at Austin previously approved by the Commissioners Court on December 16, 2025. (Judge Brown)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

Other

27. Consider and take appropriate action on board and committee assignments and appointments for Commissioners Court members. (Judge Brown)

RESULT: NO ACTION NECESSARY

28. Approve the minutes for the July 7, July 14, July 21, and July 28, 2026, Voting Sessions. (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

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

Judge Brown 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. Receive briefing and take appropriate action regarding offers received from private property owners for the sale of real property and temporary easement rights affiliated with four parcels of land – Parcels #1, 1TE, 2, 2TE – necessary for infrastructure improvements planned for River Fern Court in Precinct Three.^{1&2} (Commissioner Howard)

Judge Brown 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. 551.072, Real Property.

MOTION: Accept offers received from private property owners for the sale of real property and temporary easement rights affiliated with four parcels of land — Parcels # 1, 1TE, 2, 2TE—necessary for infrastructure improvements planned for River Fern Court in Precinct Three as discussed in executive session.

RESULT: APPROVED - UNANIMOUS

MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 3 Ann Howard

SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea

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

31. Receive briefing and take appropriate action regarding the sale of approximately 7.8982 acres of land designated as excess, unused right of way owned by Travis County to support former alignments of Hergotz Lane and Edwin Lane located in Precinct 4.^{1&2} (Judge Brown)

Judge Brown 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. 551.072, Real Property.

MOTION: Approve the sale of approximately 8.2333 acres of land designated as excess, unused right of way owned by Travis County to support former alignments of Hergotz Lane and Edwin Lane with a right of reversion including the alternatives set out in the Deed Without Warranty if Grantee requests disannexation; and to maintain two ways in and out of the area as presented in executive session.

RESULT: **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**

MOVER: County Judge Andy Brown

SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 4 George Morales

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

32. Receive legal briefing and take appropriate action regarding White Rocks Entertainment LLC's Texas land application permit application with Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.¹ (Commissioner Howard)

Judge Brown announced that Item 32 would be considered in Executive Session pursuant to Gov't. Code Ann. 551.071, Consultation with Attorney.

RESULT: DISCUSSED

Adjourn

Minutes Approved by the Commissioners Court

Date of Approval

Andy Brown, County Judge