



Minutes for the Travis County Commissioners Court August 3, 2021 Voting Session

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Call to Order

Meeting called to order on August 3, 2021, in the Travis County Administration Building, Commissioners Courtroom, 700 Lavaca Street, 1st Floor, Austin, TX, Dana DeBeauvoir, County Clerk, was represented by Deputy Gillian Porter.

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

Absent: Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea

Clerk's Note: The Court held a moments silence for Alfred Dodson, Sr.

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 doc

RESULT: **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**

MOVER: County Judge Andy Brown

SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion

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

ABSENT: Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea

Consent

- C1. Receive Bids from County Purchasing Agent. (Commissioner Travillion)
- C2. Approve Payment of Claims by County Treasurer. (Judge Brown)
- C3. Authorize the County Treasurer to invest County funds. (Judge Brown)

MOTION: Approve Items C1-C3.

RESULT: **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**

MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion

SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 4 Margaret Gómez
AYES: Andy Brown, Jeffrey Travillion, Ann Howard, Margaret Gómez
ABSENT: Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea

Second Consent Motion

MOTION: Approve Items 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11.a, 14, 15, 16, 17.a-b, 18.a, 20, 21.a-b, 22.a-b, 23.a-b, 24.a-b, 25.a-b, 26.a-c, 27, 28, 29, 33, and A1.

RESULT: **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**

MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion

SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 4 Margaret Gómez

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

ABSENT: Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea

Public Hearings

1. Receive comments regarding a request to authorize the filing of an instrument for the partial plat vacation of Bratcher Subdivision, Lot 2 in Precinct One. (Commissioner Travillion)

MOTION: Open the Public Hearing.

RESULT: **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**

MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion

SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 3 Ann Howard

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

ABSENT: Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea

Members of the Court heard from:

Anna Bowlin, Division Director, Development Services and Long-Range Planning, Transportation and Natural Resources (TNR)

MOTION: Close the Public Hearing.

RESULT: **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**

MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion

SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 3 Ann Howard

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

ABSENT: Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea

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 emergency. (Judge Brown)

RESULT: NO ACTION NECESSARY

- 3. Receive briefing and take appropriate action regarding items related to the County's response to and recovery from COVID-19, including but not limited to:
 - A. Periodic update from the Austin/Travis County Public Health Authority
 - B. Vaccine distribution, operations, and associated agreements
 - C. Rental & utility assistance programs and initiatives
 - D. Other necessary measures and actions (Judge Brown)

Members of the Court heard from:

Sherri Fleming, County Executive, Travis County Health and Human Services (HHS)
Zenobia Joseph, Travis County resident

RESULT: DISCUSSED

Health & Human Services

- 4. Consider and take appropriate action on request for American Rescue Plan Act funding to expand access to dual-language full-day Pre-K in Del Valle ISD. (Judge Brown & Commissioner Gomez)

Members of the Court heard from:

Sherri Fleming, County Executive, HHS
Anna Lisa Conlim, Panner Sr., HHS
Zenobia Joseph, Travis County resident
Jessica Rio, County Executive, Planning and Budget Office (PBO)
Susanna Ledesma-Woody, Travis County resident

MOTION: Approve Item 4.
MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion

**MOTION
WITHDRAWN:**

RESULT: NO VOTE TAKEN

MOTION: Approve Item 4 with funds already allocated.
RESULT: APPROVED - UNANIMOUS
MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 4 Margaret Gómez
SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 3 Ann Howard

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

5. Consider and take appropriate action to approve Modification No. 4 adding funding for Intensive Mobile Crisis Outreach Team Services for Children and Families to the Main Mental Health Services interlocal agreement with Integral Care for FY21. (Judge Brown & Commissioner Gomez)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

6. Consider and take appropriate action to approve the second amendment to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) Community Development Block Grant CARES Act (CDBG-CV) Contract No. 70200001045 and to approve the amended subrecipient agreement with Meals on Wheels and More, Inc., Travis County Contract No. 4400005642. (Judge Brown & Commissioner Gomez)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

7. Consider and take appropriate action to approve and execute the cooperation agreement with the City of Bee Cave, a non-entitlement/non-participating unit of general local government, which will become a part of the Travis County CDBG service area, for the 2022 and 2023 fiscal years. (Judge Brown & Commissioner Gomez)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

Intergovernmental Relations

8. Consider and take appropriate action on an appointment to the Travis Central Appraisal District Board of Directors (Judge Brown)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

Justice Planning

9. Consider and approve authorizing the Travis County Sheriff to sign and execute Memorandum of Agreement ("MOA") with the Texas Forest Service (TFS) relating to participation in the State-wide Regional Incident Management Team. (Commissioner Gomez)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

Planning & Budget

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

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

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

- A. New application to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs for the Texas Emergency Mortgage Assistance Program in the Health and Human Services Department
(Commissioner Gómez)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

12. Consider and take appropriate action on the following related to negotiation of an economic development performance agreement with Samsung Austin Semiconductor, LLC:

- A. Evaluation and development of potential terms of the agreement;
- B. Modeling of Economic, social and equitable impact of potential terms; and
- C. Other related items.
(This item may be taken into Executive Session under the Consultation with Attorney and Economic Development Negotiations exceptions)
(Commissioner Travillion)

RESULT: NO ACTION NECESSARY

13. Receive briefing and take appropriate action on:

- A. Developing procedures for setting tax rate and appropriate disclosures; and
- B. Setting FY 2022 proposed tax rate.
(This item may be taken into Executive Session under the Consultation with Attorney exception)
(Commissioner Gomez)

Judge Brown announced that Items 13.a-b would be considered in Executive Session pursuant to Gov't. Code Ann. 551.071, Consultation.

Members of the Court heard from:

Travis Gatlin, Budget Director, PBO
Jessica Rio, County Executive, PBO

MOTION: Approve a proposed tax rate for FY 2022, tax year 2021, of 35.7365 cents per \$100 of taxable valuation.
RESULT: **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**
MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 4 Margaret Gómez
SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion
AYES: Andy Brown, Jeffrey Travillion, Ann Howard, Margaret Gómez
ABSENT: Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea

Purchasing

14. Approve contract award for professional engineering services, LedgeStone Terrace at Pen Creek Tributary Drainage Improvements, RFQ No. 2002-007-AR, in the amount of \$167,595.98, to the most highly qualified respondent, Aguirre & Fields, LP. (Transportation and Natural Resources) (Commissioner Travillion)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

15. Approve Modification No. 2, an assignment of Contract No. 4400005223, from Austin Materials, LLC to Asphalt Inc., LLC. (Transportation and Natural Resources) (Commissioner Travillion)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

16. Approve Modification No. 4, an assignment of Contract No. 4400003580, from Industrial Asphalt, LLC to Asphalt Inc., LLC. (Transportation and Natural Resources) (Commissioner Travillion).

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

17. Consider and take appropriate action to:
- A. Declare items as worthless property and authorize equipment to be disposed of through Dell, Inc. pursuant to Texas Local Government Code, Section 263.152(a)(3).
 - B. Authorize Purchasing Agent to destroy or otherwise dispose of as worthless property listed in Exhibit pursuant to Texas Local Government Code, Section 263.152(a)(1). (Commissioner Travillion)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

Technology & Operations

18. Consider and take appropriate action on the following items for Human Resources Management Department:

- A. Routine Personnel Actions
(Commissioners Gomez &
Travillion)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

- 19. Consider and take appropriate action on the Executive Fellowship Agreement between County of Travis and FUSE Corps, a California Nonprofit Corporation.
(Judge Brown)

Members of the Court heard from:

Roger Jefferies, County Executive, Justice and Public Safety (JPS)
Sherri Fleming, County Executive, HHS
Devin Romanul, Director of Strategic Partnership, FUSE

MOTION: Accept and approve these job descriptions as worked through the subcommittees.

RESULT: **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**

MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 3 Ann Howard

SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 4 Margaret Gómez

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

ABSENT: Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea

MOTION: Approve the contract with FUSE to bring the fellows to Travis County.

RESULT: **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**

MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 3 Ann Howard

SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 4 Margaret Gómez

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

ABSENT: Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea

Transportation & Natural Resources

- 20. Consider and take appropriate action regarding approval of agreements with the City of Austin and the Texas A & M Forest Service for wildland fire management activities.
(Commissioner Travillion)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

- 21. Consider and take appropriate action on the following requests:

- A. Approve the Shadowglen Phase 2, Section 22 Final Plat (69 single-family lots, one open space/ drainage lot – 13.719 acres – Silent Falls Way – water and wastewater will be provided by Wilbarger Creek Municipal Utility District No. 1 – City of Manor ETJ); and

- B. Approve the Subdivision Construction Agreement between Travis County and Gehan Homes, Ltd., in Precinct One.
(Commissioner Travillion)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

22. Consider and take appropriate action on the following requests:

- A. Approve the Shadowglen Phase 2, Section 23A Final Plat (83 single-family lots, one open space/ drainage lot – 21.760 acres – Silent Falls Way – water and wastewater will be provided by Wilbarger Creek Municipal Utility District No. 1 – City of Manor ETJ); and
- B. Approve the Subdivision Construction Agreement between Travis County and SG Land Holdings, LLC, in Precinct One.
(Commissioner Travillion)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

23. Consider and take appropriate action on the following requests:

- A. Approve the Shadowglen Phase 2, Section 28 Final Plat (104 single-family lots, four open space/ drainage lots – 41.334 acres – Silent Falls Way – water and wastewater will be provided by Wilbarger Creek Municipal Utility District No. 1 – City of Manor ETJ); and
- B. Approve the Subdivision Construction Agreement between Travis County and SG Land Holdings, LLC, in Precinct One.
(Commissioner Travillion)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

24. Consider and take appropriate action on the following requests:

- A. Approve the Shadowglen Phase 2 Sections 27A and B Final Plat (84 single family lots, 2 open space/ drainage lots – 20.151 acres – Silent Falls Way and Heartland Drive – water and waste water provided by Wilbarger Creek Municipal Utility District No. 1 – City of Manor ETJ);
- B. Approve the Subdivision Construction Agreement between Travis County and Meritage Homes of Texas, LLC. in Precinct One.
(Commissioner Travillion)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

25. Consider and take appropriate action on the following requests:

- A. Approve the Shadowglen Phase 2, Sections 25 and 26 Final Plat (161 single- family lots, five open space/ drainage lots – 31.838 acres – Silent Falls Way – water and wastewater will be provided by Wilbarger Creek Municipal Utility District No. 1 – City of Manor ETJ); and

- B. Approve the Subdivision Construction Agreement between Travis County and SG Land Holdings, LLC, in Precinct One.
(Commissioner Travillion)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

26. Consider and take appropriate action on the following requests associated with the Amarra Multi-Family project in Precinct Three:

- A. Construction Agreement with The Saint June, L.P.; and
B. Cash Security Agreement with The Saint June, L.P., for construction fiscal surety; and
C. Cash Security Agreement with The Saint June, L.P., for performance period fiscal surety.
(Commissioner Howard)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

27. Approve setting a public hearing on August 31, 2021, to receive comments regarding a request to authorize the filing of an instrument to vacate a public utility easement located along the common lot line of Lots 52 & 53, Highland Creek Lakes Section 1, a subdivision in Precinct Three. (Commissioner Howard)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

28. Approve setting a public hearing on August 31, 2021, to receive comments regarding a request to authorize the filing of an instrument to vacate electric easements located on Lots 14 & 15, Block A and Lots 16 & 17, Block A, Hillside at Spanish Oaks, a subdivision in Precinct Three. (Commissioner Howard)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

29. Consider and take appropriate action regarding an exception from platting requirements for the Kellam Road RV Park in Precinct Four. (Commissioner Gomez)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

30. Consider and take appropriate action regarding a request to authorize the filing of an instrument for the partial vacation of Bratcher Subdivision, Lot 2 in Precinct One.
(Commissioner Travillion)

MOTION: Approve Item 30.

RESULT: **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**

MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion

SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 3 Ann Howard

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

ABSENT: Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea

Other

31. Determine composition of Elected Officials Salary Grievance Committee for 2021, as required by Section 152.014 & 152.015 of the Texas Local Government Code.
(Judge Brown)

Members of the Court heard from:
Dana DeBeauvoir, Travis County Clerk

MOTION: Create the nine-member public committee to serve as the Grievance Committee for Elected Officials salary issues.
RESULT: **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**
MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 3 Ann Howard
SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 4 Margaret Gómez
AYES: Andy Brown, Jeffrey Travillion, Ann Howard, Margaret Gómez
ABSENT: Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea

MOTION: That the County Judge draw nine names of public Grand Jury volunteers, and 20 names to serve as alternates.
RESULT: **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**
MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 3 Ann Howard
SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 4 Margaret Gómez
AYES: Andy Brown, Jeffrey Travillion, Ann Howard, Margaret Gómez
ABSENT: Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea

32. Receive briefing and update from Housing Authority of Travis County, Strategic Housing Finance Corporation of Travis County, County Staff, and others regarding mitigation efforts at Rosemont at Oak Valley, located at 2800 Collins Creek Drive, and at any other housing in response to the 2021 Natural Disaster/Catastrophe - Winter Storm that may impact the response to and recovery from COVID-19 and take appropriate action, including but not limited to:

- A. Directing staff to take appropriate steps to assist finding housing;
- B. Allocate necessary funding; and
- C. Any other necessary steps.
(This item may be taken into Executive Session under the Consultation with Attorney exception)
(Judge Brown)

Judge Brown announced that Items 32.a-c would be considered in Executive Session pursuant to Gov't. Code Ann. 551.071, Consultation.

Members of the Court heard from:

Sherri Fleming, County Executive, HHS
Patrick Howard, CEO, Strategic Housing Finance Corporation
Lisa Rheams, Member, Neighbors at Rosemont Tenants Association
Saday Forch, Member, Neighbors at Rosemont Tenants Association
Keica Prince, Member, Neighbors at Rosemont Tenants Association
Linda Hernandez-Padilla, Member, Neighbors at Rosemont Tenants Association
Gabby Garcia, Organizer, BASTA
Erica Cervantes, Member, Neighbors at Rosemont Tenants Association
Delores Eichardo, Member, Neighbors at Rosemont Tenants Association

RESULT: DISCUSSED

33. Consider and take appropriate action to authorize the Travis County Tax Assessor-Collector to enter into an agreement with Lubbock County to assist in processing motor vehicle transactions from dealerships for 30 days with the option to extend the agreement for another 30 days. (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

34. Receive an update on the Colorado River Project, LLC (also referred to as Tesla), and consider and take appropriate action, regarding:
- A. Agreement with Tesla to extend Harold Green Road and status; ¹ & 2
 - B. Permitting and compliance issues; ¹
 - C. Amendment, modification, or extension of Economic Development Performance Agreement, Colorado River Project, LLC (Tesla); ¹ and

- D. Other related issues. 1 & 2
(Commissioner Travillion)

RESULT: NO ACTION NECESSARY

Added

- A1. Approve Modification No. 5 to Contract No. 4400002650 with PFM Financial Advisors, LLC, in the amount of \$63,500.00, for Financial Advisory Services. (Planning and Budget Office) (Commissioner Travillion)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

Adjourn

Minutes Approved by the Commissioners Court

Date of Approval

Andy Brown, County Judge