



Minutes for the Travis County Commissioners Court August 16, 2022 Voting Session

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Call to Order

Meeting called to order on August 16, 2022, in the Travis County Administration Building, Commissioners Courtroom, 700 Lavaca Street, 1st Floor, Austin, TX, Rebecca Guerrero County Clerk, was represented by Deputy Gillian Porter.

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

Absent Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea

County Announcements

Clerk's Note: The County Judge noted that there will be budget hearings on August 17, 18, and 19, 2022, starting at 9am each day and encouraged everyone to tune in and watch the process.

Clerk's Note: The Court wished everyone headed back to school a great first week of school and thanks to the teachers and staff.

Clerk's Note: The County mentioned that the burn ban was still in place, and we are still in high drought conditions, so be careful with anything that might start sparks.

Consent

- C1. Receive bids from County Purchasing Agent. (Commissioner Travillion)
- C2. Approve payment of claims by the County Treasurer. (Judge Brown)
- C3. Authorize the County Treasurer to invest County funds. (Judge Brown)
- C4. Approve the minutes for the Voting Sessions of July 12 and August 9, 2022. (Judge Brown)

MOTION: Approve Items C1-C4.
RESULT: **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**
MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 4 Margaret Gómez
SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 3 Ann Howard
AYES: Andy Brown, Ann Howard, Margaret Gómez
ABSENT: Jeffrey Travillion

Second Consent Motion

MOTION: Approve Items 6, 8, 9.a-g, 11, 12.a-b, 17.a-b, 18, 19.a-b, 20.a-b, 21, 22, 23a-z, and 24.a-g.
RESULT: **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**
MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 4 Margaret Gómez
SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 3 Ann Howard
AYES: Andy Brown, Ann Howard, Margaret Gómez
ABSENT: Jeffrey Travillion

Public Hearings

1. Receive comments regarding a Total Plat Vacation for the Linda Vista Subdivision - (46 total lots – 46 residential lots – 28.89 acres) – FM 973: City of Austin's two-mile ETJ in Precinct Four. (Commissioner Gómez)

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

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

2. Receive public comments on a petition to amend the boundaries of the Turner's Crossing Public Improvement District. (Commissioner Gómez)

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

Members of the Court heard from:

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

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

Resolutions & Proclamations

3. Approve a proclamation honoring the life of Dr. Dorothy Houston Orebo.
(Commissioner Travillion)

Members of the Court heard from:

Dorris Calloway, sister of Dr. Dorothy Houston Orebo.

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

Emergency Services

4. 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

Clerk's Note: The County Judge announced that by taking no action, the prohibition against outdoor burning remains in place.

5. 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. Vaccine distribution, operations, and associated agreements

Members of the Court heard from:

Chuck Brotherton, County Executive, Emergency Services

George Morales III, Constable, Precinct 4

Dr. Jereka Thomas-Hockaday, Dean of Specialty Programs, Central Texas

Allied Health Institute

Pilar Sanchez, County Executive, Travis County Health and Human Services (HHS)

RESULT: DISCUSSED

- B. Periodic update from the Austin/Travis County Public Health Authority
 - C. Other necessary measures and actions, including any legal actions, steps, orders, policies, or communications related to COVID-19 and measures necessary to protect public health and safety of employees and residents (Judge Brown)

RESULT: NO ACTION NECESSARY

Health & Human Services

6. Consider and take appropriate action to approve and ratify amendments to Contract No. 4400006480 between Travis County and Austin Tenants Council (ATC) for the provision of Eviction Preventions Support Services to include updated federal requirements and regulations. (Judge Brown & Commissioner Gómez)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

7. Receive presentation on ECHO Coordinated Entry System. (Judge Brown & Commissioner Gómez)

RESULT: NO ACTION NECESSARY

Planning & Budget

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

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

9. Consider and take appropriate action on the following grant programs, applications, contracts and related special budgets, and permissions to continue:
- A. Annual Application to the FY 2022 Justice Assistance Grant in the Travis County Sheriff's Office
 - B. Annual Contract with the Corporation for National and Community Services (CNCS) for the AmeriCorps Program grant in the Health and Human Services Department
 - C. Annual Contract with the Texas Veterans Commission for the Veterans Court Grant in Travis County Criminal Courts
 - D. Annual Contract for the FY 2021 Justice Assistance Grant in the Travis County Sheriff's Office
 - E. Annual Contract with the Automobile Burglary and Theft Prevention Authority to continue the Sheriff's Combined Auto Theft Task Force Program in the Travis County Sheriff's Office
 - F. Contract Amendment to the Comprehensive Energy Assistance Program grant to extend grant period in Health and Human Services
 - G. Contract Amendment to the Statewide Automated Victim Notification Service (SAVNS) Grant to Reflect New Vendor Name (Commissioner Gómez)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

10. Consider and take appropriate action to approve certain resolutions relating to the Turner's Crossing Public Improvement District, including:
- A. A resolution authorizing an amendment to the boundaries of the District
 - B. A resolution:
 - 1) Determining the costs of certain public improvements to be financed within Lot 95, Block H of Improvement Area #1 of the Turner's Crossing Public Improvement District
 - 2) Approving a preliminary amended and restated service plan and assessment plan, including a proposed updated Improvement Area #1 assessment roll
 - 3) Directing the filing of the proposed Improvement Area #1 assessment roll with the County Tax Assessor-Collector to make available for public inspection

- 4) Noticing a public hearing for September 13, 2022 to consider an order levying assessments on Lot 95, Block H of Improvement Area #1 of the Turner's Crossing Public Improvement District and other matters related thereto
- 5) Directing County staff to publish and mail notice of said public hearing
- C. A resolution approving and authorizing the First Amendment to Turner's Crossing Public Improvement District Financing Agreement
- D. A resolution approving and authorizing the Amended and Restated Turner's Crossing Public Improvement District Improvement Area #1 Funding Agreement
- E. A resolution approving and authorizing the First Amendment to Turner's Crossing Public Improvement District Improvement Area #1 Acquisition and Reimbursement Agreement
- F. A resolution consenting to the issuance of "Travis County Development Authority Contract Assessment Revenue Bonds, Series 2022 (Turner's Crossing Public Improvement District Improvement Area #1 Project)"; resolving other matters incident and related to the issuance of such bonds; and providing an effective date. *(This item may be taken into Executive Session under the Consultation with Attorney exception, Texas Government Code §551.071)* (Commissioner Gómez)

Members of the Court heard from:

Christy Moffett, Director, Economic Development & Strategic Investments,
PBO
Julie Joe, Assistant County Attorney

MOTION: Approve Items 10.a-f.
RESULT: **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**
MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 4 Margaret Gómez
SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 3 Ann Howard
AYES: Andy Brown, Jeffrey Travillion, Ann Howard, Margaret Gómez

Purchasing

- 11. Approve Modification No. 5 to Contract No. 4400004014 with Huitt-Zollars, Inc., in the amount of \$42,160.00, for the Bridge on Spicewood Springs Road/Low Water Crossing #1 Drainage/Stream-Crossing Design. (Transportation & Natural Resources) (Commissioner Travillion)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

Technology & Operations

12. 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

13. Consider and take appropriate action on Travis County Juvenile Probation Department's recruitment and retention plan for operational positions in the detention, residential treatment, facilities support, and medical services areas. (Commissioners Travillion & Gómez)

RESULT: NO ACTION NECESSARY

14. Consider and take appropriate action to extend accrued COVID Emergency Paid Sick Leave (EPSL), to allow eligible employees to access any unused portion of the original 80 hours provided effective August 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022. *(This item may be taken into executive session under the Consultation with Attorney exception, Texas Government Code §551.071)* (Commissioners Travillion & Gómez)

Judge Brown announced that Item 14 would be considered in Executive Session pursuant to Gov't. Code Ann. 551.071, Consultation.

MOTION: Extend the accrued COVID Emergency Paid Sick Leave (EPSL) to allow eligible employees to access any unused portion of the original 80 hours provided effective August 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022.

RESULT: APPROVED - UNANIMOUS

MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion

SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 4 Margaret Gómez

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

15. Reconsider and take appropriate action on the revised Travis County Juvenile Probation Job Classifications that were approved by Commissioners Court on August 2, 2022 (Commissioners Travillion & Gómez)

RESULT: NO ACTION NECESSARY

Transportation & Natural Resources

16. Consider and take appropriate action on a Total Plat Vacation for: Linda Vista Subdivision - (46 total lots – 46 residential lots – 28.89 acres) – FM 973: City of Austin's two-mile ETJ in Precinct Four. (Commissioner Gómez)

MOTION: Approve Item 16.
RESULT: **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**
MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 4 Margaret Gómez
SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 3 Ann Howard
AYES: Andy Brown, Ann Howard, Margaret Gómez
ABSENT: Jeffrey Travillion

17. Consider and take appropriate action on the following request regarding the streets and drainage in Turner's Crossing North Phase 1 in Precinct Four:

- A. Acceptance of the dedication of public street and drainage facilities as dedicated by the Turner's Crossing North Phase 1
- B. Acceptance of a proposed License Agreement with the Turner's Crossing Residential Community, Inc. for improvements within the public right of way (Commissioner Gómez)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

18. Consider and take appropriate action regarding a plat for recording: Spicewood Point - Final Plat Subdivision - (18 total lots – 13 residential and 5 landscape lots and right-of-way – 65.54 acres) – Paleface Shore Drive: Travis County Only - No ETJ in Precinct Three. (Commissioner Howard)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

19. Consider and take appropriate action regarding the following requests:

- A. Plat for recording: Whisper Valley Village 1, Phase 3 Final Plat (Long Form Final Plat – 268 total lots on 79.67 acres – Braker Lane - City of Austin's Limited Purpose) in Precinct One
- B. Subdivision Construction Agreement between Travis County and WVV1P3, LP (Commissioner Travillion)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

20. Consider and take appropriate action on the following requests for Mirador Phase 1:

- A. Conditional approval of the Mirador Phase 1 Final Plat, approval subject to the completion of the outstanding items listed in the review comment report that has been sent to the applicant (134 single-family lots, one commercial lot, 3 three landscape/ drainage lots – 41.148 acres – Pearce Lane – water and wastewater provided by the City of Austin – City of Austin's two-mile ETJ)
- B. Approve the Subdivision Construction Agreement between HTSC Pearce Ln Owner, LP, and Travis County in Precinct Four (Commissioner Gómez)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

21. Set a public hearing on September 13, 2022, to receive comments concerning a temporary detour and restriction of all traffic on Hunters Bend Road beginning on or about Saturday, October 15, 2022, and continuing through Sunday, October 16, 2022, or until work is complete in Precinct One (Commissioner Travillon).

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

Other

22. Receive revised Fiscal Year 2022 Forfeited Property Account budget from the District Attorney's Office in accordance with the provisions of Article 59.06(d) of the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure. (Judge Brown)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

23. Consider and take appropriate action regarding new contracts to provide election services for the following entities located in Travis County for the November 8, 2022 election

- A. Austin Community College
- B. Barton Springs Edwards Aquifer Conservation District
- C. City of Jonestown
- D. City of Lago Vista
- E. City of Rollingwood
- F. Cottonwood Creek MUD No. 1
- G. Cypress Ranch WCID No. 1
- H. Hurst Creek MUD
- I. Lake Travis Community Library District
- J. Northtown MUD
- K. Presidential Glen MUD
- L. Round Rock ISD
- M. Southeast Travis County MUD No. 1

- N. Travis County MUD No. 2
- O. Travis County MUD No. 14
- P. Travis County WCID - Point Venture
- Q. Travis County WCID No. 10
- R. Travis County WCID No. 20
- S. Travis-Creedmoor MUD
- T. Village of the Hills
- U. Village of Volente
- V. Vista MUD
- W. West Bank Community Library
- X. Wilbarger Creek MUD No. 1
- Y. Wilbarger Creek MUD No. 2
- Z. Williamson County WSID No. 3
(Judge Brown)

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

- 24. Consider and take appropriate action to approve the seven attached License Agreements as Early Voting and Election Day polling sites for the November 8, 2022 General and Special Elections
 - A. Elevate Event
 - B. Genesis Presbyterian
 - C. Peace Lutheran Church
 - D. Riverbend Centre
 - E. BRE RC Southpark
 - F. Unity Church of the Hills
 - G. Westoak Woods Baptist Church

RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT

25. Consider and take appropriate action to adopt an Order amending sections of the Travis County Code to include LGBTQIA+ protections, such as adding sexual orientation, gender identity and expression to the protected class of individuals throughout the Code, including Chapters 2, 28, 109, 110, 112, 277, 278, and 481, and as approve as non-substantive changes to the County Code to correct singular use and plural pronouns to gender-neutral pronouns. (Judge Brown)

Members of the Court heard from:

Shannon Weidauer, Director, Human Resources Management Department (HRMD)

MOTION: Approve Item 25.
RESULT: **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**
MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 3 Ann Howard
SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 4 Margaret Gómez
AYES: Andy Brown, Jeffrey Travillion, Ann Howard, Margaret Gómez

26. Consider and take appropriate action related to declaration of local state of disaster issued August 9th, 2022 regarding the Monkeypox Virus, including but not limited to:

- A. Receive update from health officials
- B. Continuing the declaration of local state of disaster regarding the Monkeypox virus
- C. Take any other action necessary to preserve public health and safety (Judge Brown)

Members of the Court heard from:

Pilar Sanchez, County Executive, HHS
Dr. Janet Pichette, Chief Epidemiologist, Austin Public Health (APH)
Ana Almaguel, Planning Project Manager, HHS
Ann-Marie Sheely, Division Director, Travis County Attorney's Office

MOTION: Continue the declaration of emergency in Item 26.b.
RESULT: **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**
MOVER: Commissioner Precinct 3 Ann Howard
SECONDER: Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion
AYES: Andy Brown, Jeffrey Travillion, Ann Howard, Margaret Gómez

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

27. Receive briefing and take appropriate action regarding Travis County information security issues. ¹ & ⁶ (Judge Brown)

RESULT: NO ACTION NECESSARY

Adjourn

Minutes Approved by the Commissioners Court

Date of Approval

Andy Brown, County Judge